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Memorandum

TO: Commission

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FR: Legislation Committee

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RE: Committee Recommendations

The Legislation Committee met on April 11, 2014 and referred five items to the Commission:

- **SB 1077 (DeSaulnier): Vehicle-Miles-Traveled Pilot Fee Program.** SB 1077 requires the California Department of Motor Vehicles to develop and implement a pilot program to assess various issues related to implementing a vehicle-miles-traveled (VMT) fee in California.

Committee Recommendation: Support and Seek Amendment to change the agency in charge from the DMV to Caltrans.

- **AB 1721 (Linder): Express Lanes; Clean Fuel Vehicles.** AB 1721 would exclude the Riverside County Transportation Commission's planned I-15 high-occupancy toll "express" lanes from a state law requiring toll-free passage for low-emission vehicles that have qualified for and obtained a Clean Air Vehicle "white sticker" or an advanced technology partial zero-emission vehicle (Enhanced ATPZEV) "green sticker" decal.

Committee Recommendation: Support and seek amendment to broaden legislation to remove the clean vehicle toll exemption for express lanes statewide, rather than for a single facility in Southern California.

- **AB 2651 (Linder)/AB 2728 (Perea): Restoration of Vehicle Weight Fees for State Highway Account.** These bills would end the policy of diverting vehicle weight fees from the State Highway Account (SHA) to pay debt service on transportation bonds originally enacted by the Legislature and passed by the voters as General Obligation bonds to be paid for with general revenue.

Committee Recommendation: Support and seek amendment to make both bills permanent and effective July 1, 2015, and to allow one additional fiscal year for the transition back to the General Fund covering the entire cost of transportation bond debt service.

- **SB 990 (Vidak): State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)/Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funds: Five percent Set-aside for Disadvantaged Small Communities.** SB 990 (Vidak) would require counties to set aside five percent of their Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) county share for “Small Disadvantaged Communities.”

Committee Recommendation: Oppose SB 990 (Vidak).

- **Regional Endorsement of Bay Area Projects for Federal TIGER 6 Grants.** Regional endorsement of eight Bay Area projects competing for federal discretionary funds through the TIGER 6 program and approval for MTC to submit applications for funding.

Committee Recommendation: Support the Regional Endorsement of Bay Area Projects on the attached list.