

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)  
 AGENDA**

**1:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 30, 2011  
 Solano Transportation Authority  
 One Harbor Center, Suite 130  
 Suisun City, CA 94585**

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>STAFF PERSON</u>
<b>I. CALL TO ORDER</b>	Daryl Halls, Chair
<b>II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>	
<b>III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT</b> (1:30 -1:35 p.m.)	
<b>IV. REPORTS FROM CALTRANS, METROPOLITAN    TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC), AND STA STAFF</b> (1:35 -1:45 p.m.)	
<b>V. CONSENT CALENDAR</b> <u>Recommendation:</u> <i>Approve the following consent items in one motion.</i> (1:45 – 1:50 p.m.)	
<b>A. Minutes of the TAC Meeting of September 14, 2011</b> <u>Recommendation:</u> <i>Approve TAC Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2011.</i> <b>Pg. 1</b>	Johanna Masielat
<b>B. 2011 Solano Congestion Management Plan (CMP)</b> <u>Recommendation:</u> <i>Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the following:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>The final 2011 Solano CMP and submit it to MTC; and</i></li> <li>2. <i>Authorize the Executive Director to submit the 2011 Solano CMP to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).</i></li> </ol> <b>Pg. 7</b>	Robert Macaulay

**TAC MEMBERS**

Charlie Knox	Morrie Barr	George Hicks	Dave Mellili	Dan Kasperson	Rod Moresco	David Kleinschmidt	Matt Tuggle
City of Benicia	City of Dixon	City of Fairfield	City of Rio Vista	City of Suisun City	City of Vacaville	City of Vallejo	County of Solano

**C. Completion of the Construction Contract for the Building Demolition as Advanced Construction Work for the I-80 Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project**

Janet Adams

Recommendation:

*Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to:*

- 1. Accept the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Demolition Building as advanced construction work for the I-80 Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project contract as complete; and*
- 2. Authorize the Executive Director to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder's office.*

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**D. Completion of the Construction Contract for the Tree Removal as Advanced Construction Work for the I-80 Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project**

Janet Adams

Recommendation:

*Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to:*

- 1. Accept the Completion of the Construction Contract for the Tree Removal as Advanced Construction Work for the I-80 Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project contract as complete; and*
- 2. Authorize the Executive Director to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder's office.*

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**VI. ACTION FINANCIAL ITEMS**

**None.**

**VII. ACTION NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS**

**A. STA's 2012 Legislative Priorities and Platform**

Jayne Bauer

Recommendation:

*Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the STA's 2012 Legislative Priorities and Platform.*

*(1:50 – 1:55 p.m.)*

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**B. Solano Countywide Bicycle Transportation Plan Update**

Sara Woo

Recommendation:

*Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the Solano Countywide Bicycle Transportation Plan as shown in Attachment B.*

*(1:55 – 2:00 p.m.)*

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- C. Safe Routes to Transit Plan (SR2T) Plan** Robert Guerrero  
*Recommendation:*  
*Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the Solano Safe Routes to Transit Plan.*  
(2:00 – 2:05 p.m.)  
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- D. Submittal of Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Constrained Projects List** Robert Macaulay  
*Recommendation:*  
*Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to:*  
*1. Approve the fiscally constrained Solano RTP Project List as shown in Attachment A; and*  
*2. Authorize the Executive Director to submit it to MTC for inclusion in the Regional Transportation Plan.*  
(2:05 – 2:10 p.m.)  
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## VIII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – DISCUSSION

- A. Solano Employer Commute Challenge 2011 – Final Results** Judy Leaks  
*Informational*  
(2:10 – 2:15 p.m.)  
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### NO DISCUSSION NECESSARY

- B. Funding Opportunities Summary** Sara Woo  
*Informational*  
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- C. STA Board Meeting Highlights of October 12, 2011** Johanna Masielat  
*Informational*  
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- D. STA Board and Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2012** Johanna Masielat  
*Informational*  
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## IX. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee is scheduled at **1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 21, 2011.**

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**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes for the meeting of**  
**September 28, 2011**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was called to order at approximately 1:35 p.m. in the Solano Transportation Authority's Conference Room 1.

**Present:**

<b>TAC Members Present:</b>	Mike Roberts	City of Benicia
	George Hicks	City of Fairfield
	Dave Mellili	City of Rio Vista
	Dan Kasperson	City of Suisun City
	Rod Moresco	City of Vacaville
	David Kleinschmidt	City of Vallejo
	Matt Tuggle	County of Solano

**STA Staff Present:**

*(In Alphabetical Order by Last Name)*

Janet Adams	STA
Jayne Bauer	STA
Robert Guerrero	STA
Daryl Halls	STA
Judy Leaks	STA
Robert Macaulay	STA
Johanna Masielat	STA
Jessica McCabe	STA
Liz Niedziela	STA
Sam Shelton	STA

**Others Present:**

*(In Alphabetical Order by Last Name)*

Amanda Dum	City of Suisun City
Steve Hartwig	City of Fairfield
MJ Lanni	City of Vallejo
Wayne Lewis	City of Fairfield

**II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

On a motion by George Hicks, and a second by Mike Roberts, the STA TAC unanimously approved the agenda.

**III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

None presented.

#### IV. REPORTS FROM CALTRANS, MTC AND STA STAFF

**Caltrans:** None presented.

**MTC:** None presented.

**STA:** Jayne Bauer cited that the nominees for the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards ceremony will be announced at the October Board meeting.

**Other:** Steve Hartwig, City of Fairfield provided an update on the Fairfield – Vacaville Train Station Project.

#### V. CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by George Hicks, and a second by Rod Moresco, the STA TAC approved Consent Calendar Items A through F.

**A. Minutes of the TAC Meeting of August 31, 2011**

Recommendation:

Approve TAC Meeting Minutes of August 31, 2011.

**B. Fiscal Year (FY) 2011-12 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Matrix – October 2011 – Cities of Fairfield and Rio Vista**

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to STA Board to approve the FY 2011-12 Solano TDA Matrix – October 2011 - Cities of Fairfield and Rio Vista as shown in Attachment A.

**C. State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF) Regional Paratransit Funding Request for the Intercity Taxi Scrip Program**

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to allocate \$25,000 of STAF Regional Paratransit funds for the Intercity Taxi Scrip Program.

**D. Seniors and People with Disabilities Transportation Study**

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the Solano Transportation Study for Seniors and People with Disabilities.

**E. Proposed SolanoExpress Route 30 Service Changes**

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve service changes to Route 30 in order to improve time efficiency and cost effectiveness.

**F. Comprehensive Transportation Plan – Land Use Chapter**

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the Draft Land Use Chapter of the Solano Comprehensive Transportation Plan included as Attachment A.

## VI. ACTION FINANCIAL ITEMS

### A. 2012 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

Jessica McCabe reviewed MTC's 2012 STIP Fund Estimate County Targets and the updated 10-Year Investment Plan for Highway and Major Transit Capital Projects. She also reviewed the 2012 development schedule including STA TAC, STA Board, MTC, and CTC meetings.

#### Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the following:

1. Approve the 2011 10-Year Investment Plan for Highways and Major Transit Capital Projects;
2. Program \$8.3M in available non-Transportation Enhancement (TE) STIP funds to the Jepson Parkway project;
3. Program \$649,000 in unprogrammed STIP TE reserve to the City of Dixon's West B Street Undercrossing project;
4. Program \$672,000 in available new STIP TE funds to the City of Dixon's West B Street Undercrossing project; and
5. Program \$98,000 in FY 2015-16 and \$274,000 in FY 2016-17 available for Planning, Programming, and Monitoring (PPM) activities.

On a motion by Dave Mellili, and a second by David Kleinschmidt, the STA TAC unanimously approved the recommendation.

### B. South County Transit (SolTrans) Funding Request to Cover Transitional Costs

Liz Niedziela provided an overview and identified transition costs of \$395,800 for the remainder of FY 2011-12. She listed the activities that STA has funded to date and SolTrans' proposal for additional funding. In addition, she stated that a separate request to MTC for other one-time costs is under development by SolTrans and STA staff.

#### Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve allocation of SolTrans funding request in the amount of \$395,800 of STAF to cover transitional costs.

On a motion by Mike Roberts, and a second by David Kleinschmidt, the STA TAC unanimously approved the recommendation.

## VII. ACTION FINANCIAL ITEMS

### A. Update of Solano Congestion Management Plan (CMP)

Robert Macaulay provided update to the development of the 2011 CMP which requires draft CMPs submitted to MTC by October 14, 2011. He noted that because MTC is preparing a substantial update to the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) at this time, including development of the first-ever Bay Area Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS). He added that when the 2013 CMP update occurs, the new RTP and SCS will be in place, and a major CMP update will be appropriate.

#### Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the 2011 Update of the Solano CMP.

On a motion by Dan Kasperson, and a second by Dave Mellili, the STA TAC unanimously approved the recommendation.

**B. STA's Draft 2012 Legislative Priorities and Platform**

Jayne Bauer reviewed the 2012 appropriations bill that would end federal subsidies for Amtrak operations that receive state operating assistance, the House Transportation Housing and Urban Development (THUD). In addition, she requested to forward a recommendation to the STA Board distribution of the draft 2012 Legislative Platform and Priorities for a 30-day review and comment period.

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the following:

1. Distribute the STA's Draft 2012 Legislative Priorities Platform for a 30-day review and comment period; and
2. Oppose funding cuts to California Amtrak operations as proposed in the Transportation Housing and Urban Development (THUD) Subcommittee 2012 appropriations bill.

On a motion by George Hicks, and a second by Matt Tuggle, the STA TAC unanimously approved the recommendation.

**VIII. INFORMATIONAL**

**A. Fiscal Year (FY) 2010-11 Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) Program Fourth Quarter and Annual Report**

Robert Macaulay reviewed the annual fiscal year-end report submitted to the State Controller's Office before the required due date of October 31, 2011.

**B. Safe Routes to Transit Plan (SR2T) Update**

Robert Guerrero provided an update on the development of a SR2T Plan. He reported that staff is currently working with the SR2T Task Forces to complete the walking audits. He added that three of five surveys have been completed at the time of this report.

**C. Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) Program Fiscal Year (FY) 2010-11 Year-End Report**

Judy Leaks provided a year-end wrap-up of the ten major elements listed in the SNCI Program Annual Report in Solano County.

**D. Benicia Climate Action Plan (CAP) Implementation**

Robert Macaulay noted that the City of Benicia and STA staff are already working together to integrate Solano-Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) rideshare and vanpool activities with both the city and major employers. He added that STA staff reports on fund programming will identify those projects that could help implement the City of Benicia CAP and Benicia projects may be given higher ranking if they are part of the CAP.

