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**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)  
AGENDA**

Members:

- Benicia
- Dixon
- Fairfield
- Rio Vista
- Solano County
- Suisun City
- Vacaville
- Vallejo

**1:30 p.m., Wednesday, February 25, 2009**  
**Solano Transportation Authority**  
**One Harbor Center, Suite 130**  
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	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>STAFF PERSON</u>
I.	<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>	Daryl Halls, Chair
II.	<b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>	
III.	<b>OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT</b> (1:30 -1:35 p.m.)	
IV.	<b>REPORTS FROM CALTRANS, METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC), AND STA STAFF</b> (1:35 -1:40 p.m.)	
V.	<b>CONSENT CALENDAR</b> <i>Recommendation: Approve the following consent items in one motion.</i> (1:40 – 1:45 p.m.)	
	<b>A. Minutes of the TAC Meeting of January 28, 2008</b> <i>Recommendation:</i> <i>Approve TAC Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2008.</i> <b>Pg. 1</b>	Johanna Masiclat
	<b>B. SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium 2009 Draft Work Plan</b> <i>Recommendation:</i> <i>Forward a recommend the STA Board to approve the SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium 2009 Work Plan as shown in Attachment B.</i> <b>Pg. 7</b>	Elizabeth Richards

**TAC MEMBERS**

Dan Schiada	Royce Cunningham	Gene Cortright	Kirt Hunt (Interim)	Dan Kasperson (Interim)	Rod Moresco	Gary Leach	Paul Wiese
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

## VI. ACTION FINANCIAL ITEMS

### A. Solano County Clean Air Grant Priorities

Robert Guerrero

Recommendation:

*Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to support the following priorities for Clean Air Funds in FY 2009-10 and 2010-2011;*

- 1. SNCI's Rideshare Incentives Program;*
- 2. STA's Safe Routes to School Program; and*
- 3. The Solano County Climate Protection Plan.*

(1:40 – 1:50 p.m.)

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## VII. ACTION NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

### A. STA's Joint Powers Amendment

Charles Lamoree

Recommendation:

*Forward a recommendation to the STA Board supporting the proposed amendments to the STA's Joint Powers Agreement.*

(1:50 – 2:05 p.m.)

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### B. Final Project Technical Report for the Jepson Parkway Project

Janet Adams

Recommendation:

*Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the Jepson Parkway Project based on the Project Technical Report.*

(2:05 – 2:15 p.m.)

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### C. Preliminary Engineering Priorities for Caltrans Oversight

Janet Adams  
Kenny Wan

Recommendation:

*Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to adopt the Solano County FY 2009-10 preliminary engineering prioritized workplan to submit to Caltrans as specified in Attachment B.*

(2:15 – 2:30 p.m.)

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### D. STA Safe Routes to School Program's 3-Year Work Plan

Sam Shelton

Recommendation:

*Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve STA's Safe Routes to School Work Plan for FY 2008-09, FY 2009-10, and FY 2010-11, as described in Attachment A.*

(2:30 – 2:40 p.m.)

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- E. **Legislative Update** Jayne Bauer  
Recommendation:  
*Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to support ACA 9 (Huffman).*  
(2:40 – 2:50 p.m.)  
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## VIII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. **Federal Economic Stimulus Submittal for Transportation in Solano County** Janet Adams  
Sam Shelton  
Informational  
(2:50 – 3:00 p.m.)  
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- B. **Solano Napa Travel Demand Model Update** Robert Macaulay  
Informational  
(3:00 – 3:05 p.m.)  
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### NO DISCUSSION

- C. **2009 Congestion Management Program (CMP) Update Schedule** Robert Macaulay  
Informational  
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- D. **Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Update** Robert Macaulay  
Informational  
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- E. **Transportation Development Act (TDA) and State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF) Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-10 Fund Estimates** Elizabeth Richards  
Informational  
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- F. **Local Transportation Development Act (TDA) and Members Contribution for Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-10** Susan Furtado  
Informational  
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- G. **Project Delivery Update** Sam Shelton  
Informational  
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- H. **Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Bicyclist and Pedestrian Data Collection – Count Locations Update** Sara Woo  
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- I. **Funding Opportunities Summary** Sara Woo  
*Informational*  
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- J. **STA Board Meeting Highlights of February 11, 2009** Johanna Masiclat  
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- K. **STA Board and Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule  
for 2009** Johanna Masiclat  
*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, March 25, 2008.**



**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes for the meeting of**  
**January 28, 2009**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was called to order at approximately 1:30 p.m. in the Solano Transportation Authority's Conference Room.

**Present:**

**TAC Members Present:** Dan Schiada City of Benicia  
Janet Koster City of Dixon  
Gene Cortright City of Fairfield  
Dan Kasperson City of Suisun City  
Rod Moresco City of Vacaville  
David Kleinschmidt City of Vallejo  
Paul Wiese County of Solano

**STA Staff Present:** Daryl Halls STA  
Janet Adams STA  
Elizabeth Richards STA  
Jayne Bauer STA  
Liz Niedziela STA  
Robert Guerrero STA  
Sam Shelton STA  
Kenny Wan STA  
Johanna Masclat STA

**Others Present:**

*(In Alphabetical Order by Last Name)*  
Birgitta Corsello County of Solano  
Barry Eberling Daily Republic  
Ed Huestis City of Vacaville  
Jeff Knowles City of Vacaville  
Alysa Majer City of Suisun City  
Matt Tuggle County of Solano

**II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

On a motion Janet Koster, and a second by Rod Moresco, 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:** Staff reported on the following:

- Janet Adams announced the I-80 Westbound Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project Draft Environmental Document will have a Public Hearing on February 26, 2009;
- Janet Adams announced the Open House for I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange is scheduled for March 17, 2009;
- Janet Adams announced the Jepson Parkway Final EIR is planned to go to the STA Board in March;
- Robert Guerrero thanked the TAC for submitting their comments to to the State of the Transit System draft report; and
- County of Solano's Paul Wiese announced the Board of Supervisors approved the Solano County Impact Fee Study public input element at their meeting on January 27, 2009. He stated County staff will be setting up one-on-one-meetings with each member agency to discuss this proposed impact fee.

### V. CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by Dan Schiada, and a second by Gene Cortright, the STA TAC approved Consent Calendar Items A & B.

**A. Minutes of the TAC Meeting of December 17, 2008**

Recommendation:

Approve TAC Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2008.

**B. SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium 2009 Draft Work Plan**

Recommendation:

Review and comment on draft SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium 2009 Work Plan.

### VI. ACTION NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

**A. Federal Economic Stimulus Submittal for Transportation in Solano County**

Janet Adams and Sam Shelton reviewed the Federal Economic Stimulus Project List for roadways in Solano County. They reviewed the estimated local agency targets that have available funding for projects through MTC's most recent Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) funding distribution formula. Elizabeth Richards reviewed the transit project list.

After discussion, the STA TAC amended the recommendation to add the City of Rio Vista's \$90,000 share to the City of Vacaville's share. This was based on the City of Rio Vista's previously discussed request to swap their share of stimulus funding for another agency's local funds at a 90% exchange rate.

In addition, the City of Fairfield requested the maximum allowed for transit operating and then the transit projects as prioritized beyond this adjustment.

Recommendation:

Adopt the Federal Economic Stimulus Solano County project lists for transportation *and transit* as shown on Attachment A *and B which includes amounts discussed for a funding swap between the City of Rio Vista and the City of Vacaville for roadway funding and final transit funding adjustments for the City of Fairfield.*

On a motion by Dan Schiada, and a second by David Kleinschmidt, the STA TAC unanimously approved the recommendation as amended show above in *bold italics*.

**B. Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Proposal for Establishment of a Regional High Occupancy Vehicle and High Occupancy Toll (HOV/HOT) Lanes Network**

Janet Adams reviewed the development process of MTC's proposal to establish a Regional HOV/HOT Lanes Network in Solano County. She indicated that in order to operate HOV/HOT lanes, legislation is required. She added that MTC staff is collaborating with the Congestion Management Agencies (CMAs) to develop a governance model that ensures counties have the option to participate and are part of the governance system.

Recommendation:

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

1. Support in concept a Bay Area Regional HOV/HOT Lane Network;
2. Support MTC/BATA as the lead agency for operating a Bay Area Regional HOV/HOT Network;
3. Approve Attachment F as the Solano County HOV/HOT lanes priorities;
4. Support specifying in the enabling legislation STA representation in the governance on the I-80 and I-680 corridors and Steering Committee for the Regional HOT/HOV Lanes Network; and
5. Support specifying in the enabling legislation funding derived from Bay Area Regional HOV/HOT lanes network remain in the corridor where the funds are generated by the corridor.

On a motion by Paul Wiese, and a second by Dan Schiada, the STA TAC unanimously approved the recommendation.

**C. State Route (SR) 113 Major Investment and Corridor Study**

Robert Guerrero recommended the TAC to approve releasing the final draft SR 113 MIS for public review. He added that the draft document would be further reviewed by the SR 113 Steering Committee prior to the STA Board meeting scheduled on February 11, 2009.

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to distribute the attached final draft SR 113 Major Investment and Corridor Study for public comment.

On a motion by Janet Koster, and a second by Paul Wiese, the STA TAC unanimously approved the recommendation.

**D. STA's Marketing and Public Input Plan for 2009**

Jayne Bauer reviewed the STA's draft 2009 Marketing Plan for 2009. She summarized the plan that includes the design and implementation of the marketing objectives for the STA, the SolanoExpress Transit Program, Solano Paratransit, and the Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) Program.

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the STA 2009 Marketing Plan.

On a motion by Dan Schiada, and a second by Dan Schiada, the STA TAC unanimously approved the recommendation.

**VIII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**DISCUSSION**

**A. Legislative Update**

Jayne Bauer announced the upcoming 2009 Federal Lobbying Trip in Washington, D.C. is February 3-5, 2009 in Washington, D.C. Solano County's representatives will be requesting support for the County's transportation priorities.

**B. State Route (SR) 12 Status Update**

Robert Guerrero provided a basic update on SR 12 activities. He cited that Caltrans has had difficulty maintaining the fiberglass delineators between Lambie Road and Dourin Drive. He added that replacements of the delineators occurred this month, January 2009.

**C. Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Update**

Robert Guerrero provided a status report on the development of the CTP. He cited that the most recent development was the STA Board adoption of the Routes of Regional Significance at their January 14, 2009 meeting. He also noted that staff is currently working on completing the State of the System reports for the Arterials, Highways and Freeways Element and the Alternative Modes Element.

**D. Solano Napa Travel Demand Model Update**

Robert Guerrero summarized the two efforts related to the Solano Napa Travel Demand Model. He listed the two efforts as the technical update to the model that will be used for the STA's Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF) Nexus Study and the formalizing of a Modeling TAC Committee to administer the Model.

- E. Summary of SolanoExpress Public Comments for Fiscal Year (FY) 2008-09**  
Liz Niedziela provided a status report on the public comment cards that are collected from transit passengers regarding their transit experience. She cited that for the time period of July-December 2008, STA received 203 passenger's comments that were recorded into 24 categories.

**NO DISCUSSION**

- F. Project Delivery Update**

- G. Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) Program Fiscal Year (FY) 2008-09 Mid-Year Report**

- H. Non-motorized (Bicycle and Pedestrian) Routine Accommodations Checklist Update**

- I. Funding Opportunities Summary**

- J. STA Board Meeting Highlights of January 14, 2009**

- K. STA Board and Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule for 2009**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m. The next meeting of the STA TAC is scheduled at **1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 25, 2009.**

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DATE: February 17, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Elizabeth Richards, Director of Transit and Rideshare Services  
RE: SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium 2009 Draft Work Plan

**Background:**

The Consortium has regularly prepared an annual Work Plan. In 2009, there are a number of key local and regional transit planning activities and projects that the Consortium is interested in being involved in. These range from transit service and funding to planning and marketing.

**Discussion:**

STA staff presented a draft SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium Work Plan for the Consortium's review in January. The Consortium members discussed the initial draft of the Work Plan (Attachment A) and requested a modification to reference local transit issues. The Work Plan has been modified (see Attachment B) to reflect this and is being presented for a recommendation of approval to the STA Board

**Recommendation:**

Forward a recommend the STA Board to approve the SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium 2009 Work Plan as shown in Attachment B.

**Attachments:**

- A. Initial Draft SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium 2009 Work Plan
- B. Proposed SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium 2009 Work Plan

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**Initial Draft**  
**SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium**  
**Work Plan for 2009**  
 (January 2009)

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**Transit Service:**

- Evaluation of intercity transit services performance, prioritize, and implement intercity transit service changes.
- Monitor and report to the STA Board on SolanoExpress intercity transit services.
- Implement Lifeline project priorities for transit.
- Identify and facilitate joint agency transit projects.

**Transit Planning:**

- Conduct Community Based Transportation Planning studies in East Fairfield and Vacaville.
- Complete Phase II of the Transit Consolidation Study.
- Coordinate funding of and prioritization of Countywide Transit Capital.
- Provide input into transit element of Comprehensive Transportation Plan update and other county and regional transit planning efforts.
- Participate in the implementation of MTC's Transit Connectivity Study and Wayfinding Signage.

**Funding:**

- Monitor and coordinate with STA staff the implementation of the FY 2008-09 Intercity Transit Funding Agreement.
- Develop the FY 2009-10 Intercity Transit Funding Agreement.
- Maximize RM 2, Prop 1B, 5310, 5311 and other funding opportunities.
- Monitor and provide input into legislation to ensure adequate levels of transit funding
- Monitor and provide input into regional policy development to ensure adequate levels of transit funding.
- Update TDA matrix.
- Complete TDA Unmet Transit Needs process.
- Prepare multi-year STAF funding plan.

**Marketing of Transit Services and Programs:**

- Participate in the updating of SolanoExpress marketing
- Plan, prioritize, and implement marketing support for intercity transit services.
- Coordinate and participate in countywide and regional transit marketing activities.
- Update, print, and distribute SolanoExpress brochure, wall maps, website and other materials.



**Proposed  
2009 SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium  
Work Plan  
(February 2009)**

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**Transit Service:**

- Evaluation of intercity transit services performance; prioritize, and implement intercity transit service changes.
- Monitor SolanoExpress intercity transit services.
- *Discuss local transit issues and strive to balance local and intercity transit needs.*
- Implement Lifeline project priorities.
- Identify and facilitate joint agency transit projects.

**Transit Planning**

- Conduct Community Based Transportation Planning studies in East Fairfield and Vacaville.
- Complete Phase II of the Transit Consolidation Study.
- Coordinate Countywide Transit Capital.
- Provide input into Comprehensive Transportation Plan update and other county and regional transit planning efforts.
- Participate in the implementation of MTC's Transit Connectivity Study and Wayfinding Signage.
- Participate in update of Countywide Senior and Disabled Transit Study and Senior Transit Summit.

**Funding**

- Monitor the implementation of the FY 2008-09 Intercity Transit Funding Agreement.
- Develop the FY 2009-10 Intercity Transit Funding Agreement.
- Maximize RM 2, Prop 1B, 5310, 5311 and other funding opportunities.
- Implement Lifeline Funding Program.
- Monitor and provide input into legislation to ensure adequate levels of transit funding.
- Monitor and provide input into regional policy development to ensure adequate levels of transit funding.
- Update TDA matrix.
- Complete TDA Unmet Transit Needs process.
- Prepare multi-year STAF funding plan and/or STAF Contingency Plan if STAF is cut by the State

**Marketing of Transit Services and Programs**

- Participate in the updating of SolanoExpress marketing.
- Plan, prioritize, and implement marketing support for intercity transit services.
- Coordinate and participate in countywide and regional transit marketing activities.
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DATE: February 18, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Robert Guerrero, Senior Planner  
RE: Solano County Clean Air Grant Priorities

**Background:**

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) and the Yolo Solano Air Quality Management District (YSAQMD) annually provides clean air funding to cities and counties within their jurisdictions for projects that reduce air pollution from motor vehicles, such as clean air vehicle infrastructure, clean air vehicles, shuttle bus services, bicycle projects, and alternative modes promotional/educational projects. The two Air Districts divide Solano County. The cities of Benicia, Fairfield, Suisun City, Vallejo, and southwestern portions of Solano County are located in the Bay Area Air Basin are eligible for BAAQMD funding. The remaining cities and the unincorporated area located in northeastern Solano County are part of the Sacramento air basin, and are eligible for YSAQMD funding.

Funding for both clean air programs are provided by a \$4 vehicle registration fee collected from counties within the BAAQMD air basin. The YSAQMD also has funds to allocate from a fee collected with property taxes in areas with its air basin. The STA is responsible for programming the BAAQMD Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) funding for Solano County. A slightly different process is implemented for programming YSAQMD Clean Air Funds. The YSAQMD is directly responsible for programming the Clean Air Funds; however, they have set up a review process which includes participation from STA Board members to review and recommend projects to the YSAQMD Board.

Both Air Districts are in the process finalizing actual funding amounts available to program. STA expects to receive an estimated \$310,000 from the BAAQMD Transportation Fund for Clean Air Program (TFCA) and \$340,000 from the YSAQMD Clean Air Program. Both grant programs continue to shrink as a result of the economic downturn. In prior years STA received \$350,000- \$420,000 from the TFCA program and an average of \$420,000 from the Clean Air Program.

**Discussion:**

Due to the expected decreases in Clean Air grant funding from both air districts, STA staff recommends focusing investment of the clean air funds into three programs. All three programs directly benefits member agencies by providing marketing of commute alternatives, capital for bike and pedestrian projects, and strategies for implementing SB 375. These programs are:

1. Solano Napa Commuter Information's (SNCI) Rideshare Incentives Program
2. Solano Safe Routes to School Program
3. Solano Climate Protection

To ensure successful implementation of each program and because of the anticipated fluctuations in funding in the future, STA staff recommends prioritizing these programs for the Clean Air

Funds for at least the next two years. Attachment A is a matrix of a proposed funding recommendation for each program.

#### *SNCI's Rideshare Incentives Program Summary*

SNCI's Rideshare Incentives Program continues to be a cost effective and successful program in terms of air emission benefits as calculated through the BAAQMD's TFCA program. Benefits of the program include marketing and promotion of commute alternatives through transit brochure distribution, vanpool formations, bicycle and pedestrian education, employer presentations, marketing events, and incentives campaigns (e.g. Bike to Work Day and Commute Challenge). Last year, SNCI was successful in recruiting more participants in the Bike to Work campaign and large employers and their employees to participate in the Solano Commute Challenge. SNCI also took the lead in being the primary support for vanpools in Solano County and Napa County with 230 vanpools currently travelling to or from both counties.

The SNCI program traditionally receives the majority of its program funding through a combination of TFCA and federal Congestion Management Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program grant funds. The TFCA portion represented the contribution for ridesharing services for the area of Solano County located in the Bay Area Air Basin. The CMAQ funds were used to match the TFCA funds for an amount relatively close to the population split for the portion of Solano County located in the Yolo Solano Air Basin. The population split was roughly 2 to 1. Therefore the CMAQ match was generally 1/3 of the TFCA amount committed to SNCI.

CMAQ program funding is dependent on the future approval a federal transportation bill and on priorities outlined in the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's Regional Transportation Plan. STA anticipates that the CMAQ funds will not be available for the next few years.

In order to maintain SNCI's current level of service for the portion of Solano County located in the Yolo Solano Air Basin, it is recommended to prioritize the program for the upcoming YSAQMD Clean Air Grant funding. The YSAQMD Clean Air Funds has supplemented CMAQ funds in the past and is the most logical match for the BAAQMD's TFCA funds, in lieu of the CMAQ funding.

Over the next two years, SNCI's program will require a total of \$305,000 each year to maintain its current level of service. A funding split of approximately \$200,000 from the TFCA program with a match of \$100,000 from the YSAQMD Clean Air Grant each year is recommended.

#### *Solano Safe Routes to School Summary*

STA began the development of its Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program in 2005, in response to the growing childhood obesity epidemic, student travel safety concerns, growing air pollution, and traffic congestion near schools in Solano County. The program works to encourage more students to walk and bike to school by identifying a balance of traffic calming and safety engineering projects, student education & safety training, encouragement contests & events, and enforcement coordination with police. The Solano SR2S Program achieves air emission reductions by encouraging students to walk and bike to school, eliminating parent vehicle trips. Most of these trips are under 1 mile. Vehicles often are not sufficiently warmed up for these short trips and usually sit idle at schools in congestion, creating some of the worst vehicle pollution for sensitive student lungs, contributing to Solano County's high child asthma rates.

The Solano SR2S Program currently has a total of \$856,000 for eligible engineering and education projects. Of the \$856,000, only \$60,000 is dedicated for SR2S engineering projects within the Yolo Solano Air Basin. The remaining balance of funding is generated and committed toward education and engineering projects within the portion of the county located in

the Bay Area Air Basin. The funds are committed to schools and public agencies throughout the county to implement the goals outlined in the SR2S Plan.

The program was successful in engaging every school district in the county. Numerous schools indicated their desire to participate in the program. As a result, a part time project coordinator is recommended to assist in implementing the program countywide over the next two years. The estimated cost to fund a part time coordinator over the next two years is \$120,000.

In summary, the amounts recommended for the Solano SR2S Program is \$60,000 from TFCA and \$60,000 from the YSQMD Clean Air Program for a total of \$120,000 to implement the program over the next two years. This program is supported by the YSAQMD. STA staff will need to coordinate with the BAAQMD to confirm its eligibility for funding.

#### Solano Climate Protection Summary

Recent climate change and global warming legislation impose relatively new regulations that are not widely understood. A comprehensive document that summarizes recent policy and legislation that may affect Solano County's transportation and land use planning is needed. As a result the County of Solano and the STA have been tasked by the City County Coordinating Council to develop a countywide Climate Protection Plan in partnership with the seven cities. The plan's initial goals include a discussion of current legislation and the creation of uniform guidelines that can be used to address State mandates to inventory greenhouse gas emissions. In addition, the plan will promote countywide strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Currently, cities and the county unincorporated are addressing climate protection legislation separately with little or no guidance.

