

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

October 14, 2009

Item Number 5

California Transportation Commission Update

Subject: Update on the September 2009 California Transportation Commission Meetings

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. The San Francisco Bay Area has four (4) CTC members in its geographic area: Bob Alvarado, Jim Ghielmetti, Carl Guardino, and Patrick Mason.

September CTC Meeting (September 9-10, Long Beach, California)

Workshop on the Draft 2010 STIP Fund Estimate and Guidelines

Caltrans and CTC presented the Draft 2010 STIP Fund Estimate, which includes the funds available for programming in the 2010 STIP. Unfortunately, due to declining revenues and state budgetary actions, no new funding will be available for programming except for federal Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds. The region will have a programming target of about \$26 million in federal TE funds.

Discussion of the FY 2009-10 STIP Allocation Plan

Caltrans is forecasting a \$380 million shortfall in allocation capacity for the current year of the STIP. Therefore, CTC staff proposed an allocation plan that prioritizes certain projects for allocation, including bond and capacity expansion projects. The CTC deferred the item in order to receive regional input on the allocation plan priorities.

Draft Guidelines for SB 4 (Public Private Partnership and Design Build)

The CTC reviewed draft guidelines for the implementation of SB 4, which allow more flexible project funding mechanisms. The CTC discussed at length various requirements to encourage private participation in Public Private Partnerships. The Commission expects to approve the final guidelines at the October CTC meeting.

Issues: No issues.

Recommendation: Information. No action required.

Attachments: No attachments.