**E. Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update/One Bay Area Block Grant Update**

Robert Macaulay noted that Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) has released the population and employment projections for three of the land use scenarios that will be analyzed to help develop the Bay Area Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS). He cited that MTC will release the scenario results in December 2011 and have the draft SCS available in February 2012.

**NO DISCUSSION**

**F. Funding Opportunities Summary**

**G. STA Board Meeting Highlights of September 14, 2011**

**H. STA Board and Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule for Remainder of Calendar Year 2011**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m. The next meeting of the STA TAC is scheduled at **1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 30, 2011.**

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DATE: November 22, 2011  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Robert Macaulay, Director of Planning  
RE: 2011 Solano Congestion Management Plan (CMP)

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**Background:**

California law requires urban areas to develop a Congestion Management Program (CMP). The CMP plans strategies for addressing congestion problems by holding jurisdictions to a variety of mobility standards in order to obtain state gas tax subventions. These mobility standards include Level of Service (LOS) standards on the CMP network and transit standards. To help jurisdictions maintain these mobility standards, the CMP lists improvement projects in a seven-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Jurisdictions that are projected to exceed the CMP standards, based on the Napa-Solano Travel Demand Model, are required to create a deficiency plan to meet the CMP standards within the seven-year time frame of the CIP.

The 2009 CMP was approved by the STA Board on September 9, 2009. In order for projects in the CMP's CIP to be placed in the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP), state law requires that the CMP be consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) found the 2009 Solano CMP to be consistent with the RTP.

Subsequent to STA approval and MTC acceptance of the 2009 Solano CMP, several items relevant to the CMP were updated. These updates impact the content of the CMP, as well as the CMP's CIP. The updated items were the Napa-Solano Travel Demand Model (modified as a part of the Regional Traffic Impact Fee study), implementation of the Safe Routes to Schools Program and its addition to the CIP, and changes to the CIP for Senior and Disabled Transit programs. The STA Board adopted the 2010 update to the CMP in August 2010.

CMPs are prepared in draft form and submitted to the regional Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for review. The Bay Area MPO is the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).

**Discussion:**

MTC released updated modeling guidance for the CMP in June 2011 and overall CMP guidance on July 16, 2011. The CMP update schedule requires draft CMPs be submitted to MTC by October 14, 2011. Because MTC is preparing a substantial update to the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) at this time, including development of the first-ever Bay Area Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS), MTC has advised STA to only make minor updates to the information in the CMP. When the 2013 CMP update occurs, the new RTP and SCS will be in place, and a major CMP update will be appropriate.

The 2011 CMP identifies changes to facilities, programs and transit ridership that have occurred since 2009. Major changes include opening of the North Connector and McGary Road, Central County bikeway segments in Suisun City and the Rose Drive pedestrian overcrossing of I-780, and completion of the Vacaville Transit Center and Vallejo Bus. Transit changes include the creation of Solano County Transit (SolTrans), merging Benicia Breeze and Vallejo Transit, and the pending transfer of the Baylink Ferry from the City of Vallejo to the Water Emergency Transportation Agency (WETA).

CMP traffic counts are normally taken in the spring, while school is in session. For 2011, the new modeling guidance, which influences traffic counts, was not released until the summer. After consultation with MTC staff, STA has only included existing traffic counts in the 2011 CMP update, and has not conducted new traffic counts for the remaining CMP roadways and intersections. For the 2013 CMP update, STA intends to undertake a comprehensive count of traffic on these roadways.

The CMP CIP consists of locally-identified projects and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) State Highway Operation and Preservation Program (SHOPP) projects. The CIP has been amended to identify those projects that have been completed or that have revised descriptions or cost estimates. MTC has requested that the CMP CIP not include all projects that have been submitted for the RTP. Instead, MTC will complete the RTP update and the 2013 CMP will include those projects in Solano County or for portions of the Bay Area that include Solano County.

The SHOPP project list has been updated based on action taken by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) on August 15, 2011. Because of the completion by Caltrans SHOPP of numerous projects in the 2009 to 2011 time frame and the reduction in available SHOPP funds, the Solano County SHOPP list has been reduced by about half.

The Draft 2011 Solano CMP was approved by the STA Board at its meeting of October 12, 2011, and submitted to MTC for review. MTC subsequently sent STA a letter confirming the Draft 2011 Solano CMP meets MTCs requirements and that no modifications of the Draft 2011 Solano CMP are required.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**Recommendation:**

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the following:

1. The final 2011 Solano CMP and submit it to MTC; and
2. Authorize the Executive Director to submit the 2011 Solano CMP to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).



DATE: November 15, 2011  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Janet Adams, Deputy Executive Director/Director of Projects  
RE: Completion of the Construction Contract for the Building Demolition as  
Advanced Construction Work for the I-80 Cordelia Truck Scales  
Relocation Project

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**Background:**

STA has been actively working with State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), California Highway Patrol (CHP) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to deliver the I-80 Eastbound Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project. STA has led the design phase, as well as the demolition of existing buildings at 4015 Hale Ranch Road (formally owned by Anheuser-Busch) and 2547 Cordelia Road (formally owned by Solano County) for the I-80 Eastbound Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project. The demolition of existing buildings needed to be completed in advance of Caltrans awarding the project for construction, which is scheduled for early 2012.

**Discussion:**

Consistent with STA Board direction, staff has proceeded with implementation of the demolition of existing buildings to facilitate the construction of the I-80 Eastbound Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project. On June 8, 2011 the Board authorized the Executive Director to award the contract for the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Demolition Project to the lowest responsible bidder. The Cordelia CVEF Relocation Demolition Project plans were prepared by HDR. The Cordelia CVEF Relocation Demolition Project was awarded to Professional Asbestos & Lead Services, Inc in May 2011. The STA administered the building demolitions of the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Demolition Project with Parsons Brinckerhoff performing construction management services.

The work under the contract with Professional Asbestos & Lead Services, Inc. is now complete and the project is closed out. STA staff is recommending the TAC forward a recommendation to the Board to accept the work as complete and direct the Executive Director or his designee to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder's office. This action by the Board will release the Surety bonds secured by Professional Asbestos & Lead Services, Inc. (contractor) to ensure the performance of the work and allow for final payment to be made.

Presented below is a summary of the budget status for the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Demolition Project.

Construction Budget	\$153,602.00
Total Construction Cost	\$129,456.50
Remaining Budget	\$ 24,145.50

**Fiscal Impact:**

The cost for the construction contract for the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Demolition Project was funded with Bridge Toll funds.

**Recommendation**

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to:

1. Accept the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Demolition Building as advanced construction work for the I-80 Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project contract as complete; and
2. Authorize the Executive Director to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder's office.

Attachment:

- A. Notice of Completion for the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Demolition Project

Recording Requested By:  
SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

When Recorded, Return To:  
Solano Transportation Authority  
Executive Director  
One Harbor Center, Suite 130  
Suisun City, CA 94585

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SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
**NOTICE OF COMPLETION**

In the Matter of Accepting and Giving  
Notice of Completion of Contract for  
Cordelia CVEF Relocation Demolition Project  
4015 Hale Ranch Road, Fairfield CA  
2547 Cordelia Road, Fairfield CA

**WHEREAS**, the Solano Transportation Authority on June 8, 2011 contracted with Professional Asbestos & Lead Services, Inc. to clear the existing structures at the properties located at 4015 Hale Ranch Road and 2547 Cordelia Road in Fairfield, with American Safety Casualty Insurance Company of Georgia as surety, for work to be performed in the unincorporated area of Solano County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Executive Director reports that said work has been inspected and complies with the plans, special provisions and standard specifications, and recommends its acceptance as complete as of December 14, 2011.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Governing Body of the Solano Transportation Authority hereby accepts said work associated with the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Demolition Project as complete on December 14, 2011 and directs the Executive Director or his designee to file a copy of this Resolution and Notice as a Notice of Completion for said contract with the County Recorder.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing Notice of Completion was introduced and passed at a regular meeting of the Board of the Solano Transportation Authority, held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day December 2011.

Attest by:

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Johanna Masiplat  
Clerk of the Board

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DATE: November 15, 2011  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Janet Adams, Deputy Executive Director/Director of Projects  
RE: Completion of the Construction Contract for the Tree Removal as  
Advanced Construction Work for the I-80 Cordelia Truck Scales  
Relocation Project

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**Background:**

STA has been actively working with State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), California Highway Patrol (CHP) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to deliver the I-80 Eastbound Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project. STA has led the design phase, as well as the advance construction tree removal project for the I-80 Eastbound Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project. The tree removal needed to be completed in advance of Caltrans awarding the project for construction, which is scheduled for early 2012.

**Discussion:**

Consistent with STA Board direction, staff has proceeded with implementation of the removal of trees to facilitate the construction of the I-80 Eastbound Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project. On July 13, 2011 the STA Board authorized the Executive Director to award the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Tree Removal Project to the lowest responsible bidder. The Cordelia CVEF Relocation Tree Removal Project plans were prepared by HDR. The Cordelia CVEF Relocation Tree Removal Project was awarded to Richard's Tree Service, Inc in June 2011. The STA administered the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Tree Removal Project with Parsons Brinckerhoff performing construction management services.

The work to be performed under the contract with Professional Asbestos & Lead Services, Inc. is now complete and the project is closed out. STA staff is recommending the TAC forward a recommendation to the Board accept the work as complete and direct the Executive Director or his designee to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder's office. This action by the Board will release the Surety bonds secured by Richard's Tree Service, Inc. (contractor) to ensure the performance of the work and allow for final payment to be made.

Presented below is a summary of the budget status for the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Tree Removal Project.

Construction Budget	\$86,000.00
Total Construction Cost	\$65,700.00
Remaining Budget	\$20,300.00

**Fiscal Impact:**

The cost for the construction contract for the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Tree Removal Project was funded with Bridge Toll funds.

**Recommendation**

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to:

1. Accept the Completion of the Construction Contract for the Tree Removal as Advanced Construction Work for the I-80 Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project contract as complete; and
2. Authorize the Executive Director to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder's office.