The total amount estimated to complete a comprehensive climate protection plan is \$60,000. A total of \$45,000 is recommended from the BAAQMD TFCA program and \$15,000 from the YSAQMD Clean Air Funds. This recommendation is consistent with the 2/3 1/3 population split previously mentioned. This plan is supported by the YSAQMD, STA staff will need to coordinate with the BAAQMD to confirm its eligibility for funding.

#### Fiscal Impact:

BAAQMD TFCA and YSAQMD Funding is recommended to be committed for the following programs and plans over the next two years:

1. Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) Rideshare Incentives Program: \$600,000
2. STA Safe Routes to School Program: \$120,000
3. Solano County Climate Protection Plan: \$60,000
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Over the next two years, the remaining balance of funding from both programs total \$420,000. The balance of funding is recommended to be committed on a competitive project selection process beginning FY 2009-10 for YSAQMD and FY 2010-11 for TFCA.

#### Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to support the following priorities for Clean Air Funds in FY 2009-10 and 2010-2011;

1. SNCI's Rideshare Incentives Program;
2. STA's Safe Routes to School Program; and
3. The Solano County Climate Protection Plan.

#### Attachment:

- A. Recommended BAAQMD and YSAQMD Clean Air Program Funding

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## Recommended BAAQMD and YSAQMD Clean Air Funding

	TFCA		YSAQMD		2-Year Total
	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	
<b>SNCI</b>	\$205,000	\$200,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$600,000
<b>Safe Routes to School</b>	\$60,000		\$60,000		\$120,000
<b>Climate Protection Plan</b>	\$45,000		\$15,000		\$60,000
<b>Total:</b>	\$310,000	\$200,000	\$175,000	\$100,000	\$780,000
<b>Est. Available Funding</b>	\$310,000	\$310,000*	\$340,000*	\$310,000*	\$1,270,000
<b>Remaining Balance To Program</b>	\$0	\$110,000	\$165,000	\$210,000	\$490,000

\*Based on current estimate for FY 2009-10.

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DATE: February 20, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Charles Lamoree, Legal Counsel  
RE: STA Joint Powers Agreement Amendment

**Background/Discussion:**

**AMENDING STA'S JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT:**

The key document for any Joint Powers Authority is the Joint Powers Agreement or JPA. That's the document listing the purposes, functions and powers of the agency. STA's JPA was written in 1995 and has been only amended once—in 1997—to add language that created the Intercity Transit Consortium and made some changes in STA's transit functions.

However, since the STA JPA was last amended eleven years ago the role of the agency has changed significantly. For example;

- Funding sources that STA manages have increased from less than 5 when the Agency was created to about 25 at the present time;
- The planning function has expanded and STA plays a positive role in assisting local agencies in integrating transportation issues into their local land use planning;
- STA also provides leadership in putting together the necessary inter-agency agreements to develop key transportation facilities which involve multiple agencies. These include the Jepson Parkway, the North Connector Project and the newly approved agreement between STA, Caltrans and the Napa County Transportation and Planning Agency (NCTPA) for the widening of SR 12 through Jameson Canyon;
- Perhaps most significant change is STA actually undertaking the design and construction of transportation projects; and, finally
- The commuter support functions of the Solano Napa Commuter Information program (SNCI), and assisting with intercity transit and paratransit programs, reflect STA's increasing effort to expand alternative modes of transportation.

Given that the existing JPA doesn't accurately reflect the expanded role of the STA, the STA Board staff and legal counsel feels this as an appropriate time to for the City and County members to consider updating the JPA by:

1. Reorganizing the document to make it more accessible and easy to understand; and
2. Either clarifying existing powers or adding new authority where appropriate, in order to accurately reflect STA's real-world functions.

This memo and the attachments have been provided to the city managers and the County Administrator as well as to all the city attorneys and County Counsel. Feedback from key city and county staff has been requested before proposing a final set of amendments.

## **WHAT OUR EXISTING JPA LOOKS LIKE:**

Attached as Exhibit "B" is complete copy of STA's existing JPA. It's confusing because the 1997 amendments were never integrated into the original JPA to make a single document. However, to focus on the powers of STA they have been pulled out and they are set forth immediately below. These are the JPA sections which set out STA's existing authority. They are not in a single section but, rather, spread throughout many different sections of the JPA.

### **Section III. TRANSIT OPERATOR**

*Solano Transportation Authority is hereby designated a provider of transit and paratransit....*

### **Section IV. DUTIES**

*The Transportation Authority shall be charged with the following duties:*

- A. Refine and update the Solano County Transportation Plan.*
- B. Review and coordinate transportation planning throughout the county.*
- C. Coordinate implementation of transportation improvements identified in the latest update of the Solano County Transportation Plan.*
- D. Prepare an annual planning budget and a work program. Submit claims to cover applicable planning costs to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).*
- E. Operate or contract for the operation of transit and paratransit services as determined by the Transportation Authority.*
- F. Perform all other transportation related functions deemed important by the Transportation Authority.*

### **Section V. FINANCING**

*The Transportation Authority shall approve budgets which determine financing for transportation planning and Transportation Authority operated or assisted services or structures for transit, roads, streets, highways, freeways, paratransit, bikeways and related facilities.*

### **Section VI. JURISDICTION**

*The authority of the Transportation Authority shall be limited to transportation and transportation related issues. The Transportation Authority shall be the congestion management agency for Solano County under Chapter 2.6, Sections 65088 to 65089.4 of the California Government Code....*

*Within said limitations Solano Transportation Authority shall be vested with the authority to:*

- A. Develop, adopt and implement county transportation plans.*
- B. Submit applications and funding claims for transportation related purposes to local government, MTC, the State of California, the Federal Government and other entities supporting transportation.*
- C. Execute transportation related agreements.*
- D. Enter into contracts.*
- E. Adopt policies and programs for all modes of transportation including but not limited to, the following: Transit, paratransit, streets and roads,*

*bicycle and pedestrian facilities, bridle paths, airports, marinas, harbors, deep sea channels, and railroads.*

- F. Review and comment on all matters related to transportation. Submit annual work programs and budgets.*
- G. Coordinate all modes of transportation within the county and with agencies outside Solano County.*
- H. Operate or cause to have operated transit and paratransit and submit IDA claims.*
- I. Bond for project planning, design and construction.*

**FINALLY**, the JPA includes two other sections that should be mentioned:

- 1. Section IX allocates liability among the member agencies, but it focuses on transit and planning functions and not on project approval and development. As you may be aware, during 2007 STA had many liability claims filed against it arising from fatal accidents on SR 12. Although we have been dismissed from those cases, it has resulted in STA joining the CSAC insurance “pool” to provide significantly expanded coverage to protect STA (and the members) from financial losses.*
- 2. The 1997 Amendment created the Intercity Transit Consortium and expanded the role of STA in the provision of transit, including paratransit services, and enhanced the coordination of intercity transit among the agencies operating a transit system. It is proposed that those policies be continued in their entirety.*

#### **JPA POWERS OF OTHER BAY AREA TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES:**

In preparing the proposed amendments, the Joint Powers Agreements from several other transportation agencies in the Bay Area were reviewed. These agencies are involved in undertaking transportation projects and often their JPA contains more comprehensive or accurate language which would better describe some of STA’s existing functions. The comparison agencies that were used are:

- 1. Marin County Transportation Authority
- 2. Alameda County Congestion Management Agency
- 3. SR-4 Bypass Authority (this is a joint powers agency with a single project—the widening and extension of Highway 4 in Eastern Contra Costa County from Pittsburg to Brentwood.)
- 4. Contra Costa Transportation Authority
- 5. Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority (i.e., the rail service from the Bay Area to Sacramento)

#### **DISCUSSING A KEY ISSUE: EMINENT DOMAIN:**

Some congestion management agencies have the power to acquire property by condemnation and others do not have that power. It is purely a matter of the circumstances facing the agency and the philosophy of the policy makers. At present, STA does not have the power of eminent domain because, until recently, STA wasn’t in the business of physically creating transportation projects. Because STA functions have changed to actual design and construction, staff and legal counsel propose that the “traditional” power of condemnation be included in the revisions to the JPA. By “traditional” it includes things like roads, bridges, utility lines, and the like rather than the controversial use of

condemnation for economic development—and the issue has further been resolved by the passage of Prop 99 which supports the traditional uses of eminent domain.

One question that may arise is whether STA should have the authority to acquire property when the member agencies have that power and lands needed to multi-jurisdictional projects could be acquired on a jurisdiction by jurisdiction basis. While possible, that approach is cumbersome at best given that virtually all STA construction projects will be multi-jurisdictional. For example, the Jepson Parkway project involves 5 different public agencies (County, Vacaville, Fairfield, Suisun City and STA); the North Connector Project has three (County, Fairfield and STA); and the SR 12 Jameson Canyon widening has three (STA, Caltrans and Napa County). Nearly all STA projects involve multiple agencies. Thus, it would appear far more efficient for there to be a single source for acquisitions rather than having multiple actions going on by several different member agencies at the same time.

**A SUGGESTED APPROACH TO UPDATING OUR JPA:**

In general, it is recommended revising the JPA into a single document addressing the purposes and powers of STA. As for the purposes and powers of STA, the drafted language for five sub-sections to reflect STA’s functions has been prepared:

1. The first section would be general powers such as the ability to enter into contracts or hire consultants.

That would be followed by individual sections on STA’s four principal functions:

2. Transportation Funding
3. Transportation Planning
4. Design and Construction of Transportation Projects
5. Transit and Commuter Services

Attached as “Exhibit A” is a draft revision of STA’s powers. Underlined are those sections which are completely new or substantially changed.

**SOME FINAL COMMENTS ABOUT PROCESS:**

Amendments to STA’s JPA require the approval of the STA and the approval of all eight member agencies.

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call at any time and I look forward to receiving your input on this important issue.

**Recommendation:**

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board supporting the proposed amendments to the STA’s Joint Powers Agreement.

Exhibits:

- A. Draft STA JPA Amendment
- B. Existing STA JPA

**Existing JPA**

JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT ON THE ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS  
OF THE SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, since 1975 the Cities of Solano County and Solano County jointly have engaged in coordinated, continuous and comprehensive transportation planning; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 1983, a revised Joint Powers Agreement on the Organization and Functions of Solano County Transportation Council, executed by the cities of Solano County and Solano County, established the permanent formation of a Solano County Transportation Council; and

WHEREAS, the June 1, 1983 agreement was modified by a subsequent agreement on August 21, 1990 renaming the Solano County Transportation Council the Solano Transportation Authority and altering certain duties; and

WHEREAS, on September 13, 1995, a revision was made to the WA providing for a full time Executive Director and supporting staff, and

WHEREAS, said agreement is now in need of revision to officially recognize the Solano Intercity Transit Consortium, and the parties hereto desire to enter into a new and superseding agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, the County of Solano, the City of Benicia, City of Dixon, City of Fairfield, City of Rio Vista, City of Suisun City, City of Vacaville and the City of Vallejo do agree to rescind any and all previous Joint Powers Agreements and enter into a new superseding agreement to recognize the Solano Intercity Transit Consortium as an advisory body to the STA (Collectively the above named parties shall be referred to herein as "parties", and individually each party shall be

referred to as "party') and do hereby further agree as follows:

I. NAME

The official name of the agency shall be: Solano Transportation Authority.

II. ORGANIZATION

The Solano Transportation Authority shall consist of a body of voting members, which in this agreement will be referred to as Transportation Authority; advisory bodies; and staff as follows:

A. Transportation Authority

The Transportation Authority shall be composed of the mayors of the seven cities, or a city council member appointed by the mayor or the city council, and one member of the Board of Supervisors appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The members of the Transportation Authority shall select a chairperson and a vice chairperson for the Transportation Authority, each of whom shall serve one year terms.

B. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

The Technical Advisory Committee, an advisory body of the Transportation Authority, shall be made up of a minimum of two representatives, one from the department of the party concerned with transportation and one from the equivalent of a planning department, from each party with one vote per party. The representative(s) shall be appointed by the chief administering officer of each of the parties.

C. Paratransit Coordinating Committee (PCC) made up in accordance with the PCC

By-Laws as approved by the Transportation Authority. The members of the PCC are selected and appointed by the Transportation Authority. The PCC will act as the social services transportation advisory committee (sstac), as mandated by Section 99238 of the California Government Code, for Solano County as long as the sstac or a similar body is required.

D. Citizens Group. Citizens Group(s) (CGs) may be designated by the Transportation Authority. The powers, function, composition, permanence and all other attributes of such group(s) are to be determined by the Transportation Authority.

E. Intercity Transit Consortium, is a consensus-building, advisory body to the Solano Transportation Authority, and proposed to consist of staff representatives appointed by each of the participating transit agencies listed below:

Vallejo Transit

Fairfield-Suisun Transit

City Coach (Vacaville)

Benicia Transit

Dixon Transit

Rio Vista Transit

Solano County

Solano Transportation Authority (STA)

Solano Commuter Information (SCI)

Other transit and coordinating agencies are encouraged to attend and provide advisory input to the Consortium.

Each of the participating members shall enter into a memorandum of understanding describing the more detailed purpose, authority, staffing and responsibility of the Consortium

The Consortium is responsible for making recommendations to the STA Board including:

- Long range multi jurisdictional or intercity transit plans such as contained in the Solano Transportation Plan and Congestion Management Program;
- 5-year transit development plans;
- Prioritizing of transit funds that become available (subject to final recommendations by the

- TAC and approval by the STA Board); and
- Other transit issues that may arise.

The STA Board would maintain a Transit Working Group consisting of three Board members providing on-going dialog and feedback to the Consortium.

#### F. Alternates

##### 1. Transportation Authority

- a. Alternates to the Transportation Authority may be designated by the parties. A designated alternate must be a current member of the elected governing board of the party.

##### 2. Technical Advisory Committee

- a. Alternates to the members of the Technical Advisory Committee shall be selected from staff members of the panics.

##### 3. Paratransit Coordinating Committee Alternates shall be selected and appointed by the Transportation Authority.

#### G. Sub-Committees and Ad Hoc Committees

Standing sub-committees may be appointed by the Transportation Authority, Ad hoc committees may be appointed by the Transportation Authority or any of its advisory committees.

#### H. Staffing

Staffing shall consist of an Executive Director hired by the Transportation Authority and supporting staff as needed consistent with the annual budgets and work programs of the Solano Transportation Authority. Additional supporting staff may be provided by the parties depending on their need to perform tasks in the work program.

## I. Terms of Office

1. A mayor serving on the Transportation Authority may serve for the duration of his/her office as mayor. City council members serving on the Transportation Authority may serve at the pleasure of the incumbent mayors or city councils as long as they hold office as city councilmembers.

2. With respect to the county representative, he/she may hold membership on the Transportation Authority as long as she/he is a member of the Solano County Board of Supervisors - or until he/she is replaced by the Board of Supervisors-

3. The members of all committees, sub-committees and ad hoc committees serve at the pleasure of the appointing body.

## III. TRANSIT OPERATOR

Solano Transportation Authority is hereby designated a provider of transit and paratransit. In the capacity of a provider, the Transportation Authority may submit TDA and other claims and applications for funds to finance transit and paratransit. The claims and applications may be for funds that are generally allocated to Solano County at large or for funds apportioned to each party separately.

If funds are to be used for a Transportation Authority operated or contracted for system that, as in the case of TDA Article 4 funds, are apportioned to the individual parties, the contribution by parties of such funds may be based on the most recent State Department of Finance population ratios or any alternative method agreed upon by the Transportation Authority members of the parties served by the system.

## IV. DUTIES

The Transportation Authority shall be charged with the following duties:

- A. Refine and update the Solano County Transportation Plan.
- B. Review and coordinate transportation planning throughout the county.
- C. Coordinate implementation of transportation improvements identified in the latest update of the Solano County Transportation Plan\_
- D. Prepare an annual planning budget and a work program. Submit claims to cover applicable planning costs to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).
- E. Operate or contract for the operation of transit and paratransit services as determined by the Transportation Authority.
- F. Perform all other transportation related functions deemed important by the Transportation Authority,

## V. FINANCING

The Transportation Authority shall approve budgets which determine financing for transportation planning and Transportation Authority operated or assisted services or structures for transit, roads, streets, highways, freeways, paratransit, bikeways and related facilities. Whenever financing involving funds derived from funds allocated to the individual parties, such as IDA articles 4 and 8, such Funding shall be approved annually by the contributing parties. Unless otherwise agreed by parties the total expenditures in the annual planning budget shall be paid for by contributions by parties based on the population ratios of the parties. In determining said population ratios the latest population statistics by the State Department of Finance shall be used. The Transportation Authority will become the claimant to these funds approved by- the parties and will determine how the funds will be expended. All funds derived from sources other than the parties shall be expended at the direction of the Transportation Authority.

## VI. JURISDICTION

The authority of the Transportation Authority shall be limited to transportation and transportation related issues. The Transportation Authority shall be the congestion management agency for Solano County under Chapter 2.6, Sections 65088 to 65089.4, of the California

Government Code. If Chapter 2.6 of the Government Code contains language not pertaining to a congestion management plan or agency, the Transportation Authority shall design or cause to have designed a plan similar to that requested under Assembly Bill 471 of 1989, as amended by AB 1791 in 1990 and AB 3093 in 1992, for presentation to the parties for concurrence. Once the parties concur on the plan, it is to become part of the jurisdiction and powers of the Transportation Authority. The Transportation Authority shall also have the powers delineated in Division 19 (Section 180,000 et. seq.) of the California Public Utilities Code. Any transit and paratransit services operated within the county by the Transportation Authority shall be complementary and shall not compete with local transit services operated by the parties. Funding derived from kinds allocated to the individual parties used for Transportation Authority operated transit services shall be limited to funding solely approved by the using parties. For each individual transportation service system a unanimous vote must be cast by all members contributing funding towards the system.

Within said limitations Solano Transportation Authority shall be vested with the authority to:

- A. Develop, adopt and implement county transportation plans.
- B. Submit applications and funding claims for transportation related purposes to local government, MTC, the State of California, the Federal Government and other entities supporting transportation.
- C. Execute transportation related agreements.
- D. Enter into contracts.
- E. Adopt policies and programs for all modes of transportation including but not limited to, the following:
  - Transit, paratransit, streets and roads, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, bridle paths, airports, marinas, harbors, deep sea channels, and railroads.
- F. Review and comment on all matters related to transportation.
- G. Submit annual work programs and budgets.
- H. Coordinate all modes of transportation within the county and with agencies outside Solano County
- I. Operate or cause to have operated transit and paratransit and submit TDA claims.
- J. Bond for project planning, design and construction.

## VII. QUORUM

The Transportation Authority may act only when more than 50% of the total membership is present.

## VIII. VOTING RIGHTS

The Transportation Authority

Each member of the Transportation Authority shall have one vote,

### A. General

The following procedure applies to all matters before the Authority:

A motion is passed when it has received a majority vote. A majority vote shall have been deemed cast when the votes recorded represent a majority of the parties represented and when the parties voting with the majority represent the majority of the population in the county. In determining said population the latest population statistics by the State Department of Finance shall be used.

The Supervisor representing the County shall represent the total population of the unincorporated area of the county.

### B. Committees and Sub-Committees

In the various committees, sub-committees and ad hoc committees of the TA C, FCC or Transportation Authority each party shall have one vote. All other committees will have the voting powers and pattern determined by the Transportation Authority. A motion shall be considered passed when a majority of the parties present vote in favor of the proposed motion. The committees must have a quorum (more than 50% attendance) to act.

## IX. LIABILITY

Any and all liability arising out of any act or omission by the Solano Transportation Authority, i.e. by the Transportation Authority and any of its committees, sub-committees ad hoc com-

mittees and staff shall be determined in the following manner:

A. General Planning (All Parties)

When a liability is the result of the general planning process, all claims shall be satisfied between and among parties on a prorated basis of the latest State Department of Finance population ratios of those same parties.

B. Activities not Involving Financial Contributions by Participating Parties

When the liability is the result of the activities and/or omissions of participating parties (as defined below) and no financial contribution has been assigned to said participating parties for the activities, all claims shall be pro-rated among the participating parties on the basis of the latest State Department of Finance population ratios of those same parties.

C. Activities Involving Financial Contributions by Participating Parties

When the liability is the result of activities that are the result of the participating parties as defined herein, and financial contributions to defray the cost of said activities have been assigned to each of the participating parties, all claims shall be pro-rated among the participating parties on the basis of the financial contribution of the parties to said activities. This pro-ration would include, but not limited to, the Transportation Authority's transit system(s) which provides services to a fraction of the parties.

D. Participating Parties Defined: One or more of the parties combining, joining or cooperating together to plan, install or operate any aspect of the transportation system.

County Population Defined. The population of the County shall be considered to be the population of the unincorporated area of the County as determined by the latest State Department of Finance data available,

X. SUCCESSION

This agreement is to be considered a revision and novation to that joint powers agreement

between the parties dated in 1975 as revised June 1, 1983 and August 21, 1990 and again revised September 13, 1995. It is further agreed that the Transportation Authority created hereunder shall assume any and all liability of the Transportation Council and shall carry out, conclude and assume responsibility on any and all contracts or other obligations of the Council. It is intended that the Transportation Authority shall be the successor in interest to the Transportation Council.

#### XI. REVISION OR TERMINATION

This agreement may be terminated by a vote of 3/4 of the parties.

This agreement may be revised by a unanimous action of the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized respective officers.

CITY OF BENICIA

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF DIXON

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF FAIRFIELD

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF RIO VISTA

Date \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF SOLANO

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF SUISUN CITY

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF VACAVILLE

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF VALLEJO

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Intercity Transit Coordination Plan**  
September, 1997

RESOLUTION NO. 97-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY ACCEPTING THE SOLANO INTERCITY TRANSIT COORDINATION PLAN AND AUTHORIZING A REVISION TO THE STA JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT

WITEREAS, on October 9, 1996 the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) entered into an agreement with Neison\Nygaard Consulting Associates to prepare the Solano Intercity Transit Coordination Study (hereafter referred to as the Plan); and

WHEREAS, the STA Board's Transit Committee, Solano transit operators and the consultants have been diligently working on the development of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Plan was developed in conjunction with various Transit Steering Committee meetings, approximately five workshops, and individual consultations with member jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the 1996/97 planning process has been completed substantially as scoped; and

WHEREAS, the final Plan dated September 1997 has been circulated to the Board, Solano transit operators and other interested parties; and

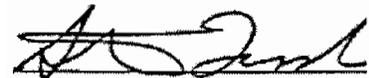
WHEREAS, the Plan proposes to encourage development of intercity transit coordination through the creation of the Solano Intercity Transit Consortium (also referred to as Consortium); and

WHEREAS, the Consortium shall be comprised of representatives from each of the STA member jurisdictions, participating in their capacity as their separate jurisdiction's transit services provider.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) accepts the recommendations of the final Solano Intercity Transit Coordination Plan, dated September 1997 attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

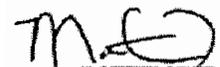
NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the STA is initiating a proposed revision of the STK! Joint Powers Agreement attached as Exhibit "B" and requests each member to sign and return the amended WA recognizing the proposed Consortium as an STA advisory body.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each participating member of the Consortium also sign and return a Memorandum of Understanding attached as Exhibit "C" that further describes the role, authority, responsibilities and finding for the Consortium.



