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Memorandum

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RE: 2009 Regional Transportation Plan Schedule Update

Background

MTC is in the process of developing the 2009 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). This update called the Transportation 2035 Plan, consists of a “vision” of the region’s future along with a new set of goals from the Transportation 2030 Plan. A new framework for the proposed goals known as the Three Es, is shown in Attachment 1.

At the joint Regional Bicycle Working Group (RBWG) and the Regional Pedestrian Committee (RPC) meeting on April 16, 2007, MTC planner Ashley Nguyen, presented the RTP Vision and Goals. Detailed RTP discussion takes place at MTC’s Partnership Technical Advisory Committee (PTAC) every other month where the agenda is devoted to discussing these items in depth.

Schedule

An outline of important dates in the Transportation 2035 are shown below. Some of the dates are not final and will be determined at a later time. RBWG members are encouraged to attend these meetings and provide input.

June 28, 2007 One meeting open to the general public is planned. The discussion will cover the approach to the development of the Transportation 2035 Plan and linkages to FOCUS priority development areas. The discussion also will center on the proposed revisions to the Transportation 2035 goals, and planned scenario performance assessment.

October 2007 In late October, MTC and ABAG will co-host a joint regional forum during which ABAG will announce proposed FOCUS Priority Development Areas as well as proposed Priority Conservation Areas; and MTC will provide results from its scenario performance assessment that will inform a preliminary Transportation 2035 Vision. Public comment will be sought on how the region can implement the priority areas, address key issues like climate change, and meet proposed transportation goals.

July 2007 MTC’s Planning Committee will approve the RTP Goals and Vision Framework

November 2007 CMAs submit projects/programs for the 2035 Vision.

December 14, 2007 MTC’s Planning Committee will receive a draft 2035 Vision.

January 11, 2008 The Planning Committee will approve the 2035 Vision. This will kick-off the discussion of the financially constrained project list.

Transportation 2035 Plan: Three Es Principles & Goals

The Transportation 2035 vision seeks to achieve the classic principles commonly referred to as the Three Es – economy, environment, and equity – through its policies and investment strategies. Our long-range plan will invest in an innovative system that supports a prosperous and globally competitive economy, provides for a healthy and safe environment, and produces equitable opportunities for all Bay Area residents to share in the benefits of a well-maintained, efficient regional transportation system. For each of the Three Es, there is a set of more specific goals. These goals are safety, security, reliability, freight, clean air, climate change, access, and livable communities.