Attachment:

- A. Notice of Completion for the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Tree Removal Contract

Recording Requested By:  
SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

When Recorded, Return To:  
Solano Transportation Authority  
Executive Director  
One Harbor Center, Suite 130  
Suisun City, CA 94585

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SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
**NOTICE OF COMPLETION**

In the Matter of Accepting and Giving  
Notice of Completion of Contract for  
Cordelia CVEF Relocation Tree Removal Project  
3895 Interstate 80, Fairfield CA

**WHEREAS**, the Solano Transportation Authority on July 13, 2011 contracted with Richard's Tree Service, Inc. for clearing existing trees in the project limits of the new Cordelia CVEF to assure that the trees are cleared after this year's bird nesting season and prior to the nesting next spring, with American Contractors Indemnity Company of California as surety, for work to be performed in the unincorporated area of Solano County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Executive Director reports that said work has been inspected and complies with the plans, special provisions and standard specifications, and recommends its acceptance as complete as of December 14, 2011.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Governing Body of the Solano Transportation Authority hereby accepts said work associated with the Cordelia CVEF Relocation Tree Removal Project as complete on December 14, 2011 and directs the Executive Director or his designee to file a copy of this Resolution and Notice as a Notice of Completion for said contract with the County Recorder.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing Notice of Completion was introduced and passed at a regular meeting of the Board of the Solano Transportation Authority, held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day December 2011.

Attest by:

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Johanna Masielat  
Clerk of the Board

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DATE: November 16, 2011  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Jayne Bauer, Marketing and Legislative Program Manager  
RE: STA's 2012 Legislative Priorities and Platform

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**Background:**

Each year, STA staff monitors state and federal legislation that pertains directly to transportation and related issues. On December 8, 2010, the STA Board adopted its 2011 Legislative Priorities and Platform to provide policy guidance on transportation legislation and the STA's legislative activities during 2011.

To help ensure the STA's transportation policies and priorities are consensus-based, the STA's Legislative Platform and Priorities is first developed in draft form by staff with input from the STA's state (Shaw/Yoder/Antwih, Inc.) and federal legislative consultants (Akin Gump). The Draft 2012 Legislative Platform and Priorities (Attachment D) is reviewed by the STA Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Transit Consortium for comment. The draft is distributed to STA member agencies and members of our federal and state legislative delegations for review and comment prior to adoption by the STA Board.

**Discussion:**

The TAC and Consortium reviewed the Draft 2012 Legislative Platform and Priorities at their meetings on September 28<sup>th</sup>, and approved forwarding the document to the Board, with a recommendation to distribute the draft document for a 30-day review and comment period. The deadline for comments is November 28<sup>th</sup>, but to date staff has received no comments. No changes were made to the document that was reviewed by the TAC and Consortium on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

In addition to some minor language cleanup, the primary proposed changes in this year's priorities are as follows:

Priority 1: Restructured the priority projects and programs list for which the STA will seek federal funding instead of listing specific authorization and appropriations funding requests.

Priority 4: Added public private partnerships as legislation the STA specifically supports.

Priority 5: Added sponsorship of legislation to make technical corrections to STA's 2009 sponsored bill to directly claim Transportation Development Act funds, and to claim State Transit Assistance funds.

Priority 13: Added opposition to elimination of federal Transportation Enhancement funding.

Platform IX. Rail #7: Added opposition to Amtrak funding cuts to state-supported Intercity Passenger Rail services.

The 2012 Legislative Platform and Priorities is submitted for approval by the TAC and Consortium, and will be placed on the December 14<sup>th</sup> STA Board agenda for consideration of adoption.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**Recommendation:**

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the STA's 2012 Legislative Priorities and Platform.

Attachment:

- A. STA's 2012 Legislative Priorities and Platform

Updated 11/16/2011 8:16 AM



# Solano Transportation Authority

## DRAFT 2012 Legislative Priorities and Platform

*(For Consideration by STA TAC/Consortium 11/30/11)*

### LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

1. Pursue federal funding for the following priority projects and programs:
  - Roadway/Highway:
    - Tier 1:
      - I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange
      - Jepson Parkway
    - Tier 2:
      - I-80 Westbound Truck Scales
      - I-80 Express Lanes
  - Transit Centers:
    - Tier 1:
      - Fairfield Transportation Center Expansion
      - Vallejo Transit Center at Curtola and Lemon, Phase 1
      - Vacaville Transit Center, Phase 2
    - Tier 2:
      - Fairfield/Vacaville Multimodal Train Station, Phase 2
      - Vallejo Transit Center (Downtown) Parking Structure
      - Dixon Intermodal Station
  - Climate Change/Alternative Fuels
  - Safe Routes to School
  - Mobility Management
2. Monitor and support, as appropriate, legislative proposals to increase funding for transportation infrastructure, operations and maintenance in Solano County.
3. Seek/sponsor legislation in support of initiatives that increase the overall funding levels for transportation priorities in Solano County.
4. Support legislation that encourages public private partnerships and provides low cost financing for transportation projects.
5. Sponsor legislation that makes needed technical corrections to the statute enacted pursuant to the Solano Transportation Authority's (STA) 2009 sponsored bill providing eligibility for the STA to directly claim the share of Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds available to cities in the county and the county, and authorizing the STA to claim State Transit Assistance program funds directly from MTC.
6. Oppose efforts to reduce or divert funding from transportation projects.
7. Support initiatives to pursue the 55% voter threshold for county transportation infrastructure measures.

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8. Support establishment of regional Express Lanes network with assurance that revenues collected for the use of Express Lanes are spent to improve operations and mobility for the corridor in which they originate.
9. Monitor and participate in the implementation of state climate change legislation, including the California Global Warming Solutions Act and SB 375. Participate in the development of the Bay Area Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS), and ensure that locally-beneficial projects and programs are contained in the SCS. Support the funding and development of a program to support transportation needs for agricultural and open space lands as part of the SCS.
10. Monitor proposals and, where appropriate, support efforts to exempt projects funded by local voter-approved funding mechanisms from the provisions of SB 375 (Steinberg).
11. Support efforts to protect and preserve funding in the Public Transportation Account (PTA).
12. Support federal and state legislation framed by California Consensus Principles (Item XIII, Attachment A), and that provides funding for movement of goods along corridors (i.e. I-80, SR 12, Capitol Corridor) and facilities (i.e., Cordelia Truck Scales).
13. Oppose efforts to eliminate the federal Transportation Enhancement (TE) Funding program and support maintaining current levels of TE funding for transportation projects in Solano County.

### LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM

#### *I. Alternative Modes (Bicycles, HOV, Livable Communities, Ridesharing)*

1. Support legislation promoting bicycling and bicycle facilities as a commuter option.
2. Support legislation providing land use incentives in connection with rail and multimodal transit stations – Transit Oriented Development.
3. Support legislation and regional policy that provide qualified Commuter Carpools and Vanpools with reduced tolls on toll facilities as an incentive to encourage and promote ridesharing.
4. Support legislation that increases employers' opportunities to offer commuter incentives.
5. Support legislative and regulatory efforts to ensure that projects from Solano County cities are eligible for federal, state and regional funding of Transportation Oriented Development (Transit Oriented Development) projects. Ensure that development and transit standards for TOD projects can be reasonably met by developing suburban communities.
6. Support establishment of regional Express Lanes network with assurance that revenues collected for the use of Express Lanes are spent to improve operations and mobility for the corridor in which they originate. (*Priority #8*)

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**II. Climate Change/Air Quality**

1. Monitor implementation of federal attainment plans for pollutants in the Bay Area and Sacramento air basins, including ozone and particulate matter attainment plans. Work with MTC and SACOG to ensure consistent review of projects in the two air basins.
2. Monitor and participate in the implementation of state climate change legislation, including the California Global Warming Solutions Act and SB 375. Participate in the development of the Bay Area Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS), and ensure that locally-beneficial projects and programs are contained in the SCS. Support the funding and development of a program to support transportation needs for agricultural and open space lands as part of the SCS. *(Priority #9)*
3. Monitor proposals and, where appropriate, support efforts to exempt projects funded by local voter-approved funding mechanisms from the provisions of SB 375 (Steinberg). *(Priority #10)*
4. Support legislation, which ensures that any fees imposed to reduce vehicle miles traveled, or to control mobile source emissions, are used to support transportation programs that provide congestion relief or benefit air quality.
5. Support legislation providing infrastructure for low, ultra-low and zero emission vehicles.
6. Support policies that improve and streamline the environmental review process.
7. Support legislation that allows for air emission standards appropriate for infill development linked to transit centers and/or in designated Priority Development Areas. Allow standards that tolerate higher levels of particulates and other air pollutants in exchange for allowing development supported by transit that reduces greenhouse gas emissions.
8. Monitor energy policies and alternative fuel legislation or regulation that may affect fleet vehicle requirements for mandated use of alternative fuels.
9. Support legislation to provide funding for innovative, intelligent/advanced transportation and air quality programs, which relieve congestion, improve air quality and enhance economic development.
10. Support legislation to finance cost effective conversion of public transit fleets to alternative fuels and/or to retrofit existing fleets with latest emission technologies.
11. Support income tax benefits or incentives that encourage use of alternative fuel vehicles, vanpools and public transit without reducing existing transportation or air quality funding levels.
12. Support federal climate change legislation that provides funding from, and any revenue generated by, emission dis-incentives or fuel tax increases (e.g. cap and trade programs) to local transportation agencies for transportation purposes.

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**IV. Employee Relations**

1. Monitor legislation and regulations affecting labor relations, employee rights, benefits, and working conditions. Preserve a balance between the needs of the employees and the resources of public employers that have a legal fiduciary responsibility to taxpayers.
2. Monitor any legislation affecting workers compensation that impacts employee benefits, control of costs, and, in particular, changes that affect self-insured employers.
3. Monitor legislation affecting the liability of public entities, particularly in personal injury or other civil wrong legal actions.

**V. Environmental**

1. Monitor legislation and regulatory proposals related to management of the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta, including those that would impact existing and proposed transportation facilities such as State Route 12 and State Route 113.
2. Monitor sea-level rise and climate change in relation to existing and proposed transportation facilities in Solano County.
3. Monitor proposals to designate new species as threatened or endangered under either the federal or state Endangered Species Acts. Monitor proposals to designate new “critical habitat” in areas that will impact existing and proposed transportation facilities.
4. Monitor the establishment of environmental impact mitigation banks to ensure that they do not restrict reasonably-foreseeable transportation improvements.
5. Monitor legislation and regulations that would impose requirements on highway construction to contain stormwater runoff.

**VI. Ferry**

1. Protect the existing source of operating and capital support for Vallejo Baylink ferry service, most specifically the Bridge Tolls-Northern Bridge Group “1st and 2nd dollar” revenues which do not jeopardize transit operating funds for Vallejo Transit bus operations.
2. Support efforts to ensure appropriate levels of service directly between Vallejo and San Francisco.
3. Monitor surface transportation authorization legislation to ensure adequate funding for ferry capital projects.