Steve Lessler, Chairman  
Solano Transportation Authority

I, MARTIN TUTTLE, the Solano Transportation Authority Executive Director, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing resolution was regularly introduced, passed, and adopted by said STA at a special meeting thereof held this 17th day of September, 1997.



Martin Tuttle, Executive Director Solano Transportation Authority

## **Exhibit “B”**

### **Proposed Revision to the Solano Transportation Authority Joint Powers Agreement**

The following revision is proposed to the existing STA joint powers agreement:

II. E Intercity Transit Consortium, is a consensus-building, advisory body to the Solano Transportation Authority, and proposed to consist of staff representatives appointed by each of the participating transit agencies listed below:

Vallejo Transit  
Fairfield-Suisun Transit  
City Coach (Vacaville)  
Benicia Transit  
Dixon Transit  
Rio Vista Transit  
Solano County  
Solano Transportation Authority (STA)  
Solano Commuter Information (SCI)

Other transit and coordinating agencies are encouraged to attend and provide advisory input to the Consortium.

Each of the participating members shall enter into a memorandum of understanding describing the more detailed purpose, authority, staffing and responsibility of the Consortium

The Consortium is responsible for making recommendations to the STA Board including:

- Long range multi jurisdictional or intercity transit plans such as contained in the Solano Transportation Plan and Congestion Management Program,
- 5-year transit development plans;
- Prioritizing of transit funds that become available (subject to final recommendations by the TAG and approval by the STA Board); and
- Other transit issues that may arise.

The STA Board would maintain a Transit Working Group consisting of three Board members providing on-going dialog and feedback to the Consortium.

[Renumber the rest of Section II]

## **Exhibit "C"**

### **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AMONG THE SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY TO DEVELOP AN INTERCITY TRANSIT CONSORTIUM FOR THE PURPOSE OF COORDINATING INTERCITY TRANSIT WITHIN AND CONNECTING TO SOLANO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

This agreement is entered into this \_\_\_ day of 199\_, by the cities of Benicia, Dixon, Fairfield, Rio Vista, Suisun City, Vacaville and Vallejo, all in Solano County, and Solano County.

#### **1. PURPOSE OF THE CONSORTIUM**

The Solano Intercity Transit Consortium shall have the responsibility of coordinating, improving and expanding intercity transit services within, and connecting to and from, Solano, acting in their capacity as transit providers in their jurisdictions and STA.

#### **2. AUTHORITY**

The primary job of the consortium is to coordinate and advance intercity transit services in Solano. As such, it is a formalization of what the transit operators have been doing on an ad hoc basis or through the Transit Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC). The consortium will give the coordination effort more structure and additional resources to coordinate, improve and expand intercity transit services.

The consortium will prepare an annual work program, outlining the tasks they would undertake over the following year. The intent would be to outline an achievable set of specific tasks each year, while not overburdening the consortium with "regular review or planning activities.

The consortium shall have authority over non-financial administrative decisions. Each agency represented shall retain control over their own budgets and services. Any change in the individual budgets or services resulting from a recommendation of the consortium shall, as they are now, be required to be approved by the transit agency(s) governing board(s) (i.e.: City Council, Board of Supervisors or WA). The consortium would, based on their coordination plans, make advisory recommendations to the TAC regarding funding to support the operation of intercity transit services, intercity unmet transit needs findings, and/or capital grant allocations.

The consortium shall make reports to the Solano Transportation Authority Board or its Transit Working Group upon request, or as the consortium deems necessary.

### **3. PARTICIPATION**

Solano agencies represented in the consortium would include:

- Vallejo Transit
- Fairfield-Suisun Transit
- City Coach (Vacaville)
- Benicia Transit
- Dixon Transit
- Rio Vista Transit
- Solano County
- Solano Transportation Authority (STA)
- Solano Commuter Information Service (SCI)

The consortium shall be comprised of a staff member from each agency. Advisory participation by Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), Sacramento Area Council Of Governments (SACOG), YoloBus, Napa Transit, Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART), Amtrak, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District and other coordinating agencies (hereinafter known as "participating agencies") would be encouraged.

While the consortium is intended to function on a consensus basis the agencies shown above would be required to participate in the consensus decisions, while the remaining agencies would function in an advisory capacity to the consortium.

### **4. STAFFING**

STA staff shall assume responsibility for all basic administrative tasks associated with the consortium including agenda preparation and mailing, public noticing as required by law, preparation of the meeting notes, and the preparation of any reports or memos to the STA Board. STA staff may achieve these tasks either by doing them themselves or through contract staff or consultants.

Each year the consortium shall have a very specific work plan of tasks to achieve. Based on these tasks special expertise will be needed to assist the consortium, Therefore, periodically upon approval of the STA Board, the consortium may be staffed by consultants or contract staff hired, on a task basis, for their expertise in the areas needed by the consortium. There may be a primary consultant or contract staff person that facilitates the meetings, works with the specialist consultants to ensure that the consortium members get pre-meeting materials in a timely manner, facilitates decision-making at the meetings and monitors progress on the work program. All consultant contract staff shall be under contract to the STA.

### **5. RESPONSIBILITIES**

Each fiscal year the consortium will develop a work plan for the subsequent year that assists in their

goal to farther the coordination of intercity transit services in Solano. There should be an adequate amount of work to be challenging and interesting, but also be achievable within a one year time frame. Such plan should be submitted to the Executive

Director within 60 days prior to the start of the fiscal year.

Once the workplan is agreed to by the consortium members, STA will prepare a budget and consultant needs analysis for acceptance by the consortium. Funding to support the work in the annual workplan will be provided in accordance with Section 6 of this agreement.

It is the responsibility of the transit operators to fully participate in the consortium by attending meetings, reviewing materials prior to the meeting, and providing information specific to their intercity transit operations, budgets and management as may be required from time to time.

**6. FUNDING**

Staff/consulting support to the consortium will be funded through State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF), For the first year the efforts of the consortium will be funded from the North County STAF Pool. In the second year Vallejo will contribute its share based on the formula below.

The long term funding source will be STAF. The allocation will be based on population percentage in the County. Using the same population and percentage figures in the STA IPA agreement the distribution would be as follows:

Jurisdiction	Percent of Total
North County Cities and Unincorporated Area	68.95%
Vallejo	31.95%
TOTAL	100%

The funding amount needed will vary from year to year based on the accepted work program of the consortium and final funding approval by the STA Board.

**7. TERM OF THE AGREEMENT**

The term of the agreement shall be from the date specified above, continuing in perpetuity thereafter based on the continued agreement by all parties except as set forth below. Any party may withdraw from the agreement, with 60 day notice, prior to the adoption of the work program and budget for the subsequent fiscal year by the Solano Transportation Authority Board.

This Agreement may be terminated upon a majority vote of the STA Board or upon dissolution of the STA or its successors.

**8. MODIFYING THE AGREEMENT**

This agreement may be modified from time to time with the consent of all of the parties.

**SIGNATURE PAGES**



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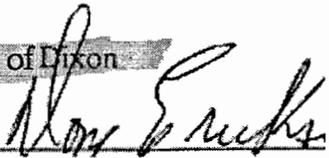
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City of Benicia Approved as to form:

City Manager or Mayor \_\_\_\_\_

City Attorney Approved as to form: \_\_\_\_\_

City of Dixon  


City Manager or Mayor City Attorney

City of Fairfield Approved as to form:

City Manager or Mayor City Attorney

City of Rio Vista

Approved as to form:

City Manager or Mayor City Attorney

City of Suisun City Approved as to form:

City Manager or Mayor City Attorney

City of Vacaville Approved as to form:

City Manager or Mayor City Attorney

City of Vallejo Approved as to form:

City Manager or Mayor City Attorney

Solano County Approved as to form:

County Administrative Officer or

County Counsel

Chair, Board of Supervisors

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City Manager or Mayor City of Dixon

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City of Fairfield

City Man Chuck Hammond  
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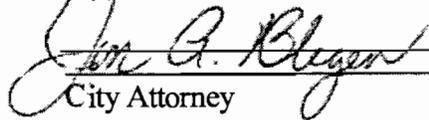
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## EXHIBIT A

### SUGGESTED REVISION OF STA'S POWERS (Showing new or significantly revised language via underlining)

#### Section "X" Purposes, Functions and Powers of the Agency

The authority of the Solano Transportation Authority ("STA") shall be limited to transportation and transportation related issues. The Authority shall be the congestion management agency for Solano County under Chapter 2.6, Sections 65088 to 65089.4 of the California Government Code. If Chapter 2.6 of the Government Code contains language not pertaining to a county congestion management plan, the STA shall act as such agency and shall design or cause to have designed a plan similar to the requested under Assembly Bill 471 of 1989, as amended by AB 1791 in 1990 and AB 3093 in 1992, for presentation to the member agencies for concurrence. Once the parties concur on the plan, it is to become part of the jurisdiction and powers of the Transportation Authority.

The Transportation Authority shall also have the powers delineated in Division 19 (Section 180,000 et.seq.) of the California Public Utilities Code which establishes the processes relating to adoption of local transportation sales taxes.

The Authority shall have all powers necessary or reasonably convenient to carry out the purposes set forth herein as the congestion management agency and transportation authority for Solano County, including but not limited to the following:

#### A. General Powers

1. To exercise in the manner provided by this Agreement the powers common to each of the Agencies and necessary to the accomplishment of the purposes of this Agreement. Powers common to each of the Agencies shall include any powers granted to all Agencies by legislative amendment subsequent to the date of this Agreement;
2. Perform all transportation related functions deemed necessary and important by the Board of the Transportation Authority.
3. To make and enter into contracts and join and execute multi-jurisdictional transportation related agreements.
4. To employ agents and employees and to contract for the services deemed necessary to meet the purposes of the Authority including the retention of legal counsel and legislative advocates;
5. To acquire, including by lease or purchase, office space and other necessary quarters and to hold and dispose of personal property necessary to carry out the purposes of this Agreement;
6. To sue and be sued in its own name;
7. To incur debts, liabilities and obligations; however, the debts, liabilities and obligations of the Authority shall not constitute any debt, liability or obligation of any of the member Agencies unless specifically agreed to in writing;

8. Submit annual work programs and budgets for each of STA's functions. Undertake an annual audit in accordance with applicable State and Federal regulations for the audit of governmental agencies.

**B. Transportation Funding**

1. To apply for and accept grants, both on behalf of the Agency as well as for any member agency of the STA, for financial aid and project development funding pursuant to any applicable local, regional, state or federal statutes, programs and regulations;
2. To raise funds through the issuance of bonds of the Authority pursuant to Article 4, Chapter 5, Division 7, Title 1, Sections 6584 et seq. of the California Government Code.
3. To submit applications and funding claims for transportation related purposes, both on behalf of the Agency as well as for any member agency of the STA, to local government, MTC, other regional agencies, the State of California, the Federal Government and other entities supporting and financing transportation studies, programs and projects.
4. The STA shall approve budgets which determine financing for the planning and development of transportation programs, projects, operations and assisted services for transportation facilities including, but not limited to, transit, ferries and other water-based modes, roads, streets, highways, freeways, paratransit, rail service, bikeways, pathways and commuter facilities.
5. STA shall exercise the planning and police powers necessary to be deemed to be an "agency" or "authority" within California Government Code Section 66,000(c) for the purpose of adopting and imposing regional or sub-regional transportation development impact fees under the process found in California Government Code Section 66,000 et seq. and commonly referred to as "AB1600."

**C. Transportation Planning**

1. Develop, adopt and implement the Solano County Comprehensive Transportation Plan and such other plans and studies to support transportation planning in the region.
2. Adopt policies and programs for all modes of transportation including but not limited to, the following: transit, paratransit, streets and roads, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, bridle paths, airports, marinas, harbors, deep sea channels, and railroads.
3. Assist local agencies in evaluating the transportation impacts and needs related to land use projects, plans and development.
4. Review and comment on matters related to transportation and transportation planning.

**D. Development, Design, Construction and Delivery of Transportation Projects**

1. STA is authorized to develop, design, construct, deliver, manage and maintain transportation projects as determined by the STA Board. To be responsible for the engineering and design of transportation projects, including contracting with qualified consultants, for preparation of construction plans and specifications, surveying, and any other necessary design engineering. To manage construction of projects in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the STA Board and where applicable, in accordance with Caltrans standard plans and specifications. To accept the Project on behalf of the Participants upon completion of construction work.
2. To acquire, hold and dispose of real property necessary to develop, design, construct, deliver, manage and maintain transportation projects. Acquisition by STA includes lease,

- purchase, grant, grant in lieu of development impacts, or through the exercise of eminent domain in accordance with State and Federal laws and regulations.
3. Hold public hearings and provide a public forum for discussion of the environmental document and other issues related to the transportation projects, act as a lead or responsible agency under CEQA and to certify environmental documents
  4. Negotiate and enter into agreements for financing the design, construction, and acceptance of projects approved by the STA Board.
  5. Serve as Project Sponsor for right of way acquisition, design and construction of projects and to enter into cooperative and other agreements with local, regional, state, and federal agencies.
  6. Act as liaison with agencies responsible for issuing permits or approvals for transportation projects.

**E. Alternative Modes of Transportation and Transit and Commuter Activities**

Solano Transportation Authority is hereby designated a provider of transit and paratransit. In the capacity of a provider, the Transportation Authority may submit TDA and other claims and applications for funds to finance transit and paratransit. The claims and applications may be for funds that are generally allocated to Solano County at large or for funds apportioned to each party separately. If funds are to be used for a Transportation Authority operated or contracted for system that, as in the case of TDA Article 4 funds, are apportioned to the individual parties, the contribution by parties of such funds may be based on the most recent State Department of Finance population ratios or any alternative method agreed upon by the Transportation Authority members of the parties served by the system.

Any transit and paratransit services operated within the county by the Transportation Authority shall be complementary and shall not compete with local transit services operated by the parties unless pursuant to an agreement among the parties.

In addition to the policy provisions above, the Solano Transportation Authority shall have the following specific powers and functions:

1. Funding derived from funds allocated to the individual parties used for Transportation Authority operated transit services shall be limited to funding solely approved by the using parties. For individual transportation service systems a unanimous vote must be cast by all members contributing funding towards the system.
2. With respect to Transit activities, the transportation Authority shall be charged with the following duties:
3. Coordinate all alternative modes of transportation within the county and with agencies outside Solano County.
4. Operate or cause to have operated transit and paratransit and submit ADA claims.
5. Refine and update the Solano County Transportation Plan relative transit and paratransit.
6. Review and coordinate transit planning throughout the county and outside the county.
7. Coordinate implementation of transit improvements identified in the latest update of the Solano County Comprehensive Transportation Plan.
8. Prepare an annual planning budget and a work program for transit, paratransit, commuter and alternative mode activities and programs.

9. Submit claims to cover applicable planning and operations costs to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and any other applicable local, state or federal agency.
10. Operate or contract for the operation of transit and paratransit services as determined appropriate by the STA Board.
11. Adopt policies and programs for all modes of transportation including but not limited to, the following: Transit, paratransit, streets and roads, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, bridle paths, airports, marinas, harbors, deep sea channels, and railroads.
12. Operate or cause to have operated transit and paratransit and submit IDA claims.



DATE: February 17, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Janet Adams, Deputy Executive Director/Director of Projects  
RE: Final Project Technical Report for the Jepson Parkway Project

**Background:**

STA, in conjunction with the cities of Fairfield, Suisun City, and Vacaville, and Solano County, proposes improvements along a 12-mile-long corridor between I-80 in Vacaville and State Route (SR) 12 in Suisun City. The project would widen from two to four lanes and/or upgrade and link a series of existing local two- and four-lane roadways, as well as construct an extension of an existing roadway, to provide a safe, convenient north-south alternative to I-80 and SR 12 for local travel between neighborhoods and jurisdictions in central Solano County. The project includes safety improvements such as roadway medians, traffic signals, standard shoulders, separate turn lanes, and a railroad grade separation. It would construct a separated and landscaped continuous bike lane/pedestrian path to encourage non-motor travel and accommodate future implementation of bus service, including one local and one express route.

The project is designed to meet the objectives of the 2000 Jepson Parkway Concept Plan. It is named for Willis Linn Jepson, who was born near Vacaville and was one of America's greatest regional botanists and interpreters of California flora.

Technically a "Local Assistance" type project, the Jepson Parkway is receiving Caltrans Environmental Oversight assistance to expedite the schedule. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has delegated responsibility for National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) oversight and processing to Caltrans.

The Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Jepson Parkway Project has been circulated and is planned to be brought to the Board for adoption in March 2009. STA is the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Lead Agency for the EIR.

**Discussion:**

As part of the Environmental Document preparation, many technical studies are completed, one of which is the engineering report or Project Technical Report (Attachment A). This engineering report provides the preliminary design information for the Jepson Parkway Project. As part of the project development process, the STA Board is required to approve the project, which is accomplished through the approval of the Project Technical Report. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) would review and recommend the STA Board use this Report as a basis for the Project Approval. Once the STA Board considers certification of the Project, the STA Board would then consider approving the Project Technical Report and Jepson Parkway Project at its March Board Meeting.

The Project will be built in phases based on availability of local and regional funds. It is proposed the phases for construction are as follows:

Phase 1 – Widen Vanden Road from 500 feet east of the Vanden Road/Cement Hill Road/Peabody Road intersection to the Vanden Road/Leisure Town Road intersection. This segment is 2.8 miles long and includes a widened bridge crossing at Union Creek. It is anticipated that this phase will take two years to complete.

Phase 2 – Widen Leisure Town Road from the Vanden Road/Leisure Town Road intersection to the south side of the Leisure Town Road/Orange Drive intersection. This 5-mile segment includes widening the New Alamo Creek Bridge, an extension of the existing Alamo Creek box culvert, and connection to a pipe storm drain system. This phase is expected to take three years to complete.

Phase 3 – Widen Walters Road from Tabor Avenue to Huntington Drive, construct the Walters Road extension from Huntington Drive to Cement Hill Road, and widen Cement Hill Road from the Walters Road extension through the Vanden Road/Peabody Road/Cement Hill Road intersection. This 2.6-mile-long segment includes a new crossing of the UPRR and separate bridges spanning a tributary of McCoy Creek, the Strassberger Detention Pond, and wetland resources, some containing habitat for Contra Costa goldfields. This phase is expected to take three years to complete

**Fiscal Impact:**

Phase 1 of the Jepson Parkway Project is funded at this time by the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds. While this project is subject to the 50/50 funding policy, whereas 50% of the project funding is from local funds, Phase 1 can proceed using 100% regional funds. A corridor funding agreement will need to be implemented with the local project sponsors and STA to confirm the advance of all regional funds and commitment to delivery of the local funds.

**Recommendation:**

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the Jepson Parkway Project based on the Project Technical Report.

**Attachment:**

- A. Project Technical Report for Jepson Parkway Project (To be provided to the STA TAC Members under separate enclosure.)



DATE: February 18, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Janet Adams, Deputy Executive Director/Director of Projects  
Kenny Wan, Assistant Project Manager  
RE: Preliminary Engineering Priorities for Caltrans Oversight

**Background:**

A Project Study Report (PSR) is a preliminary engineering report, the purpose of which is to document agreement on the scope, schedule, and estimated cost of a project so that the project can be included in a future State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The California Transportation Commission (CTC) requires a completed PSR for projects before being added into the STIP. The CTC intends that the process and requirements for PSRs be as simple, timely, and workable as practical, given that a PSR must be prepared at the front end of the project development process, before environmental evaluation and detailed design, and that it must provide a sound basis for commitment of future state funding. A PSR also provides a key opportunity to achieve consensus on project scope, schedule, and proposed cost among Caltrans and involved regional and local agencies.

State statutes provide that Caltrans shall have 30 days to determine whether it can complete the requested report in a timely fashion (in time for inclusion in the next STIP). If Caltrans determines it cannot prepare the report in a timely fashion, the requesting entity may prepare the report. Local, regional and state agencies are partners in planning regional transportation improvements. Input from all parties is required at the earliest possible stages and continues throughout the process. The project sponsor should take the lead in coordination activities. PSR's will to be completed by a local agency still requires Caltrans oversight and ultimate approval.

Throughout Solano County, several local agencies have initiated or are about to initiate PSR's which will require Caltrans oversight and approval. This effort requires Caltrans to provide adequate resources to fulfill the responsibility of this oversight.

However, the State Highway Operations & Protection Program (SHOPP) projects (which Caltrans is the lead agency), will take a priority over local projects given Caltrans mission for preservation of the State Highway System.

**Discussion:**

On January 4, 2008 STA received a joint letter (Attachment A) from Lee Taubeneck, Deputy District Director, Caltrans District 4 and Therese McMillan, Deputy Executive Director, Policy, Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) regarding prioritization of preliminary engineering work from Solano County. STA was requested to provide a comprehensive prioritized list PSRs for Solano County. Attached to the letter was a two-page spread sheet that has all known work to Caltrans, including Solano

County studies and Bay Area general studies. A similar request was made by Caltrans in 2008 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2008-09.

On February 6, 2009 an e-mail with the joint letter from Caltrans and MTC with the spreadsheet was sent to all TAC Members requesting from each jurisdiction;

- List of active PSRs
- List, in prioritized order, PSRs that the jurisdiction expects to begin next FY
- Project specific information regarding project costs, if fully funded
- Year construction expected to begin
- What type of Environmental Document is expected for each project

Based on responses from the Solano County local agencies, Attachment B is the draft list of projects, with prioritization of work for during FY 2009-10:

**Fiscal Impact:**

Generally there are no fiscal impacts for this issue as this subject is related to the development of priorities.

