

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission  
Programming and Allocations Committee**

February 11, 2015

Item Number 5

**California Transportation Commission Update**

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**Subject:** Update on the January 2015 California Transportation Commission Meeting.

**Background:** The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is responsible for programming and allocating certain state funds for the construction of highway, passenger rail, non-motorized facilities, 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 Chair Carl Guardino.

**January CTC Meeting (January 22, Sacramento, California)**

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

**2015 Active Transportation Program Draft Fund Estimate and Guidelines**

The CTC received information on the draft ATP Fund Estimate (FE) and Guidelines. The 2015 ATP is expected to have similar funding levels as the 2014 ATP, with \$180 million available for programming from the Statewide ATP, and \$30 million from the Regional ATP. CTC expects to adopt the final FE and Guidelines at its March meeting. MTC is preparing the Regional ATP Guidelines, on the February Committee and Commission meeting for consideration. The Regional Guidelines will be submitted for CTC consideration at its March meeting.

**STIP Supplemental Funds Approved**

The CTC approved \$5.5 million in supplemental funds for the US-101 Marin-Sonoma Narrows – Petaluma River Bridge Widening project in Sonoma County. Caltrans requested additional funds due to environmental issues encountered during construction. As we have learned on the Bay Bridge east span demolition project, birds and bridge construction don't mix well. CTC also approved \$3.8 million in SHOPP funds from the project risk reserves for the US-101 Presidio Parkway project due to right-of-way access fees.

**Other CTC Actions / Items**

The CTC also discussed the following:

- Road Usage Charge Technical Advisory Committee. The CTC finalized the committee composition of the Road Usage Charge TAC, and its first meeting was on January 23.
- Various Comments on Plans and Guidelines. The CTC received and provided comments on the Interregional Transportation Strategic Plan and the Cap and Trade Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program Guidelines.
- Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment. The CTC received a presentation highlighting that an additional \$80 billion is needed over the next 10 years in order to bring the local streets network

to a good state of repair. The CTC will examine funding options with the Legislature.

- STIP Amendments Approved. CTC approved two STIP amendments for projects in Palo Alto and San Jose.
- ATP Allocations. CTC approved allocations of Active Transportation Program funds, including \$2.7 million for the East Bay Greenway in Alameda County and \$3.6 million for the Napa Vine Trail.
- Carl Guardino will step down as CTC Chair at the end of February, and Lucy Dunn will become the new Chair, with Bob Alvarado becoming the new Vice Chair.

**Issues:** None.

**Recommendation:** Information. No action required.

**Attachments:** None