

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Programming and Allocations Committee**

June 10, 2009

Item Number 6

California Transportation Commission Update

Subject: Update on the May 2009 California Transportation Commission Meeting

Background: The California Transportation Commission is responsible for the programming and allocation of funds for the construction of highway, passenger rail and transit improvements throughout California. The CTC consists of eleven voting members and two non-voting ex-officio members. Of the eleven voting members, nine are appointed by the Governor, one is appointed by the Senate Rules Committee, and one is appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly. The San Francisco Bay Area has four (4) CTC members in its geographic area: Bob Alvarado, Jim Ghielmetti, Carl Guardino, and Phil Tagami. The CTC meets regularly throughout the year.

May CTC Meeting (May 13-14, Sacramento, California)

The CTC met in May and discussed several key issues affecting the region:

Allocation of Delayed Bond Construction Projects

Due to the successful state sale of bonds in April as well as the commitment of federal stimulus funds, the CTC was able to allocate a number of projects that have been delayed because of the state's lack of cash. The following projects were allocated at the May CTC meeting:

- SR-24 Caldecott Tunnel Fourth Bore, \$92.7 million state funds
- US-101 Central HOV in Sonoma Co., \$89.2 million state funds
- I-580 Connector to US-101 in Marin Co., \$15.3 million state funds

Federal Stimulus Funded SHOPP Project Allocated

Savings from other ARRA-funded SHOPP projects allowed the CTC to allocate \$2.9 million for traffic management devices on I-280 in San Mateo County.

CTC Support of AB 744 (Torrico)

The CTC took a support position on AB 744, which would allow BATA to create a 800-mile High Occupancy/Toll lane network in the Bay Area.

State TE Projects to be Funded by Federal Stimulus

The CTC was scheduled to consider and approve a list of nearly \$30 million worth of TE projects to be funded by the state's share of the federal stimulus. MTC anticipates at least two projects on this list: \$2.5 million for the US-101 Bike/Ped Bridge in Belmont, and \$0.4 million for US-101 Native Revegetation in Marin County. The item was deferred to June, however, due to additional review from the governor's office.

Issues: No issues.

Recommendation: Information. No action required.

Attachments: No attachments.