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**VII. Funding**

1. Protect Solano County's statutory portions of the state highway and transit funding programs.
2. Seek a fair share for Solano County of any federal and state discretionary funding made available for transportation grants, programs and projects.
3. Sponsor legislation that makes needed technical corrections to the statute enacted pursuant to the Solano Transportation Authority's (STA) 2009 sponsored bill providing eligibility for the STA to directly claim the share of Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds available to cities in the county and the county, and authorizing the STA to claim State Transit Assistance program funds directly from MTC. *(Priority #5)*
4. Protect State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds from use for purposes other than those covered in SB 45 of 1997 (Chapter 622) reforming transportation planning and programming, and support timely allocation of new STIP funds.
5. Support state budget and California Transportation Commission allocation to fully fund projects for Solano County included in the State Transportation Improvement Program and the Comprehensive Transportation Plans of the county.
6. Support efforts to protect and preserve funding in the Public Transportation Account (PTA). *(Priority #11)*
7. Seek/sponsor legislation in support of initiatives that increase the overall funding levels for transportation priorities in Solano County. *(Priority #3)*
8. Support legislation that encourages public private partnerships and provides low cost financing for transportation projects in Solano County. *(Priority #4)*
9. Support measures to restore local government's property tax revenues used for general fund purposes, including road rehabilitation and maintenance.
10. Support legislation to secure adequate budget appropriations for highway, bus, rail, air quality and mobility programs in Solano County.
11. Support initiatives to pursue the 55% or lower voter threshold for county transportation infrastructure measures. *(Priority #7)*
12. Ensure that fees collected for the use of Express Lanes are spent to improve operations and mobility for the corridor in which they originate. *(Priority #8)*
13. Support federal and state legislation framed by California Consensus Principles (Item #XIII, Attachment A) that provides funding for movement of goods along corridors (i.e. I-80, SR 12, Capitol Corridor) and facilities (i.e., Cordelia Truck Scales). *(Priority #12)*

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14. Support efforts to quickly enact legislation that reauthorizes the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act – a Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), and provides a fair share return of funding to California.
15. Support efforts to reauthorize federal transportation policy and funding as framed by California Consensus Principles (Item XIII, Attachment A), focusing efforts on securing funding for high priority regional transportation projects.
16. Oppose efforts to eliminate the federal Transportation Enhancement (TE) Funding program and support maintaining current levels of TE funding for transportation projects in Solano County. (*Priority # 13*)
17. Support legislation or the development of administrative policies to allow a program credit for local funds spent on accelerating STIP projects through right-of-way purchases, or environmental and engineering consultant efforts.
18. Support or seek legislation to assure a dedicated source of funding, other than the State Highway Account for local streets and roads maintenance and repairs, and for transit operations.
19. Monitor the distribution of State and regional transportation demand management funding.
20. Monitor any new bridge toll proposals, support the implementation of projects funded by bridge tolls in and/or benefitting Solano County.
21. Oppose any proposal that could reduce Solano County's opportunity to receive transportation funds, including diversion of state transportation revenues for other purposes. Fund sources include, but are not limited to, State Highway Account (SHA), Public Transportation Account (PTA), and Transportation Development Act (TDA) and any local ballot initiative raising transportation revenues. (*Priority #6*)
22. Support legislation that encourages multiple stakeholders from multiple disciplines to collaborate with regard to the application for and the awarding of Safe Routes to School grants.

### *VIII. Project Delivery*

1. Monitor legislation to encourage the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, and the Environmental Protection Agency to reform administrative procedures to expedite federal review and reduce delays in payments to local agencies and their contractors for transportation project development, right-of-way and construction activities.
2. Support legislation and/or administrative reforms to enhance Caltrans project delivery, such as simultaneous Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and engineering studies, design-build authority, and a reasonable level of contracting out of appropriate activities to the private sector.
3. Support legislation and/or administrative reforms that result in cost and/or time savings to environmental clearance processes for transportation projects.

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4. Continue to streamline federal application/reporting/monitoring requirements to ensure efficiency and usefulness of data collected and eliminate unnecessary and/or duplicative requirements.
5. Support legislation that encourages public private partnerships and provides streamlined and economical delivery of transportation projects in Solano County.  
*(Priority #4)*

### IX. Rail

1. In partnership with other counties located along Capitol Corridor, seek expanded state commitment for funding passenger rail service, whether state or locally administered.
2. Support legislation and/or budgetary actions to assure a fair share of State revenues of intercity rail (provided by Capitol Corridor) funding for Northern California and Solano County.
3. Seek legislation to assure that dedicated state intercity rail funding is allocated to the regions administering each portion of the system and assure that funding is distributed on an equitable basis.
4. Seek funds for the expansion of intercity, and development of regional and commuter rail service connecting Solano County to the Bay Area and Sacramento regions.
5. Monitor the implementation of the High Speed Rail project.
6. Support efforts to fully connect Capitol Corridor trains to the California High Speed Rail system, and ensure access to state and federal high speed rail funds for the Capitol Corridor.
7. Oppose legislation that would prohibit Amtrak from providing federal funds for any state-supported Intercity Passenger Rail corridor services.

### X. Safety

1. Monitor legislation or administrative procedures to streamline the process for local agencies to receive funds for road and levee repair and other flood protection.
2. Monitor implementation of the Safety Enhancement-Double Fine Zone designation on SR 12 from I-80 in Solano County to I-5 in San Joaquin County, as authorized by AB 112 (Wolk).
3. Support legislation to adequately fund replacement of at-grade railroad crossings with grade-separated crossings.
4. Support legislation to further fund Safe Routes to School and Safe Routes to Transit programs in Solano County.

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**XI. Transit**

1. Protect funding levels for transit by opposing state funding source reduction without substitution of comparable revenue.
2. Support income tax credit to employers for subsidizing employee transit passes.
3. Support tax benefits and/or incentives for programs to promote the use of public transit.
4. In partnership with other transit agencies, seek strategies to assure public transit receives a fair share of funding for welfare-to-work social services care, and other community-based programs.
5. Monitor efforts to change Federal requirements and regulations regarding the use of federal transit funds for transit operations for rural, small and large Urbanized Areas (UZAs).
6. Support efforts that would minimize the impact of any consolidations of UZAs on Solano County transit agencies.
7. In addition to new bridge tolls, work with MTC to generate new regional transit revenues to support the ongoing operating and capital needs of transit services, including bus, ferry and rail.
8. In partnership with other affected agencies and local governments seek additional funding for paratransit operations, including service for persons with disabilities and senior citizens.

**XII. Movement of Goods**

1. Monitor and support initiatives that augment planning and funding for movement of goods via maritime-related transportation, including the dredging of channels, port locations and freight shipment.
2. Support efforts to mitigate the impacts of additional maritime goods movement on surface transportation facilities.
3. Monitor and support initiatives that augment planning and funding for movement of goods via rail involvement.
4. Monitor and support initiatives that augment planning and funding for movement of goods via aviation.
5. Monitor proposals to co-locate freight and/or passenger air facilities at Travis Air Force Base (TAFB), and to ensure that adequate highway and surface street access is provided if such facilities are located at TAFB.
6. Monitor legislation to establish a national freight policy and fund freight-related projects.

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## XIII. Federal New Authorization Policy

The National Surface Transportation Policy and Revenue Study Commission presented a report outlining a new long-term strategic transportation vision to guide transportation policymaking at the national level. The Solano Transportation Authority supports the principles contained in the Commission's "Transportation for Tomorrow," released in January 2008, specifically as summarized below:

### Recommended Objectives for Reform:

- Increased Public and Private Investment
- Federal Government a Full Partner
- A New Beginning

### Major Changes Necessary to Accomplish Objectives:

1. The federal program should be performance-driven, outcome-based, generally mode-neutral, and refocused to pursue objective of genuine national interest. The 108 existing surface transportation programs in SAFETEA-LU and related laws should be replaced with the following 10 new federal programs:
  - Rebuilding America – state of good repair
  - Global Competitiveness – gateways and goods movement
  - Metropolitan Mobility – regions greater than 1 million population
  - Connecting America – connections to smaller cities and towns
  - Intercity Passenger Rail and Water Transit – new regional networks in high-growth corridors
  - Highway Safety – incentives to save lives
  - Environmental Stewardship – both human and natural environments
  - Energy Security – development of alternative transportation fuels
  - Federal Lands – providing public access on federal property
  - Research and Development – a coherent national research program

National, state and regional officials and other stakeholders would establish performance standards, develop detailed plans for achievement, and develop detailed cost estimates to create a national surface transportation strategic plan. Only projects called for in the plan would be eligible for federal funding.

2. Congress should establish an independent National Surface Transportation Commission (NASTRAC), modeled after aspects of the Postal Regulatory Commission, the Base Closure and Realignment Commission, and state public utility commissions to perform two principal planning and financial functions:
  - a. Oversee various aspects of the development of the outcome-based performance standards.
  - b. Establish a federal share to finance the plan and recommend an increase in the federal fuel tax to fund that share.
3. Project delivery must be reformed by retaining all current environmental safeguards, but significantly shortening the time it takes to complete reviews and obtain permits.

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4. Major revenue reform is necessary:
  - a. All levels of government and the private sector must contribute their appropriate shares.
  - b. User financing must be implemented.
  - c. Budgetary protections for the Highway Trust Fund must be put in place.
  - d. Legislation must be passed to keep the Highway Account of the Highway Trust Fund solvent and prevent highway investment from falling below the levels guaranteed in SAFETEA-LU.

### Between 2010 and 2025:

- a. Federal fuel tax should be raised and indexed to the construction cost index.
- b. Federal user-based fees (such as freight fees for goods movement, dedication of a portion of existing customs duties, ticket taxes for passenger rail improvements) should be implemented to help address the funding shortfall.
- c. Congress needs to remove certain barriers to tolling and congestion pricing by modifying the current federal prohibition against tolling on the Interstate System to allow:
  - i. Tolling to fund new capacity, with pricing flexibility to manage its performance.
  - ii. Congestion pricing in metropolitan areas with populations greater than 1 million.
- d. Congress should encourage the use of public-private partnerships to attract additional private investment to the surface transportation system.
- e. State and local governments need to raise motor fuel, motor vehicle, and other related user fees.

### Post-2025:

- a. A vehicle miles traveled (VMT) fee should be implemented.



DATE: November 22, 2011  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Sara Woo, Associate Planner  
RE: Solano Countywide Bicycle Transportation Plan Update

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**Background:**

The STA's Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) was initially adopted in 2001 and updated in 2005. The CTP consists of 3 elements: Arterials, Highways and Freeways; Transit; and Alternative Modes.