**Recommendation:**

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to adopt the Solano County FY 2009-10 preliminary engineering prioritized workplan to submit to Caltrans as specified in Attachment B.

**Attachments:**

- A. Caltrans/MTC letter of December 31, 2008
- B. Draft FY 2009-10 PSR Priority List

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Solano Transportation Authority  
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AUTHORITY

Dear Mr. Halls:

Pursuant to the attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the State of California Department of Transportation (Department) and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) concerning the development of the regional priority list for preparing Project Study Reports (PSRs), the Solano Transportation Authority is requested to provide a comprehensive, prioritized list of PSRs to be worked on during FY 08/09. To assure timely identification of PSR priorities and resource allocation, please submit your project list on the attached form to the address shown below no later than February 1, 2008.

Patrick Pang  
Chief, Office of Advance Planning  
c/o Caltrans District 4  
111 Grand Avenue, Mail Stop 10A  
P.O. Box 23660  
Oakland, CA 94623-0660

The Department and MTC look forward to working with your agency to allocate available resources to meet project delivery needs throughout the region. If you have questions or need additional information regarding this matter, please contact Patrick Pang, District 4 – Advance Planning, at (510) 286-5125.

Sincerely,

LEE TAUBENECK, M.S., P.E.  
District Deputy Director  
Transportation Planning and Local Assistance

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Deputy Executive Director, Policy  
Metropolitan Transportation Commission

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Attachments

STA 8/9 STIP (Non-SHOPP) PID Workplan

Current PID Status	LEAD or QA?	Priority	County	Route	Begin Postmile	End Postmile	Improvement Description (Type of Work)	Location	K-Phase EA	Project Cost (\$M)	Estimated PID Completion Date (Month/Year)	% Complete	Type of PID	Type of Environmental Document	Proposed Program Year	Regional Transportation Plan	Project Manager	PID Initiation Date (Month/Day/Year)	Comment	
<b>Tier 1 Carryover and Proposed New PIDs in 08/09 Workplan</b>																				
1	Carryover	QA	1	SOL	080	0.80	5.60	New EB & WB HOV lanes and new overcrossing at Turner Rd	In Vallejo from Carquinez Br to SR 37	4A440K	120.0	03/2009	95	PSR/P DS	FONSI	2013/14	Y	Sameer Khoury	5/2/2007	1/20/09 - For executive review/approval
2	Carryover	QA	1	SOL	080	23.10	23.10	Realign EB on and off-ramps	Lagoon Valley Blvd I/C Vacaville	3A790K	1.5	12/2009	30	PSR/P R	EIR	2008/09	N	Nicolas Endrawos	12/1/2006	
3	Carryover	QA	1	SOL	780	4.86	5.06	Construct pedestrian/bicycle bridge	Miller Rd (State Park Rd) OC in Benicia	3A430K	3.9	11/19/09	100	PSR/P R	ND	2008/09	N	Jason Mac	12/1/2006	PID completed
4	New	QA	1	SOL	012	24.60	25.00	Modify intersection	Church Rd in Rio Vista	0G050K	2.8	06/2009	25	PSR		2011/12	Y	TBD	6/25/2008	
<b>Tier 2 Proposed New PIDs to begin future fiscal years</b>																				
5	Proposed New	LEAD	3	SOL	080	17.9	19.2	Add EB and WB Aux. Lane	Travis Blvd to Air Base Pkwy		TBD	TBD		PSR	TBD	2014/15	Y	TBD	TBD	
6	Proposed New	QA	1	SOL	080	TBD	TBD	Road and ramp modifications at intersection	American Canyon	TBD	TBD	TBD		PSR or PEER	TBD		Y	TBD	TBD	City seeking to use PEER process in lieu of PSR
7	Proposed New	QA	2	SOL	505	TBD	TBD	SB on & off-ramps and intersection modification	Vaca Valley Pkwy I/C in Vacaville	TBD	1.0	TBD		PSR or PEER	TBD	2009/10	Y	TBD	TBD	City of Vacaville exploring PEER project process
<b>Studies in 08/09 Workplan</b>																				
8	Active	QA		SOL	012	26.20	26.40	Rio Vista Bridge Preliminary Study	Rio Vista Bridge	4A490K	TBD	06/2009	5	MIS and PPR	TBD	TBD	Y	Joe Aguilar	6/5/2007	
9	Active	QA		SOL	80	680	780	80/680/780 Highway Ops Implementation Plan		TBD	TBD	09/2010		Study	TBD	TBD	N	TBD	10/2007	
10	Active	QA		SOL	113	TBD	TBD	SR-113 Major Investment and Corridor Study		TBD	TBD	09/2009		Study	TBD	TBD	N	Erik Alm	03/2007	
11	Active	QA		VAR	VA	VAR	VAR	Regional HOT Lane Study Phase 3	ALA, CC, MRN, NAPA, SOL, SF, SM, SOL, SON Counties	TBD	TBD	TBD		Study	TBD	TBD	N	Erik Alm	TBD	
12	Proposed New	QA		SOL	012	TBD	TBD	Median barrier Study	Fairfield to Rio Vista	TBD	TBD	04/2009		Feasibility Study	FONSI	2012/13	Y	TBD	TBD	
13	Active	QA		ALA CC SOL	80	80	80	I-80 Smarter Growth Study	Corridor extends from the SFOBB through Sacramento County	TBD		TBD		Study			N	Erik Alm	TBD	
14	Active	QA		NAP SOL	012	012	0.0	26.4	SR12 Corridor Study	Corridor extends between SR29 and I-5 in S.J. County								Erik Alm		

**PROPOSED SOLANO COUNTY 09/10 PID WORKPLAN**

<b>PRIORITY</b>	<b>Current PID Status</b>	<b>LEAD or QA</b>	<b>Route</b>	<b>Improvement Description &amp; Location</b>	<b>Project Sponsor</b>	<b>Type of PID</b>	<b>Type of Environmental Document</b>	<b>Project Cost (\$M)</b>	<b>Proposed PID Start Date</b>	<b>Target Date for PID Approval</b>	<b>EA</b>
<b>1</b>	Active 08/09 workplan	QA	80	Realign EB on and off-ramps Lagoon Valley Blvd I/C in Vacaville	Vacaville	PSR/PR	EIR	1.5	12/1/2006	07/2008	3A790K
<b>2</b>	Active 08/09 workplan	QA	12	Rio Vista preliminary Bridge Study	STA	Feasibility Study		400	12/2007	12/2008	4A490K
<b>3</b>	new	QA	80	I-80/Hidden Brooke Interchange	Vallejo			TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
<b>4</b>	new	QA	80	I-80/Pedrick Road Interchange	Dixon			TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
<b>5</b>	new	LEAD	80	I-80 Auxiliary Lanes	Caltrans			TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

**ATTACHMENT B**

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DATE: February 18, 2009  
 TO: STA TAC  
 FROM: Sam Shelton, Project Manager  
 RE: STA Safe Routes to School Program's 3-Year Work Plan

**Background:**

The Solano Transportation Authority (STA) began the development of its Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program in 2005, in response to the growing childhood obesity epidemic, student travel safety concerns, growing air pollution, and traffic congestion near schools in Solano County. The program works to encourage more students to walk and bike to school by identifying a balance of traffic calming and safety engineering projects, student education & safety training, encouragement contests & events, and enforcement coordination with police. The program also strives to increase interagency cooperation to continue to plan and implement SR2S projects with all local agencies.

In 2005, the STA began the Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program without identified funding. However, in 2008 the STA has brought together an initial set of funding sources to begin the program:

Grant Program	Agency	STA SR2S Program Use	Grant
Clean Air Program	Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District (YSAQMD)	FY 2008-09 Engineering Projects in Dixon, Rio Vista and Vacaville	\$60,000
STA's Eastern Solano Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (ECMAQ)	Solano Transportation Authority (STA)	FY 2008-09 Engineering Projects in Dixon, Rio Vista and Vacaville	\$240,000
Transportation for Clean Air (TFCA) Program Manager funds (managed by STA Staff)	Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD)	FY 2008-09 and FY 2009-10 Encouragement & Education activities	\$116,000
Transportation for Clean Air (TFCA), Regional Grant (managed by BAAQMD staff)	Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD)	FY 2009-10 and FY 2010-11 Education, Encouragement, and Engineering	\$400,000
Transportation Enhancements (TE) funds	Solano Transportation Authority (STA)	FY 2009-10 10% grant match for 23 Radar Speed Signs	\$40,000
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$856,000</b>

In 2008, assisted by the STA's SR2S Plan & Program's recommendations and support, the City of Vallejo and the City of Suisun City received over \$1M in grant funding from Caltrans for SR2S Safety Engineering Projects.

After adoption of the STA's Countywide SR2S Plan in February 2008, the STA implemented two pilot programs: 1) a \$300,000 pilot engineering project grant program; and 2) a pilot education and encouragement program. \$300,000 in pilot engineering projects have been awarded grant funding and are estimated to be completed Summer 2009. Four schools participated in the STA's pilot education and encouragement program between May and June 2008, holding Bike Rodeos and Walk & Roll events in preparation for FY 2008-09 activities.

Bike Rodeos are a series of bike safety training stations designed to improve bicycling skills and rider awareness in cooperation with local police. Walk and Roll days are encouragement events where students who walk and bike to school are given tickets (a few blocks from school by volunteers) that they can redeem for treats and prizes.

**Discussion:**

On January 13, 2009, the Safe Routes to School Advisory Committee (SR2S-AC) reviewed the available grant sources and recommended the attached work plan for the STA's Safe Routes to School Program (see attachment A). The SR2S Program Work Plan reflects the SR2S Plan's priority programs and projects and the SR2S Plan's goals, as adopted by the STA Board in 2007 and 2008. The work plan also includes details about the FY 2008-09 program activities, including the schools involved and the lead staff in charge of the events. The SR2S-AC commented that there were no available funds for additional projects and programs on the eastern side of Solano County as well as no identified funding for additional SR2S planning and program management. Currently, the only available funding for the SR2S Program comes from the BAAQMD in the form of TFCA grants, restricting the STA's funded activities to only the Cities of Benicia, Fairfield, Suisun City, and Vallejo.

Additional air district funding for programs on the eastern side of Solano County and funding for future SR2S Program coordinators are discussed under 02-18-09 STA TAC agenda item VI.A, "TFCA/YSAQMD Clean Air Funds".

**Fiscal Impact:**

None. Current FY 2008-09 SR2S Program funding is already part of the STA's FY 2008-09 Budget and Work Plan. The recently obtained \$400,000 BAAQMD TFCA Regional grant will be included in FY 2009-10 & FY 2010-11 STA Budget amendment recommendations at a later date.

**Recommendation:**

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve STA's Safe Routes to School Work Plan for FY 2008-09, FY 2009-10, and FY 2010-11, as described in Attachment A.

**Attachments:**

- A. STA SR2S Program Work Plan, 01-13-09

**Solano Transportation Authority  
Safe Routes to School Program  
FY 2008-09, 09-10, 10-11 Work Plan**



**Safe Routes to School Advisory Committee (SR2S-AC) Tasks:**

**1. Review & Recommend the following documents to the STA Board for public release:**

- *STA SR2S Program Work Plan*  
This document will explain in detail how the STA plans to achieve the goals of the SR2S Program with specific tasks.
- *STA SR2S Program Status Report*  
This report will describe the status of funded SR2S projects and programs in Solano County. Statistics collected from bi-annual surveys will also be presented in this report.
- *STA SR2S Program Factsheet*  
This factsheet will be a 2-sided handout, briefly describing the STA's SR2S Program, to educate the public about the SR2S Program.

**2. Advocate for additional funding sources to fund the SR2S Program.**

- *Federal, State, Regional, and Local*  
Grants come in all shapes and sizes and STA staff will keep the SR2S-AC informed of grant opportunities to fund the SR2S Program.

**3. Recommend SR2S projects and programs to the STA Board for funding.**

- *Future Education, Encouragement, and Enforcement Programs*  
3-year Education & Encouragement Program: Currently, the STA has \*\$281,000 for SR2S maps, Walk and Roll events, and education materials in Western Solano County. Funding for projects in Eastern Solano County will need to be identified.
- *Future Engineering Programs*  
Radar Speed Sign Program: Currently, the STA has \$275,000 to build about 23 radar speed signs on the western side of Solano County (Benicia, Fairfield, Suisun City, and Vallejo). Additional funding for projects in Eastern Solano County will need to be identified. STA Staff will work with local SR2S task forces to select projects. Project recommendations will be made by early summer.
- *Hire Part-time SR2S Coordinators for Program Coordination & Safety*  
As identified in the SR2S Plan, a full-time coordinator will be required to efficiently manage a Countywide SR2S Program. STA Staff has recommended that future air district grants be spent on funding a program coordinator and a safety specialist for FY 2009-10 and FY 2010-11. This program coordinator would also be in charge of adding additional schools to the STA SR2S Plan.

\*The STA's SR2S 3-Year Budget has more details of funded projects and programs and is available upon request.

## FY 2008-09 Education and Encouragement Specific Work Plan

For FY 2008-09, ten schools have been selected to receive a total of \$23,500 for encouragement events (see table below). Based on the 2008 SR2S pilot encouragement events, STA staff believes that about 3-4 encouragement events can be scheduled between now and the end of June per school, for a total of 30 to 40 events. STA does not have dedicated staff to coordinate and facilitate this many events. As discussed at the last two SR2S-AC meetings, committee members recommended entering funding agreements with partner agencies willing to support the program. STA has executed the following funding agreements to support these schools:

FY 2008-09 STA Safe Routes to School Program, Participating Schools, Partner Agencies, and Lead Staff				
City	School	Grant Funding	Partner Agency	Staff Contacts
Benicia	Benicia High School	\$2,500	Benicia PD	Sgt. Frank Hartig
Benicia	Benicia Middle School	\$1,500	Benicia PD	Sgt. Frank Hartig
Benicia	Matthew Turner Elementary	\$1,500	Benicia PD	Sgt. Frank Hartig
Fairfield	Anna Kyle Elementary	\$2,500	SNCI/SOL Co.	*Judy Leaks / Tracy Nachand
Fairfield	David Weir Elementary	\$2,000	Benicia PD	*Judy Leaks / Tracy Nachand
Fairfield	E. Ruth Sheldon Elementary	\$2,000	SNCI/SOL Co.	*Judy Leaks / Tracy Nachand
Suisun City	Dan O. Root Elementary	\$2,500	Suisun PD	Stan Switala, SRO
Suisun City	Suisun Elementary	\$2,000	Suisun PD	Stan Switala, SRO
Vallejo	Dan Mini Elementary	\$1,500	VCUSD	Vanita Finney
Vallejo	Steffan Manor Elementary	\$2,500	VCUSD	Vanita Finney
Vallejo	Widenmann Elementary	\$2,000	VCUSD	Vanita Finney

\* Judy Leaks and Tracy Nachand will assist with coordination of other schools as needed. An additional \$4,000 will be allotted to Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) program to assist as needed.

The table above lists the partner agency staff that will be the lead staff on coordinating and facilitating events at the listed schools. Below is a sample timeline of school-specific meetings & events:

FY 2008-09 STA SR2S Sample School-site Timeline			
2009	Meeting/Event	Attendees	Lead Staff Tasks
Feb	Coordination meeting #1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Set event dates,</li> <li>Discuss volunteer base,</li> <li>Event scope &amp; initial materials discussion (prizes.).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School principals</li> <li>School volunteer coordinators</li> <li>Judy Leaks (SNCI)</li> <li>Partner Agency Representative</li> <li>Local Police representative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Set coordination meeting dates.</li> <li>Begin developing materials.</li> </ul> <p>(3.5-4.0 hrs)</p>
Mar	Coordination meeting #2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finalize dates &amp; event scope.</li> <li>Distribute materials</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School principals (optional)</li> <li>School volunteer coordinator</li> <li>Judy Leaks (SNCI)</li> <li>Partner Agency Representative</li> <li>Local Police representative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finalize materials (posters, prizes, treats, tickets).</li> <li>Set event dates.</li> </ul> <p>(2.0-3.0 hrs)</p>
Mar-June	Hold 3-4 Walk & Roll events between March & June. Hold Bike Rodeos with cooperation from police departments.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SNCI/Solano County assistance (for first event) + volunteers</li> <li>Partner Agency Representative</li> <li>Local Police for Bike Rodeos</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coordinate with schools and facilitate events.</li> </ul> <p>(1.5-2.0 hrs/school)</p>
May	Statistics Gathering <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Teachers collect walk/bike info</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sam Shelton (STA)</li> <li>School Principals</li> <li>Teachers</li> </ul>	<p><u>TOTAL HOURS</u> = 11-22 5-7 hours startup, 2-3 hours per event (3-4 events) = 6-12 hours</p>



DATE: February 17, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Jayne Bauer, Marketing and Legislative Program Manager  
RE: Legislative Update

**Background:**

STA staff monitors state and federal legislation pertaining to transportation and related issues. The STA Board-approved 2009 Legislative Priorities and Platform provides policy guidance on transportation legislation and activities during 2009.

**Discussion:**

**Federal Lobbying**

The STA had a productive Federal lobbying trip February 3<sup>rd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup>. Susan Lent of Akin Gump (STA's Federal advocacy firm) set up appointments for several Board members (Supervisor Jim Spring, Mayor Pete Sanchez, Mayor Harry Price, Mayor Len Augustine, Councilmember Tom Bartee), and Solano Economic Development Corporation Executive Director Mike Ammann to meet with Solano's representatives in Washington D.C. to request support for Solano County's transportation priorities. Meetings were held with the offices of Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein, and Congress Members Dan Lungren, George Miller and Ellen Tauscher. The STA delegation also met with Solano County's neighboring district Congress Members Mike Thompson, Doris Matsui and Gerald McNerney. As listed in the 2009 STA Legislative Priorities and Platform, the meetings with federal delegates focused on the following:

- A. Appropriations
  - 1. Travis AFB North Gate Access Improvements/Jepson Parkway Project
  - 2. Fairfield Transportation Center
  - 3. Alternative Fuel Bus Replacement
  - 4. Vacaville Intermodal Station (Phase 2)
  - 5. SR 12 Safety Study and Improvements
- B. Economic Stimulus
  - 1. McGary Road
  - 2. State Park Road Overcrossing – Benicia
  - 3. Road and Transit Rehabilitation Projects
  - 4. Vacaville-Dixon Bike Route
  - 5. Baylink Ferry Maintenance Facility – Vallejo
  - 6. North Connector West End
  - 7. I-80 Westbound Truck Scales Relocation
  - 8. Jepson Parkway
  - 9. I-80/I-680/SR 12 interchange
- C. New Authorization
  - 1. I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange
  - 2. Travis AFB North Gate Access Improvements/Jepson Parkway Project
  - 3. Fairfield Transportation Center

Staff is in the process of submitting STA's formal appropriations requests to the congressional delegates. Attachment A is an update prepared by Susan Lent of Akin Gump on the status of the Federal Economic Stimulus Package.

#### State Lobbying

While the budget does not suspend Proposition 42, it was expected that the State Transit Assistance (STA) program will be reduced by \$150 million in the current year and be eliminated through 2013.

To be provided under separate cover will be a summary of the State budget prepared by Gus Khouri of Shaw/Yoder (STA's State advocacy firm). Staff will provide an update of the meeting. Mr. Khouri is arranging meetings with State legislators and key state agency staff. STA Board members and key community group and business representatives will travel to Sacramento with staff on March 18<sup>th</sup> to urge support for Solano's transportation priorities. Priorities #4 and #6 of the 2009 STA Legislative Priorities and Platform, will guide the focus of the meetings:

4. *Oppose efforts to reduce or divert funding from transportation projects.*
6. *Support efforts to protect and preserve funding in Public Transportation Account (PTA) base, Prop. 42 and secure spillover funds to transportation.*

Assembly Member Huffman introduced Assembly Constitutional Amendment (ACA) 9 to change the 2/3 voter-approval requirement for special taxes to authorize a city, county, or special district to impose a special tax with the approval of 55% of its voters voting on the tax. The bill is currently scheduled to be heard on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Staff recommends a support position on ACA 9 (Attachment C), based on Priority #5 of the 2009 STA Legislative Priorities and Platform:

5. *Support initiatives to pursue the 55% voter threshold for county transportation infrastructure measures.*

#### **Recommendation:**

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to support ACA 9 (Huffman).

#### Attachments:

- A. Federal Economic Stimulus Package Update (Akin Gump)
- B. Assembly Constitutional Amendment (ACA) 9 - Huffman

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MEMORANDUM

February 13, 2009

From: Susan H. Lent  
Re: Summary of Transportation Provisions in Economic Stimulus Legislation

The economic stimulus bill is finalized and available through the following link: <http://rules.house.gov>. The House is scheduled to vote on the agreement this afternoon. The timing of the Senate vote is uncertain because of procedural issues, but should occur either today or sometime this weekend. The conference report includes more than \$48.12 billion in transportation funding. Below is a summary of the transportation funding provisions.

1. General

- Funding is 100 percent federal (no local match required). Federal rules otherwise applicable to transportation projects apply (i.e., Davis Bacon, NEPA).
- Within 30 days of enactment, Governors must certify to the Secretary that the state will maintain its effort with regard to state funding for the types of projects funded. The certificate must identify funds the state had planned to expend from state sources as of the date of enactment of the Act through September 30, 2010. If the state does not meet the level of effort certified, then it cannot receive additional funding redistributed by the Secretary after August 1 for fiscal year 2011.
- All grant recipients of transportation funds must submit periodic reports to the Secretary including information such as funds allocated, obligated and outlayed, projects put out to bid, projects under contract, status of projects, and number of jobs created or sustained. The first report is due within 90 days of enactment and must be updated not later than 180 days, 1 year, 2 years and 3 years after the date of enactment.

