



**Board Meeting  
January 13, 1999  
6:00 p.m.**



Solano Transportation Authority

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Martin Tuttle  
Executive Director

**MEETING NOTICE**

**January 13, 1999**  
**STA Board Room**  
**333 Sunset Avenue, Suite 230**  
**Suisun City, CA**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**6:00 p.m.**

**MISSION STATEMENT - SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

**Delivering transportation projects to ensure mobility, travel safety, economic vitality, and quality of life in Solano.**

**ITEM**

- 1.0 CALL TO ORDER - CONFIRM QUORUM**
- 2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 3.0 APPROVE SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR 1999**
- 4.0 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
- 5.0 COMMENTS/UPDATE FROM STAFF, CALTRANS, AND MTC**
- 5.1 Presentation of STA Annual Award to Captain Jim Young, California Highway Patrol (Don Erickson)**
- 5.2 Status Report on the Highway 37 Project (Katie Yim, Vince Bonner, Caltrans District 4)**
- 6.0 OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 7.0 CONSENT AGENDA (Any consent item can be pulled for discussion)**
- 7.1 Approve Minutes of Meeting of December 9, 1998 Page 31**
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- 7.3 Authorize Amendment of Contract with Michael Jones and Associates for Printing of BikeLinks Maps (Dan Christians) Page 39**
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- 8.3 **Authorize the Executive Director to Enter Into Contract with Grandy and Associates for I-80 Reliever Route Management Services with STIP Funds**  
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DATE: January 5, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Michelle Morris Brubaker  
RE: Approve Selection of Chair and Vice-Chair for 1999

The JPA provides that the STA Board will appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair each year. Chairman Erickson was appointed in January 1998. Vice-Chair Rischa Slade was appointed in January 1998.

Recommendation:

Select a Chair and Vice-Chair for 1999.



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Agenda Item 4.0  
January 13, 1999

MEMORANDUM

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Members: DATE: January 5, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Michelle Morris Brubaker  
RE: INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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*The following is a brief status report on some of the major issues and projects currently being advanced by the STA. An asterisk (\*) notes items included on this month's Board agenda.*

**\*Staff:** Martin Tuttle's last day at STA was December 18. Effective December 21, I am serving as the Interim Executive Director until a permanent replacement is hired. A status report on the Executive Director recruitment process is outlined in agenda item 10.5.

**Solano Travel Safety Plan:** The final plan was approved at the STA Board meeting in December. Copies will be provided to Board members at the meeting and will also be distributed at the January TAC meeting. Additional copies are available upon request.

**\*Highway 37:** Caltrans will provide a status report on the Highway 37 widening and interchange project to the Board in item 5.2. Caltrans has reported an \$11.6 million shortfall for constructing the project. Caltrans District 4 staff and STA staff have proposed that this shortfall be covered by \$2.9 million in Solano's 1998 STIP augmentation funds and \$8.7 million in IIP funds.

**Interregional Improvement Program:** Caltrans is in the process of selecting projects for the discretionary Interregional Improvement Program. Three projects have been nominated that are located within Solano County: 1. funds for the Highway 37 project (as described above), 2. PS&E (preliminary engineering) for Highway 12 widening between Route 29 and I-80 and 3. PS&E for I-80 widening in and near Vacaville. Staff have written a letter in support of these projects (attached).

**\*Federal TEA 21 Funds:** The Board-approved projects submitted to compete for the discretionary 25% operations/safety program will be reviewed by MTC and the outcome should be known by February/March (\$41-43 million available region-wide). STA staff is requesting authorization to submit applications for three projects as described in agenda item 9.2. As outlined in item 8.1, STA staff is recommending projects for the 75% fund rehabilitation/replacement program (\$5.2 - \$6.9 million available for Solano) for approval.

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**\*1998 STIP augmentation:** In December, the Board adopted a list of projects for the 1998 STIP augmentation funds. After further review by the jurisdictions, several minor corrections were made to the project list. Staff recommends approval of this revised list of projects for \$11.6 million in agenda item 7.5.

**\*Reliever Route:** MTC staff has recommended \$30,000 in funding for Phase II of the I-80 Reliever Route Corridor Concept Plan to be matched by \$15,000 (already approved) in STA project development funds. Receipt of these funds is contingent upon approval by the Commission. More detail is provided in agenda item 8.2.

**Measure F:** The SEDCORP Transportation Action Team met on December 4 to review the results of Measure F (76% approval) and discuss potential "next steps" to assist the STA in implementing the transportation plan. They recommended that the STA set up a Citizens Advisory Council to monitor the progress of projects in Measure F and consider any future steps. Staff is talking to other agencies with citizens advisory councils to learn what others have done. Mary McCarthy, president of SEDCORP, and I will be meeting with Carl Guardino of the Silicon Valley Manufacturing Group at the end of the month to discuss what has worked well for Santa Clara County.

**McGary Road:** On December 21, Dan Christians met with Fairfield Public Works Director Ron Hurlbut and representatives of Caltrans, BAAQMD, and the bicycle community to receive an update on the McGary Road closure. Because the Caltrans preliminary investigation on the Red Top Slide is not due until this June, there was no major new information provided. Mr. Hurlbut indicated that the temporary barriers closing the road are going to be replaced with fencing. However, he is committed to continuing to work with the STA and bicycle community on ways to fund the improvements needed to reopen McGary Road for bicycling and other access. A recent letter updating the STA on the overall situation is attached.

**Solano Bikeway:** The BAAQMD has advised the STA that the \$392,000 grant awarded us in 1997 will expire on February 3, 1999, unless the construction is under contract by City of Vallejo by that date. Despite efforts to move the project forward, the STA and Vallejo will not meet the deadline due to various extenuating circumstances. A Resolution requesting the Air District extend our grant to June 30, 1999 because of reasons beyond the control of the STA is included in this packet. A meeting with the BAAQMD to further discuss the matter is scheduled for January 6.

**Bay Area Transportation Blueprint for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century:** MTC is developing a blueprint aimed at improving the Bay Area's transportation network. The goal is to integrate various plans, strategies and ideas into a single coordinated effort that will set priorities and identify potential funding sources for repairing and upgrading the Bay Area's roads and transit systems. A press release and fact sheet on the blueprint are attached.

**1999 Meeting Schedule:** A meeting schedule is attached with dates for the STA Board, TAC and SolanoLinks Intercity Transit Consortium meetings for 1999.

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***Upcoming events***

January 13	Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Board meeting in Suisun City
January 21	Contra Costa Transportation Authority/STA Subcommittee in Benicia
January 26	SolanoLinks Consortium in Suisun City
January 27	Metropolitan Transportation Commission meeting in Oakland
January 27	STA TAC meeting in Suisun City
January 29	Meeting with Mary McCarthy of SEDCORP and Carl Guardino of the Silicon Valley Manufacturing Group
February 10	STA Board meeting in Suisun City

***Attachments***

Priority project status report, key correspondence, newspapers clippings and 1999 meeting schedule

**STA Project Development Fund  
1998-99 Priority Projects - Status Report  
(listed in alphabetical order)**

Project Lead Agency	Allotted PDF Funds	Matching Funds	Claimed PDF Funds	Status
<b>Benicia-Martinez and Carquinez Bridge Projects</b> Benicia, Caltrans, STA, Vallejo	*	*	*	-Redesigned interchange proposed for Benicia Bridge -BCDC approved construction permit for Carquinez Bridge on 11/19 -Groundbreaking for grading at southern approach of Benicia Bridge Project delayed
<b>Capitol Corridor</b> CCJPB, STA	\$5,000	*	\$3,400	-5th roundtrip began October 25 -Negotiations ongoing with landowner for parking improvements at Fairfield/Suisun
<b>Electric Vehicles</b> STA	\$5,000	*	\$0	-Consultant services to assist in funding and implementing electric vehicle infrastructure
<b>Federal Lobbyist</b> STA	\$15,000	*	\$4,500	-Received a \$1 million bus purchase appropriation -Reliever Route earmark for \$14.45 million and Wilson Ave for \$ .75 million in TEA 21 legislation
<b>Highway 12 Improvements</b> Caltrans, Rio Vista, STA, Suisun City	*	*	*	-Corridor study funding app. for Highway 12 is on final list -CTC approved \$33.3 million for shoulder widening and vertical curve corrections in the 1998 SHOPP -Construction to extend 4 passing lanes scheduled to start in the year 2000
<b>Highway 37 Project</b> Caltrans, STA, Vallejo	*	*	*	-\$101 million programmed to fully fund the Highway 37 project including the 37/29 interchange in the 98 STIP -In 12/98, Caltrans reported a \$11.6 million shortfall. Caltrans and STA have proposed to fund with combination of regional discretionary (IIP) STIP funds. -FHWA signed the ROD 6/98
<b>I-80/680 Auxiliary Lanes</b> Caltrans, STA	*	*	*	-CTC approved \$6.9 million to fully fund the project in the 98 STIP
<b>I-80 Reliever Route - Corridor Concept Plan</b> STA	\$15,000	\$5,000	\$0	-Land Use community mtg held on 10/14, Phase 1 complete -MTC staff recommended \$30,000 for Phase 2, pending Commission approval
<b>I-80 Reliever Route - Implementation ***</b> STA	\$22,000	*	\$11,990	-EIS/R and basemapping contract authorized 11/98 -Leisure Town Road extension opened -Grandy and Associates selected to provide support services to the project
<b>Intercity Transit Plan - Implementation</b> STA	*	*	*	-Marketing contract for FY 1998-99 awarded to MIG -Updated brochure and route ads have been completed
<b>Mare Island Access Study</b> Vallejo	\$10,000	*	\$0	-Vallejo is seeking local match for the federally financed study to improve access to Mare Island
<b>Miscellaneous Project Development **</b>	\$3,000	*	\$0	-For assistance in completing grant applications and leveraging funds for project development
<b>Red Top Slide</b> Fairfield, STA	*	*	*	-Assist Caltrans and Fairfield with funding requests for the necessary repairs to the area
<b>Solano Bike Route Plan - Implementation ****</b> STA	\$19,971	\$8,000	\$15,968	-Completing BikeLinks map with \$8,000 YSAQMD funds -Caltrans approved \$144,000 BLA funds and \$50,000 YSAQMD for Old Davis Road bike lanes
<b>Solano Bikeway (along I-80 in Vallejo)</b> Vallejo	\$10,000	*	\$9,539	-Completed biological and environmental analysis -Regional TFCA funding in jeopardy. Meeting with BAAQMD staff scheduled.
<b>Solano Transportation Plan - Implementation</b> STA	\$10,000	*	\$9,858	-Advisory Measure F passed overwhelmingly on 11/3 -Plan has been distributed
<b>Traffic Safety Project Study</b> STA	\$25,000	*	\$20,645	-Solano Travel Safety Plan approved 12/98
<b>Vacaville CNG Facility</b> Vacaville	*	*	*	-Design process initiated -Funds transferred to FTA
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$139,971</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>	<b>\$75,900</b>	

\* No funds allotted at this time

\$147,971

\*\* Initially budgeted at \$15,000. In July, Board approved \$12,000 to I-80 Reliever Route Implementation

\*\*\* Initially budgeted at \$12,000. In November, Board approved additional \$10,000 to a total of \$22,000.

\*\*\*\* Initially budgeted at \$15,000. In November, Board approved additional \$4,971 for a total of \$19,971.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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December 15, 1998

Mr. Don Erickson, Chair  
Solano Transportation Authority  
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Suisun City, CA 94585

*DM*  
Dear Mr. Erickson:

I want to express my appreciation to you and the Solano Transportation Authority for honoring Caltrans – District 4 with its first annual Agency of the Year award. Please know that I and my staff hold the STA in high regard and looks forward to a long, cooperative and fruitful relationship in the future.

Sincerely,

*Harry Y. Yahata*  
HARRY Y. YAHATA  
District Director

cc: Michelle Morris Brubaker  
Interim Executive Director, STA



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Robert Wolf, Chairman  
California Transportation Commission  
1120 N Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Wolf:

At their December meeting, the Board of Directors of the Solano Transportation Authority unanimously approved a proposal to target \$2.9 million of its available county share in the 1998 STIP augmentation to help complete the long-standing Highway 37 4-lane freeway and Highway 37/29 interchange project in Vallejo.

As part of Solano's final bid list for our share of the Regional Improvement Program, the \$2.9 million is proposed contingent upon being matched with \$8.7 million from Interregional Improvement Program funds to fully fund the Highway 37 project. If fully funded, we intend to work closely with Caltrans to design and construct the project in a timely manner.

We think that this project ideally meets the California Transportation Commission's objectives for the interregional improvement program. It would greatly enhance interregional commerce by reducing travel time in this now congested portion of the corridor, connecting markets on the North Coast to the Bay Area and Central Valley (Highway 101 to Interstate 80). Successful reuse of the recently closed Mare Island Naval Shipyard is also linked to the improvements.

In addition, we support PS&E funds for the Highway 12 widening between Route 29 and Interstate 80 and the I-80 widening in and near Vacaville, both of which are in the 1998 Regional Transportation Plan for the San Francisco Bay Area.

Thank you for your consideration of these most important projects.