In 2008, the STA Board authorized a comprehensive update of the CTP. Since that time, the STA Board has approved:

- New Purpose Statement and Goals for each element
- A State of the System Report for each element
- A Goal Gap Analysis for each element, identifying which Goals are or are not being met; and
- A CTP Project List to identify projects and programs that can help address the identified gaps.

The structure of the new CTP is different from the existing CTP. A new Land Use Chapter has been added, and Ridesharing has been moved from the Alternative Modes to the Transit Element. The Land Use Element has been previously reviewed by the STA Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and the Alternative Modes Committee, and recommended for adoption.

In 1995, Solano Transportation Authority (STA) published its first Countywide Bicycle Plan (Bike Plan). Updates were adopted in 1997, 2001, and 2004. The Bike Plan is an important component of the Arterials element of the CTP. The Bike Plan identifies desired ultimate countywide facilities serving bicycle users (and, where facilities are dual use, pedestrians) and select priority projects to be funded for planning and development over an approximately 5 year period.

**Discussion:**

The Bike Plan is a substantially new document, although it does contain major elements from the previous Bike Plan. The new document format was selected for two primary reasons: to be compatible with the formatting and graphics of the overall Solano CTP, and to account for the completion of a number of projects from the previous Bike Plan. The Pedestrian Plan will have a similar format to make cross referencing between the bike and pedestrian plan easier.

The Solano County Bike Plan was organized to achieve the following:

- set forth the purpose of the plan and its goals, including a comprehensive county-wide bicycle transportation system
- identify policies used for selecting projects for inclusion in the plan
- provide a comprehensive list of projects needed to complete the countywide system
- identify priority projects
- discuss funding sources
- includes supporting facilities such as wayfinding signs and storage facilities

The Bike plan was developed with extensive local jurisdiction input. This was provided both by meetings of the Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC). Each STA-member jurisdiction has a member on the BAC. In addition, STA staff met with BAC members and local jurisdiction Public Works staff.

The current Bike Plan has focused on completing major elements of the cross-county bike network, such as the Davis-Dixon-Vacaville Class II bike lanes and re-opening McGary Road. Although there are a few gaps in the cross-county system, most have been completed to allow the Bike Plan focus to now include local connections to major use nodes, such as transit centers, downtowns and employment centers.

The STA Safe Routes to Schools (SR2S) Plan and the draft Safe Routes to Transit (SR2T) Plan both include substantial investments in bicycle infrastructure and support facilities. Where possible, projects that advance the goals of multiple plans are given higher priority and are eligible for multiple funding sources.

One important issue identified during the development of the Bike Plan is the need for local jurisdictions to identify which priority projects are most appropriate and ready for near-term planning and construction funds. STA staff will continue to work with the local jurisdictions and the BAC members to select the highest priority projects, and to identify funding to complete planning, engineering and environmental documents so that they can qualify for construction funding.

Once the Bike Plan is adopted, STA staff will prioritize recommended funding for priority projects listed in plan (or in the SR2S and/or ST2T plans). The only exception to this funding rule will be for fund sources that have limits that would exclude any of the identified priority projects. STA staff will work with the BAC, and with local jurisdictions, to periodically update the priority project lists every two years.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None at this time. The Solano County Bicycle Plan identifies priority projects for funding and these priorities will guide funding decisions in future years.

**Recommendation:**

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the Solano Countywide Bicycle Transportation Plan as shown in Attachment B.

Attachments:

- A. Solano Countywide Bicycle Plan Priority Projects List
- B. Draft Solano Countywide Bicycle Plan (This attachment has been provided to the TAC members under separate enclosure. To obtain a copy, please contact the STA at (707) 424-6075.)

### 3.5 BIKEWAY PROJECTS LIST

The proposed system contains approximately 148 miles (238 kilometers) of bikeway facilities.

Table 3-5A is the priority projects list categorized by tier.

*Project Status key:*  
Permitted and Ready to Construct – all permits and funding secured  
Designed – greater than 35% PS&E and an approved environmental document  
Preliminary Design – greater than 10% but less than 35% PS&E  
Planned – less than 10% PS&E  
 \* in CTP list

TABLE 3-5A  
 SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY PRIORITY BICYCLE PROJECTS LIST  
 Updated September 9, 2011

TIER 1 BICYCLE PROJECTS (in priority order)					
ID	Agency	Project Name	From/To	Description	Status/ Comments
31	Dixon	West B Street Bicycle-Pedestrian Undercrossing (rail platform access tunnel)*	West B Street Union Pacific Railroad Crossing	Provide a 0.1 mile grade-separated bicycle-pedestrian undercrossing of the Union Pacific Railroad tracks to replace the existing at-grade crossing at West B Street adjacent to the Multi-modal Center (B Street Bicycle-Pedestrian Undercrossing Project). Tunnel undercrossing removes existing at-grade pedestrian crossing with 500 pedestrian trips daily. Can also be incorporated into platform access to proposed future rail station.	Designed. \$6,100,000 needed to complete construction. Env cleared. Construction ready. Construction <u>cannot</u> be phased. \$1.19 M STA recommended funding

ID	Agency	Project Name	From/To	Description	Status/ Comments
2.	Solano County	Vacaville-Dixon Bike Route: Hawkins Road*	Pitt School Road to Leisure Town Road	<p>Construct 5.0 mile class II bicycle route connection from Vacaville to Dixon, along Hawkins Road and Pitt School Road. All four segments of the Pitt School Road Portion of the project have been constructed</p> <p>This project was also submitted by City of Dixon.</p> <p>*This project is supported by the STA BAC as a priority long-term project</p>	Env/Design funded in Cycle I through Regional Bicycle Program funds. \$362,000 environmental clearance fully funded in 2010. <b>\$3,800,000</b> construction shortfall.
3.	Vacaville	Ulatis Creek Bicycle Facilities*	Phase 2: Allison Drive to I-80	<p>Construct Class I off-street bicycle path, and Class 2 bicycle lanes at various locations along Ulatis Creek from Allison Drive to I-80. Various segments are either Planned or Preliminary Design (depending upon location).</p> <p>Phase 1: Ulatis Drive to Leisure Town Road (see recently completed tier 1 bicycle projects list)</p> <p>Phase 2: Allison Drive to I-80.</p>	Further design needed for env. clearance. <b>Funding shortfall undefined.</b>
4.	STA	Solano County Wayfinding Sign Program	Various projects/routes/locations	Fund and develop a Countywide Wayfinding Sign Plan and identify a program to fund a uniform bicycle and pedestrian wayfinding signage system.	Planned. Cost to complete study undefined.

TABLE 3-5A (Continued)  
 TIER 2 BICYCLE PROJECTS (in alphabetical order by agency)

ID	Agency	Project Name	From/To	Description	Status/ Comments
1.	Benicia	East West Corridor Bicycle Connection: Military East Street/ East L Street/Adams Street	Park Road to First Street	Plan, design, and construct class II bicycle lanes and/or Bicycle Boulevard/sharrows in the East L Street/Military East/Adams Street corridor from Park Road to First Street to improve safety for cyclists entering the City from the Benicia Bridge.	Planned
2.	Dixon	Vaca-Dixon Bicycle Route: Porter Road	A Street to Pitt School Road	Phase 2: Road widening to add Class II path on Porter Road between A Street and Pitt School Road in both directions	Planned
3.	Rio Vista	Rio Vista Loop: Church Road	Airport Road to Harris Road (about 50 feet past Harris Road)	0.3 mile Class I off-street bicycle/pedestrian path on Church Road from Airport Road to Harris Road in both directions.	Planned
4.	Vallejo	Georgia Street Corridor Bicycle Improvements	Columbus Parkway to Mare Island Way	Identify alignment along the 3.4 mile Georgia Street corridor for class II bicycle lanes to provide a direct thru-route from Columbus Parkway to Mare Island Way in both directions.	Planned
5.	STA	Safe Routes to School Program Projects	Various Participating School Districts in Solano County	Support Safe Routes to School Program Projects	Planned

See Appendix A for Evaluation Criteria

**PRIORITY PROJECTS IN PROGRESS**

1. Fairfield Linear Park – Nightingale Drive Project

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## ATTACHMENT B

**Draft Solano Countywide Bicycle Plan** has been provided to the TAC members under separate enclosure. To obtain a copy, please contact the STA at (707) 424-6075.

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DATE: November 14, 2011  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Robert Guerrero, Senior Planner  
RE: Safe Routes to Transit (SR2T) Plan

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**Background:**

The Solano Transportation Authority (STA) began the development of a SR2T Plan to identify existing barriers and solutions for safe access to transit centers. In addition, the Plan would include walking audit surveys to describe overall pedestrian and bicycle user experience. The walking audits and general process for developing the SR2T Plan is modeled after the development of the Solano Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Plan completed in 2008. The Safe Routes to Transit (SR2T) Plan will be included as a component of the Transit Element of the STA's Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP).

Staff kicked off the SR2T Plan's development in May 2011 by creating a SR2T Steering Committee to assist in developing the Plan. The SR2T Steering Committee is responsible for providing STA staff with guidance regarding the Plan's development. The SR2T Steering Committee includes participants from the STA Bicycle Advisory Committee, Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Paratransit Coordinating Council, as well as staff from the STA's Technical Advisory Committee and SolanoLinks Transit Consortium. In addition, five separate SR2T Task Force groups were created with a similar representation of participants. Their responsibility was to conduct walking audit surveys at the following five selected Transit Facilities of Regional Significance (TFORS) locations:

1. Fairfield Transportation Center
2. Suisun City Capitol Corridor Train Station
3. Vacaville Transportation Center
4. Vallejo Transit Center/Downtown Parking Structure
5. Vallejo Transportation Center at Curtola and Lemon Street

**Discussion:**

As result of the participation and input from the Steering Committee and the Task Forces, STA staff and the consultant completed a draft SR2T Plan (Attachment A). The draft SR2T Plan provides maps and detailed description of each of the 5 selected TFORS related to transit service, Priority Development Area (PDA) status, data related to safety and traffic information and improvement recommendations. The SR2T Plan also prioritizes improvement recommendations for each location based on criteria described in detail in Chapter 5. The top priority projects recommended at each location are:

- Fairfield Transportation Center (FTC)- Sidewalk and bicycle connection improvements to the FTC on the south side of W. Texas between Oliver Road and Beck Ave.

