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ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 3976

This resolution finds that the Transportation 2035 Plan and 2011 Transportation Improvement Program is in conformance with the State Implementation Plan (SIP) to achieve National Ambient Air Quality Standards.

Further information is contained in the Programming & Allocations Committee summary sheet dated October 13, 2010.

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RE: Approval of the Transportation-Air Quality Conformity of the Transportation 2035 Plan and 2011 Transportation Improvement Program to the State Implementation Plan for Achieving and Maintaining National Ambient Air Quality Standards

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION NO. 3976

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to California Government Code Section 66500 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, MTC is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area region (the region); and

WHEREAS, the current Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is the Transportation 2035 Plan, adopted by the Commission on April 22, 2009 (MTC Resolution No. 3893); and

WHEREAS, MTC staff has prepared the 2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which has been presented to the Commission for its approval under separate action (MTC Resolution 3975); and

WHEREAS, the RTP and the TIP must conform to the State Implementation Plan (SIP), the federal air quality plan for the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Bay Area air basin was designated by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as nonattainment for the fine particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) standard in December 2009, and so MTC must demonstrate conformance to this standard through an interim emissions test until a PM<sub>2.5</sub> SIP is approved by U.S. EPA;

WHEREAS, MTC staff has prepared a transportation air quality conformity analysis for the Transportation 2035 Plan and 2011 Transportation Improvement Program in accordance with the Bay Area Air Quality Conformity Protocol (MTC Resolution No. 3757); and

WHEREAS, said conformity analysis is referenced in Attachment A of this resolution, and is incorporated herein as though set forth at length; and

WHEREAS, the conformity analysis has been circulated for the required 30-day public comment review period per MTC Resolution No. 3757, and as a result of the extension of the comment period for the 2011 TIP, an additional 26-day public comment was added, totaling a comment period of 56 days; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that MTC finds that the Transportation 2035 Plan and 2011 Transportation Improvement Program:

(A) Conforms to the applicable provisions of the State Implementation Plan and the applicable transportation conformity budgets in the SIP approved for the national 8-hour ozone standard and national carbon monoxide standard, and to the interim emissions test for the national fine particulate matter standard; and

(B) Provides for the timely implementation of Transportation Control Measures from the applicable State Implementation Plan; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Executive Director shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the U.S. Department of Transportation for its approval of MTC's conformity findings, along with a copy of the 2011 TIP to US DOT and other agencies as appropriate.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Scott Haggerty, Chair

The above resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of the Commission held in Oakland, California, on October 27, 2010.

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**Transportation Air Quality Conformity Analysis  
for the Transportation 2035 Plan and 2011 Transportation Improvement Program**

A copy of the Conformity Analysis is on file at the MTC/ABAG Library located in the Joseph P. Bort MetroCenter, 101 Eighth Street, Oakland, California 94607.