Sincerely,

Michelle Morris Brubaker  
Interim Executive Director

Cc: Dean Dunphy, Secretary, Business, Transportation and Housing Agency  
Mr. James van Loben Sels, Director, Caltrans



# CITY OF FAIRFIELD

*Incorporated December 12, 1903*

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Department of Public Works

December 17, 1998

Martin Tuttle  
Executive Director  
Solano Transportation Authority  
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Subject: McGary Road

Dear Marty:

McGary Road has been closed to public use for nine months. I thought it would be helpful to review with you and your Board the City's activities to secure funding for repair and restoring the road to public access.

In the early 1990s, the City instituted weekly inspection tours of McGary Road due to ongoing landslide activity adjacent to the City limits near Lynch Canyon. In 1996, City personnel inspected McGary Road on a Friday and during that weekend there was a serious single vehicle accident that resulted in two people being injured. We believe the causing element of the accident was pavement displacement due to the landslide. The City lost the lawsuit.

Outlined below is a summary of recent events:

- February 28, 1998, due to serious pavement displacement in a number of locations along McGary Road, I personally ordered the closure of McGary Road.
- March 5, 1998, the City hosted a meeting with Caltrans, California Highway Patrol, Sheriffs Office, Solano County Transportation Department, Solano County Office of Emergency Services, City of Vallejo, Cordelia Fire Department, Suisun Fire District, and the Fairfield Police and Fire Departments. During the meeting Caltrans staff presented technical

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information about the two major slides affecting Interstate 80 and McGary Road. There was a general discussion about detour requirements if the supporting soil was displaced enough to create dangerous conditions on the interstate. During the meeting, City staff announced that McGary Road was closed to through traffic and that it was our intent to host a public hearing before the City Council requesting official closure of McGary Road.

- April 10, 1998, I received a letter from the STA expressing their concern about the closure of McGary Road and its importance as a regional facility and its role as a route in the regional bicycle facilities.
- April 20, 1998, Caltrans memorandum noted a review of their classification map showing McGary Road "...to be functionally classified as a local road - i.e. less than a minor collector. Therefore, it would not qualify for federal-aid under FHWA' Emergency Relief Program,..."
- April 21, 1998, the City Council held a public hearing on McGary Road. At the completion of the public hearing, the City Council adopted a resolution ordering the temporary closure of McGary Road between Red Top Road and the Fairfield City limits adjacent to Lynch Canyon.
- April 29, 1998, I talked with several staff members from the local Federal Highways Administration informing them of the City Council's intent to visit Washington DC staff seeking funding for the repair of the landslide on Interstate 80 and the restoration of McGary Road.
- In May, our City Manager and four of our City Councilmembers went to Washington DC and visited with members of our congressional representatives, Federal Highways Administration staff, and FEMA staff. One of the items they pursued was funding for the repair of Interstate 80 slides and repair of McGary Road. As a result of that trip, there have been follow-up visits by Barbara Boxer's staff which you and Caltrans staff participated in.
- May 13, 1998, Councilman Steve Lessler and I participated in the STA meeting re the McGary Road information item. In that presentation Harry Yahata, Director Caltrans District IV, and Skip Sowko noted there are two landslides affecting I80 between Red Top and American Canyon

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interchanges. The largest landslide affects 4,000 feet of I80 and McGary Road. That slide is occurring in bed rock and extends from the hill on the west, several hundred feet below I80, McGary Road and American Canyon Creek, and intersects the hills to the east. Caltrans staff noted it is not economically feasible to repair the landslide, they are trying to reduce its rate of movement. City staff agreed to work with STA staff to study repair alternatives for McGary Road.

- May 13, 1998, Steve Lessler and I made a presentation to the STA about conditions under and adjacent to McGary Road which caused the City to close the road to public access.
- June 15, 1998, City Staff submitted a formal request for emergency funding (DAR) to Federal Highway Administration via Caltrans District IV. They note McGary Road is not on the FAU system and not eligible for ER funding. They forward the DAR to FEMA for review.
- August 1998, FEMA reviews McGary Road and American Canyon Creek for funding eligibility. FEMA staff noted the City could apply for funding, but FEMA would only release money after Caltrans had stabilized the landslide. In addition, FEMA grants must be spent within 18 months. City did not apply for FEMA funding because the landslide continues to move.
- August 12, 1998, Staff from the STA, Caltrans, and City of Fairfield hosted a briefing session and tour of McGary Road for two members of Senator Barbara Boxer's staff. Senator Boxer made a subsequent effort to amend federal legislation which became TEA-21. Her efforts were not successful.
- August 15, 1998, at approximately 2 a.m., a sheriff's deputy discovered a bicyclist who had an accident adjacent to pavement displacement on McGary Road. Unfortunately that individual died as a result of that accident.
- September 21, 1998, I personally conducted a tour of McGary Road with a number of individuals representing local and regional bicycle clubs pointing out the reasons the city was going to fence McGary Road closed.
- October 15, 1998, the City hosted a public meeting. We invited emergency response agencies and adjacent property owners to coordinate details of fencing both sides of the landslide area on McGary Road. We discussed the City's intent to provide key access to those agencies and property owners, but we wanted to make sure everyone was aware that there are hidden defects under and adjacent to McGary Road.

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In mid December, I have agreed to participate in a meeting with regional bicycle representatives, Caltrans staff, and a staff member from the STA about bike route alternatives.

In summary, the City has been unsuccessful in securing approximately \$2 1/2 million to repair and reopen McGary Road to public use. We believe the current road is dangerous and therefore should not be opened to public access.

The City Council has taken the position that McGary Road shall be closed until structural repairs are made. The cost to restore McGary Road to public use is well beyond the city's financial capacity. The City of Fairfield would welcome assistance from the STA on restoring McGary Road to public use.

Enclosed for your information and your Boards information is a copy of the resolution the City Council adopted on April 21, 1998 directing closure of the road

Sincerely,



RONALD L. HURLBUT  
Director of Public Works

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Enclosure: Resolution 98-71

cc: Kevin O'Rourke, City Manager  
Greg Stepanicich, City Attorney  
George Pettygrove, Mayor  
Noreen O'Regan, Councilmember  
Steve Lessler, Councilmember  
Karin MacMillan, Councilmember  
Harry Price, Councilmember

CITY OF FAIRFIELD

RESOLUTION NO. 98- 71

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD  
ORDERING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF McGARY ROAD  
BETWEEN RED TOP ROAD AND THE CITY LIMITS

WHEREAS, unsafe, hazardous driving conditions currently exist on McGary Road between Red Top Road and the City limits. These conditions have been caused by a major landslide adjacent to Interstate 80. This landslide has resulted in substantial damage to McGary Road between Red Top Road and the City limits. Two portions of the road have suffered significant pavement failure. The damage also includes significant longitudinal cracking of the roadway and the falling away of portions of the shoulder. The efforts to date by CalTrans to stop the earth movement have not been successful. Thus, the repair work performed by the City on McGary Road has been unavailing as damage and deterioration to the roadway continues to occur. The roadway cannot be repaired adequately until the landslide is abated successfully by CalTrans. Until such time, keeping McGary Road open to the public between Red Top Road and the City limits will create significant hazards and danger to the travelling public and expose the City to substantial liability risks. For this reason, this portion of McGary Road is required to be closed temporarily until permanent repairs can be made; and

WHEREAS, on April 21, 1998, the City Council held a noticed public hearing on the proposed road closure. In addition to published notice, written notice was given to all owners of property immediately adjacent to the portion of the road proposed for closure along with all affected public agencies. Such agencies concur with the road closure proposal.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD:

The City Council hereby orders the temporary closure of McGary Road between Red Top Road and the Fairfield City limits until such time that permanent repairs can be made to such portion of the road to make it safe for general vehicular traffic. Such closure shall be effected by locked gates which may be accessed only by emergency response vehicles and owners of the adjacent land.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of April, 1998, by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmembers	<u>LESSLER/MACMILLAN/O'REGAN/PRICE/PETTYGROVE</u>
NOES:	Councilmembers	<u>None</u>
ABSENT:	Councilmembers	<u>None</u>
ABSTAIN:	Councilmembers	<u>None</u>
		<u>George Pettygrove</u> MAYOR

ATTEST:

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City Clerk



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## NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

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MTC To Produce  
21st Century Blueprint

### Major New Effort to Improve Bay Area Transportation

OAKLAND, Calif., Dec. 15, 1998. . . Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Chair James P. Spering said today that on Wednesday, Dec. 16, he will propose a concentrated, year-long planning effort aimed at improving the Bay Area's transportation network.

"The goal," Spering said, "is to integrate a host of disparate plans, strategies and ideas into a single coordinated effort that will set priorities and identify potential funding sources for repairing and upgrading the Bay Area's roads and transit systems. If approved by the Commission at its meeting tomorrow, we will begin immediately to develop a 'Bay Area Transportation Blueprint for the 21st Century' that will be completed by December 1999.

"Transportation has been ranked by record numbers as the #1 problem in the region by the Bay Area Council Poll," Spering noted. "With the population continuing to expand and the economy burgeoning, the pressures on our already stressed transportation system will continue to grow."

A number of ideas and concepts have been put forth — both by MTC and other interested groups — to improve and expand the Bay Area's highway and

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transit networks, all of them beyond the reach of current resources to pay for them, MTC Executive Director Lawrence D. Dahms said.

The proposals include a \$20-billion-plus high-speed rail system to link Los Angeles, the Central Valley and the Bay Area, a major expansion of ferry service on San Francisco Bay, and passenger rail service on the Bay Bridge. Last November, voters in Marin and Sonoma counties supported adding carpool lanes on U.S. Highway 101 and building commuter rail service but failed to pass tax measures to pay for them. Solano County also approved a package of unfunded transportation improvements. In addition, MTC is conducting three major studies that focus on the Transbay Terminal in San Francisco, the Interstate 680 Sunol Grade and State Route 24, including a possible fourth bore in the Caldecott Tunnel.

"We need to examine whether these potential improvements are compatible with each other, how they can be coordinated with land use planning for the Bay Area's future growth and how projects will be funded," Dahms said.

MTC's recently adopted 1998 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) outlines how \$88 billion in federal, state and regional revenue anticipated over the next 20 years can be spent to operate and maintain the existing transportation system. During this same timeframe, MTC projects the Bay Area will be short \$6 billion to repair local streets and roads and that public transit systems will lack funds to do necessary seismic safety work and replace worn-out vehicles. The proposed Blueprint will take the next step, setting priorities for regional transportation projects and recommending how they can be funded with additional resources beyond those committed in the RTP.

Dahms noted that the year 2000 would be the next opportunity for voters to consider how to pay for transportation projects through possible measures such as a statewide sales or gas tax, a statewide bond measure, a regional gas tax, county sales taxes or a rollover of the BART property tax.

MTC is the transportation planning, coordinating and financing agency for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area. Further details on the Bay Area Transportation Blueprint for the 21st Century are in the attached fact sheet.



## Bay Area Transportation Blueprint for 21st Century

### Preamble

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) adopted the 1998 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) in October 1998. By law, the plan may only include transportation projects that the region can afford with expected federal, state, and local revenue over the next 20 years. More than 80% of the RTP's \$88 billion in resources are devoted to operating and maintaining the existing transportation system, yet even this sizable commitment will leave \$6 billion in needed local road repairs unfunded. The Commission has directed staff to prepare an RTP amendment for approval in the Spring of 1999 that will close a currently projected \$375 million shortfall in transit capital projects, but this figure significantly understates the rehabilitation needs of public transit such as seismic retrofit of the BART system and bus and rail vehicle replacement for San Francisco Muni.

Moreover, the dynamic growth of the Bay Area will not wait until we complete the unfinished business of maintaining our existing transportation infrastructure. Between 1990 and 2020, the region will add another 1.7 million people and 1.3 million jobs. This additional population and economic activity will place even greater pressures on an already stressed transportation system. As a result, a number of disparate and (until now) uncoordinated efforts have been launched to explore improvements and expansions of the Bay Area's highway and transit networks – all of them beyond the financial reach of current resources. These efforts include, but are not limited to, the following:

- **High Speed Rail** - The California High Speed Rail Authority is developing a \$20+ billion plan for building a high speed rail link between Los Angeles, the Central Valley, and the Bay Area. A financing plan may be presented to state voters in November 2000.
- **Rapid Water Transit** - The business-sponsored Bay Area Council is expected to release a report in spring 1999 proposing a major expansion of passenger ferry service on San Francisco Bay.
- **Bay Bridge Rail** - At the November 1998 election, voters in San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley, and Emeryville expressed interest in re-introducing rail service on the Bay Bridge. The feasibility of running trains on the existing western span and the possibility of an entirely new rail crossing or tube could be explored.
- **Marin, Sonoma, and Solano Plans** - Also at the November general election, voters in Marin and Sonoma counties expressed their strong support for adding carpool lanes to U.S. 101 and instituting commuter rail service in the North Bay, but failed to approve the accompanying tax measures to pay for those projects. Voters in Solano county also approved a plan of transportation improvements.