- Suisun City Capitol Corridor Train Station- Sidewalk and bicycle connection improvements to the train station on Lotz Ave from Marina Blvd to Main St.
- Vacaville Transportation Center- Crossing improvement at Allison Dr between Ulatis Dr and Elmira Dr connecting Class 1 paths at Ulatis creek.
- Vallejo Transit Center/Downtown Parking Structure- Signalized crossing improvement between Santa Clara St. and Georgia St. connecting to Vallejo Transit Center.
- Vallejo Transportation Center at Curtola and Lemon Street- Signalized intersection improvements and reconfiguration on Curtola Parkway.

STA staff is recommending the draft SR2T Plan for approval at this time and will subsequently work with the member agencies to obtain funding to implement the priorities identified in the Plan. An Executive Summary and Implementation/Next Steps will be included in the final draft version of the Plan. The SR2T Plan will also be recommended for updates as part of the next CTP to reflect completed projects and new priorities.

**Fiscal Impact:**

STAF and STP funds were approved by the STA Board to fund the SR2T Plan as part of the Solano Comprehensive Transportation Plan budget. No new funds are required to complete the plan at this time.

**Recommendation:**

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the Solano Safe Routes to Transit Plan.

Attachments:

- A. Solano Safe Routes to Transit Plan (To be provided under separate cover.)

**Solano Safe Routes to Transit Plan**  
(To be provided under separate cover.)

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DATE: November 22, 2011  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Robert Macaulay, Director of Planning  
RE: Submittal of Fiscally Constrained Solano Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Project List

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**Background:**

The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is the long-range transportation plan for the 9-county Bay Area. It is prepared every 4 years by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC). The RTP sets out a 25-year vision for the region's transportation system, establishes goals and milestones for achieving that vision, and lists projects that are designed to help meet those goals. The RTP is a financially constrained document; only projects that can be funded through reasonably-anticipated revenues can be included in the RTP. Projects that receive federal and/or state financing must be listed in the RTP. In addition, local projects that have no federal or state funds may still be listed in the RTP in order to undergo air quality conformity analysis as part of the RTP review. It is important to have Solano's priority projects included in the RTP.

MTC requested project lists from the Congestion Management Agencies (CMAs), such as STA, in May of 2011. MTC asked STA to submit a project list with a total value of no more than \$3.6 billion, but indicated that the subsequent fiscally-constrained project list would be requested that would have a lower monetary limit. The STA Board adopted the initial RTP project list for submittal to MTC on May 11, 2011. That project list is included as Attachment A. That project list includes 18 projects needing regional transportation funds.

MTC subsequently asked the CMAs to identify priority projects to be used in the transportation networks to accompany the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) land use alternatives. The STA Board approved a modeling project list on September 14, 2011. The modeling list is included as Attachment B.

On October 6, 2011, MTC provided the CMAs with a project budget, County shares, for T2040. The STA project budget is \$645.5 million which is approximately the same amount that was available for the T2035 project list. Unlike previous years, that amount includes funds for programmatic expenses such as Local Streets and Roads (LS&R) maintenance, regional bicycle network development and CMA planning funds. Actual funds available for expenditure on projects total **\$437.5** million that would be funded outside the One Bay Area Grants. MTC has requested that the CMAs submit their fiscally-constrained project list in December of 2011.

MTC has adopted 10 RTP qualitative project assessment criteria and a Benefit to Cost (B:C) analysis for RPT projects, including the priority modeling projects submitted by

STA in September. Only 3 Solano projects (Fairfield-Vacaville Capitol Corridor Station, I-80 Auxiliary Lanes and the I-80/I-680/SR-12 Interchange Phase I) were subject to the B:C analysis. The B:C and qualitative assessment are included as Attachment C. STA staff is recommending that these assessments be one of the factors used in selecting projects for the fiscally constrained RTP project list.

**Discussion:**

The STA project list submitted to MTC in May included several ‘vision’ projects with funding needs and project delivery horizons beyond the 4-year time period covered by the new RTP, such as the Rio Vista Bridge relocation and the SR 12 corridor project improvements. STA staff is not recommending any funding be designated for these long-term projects.

The largest single project on the STA RTP project list that has the potential to begin construction in the next 4 years is the I-80/I-680/State Route (SR) 12 Interchange Phase I, estimated at \$700 million. A portion of the project’s costs, however, are due to the need to provide a direct connection between the planned I-80 and I-680 Express Lanes. As a result, MTC’s regional funds will cover \$140 million of the project cost. In addition, STA has secured \$120 million of Corridor Mobility Improvement Act (CMIA) and Regional Measure (RM) 2 Bridge Toll and State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds.

One important aspect of this project is the need to obtain federal environmental clearance for the project or project phase as listed in the RTP. This means that if STA were to submit only a portion of the project for RTP funding, subsequent environmental clearance would also be limited to that portion of the project.

If the entire unfunded \$440 million of cost is covered in STA’s RTP submittal, there will be no money available for other projects, and an additional \$2.5 million must be identified. Due to the need to environmentally clear the entire project and the prominence of the interchange in the county and region’s transportation needs, however, STA is recommending that this project be submitted for full funding. This will require STA to seek additional RTP funds, as explained below.

The first non-interchange priority project identified by STA is the Jepson Parkway, with a funding amount of \$45 million. The Jepson Parkway project benefits multiple jurisdictions, supports the Fairfield-Vacaville Train Station Priority Development Area (PDA), includes bicycle and transit facilities, and is programmed to receive STIP funds.

Next, there are three major transit centers that may see expansion in the next 4 years: the Curtola Transit Center in Vallejo, Fairfield Transit Center in Fairfield and the Vacaville Transit Center in Vacaville. Transit centers help promote more efficient use of the current system and support Solano County’s existing high rate of carpooling, and two of the three transit centers are in PDAs. STA recommends designating \$16.51 million – the cost of the most expensive transit center project – for listing in the RTP. STA will submit this as ‘regionally significant transit centers’ rather than listing one specific project, and will submit for actual funding whichever project is first ready to move to construction.

The remaining recommended project expenditure is the I-80 Auxiliary Lanes Project (\$25 million; 50% of the project cost). The Auxiliary Lane project is eligible for State Highway Operation and Preservation (SHOPP) funds, and may be able to be funded entirely from these sources. However, dedication of some local discretionary funds to this project is expected to draw near-term SHOPP funding and initiate a project that rates well in MTC's project assessment system and will have a substantial impact on a key traffic bottle neck.

If the non-interchange projects listed above are included in STA's project submittal, they will account for a total of **\$86.5** million. Combined with the need to obtain \$2.5 million for the interchange, STA would need to seek an additional \$89 million in RTP funds.

STA staff recommends requesting MTC to designate an additional \$89 million of Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP) funds for the I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange to fully fund the next phase of this project in order to allow the identified projects to proceed. STA believes that ITIP funds would be appropriate for this purpose, and will pursue a specific commitment from MTC for this prior to consideration of the project list by the STA Board on December 14, 2011. STA believes that other CMAs will be making similar requests to MTC, and that the low funding amounts for CMA projects and programs in the new RTP is a regional issue.

The \$208 million in STIP/CMAQ funds will go towards funding of programmatic categories, including One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) eligible programs. These are:

- LS&R operation and maintenance
- Regional Bicycle Network
- Safe Routes to School
- Safe Routes to Transit
- Climate Change
- Transportation for Livable Communities/Priority Development Areas
- CMA planning funds

**Fiscal Impact:**

None at this time. However, the RTP project list will identify those projects and programmatic categories that are covered under the RTP federal air quality attainment conformity analysis and which projects are eligible for state or federal funds, both of which influence STA and member agency spending options.

**Recommendation:**

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to:

1. Approve the fiscally constrained Solano RTP Project List as shown in Attachment A; and
2. Authorize the Executive Director to submit it to MTC for inclusion in the Regional Transportation Plan.

Attachments:

- A. Projects Recommended for Inclusion in STA's RTP Submittal to MTC

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Projects Recommended for Inclusion in Solano Transportation Authority's (STA) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)  
 Submittal to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)

Monday, November 21, 2011

\* funding in thousands

	<b>Projected Revenues</b>	<b>Total Project Costs</b>	<b>Recommended RTP Project Funding</b>	<b>Running Balance</b>
MTC Project Budget for Solano County (Oct 6, 2011)	\$ 645,500		\$	645,500
Mandatory OneBayArea Grant Projects		\$ 208,000	\$ 208,000	\$ 437,500
STA Planning Funds				
TLC/PDA Projects				
Bike/Ped/SR2S/SR2T/Planning/Alt Fuel				
Local Streets and Roads Maintenance				
Recommended RTP Projects for Solano County*				
I-80/I-680/SR-12 Interchange (Phase I)		\$ 700,000	\$ 440,000	\$ (2,500)
Jepson Parkway		\$ 185,000	\$ 45,000	\$ (47,500)
Regional Transit Center (Curtola, Fairfield Transit or Vacaville Transit)		\$ 32,100	\$ 16,500	\$ (64,000)
I-80 Aux Lanes: I-680 to Air Base Pkwy		\$ 50,000	\$ 25,000	\$ (89,000)
Recommended additional projected Interregional Transportation Improvement Program funds (ITIP), I-80 Corridor Only	\$ 89,000			\$ -
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 734,500</b>	<b>\$ 1,175,100</b>	<b>\$ 734,500</b>	

\* All Project Costs not covered by recommended RTP Project Funding will be covered by other funding sources or other Bay Area RTP Projects.

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DATE: November 14, 2011  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Judy Leaks, SNCI Program Manager/Analyst  
RE: Solano Employer Commute Challenge 2011 – Final Results

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**Background:**

The Fifth Annual Solano Commute Challenge (Challenge) was a targeted outreach campaign for Solano County large employers that involved the local business community in addition to employers and employees. The overall goal for this campaign was to increase and sustain Solano County employees' use of alternative transportation. The Challenge for employers and their employees was to "Use transit, carpool, vanpool, bike, or walk to work at least 30 workdays from August through October." Incentives are provided through the Solano Transportation Authority (STA)'s Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) Program to employees and employers who "met" the Commute Challenge.

Campaign materials were sent to the targeted employers in July with telephone follow-up one week later. Information about the Challenge was posted on the STA's SNCI webpage, [www.commuterinfo.net](http://www.commuterinfo.net), along with a registration form where targeted employers and their employees could indicate their interest in participating. Status updates about the Challenge were posted on SNCI's Facebook page.

Employees accessed information about the Challenge through the SNCI webpage and also from hardcopy brochures and flyers that were provided to the employers for distribution. Employee trips were tracked electronically, using the 511 Ridematching system's "Trip Diary" tracking system. Employees who did not have internet access or preferred to not use the electronic alternative still had the option of submitting the hard-copy Monthly Commute Logs. 511 Rideshare made substantial programming improvements to the ridematching system to more easily identify and track Challenge participants. Staff provided significant assistance to ensure that employees understood the process and would accurately track their trips. As individual employees signed up, they could request information about transit, bicycling, and carpooling/vanpooling options.