2. Highway Infrastructure Investment

- \$27.5 billion is appropriated. After set-asides for federal lands, territories, oversight and other items, \$27.66 billion should be apportioned to states via formula. Half of the \$27.66 billion will be apportioned to states through the Surface Transportation Program formula and the other half will be apportioned through the FY 2008 obligation limitation ratio distribution. (There is a \$60 million discretionary program for ferry boat and facilities projects).

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- The conference report retains Senate language allowing states to use portions of their highway apportionment for "projects that address stormwater runoff, investments in passenger and freight rail transportation, and investments in port infrastructure". Of each state's apportionment, 30 percent must be sub-allocated on the basis of population and three percent must be set aside for transportation enhancements.
  - States have 120 days after apportionment (apportionment must be made within 21 days of the law's enactment) to obligate the first 50 percent of their highway apportionments and until one year after apportionment to obligate the remainder. The 50 percent of the funds not obligated within that time will be redistributed to other states that have met their obligation requirement. Suballocated funds are not subject to the 120 day redistribution requirement. The Secretary can exempt states from the redistribution requirement only with extreme circumstances and after giving notice to Congress.
3. Transit Capital Assistance (\$8.4 billion) (\$150 million for rail and transit security grants under Department of Homeland Security.)
- A. Formula Program
- \$6.9 billion for formula grants. \$100 million is taken off the top for discretionary grants to make transit systems more energy efficient. The remainder is distributed 80 percent by urbanized area formula, 10 percent by the non urbanized area formula, and 10 percent by the high growth and high density formula. Same obligation and redistribution process as for highways applies.
  - Recipients cannot commingle the funds with prior year funds.
- B. Fixed Guideway Modernization
- \$750 million for fixed guideway modernization. Available through 9/30/10. Recipients cannot commingle funds with prior year funds. Same obligation and redistribution rules apply.
- C. New Starts/Small Starts
- \$750 million for new starts. Projects in construction or able to obligate funds within 150 days of enactment receive priority. Recipients cannot commingle funds with prior year funds.
4. Discretionary Grants for Surface Transportation Projects

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- Program survived but it is funded at \$1.5 billion, which is a significant reduction from \$5.5 billion included in Senate bill.
- Highway and transit projects are eligible as are passenger rail and freight rail transportation projects, and port infrastructure investments including multimodal port facilities.
- Maximum grant is \$300 million and minimum grant is \$20 million (but the Secretary can waive the minimum size threshold).
- Not more than 20 percent of the \$1.5 billion can be allocated to any particular state.
- \$200 million of program is available to pay subsidy and administrative costs of projects eligible for TIFIA financing.
- The conference report does not include the provisions in the Senate bill that would have added funds to this program by transferring unused highway and transit formula money to the discretionary grants.
- The Secretary is required to publish criteria for the program within 90 days of passage of the Act. Applications will be due within 180 days after passage and awards must be made within 1 year of passage.

5. Capital Assistance for High Speed Rail Corridors and Intercity Passenger Rail Service

- \$8 billion for discretionary grants for intercity passenger rail and high speed rail. The Secretary shall make discretionary grants.
- Within 60 days after passage of the Act, the Secretary shall issue a strategic plan on how he will distribute the funds.
- Within 120 days the Secretary shall issue interim guidance regarding grant requirements for high speed rail corridor program, intercity passenger rail and congestion grants.
- The funds are available for obligation through the end of FY 2012.

6. Grants in Aid for Airports

- \$1.1 billion for Airport Improvement Program discretionary grants.
- Secretary shall award 50 percent of grants within 120 days and the remainder within 1 year.

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- Priority to be given to projects that can be completed within two years of enactment of the legislation.
- \$200 million for facilities and equipment.

7. Amtrak

- \$850 million for Amtrak capital grants (the same as the Senate bill).

8. Relevant Tax Provisions

- Sec. 1151 increases the maximum tax-free employer-provided mass transit benefit from \$120 per month to \$230 per month (the same as the maximum free parking benefit) and indexes the total for subsequent inflation.
- Sec. 1503 prevents interest on private activity bonds issued in 2009 and 2010 from being treated as a tax preference under sec. 57(a) of the tax code.
- Sec. 1504 lowers the minimum speed a high-speed rail project can be able to maintain to be eligible for high-speed rail bonds under sec. 142(i) of the tax code.
- Sec. 1531 allows certain state and local "Build America" bonds issued by the end of 2011 to pay a federal tax credit equivalent to 35 percent of the interest due.
- Sec. 1601 applies the Davis-Bacon prevailing wage scheme to all projects funded by new energy bonds, economic recovery bonds, school construction bonds, or QZABs under the Act.

**THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009<sup>1</sup>**

<b>PROVISION</b>	<b>DISTRIBUTION METHOD</b>	<b>CONFERENCE REPORT</b>
<b>COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE (CJS)</b>		
<b>DEPT. OF COMMERCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM</b>	Funding distributed by formula to regions and then by competitive grant within regions.	\$150 million  (\$50 million may be transferred to federally authorized regional economic development commissions; \$50 million to assist communities with sudden job dislocation)
<b>DEPT OF COMMERCE BROADBAND TECHNOLOGY OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM</b>	Competitive grants to state and local governments, nonprofits and public-private partnerships.	\$250 million for innovative programs to encourage sustainable broadband adoption  \$200 million to upgrade technology and capacity at public computing centers (libraries and community colleges)
<b>DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE STATE BROADBAND DATA AND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS</b>	Competitive grants to develop and implement statewide strategies to identify and track adoption and availability of broadband.	\$350 million from the House bill eliminated
<b>DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANTS</b>	Formula grants to state and local governments.	\$2 billion

<sup>1</sup> Most of the funds are distributed through existing grant programs. Earmarking has been prohibited.

<b>PROVISION</b>	<b>DISTRIBUTION METHOD</b>	<b>CONFERENCE REPORT</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE COMPETITIVE GRANTS</b>	Competitive peer-reviewed grants to State, local and tribal governments and national, regional and local non-profit organizations	\$225 million
<b>DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING</b>	Competitive grants to local governments for hiring of additional law enforcement officers	\$1 billion Bill waives 25 percent local match and \$75,000 per officer cap
<b>DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DETENTION TRUSTEE</b>	Federal Detention Trustee distributes funds to state and local governments holding federal detainees.	\$150 million \$50 million for construction/renovation; \$100 million for operational costs.
<b>INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN TASK FORCE</b>	Competitive grants to state and local governments for investigations.	\$50 million DOJ must report on how it will distribute funding within 60 days of enactment.
<b>OFFICE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN</b>	Formula and competitive grants for state and local governments	\$225 million \$175 million for STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grants; \$50 million in competitive grants for Transitional Housing Assistance.
<b>ENERGY AND WATER</b>		
<b>ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS</b>	Discretionary grants to accelerate ongoing work or begin new projects that can be completed in one year.	\$4.6 billion \$25 million for investigations; \$2 billion for construction; \$375 million for Mississippi and tributaries; \$2.075 billion for Operations and Maintenance; \$100 million for formerly utilized sites remedial action

PROVISION	DISTRIBUTION METHOD	CONFERENCE REPORT
		<p>program</p> <p>The Corps must use funds for projects that: can be obligated/executed quickly, will result in high immediate employment, have little schedule risk, be executed by contract or direct hire of temporary labor. will complete a projected phase or will provide a useful service that does not require additional funding.</p>
<p><b>DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM</b></p>	<p>Cities with populations over 35,000 and counties with populations over 200,000 receive funding by formula; Local governments that do not receive formula funding are eligible for pass-through funding from States.</p>	<p>\$3.2 billion</p> <p>\$2.8 billion for formula grants; \$400 million for competitive grants</p>
<p><b>STATE ENERGY PROGRAM</b></p>	<p>Formula and discretionary grants.</p>	<p>\$3.1 billion.</p>
<p><b>ALTERNATIVE FUELED VEHICLES PILOT PROGRAM</b></p>	<p>DOE shall award 30 pilot grants through Clean Cities program to states, local governments, metropolitan transportation authorities, air pollution control districts or private and non-profit entities for the purchase of alternative fuel vehicles, fuel cell or hybrid vehicles, including buses for public transportation. Grants are also available for infrastructure to support the vehicles</p>	<p>\$300 million</p>
<p><b>TRANSPORTATION ELECTRIFICATION</b></p>	<p>Competitive grants for states, local governments and transportation agencies for qualified electrification projects that reduce emissions, including shipside electrification of vehicles, truck stop electrification,</p>	<p>\$400 million</p>

<b>CONFERENCE REPORT</b>	
<b>PROVISION</b>	<b>DISTRIBUTION METHOD</b>
	airport ground support equipment and cargo handling equipment.
<b>WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE</b>	Formula grants to States with pass-through to local communities.
	\$5 billion
<b>FINANCIAL SERVICES</b>	
<b>DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS FUND</b>	Discretionary funding to Community Development Financial Institutions (community development banks, credit unions, venture capital funds, revolving loans) to invest in affordable housing, small businesses and community development in underserved communities
	\$100 million
<b>DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY SMALL BUSINESS CAPITAL AVAILABILITY</b>	Expands existing loan programs to increase government financing of small businesses; allows SBA to guarantee up to 90 percent for eligible loans
	\$636 million
<b>HOMELAND SECURITY</b>	
<b>FEMA STATE AND LOCAL PROGRAMS</b>	Formula grants to State and local governments to upgrade security for infrastructure assets
	\$300 million
	\$150 million for transit, rail and Amtrak and \$150 million for port security;
<b>FIREFIGHTER ASSISTANCE</b>	Competitive grants to fire departments for projects that support
	\$210 million

PROVISION	DISTRIBUTION METHOD	CONFERENCE REPORT
GRANTS	homeland security.	No grant above \$15 million.
DISASTER ASSISTANCE DIRECT LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT	Loans to communities that have had their local economy significantly impacted by a presidentially declared disaster	Loans up to 50 percent of the pre-disaster revenue instead of \$5 million cap if the local government has suffered a loss of 25 percent or more in tax revenues.
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION</b>		
BROWNFIELDS	Competitive grants to State and local governments for environmental site assessment and cleanup	\$100 million
SUPERFUND	EPA funding for cleanup at existing superfund sites and to initiate construction at new sites	\$600 million
LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND	Grants to State and local governments	\$200 million
CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUNDS	Formula Grants to States and territories to capitalize their loan funds for publically owned waste water facilities	\$4 billion  Waives cost share requirement.
DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUNDS	Formula Grants to States and territories to capitalize their loan funds for publically owned drinking water facilities	\$2 billion  waives state and DC cost share
DIESEL EMISSIONS REDUCTION ACT	Competitive grants and loans to State and local governments to reduce	\$300 million

PROVISION	DISTRIBUTION METHOD	CONFERENCE REPORT
(DERA)	diesel emissions	Waives cost share requirement.
<b>LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, EDUCATION</b>		
<b>WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES</b>	Formula and discretionary grants to States	\$3.950 billion  \$2.95 billion for State Grants for Job Training; \$1.2 billion for youth; \$750 million for competitive grants for worker training in high growth industries; \$50 million for YouthBuild
<b>HEALTH RESOURCES SERVICES ADMINISTRATION COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS</b>	Formula and discretionary grants.	\$2.5 billion  \$1.5 billion for construction and renovation of facilities and IT equipment for public health centers, including community health centers.  \$500 million for grants to public health centers.
<b>CHILDCARE DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT</b>	Formula Grants to States	\$2 billion
<b>COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT</b>	Formula Grants to States with a 90 percent pass-through to local community action agencies	\$1 billion
<b>SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAMS</b>	Formula Grants to States	\$100 million
<b>TECHNOLOGY DEPLOYMENT</b>	Funding for the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology to invest in health IT architecture	\$2 billion

PROVISION	DISTRIBUTION METHOD	CONFERENCE REPORT
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>		
<b>AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM</b>	Discretionary grants for airport construction projects.	<p style="text-align: center;">\$1.1 billion</p> <p>Secretary shall award 50 percent of grants within 120 days and the remainder within 1 year.</p>
<b>HIGHWAY PROGRAM</b>	Funds distributed by formula to states with a portion suballocated to metropolitan areas	<p style="text-align: center;">\$27.5 billion</p> <p>After set-asides for federal lands, territories, oversight and other items, \$27.66 billion should be apportioned to states via formula. Half of the \$27.66 billion is apportioned to states through Surface Transportation Program formula and the other half is apportioned through the FY 2008 obligation limitation ratio distribution.</p> <p>States have 120 days after apportionment (apportionment must be made within 21 days of the law's enactment) to obligate the first 50 percent of their highway apportionments and until one year after apportionment to obligate the remainder. The 50 percent of the funds not obligated within that time will be redistributed to other states that have met their obligation requirement. Suballocated funds are not subject to the 120 day redistribution requirement. The Secretary can exempt states from the redistribution requirement only with extreme circumstances and after giving notice to Congress.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$1.5 billion.</p>
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL DISCRETIONARY GRANTS</b>	Discretionary grants for surface transportation projects of national, regional, metropolitan area impact	<p>Highway and transit projects are eligible as are passenger rail and freight rail transportation projects, and port infrastructure investments including multimodal port facilities.</p> <p>Maximum grant is \$300 million and minimum grant is \$20 million (but the Secretary can waive the minimum size threshold).</p> <p>Not more than 20 percent of the \$1.5 billion can be allocated to any particular state.</p> <p>\$200 million of program is available to pay subsidy and administrative costs of projects eligible for TIFIA financing.</p>

PROVISION	DISTRIBUTION METHOD	CONFERENCE REPORT
TRANSIT	Urbanized and rural formula	<p>\$6.9 billion for formula grants.</p> <p>\$100 million is taken off the top for discretionary grants to make transit systems more energy efficient.</p> <p>Remainder is distributed 80 percent by urbanized area formula, 10 percent by the non urbanized area formula, and 10 percent by the high growth and high density formula.</p> <p>Same obligation and redistribution process as for highways applies.</p>
	Fixed Guideway Modernization Formula.	\$750 million
	New Starts discretionary grants.	<p>\$750 million</p> <p>Secretary shall give priority to projects in construction or able to obligate funds within 150 days.</p>
High Speed Rail/Intercity Passenger Rail	Discretionary Grants for intercity passenger rail and high speed rail.	\$8 billion
AMTRAK		\$850 million
<b>HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT</b>		
PUBLIC HOUSING CAPITAL FUND	Formula and discretionary grants for public housing authorities	<p>\$4 billion</p> <p>\$3 billion through existing formula; \$1 billion for competitive grants</p>

<b>PROVISION</b>	<b>DISTRIBUTION METHOD</b>	<b>CONFERENCE REPORT</b>
<b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS</b>	Formula program	\$1 billion
<b>HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS</b>	Formula funding for State and local governments to expand supply of affordable housing to low- and very low-income people	\$2.25 billion
<b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND</b>	Competitive grants to state and local governments and non-profit entities to redevelop abandoned and foreclosed homes.	\$2 billion.
<b>REDEVELOPMENT OF ABANDONED AND FORECLOSED HOMES</b>		
<b>ASSISTED HOUSING STABILITY &amp; ENERGY &amp; GREEN RETROFIT INVESTMENTS</b>	Owners of property receiving Section 8, Elderly or Disabled Funds	\$2.25 billion
<b>EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANTS</b>	Formula grants to State and local governments	\$1.5 billion
<b>LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARDS</b>	Competitive grants to State and local governments	Grants will provide short term rental assistance, housing relocation, and stabilization services for homeless families and those at risk of being homeless \$100 million
<b>EDUCATION</b>		
<b>STATE FISCAL STABILIZATION FUND</b>	States receive funding based on a population formula.	\$53.6 billion, \$39.5 billion to enhance local school budgets. Funds can be used for programs and school modernization/construction.
<b>DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOL</b>	Funding to States to provide assistance to schools not making adequate yearly progress for at least	\$720 million

<b>CONFERENCE REPORT</b>	
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<b>IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS</b>	two years.
<b>DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION EDUCATION FOR THE DISADVANTAGED</b>	Formula grants to States to make award to local education agencies (LEAs), especially in high poverty areas, for local school performance improvement. Awards go to schools that do not make adequate yearly progress for at least two years
<b>DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IMPACT AID CONSTRUCTION</b>	Grants are awarded both by formula and competition to LEAs that educate federally-connected students or have federally-owned land.
<b>DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY</b>	Awards made by formula to State education agencies (SEAs) that are required to pass through 909 percent of the funding to LEAs to integrate technology into the curriculum
<b>DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTH</b>	Formula grants to States
<b>DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IDEA, PART B STATE GRANTS</b>	Formula grants to states to provide special education and related services to children with disabilities
<b>TRANSPARENCY AND OVERSIGHT</b>	
<b>CERTIFICATIONS</b>	Applies to funds made available under Act for infrastructure
Governor, Mayor or other chief executive must certify that infrastructure investments have been fully vetted as required by law and are an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars. Certification shall include description of investments, estimated total funds to be used. Certification will be posted on	

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	investments.	government website and is required before funds are made available.
<b>REPORTS ON USE OF FUNDS</b>	Applies to any entity that receives funds from federal government (including recovery funds received through grant, loan or contract) and includes states.	<p>Recipients must submit report to federal agency from which it receives funds stating (1) total funds received; (2) amount expended or obligated; (3) list of projects or activities with details on jobs created and retained and, for state and local governments, purpose, total cost and rationale for funding the investment with Recovery Act funds and the name of the person at the state or local government to contact if there are any concerns; and (4) detailed information on subcontracts or subgrants awarded.</p> <p>Reports will be made publicly available.</p> <p>First report must be submitted within 180 days of enactment,.</p> <p>Funding recipients must register with the Central Contractor Registration Database.</p>
<b>RECOVERY ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY BOARD</b>		Will conduct oversight of covered funds to prevent fraud, waste and abuse.
<b>PROTECTION OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND CONTRACTOR AND CONTRACTOR WHISTLEBLOWERS</b>		Prohibits retaliation against whistleblowers.
<b>SPECIAL CONTRACTING PROVISIONS</b>		To the maximum extent possible, contracts funded under the Act shall be awarded as fixed price contracts through use of competitive procedures. Otherwise, must post contracts on special website.
<b>GENERAL PROVISIONS</b>		
<b>AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS</b>		All funds are available for obligation until September 30, 2010 unless stated otherwise elsewhere.

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LIMIT ON FUNDS		No funds may be used by a state or local government for a casino, aquarium, zoo, golf course or swimming pool.
BUY AMERICA		Iron, steel and manufactured good must be made in the U.S. unless the head of an agency determines requirement would be against the public interest, the iron, steel or manufactured products are not reasonably available or use of U.S. products would increase cost of project by more than 25 percent.
DAVIS BACON		Prevailing wage requirements apply to all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors on projects funded with Recovery Act funds.
NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (NEPA)		Requires that adequate resources within Act be made available to ensure environmental reviews are completed expeditiously.
ADDITIONAL FUNDING DISTRIBUTION AND ASSURANCE OF APPROPRIATE USE OF FUNDS		Governor must certify within 45 days after enactment of Act that state will request and use funds and funds will be used to create jobs and promote economic growth.  If Governor won't accept funds, then State legislature can adopt concurrent resolution to accept funds. After adoption of resolution, funding will be distributed to local governments, council of governments, public entities and public private entities either by formula or at state's discretion.
<b>TAX PROVISIONS</b>		
PRIVATE ACTIVITY BONDS		Interest on private activity bonds issued in 2009 and 2010 excluded from Alternative Minimum Tax; AMT relief for private activity bonds issued after 2003 and refunded in 2009 and 2010.
NEW MARKETS TAX CREDIT	Distributed by Department of Treasury	Increases available credits for each of 2008 and 2009 to \$5 billion from \$3.5 billion.
RECOVERY ZONE BONDS	New category of tax credit bonds. Each state receives share of national allocation based on percentage of job losses to national average. State allocations are suballocated to local municipalities. Bonds can be used to	Authorizes \$10 billion in recovery zone economic development bonds and \$15 billion in recovery zone facility bonds.

PROVISION	DISTRIBUTION METHOD	CONFERENCE REPORT
	finance infrastructure, job training, education, and economic development in areas with high poverty, unemployment and foreclosures.	
<b>WITHHOLDING REQUIREMENT ON CERTAIN GOVERNMENTAL PAYMENTS FOR GOODS AND SERVICES</b>		Delays requirement that governmental entities withhold 3 percent on payments for goods and services from contractors for one year.
<b>QUALIFIED SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION BONDS</b>	New category of tax credit bonds.	\$22 billion allocated for 2009 and 2010.
<b>QUALIFIED ZONE ACADEMY BONDS</b>	Public schools in empowerment and enterprise zones designed to cooperate with businesses to enhance curriculum and increase graduation and employment rates are eligible.	Additional \$1.4 billion in issuing authority for state and local governments in 2009 and 2010 to issue tax credit bonds to finance expenses, including renovations, equipment purchases and teacher training.
<b>BUILD AMERICA BONDS</b>	Gives state and local governments the option to issue tax credit bonds or tax exempt bonds in 2009 and 2010.	Governments issuing tax credit bonds can elect to receive direct payment from federal government equal to subsidy that otherwise would have been delivered through federal tax credit.

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009—10 REGULAR SESSION

**Assembly Constitutional Amendment****No. 9**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Huffman**  
**(Coauthors: Assembly Members Portantino, Salas, and Torlakson)**  
**(Coauthor: Senator Hancock)**

February 6, 2009

Assembly Constitutional Amendment No. 9—A resolution to propose to the people of the State of California an amendment to the Constitution of the State, by amending Sections 1 and 4 of Article XIII A thereof, by amending Section 2 of Article XIII C thereof, by amending Section 3 of Article XIII D thereof, and by amending Section 18 of Article XVI thereof, relating to local government finance.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACA 9, as introduced, Huffman. Local government bonds: special taxes: voter approval.

(1) The California Constitution prohibits the ad valorem tax rate on real property from exceeding 1% of the full cash value of the property, subject to certain exceptions.

This measure would create an additional exception to the 1% limit for a rate imposed by a city, county, or city and county to service bonded indebtedness, incurred to fund specified public improvements, facilities, and housing, and related costs, that is approved by 55% of the voters of the city, county, or city and county, as applicable. This additional exception would apply only if the proposition approved by the voters results in bonded indebtedness that includes specified accountability requirements.