- MTC Resolution 1876 - The region's existing rail expansion program, which was approved by the commission in 1988, already has delivered the East Bay BART extensions. The Tasman West light rail line in Silicon Valley and the BART extension to San Francisco Airport are under construction. MTC is about to begin a review of the "next generation" of rail, bus, and other public transit extensions in the region.
- Transbay Terminal - This transit hub at First and Mission Streets in downtown San Francisco has been the subject of much debate and controversy. MTC has just commenced a study of three improvements options: renovation of the existing building, replacement of the building at the same site, and relocation of the terminal to a new site at Howard and Beale Streets.
- Corridor Studies - From time to time, MTC undertakes detailed studies of various highway corridors in the Bay Area. In the last four years, specific improvements have been proposed for the following corridors: I-80 leading to the Bay Bridge, I-580 over the Altamont Pass, and Hwy. 37 in the North Bay. New corridor studies of the I-680 Sunol Grade and State Route 24 -- including the possibility of a fourth bore for the Caldecott Tunnel -- are now underway.

### Work Plan

Are all these potential transportation improvements compatible with each other? How will these new transportation initiatives come together with land use planning to help the Bay Area cope with future growth? How will any of these projects be funded? How do we ensure that the region's ongoing commitment to maintain the existing transportation system isn't forgotten in the rush to expand? As the region's transportation planning agency, MTC is uniquely positioned to answer these questions -- with the assistance of its partners in the public and private sectors.

Over the course of the next year, MTC will lead a regional effort to integrate these various plans, strategies, and ideas into a single Bay Area Transportation Blueprint for the 21st Century. The effort will begin immediately and conclude by December 1999. The year 2000 is not only an important symbol of the turning of the new century, it also marks the next opportunity for voters to consider funding measures (either at the March primary or November general elections) to implement projects in the Blueprint. These funding measures could take many forms, such as a statewide sales or gas tax, a statewide bond measure, a regional gas tax, county sales taxes, or a rollover of the BART property tax.

The Blueprint planning effort will be overseen by MTC's Executive Committee, which is composed of the Chair, Vice Chair, and committee chairs and vice chairs of the commission. The planning effort will be undertaken in cooperation with the Bay Area Partnership, which is composed of the chief executive officers of the Association of Bay Area Governments and the region's major transportation and environmental agencies (a roster of the Bay Area Partnership is attached). The Partnership's planning work will include outreach to relevant state and federal officials, the business and environmental communities, and the general public.

# Getting it into gear

## Local transit planning must get moving

**E**lected officials should have plenty of ammunition to move ahead with aggressive plans to improve the transit system in Solano County before our roadways become the bumper-to-bumper rivers that exist in neighboring counties to the west.

Riding Interstate 80 and the arteries that feed the major highway proves to any motorist that congestion is coming. Once an eight-minute ride, the trip from Vacaville to Fairfield can be a half-hour of anxiety on holidays and weekend evenings.

Does the voting public see the need to institute some type of improvement plan? Absolutely.

Frustrated by sluggish traffic, Bay Area residents say transportation is the region's biggest problem, according to a new poll. Transportation has long held the top spot in the list of regional concerns. But this year, it soared to a new high in the annual poll. Four of 10 of those surveyed identified it as more pressing than crime, education, pollution and jobs.

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"This is an emphatic response," observed Sunne Wright McPeak, president and chief executive of the Bay Area Council, a public affairs organization sponsored by regional businesses. "The fact that this many Bay Area residents

cite transportation as our top problem, in response to an open-ended question nonetheless, should send an unmistakable message to the region's policy-makers."

Sixty-one percent of those surveyed said the region's highway system was worse than the previous

year, while 48 percent said road conditions had deteriorated and 36 percent said public transportation was worse.

In 1997, motorists in the Bay Area lost an average of 90,000 hours per day sitting in gridlock.

Solano Transit Authority, in conjunction with Solano Economic Development Corp., is pursuing a multifaceted transit improvement plan. Local officials should more than embrace it; they should begin implementing it.



Teresa Willis/The Reporter

Sue Buckley of Dixon Read-Ride was honored as transit employee of the year Wednesday.

## Transit backers saluted

By Mike Adamick  
Staff Writer

*Rep.*  
(12.10.98)

The Solano Transportation Authority honored those who make navigating local streets easier at an inaugural awards ceremony in Suisun City on Wednesday.

"The challenge of maintaining mobility in Solano County requires public sector and private sector partnerships to be successful," said Dixon Mayor Don Erickson, STA chairman.

"It's great to be recognized," said Billie Cole, a lead dispatcher for Vacaville City Coach, who was given special recognition as transit employee of the year. "I'm very delighted."

Susan Buckley, of Dixon Read-Ride was named Transit Employee of the year for her efforts to make rides more enjoyable for passengers.

Buckley started work in July 1992 and has since amassed a near-perfect driving record, growing familiar with her riders in a time when ridership has almost doubled, said Solano County Supervisor John Silva.

"Susan embraces change, not challenges it and performs a wide variety of tasks from driving to scheduling to record-keeping," Silva said.

Jim Fisk was given special recognition as advisory committee member of the year.

A Dixon bicycle shop owner, Fisk is pleased to see Dixon develop with bicycles in mind as a mode of transportation. He has seen the town grow from 4,000 people to 14,000 people and says the city is an excellent place to put bicycles at the fore of transportation programs.

The night at the Suisun City Harbor Theater saw seven awards in various categories handed out for contributions that make transportation easier in the county.

Vallejo's Traffic Signal Interconnect Program was hailed as a way to reduce congestion by ensuring a driver, going the speed limit, would have green lights throughout a stretch of road.

Vacaville's Regional Transportation Center was lauded for providing easier access to Bay Area mass transit as well as offering a large, local park-and-ride depot. It was named project of the year.

Business of the Year went to Herman Goelitz Candy Company in Fairfield, which not only provided candy for the Measure F campaign but room at its factory for meetings.

The Agency of the Year award went to Vallejo Transit for providing quality multi-city service.

Partner of the Year honors went to Gary Andrews with Solano Economic Development Corporation. The Vacaville Reporter received special honors for news and editorial coverage of transportation.

# Much more to grow

## Solano population could be 698,000 by 2040

From staff and wire reports <sup>Rep.</sup> (12-19-98)

Solano County will follow the state trend and nearly double in size by the year 2040, according to new state figures.

Solano's population will increase by 81.5 percent over the next four decades, jumping from 384,847 people today to 698,430 people by July 1, 2040.

Whites make up 56.4 percent of Solano's population now. By 2040, they will represent only 40.4 percent.

Hispanics will jump from 14.9 percent to 23 percent of the county's pop-

ulation while Asian populations grow from 14 percent to 20.9 percent.

The state's population will nearly double, to almost 60 million people, and Hispanics will make up about half of the state's residents by 2040, officials predicted.

The Department of Finance, in its first long-range projection of population growth in five years, estimated that California will have 58.7 million people by July 1, 2040.

As of last July 1, the state's population was projected to be 33.5

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### Population projections for Solano County

	Total	Whites	Hispanics	Asians	Blacks	Native Americans
1998	384,847	217,354	57,510	54,231	53,112	2,640
2000	399,841	222,234	60,650	58,775	55,478	2,704
2010	479,136	244,353	80,791	82,785	68,124	3,083
2020	552,105	262,147	103,040	102,297	81,259	3,362
2030	625,619	274,590	130,197	124,036	93,216	3,580
2040	698,430	282,281	161,059	146,088	105,284	3,718

Source: California Department of Finance

Reporter graphic

## Population ...

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million.

Whites make up 51.6 percent of Californians now. By 2040 they will represent 30.7 percent.

Hispanics, on the other hand, will jump from 29.8 percent to 47.8 percent.

The Asians and Pacific Islanders' share of the population will also grow, from 11 percent to 15.5 percent, but the percentage of blacks will drop from 8.8 to 5.5.

Mary Heim, assistant acting chief of the state finance department's demographic research unit, said the big growth among Hispanics in the state will be due to three factors: birth rate, age and migration.

"The Hispanic population is younger, so they are less at risk of dying," she said. "They also have higher fertility, so they are gaining from a natural increase, and at the same time we have net migration of Hispanics. So they gain through all three components of population change."

The report also predicts that by 2040:

- The state's median age will jump from 31 in 1990 to 33 in 2040.

- Five more counties — Contra Costa, Fresno, Kern, San Joaquin and Ventura — will have populations of a million or more, bringing the total to

13 out of 58.

- Colusa, Imperial, Riverside and Madera will be the fastest-growing counties, each at least doubling in population since 1990.

- Only one county, San Francisco, will lose population.

Department spokesman H.D. Palmer said the current projection for 2040 is actually 4.6 million below what the department estimated in 1993, the last time the state did a long-range forecast.

He said the difference is due to a lower overall birth rate and the fact that the 1993 projection did not fully take into account the impact of the recession earlier in this decade on migration out of the state.

Jerry Meral, executive director of the Planning and Conservation League, an environmental group, said the state's projections could be low but were still "horrifying."

He said the state needs to do more to promote family planning and to try to concentrate growth in existing urban areas to reduce sprawl.

If that doesn't happen, he said, "We would just almost blanket a lot of the state with cities. We've got to channel that growth ... and increase densities in areas where it's well tolerated."

# 'Silver Gate' name might bridge years

By John Scheibe  
Staff Writer

TH 12/24/98

San Francisco has the Golden Gate Bridge. And Solano County could soon have the Silver Gate Bridge.

Construction of the \$380 million bridge, which will replace the narrow Carquinez Bridge, built in 1927, already is under way. For weeks now, workers have been driving piles into the southern bank of the Carquinez Strait. Caltrans officials hope to have the new suspension bridge, with its elegant 400-foot-high

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towers, open before 2003.

And by that time, Benicia Mayor Jerry Hayes hopes to have convinced state officials to name the structure The Silver Gate Bridge.

Hayes said there are good historical reasons for giving the bridge its silver name.

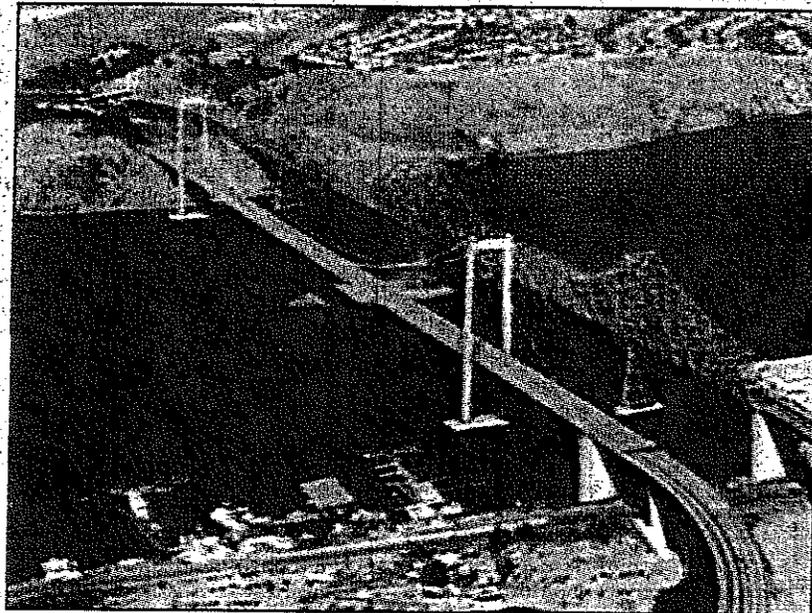
"Many years before the Carquinez Bridge was ever built, even back in the late 19th century, the Carquinez Strait was known as the Silver Gate," said Hayes, who remembers visiting the old Carquinez Bridge as a boy with his father.

"My father always referred to the bridge as the Silver Gate Bridge, and so did a lot of people who lived around here," Hayes said recently from his Vallejo office. Hayes said local officials have asked Assemblywoman Helen Thomson, D-Solano, to introduce legislation so the structure will be christened the Silver Gate Bridge.

The replacement of the old Carquinez Bridge comes as work also begins on building a new eastern half of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge. State officials say both bridges must be replaced in the interest of earthquake safety.

A \$70 million seismic retrofit also is under way for the second and newer Carquinez Bridge, which was completed in 1958 and carries eastbound traffic.

Caltrans officials say neither the construction of a new western bridge over the Car-



The current Carquinez Bridge (right) will be replaced by a new suspension bridge shown in a computer-generated rendering (left), scheduled for completion in 2002. Benicia Mayor Jerry Hayes wants the structure to be named the Silver Gate bridge.

quinez Strait, nor the seismic retrofit of the eastern bridge, should disrupt traffic much.

"The old Carquinez Bridge will stay open to traffic until a new bridge is built," said Caltrans spokesman Bart Ney.

The new bridge will be built to the west of the old bridge. Once it is completed, Caltrans officials will tear down the old steel cantilever bridge.

Travelers had to cross the Carquinez Strait by ferry before the old bridge was built. It was an often tortuous journey across the swift flowing waters.

The ferry service came about in 1917 and was started by Vallejo grocery store owner Aven Hanford and wholesale grocery salesman Oscar Klatt.

By 1922, the ferry was carrying an estimated 400,000 cars

and trucks annually. Hanford and Klatt eventually decided to build a bridge because of increasing demand for the ferry service.

The bridge builders completed the bridge on May 21, 1927, just 25 months after construction began and only hours after Charles Lindbergh completed his solo flight across the Atlantic.

