

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

June 13, 2012

Item Number 6

California Transportation Commission Update

Subject: Update on the May 2012 California Transportation Commission Meeting

Background: The California Transportation Commission is responsible for programming and allocating state 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 three (3) CTC members residing in its geographic area: Bob Alvarado, Jim Ghielmetti, and Carl Guardino.

May CTC Meeting (May 23, Sacramento, California)

The Commission discussed the following issues of significance to the Bay Area:

CMIA Project Allocations – Bay Area Program Complete

The CTC allocated nearly \$370 million in state funds to twelve Bay Area Proposition 1B Corridor Mobility Improvement Account (CMIA) projects this month. With these allocations, all Bay Area CMIA projects are now delivered. These funds will construct needed traffic congestion relief projects in the region, including on such corridors as I-580 in Alameda County, I-880 in Alameda and Santa Clara Counties, and US-101 in Marin, Sonoma, and Santa Clara Counties.

Proposition 1A High Speed Rail Bond Connectivity Program Amendment

The CTC received an informational item on the Proposition 1A High Speed Rail Bond Connectivity Program. CTC staff is working with project sponsors to clarify project scope, and expect to bring the program amendment to the June CTC meeting for approval. The Bay Area's proposal includes a set of interrelated projects that support the blended system strategy along the Peninsula Corridor from San Jose to San Francisco (as adopted under MTC Resolution No. 4056).

New Programming of Proposition 1B Traffic Light Synchronization Program

The CTC programmed and allocated \$3.4 million in Proposition 1B TLSP funds to the Smart Corridors project in San Mateo County. Earlier segments of the Smart Corridors project realized award savings, and this programming allows for the next segment of the project to be completed.

Issues: Over the past few months, CTC staff has been working with the Port of Oakland on their Proposition 1B Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF) projects. Specifically, CTC staff has questions about project scope and funding. MTC staff continues to work with the Port and CTC staff to develop a baseline agreement amendment for the project. MTC staff anticipates actions in the upcoming months, and will update the Committee in July if any actions are necessary.

Recommendation: Information. No action required.

Attachments: None