**Discussion:**

The Challenge ended on October 31, 2011 and the deadline for all Monthly Commute Logs was November 14<sup>th</sup>. As of October 31<sup>st</sup>, 51 major employers totaling 768 employees registered in the Challenge. Employer participation increased from 46 to 51 (11%) while employee participation increased from 620 to 768 (24%) over last year's. Staff is currently calculating the number of Commute Champions based on "Trip Diary" data and will have the final tally results by November 15<sup>th</sup>. Nearly 460 employee

participants are on track to earn the title “Commute Champion” by meeting or passing the goal, an increase from 350 to 461 (34%) over last year. Employers who are on course to become Commute Champion Workplaces (where 20 or more employees became Commute Champions) include AAA and Goodrich in Fairfield, State Compensation Insurance Fund and Genentech in Vacaville, California Vegetable Specialties in Rio Vista, Travis Air Force Base, and the County of Solano.

Participation in the Solano Commute Challenge has steadily increased over the past five years. The number of participants more than doubled while the number of Commute Champs has more than tripled (See Attachment B).

Employees who are Commute Champions are entered into a drawing. The drawing for those gift certificates will take place at the December STA Board meeting. Staff will coordinate the presentation of employer rewards with the companies, Chambers of Commerce, and STA Board members.

**Fiscal Impact:**

The Solano Commute Challenge (Challenge) campaign is included in the STA’s Solano Napa Commuter Information program budget and is funded by a combination of Bay Area Transportation for Clean Air (TFCA) and Eastern Solano Congestion Management Air Quality (CMAQ) funds.

**Recommendation:**

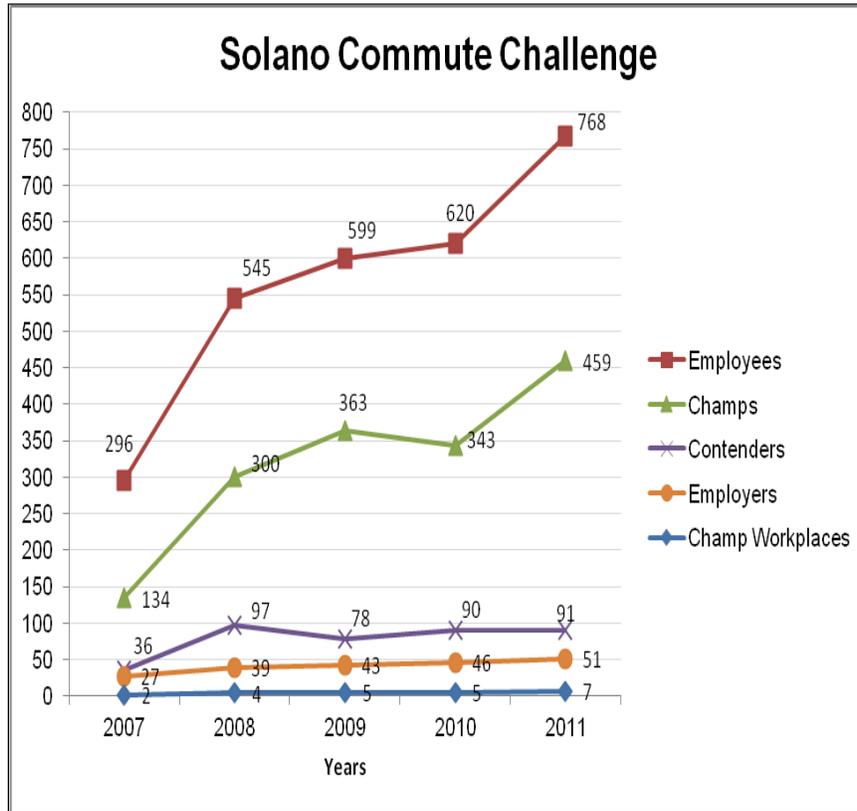
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Attachment:

- A. SCC Employee Final Results Table (To be provided under separate cover.)
- B. Solano Commute Challenge – Summary of Participants 2007-2011

**SCC Employee Final Results Table**  
(To be provided under separate cover.).

Summary of Participants 2007-2011





DATE: October 4, 2011  
 TO: STA TAC  
 FROM: Sara Woo, Associate Planner  
 RE: Funding Opportunities Summary

**Discussion:**

Below is a list of funding opportunities that will be available to STA member agencies during the next few months, broken up by Federal, State, and Local. Attachment A provides further details for each program.

	FUND SOURCE	AMOUNT AVAILABLE (approximately)	APPLICATION DEADLINE
<b>Local<sup>1</sup></b>			
1.	Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (for San Francisco Bay Area)	Approximately <b>\$20 million</b>	Due On First-Come, First Served Basis
2.	Carl Moyer Off-Road Equipment Replacement Program (for Sacramento Metropolitan Area)	Approximately <b>\$10 million</b>	Due On First-Come, First-Served Basis
3.	Air Resources Board (ARB) Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP)	Up to <b>\$5,000</b> rebate per light-duty vehicle	Due On First-Come, First-Served Basis
4.	Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) Hybrid Electric Vehicle Purchase Vouchers (HVIP)	Approximately <b>\$10,000 to \$45,000</b> per qualified request	Due On First-Come, First-Served Basis
5.	Lifeline Program*	TBD	Anticipated November 2011
<b>State</b>			
	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federal</b>			
	N/A	N/A	N/A

\*New funding opportunity

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.

Attachment:

A. Detailed Funding Opportunities Summary

<sup>1</sup> Local includes programs administered by the Solano Transportation Authority and regionally in the San Francisco Bay Area and greater Sacramento.

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The following funding opportunities will be available to the STA member agencies during the next few months. Please distribute this information to the appropriate departments in your jurisdiction.

Fund Source	Application Contact**	Application Deadline/Eligibility	Amount Available	Program Description	Proposed Submittal	Additional Information
<b>Local Grants<sup>1</sup></b>						
<b>Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (for San Francisco Bay Area)</b>	Anthony Fournier Bay Area Air Quality Management District <b>(415) 749-4961</b> <a href="mailto:afournier@baaqmd.gov">afournier@baaqmd.gov</a>	Ongoing. Application Due On First-Come, First Served Basis  Eligible Project Sponsors: private non-profit organizations, state or local governmental authorities, and operators of public transportation services	Approx. <b>\$20 million</b>	Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program provides incentive grants for cleaner-than-required engines, equipment, and other sources of pollution providing early or extra emission reductions.	\$12M Fairfield/ Vacaville Intermodal Train Station STA co-sponsor	Eligible Projects: cleaner on-road, off-road, marine, locomotive and stationary agricultural pump engines <a href="http://www.baaqmd.gov/Divisions/Strategic-Incentives/Funding-Sources/Carl-Moyer-Program.aspx">http://www.baaqmd.gov/Divisions/Strategic-Incentives/Funding-Sources/Carl-Moyer-Program.aspx</a>
<b>Carl Moyer Off-Road Equipment Replacement Program (for Sacramento Metropolitan Area)</b>	Gary A. Bailey Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District <b>(916) 874-4893</b> <a href="mailto:gbailey@airquality.org">gbailey@airquality.org</a>	Ongoing. Application Due On First-Come, First-Served Basis  Eligible Project Sponsors: private non-profit organizations, state or local governmental authorities, and operators of public transportation services	Approx. <b>\$10 million</b> , maximum per project is \$4.5 million	The Off-Road Equipment Replacement Program (ERP), an extension of the Carl Moyer Program, provides grant funds to replace Tier 0, high-polluting off-road equipment with the cleanest available emission level equipment.	N/A	Eligible Projects: install particulate traps, replace older heavy-duty engines with newer and cleaner engines and add a particulate trap, purchase new vehicles or equipment, replace heavy-duty equipment with electric equipment, install electric idling-reduction equipment <a href="http://www.airquality.org/mobile/moyererp/index.shtml">http://www.airquality.org/mobile/moyererp/index.shtml</a>
<b>Air Resources Board (ARB) Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP)*</b>	Meri Miles ARB <b>(916) 322-6370</b> <a href="mailto:mmiles@arb.ca.gov">mmiles@arb.ca.gov</a>	Application Due On First-Come, First-Served Basis	Up to <b>\$5,000</b> rebate per light-duty vehicle	The Zero-Emission and Plug-In Hybrid Light-Duty Vehicle (Clean Vehicle) Rebate Project is intended to encourage and accelerate zero-emission vehicle deployment and technology innovation. Rebates for clean vehicles are now available through the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP) funded by the Air Resources Board (ARB) and implemented statewide by the California Center for Sustainable Energy (CCSE).	N/A	Eligible Projects: Purchase or lease of zero-emission and plug-in hybrid light-duty vehicles <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/mspr/og/aqip/cvpr.htm">http://www.arb.ca.gov/mspr/og/aqip/cvpr.htm</a>
<b>Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) Hybrid Electric Vehicle Purchase Vouchers (HVIP)*</b>	To learn more about how to request a voucher, contact: <a href="mailto:info@californiahvip.org">info@californiahvip.org</a>	Application Due On First-Come, First-Served Basis	Approx. <b>\$10,000 to \$45,000</b> per qualified request	The California Air Resources Board (ARB) created the HVIP to speed the market introduction of low-emitting hybrid trucks and buses. It does this by reducing the cost of these vehicles for truck and bus fleets that purchase and operate the vehicles in the State of California. The HVIP voucher is intended to reduce about half the incremental costs of purchasing hybrid heavy-duty trucks and buses.	N/A	Eligible Projects: Purchase of low-emission hybrid trucks and buses <a href="http://www.californiahvip.org/">http://www.californiahvip.org/</a>

\*New Funding Opportunity

\*\*STA staff, Sara Woo, can be contacted directly at (707) 399-3214 or [swoo@sta-snci.com](mailto:swoo@sta-snci.com) for assistance with finding more information about any of the funding opportunities listed in this report

<sup>1</sup> Local includes opportunities and programs administered by the Solano Transportation Authority and/or regionally in the San Francisco Bay Area and greater Sacramento

Fund Source	Application Contact**	Application Deadline/Eligibility	Amount Available	Program Description	Proposed Submittal	Additional Information
<b>State Grants</b>						
N/A						
<b>Federal Grants</b>						
N/A						