The state of California bought the bridge in 1940. But as the volume of traffic increased, state officials decided to build a parallel bridge in 1955. The new bridge was made of steel, three times stronger than what was used in the 1927 bridge.

Tougher seismic regulations, combined with big earthquakes across California during the past decade and an ever-increasing volume of tra-

ffic, have sounded the death knell for the old bridge.

Just like the Golden Gate Bridge, the 3,350-foot-long bridge across Carquinez has a suspension design. Designers say such a design was chosen not only for its aesthetic qualities but for its technological superiority to other competing designs, including cable-stayed and arched bridges.

The 82-foot-wide bridge will have four lanes of traffic. And it will accommodate a light-rail train system connecting Vallejo to the Bay Area Rapid Transit. It also will have 10-foot-wide shoulders, something the current bridge lacks.

Transportation officials say since the new bridge is being designed and built to last 125 years, it will have enough space to accommodate as yet undeveloped transportation technologies.

# Officials scuffle over Bay Bridge redesign

The Associated Press

**'We can't satisfy all the competing interests on this issue. We'll proceed with our plan.'**

— Denis Mulligan  
Caltrans program manager

SAN FRANCISCO — The state Transportation Department faces almost certain legal challenges as it moves ahead with a plan to replace a heavily used bridge that was badly damaged in a 1989 earthquake.

The department, known as Caltrans, is moving forward with plans to place the eastern span of the Bay Bridge north of the current structure, a design that the Metropolitan Transportation Commission recommended in June.

Denis Mulligan, program manager of the Toll Bridge Program, said Caltrans was bracing for lawsuits and expected that many would be filed in June, when the choice is expected to be finalized. However, he said, a delay in construc-

tion seemed unlikely.

"Every large project we do gets sued," Mulligan said. "The question is how often and by whom. We can't satisfy all the competing interests on this issue. We'll proceed with our plan."

Caltrans made its announcement Monday, rejecting five alternatives. The bridge is expected to cost \$1.5 billion.

Caltrans has begun design of the northern alignment of the bridge, drilling in various areas across the San Francisco Bay to determine seismic

responses on the Bay floor.

"Our motivation, why we're not sitting on our hands, is we live in a seismic zone. . . . It's prudent to proceed as expeditiously as possible," Mulligan said.

The upper deck of the eastern span collapsed during the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake. That quake registered 7.1 on the Richter scale and killed 63 people in the Bay area.

Mayor Willie Brown was said to be disappointed with Caltrans' decision, a

spokesman said. The Brown administration favors a span that would be constructed on the southern side of the existing bridge.

"It seems as though Caltrans is buying themselves a lawsuit," said Ron Vinson, the mayor's spokesman. "San Francisco will continue to fight for an environmentally friendly southern alignment. We will continue to work with the city of Oakland, the Port of Oakland, the Federal Highway Administration, the Coast Guard, Navy and other entities to develop a consensus for moving forward with the southern alignment."

But the Port of Oakland and East Bay Regional Park District oppose a southern alignment because it would cut into property they use.

If there are no delays, Caltrans plans to begin construction of the new eastern span in 2000 and complete it in 2004.

As designed, the single-tower suspension bridge would be positioned to cut into the northeastern edge of Yerba Buena Island that San Francisco hopes to redevelop once the Navy releases the property to the city. The design calls for five lanes in each direction, two 20-foot shoulders and a 15-foot-wide bicycle and pedestrian path.

After approving a northern alignment two years ago, Brown changed his position when he realized that the new span and ramps would wreak havoc with the redevelopment plans for the island. He has since proposed a span south of the bridge.

opposed by both San Francisco Mayor Willie Brown and the Navy.

The state agency announced on Monday that it favored the route recommended by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission in June.

The decision all but assures a legal fight over the plan, meaning a probable delay in the bridge's construction which is designed to make it safer in an earthquake. A section of the span collapsed in the 1989 Loma Prieta quake.

The Navy has blocked Caltrans from completing design work on Yerba Buena Island, which houses the tunnel connecting the two sections of the span.

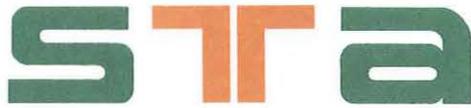
Brown wants a southern route. He and the Navy say the northern route would conflict with plans to build homes on the island.

If there are no delays, Caltrans plans to begin construction of the span in 2000 and finish in 2004.

— By The Associated Press

## Bay Bridge Reporter 12/30/98 Dispute over design

Caltrans wants to place the new eastern section of the Bay Bridge north of the current span, a design



Solano Transportation Authority

1999 MEETING SCHEDULE

<b>JANUARY:</b>	January 13	STA Board Meeting, Suisun City
	January 26	SolanoLinks Consortium, Suisun City
	January 27	TAC Meeting, Suisun City
<b>FEBRUARY:</b>	February 10	STA Board Meeting, Suisun City
	February 24	SolanoLinks Consortium, Suisun City
	February 24	TAC Meeting, Suisun City
<b>MARCH:</b>	March 10	STA Board Meeting, Suisun City
	March 31	SolanoLinks Consortium, Suisun City
	March 31	TAC Meeting, Suisun City
<b>APRIL:</b>	April 14	STA Board Meeting, Suisun City
	April 28	SolanoLinks Consortium, Suisun City
	April 28	TAC Meeting, Suisun City
<b>MAY:</b>	May 12	STA Board Meeting, Suisun City
	May 26	SolanoLinks Consortium, Suisun City
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<b>JUNE:</b>	June 9	STA Board Meeting, Suisun City
	June 30	SolanoLinks Consortium, Suisun City
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<b>JULY:</b>	July 14	STA Board Meeting, Suisun City
	July 28	SolanoLinks Consortium, Suisun City
	July 28	TAC Meeting, Suisun City
<b>AUGUST:</b>	None	No STA Board meeting
	None	No SolanoLinks Consortium meeting
	None	No TAC meeting
<b>SEPTEMBER:</b>	September 8	STA Board Meeting, Suisun City
	September 29	SolanoLinks Consortium, Suisun City
	September 29	TAC Meeting, Suisun City
<b>OCTOBER:</b>	October 13	STA Board Meeting, Suisun City
	October 27	SolanoLinks Consortium, Suisun City
	October 27	TAC Meeting, Suisun City
<b>NOVEMBER:</b>	November 10	STA Board Meeting, Suisun City
	TBD	SolanoLinks Consortium, Suisun City
	TBD	TAC Meeting, Suisun City
<b>DECEMBER:</b>	December 8	STA Board Meeting, Suisun City
	TBD	SolanoLinks Consortium, Suisun City
	TBD	TAC Meeting, Suisun City



DATE: January 6, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Don Erickson  
RE: Presentation of STA Annual Award to Captain Jim Young, California Highway Patrol

Captain Jim Young could not attend the Awards Ceremony held December 9 at the Harbor Theatre, but will be accepting the Partner of the Year (Special Recognition) Award at the January 13 meeting.

Captain Young, while heading the CHP's Solano office, assigned staff (Sergeant Jim Weddell) to work with the STA on safety issues and successfully sought additional funding to increase CHP's visibility on Highway 12. Captain Young also testified in support of Assemblymember Helen Thomson's Legislation to make Highway 12 a "double-fine zone."

*Agenda Item 5.2  
January 13, 1999*



DATE: January 5, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Michelle Morris Brubaker  
RE: Status Report on the Highway 37 Project

Katie Yim and Vince Bonner from Caltrans, District 4 will give the STA Board a status report on the Highway 37 project to build a 4-lane freeway and Highways 37/29 interchange.



DATE: January 6, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Michelle Morris Brubaker  
RE: CONSENT AGENDA (Any consent agenda item can be pulled for discussion)

Recommendation:

That the STA Board approves the following attached consent items:

1. Minutes of Meeting of December 9, 1998
2. Draft minutes of December 21, 1998 TAC meeting
3. Amendment of Contract with Michael Jones and Associates for Printing of BikeLinks Maps
4. Amendment of Contract with Grandy and Associates for I-80 Reliever Route Management Services with Project Development Funds
5. Final 1998 STIP Augmentation Funds Program
6. Adopt Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Annual Plan
7. Welfare to Work Update
8. Authorization to Sign Agreements with Project Sponsors for 1998-99 Transportation Fund for Clean Air Program



**SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

**Minutes of Meeting of  
December 9, 1998**

**1.0 Call to Order - Confirm Quorum**

Chairman Erickson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. A quorum was confirmed.

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>	Jerry Hayes Don Erickson Steve Lessler Marci Coglianese John Silva Jim Spering Rischa Slade Dan Donahue	City of Benicia City of Dixon City of Fairfield City of Rio Vista County of Solano City of Suisun City City of Vacaville City of Vallejo
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<b>MEMBERS ABSENT:</b>	None
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<b>ALSO PRESENT:</b>	Maryam Babaki Dan Cherrier Don Reynolds Alan Nadritch Morrie Barr Kevin Daughton Bob Grandy Paul Hom Pam Belchamber Gary Leach Bernice Kaylin Martin Tuttle Michelle Morris Brubaker Dan Christians Matt Todd Stacy Medley Michael Segala	Caltrans Caltrans Caltrans City of Benicia City of Fairfield City of Fairfield Grandy and Associates City of Vacaville City of Vallejo City of Vallejo League of Women Voters STA STA STA STA STA STA Suisun City (Alternate)
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## **2.0 Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was unanimously approved by the STA Board on a motion by Jim Spring with a second by Rischa Slade.

## **3.0 Executive Director's Report**

Martin Tuttle updated the Board on following items:

- Reliever Route Land Use/Transportation Study Subcommittee on December 14
- Budget Revisions
- Recruitment Process for a New Executive Director
- Highway 37
- SEDCORP Transportation Action Team
- Carquinez Replacement Bridge Construction
- Next CCCTA/STA meeting in January
- Retirement of Bill Hein at MTC
- Awards Reception/Ceremony following meeting at 5:30 p.m.

## **4.0 Comments/Update from Staff, Caltrans, and MTC**

Michelle Morris Brubaker passed around her new business cards. Matt Todd said that the Caltrans Highway 12 State Planning Grant application has made it through the initial steps and is awaiting final approval by FHWA. Marci Coglianese asked how the Highway 12 corridor study was described and Matt responded that the study limits are from I-80 to I-5. Maryam Babaki from Caltrans introduced her self and said that she could provide more information on the study, if requested. Don Reynolds said that James van Loben Sels would be leaving as Caltrans Director on January 4. Jim Spring, Chair of MTC, said that Steve Heminger would be replacing Bill Hein who is retiring from the Deputy Executive Director position at MTC.

## **5.0 Public Comment**

None

## **6.0 Consent Agenda**

The following items were unanimously approved by the STA Board on a motion by Dan Donahue with a second by Jim Spring:

- 6.1 Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of November 6, 1998**
- 6.2 Approve Minutes of Meeting of November 11, 1998**
- 6.3 Approve Draft minutes of November 23, 1998, TAC meeting**
- 6.4 Authorize STA Chairman to Send Letter Requested by Bicycle Advisory Committee on the Status of McGary Road as a Bicycle Route**
- 6.5 Approve Mid Year STA 1998-99 Budget Revisions**
- 6.6 Approve TIP Amendment Request from the City of Rio Vista for Main Street Improvement Project**
- 6.7 Approve State Transit Assistance Fund Request of City of Vacaville for CNG Fueling Facility**

- 6.8 Defer Negotiations of Transfer of Solano Commuter Information to STA until New Executive Director is appointed**
- 6.9 Welfare to Work Update**
- 6.10 Approve Policy on Alternate Members**
- 7.1 Approve Final 1998 STIP Augmentation Applications**

Michelle Morris Brubaker passed around an amended list of projects, dated December 9, 1998, recommended for 1998 STIP Augmentation funding. She said that the \$2.9 million recommended for the Highway 37 project would be programmed contingent on Caltrans programming \$8.7 million in IIP funds. If those IIP funds are not obtained, then the \$2.9 million would be reprogrammed.

Chairman Erickson said that he was very pleased how the program came together in a very short time frame.

Marci Coglianesse asked what the difference was between the list in the agenda packet and the one received this afternoon. Michelle said that the agenda packet list represented all the application requests made and the today's list included only those projects recommended for funding within the available \$11.6 million budget.

Alternate Michael Segala said that the Blossom Road Project in Suisun City should read from Pintail to Railroad Avenue, not Railroad Bridge.

The STA Board unanimously approved the Final 1998 STIP Augmentation Applications on a motion by Jerry Hayes with a second by Jim Spering.

**7.2 Appoint Michelle Morris Brubaker Interim Executive Director of the STA**

Martin Tuttle presented this report and said that it was recommended that Michelle Morris Brubaker be appointed Interim Executive Director until a new Executive Director was appointed in about March or April. A contract amendment describing her salary and benefits had been prepared for the Board's review. Martin said that the savings would be about \$28,000 to the STA as a result of the vacancy of her position during the interim appointment.

Jim Spering said that Michelle was a very capable staff member who understands Solano projects very well.

The STA Board unanimously appointed Michelle Morris Brubaker Interim Executive Director on a motion by Steve Lessler with a second by Jim Spering.