(2) The California Constitution conditions the imposition of a special tax by a city, county, or special district upon the approval of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the

voters of the city, county, or special district voting on that tax, except that certain school entities may levy an ad valorem property tax for specified purposes with the approval of 55% of the voters within the jurisdiction of these entities.

This measure would change the  $\frac{2}{3}$  voter-approval requirement for special taxes to, instead, authorize a city, county, or special district to impose a special tax with the approval of 55% of its voters voting on the tax. This measure would also make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

(3) The California Constitution prohibits a county, city, town, township, board of education, or school district from incurring any indebtedness exceeding in one year the income and revenue provided in that year, without the assent of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the voters and subject to other conditions.

This measure would lower to 55% the voter approval threshold for a city, county, or city and county to incur bonded indebtedness, exceeding in one year the income and revenue provided in that year, that is in the form of general obligation bonds to fund specified public improvements.

Vote:  $\frac{2}{3}$ . Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

1 *Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring,* That the  
2 Legislature of the State of California at its 2009–10 Regular  
3 Session commencing on the first day of December 2008, two-thirds  
4 of the membership of each house concurring, hereby proposes to  
5 the people of the State of California, that the Constitution of the  
6 State be amended as follows:

7 First—That Section 1 of Article XIII A thereof is amended to  
8 read:

9 SECTION 1. (a) The maximum amount of any ad valorem  
10 tax on real property shall not exceed ~~One percent (1%)~~ *1 percent*  
11 of the full cash value of ~~such~~ *that* property. The ~~one percent (1%)~~  
12 *1 percent* tax to be collected by the counties and apportioned  
13 according to law to the districts within the counties.

14 (b) The limitation provided for in subdivision (a) shall not apply  
15 to ad valorem taxes or special assessments to pay the interest and  
16 redemption charges on any of the following:

17 (1) Indebtedness approved by the voters prior to July 1, 1978.

1 (2) Bonded indebtedness for the acquisition or improvement of  
2 real property approved on or after July 1, 1978, by two-thirds of  
3 the votes cast by the voters voting on the proposition.

4 (3) Bonded indebtedness incurred by a school district,  
5 community college district, or county office of education ~~for to~~  
6 *fund* the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement  
7 of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of  
8 school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for  
9 school facilities, approved by 55 percent of the voters of the district  
10 or county, as appropriate, voting on the proposition on or after the  
11 effective date of the measure adding this paragraph. This paragraph  
12 shall apply only if the proposition approved by the voters and  
13 resulting in the bonded indebtedness includes all of the following  
14 accountability requirements:

15 (A) A requirement that the proceeds from the sale of the bonds  
16 be used only for the purposes specified in ~~Article XIII A, Section~~  
17 ~~1(b)(3)~~ *this paragraph*, and not for any other purpose, including  
18 teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating  
19 expenses.

20 (B) A list of the specific school facilities projects to be funded  
21 and certification that the school district board, community college  
22 board, or county office of education has evaluated safety, class  
23 size reduction, and information technology needs in developing  
24 that list.

25 (C) A requirement that the school district board, community  
26 college board, or county office of education conduct an annual,  
27 independent performance audit to ensure that the funds have been  
28 expended only on the specific projects listed.

29 (D) A requirement that the school district board, community  
30 college board, or county office of education conduct an annual,  
31 independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the  
32 bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the school  
33 facilities projects.

34 (4) (A) *Bonded indebtedness, approved by 55 percent of the*  
35 *voters of the city, county, or city and county, as applicable, voting*  
36 *on the proposition on or after the effective date of the measure*  
37 *adding this paragraph, incurred by a city, county, or city and*  
38 *county to fund any or all of the following:*

39 (i) *Construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement*  
40 *of either:*

1 (I) Public improvements, including, but not limited to,  
2 improvements to transportation infrastructure, streets, highways,  
3 sewer systems, waters systems, wastewater systems, and park and  
4 recreation facilities.

5 (II) Public safety agency facilities.

6 (ii) Development of housing affordable to lower and moderate  
7 income households.

8 (iii) Acquisition or lease of real property for the public  
9 improvements, public safety agency facilities, and housing  
10 described in clauses (i) and (ii) of this subparagraph.

11 (B) This paragraph shall apply only if the proposition approved  
12 by the voters and resulting in the bonded indebtedness includes  
13 all of the following accountability requirements:

14 (i) A requirement that the proceeds from the sale of the bonds  
15 be used only for the purposes specified in this paragraph, and not  
16 for any other purpose, including public employee salaries and  
17 other operating expenses of a public improvement, public safety  
18 agency facility, or housing development once completed.

19 (ii) A list of the specific projects to be funded and certification  
20 that the city council or county board of supervisors has evaluated  
21 the costs of operating the public improvements, public facilities,  
22 or affordable housing.

23 (iii) A requirement that the city council or county board of  
24 supervisors conduct an annual, independent performance audit to  
25 ensure that the proceeds from the sale of the bonds have been  
26 expended only on the specific projects listed.

27 (iv) A requirement that the city council or county board of  
28 supervisors conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the  
29 proceeds from the sale of the bonds until all of those proceeds  
30 have been expended for the specific projects to be funded from the  
31 bonds.

32 (v) A requirement for a public process that solicits a wide range  
33 of public comment from the community about the types of facilities  
34 that should be funded with the bond.

35 (c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law or of this  
36 Constitution, a school ~~districts~~ district, community college ~~districts~~  
37 district, ~~and county offices~~ office of education, or a city, county,  
38 or city and county may levy a 55 percent vote ad valorem tax  
39 pursuant to subdivision (b).

1 Second—That Section 4 of Article XIII A thereof is amended  
2 to read:

3 Section 4. ~~Cities, Counties and special districts, A city, county,~~  
4 ~~or special district, by a two-thirds 55 percent vote of the qualified~~  
5 ~~electors of such district its voters voting on the proposition, may~~  
6 ~~impose special taxes on such district a special tax within that city,~~  
7 ~~county, or special district, except an ad valorem taxes tax on real~~  
8 ~~property or a transaction transactions tax or sales tax on the sale~~  
9 ~~of real property within such City, County that city, county, or~~  
10 ~~special district.~~

11 Third—That Section 2 of Article XIII C thereof is amended to  
12 read:

13 SEC. 2. ~~Local Government Tax Limitation.~~ Notwithstanding  
14 any other provision of this Constitution:

15 (a) ~~All taxes A tax~~ imposed by any local government ~~shall be~~  
16 ~~deemed to be is~~ either a general ~~taxes tax~~ or a special ~~taxes tax~~.  
17 ~~Special A special purpose districts district or agencies agency,~~  
18 ~~including a school districts, shall have district, has no power~~  
19 ~~authority to levy a general taxes tax.~~

20 (b) ~~No A~~ local government ~~may shall not~~ impose, extend, or  
21 increase any general tax unless and until that tax is submitted to  
22 the electorate and approved by a majority vote ~~of its voters voting~~  
23 ~~on the proposition.~~ A general tax ~~shall is not be~~ deemed to have  
24 been increased if it is imposed at a rate not higher than the  
25 maximum rate so approved. The election required by this  
26 subdivision shall be consolidated with a regularly scheduled general  
27 election for members of the governing body of the local  
28 government, except in cases of emergency declared by a unanimous  
29 vote of the governing body.

30 (c) Any general tax imposed, extended, or increased, without  
31 voter approval, by any local government on or after January 1,  
32 1995, and prior to the effective date of this article, ~~shall may~~  
33 continue to be imposed only if ~~that general tax is~~ approved by a  
34 majority vote of the voters voting in an election on the issue of the  
35 imposition, which election ~~shall be is~~ held ~~within two years of the~~  
36 ~~effective date of this article no later than November 6, 1998,~~ and  
37 in compliance with subdivision (b).

38 (d) ~~No A~~ local government ~~may shall not~~ impose, extend, or  
39 increase any special tax unless and until that tax is submitted to  
40 the electorate and approved by a ~~two-thirds 55 percent vote of its~~

1 voters voting on the proposition. A special tax ~~shall~~ is not be  
2 deemed to have been increased if it is imposed at a rate not higher  
3 than the maximum rate so approved.

4 Fourth—That Section 3 of Article XIII D thereof is amended  
5 to read:

6 SEC. 3. ~~Property Taxes, Assessments, Fees and Charges~~  
7 ~~Limited.~~ (a) ~~No~~ (a) *An agency shall not assess a tax, assessment,*  
8 *fee, or charge shall be assessed by any agency upon any parcel of*  
9 *property or upon any person as an incident of property ownership*  
10 *except:*

11 (1) The ad valorem property tax imposed pursuant to Article  
12 XIII and Article XIII A.

13 (2) Any special tax ~~receiving a two-thirds vote pursuant to~~  
14 ~~Section 4 of Article XIII A~~ *approved by the voters of the city,*  
15 *county, or city and county, as appropriate, voting on the*  
16 *proposition, as required by the California Constitution.*

17 (3) Assessments as provided by this article.

18 (4) Fees or charges for ~~property related~~ *property-related* services  
19 as provided by this article.

20 (b) For purposes of this article, fees for the provision of electrical  
21 or gas service ~~shall~~ *are* not be deemed charges or fees imposed as  
22 an incident of property ownership.

23 Fifth—That Section 18 of Article XVI thereof is amended to  
24 read:

25 SEC. 18. (a) No county, city, town, township, board of  
26 education, or school district, shall incur any indebtedness or  
27 liability in any manner or for any purpose exceeding in any year  
28 the income and revenue provided for ~~such~~ *that* year, without the  
29 assent of two-thirds of the voters of the public entity voting at an  
30 election to be held for that purpose, except that with respect to any  
31 such public entity ~~which~~ *that* is authorized to incur indebtedness  
32 for public school purposes, any proposition for the incurrence of  
33 indebtedness in the form of general obligation bonds for the  
34 purpose of repairing, reconstructing, or replacing public school  
35 buildings determined, in the manner prescribed by law, to be  
36 structurally unsafe for school use, shall be adopted upon the  
37 approval of a majority of the voters of the public entity voting on  
38 the proposition at ~~such~~ *that* election; nor unless before or at the  
39 time of incurring ~~such~~ *the* indebtedness, provision shall be made  
40 for the collection of an annual tax sufficient to pay the interest on

1 ~~such~~ *the* indebtedness as it falls due, and to provide for a sinking  
2 fund for the payment of the principal thereof, on or before maturity,  
3 which shall not exceed forty years from the time of contracting  
4 the indebtedness.

5 (b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), on or after ~~the effective~~  
6 ~~date of the measure adding this subdivision~~ *November 8, 2000*, in  
7 the case of any school district, community college district, or  
8 county office of education, any proposition for the incurrence of  
9 indebtedness in the form of general obligation bonds for the  
10 construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of  
11 school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school  
12 facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school  
13 facilities, shall be adopted upon the approval of 55 percent of the  
14 voters of the district or county, as appropriate, voting on the  
15 proposition at an election. This subdivision shall apply only to a  
16 proposition for the incurrence of indebtedness in the form of  
17 general obligation bonds for the purposes specified in this  
18 subdivision if the proposition meets all of the accountability  
19 requirements of paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 1 of  
20 Article XIII A.

21 (c) *Notwithstanding subdivision (a), on or after the effective*  
22 *date of the measure adding this subdivision, in the case of any city,*  
23 *county, or city and county, any proposition to incur indebtedness*  
24 *in the form of general obligation bonds shall be adopted by 55*  
25 *percent of the voters of the city, county, or city and county, as*  
26 *applicable, voting on the proposition at an election, where the*  
27 *general obligation bonds fund any or all of the following:*

28 (1) *Construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement*  
29 *of either:*

30 (A) *Public improvements, including, but not limited to,*  
31 *improvements to transportation infrastructures, streets, highways,*  
32 *sewer systems, waters systems, wastewater systems, and park and*  
33 *recreation facilities.*

34 (B) *Public safety agency facilities.*

35 (2) *Development of housing affordable to lower and moderate*  
36 *income households.*

37 (3) *Acquisition or lease of real property for the public*  
38 *improvements, public safety agency facilities, and housing*  
39 *described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subdivision.*

40 (e)

1 (d) When two or more propositions for incurring any  
2 indebtedness or liability are submitted at the same election, the  
3 votes cast for and against each proposition shall be counted  
4 separately, and when two-thirds or a majority or 55 percent of the  
5 voters, as the case may be, voting on any one of those propositions,  
6 vote in favor thereof, the proposition shall be deemed adopted.

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DATE: February 20, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Janet Adams, Deputy Executive Director/Director of Projects  
Sam Shelton, Project Manager  
RE: Federal Economic Stimulus Submittal for Transportation in  
Solano County

This report will be provided under separate cover.

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DATE: February 18, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Robert Macaulay, Director of Planning  
RE: Solano Napa Travel Demand Model Update

**Background:**

The first phase of the Solano Napa Travel Demand Model was adopted by the STA Board on February 9, 2005 and was calibrated with travel demand assumptions from the Association of Bay Area Governments Projections 2003 and transportation funded projects from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC) 2002 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The 2005 Solano Napa Model forecasted traffic conditions in Solano County with reasonable certainty through 2030.

The Model was developed with input from the STA Modeling Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) which consists of modelers from STA member agencies. The STA and the modeling consultant (DKS Associates) relied upon the Model TAC to assist in providing data and peer review for quality control. Initial tasks for the Model TAC included deciding what modeling software to use and providing land use data for the Model's base conditions.

An update (Phase 2) of the Solano Napa Model began immediately after the 2005 Model was completed to reflect MTC's 2005 RTP and the Association of Bay Area Government's (ABAG) Projections 2005 data. The updated model continued to forecast traffic conditions through 2030. The STA Board adopted the Phase 2 Model on June 11, 2008.

On January 14, 2009, the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) Board authorized a technical update of the Solano Napa Travel Demand Model through the services of DKS. The technical update is focused on including adjustments related to recent land use data and changes to the roadway network. The updated model will be used for the STA's Regional Traffic Impact Fee (RTIF) nexus study effort and other upcoming planning and land use analysis.

**Discussion:**

STA has received the Traffic Analysis Zone (TAZ) and current land use files from DKS. The TAZ map includes Sphere of Influence information for current and projected year 2030 status, in order to ensure that TAZs and associated land uses are assigned to the proper jurisdiction. In the past, Sphere of Influence assumptions made by the Association of Bay Area Governments have caused confusion over whether land uses were assigned to the proper jurisdiction.

Land use information for the year 2000 was provided to allow the cities and county to confirm that the existing land use information is correct. Future year 2030 land use files will then be checked to ensure that existing land use data is carried into the future year projection, and that currently vacant land is shown for development consistent with the jurisdiction's

existing general plan. Once these two files are reviewed and approved, STA and DKS will work with the cities and county to finalize the year 2010 scenario (based primarily on development that occurred in the 2000 – 2008 timeframe, with minor growth projections for 2009 and 2010). A copy of the schedule sent to Model TAC members and Planning Directors is attached.

The next Modeling TAC meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 26, 2009. This meeting will review progress on the land use file review, and discuss the draft Model TAC agreement being developed by STA staff and legal counsel.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.

Attachment:

- A. Model Update Schedule

**Draft Technical Update Schedule:**

Task	Deadline	Task Notes
1. Prepare 2000 and 2030 files for review	Week Feb 9 <sup>th</sup>	2000 & 2030 Land Use files review
2. Schedule Planning Directors Meeting	Feb. 11 <sup>th</sup>	Need to schedule Planning staff to review 2000 Base Land Use Data and Forecasted 2030 Land Use Data. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Purpose:</u> Planning Directors will need to comment on 2000/30 data and indicate which projects will be developed by 2010.</li> <li>• Planning Directors will also need to appoint planning staff to participate on the Land Use Subcommittee.</li> </ul>
3. DKS Meeting	Feb. 12 <sup>th</sup>	STA Review 2000-2030 files for input by the Planning Directors. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finalize completion schedule</li> <li>• Finalize tasks</li> </ul>
4. Notify Model TAC of upcoming meeting	Feb. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Schedule Model TAC
5. Provide technical assistance on file review- <b>Planning Director's meeting related to task 2</b>	Feb 9 <sup>th</sup> - Feb 19 <sup>th</sup>	Depending on how we approach Task 2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Purpose:</u> Planning Directors will need to comment on 2000/30 data and <b>indicate which projects will be developed by 2010.</b></li> <li>• Planning Directors will also need to appoint planning staff to participate on the Land Use Subcommittee.</li> </ul>
6. Revise 2000 and 2030 files	Feb 19 <sup>th</sup> - Feb 25 <sup>th</sup>	DKS will revise land use files accordingly based on meetings with task 5.
8. Prepare Revised 2000 and 2030 assignments	Feb 26 <sup>th</sup>	Finalize draft assignments
9. Prepare new 2010 land use files for review	Feb 26 <sup>th</sup>	Finalize draft 2010 land use files

11.	Create new 2010 draft land uses and assignments				Based on input from Model TAC and Planners
12.	Finalize 2010 model assignments				Need to have a summary report made as to the steps taken and why this effort was completed. (STAs staff task)
13.	STA TAC		Mar 25th		Review and recommend approval
14.	STA Board		Apr 8th		STA Board Adoption
	Total Hours				
	Total				



DATE: February 20, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Robert Macaulay, Director of Planning  
RE: 2009 Congestion Management Program (CMP) Update Schedule

**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 STA's Traffic Forecasting Model, are required to create a deficiency plan to meet the CMP standards within the seven-year time frame of the CIP.

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) reviews the Bay Area's CMPs for consistency every two years.

The STA Board approved Solano County's current Congestion Management Plan (CMP) on September 12, 2007. MTC is preparing to finalize the 2009 RTP in March of 2009.

**Discussion:**

The STA is preparing to update the 2009 CMP with assistance from the STA TAC and the SolanoExpress Consortium. The following is a list of proposed dates for the development of the 2009 CMP. MTC has not published a formal schedule, but it is expected to be similar to the 2007 schedule.

February 25, 2009

Issue Request for 2009 LOS calculations and other necessary documentation

**Begin reviewing CMP elements:**

- Capital Improvement Plan
- Performance Measures (LOS & Transit standards)
- Land Use element
- Trip Reduction and Travel Demand element

<b>June 5, 2009</b>	<b><u>Due to STA:</u> 2009 LOS calculations and other necessary documentation. Comments on CMP elements</b>
June 2009	TAC recommends approval of Draft 2007 CMP
July 2009	STA Board approves Draft of 2007 CMP
August - September	MTC reviews Draft CMP for consistency with 2009 RTP and makes recommendations for final CMP approval
September 2009	TAC recommends approval of Final 2009 CMP
October 2009	STA Board approves 2009 CMP for transmittal to MTC

STA will provide a more detailed list of required documentation and information needed from the STA TAC and SolanoExpress Consortium once MTC has completed the adoption of the RTP and released CMP guidelines.

**Recommendation:**  
Informational.



DATE: February 25, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Robert Macaulay, Director of Planning  
RE: Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Update

**Background:**

The current adopted Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) for Solano County was adopted by the STA Board in 2005. The 2005 CTP identifies, plans, and prioritizes the transportation needs of Solano County through the year 2030. The Solano Transportation Authority, as the Transportation Planning and Congestion Management Agency for Solano County, developed the CTP 2030 in collaboration with its many transportation partners and the public.

In September 2007, the STA Board initiated an update of the Solano Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP). The CTP is the STA's primary long-range planning document. The CTP consists of three main elements: Alternative Modes; Arterials, Highways and Freeways; and Transit. The STA Board adopted goals and objectives for each of the three elements based on recommendations provided by separate policy committees during the summer and fall of 2008.

**Discussion:**

STA staff is working to complete the State of the System – Arterials, Highways and Freeways report. Detailed information has been provided on the physical characteristics of each of the Routes of Regional Significance by all of the STA member agencies except Dixon and Fairfield, and STA staff is working with those cities to complete the information. Once the report is completed, it will be presented to the TAC, and then to the Arterials, Highways and Freeways Committee. STA staff is also working to complete the Operations section of the report.

The STA Board appointed new members to the three CTP committees at its February 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. The membership of those committees is shown in Attachment A

**Recommendation:**

Informational.

Attachment:

- A. CTP Committee Membership

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# Solano Transportation Authority

## Committee Members

*Last Updated as of February 2009*

### Alternative Modes Committee:

Current committee chair is Supervisor Jim Spering.

Agency	
City of Benicia	Alan Schwartzman
City of Dixon	Jack Batchelor, Jr.
City of Fairfield	Chuck Timm
City of Rio Vista	Ron Jones
City of Suisun City	Mike Segala
City of Vacaville	Curtis Hunt
City of Vallejo	Tom Barte
County of Solano	Jim Spering
Technical Advisory Committee Representative	Ed Huestis, City of Vacaville
STA Bicycle Advisory Committee	JB Davis
STA Pedestrian Advisory Committee	Lynne Williams

### Arterials, Highways and Freeways Committee:

Current committee chair is Mayor Len Augustine.

Agency	Member
City of Benicia	Elizabeth Patterson
City of Dixon	Jack Batchelor, Jr.
City of Fairfield	Harry Price
City of Rio Vista	Jan Vick
City of Suisun City	Pete Sanchez
City of Vacaville	Len Augustine
County of Solano	Mike Reagan
Technical Advisory Committee Representative	Paul Wiese, Solano County

### Transit Committee:

Current committee chair is Mayor Osby Davis.

Agency	
City of Benicia	Alan Schwartzman
City of Dixon	Jack Batchelor, Jr.
City of Fairfield	Chuck Timm
City of Suisun City	Mike Segala
City of Vallejo	Osby Davis
SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium Representative	Crystal Odum-Ford, City of Vallejo

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DATE: February 17, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Elizabeth Richards, Director of Transit and Rideshare Services  
RE: Transportation Development Act (TDA) and State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF) Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-10 Fund Estimates

**Background:**

The Transportation Development Act (TDA) of 1971 established two sources of funds that provide support for public transportation services statewide – the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and the Public Transportation Account (PTA). Solano County receives TDA funds through the LTF and State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF) through the PTA. State law specifies that STAF funds be used to provide financial assistance for public transportation, including funding for transit planning, operations and capital acquisition projects.