**STA Board Meeting Highlights  
6:00 p.m., October 12, 2011**

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**TO:** City Councils and Board of Supervisors  
(Attn: City Clerks and County Clerk of the Board)  
**FROM:** Johanna Masielat, STA Clerk of the Board  
**RE:** Summary Actions of the October 12, 2011 STA Board Meeting

Following is a summary of the actions taken by the Solano Transportation Authority at the Board Meeting of October 12, 2011. If you have any questions regarding specific items, please call me at (707) 424-6008.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Harry Price, Chair	City of Fairfield
Jack Batchelor, Vice Chair	City of Dixon
Mike Ioakimedes (Alternate Member)	City of Benicia
Jan Vick	City of Rio Vista
Pete Sanchez	City of Suisun City
Steve Hardy	City of Vacaville
Osby Davis	City of Vallejo

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Elizabeth Patterson	City of Benicia
Jim Spering	County of Solano

**ACTION – FINANCIAL ITEMS**

**A. 2012 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)**

Recommendation:

Approve the following:

1. Approve the 2011 10-Year Investment Plan for Highways and Major Transit Capital Projects as shown in Attachment D;
2. Program \$8.3M in available non-Transportation Enhancement (TE) STIP funds to the Jepson Parkway project;
3. Program \$649,000 in unprogrammed STIP TE reserve to the City of Dixon's West B Street Undercrossing project;

4. Program \$672,000 in available new STIP TE funds to the City of Dixon's West B Street Undercrossing project; and
5. Adopt Resolution No. 2011-17 (Attachment E)- A resolution of the Solano Transportation Authority authorizing the application for State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Transportation Enhancements (TE) funding to Deliver the City of Dixon's West B Street Undercrossing Project; and
6. Program \$98,000 in FY 2015-16 and \$274,000 in FY 2016-17 available for Planning, Programming, and Monitoring (PPM) activities.

On a motion by Vice Chair Batchelor, and a second by Board Member Hardy, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

## **ACTION – NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS**

### **A. Public Hearing on Proposed SolanoExpress Route 30 Service Changes**

Recommendation:

1. Conduct Public Hearing on Proposed SolanoExpress Route 30 Service Changes; and
2. Approve service changes to SolanoExpress Route 30 to improve time efficiency and cost effectiveness.
- 3.

**Chairman Price opened the Public Hearing at 6:16 p.m.**

**The Chair closed the Public Hearing at 6:17 p.m. and referred the matter to the Board for action.**

On a motion by Board Member Vick, and a second by Board Member Hardy, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

### **B. Proposed Revisions to the STA's Local Preference Policy and Fiscal Year (FY) 2010-11 STA's Local Preference Analysis**

Recommendation:

Adopt the attached revisions to the STA's Local Purchasing Policy and receive the initial amended report for STA's FY 2010-11 Local Preference Policy.

On a motion by Board Member Hardy, and a second by Vice Chair Batchelor, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

### **C. 2011 Solano Congestion Management Plan (CMP)**

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to submit the Draft 2011 Solano CMP to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for conformity review.

On a motion by Board Member Vick, and a second by Board Member Sanchez, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

**D. STA's Draft 2012 Legislative Priorities and Platform**

Recommendation:

Approve the following:

1. Authorize the Executive Director to distribute the STA's Draft 2012 Legislative Priorities and Platform for a 30-day review and comment period; and
2. Oppose funding cuts to California Amtrak operations as proposed in the Transportation Housing and Urban Development (THUD) Subcommittee 2012 appropriations bill.

On a motion by Board Member Hardy, and a second by Vice Chair Batchelor, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

On a motion by Vice Chair Batchelor, and a second by Board Vick, the STA Board approved Consent Calendar Items A through J.

**A. STA Board Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2011**

Recommendation:

Approve STA Board Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2011.

**B. Draft TAC Meeting Minutes of September 28, 2011**

Recommendation:

Approve Draft TAC Meeting Minutes of September 28, 2011.

**C. Fiscal Year (FY) 2011-12 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Matrix – October 2011 – Cities of Fairfield and Rio Vista**

Recommendation:

Approve the FY 2011-12 Solano TDA Matrix – October 2011 - Cities of Fairfield and Rio Vista as shown in Attachment A.

**D. State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF) Regional Paratransit Funding Request for the Intercity Taxi Scrip Program**

Recommendation:

Allocate \$25,000 of STAF Regional Paratransit funds for the Intercity Taxi Scrip Program.

**E. Solano County Transit (SolTrans) Transitional Costs Funding Request**

Recommendation:

Approve allocation of SolTrans funding request in the amount of \$395,800 of STAF to cover transitional costs through Fiscal Year (FY) 2011-12.

**F. Contract Amendment for SolTrans Project Management Consultant**

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to extend the consultant contract with John Harris for SolTrans Project Management services until June 30, 2012 for an amount not-to-exceed \$85,000.

**G. Contract Amendment for SolTrans Financial Consultant**

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to amend the contract with Nancy Whelan Consulting for SolTrans Financial and Technical Services for an amount not-to-exceed \$130,000.

**H. Solano County Transit Operators’ Coordinated Short Range Transit Plan**

Recommendation:

Approve the following:

- 1. Authorize the Executive Director to submit a County Level Coordination funding request to MTC for individual SRTP analysis and a coordinated SRTP of Solano County transit operators; and
- 2. A coordinated analysis in cost effectively addressing Mobility Needs of People with Disabilities in Solano County.

**I. Project Managers for Transit Projects, Plans and Studies**

Recommendation:

Approve the following:

- 1. Authorize the Executive Director to release a Request for Qualifications for Transit Project Management Services; and
- 2. Authorize the Executive Director to enter into agreements with two to three consultants for Project Management Services for an amount not-to-exceed \$120,000 for the five projects specified.

**J. Employer of Record for the Solano County Transit (SolTrans) Employees as Specified**

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to develop and enter in to an agreement with SolTrans designating STA as the ‘Employer of Record’ for the SolTrans Administrative Assistant position and other agreed upon SolTrans staff positions as identified in the SolTrans JPA’s Transition Plan.

**COMMENTS FROM METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC), CALTRANS, AND STAFF:**

**A. MTC Report:**

None presented.

**B. Caltrans Report:**

None presented.

**C. STA Reports:**

**A. Proclamation of Appreciation for Elizabeth Richards**

**B. Directors Report:**

**1. Planning**

Robert Guerrero announced the upcoming Alternative Modes Committee Meeting and PDA Tour scheduled on November 3, 2011.

**2. Projects**

None presented.

**3. Transit/Rideshare**

Liz Niedziela announced the upcoming Senior and People with Disabilities Transportation Advisory Committee meeting scheduled on October 27, 2011.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- A. Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) Program Fiscal Year (FY) 2010-11 Year-End Report**
- B. Safe Routes to Transit Plan (SR2T) Update**
- B. Fiscal Year (FY) 2010-11 Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) Program Fourth Quarter and Annual Report**
- C. Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update/One Bay Area Block Grant Update**
- D. Funding Opportunities Summary**
- E. STA Board Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2011**

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Alternate Board Member Ioakimedes announced the approval of FTA Grant status for SolTrans.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The STA Board meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. The next regular meeting of the STA Board is scheduled for **Wednesday, December 14, 2011, 6:00 p.m.**, Suisun City Hall Council Chambers.

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DATE: November 15, 2011  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Johanna Masiel, Clerk of the Board  
RE: STA Board and Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2012

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**Background:**

Attached are the STA Board and Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2012 that may be of interest to the STA TAC.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.

Attachment:

- A. STA Board and Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule for 2012



**STA BOARD AND ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE  
CALENDAR YEAR 2012**  
(Last Updated: Nov. 2011)

<b>SUMMARY:</b>	
STA Board:	Meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of Every Month
Consortium/TAC:	Meets Last Wednesday of Every Month
BAC:	Meets 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of every Odd Month
PAC:	Meets 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every Even Month
PCC:	Meets 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every Odd Month
SR2S-AC	Meets Quarterly (Begins Feb.) on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed.

DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	STATUS
Wed., January 11	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Thurs., January 19	1:00 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	TBD	Confirmed
Thurs., January 19	6:30 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., January 25	10:00 a.m.	SolanoExpress Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Thurs., January 26	12 Noon	Solano Sr. & People w/ Disabilities	Solano County Events Center	Confirmed
Wed., February 8	5:30 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	<i>*If necessary</i>
Wed., February 15	1:30 p.m.	Safe Routes to School Advisory (SR2S-AC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Thurs., February 16	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., February 29	10:00 a.m.	SolanoExpress Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., March 14	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Thurs., March 15	1:00 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	TBD	Confirmed
Thurs., March 15	6:30 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., March 28	10:00 a.m.	SolanoExpress SolanoExpress Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., April 11	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Thurs., April 19	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., April 25	10:00 a.m.	SolanoExpress Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Thurs., April 26	12 Noon	Solano Sr. & People w/ Disabilities	Solano County Events Center	Confirmed
Wed., May 9	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Wed., May 16	1:30 p.m.	Safe Routes to School Advisory (SR2S-AC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Thurs., May 17	1:00 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	TBD	Confirmed
Thurs., May 17	6:30 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., May 30	10:00 a.m.	SolanoExpress Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., June 13	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Thurs., June 21	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., June 27	10:00 a.m.	SolanoExpress Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., July 11	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Thurs., July 19	1:00 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	TBD	Confirmed
Thurs., July 19	6:30 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
July 25 (No Meeting)	SUMMER RECESS	SolanoExpress Transit Consortium	N/A	N/A
		Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	N/A	N/A
August 10 (No Meeting)	SUMMER RECESS	STA Board Meeting	N/A	N/A
Wed., August 15	1:30 p.m.	Safe Routes to School Advisory (SR2S-AC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Thurs., August 16	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., August 29	10:00 a.m.	SolanoExpress Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., September 12	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Thurs., September 20	1:00 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	TBD	Confirmed
Thurs., September 20	6:30 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	10:00 a.m.	SolanoExpress Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., September 26	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., October 10	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Thurs., October 18	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Thurs., October 25	12 Noon	Solano Sr. & People w/ Disabilities	Solano County Events Center	Confirmed
Wed., October 31	10:00 a.m.	SolanoExpress Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., November 14	6:00 p.m.	STA's 15 <sup>th</sup> Annual Awards	TBD – Dixon	Confirmed
Thurs., November 15	1:00 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	TBD	Confirmed
Thurs., November 15	6:30 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., November 21	1:30 p.m.	Safe Routes to School Advisory (SR2S-AC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., November 28	10:00 a.m.	SolanoExpress Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., December 12	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Thurs., December 20	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., December 19	10:00 a.m.	SolanoExpress Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Tentative
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative

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