**8.1 Approve Travel Safety Study**

Matt Todd presented the final Travel Safety Plan and said that many of the recommended safety projects had already been included in the TEA-21 25% Corridor Plans.

Dan Donahue asked what the next steps would be to implement the study. Matt Todd said that staff will work with those project sponsors that don't get funded in the 25% corridor plans and try to secure other funding, such as from the 75% funds.

The final Travel Safety Plan was unanimously approved by the STA Board on a motion by Jerry Hayes with a second by Rischa Slade.

## **8.2 Approve Resolution Adopting 5-Year Intercity Transit Plan**

Dan Christians presented the 5-Year Intercity Transit Plan and said that the Consortium had worked hard on the development of this plan. Steve Lessler said he was impressed how fast the Consortium had developed the plan within the first year after they had been formed.

The 5-Year Intercity Transit Plan was unanimously approved by the STA Board on a motion by Steve Lessler with a second by Jerry Hayes.

## **9.1 Draft CMAQ/STP Applications – 75% Funds**

Michelle Morris Brubaker described the draft list of projects for 75% funds. She said that the TAC and Consortium had recommended that the funding be split 60% of the funds for transit projects and 40% of the funds for road projects. She said that the final list will come back to the Board for final approval on January 13.

## **9.2 CHP Report**

This item was continued to the next meeting since Jim Weddell could not be present.

## **9.3 Information on Executive Director Search**

Chairman Erickson said that Shannon Associates has placed ads to advertise the Executive Director position and that the brochure will be available by December 12. The schedule is for 10 finalists to be interviewed by the Executive Committee after February 12. Jerry Hayes asked if all phone calls inquiring about the position should be referred to Shannon Associates and Martin Tuttle said yes. Dan Donahue asked if Board members with questions regarding the recruitment process, should talk to the Chair or the recruitment firm. Don Erickson said that they should talk to Cora Lee of Shannon Associates.

## **9.4 Board Members Comments**

Marci Coglianesse announced that Rio Vista would be getting its first traffic signal at Highway 12 and Summerset Avenue. Caltrans has determined that the signal was now warranted because of the increase in new homes in the area.

## **9.5 Adjournment**

Chairman Erickson adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m. Everyone was invited to the awards reception and ceremony immediately following the meeting. The next meeting will be held at the regular meeting room on January 13, 1999.



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**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of**  
**December 21, 1998**

**Agenda Item 1. Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was called to order at 9:11 a.m. by Michelle Morris Brubaker in the STA conference room.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Julian W. Carroll	Caltrans
	Michael Throne	City of Benicia
	Janet Koster	City of Dixon
	Morrie Barr	City of Fairfield
	Farhad Iranitalab	City of Fairfield
	Michael Lee	City Rio Vista
	Otto Bertolero	City of Suisun City
	Julie M. Pappa	City of Suisun City
	Ed Huestis	City of Vacaville
	Pam Belchamber	City of Vallejo
	Robert Jones	Creegan and D'Angelo
	Elizabeth Richards	Solano Commuter Info. (SCI)
	Paul Wiese	Solano County
	Michelle Morris Brubaker	STA
	Dan Christians	STA
	Matt Todd	STA

**Agenda Item No. 2 Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved on a motion by Paul Wiese with a second by Janet Koster.

**Agenda Item No. 3 Minutes of Meeting of November 23, 1998**

Paul Wiese said that on page 2 of the agenda packet, Morrie Barr's first name was spelled incorrectly. The minutes of November 23, 1998, as amended, were unanimously approved on a motion by Janet Koster with a second by Michael Throne.

#### **Agenda Item No. 4 Opportunity for Public Comment**

None

#### **Agenda Item No. 5 Comments from Staff, Caltrans, and MTC**

Dan Christians said there would be a meeting with representatives of the City of Fairfield and Bicycle Advisory Committee members this afternoon at the Caltrans office in Walnut Creek to discuss the McGary Road closure situation. Michelle Morris Brubaker said that the recruitment process for the STA's Executive Director is underway with a new director expected to be appointed by April.

#### **Agenda Item No. 6 Consortium Update**

Matt Todd gave a brief update of the Consortium meeting held last week.

#### **Agenda Item No. 7 Final STP/CMAQ 75% Program Applications**

Michelle Morris Brubaker described the list of projects and said that they were grouped in three tiers: 0%-85%, 85%-100%, and 100%-115%. She said the projects had been rounded down to the nearest \$100. She said that she still needs more information on the rehabilitation of the Vacaville buses. Also the Solano County project had been redefined. Pam Belchamber said that she had replaced the Vallejo Ferry Terminal project.

Michelle said that although it is unlikely that they will receive over 100% aiming for the higher bid target gives Solano more opportunities. She said that all project sponsors need to submit final applications by today and local resolutions are due to the STA by March 1. Projects need to be obligated by September 30, 2001. Michelle then went over the final MTC schedule for the program.

The list of Final STP/CMAQ 75% Program Applications was unanimously approved by the TAC on a motion by Pam Belchamber with a second by Janet Koster.

#### **Agenda Item No. 8 Amendment of Contract with Michael Jones and Assoc. for printing of BikeLinks maps**

Dan Christians presented the staff report and said that the Board had approved \$4,971 of funding for printing these maps at their November meeting. Julian Carroll and Otto Bertolero requested copies of the mock-up before the printing occurs. The TAC unanimously approved the contract amendment on a motion by Paul Wiese with a second by Janet Koster.

#### **Agenda Item No. 9 25% Program Applications**

Matt Todd said that the STA was preparing applications for the lighted sidewalks, electronic transit kiosks, and regional bike route signage projects. Dan Christians described the application for the regional bike route signs. Michelle asked about the Vallejo lighted sidewalk project on Fairgrounds Drive and Highway 37. Matt said that there was already a traffic signal at that location and that the lighted sidewalks haven't been approved to work in conjunction with a stoplight. Otto Bertolero said that they are not intended to be used to stop cars.

Matt said there might be some extra money in the program for some additional lighted sidewalks.

Janet Koster said that she would like the transit kiosk to be located at the multimodal center not the library.

The three applications were unanimously approved by the TAC on a motion by Janet Koster with a second by Michael Lee.

#### **Agenda Item No. 10 Final STIP Augmentation Program**

Michelle Morris Brubaker said she had made a few final changes to the list since the last TAC meeting. Some revised descriptions had been made and the Solano County alternate project had been switched out. She will let MTC know that this is the final list and also submit it to the STA Board on January 13 for final approval.

Michelle said that the CTC hadn't approved the final guidelines yet but passed around the interim guidelines. She asked all the cities to submit any storm damage inventories as requested by MTC. She also said that PSR equivalents were needed for the projects by January 13 (a sample PSR will be mailed out to all project sponsors.)

The STIP process will be different than the E-76 process since each project will need to be approved by the CTC before money can be expended. Once the TIP amendment with the new STIP projects is approved, a letter requesting approval for each phase of each project needs to be sent to the CTC with copies to MTC and the STA. Matt said that Yvette Pierre is checking on the obligation date for these projects.

#### **Agenda Item No. 11 TEA-21 Enhancements**

Michelle Morris Brubaker said that the TEA and TLC programs had been combined. She said the projects need to be tied to a downtown or community-planning project that had gone through a collaborative public process. She was hoping to get several strong projects to apply for the regional funds that will be about \$9 million a year. TAC members from Rio Vista, Dixon, Suisun City, Vallejo, Benicia, and Fairfield all mentioned that they might have good candidate projects. MTC will be sending out applications directly to the member agencies.

Michelle said that, after the regional program had been completed, Dan Christians would be handling the Solano only portion of the program that will receive \$500,000 for two years and have its own program guidelines.

#### **Agenda Item No. 12 BAAQMD Program for Electric Recharging Stations/Vehicles**

Dan Christians summarized the new BAAQMD program guidelines for electric recharging stations and vehicles. He said that the STA wanted to develop a list of locations where publicly accessible recharging stations could be located in mid and south county. Then the STA will apply for part of the \$350,000, to be available shortly, for those facilities. He will plan to develop an application and bring it back to the January TAC meeting.

**Agenda Item No.13 Eastern Solano CMAQ Project Application**

Matt Todd reminded everyone in North County (Rio Vista, Dixon, Vacaville, and Solano County) that Eastern CMAQ applications were due to the STA on January 8. A meeting of all project sponsors was scheduled on January 15 at 10:00 a.m. to evaluate the applications.

**Agenda Item No. 14 1999 TIP Amendments Update**

Since Yvette Pierre was not present there was no new update on TIP amendments.

**Agenda Item No. 15 Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m. (Next meeting: January 27, 1999 at 1:30 p.m.)



DATE: January 6, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Dan Christians  
RE: Amendment of Contract with Michael Jones and Associates for Printing of  
BikeLinks Maps

On November 11, the STA Board approved \$4,971 of project development funds for additional printing of the popular BikeLinks maps prepared by the Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC). Michael G. Jones and Associates, consultant to the STA and BAC, completed the design and initial printing of these maps.

This additional printing will consist of approximately 3,000 sets of the six maps, along with a cover sheet, various emergency and safety phone numbers, and a list of safety tips. A final mock-up of the maps will be circulated to the Bicycle Advisory Committee in the next few weeks for final review and comments prior to authorization of the printing.

Fiscal Impact

None. These funds were recently budgeted as part of project development funds.

Recommendation

Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract amendment with Michael G. Jones and Associates in the amount of \$4,971 for printing of the BikeLinks maps.



DATE: January 6, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Michelle Morris Brubaker  
RE: Authorize Amendment of Contract with Grandy and Associates for I-80 Reliever Route Management Services with Project Development Funds

The STA has secured \$28 million in state and federal funds for the I-80 Reliever Route project and is in the process of implementing the first five stages of the project.

On July 8, 1998, the STA approved \$12,000 of project development funds for a three month contract with Grandy & Associates to continue the I-80 Reliever Route project management services. On November 11, 1998, the STA Board authorized \$10,000 of additional project development funds and extended the contract until January 31, 1999. The project development funds were provided as a bridge until the state and federal funds could be accessed to fund ongoing project management activities.

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is expected to approve \$630,000 of project support costs in the next few months (enough to cover additional project management services and environmental and base mapping/plan line consultant costs). However, the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendment requesting these funds has not yet been approved, so the support costs have not yet been scheduled for CTC action.

To date, the recently approved \$10,000 of project development funds has not been completely expended. In order to avoid a lapse of project management once Phase II of the Concept Plan commences and the EIS/R and Base Mapping/Plan Line contracts begin, STA staff recommends that the Grandy and Associates contract be amended to extend to March 31, 1999.

No additional funding for this contract amendment nor change in scope of work is recommended.

Fiscal Impact

None

Recommendation

Authorize the Executive Director to enter into Amendment No. 2 to the consultant services contract with Grandy & Associates extending the contract to March 31, 1999.



DATE: January 5, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Michelle Morris Brubaker  
RE: Approve Final 1998 STIP Augmentation Funds Program

Caltrans and MTC have issued a call for projects for the 1998 STIP augmentation funds. These funds are primarily intended for streets and roads rehabilitation/storm damage, however, other eligible uses include cost adjustments to 1998 STIP projects, new projects (if streets and roads needs are adequately addressed) or funds can be held in reserve for the county. Although the California Transportation Commission (CTC) has not adopted the final fund estimate, it is anticipated that Solano County would receive about \$11.6 million.

In December 1998, the STA Board approved the selection of projects for Solano County for the 1998 STIP augmentation funds. After further review by the jurisdictions, several minor corrections were made to project limits for several projects. Also, Solano County requested that the alternate project be changed.

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached list of projects for Solano County for 1998 STIP augmentation funds.

Fiscal Impact

None

Recommendation

Approve the revised selection of projects for Solano County for \$11,636,000 in 1998 STIP augmentation funds.