For several years, TDA funds had been modestly increasing. The past couple of years, Solano County's share of STAF funds have been about \$0.5 million per year. Solano County received over \$15 million in TDA funds and \$3 million of STAF funds in FY 2006-07. Due to a variety of factors, the STAF funds in FY2006-07 were extraordinarily high. In FY 2007-08, STAF funds were reduced, but higher than the levels normally seen in the years before FY2006-07.

STAF funds have been used for a wide range of activities, including providing funds for STA transit programs administration, transit studies, transit marketing activities, matching funds for the purchase of new intercity buses and covering new bus purchase shortfalls on start-up new intercity services when the need arises. STAF funds must be spent in the fiscal year they are allocated.

**Discussion:**

The new TDA and STAF FY 2009-10 revenue projections are in the process of being approved by Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC). The estimates have been approved by MTC's Programming and Allocations Committee (PAC) and are scheduled for Commission approval on February 25<sup>th</sup>. It would be highly unusual for the estimate to change at this point.

**TDA:**

After several years of growth, Solano TDA revenue has reached a plateau. The original TDA revenue estimate for FY 2008-09 was adjusted downward approximately 2% for a new countywide total of \$15,687,940 for local jurisdictions. The draft projection for FY 2009-10 Solano TDA (\$14,585,193) is 7% lower than the January 2009 revised FY 2008-09 TDA estimate of \$15,687,940. See Attachment A for draft Solano FY 2009-10 TDA fund estimate. Attachment B shows the latest approved Solano TDA estimate for FY2008-09.

MTC is required to use County Auditor estimates for TDA revenues. TDA is generated from a percentage of countywide sales tax and distributed to local jurisdictions based on population share. Given the economic downturn, sales tax and TDA have decreased and will remain suppressed until the economy improves. Staff reemphasizes that these TDA figures are revenue *estimates*. Especially with all the existing uncertainty, the amounts are not guaranteed and should not be 100% claimed to avoid fiscal difficulties if the actual revenues are lower than the projections.

**State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF):**

There is great uncertainty surrounding the State Transit Assistance Funds in FY2009-10. The State Budget approved this week includes a provision to completely suspend all STAF funding in FY2009-10 and for several years forward. Thus, there are no estimates for STAF which affects four categories:

- Revenue-based (directly received by specific operators)
- Population-based: Northern County/Solano
- Regional Paratransit (Solano)
- Lifeline STAF funded projects

An update will be provided at the TAC and Consortium.

**Recommendation:**  
Informational.

Attachments:

- A. Draft FY 2009-10 TDA Solano fund estimate
- B. FY2008-09 TDA Solano fund estimate (Jan 2009)

**FY 2009-10 FUND ESTIMATE**  
**TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUNDS**  
**SOLANO COUNTY**

Column	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H=Sum(C:G)	I	J=H+I
<b>FY 2008-09 TDA Revenue Estimate Adjustment</b>										
<b>FY 2008-09 Generation Estimates Adjustment</b>										
1. Original County Auditor Estimate (Feb, 08)	16,675,106									15,502,969
2. Revised County Auditor Estimate (Feb, 09)	15,502,969			(1,172,137)						
3. Revenue Adjustment (Line 2-1)									77,515	77,515
<b>FY 2008-09 Planning and Administration Charges Adjustment</b>										
4. MTC Administration (0.5% of line 3)	(5,861)			(46,885)						465,089
5. County Administration (0.5% of line 3)	(5,861)			(1,125,252)						
6. MTC Planning (3.0% of line 3)	(35,164)									620,119
7. Total Charges (Lines 4+5+6)										14,882,850
8. Adjusted Generations Less Charges (Line 3-7)									297,657	
<b>FY 2008-09 TDA Adjustment By Article</b>										
9. Article 3 Adjustment (2.0% of line 8)	(22,505)			(1,102,746)						14,585,193
10. Funds Remaining (Line 8-9)										14,585,193
11. Article 4.5 Adjustment (5.0% of line 10)										
12. Article 4 Adjustment (Line 10-11)				(1,102,746)						

**TDA APPORTIONMENT BY JURISDICTIONS**

Column	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H=Sum(C:G)	I	J=H+I
<b>Apportionment Jurisdictions</b>										
Article 3	656,450	8,381	664,831	(943,460)		320,162	(22,505)	19,028	297,657	316,685
Article 4.5										
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>656,450</b>	<b>8,381</b>	<b>664,831</b>	<b>(943,460)</b>		<b>320,162</b>	<b>(22,505)</b>	<b>19,028</b>	<b>297,657</b>	<b>316,685</b>
<b>Article 4/8</b>										
Benicia	3,504	3,208	6,712	(187,279)		1,030,887	(71,245)	779,075	956,199	1,735,274
Dixon	2,638	514	3,152	(581,966)		651,561	(45,831)	26,916	600,726	627,641
Fairfield	2,456,342	44,689	2,501,031	(5,621,210)	2,300,000	3,893,006	(275,397)	2,797,429	3,648,477	6,445,906
Rio Vista	286,969	3,666	290,635	(508,995)		288,889	(19,236)	51,293	275,841	327,134
Suisun City	183,290	3,441	186,731	(1,204,766)		1,033,250	(72,364)	(57,149)	963,547	906,398
Vacaville	3,095,412	41,264	3,136,676	(5,285,726)	327,795	3,563,163	(251,389)	1,490,519	3,311,904	4,802,423
Vallejo	357	203	560	(4,166,708)		4,484,004	(315,814)	2,042	4,138,709	4,140,751
Solano County	2	1,852	1,852	(558,919)		743,180	(51,470)	134,643	689,791	824,434
<b>SUBTOTAL<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>6,028,514</b>	<b>98,835</b>	<b>6,127,349</b>	<b>(18,115,569)</b>	<b>2,627,795</b>	<b>15,687,940</b>	<b>(1,102,746)</b>	<b>5,224,769</b>	<b>14,585,193</b>	<b>19,809,962</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>6,684,964</b>	<b>107,217</b>	<b>6,792,181</b>	<b>(19,059,029)</b>	<b>2,627,795</b>	<b>16,008,102</b>	<b>(1,125,252)</b>	<b>5,243,797</b>	<b>14,901,878</b>	<b>20,126,677</b>

1. Balance as of 6/30/08 is from MTC FY 2007-08 Audit, and it contains both funds available for allocation and funds that have been allocated but not disbursed.  
 2. The outstanding commitments figure includes all unpaid allocations as of June 30, 2008, and FY 2008-09 allocations as of January 31, 2009.  
 3. Where applicable by local agreement, contributions from each jurisdiction will be made to support the following: Solano county Paratransit, CityLinkBARTLink, Countywide Transit/Paratransit Planning, and Countywide Street and Roads Planning.

FY 2008-09 FUND ESTIMATE  
 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUNDS  
 SOLANO COUNTY

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FY 2007-08 TDA Revenue Estimate Adjustment			FY 2008-09 TDA Estimate		
<i>FY 2007-08 Generation Estimates Adjustment</i>			<i>FY 2008-09 County Auditor's Generations Estimate</i>		
1. Original County Auditor Estimate (Feb, 07)	16,956,193		13. County Auditor's Estimate		16,675,106
2. Actual Revenue From State (June, 08)	15,400,390		<i>FY 2008-09 Planning and Administration Charges</i>		
3. Revenue Adjustment (Line 2-1)		(1,555,803)	14. MTC Administration (0.5% of line 13)	83,376	
<i>FY 2007-08 Planning and Administration Charges Adjustment</i>			15. County Administration (0.5% of line 13)	83,376	
4. MTC Administration (0.5% of line 3)	(7,779)		16. MTC Planning (3.0% of line 13)	500,253	
5. County Administration (0.5% of line 3)	(7,779)		17. Total Charges (Lines 14+15+16)		667,004
6. MTC Planning (3.0% of line 3)	(46,674)		18. TDA Generations Less Charges (Line 13-17)		16,008,102
7. Total Charges (Lines 4+5+6)		(62,232)	<i>FY 2008-09 TDA Apportionment By Article</i>		
8. Adjusted Generations Less Charges (Line 3-7)		(1,493,571)	19. Article 3.0 (2.0% of line 18)	320,162	
<i>FY 2007-08 TDA Adjustment By Article</i>			20. Funds Remaining (Line 18-19)		15,687,940
9. Article 3 Adjustment (2.0% of line 8)	(29,871)		21. Article 4.5 (5.0% of line 20)		
10. Funds Remaining (Line 8-9)		(1,463,700)	22. TDA Article 4 (Line 20-21)		15,687,940
11. Article 4.5 Adjustment (5.0% of line 10)					
12. Article 4 Adjustment (Line 10-11)		(1,463,700)			

TDA APPORTIONMENT BY JURISDICTIONS

Column	A	B	C	D	E	F	G=Sum(A:F)	H	I=G+H
	6/30/07	FY 2007-08	FY 2006-08	FY 2007 - 08	FY 2007 - 08	FY 2007 - 08	6/30/08	FY 2008 - 09	Total
Apportionment Jurisdictions	Balance (w/interest) <sup>1</sup>	Interest & Refunds	Outstanding Commitments <sup>2</sup>	Transfers/ Refunds / Expirations <sup>3</sup>	Original Estimate	Revenue Adjustment	Projected Carryover	Revenue Estimate	Available For Allocation
Article 3	453,268	35,689	(640,458)		325,559	(29,871)	144,186	320,162	464,349
Article 4.5									
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>453,268</b>	<b>35,689</b>	<b>(640,458)</b>		<b>325,559</b>	<b>(29,871)</b>	<b>144,186</b>	<b>320,162</b>	<b>464,349</b>
<b>Article 4/8</b>									
Benicia	93,083	2,084	(1,031,169)		1,030,638	(94,565)	71	1,030,887	1,030,958
Dixon	23,024	5,417	(632,008)		662,998	(60,833)	(1,402)	651,561	650,159
Fairfield	4,971,018	199,496	(7,491,902)	3,008,562	3,983,909	(365,541)	4,305,542	3,893,006	8,198,548
Rio Vista	450,868	25,080	(631,601)		278,267	(25,532)	97,082	288,889	385,971
Suisun City	364,016	20,025	(1,330,214)		1,046,823	(96,050)	4,599	1,033,250	1,037,850
Yacaville	2,681,853	177,486	(5,351,895)	422,550	3,636,603	(333,674)	1,232,923	3,563,163	4,796,086
Vallejo	1,323	13,113	(4,163,478)		4,568,587	(419,187)	358	4,484,004	4,484,362
Solano County	0	1,990	(678,234)		744,561	(68,317)	1	743,180	743,180
<b>SUBTOTAL<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>8,585,185</b>	<b>444,691</b>	<b>(21,310,501)</b>	<b>3,431,112</b>	<b>15,952,386</b>	<b>(1,463,700)</b>	<b>5,639,174</b>	<b>15,687,940</b>	<b>21,327,113</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>9,038,453</b>	<b>480,380</b>	<b>(21,950,959)</b>	<b>3,431,112</b>	<b>16,277,945</b>	<b>(1,493,571)</b>	<b>5,783,360</b>	<b>16,152,288</b>	<b>21,791,462</b>

1. Balance as of 6/30/07 is from MTC FY 2006-07 Audit, and it contains both funds available for allocation and funds that have been allocated but not disbursed.  
 2. The outstanding commitments figure includes all unpaid allocations as of June 30, 2007, and FY 2007-08 allocations, transfers and refunds as of June 30, 2008.  
 3. Transfers, refunds and expired capital allocations has been updated for the Fairfield/Suisun Transit through December 29, 2008.



DATE: February 18, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Susan Furtado, Financial Analyst/Accountant  
RE: Local Transportation Development Act (TDA) and Members Contributions for Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-10

**Background**

In January 2004, the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) Board unanimously adopted a policy to index the annual local Transportation Development Act (TDA) to provide 2.7% of the total TDA available to the county and 2.1% for Members Contribution based on the prior calendar year gas tax revenues received by all the agencies in Solano County.

The TDA contribution is based on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) annual TDA fund estimate for each local jurisdiction. STA annually claims these funds on behalf of the Member Agencies for transit operation and planning expenses.

The Members Contribution received from all the agencies in Solano County is based on the gas tax revenues. Although based on gas tax revenues, each member agency provides a contribution to STA through any eligible fund source, including gas tax. The Member Agencies are invoiced for these contributions at the beginning of the fiscal year.

Both contributions are estimates; revisions are made as actual data is made available and adjustments are made in the subsequent fiscal year. These two revenue sources provide the core funding for STA's operations. These operations include administrative staff services and office space cost, and a percentage of strategic planning and project development not covered by other planning grants and project revenues.

**Discussion:**

Attachment A is the FY 2009-10 Local TDA Funds and Contributions from Member Agencies. These amounts reflect an increase of the TDA contribution to STA of .10% (\$574) from the prior year using the MTC's annual TDA funding estimates. STA's TDA claim for FY 2009-10 is calculated based on the adopted indexing policy (Attachment B) and on MTC's FY 2009-10 Fund Estimate (Attachment C).

The Members Contribution has a reduction of 9.3% (\$26,075). This calculation reflects an adjustment from the prior year estimates (Attachment B) for the actual Gas Tax received by the county agencies for the calendar year 2008. The Members Contributions estimates for FY 2009-10 are based on calendar year 2008 actual Gas Tax Revenues to Solano County (Attachment D).

Estimates for both local TDA Funds and Contribution from Member Agencies vary depending on the actual amounts on MTC's TDA Apportionment and Gas Tax received by the agencies. Adjustments to these estimates are reflected in the subsequent year.

**Fiscal Impact**

FY 2009-10 local TDA Funds is \$451,999 and the Members Contributions is \$255,071. In the aggregate, the total TDA and members contribution from the member agencies for the FY 2009-10 has been reduced by 3.5% (\$25,501).

**Recommendation**

Informational.

**Attachments**

- A. FY 2009-10 Local TDA Funds and Contributions from Member Agencies
- B. Computations for TDA and Members Contributions for FY 2009-10
- C. MTC FY 2009-10 Fund Estimate TDA Funds Solano County (February 25, 2009)
- D. Calendar Year 2008 Gas Tax Revenues for Solano County Agencies



**FY 2009-10 Local Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funds and Member Agencies Contributions**

**TDA Contributions**

AGENCY	FY 2009-10 TDA	FY 2008-09 Adjustment	FY 2009-10 Total TDA to STA	FY 2008-09 TDA to STA	% Change
Benicia	29,525	(323)	29,202	29,078	0.4%
Dixon	18,993	(208)	18,785	19,137	-1.8%
Fairfield	114,130	(1,248)	112,882	113,039	-0.1%
Rio Vista	7,972	(88)	7,884	8,438	-6.6%
Suisun City	29,989	(328)	29,661	29,573	0.3%
Vacaville	104,180	(1,139)	103,041	102,245	0.8%
Vallejo	130,879	(1,431)	129,448	128,780	0.5%
Solano County	21,330	(234)	21,096	21,135	-0.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>456,999</b>	<b>(4,999)</b>	<b>451,999</b>	<b>451,425</b>	<b>0.1%</b>

**Members Contributions**

AGENCY	FY 2009-10 Members Contribution	FY 2008-09 Adjustment	FY 2009-10 Total Members Contribution Claim	FY 2008-09 Members Contribution	% Change
Benicia	17,433	(954)	16,479	18,164	-9.3%
Dixon	11,215	(614)	10,601	11,684	-9.3%
Fairfield	67,387	(3,686)	63,701	70,213	-9.3%
Rio Vista	4,707	(258)	4,449	4,903	-9.3%
Suisun City	17,707	(969)	16,738	18,449	-9.3%
Vacaville	61,513	(3,365)	58,148	64,092	-9.3%
Vallejo	77,277	(4,227)	73,050	80,517	-9.3%
Solano County	12,594	(689)	11,905	13,124	-9.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>269,832</b>	<b>(14,762)</b>	<b>255,071</b>	<b>281,146</b>	<b>-9.3%</b>

**Total Contributions from Member Agencies**

AGENCY	TDA	Member Contribution	FY 2009-10 TOTAL	FY 2008-09 TOTAL	% Change
Benicia	29,202	16,479	45,681	47,242	-3.3%
Dixon	18,785	10,601	29,386	30,821	-4.7%
Fairfield	112,882	63,701	176,583	183,252	-3.6%
Rio Vista	7,884	4,449	12,333	13,341	-7.6%
Suisun City	29,661	16,738	46,399	48,023	-3.4%
Vacaville	103,041	58,148	161,189	166,337	-3.1%
Vallejo	129,448	73,050	202,498	209,297	-3.2%
Solano County	21,096	11,905	33,001	34,258	-3.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>451,999</b>	<b>255,071</b>	<b>707,070</b>	<b>732,571</b>	<b>-3.5%</b>



## FY 2009-10 TDA and Members Contributions Indexing Policy

### Local Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funds

TDA	Total TDA to County	\$15,687,940	TDA	Total TDA to County	\$15,502,970			
<b>FY 2008-09</b>	STA Operations (2.7%)	\$423,574	<b>FY 2009-10</b>	STA Operations (2.7%)	\$418,580			
<b>February 2007 Estimate</b>								
	Agency TDA	Percent	FY 09-10 Claim	TDA Adjustment	Total TDA	Percent	Revised FY 2008-09	FY 2008-09 Adjustment
Benicia	\$1,013,553	0.065	\$27,366	(71,245)	\$942,308	0.065	\$27,043	(323)
Dixon	652,007	0.042	17,604	(45,831)	606,176	0.042	17,397	(208)
Fairfield	3,917,867	0.250	105,782	(275,397)	3,642,470	0.250	104,535	(1,248)
Rio Vista	273,654	0.017	7,389	(19,236)	254,418	0.017	7,302	(88)
Suisun City	1,029,470	0.066	27,796	(72,364)	957,106	0.066	27,468	(328)
Vacaville	3,576,318	0.228	96,561	(251,389)	3,324,929	0.228	95,422	(1,139)
Vallejo	4,492,853	0.286	121,307	(315,814)	4,177,039	0.286	119,877	(1,431)
Solano County	<u>732,218</u>	<u>0.047</u>	<u>19,770</u>	<u>(51,470)</u>	<u>680,748</u>	<u>0.047</u>	<u>19,537</u>	<u>(234)</u>
	<b>\$15,687,940</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>\$423,574</b>	<b>(\$1,102,746)</b>	<b>\$14,585,194</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>\$418,580</b>	<b>(4,999)</b>

TDA	Total TDA to County	\$16,925,878			
<b>FY 2009-10</b>	STA Operations (2.7%)	\$456,999			
<b>February 2008 Estimate</b>					
		FY 2009-10 Estimate	FY 2008-09 Adjustment	Total TDA Funds FY 2009-10	
Benicia	\$1,030,887	0.065	\$29,525	(323)	<b>29,202</b>
Dixon	651,561	0.042	18,993	-208	<b>18,785</b>
Fairfield	3,893,006	0.250	114,130	-1,248	<b>112,882</b>
Rio Vista	288,889	0.017	7,972	-88	<b>7,884</b>
Suisun City	1,033,250	0.066	29,989	-328	<b>29,661</b>
Vacaville	3,563,163	0.228	104,180	-1,139	<b>103,041</b>
Vallejo	4,484,004	0.286	130,879	-1,431	<b>129,448</b>
Solano County	<u>743,180</u>	<u>0.047</u>	<u>21,330</u>	<u>-234</u>	<u><b>21,096</b></u>
	<b>\$15,687,940</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>\$456,999</b>	<b>(\$4,999)</b>	<b>451,999</b>

### Members Contribution

Contribution:	Total Gas Tax to County	\$13,551,930	Contribution:	Total Gas Tax to County	\$12,849,156
<b>FY 2008-09</b>	STA Operations (2.1%)	\$284,591	<b>FY 2009-10</b>	STA Operations (2.1%)	\$269,832
<b>Estimate based on Calendar Year 2007</b>			<b>Estimate based on Calendar Year 2008</b>		
	FY 08-09 Claim			FY 08-09 Adjustment	
Benicia	0.065	\$18,387	Benicia	0.065	\$17,433
Dixon	0.042	11,828	Dixon	0.042	11,215
Fairfield	0.250	71,073	Fairfield	0.250	67,387
Rio Vista	0.017	4,964	Rio Vista	0.017	4,707
Suisun City	0.066	18,675	Suisun City	0.066	17,707
Vacaville	0.228	64,877	Vacaville	0.228	61,513
Vallejo	0.286	81,504	Vallejo	0.286	77,277
Solano County	<u>0.047</u>	<u>13,283</u>	Solano County	<u>0.047</u>	<u>12,594</u>
	<b>1.000</b>	<b>\$284,591</b>		<b>1.000</b>	<b>\$269,832</b>

Contribution:	Total Gas Tax to County	\$12,849,156		
<b>FY 2008-09</b>	STA Operations (2.1%)	\$269,832		
<b>Estimate based on Calendar Year 2008</b>				
		FY 08-09 Adjustment	Total Members Contribution FY 2009-10	
Benicia	0.065	\$17,433	(954)	<b>\$16,479</b>
Dixon	0.042	11,215	(614)	<b>10,601</b>
Fairfield	0.250	67,387	(3,686)	<b>63,701</b>
Rio Vista	0.017	4,707	(258)	<b>4,449</b>
Suisun City	0.066	17,707	(969)	<b>16,738</b>
Vacaville	0.228	61,513	(3,365)	<b>58,148</b>
Vallejo	0.286	77,277	(4,227)	<b>73,050</b>
Solano County	<u>0.047</u>	<u>12,594</u>	<u>(689)</u>	<u><b>11,905</b></u>
	<b>1.000</b>	<b>\$269,832</b>	<b>(\$14,762)</b>	<b>\$255,071</b>

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FY 2008-09 FUND ESTIMATE  
 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUNDS  
 SOLANO COUNTY

Column	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H=Sum(C:G)	I	J=H+I
Appropriation Jurisdictions	6/30/08 Balance (w/o interest)	FY 2008-09 Interest & Refunds	FY 2008-09 Balance (w/interest) <sup>1</sup>	FY 2007-09 Outstanding Commitments <sup>2</sup>	FY 2008-09 Transfers/Refunds	FY 2008-09 Original Estimate	FY 2008-09 Revenue Adjustment	6/30/09 Projected Carryover	FY 2009-10 Revenue Estimate	Total Available For Allocation
Article 3	656,450	8,381	664,831	(943,460)		320,162	(22,505)	19,028	297,657	316,685
Article 4.5	656,450	8,381	664,831	(943,460)		320,162	(22,505)	19,028	297,657	316,685
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>										
Article 4/8										
Bonicia	3,504	3,208	6,712	(187,279)		1,030,887	(71,245)	779,075	956,199	1,735,274
Dixon	2,638	514	3,152	(581,966)		651,561	(45,831)	26,916	600,726	627,641
Fairfield	2,456,342	44,689	2,501,031	(5,621,210)	2,300,000	3,893,006	(275,397)	2,797,429	3,648,477	6,445,906
Rio Vista	286,969	3,666	290,635	(508,995)		288,889	(19,236)	51,293	275,841	327,134
Suisun City	183,290	3,441	186,731	(1,204,766)		1,033,250	(72,364)	(57,149)	963,547	906,398
Vacaville	3,095,412	41,264	3,136,676	(5,285,720)	327,795	3,563,163	(251,389)	1,490,519	3,311,904	4,802,423
Vallejo	357	203	560	(4,166,708)		4,484,004	(315,814)	2,042	4,138,709	4,140,751
Solano County	2	1,850	1,852	(558,919)		743,180	(51,470)	134,643	689,791	824,434
<b>SUBTOTAL<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>6,028,514</b>	<b>98,835</b>	<b>6,127,349</b>	<b>(18,115,569)</b>	<b>2,627,795</b>	<b>15,687,940</b>	<b>(1,102,746)</b>	<b>5,224,769</b>	<b>14,585,193</b>	<b>19,809,962</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>6,684,964</b>	<b>107,217</b>	<b>6,792,181</b>	<b>(19,059,029)</b>	<b>2,627,795</b>	<b>16,008,102</b>	<b>(1,125,252)</b>	<b>5,243,797</b>	<b>14,901,878</b>	<b>20,126,647</b>

TDA APPORTIONMENT BY JURISDICTIONS

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1. Balance as of 6/30/08 is from MTC FY 2007-08 Audit, and it contains both funds available for allocation and funds that have been allocated but not disbursed.  
 2. The outstanding commitments figure includes all unpaid allocations as of June 30, 2008, and FY 2008-09 allocations as of January 31, 2009.  
 3. Where applicable by local agreement, contributions from each jurisdiction will be made to support the following: Solano County Paratransit, CityLinkBARTLink, Countywide Transit/Paratransit Planning, and Countywide Street and Roads Planning.