Attachments

Solano County		1/4/99
STIP Augmentation		
Jurisdiction	Project Name	1998 STIP Cost
Benicia	Park Road overlay from Adams Street to Elm Street	\$ 570,000
Dixon	West 'A' Street rehabilitation from Highway 113 to Lincoln Street	\$ 95,000
Fairfield	Lopes Road pavement rehabilitation between I-80 and Gold Hill Road	\$ 1,446,000
Fairfield	Heather Avenue pavement rehabilitation between Dahlia St. and Atlantic Ave.	\$ 85,000
Fairfield	Texas Street pavement rehabilitation between Jefferson Street and Washington	\$ 98,000
Fairfield	Dover Ave. pavement rehabilitation between E. Travis and Nightingale Dr.	\$ 324,000
Subtotal		\$ 1,953,000
Rio Vista	Front St. pavement rehabilitation between Main St. and Logan Street	\$ 38,000
Suisun City	Merganser Drive rehabilitation from East Wigeon to Sunset	\$ 143,000
Suisun City	Main Street rehabilitation from Cordelia Street North to Highway 12	\$ 238,000
Suisun City	Pintail Drive rehabilitation from Sunset to Bluebill	\$ 95,000
Suisun City	Blossom Road rehabilitation from Pintail to 300 feet south of Railroad Road	\$ 190,000
Subtotal		\$ 666,000
Vacaville	Elmira Road rehabilitation: - from Peabody Rd. to approximately 700 feet west of Allison Dr. (Section A) - from Beelard Dr. to Royal Oaks Dr. (Section B) - from E. of Nut Tree Rd. to Leisure Town Rd. (Section C)	\$ 568,000
Vacaville	Kendal Street reconstruction from Cernon St. to Dobbins St.	\$ 366,000
Vacaville	Parker Street reconstruction from Main St. to E. Monte Vista Ave.	\$ 317,000
Vacaville	Midway Road rehabilitation from Meridian Rd. to I-80	\$ 120,000
Vacaville	Aldridge Rd. rehabilitation from Rice Lane to Eubanks Rd.	\$ 86,000
Vacaville	Midway Road rehabilitation from I-505 to Leisure Town Rd.	\$ 84,000
Vacaville	Marshall Road rehabilitation from Nut Tree Rd. to Leisure Town Rd.	\$ 272,000
Vacaville	Leisure Town Road rehabilitation from Kingswood Ave. to Alamo Dr.	\$ 134,000
Subtotal		\$ 1,947,000
Vallejo	Curtola Parkway overlay from Maine Street to Lemon St.	\$ 839,000
Vallejo	Tennessee Street overlay from Butte St. to Monterey St.	\$ 59,000
Vallejo	Tuolumne Street overlay from Redwood St. to Broadway	\$ 857,000
Vallejo	Maine St. overlay from Santa Clara St. to Marin St.	\$ 98,000
Vallejo	Georgia St. overlay from Sonoma Blvd. To Amador St.	\$ 345,000
Vallejo	Mare Island Way overlay from Maine Street to Florida St.	\$ 296,000
Vallejo	Redwood Street overlay from Sonoma Blvd. To Sacramento St.	\$ 212,000
Subtotal		\$ 2,706,000
Solano County	Byrnes Road reconstruction from north of Hawkins Road to approximately 2.0 miles north of Hawkins Road*	\$ 570,000
Solano County	Alternate projects if state-only funding is not available: Porter Road rehabilitation from Midway Road to Dixon city limits	\$ 300,000
Solano County	Alternate projects if state-only funding is not available: Overlay of various roads in Solano County	\$ 270,000
Subtotal		\$ 570,000
STA	I-80 Reliever Route additional support cost	\$ 191,000
Caltrans	Highway 37 4-lane freeway and Routes 37/29 interchange (Contingent on receipt of \$8.7 million or more from the 1998 STIP augmentation IIP. If these funds are not available, \$2.9 million will be reprogrammed to Solano County reserve.)	\$ 2,900,000
TOTAL		\$ 11,636,000

\* Project requires state-only funds. If these funds are not available, program to alternate project designated.



DATE: January 5, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Michelle Morris Brubaker  
RE: Adopt Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Annual Plan

The STA is required to adopt annual DBE goals for fiscal years in which the STA will be contracting with consultants using federal funds. This fiscal year, the STA plans to contract with consultants to implement the I-80 Reliever Route project. Staff recommends a DBE goal of 10% for the fiscal year 1998-1999.

Fiscal Impact

None

Recommendations

Establish an annual DBE goal of 10% for the Federal Fiscal Year 1998-1999, beginning on October 1, 1998, and ending on September 30, 1999.



DATE: January 6, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Matt Todd  
RE: Welfare to Work -- Update

STA staff and transit agencies have been working with Ava Williams of the County Health and Social Services (H&SS) Department through the SolanoWORKs Transportation Planning Group, which is meeting on a monthly basis. The next meeting is scheduled for January 19.

Ongoing projects include:

- 1) A follow up transit information session for the SolanoWORKS supervisors
- 2) County H &SS staff is working directly with MTC on a GIS mapping project for the clients in their database, and including other important information such as major trip attractors and bus lines
- 3) A survey form has been completed and will be distributed to all the Welfare to Work clients at the end of the month. The survey will provide further information on what people use for transportation, and where they need to travel.
- 4) A Transportation Resource Guide will be created with assistance from MTC which will be a handbook with step by step procedures to get around in Solano. It will cover multiple modes of transportation. Staff expects the first meeting with the MTC consultant to occur in mid January.

Fiscal Impact

None

Recommendation

No recommendation; this is an information item only.



DATE: January 6, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Dan Christians  
RE: Authorization to Sign Agreements with Project Sponsors for 1998-99 Transportation Fund for Clean Air

On April 8, 1998, the STA Board adopted a resolution approving all of the following applications made this year for the Transportation Fund for Clean Air program of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District.

<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Funding Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Benicia Transit	Southampton Express	Shuttle Bus	\$ 40,000
SCI	Voluntary Trip Reduction	Ridesharing	\$ 60,000
SCI	Transit Information	Transit Information	\$ 22,000
City of Fairfield	Electric Police Bikes	Bicycles	\$ 8,825
City of Suisun City	Electric Police Bikes	Bicycles	\$ 8,150
City of Suisun City	Highway 12 Bike Route	Bicycle Route	\$100,000
City of Vallejo	I-80 Solano Bikeway	Bicycle Route	\$151,000
STA	Citylink 30 Contribution	CNG Shuttle Bus	<u>\$ 5,000</u>
<b>TOTAL REQUESTS</b>			<b>\$394,975</b>

In July 1998, STA staff received notification that all of these projects had received approval by the BAAQMD Board. On December 4, we received the first payment for these projects totaling \$238,728.19. Therefore, we can now enter into TFCA agreements with each of our project sponsors and begin to disburse these funds on a reimbursement basis.

Fiscal Impact

None. All projects were fully funded by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District and are included in the STA 1998-99 Budget.

Recommendation

Authorize the Executive Director to sign agreements with project sponsors for the 1998-99 Transportation Fund for Clean Air program.



DATE: January 5, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Michelle Morris Brubaker  
RE: Final STP/CMAQ Applications – 75% Funds Program

MTC has issued a call for projects for federal STP/CMAQ funds from the Transportation Equity Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (TEA 21). These projects are for the “75% funds” – the category of federal STP/CMAQ funds targeted to rehabilitation and replacement projects. Solano County’s bid target is \$6.9 million, with a guarantee of \$5.2 million of that bid target to be allocated to Solano County.

In December, the TAC and SolanoLinks Intercity Transit Consortium selected a draft list of projects for these funds and the STA Board reviewed this draft list at the December STA Board meeting. After further review by the jurisdictions, Transit Consortium and TAC, several changes have been made to best compete for available funds.

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached list of projects for submittal to MTC for STP/CMAQ funds through the 75% funds program.

Financial Impact

None

Recommendation

Approve the selection of projects for Solano County for \$6,926,800 in STP/CMAQ funds for the 75% funds program.

Attachment

Solano County Projects				1/4/99	
TEA 21 (75% Funds) - FYs 1997-98, 1998-99, 1999-2000					
Jurisdiction	Project Name	STP Funding Request	Total Project Cost	Tier	Bid Target
All	Safety reserve to be programmed after 25% Funds project selection is complete	\$ 594,000	n/a		
<b>Pavement Projects</b>					
Benicia	Military East overlay from East Second to East Fifth Street	\$ 258,500	\$ 300,000	2	
Dixon	North Adams St. overlay from E St. to H St.	\$ 53,100	\$ 60,000	2	
Dixon	Porter Rd. overlay from West A St. to southern Dixon city limits	\$ 97,400	\$ 110,000	2	
Fairfield	Pennsylvania Ave. pavement rehabilitation between Travis Boulevard and Gateway Blvd.	\$ 550,000	\$ 837,000	1	
Rio Vista	Main Street pavement rehabilitation from Highway 12 to east of Front St. (City Hall)	\$ 158,000	\$ 179,000	2	
Suisun City	Railroad Avenue rehabilitation from Sunset to East Tabor Avenue (a)	\$ 200,000	\$ 226,000	2	
Vacaville	Peabody Rd. rehabilitation from Elmira Rd. to Beelard Dr.	\$ 474,400	\$ 536,000	1	
Vallejo	Fairgrounds Drive overlay from Gateway to Vallejo city limits	\$ 424,000	\$ 479,000	2	
Pavement Subtotal (0 to 85% of Bid Target)		\$ 2,215,400	\$ 2,727,000		
<b>Transit Projects</b>					
Benicia	Replace 3 - 1985 Buses	\$ 730,200	\$ 825,000	1	
Fairfield/Suisun	Replace 4 - 1985 Buses	\$ 973,600	\$ 1,100,000	1	
Vacaville	Rehabilitate 3 paratransit vehicles and rehab air conditioning and video surveillance for 7 buses	\$ 112,800	\$ 127,500	1	
Vallejo	Ferry maintenance facility rehab (fueling tanks)	\$ 177,000	\$ 200,000	1	
Vallejo	Rehabilitate 4 Buses	\$ 424,800	\$ 480,000	1	
Transit Subtotal (0 to 85% of Bid Target)		\$ 2,418,400	\$ 2,732,500		
Subtotal - 0 to 85% - Bid Target		\$ 5,227,800			\$5,153,000
<b>Pavement Projects</b>					
Solano County	Pleasants Valley Road rehabilitation/overlay from north of Cherry Glen Road to approximately 1.5 miles north of Cherry Glen Road and from Vaca Valley Rd. to 0.5 miles south	\$ 305,000	\$ 345,000	1	
<b>Transit Projects</b>					
Vallejo	Rehabilitate bus maintenance facility	\$ 221,200	\$ 250,000	1	
Vallejo	Rehabilitate Bus	\$ 106,200	\$ 120,000	1	
Fairfield/Suisun	Replace 1985 Bus	\$ 201,800	\$ 275,000	1	
Transit Subtotal (85% to 100% of Bid Target)		\$ 529,200	\$ 645,000		
Subtotal - 0 to 100% - Bid Target		\$ 6,062,000	\$ -		\$6,062,000
<b>Pavement Projects</b>					
			\$ -		
Vallejo	Fifth Street overlay from Bennett Ave. to Lemon Street	\$ 91,000	\$ 103,000	2	
Suisun City	Railroad Avenue rehabilitation from Sunset to East Tabor Avenue (b)	\$ 95,000	\$ 108,000	2	
Benicia	Military East overlay from East Fifth to East Seventh Street	\$ 147,000	\$ 200,000	2	
Dixon	North Adams St. overlay from A St. to E St.	\$ 23,000	\$ 26,000	2	
Pavement Subtotal (100% to 115% of Bid Target)		\$ 356,000	\$ 437,000		
<b>Transit Projects</b>					
Fairfield/Suisun	Replace 1985 Bus	\$ 243,400	\$ 275,000	1	
Vallejo	Rehabilitation of ferry maintenance facility (maintenance dock)	\$ 221,200	\$ 250,000	1	
Vallejo	Rehab Vallejo Ferry Terminal Building	\$ 44,200	\$ 50,000	2	
Transit Subtotal (100% to 115% of Bid Target)		\$ 508,800	\$ 575,000		
Total - 0 to 115% - Bid Target		\$ 6,926,800			\$6,971,000



DATE: January 6, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Michelle Morris Brubaker  
RE: Authorize the Executive Director to Enter into Contract with Moore, Iacofano and Goltsman for Phase II of the Reliever Route Corridor Concept Plan

Phase I of the I-80 Reliever Route Corridor Concept Plan has been successfully completed, with the final report included in the November Board agenda packet.

Following Phase I, STA staff made a request to MTC to fund a Phase II Reliever Route Corridor Concept Plan. MTC staff has recommended \$30,000 in Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) funding to complete the Phase II portion. This would be matched with \$15,000 in STA Project Development Funds, which have already been budgeted for this project, allowing for a \$45,000 budget to complete Phase II. MTC is expected to consider their staff's recommendation at their January meeting.

Staff recommends entering into an agreement with Moore, Iacofano and Goltsman (MIG) to complete the Phase II study. MIG performed the consultant work for Phase I. The proposed scope of work for Phase II is attached.

Since the funds have not been approved by MTC at this time, staff proposes the Board authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with MIG contingent upon approval of the funding.

Fiscal Impact

No fiscal impact. The matching funds for this plan has already been budgeted in the STA Project Development Fund.

Recommendation

Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Moore, Iacofano and Goltsman for Phase II of the Reliever Route Corridor Concept Plan, contingent upon the approval of the Transportation for Livable Communities funding from MTC and based on the attached scope of work.

Attachment

## **Scope of Work for Phase II of the I-80 Reliever Route Corridor Concept Plan**

The following scope of work pertains to the I-80 Reliever Route corridor concept plan. A map of the proposed Reliever Route is shown in Attachment A and the plan will be guided by the goal statement in Attachment B.

### **1.0: Project Start-Up and Management**

This set of tasks involves initial meetings with staff and consultants, background research, finalizing the contract, work scope and schedule and management of the project throughout.

- 1.1 Start-up meeting with STA staff and consultants.
- 1.2 Prepare final work scope and contract and project schedule, including a graphic work flow chart for use throughout the process.
- 1.3 Attend up to two I-80 Reliever Route Working Group meetings to provide an update on the project's progress.
- 1.4 Management of the project throughout the contract.

Deliverables: Graphic schedule, revised scope/contract

Estimated Cost: \$5,000

### **2.0: Public Meeting Facilitation and Participation**

This set of tasks includes all the interactions with the public, as well as final meetings and hearings on the I-80 Reliever Route corridor concept plan. The consultant Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc. (MIG) recognizes the need to be flexible and responsive during the public process and can modify the type and structure of public meetings accordingly. At all meetings, MIG would be responsible for design and preparation of the meeting, facilitating the meeting including any special materials, graphically recording the meeting and preparing a written summary of key points.

- 2.1 Design and conduct one initial public "brainstorming" session to help develop the concept alternatives. A two-hour site bus tour could precede the workshop. MIG would facilitate the presentations/discussion on the bus along the route, taking advantage of the knowledge of the bus tour participants.
- 2.2 Design and conduct two additional workshops. The first is likely to focus on evaluation and selecting an alternative. The second workshop would focus on details of the concept plan.
- 2.3 Conduct up to four neighborhood-level meetings to look at the corridor in more detail with one or several neighborhoods or special interest groups.
- 2.4 Conduct one meeting with developers in the corridor to discuss opportunities to link development to the corridor plan.
- 2.5 Attend up to two STA Board hearings to present and discuss the concept plan.

Deliverables: Workshop graphic records, meeting notes

Estimated Cost: \$10,000

### **3.0: Baseline Resources Mapping and Analysis**

This set of tasks involves the baseline resource mapping needed to establish various constraints and opportunities along the corridor. Also included in this task is an analysis of the adopted general plans (and any specific plans) along the corridor and their implications for transportation strategies.

- 3.1 Draw a working map showing the adopted general plans of Fairfield, Vacaville, Suisun City and Solano County. Review anticipated land uses for the corridor and consider how future development could provide jobs for local residents and promote walking, bicycling and transit usage. Analyze the land use policies of each jurisdiction and recommend appropriate transportation strategies and/or land use relationships.
- 3.2 Prepare a visual analysis and visual map of the corridor noting positive and negative viewpoints and view corridors and features that may lend themselves to interpretation or highlighting.
- 3.3 Meet with city, County and Solano Open Space Foundation representatives to identify potential sites for open space buffers to meet the greenbelt/open space buffer goals of local agencies and prevent urban sprawl along the route. Review land ownership and parcel maps. Develop open space acquisition strategy.
- 3.4 Relying on a habitat/ biological resources map and assessment prepared by others, overlay the significant resource opportunities and constraints from Tasks 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4 on the draft Plan to assess landscape, bikeway and other opportunities.
- 3.5 Prepare a working map showing planned and potential bike, pedestrian, transit and other transportation connections at key locations along the corridor.

Deliverables: Working maps of land use, visual opportunities, open spaces and transportation connections

Estimated Cost: \$10,000

### **4.0: Development and Evaluation of Concept Alternatives**

This set of tasks involves preparation of several concept plan alternatives based on the public process and resource mapping and developing a method for selecting a preferred concept plan.

- 4.1 Prepare two concept alternatives for the corridor with appropriate graphics to illustrate the concepts at a public meeting.
- 4.2 Prepare a concise working paper describing criteria for evaluating the alternatives and applying the criteria to the two plans.
- 4.3 Identify 5-10 potential specific projects and amenities along the corridor consistent with the preferred corridor concept alternative. Prepare a sheet on each proposed project that would include a project description, preliminary cost estimate and design illustration. The project information could be used to apply for funding for these specific projects.

- 4.4 In partnership with local jurisdictions, develop land use strategies that would promote walking, bicycling and transit usage. These could include (but are not limited to) design guidelines and/or site plans that could be used in the design review process.
- 4.5 Develop landscape concepts and strategy to provide route identity. The route concept needs to be easily recognizable for the first time or occasional users, and clearly identify the route with signs and a consistent visual appearance. The landscape concept would include cross sections and/or conceptual plans for different areas along the route.
- 4.5 Following public input, refine and add detail to the preferred concept plan for use in the final report and at public presentations. The concept plan will include a landscape concept, bikeway plan, potential specific projects, linkages to adjacent land use and transportation systems, specific land use strategies, and open space and habitat opportunities.

Deliverables: Two alternative concept plans, paper on evaluation criteria and selection.

Estimated Cost: \$10,000

**5.0: Preparation of Concept Plan and Documentation**

This set of tasks involves preparing final graphics and illustrations of the preferred concept Plan and preparing a draft and final report for STA staff and Board. The report is intended to be user-friendly, well illustrated and relatively concise so it can become an information piece for distribution and seeking funding. The report will include a section documenting the public process, as well as other sections noted below.

- 5.1 Prepare draft concept plan report including the following: executive summary, introduction, resource analysis, concept plan with appropriate illustrations and public process.
- 5.2 Following public, City Councils, County Board of Supervisors, STA staff and STA Board initial review, refine the draft report into a final document. The consultant will provide STA with 15 bound copies of the final document and one loose-leaf copy suitable for duplication.

Deliverables: Draft and Final Report, Final Concept Plan

Estimated Cost: \$10,000

Total Project Cost \$45,000

**Proposed funding**

STA project development funds:	\$ 15,000
TLC program grant:	<u>\$ 30,000</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 45,000</b>



DATE: January 6, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Michelle Morris Brubaker  
RE: Authorize Amendment of Contract with Grandy and Associates for I-80 Reliever Route Management Services with STIP Funds

The STA has secured \$28 million in state and federal funds for the I-80 Reliever Route project and is in the process of implementing the first five stages of the project.

If the consent item 7.8 is approved, Grandy and Associates will be retained to work with the Reliever Route Working Group through March 31, 1999, using project development funds. Those funds are provided as a bridge until the state and federal funds can be accessed to fund ongoing project management activities.

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is expected to approve \$630,000 of project support costs from the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) in the next few months (enough to cover this project management services contract amendment and previously authorized environmental and base mapping/plan line consultant costs). When the state and federal funds are approved, STA will be able to select a consultant for project support for the Reliever Route project.

Based on the previous work by Grandy and Associates on the Reliever Route project, staff recommends that up to \$25,000 in STIP funds be provided to fund a new project management contract with Grandy and Associates until December 31, 1999. In the fall of 1999, STA will conduct a qualifications based selection process to select a consultant to continue with project management for the I-80 Reliever Route project.

#### Fiscal Impact

None. This contract amendment will be funded from the state/federal funds and the necessary funds are included in the revised STA budget for 1998-99.

#### Recommendation

Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract for consultant services with Grandy & Associates for up to \$25,000, through December 31, 1999, based on the attached scope of work and subject to the allocation of state/federal funds.

## EXHIBIT A

### SCOPE OF SERVICES I-80 RELIEVER ROUTE SERVICES Grandy and Associates

**OBJECTIVE:** The consultant will assist in the timely delivery of the funded project segments, coordinate consistent design standards among the Reliever Route jurisdictions, and optimize the use of available local, state, and federal project funding.

#### **TASK 1 - EXPEDITE THE DELIVERY OF PROGRAMMED PROJECTS**

Examples of work under this task include:

- Work with Caltrans and other regulatory agencies to assist STA and Reliever Route jurisdiction staff to obtain necessary authorizations to construct programmed segments of the Reliever Route.
- Assist STA staff with development of a financial plan for funded Reliever Route segments that ensures that all segments can meet deadlines for the use of funds.
- Assist STA staff with the development of a Memorandum of Understanding that implements the Financial Plan.
- Assist STA staff in managing consultant efforts for the EIS/R, the Phase 2 transportation/land use concept plan and preliminary engineering studies.

**TASK 2 - ASSIST STA STAFF TO ACCESS ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR UNFUNDED RELIEVER ROUTE SEGMENTS** The consultant will assist STA in preparing letters, exhibits or other information to help facilitate the request for any additional federal, state, and regional funds that may become available.

**TASK 3 - MEETINGS WITH THE RELIEVER ROUTE WORKING GROUP** The consultant will attend meetings of the I-80 Working Group, provide input on the agenda and follow-up on appropriate issues.

**TASK 4 - SPECIAL MEETINGS ON EIR/S OR BASE MAPPING** As needed, the consultant will attend scoping meetings or other special meetings related to the preparation of the EIR/S or base mapping/plan line documents.

**TASK 5 - MONTHLY PROJECT REPORTS** The consultant will provide written monthly project status reports on the Reliever Route project to be included in the I-80 Reliever Route Working group agenda packets.

The length of this contract for services shall extend to December 31, 1999, and the cost of the services shall not exceed \$25,000. Charges will be based on an hourly rate of \$110 per hour.



DATE: January 6, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Dan Christians  
RE: Approve Resolution Supporting Time Extension for Regional TFCA Funding for Solano Bikeway

On June 12, 1996, the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) authorized submittal of an application for TFCA funds for the Solano Bikeway located between Vallejo and Fairfield. On February 3, 1997, the BAAQMD approved an agreement for \$392,000 of TFCA funds and provided two years in which to encumber the funds.

The project is the first major segment of the 1995 Solano Countywide Bicycle Plan and will provide the only possible link to connect south and mid county along the I-80 corridor. This bike route is also part of the recently adopted 1998 City of Fairfield Bicycle Plan.

Since 1996, City of Vallejo and STA submitted three applications to obtain federal and state matching funds. Finally, by committing Program Manager TFCA funds and TDA funds, all necessary non-TFCA matching funds have now been secured.

When the project was conceived in 1995-96, the initial contacts were made with Caltrans District 10 since they had jurisdiction of the right-of-way. Later when Solano became part of District 4, our consultants and City of Vallejo had to re-orient Caltrans on the project and it took additional time and a substantial number of meetings to meet their local assistance guidelines for environmental review and to secure a Longitudinal Encroachment Permit.

During the winter of 1997-98, the portion of the McGary Road located to the east within the City of Fairfield has suffered slide damage due to El Nino rains. Although it has no direct effect on the construction of the 1.8 mile Solano Bikeway located within the City of Vallejo, the slide and its relation to McGary Road as a future connection to the bikeway have been a major discussion point with Caltrans and the Air District since they are concerned when it may re-open.

In the meantime, the City of Vallejo (the project sponsor) has expended approximately \$100,000 of local TDA funds to prepare plans and secure lengthy environmental approvals and permits. If we were to lose the regional TFCA grant, we would have to again go through another uncertain application processes, which would further delay or cancel the project.

#### Fiscal Impact

Air Quality funds are needed to implement the project since there are no other funds available for a project of this size.

#### Recommendation

Approve the attached resolution supporting a time extension to June 30, 1999, for Regional TFCA funding for the Solano Bikeway because of reasons beyond our control.

**Resolution No. 99-**

**A Resolution of the Solano Transportation Authority Supporting Time Extension for Regional TFCA Funding for Solano Bikeway**

**WHEREAS**, on June 12, 1996, the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) authorized submittal of an application for TFCA funds for the Solano Bikeway located between Vallejo and Fairfield and on February 3, 1997, the BAAQMD approved an agreement for \$392,000 of TFCA; and

**WHEREAS**, the project is the first major segment of the 1995 Solano Countywide Bicycle Plan and will connect south and mid county, eliminate vehicle trips and reduce air emissions; and

**WHEREAS**, after numerous efforts the STA has finally secured all necessary non-TFCA matching funds that will fully implement this project; and

**WHEREAS**, since the project was commenced, the jurisdiction of the Caltrans right-of-way has transferred from District 10 to District 4 causing some time delays not originally foreseen; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Vallejo (project sponsor) has expended approximately \$100,000 of local TDA funds to prepare plans and secure lengthy environmental approvals and permits.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY DOES HEREBY** authorize its Executive Director to submit this resolution requesting a time extension until June 30, 1999, for encumbering TFCA funds for the Solano Bikeway project because of reasons beyond our control.

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Rischa Slade, Chair  
Solano Transportation Authority

I, MICHELLE MORRIS BRUBAKER, the Solano Transportation Authority Executive Director, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing resolution was regularly introduced, passed, and adopted by the STA at a regular meeting thereof held this 13th day of January, 1999.

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Michelle Morris Brubaker, Executive Director  
Solano Transportation Authority



DATE: January 6, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Matt Todd  
RE: Authorize Submittal of 25% Program Applications for Lighted Crosswalks, Electronic Transit Kiosks, and Regional Bike Route Signs

The STA is applying for funds for the Countywide Lighted Crosswalk Program and Regional Bike Route signage from the 25% program. The STA is also coordinating with TRANSPAC of Contra Costa to complete the 25% Program application for the Electronic Transit Kiosk Program.

The Lighted Crosswalk applications have the following proposed sites:

Benicia	Military West at the High School
Dixon	Pitt School Road/Rehrman
Fairfield	Waterman/Monterey
Rio Vista	Highway 12/Gardner
Suisun City	Main Street/Train Station
Vacaville	Eubanks Drive
Vallejo	Sereno Transit Center

The transit kiosk application does not specify the various locations of kiosks in each jurisdiction, but Solano locations are proposed for:

Benicia	Library
Dixon	Market Lane Park and Ride
Fairfield	City Hall at the Mall
Suisun City	Train Station
Vacaville	Vacaville Regional Transportation Center
Vallejo	Ferry Building

The Regional Bike Route Signage application includes the design, manufacture and installation of specially designed regional bike route signs (Caltrans approved) located along the main Class 2 and 3 bike route corridors on the BikeLinks maps. Most signs would be located along the routes designated "bike lanes or shoulders" (green) or "variable shoulder widths" (yellow). Special location criteria would be developed by the STA's bikeway consultant and approved by the STA TAC.

Fiscal Impact

None

Recommendation

Approve the Countywide Lighted Crosswalk Program, Electronic Transit Kiosk Program and Regional Bike Route Signage applications for submittal to MTC.



DATE: January 6, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Jim Weddell, CHP Solano  
RE: CHP Report on Highway 12 Corridor Study

Sergeant Jim Weddell, California Highway Patrol, requested to have this item placed on the STA Board agenda to discuss the Highway 12 Corridor Study (funded with an Office of Traffic Safety grant and administered by the CHP) that is underway. Sergeant Weddell will make a brief presentation to the Board.

Fiscal Impact

None

Recommendation

This item has no recommendation; it is for information only.

Attachments

# SR 12 CORRIDOR SAFETY PROJECT

## OBJECTIVES

1. To convene a task force, which shall meet at least four times during the period October 1, 1998, through September 30, 1999.
2. To identify through the task force at least four factors, including conditions and behaviors, contributing to the traffic safety problems on the corridor by April 1, 1999. All factors shall have corresponding potential short- and/or long-term solutions.
3. To develop and publish a *Safety Action Plan* addressing the traffic safety issues specific to the corridor by December 31, 1999.
4. To implement at least two of the identified potential solutions by July 31, 1999.

## BUDGET

This Corridor Safety Project is funded through an Office of Traffic Safety grant #PT9850. The grant provides funds for the following activities:

CHP Officer Overtime	1,250 hours	
	San Joaquin County	700 hours
	Sacramento County	150 hours
	Solano County	400 hours
CHP Sergeant Overtime	125 hours	
Nonuniformed Overtime	100 hours	
Allied agency overtime:	\$48,000	
	Fairfield	\$ 9,371
	Lodi	\$19,232
	Rio Vista	\$ 7,144
	Suisun	\$12,253
Task force meeting room rental:	\$1,000	
Public awareness and education materials:	\$23,668	

FATAL COLLISIONS  
1994 THRU 1998

SR - 12 / SOLANO COUNTY

1994 - 3 FATAL COLLISIONS 14 KILLED

2-17 : 6 FATALITIES (HEAD-ON) E/OF SHILOH ROAD  
6-10 : 7 FATALITIES (HEAD-ON) W/OF SCALLY ROAD  
12-12 : 1 FATALITY (HEAD-ON) E/OF OLSEN ROAD

1995 - 3 FATAL COLLISIONS, 4 KILLED

1-9 : 1 FATALITY (HEAD-ON) E/MCCLOSKEY ROAD  
6-25 : 2 FATALITIES (HEAD-ON) W/OF OLSEN ROAD  
7-22 : 1 FATALITIES (RAN OFF ROAD  
ROLLOVER) W/OF SR - 113

1996 - 6 FATAL COLLISIONS, 7 KILLED

3-8 : 2 FATALITIES (HEAD-ON) W/OF LAMBIE RD (SHILOH)  
3-18 : 1 FATALITY (RAN OFF ROAD  
ROLLOVER) W/OF BECK AVE.  
5-2 : 1 FATALITY (HEAD-ON) W/OF OLSEN RD  
6-18 : 1 FATALITY (HEAD-ON) AT CURRIE RD  
8-31 : 1 FATALITY (RAN OFF ROAD  
STRUCK TREE) W/OF AZEVEDO RD  
11-30 : 1 FATALITY (HEAD-ON) E/OF SHILOH RD.

1997 - 3 FATAL COLLISIONS, 3 KILLED

3-8 : 1 FATALITY (HEAD-ON) E/OF BRAIDS BRIDGE  
4-26 : 1 FATALITY (HEAD-ON) E/OF SHILOH RD  
6-30 : 1 FATALITY (FAILED TO YIELD  
BROADSIDE) AT SR - 113

1998 - NONE TO DATE

FATAL T/C FREQUENCY

SHILOH RD./LAMBIE RD - 4	MCCLOSKEY RD. 1	BECK AVE 1
OLSEN RD 3	CURRIE RD 1	
SR - 113 2	AZEVEDO RD 1	
SCALLY RD 1	BRAIDSBRIDGE 1	

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DATE: January 6, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Dan Christians  
RE: BAAQMD Programs for Electric Recharging Stations and Vehicles

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) has advised the STA that there is approximately \$350,000 available in the Bay Area for publicly accessible electric recharging stations. As a follow-up to the STA Board's designation of an Electric Vehicles and Recharging Program as a 1998-99 STA Priority Project, staff has expressed interest to the BAAQMD staff for funds to construct recharging stations, particularly along the I-80 Corridor.

BAAQMD has not yet requested applications for these funds but they are expected to be out in January. STA staff is beginning to develop a list of sites where these facilities should be located. Ed Huestis of the City of Vacaville has already been exploring with other members where such facilities should be located.

Also, the BAAQMD's recently adopted criterion that sets up a direct incentive program (at \$8,000 per vehicle) to buy or lease electric recharging vehicles, will become effective July 1, 1999. The Air District has not yet completed application guidelines, but Staff will notify member agencies once the program has been further developed.

Staff will keep the STA Board briefed on the status of both programs as we get more information.

Fiscal Impact

None

Recommendation

None. Information Only.



DATE: January 6, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Matt Todd  
RE: Eastern Solano CMAQ Applications

CMAQ applications for Eastern Solano County (Dixon, Rio Vista, Vacaville, and the eastern portion of the County) are due to the STA on January 8. We will be programming the first three years of the TEA 21 CMAQ funding for a total of almost \$2.7 million.

The TAC set a meeting on January 15 to review Eastern Solano CMAQ applications at 10:00 a.m. at the STA Office. A recommended list of projects is scheduled to go to the TAC in January and to the STA Board in February.

Fiscal Impact

None

Recommendation

This item has no recommendation; it is for information only.

Attachment



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**TO:** Solano Transportation Authority Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

**FR:** Yvette Pierre *Y. Pierre*

**RE:** Eastern Solano County CMAQ Projects  
in the SACOG Air Quality District

SACOG has recently informed MTC that there will be approximately \$897,737 per year beginning in FY97-98 (roughly \$6 million dollars for the six year period of TEA-21) in CMAQ funding available to the jurisdictions of Eastern Solano County. STA can now begin programming the first three years, and can program the remaining three years in conjunction with the remaining three years of TEA-21. SACOG is currently in the process of verifying population statistics in order to provide us with a final figure. The following will provide a tentative schedule and outline of the process we will need to follow for programming these funds once the final figures are made available:

Nov 23, 1998	TAC will discuss amounts available Application criteria developed Call for Projects process discussed
Dec 1, 1998	Application finalized and handed out for final discussion
Jan 8, 1999	<b>APPLICATIONS DUE</b>
Jan 15-27	Review and evaluation of applications by Review Committee
Jan 27, 1999	Review Committee's recommendation of projects to STA TAC
Feb 10, 1999	<b>FINAL SELECTION BY STA BOARD</b>
Feb/Mar, 1999	Modeling review in SACOG SACOG Board endorsement
April, 1999	Projects amended into MTC TIP

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DATE: January 5, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Michelle Morris Brubaker  
RE: Transportation Enhancements and Transportation for Livable Communities Funds  
(Information Only)

In December, MTC issued a call for projects for the Transportation Enhancements (TEA) and Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) programs. These two programs are being unified with one theme to make investments associated with the transportation system that solve community needs and which then become the catalysts for other continuing community improvements. Both programs will be oriented to provide funding for projects that improve a community's connection with the regional transportation system.

At the regional level, each year about \$5 million from the TLC program and \$4 million from the TEA program will be available. In addition, \$1.5 million over 6 years (approximately \$250,000 per year) will be available as a county guarantee to Solano County. MTC has proposed the following schedule for the MTC TLC capital program:

December 30, 1998	Distribute applications
January 19, 1999	Hold information workshop at MTC
February 23, 1999	Applications due and begin application review
Week of April 5, 1999	Draft list of project "rankings" published and distributed at MTC's Work Program Committee meeting on April 9, 1999
May 14, 1999/May 26, 1999	Request Work Program Committee and Commission approval of program

Projects should support a community's development and/or redevelopment activities and provide significant community benefits (e.g. walkability; safety and security; economic development; protection of community, cultural, historic or environmental resources; public transit access or amenity; parking design; streetscape design; and access to daily needs). The overall project should have identifiable and likely synergistic effects (provision of any single community benefit will likely induce additional community benefits). Proposed projects should be developed out of a collaborative planning process with community stakeholders, the project sponsor and local jurisdiction(s). A list of eligible projects and screening criteria are attached.

Solano County will develop its own application for funds that will be guaranteed to the county. The Solano County process will follow closely behind the selection of projects for the regional program. STA will program the first two years of funding in the first cycle (about \$500,000).

## **List of Eligible Projects**

For the Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) program, projects must be eligible for Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds, which include pedestrian and bicycle facilities, bus shelters/bulbs and landscaping capital projects. Enhancement projects should specifically:

- Be over and above normal projects – no required mitigation allowed
- Directly connected to the transportation system by function, proximity or impact
- One of the following eligible categories:
  1. Pedestrian and/or bicycle facilities
  2. Safety and educational activities for pedestrians and/or bicycles
  3. Acquisition of historic sites
  4. Historic/scenic highway programs (including tourist and welcome centers)
  5. Landscaping, streetscapes, and other scenic beautification
  6. Historic preservation
  7. Rehabilitation of historic transportation buildings, structures or facilities
  8. Preservation of abandoned railway corridors (including the conversion for use as bicycle and pedestrian trails)
  9. Control and removal of outdoor advertising
  10. Archeological planning and research
  11. Environmental mitigation to address water pollution due to highway runoff or to reduce vehicles-caused wildlife mortality (maintaining habitat connectivity)
  12. Establishment of transportation museums
- Historic categories (#3, 4, 6 and 7 ) should be tied to TLC/community development
- Maintenance and operations expenses are not eligible under federal law

### Screening Checklist

All screening criteria below must be met before a project can be evaluated according to the scoring criteria.

- A collaborative planning process with a variety of community stakeholders that would be affected by the project (such as residents, business proprietors, property owners, neighborhood associations, and schools), the project, sponsor, and the local jurisdiction, has taken place. , (If a planning process has not been undertaken, please consider applying in future cycles, once completed.)
- The funding request is greater than \$150,000 and less than \$2 million.
- The project sponsor assures that local match of at least 11.5% of the total project cost will be available.
- The project is well defined and results in a usable segment/ project.
- The project sponsor agrees to abide by all applicable regulations, including NEPA, and ADA.
- The project funds will be obligated (under contract) by September 30, 2000.
- Project sponsor agrees to on-site visit if needed as part of project evaluation.
- Project sponsor agrees to acknowledge TLC support prominently in design and construction activities and will provide "before" and "after" photographs of the project.
- Project management mechanisms are in place to maintain cost, schedule, and scope.



DATE: January 5, 1999  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Chairman Don Erickson  
RE: Information on Executive Director Search

Shannon and Associates has prepared and distributed a brochure to assist in the search for a new Executive Director. The final filing date is Friday, January 22, 1999. Upon completing their outreach and screening, the firm will deliver a list of ten candidates to the Executive Director Search Committee (Members Erickson, Donahue and Slade) to consider on February 12. A status report is attached.

Fiscal Impact

None

Recommendation

None. Information only.



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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Mayor Don Erickson, Chairman  
Solano Transportation Authority

**FROM:** David L Harris

**SUBJ:** Executive Director Recruitment Status Report

**DATE:** January 5, 1999

Shannon Associates appreciates the opportunity to be involved in this recruitment effort. Ads have been placed in trade journals, on web sites and in other publications. At STA's request we also sent a recruitment brochure and letter soliciting referrals to each and every State legislator. We have mailed the brochure to over 250 individuals on a target outreach list. Additionally we were able to obtain permission from the Assembly Rules Committee and the Senate Rules Committee to post the job ad on their internal email systems that are seen by numerous State staffers. We have received 10 application thus far. We will no doubt receive many more now that potential applicants have the holidays behind them. We will continue to make outreach calls. Following is a schedule of recruitment activities along with target completion dates:

<u>Activity</u>	<u>To be completed by:</u>
Develop ad text, brochure text and ad campaign for client approval	Completed
Place ads (e.g. Western City, Jobs Available, Websites, APA chapters, Assembly and Senate Rules Committee)	Completed
Print recruitment brochure	Completed
Mail brochure to potential candidates and to referral sources	285 brochures sent
Ads appear	Dec. and Jan.: Completed

**Recruitment schedule continued, 12/10/1998**

Conduct aggressive outreach	12/14 – 1/22/99 (ongoing)
Final filing date	1/22
Screen resumes	1/29
Screening interviews by consultants	2/12
Deliver client report and resumes to STA	2/12

Beyond delivery of the client report to STA, it is currently planned that STA will conduct the balance of the recruitment effort. Shannon Associates will be pleased to assist the STA further in the process if specifically requested to do so. If there are questions regarding this report or the project generally please do not hesitate to call.