Allocation:	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Jul-08	Aug-08	Sep-08	Oct-08	Nov-08	Dec-08	Total
Solano County	571,647.15	504,466.76	466,286.60	493,953.65	512,405.73	490,989.20	503,416.81	470,171.75	499,299.84	451,938.80	403,170.50	502,058.10	5,869,804.89
City:													
Benicia	43,382.74	41,106.02	37,994.31	40,317.67	41,858.40	40,180.71	46,931.90	38,258.24	40,562.93	36,794.13	37,686.49	40,662.85	485,736.39
Dixon	27,566.76	26,127.80	24,161.09	25,629.51	26,603.32	25,542.95	29,960.97	24,274.85	25,728.28	23,351.53	23,914.29	25,791.29	308,652.64
Fairfield	162,995.64	154,383.27	142,612.35	151,401.05	157,229.31	150,882.94	165,053.73	144,852.09	153,645.87	139,265.62	142,670.53	154,027.12	1,819,019.52
Rio Vista	12,445.21	11,807.19	10,935.19	11,586.26	12,018.03	11,547.89	14,092.51	11,321.22	11,986.07	10,898.86	11,156.28	12,014.90	141,809.61
Suisun City	43,481.28	41,199.34	38,080.53	40,409.18	41,953.43	40,271.90	47,243.37	38,549.17	40,871.56	37,073.80	37,973.03	40,972.25	488,078.84
Vacaville	149,344.51	141,455.21	130,672.56	138,723.37	144,062.31	138,248.76	148,286.87	131,526.33	139,508.88	126,455.22	129,546.02	139,854.96	1,657,685.00
Vallejo	187,360.13	177,457.21	163,922.47	174,028.09	180,729.73	173,432.37	186,309.14	164,705.41	174,707.79	158,351.14	162,224.01	175,141.44	2,078,368.93
City SubTotal	626,576.27	593,536.04	548,378.50	582,095.13	604,454.53	580,107.52	637,878.49	553,487.31	587,011.38	532,190.30	545,170.65	588,464.81	6,979,350.93
Total County & City	1,198,223.42	1,098,002.80	1,014,665.10	1,076,048.78	1,116,860.26	1,071,096.72	1,141,295.30	1,023,659.06	1,086,311.22	984,129.10	948,341.15	1,090,522.91	12,849,155.82
FY 2007	1,134,066.12	1,098,329.02	1,108,253.31	1,094,020.92	1,166,773.88	1,080,244.51	1,250,776.11	1,087,186.41	1,179,950.54	1,156,280.28	1,098,057.93	1,097,990.59	13,551,929.62
Variance	64,157.30	(326.22)	(93,588.21)	(17,972.14)	(49,913.62)	(9,147.79)	(109,480.81)	(63,527.35)	(93,639.32)	(172,151.18)	(149,716.78)	(7,467.68)	(702,773.80)



DATE: February 18, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Sam Shelton, Project Manager  
RE: Project Delivery Update

**Background:**

As the Congestion Management Agency for Solano County, the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) coordinates obligations and allocations of state and federal funds between local project sponsors, Caltrans, and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC). To aid in the delivery of locally sponsored projects, the STA continually updates the STA's Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on changes to State and Federal project delivery policies and reminds the TAC about upcoming project delivery deadlines.

**Discussion:**

There were 2 project delivery reminders this month:

1. **FY STP/CMAQ 2008-09 Federal Obligation Plan:**  
MTC has adopted new federal funding obligation request deadlines, changing them from March 1, 2009 to February 1, 2009 and the receive deadline from May 31, 2009 to April 30, 2009. This is in response to Caltrans moving up their Obligation Authority (OA) release date from June 1<sup>st</sup> to May 1<sup>st</sup>. With leftover OA becoming available sooner, MTC wants Bay Area projects ready to obligate.

<b>Projects included in FY STP/CMAQ 2008-09 Federal Obligation Plan</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- \$8.7 M in Federal funding</li> <li>- Submit E76 Request by February 1, 2009</li> <li>- Receive E76 by April 30, 2009</li> </ul>			
<b>Agency</b>	<b>TIP ID</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Status/Deadlines</b>
<b>Benicia</b>	<b>SOL070045</b>	State Park Road Bridge	\$1.67 M for CON (CMAQ & TE) On Feb CTC agenda for allocation. E76 for CON to be submitted Jan 30.
<b>Dixon</b>	<b>SOL070046</b>	SR-113 Pedestrian Improvements	\$90,000 for CON. Submitted E76 for CON.
<b>Fairfield</b>	<b>SOL070027</b>	W. Texas St. Gateway Project Phase I & II	\$85,000 for CON Field review to be scheduled. Design underway.
<b>Fairfield/ Solano County</b>	<b>SOL070012</b>	"Cordelia Hill Sky Valley Enhancement Project" (McGary Road)	\$640,000 in STIP-TE between FY 2008/09 & 2009/10. Complete funding identified. Awaiting funding agreement before TIP amendment.
<b>Solano County</b>	<b>SOL050024</b>	Vacaville - Dixon Bike Route Phase II and III	\$337,000 for CON. E76 for CON received.

Agency	TIP ID	Project	Status/Deadlines
Solano County	SOL050046	Old Town Cordelia	\$500,000 for CON. Submitted E76 request Jan 2009.
Vacaville	SOL050013	Vacaville Intermodal Station	\$3,028,000 for CON. Requested E76 for CON.
Vacaville	SOL070028	Downtown Creekwalk	\$53,000 for PS&E \$694,000 for CON Requested E76 for CON.
Vacaville	SOL070029	Ulatis Creek – Allison to I-80	\$169,000 for ENV. Submitted Field Review forms in December.
Vacaville	SOL070047	Peabody & Marshall Road Pedestrian Improvements	\$150,000 for CON. Requested E76 for CON.
Vallejo	SOL010027	Vallejo – Lemon St. Rehabilitation	\$672,000 for CON. Submitted E76 for CON.
Vallejo	SOL050048	Downtown Vallejo Pedestrian Enh. - Phase I	\$580,000 for CON. Currently in PS&E. Field Review part of economic stimulus process.

## 2. Inactive Obligations

To adhere to FHWA project delivery guidelines and MTC's Resolution 3606, project sponsors must invoice for obligated projects every 6 months or risk loss of funding.

More information can be found on Caltrans Local Assistance website:

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/Inactiveprojects.htm>

<b>Currently listed Inactive Projects</b>			
<b>Review Period: 10/01/08 – 12/31/08</b>			
<b>Invoice Submission Due to LPA: March 2, 2009</b>			
<b>Justification Due to DLAE: February 23, 2009</b>			
Agency	Project	Unexpended Funds	Status
Fairfield	Travis Blvd. From Oliver Rd. To N. Texas St. , Signal Upgrade, Traffic Sign Install	\$170,537	Authorized 06/26/05. Last Billed, 10/06/06.
<b>Projects that will become inactive by June 2009</b>			
Fairfield	Travis Blvd. From Oliver Rd. To N. Texas St. , Signal Upgrade, Traffic Sign Install	\$170,537	Authorized 06/26/05. Last Billed, 10/06/06.
Dixon	N. 4th St. And East A Street	\$130,000	Authorized 04/18/07. Final invoice (Sept 2008) resent to Caltrans.
Vacaville	Various Locations In Vacaville And Dixon	\$10,000	Authorized 09/08/02
Fairfield	Linear Park Between N. Texas St. & Dover Ave.	\$330,000	Authorized 04/18/07
Fairfield	Texas St. And Union Street/Downtown Fairfield	\$309,855	Authorized 04/26/07

**Projects that will become inactive by  
September 2009**

Suisun City	Various Locations Throughout City, striping for Bike Lanes	\$15,268	Authorized 8/1/2001. Last Billed 08/25/06.
Rio Vista	SR 12-Rio Vista Bridge, Project Study Report	\$95,813	Authorized 7/24/2007
Rio Vista	SR 12-Rio Vista Bridge, Project Study Report	\$199,696	Authorized 7/24/2007
Fairfield	Woolner Ave. From Enterprise Dr. to Sheldon Elementary School, sidewalk improvement.	\$53,100	Authorized 9/12/2007

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.

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DATE: February 17, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Sara Woo, Planning Assistant  
RE: Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Bicyclist and Pedestrian  
Data Collection – Count Locations Update

**Background:**

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) published the Bicyclist and Pedestrian Data Collection and Analysis Project final report on April 9, 2003 (for full report, please visit <http://www.mtc.ca.gov/library/Bike-Ped-Data-Collection.pdf>). This report was developed in response to the lack of data on current bicycle and pedestrian activity in the 2001 Regional Bicycle Plan.

While vehicle counts are usually conducted as part of standard traffic studies, and bus and rail ridership figures are collected to study trends in transit ridership, a comparable effort to collect data on bicycle and pedestrian volumes and facilities is still in progress.

**Discussion:**

During the development of Bicyclist and Pedestrian Collection and Analysis Project final report, MTC identified 11 locations in Solano County for bicycles and pedestrian counts (see Attachment A). These locations were selected with input from STA and its member agencies based on the following five (5) criteria: 1) high collision rates; 2) on local or regional bicycle network (existing or proposed); 3) proximity to major transit facilities; 4) proximity to schools and universities; and 5) proximity to local or regional attractions/destinations.

On February 13, 2009, STA staff was requested by MTC staff to review and update any changes in these locations identified for counts with a deadline of March 2, 2009 (see Attachment B). This task entails either a confirmation of each location currently identified or input regarding a more appropriate location. Based on the five criteria listed above, STA staff will be working with the Bicycle Advisory Committee and Pedestrian Advisory Committee to review these locations to ensure that they are up to date. In addition, STA staff will request the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to review the 11 locations and provide input by February 27, 2009.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.

Attachments:

- A. MTC Count Location List – Solano County
- B. E-mail from MTC regarding bicycle and pedestrian count locations

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**MTC Bike/Ped Data Collection Project**  
 Count Location List  
 Solano County

Int. #	Jurisdiction	Location	Counts		# of Collisions	Bikeways		Transit Center	School	Activity Center
			Bike	Ped		Local	Regional			
SL01	Banicia	Military West @ 2nd St	x		3		2/5			
SL02	County	Dixon-Davis Bike Route @ Vaughn	x		0	existing	2/0			
SL03	Dixon	First Street @ C St	x	x	1	existing	2/0		school	
SL04	Fairfield	Hwy 12 Jameason Canyon @ Red Top Rd	x	x	1	exist/proposed	0/5		HS	
SL05	Fairfield	Travis @ Texas	x	x	12	existing	0/0		Elem	Lee Bell Park
SL06	Rio Vista	Downtown Waterfront Path	x	x		existing	0/0			City Hall
SL07	Suisun City	Main @ Lotz	x	x	0	existing	5/0		Elem	Shopping
SL08	Vacaville	Alamo @ Nut Tree	x	x	10	existing	2/0			
SL09	Vacaville	Downtown Creekwalk	x	x		existing	0/0			
SL10	Vallejo	Solano Bikeway @ Columbus Prkwy	x		0	Solano Bikeway	1/0			
SL11	Vallejo	Waterfront Path	x	x		existing	0/0			

**KEY:**

- Jurisdiction - City in which intersection is located
- Location - Intersection where count is to be taken
- Ped - Pedestrian count
- Bike - Bike count
- Local BW - Local bikeways (trail, path, lane, route) present on one or more of streets of Intersection
- Reg BW - 1 - Existing Class 1 Bicycle Facility 4 - Proposed Class 1 Bicycle Facility
- 2 - Existing Class 2 Bicycle Facility 5 - Proposed Class 2 Bicycle Facility
- 3 - Existing Class 3 Bicycle Facility 6 - Proposed Class 3 Bicycle Facility
- Transit Center - Transit Center located adjacent to Intersection
- School - School located adjacent to Intersection
- Activity Center - Activity Center or attractor located adjacent to Intersection

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## Sara Woo

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**From:** Sean Co [sco@mtc.ca.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 13, 2009 4:05 PM  
**To:** Sara Woo  
**Subject:** bicycle and pedestrian counts  
**Attachments:** solano.xls

In 2001 MTC identified 100 locations in each county for bicycles and pedestrians counts. These locations were selected with input from the CMAs, the Regional Bicycle Working Group and Regional Pedestrian Committee. A set of five criteria were used to select the count locations:

- 1) High bicycle and pedestrian collision rates (fatal and injury)
- 2) On the local or Regional Bikeways Network (built or unbuilt)
- 3) Proximity to major transit facilities
- 4) Proximity to schools and colleges/universities
- 5) Proximity to local or regional attractions/destinations

The results from the project was compiled in the "Bicyclist and Pedestrian Data Collection and Analysis Project Final Report, 2003" Along with this report, a "Handbook for Bicyclist and Pedestrian Counts" was also developed.

The purpose of developing these counts was to provide a yearly snapshot of bicycle and pedestrian activity in the Bay Area. In subsequent years, additional counts were conducted but data has not been collected for six years.

MTC would like to review these locations to determine if these intersections should still be used to provide a picture of activity in the region. Since 2001, many agencies are conducting counts on their own. MTC would like to see these locations included as part of a county's counting effort. Please note that MTC is not committing to providing resources to count at these locations but would establish consistent locations for data collection.

Please review the attached list of locations and let me know the following:

- 1) Are their changes to the count facilities locations?
- 2) Were counts conducted recently?
- 3) What are plans for future counts in the county? (countywide or in cities that conduct counts)

Please give me back revisions to the list by Monday March 2, 2009

Thanks,

Sean

Sean Co  
 Transportation Planner  
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Intr#	Jurisdiction	Location	Date	AmPedTotal	AmBikeTotal	PmPedTotal	PmBikeTotal	Day	Notes
SL01	Benicia	Military West @ W. 2nd Street	01-Oct-02	19	3	15	0	Tue	
SL02	County	Dixon Davis Bike Route @ Vaughn	12-Sep-02	0	0	3	0	Thu	
SL03	Dixon	N. First Street @ East C Street	12-Sep-02	62	8	17	10	Thu	
SL04	Fairfield	Red Top Road @ Hwy 12 Jameson Canyon	02-Oct-02	0	0	1	0	Wed	
SL05	Fairfield	N. Texas @ Travis Street	02-Oct-02	94	17	95	33	Wed	
SL06	Rio Vista	Downtown Waterfront Path @ Main Street	18-Sep-02	5	0	23	2	Wed	
SL07	Suisun City	Main @ Lotz	02-Oct-02	35	3	55	1	Wed	
SL08	Vacaville	Nut Tree Road @ Alamo	02-Oct-02	95	48	60	38	Wed	
SL09	Vacaville	N/A @ Downtown Creek	01-Oct-02	75	37	159	47	Tue	
SL10	Vallejo	Solano Blkeway/Callaghan Pkwy @ Columbus Parkway	02-Oct-02	2	0	0	4	Wed	
SL11	Vallejo	N/A @ Waterfront Path	01-Oct-02	64	0	123	0	Tue	



DATE: February 18, 2009  
 TO: STA TAC  
 FROM: Sara Woo, Planning Assistant  
 RE: Funding Opportunities Summary

The following funding opportunities will be available to STA member agencies during the next few months. Also attached are summary fact sheets for each program. Please distribute this information to appropriate departments within your jurisdiction.

Fund Source	Application Available From	Application Due
Clean Air Fund (CAF) Program*	Jim Antone, Yolo Solano Air Quality Management District (YSAQMD) (530) 757-3653	<b>March 27, 2009</b>
Caltrans Planning Grant – Environmental Justice: Context Sensitive Planning*	Emmanuel Mekwunye Metropolitan Transportation Commission, (MTC) (510) 286-6326	<b>April 1, 2009</b>
Caltrans Planning Grant – Environmental Justice: Community-Based Transportation Planning Grant*	Beth Thomas, California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) (510) 286-7227	<b>April 1, 2009</b>
Caltrans Planning Grant – Partnership Planning*	Blesilda Gebreyesus, MTC (510) 286-5575	<b>April 1, 2009</b>
Caltrans Planning Grant – Federal Transportation Account (FTA) 5304 Statewide Transit Planning Studies*	Blesilda Gebreyesus, MTC (510) 286-5575	<b>April 1, 2009</b>

Caltrans Planning Grant – FTA 5304 Transit Technical Planning Assistance*	Blesilda Gebreyesus, MTC (510) 286-5575	<b>April 1, 2009</b>
Caltrans Planning Grant – FTA 5304 Transit Professionals Development*	Blesilda Gebreyesus, MTC (510) 286-5575	<b>April 1, 2009</b>
Cycle 8 State-legislated Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program*	Joyce Parks, Caltrans (916) 653-6920	<b>April 15, 2009</b>

\* New funding opportunity



**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY**

**Clean Air Fund (CAF) Program**

**Due March 27, 2009**

TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Sara Woo, Planning Assistant

This summary of the CAF program is intended to assist jurisdictions plan projects that are eligible for the program. STA staff is available to answer questions regarding this funding program and provide feedback on potential project applications.

- Eligible Project Sponsors: Public or private agencies, groups of individuals in the Yolo Solano Air Basin
- Program Description: The Clean Air Funds (CAF) Program is designed to reduce emissions from motor vehicles by supporting cleaner vehicle technologies, alternative modes of transportation, and educating the public about air pollution.
- Funding Available: Approximately \$370,000 to \$420,000 is available for Solano County projects.
- Eligible Projects: Eligible projects include those pertaining to the following categories:  
1. Clean Technologies/Low Emission Vehicles  
2. Alternative Transportation Programs  
3. Transit Services  
4. Public Education/Information
- Further Details: <http://www.ysaqmd.org/incentive-caf.php>
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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY**

**Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant**

Environmental Justice: Context-Sensitive Planning

**Due April 1, 2009**

TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Sara Woo, Planning Assistant

This summary of the Caltrans Planning Grant for Environmental Justice: Context-Sensitive Planning is intended to assist jurisdictions plan projects that are eligible for the program. STA staff is available to answer questions regarding this funding program and provide feedback on potential project applications.

Eligible Project Sponsors: Applicants: Cities, counties, transit districts and Native American Tribal Governments.  
Sub-applicants: Non-profits, Community Based Organizations, Local Transportation Commissions, etc.

Program Description: Funds projects that promote public participation in planning to improve mobility, access, equity, affordable housing, and economic opportunities for low-income, minority and Native American communities

Funding Available: \$3 million from the State Highway Account for FY 07/08. Maximum grant amount is \$250,000. A local match equal to 10% of the grant request is required, of which half may be in-kind.

Eligible Projects:

- Identification and involvement of under-represented groups in planning and project development.
- Planning and Safety improvements for pedestrians and bicycles
- Developing Guidelines and supporting information for EJ element of a General Plan
- Transportation Projects in underdeveloped rural agricultural areas
- Transportation Planning that enhances the business climate, affordable housing, and economic development in under-served communities development

Examples:

- Monument Corridor Marketing and Outreach Project, Central Contra Costa Transit Authority - \$87,200, FY 05/06
- Fruitvale Alive!/City of Oakland - \$170,000, FY 03/04
- Le Grand, Circulation Plan – 68,400, FY 03/04

Further Details: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/grants.htm>

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY**

**Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant**  
Community-Based Planning

**Due April 1, 2009**

TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Sara Woo, Planning Assistant

This summary of the Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant for Community-Based Planning is intended to assist jurisdictions plan projects that are eligible for the program. STA staff is available to answer questions regarding this funding program and provide feedback on potential project applications.

- Eligible Project Sponsors: Cities, counties, transit districts and Public Entities. Sub recipients: Non-profits, Private Sector entities, Universities, etc.
- Program Description: Funds transportation and land use planning that promote public participation and support livable community concepts.
- Funding Available: \$3 million from the State Highway Account for FY 06/07. Maximum grant amount is \$250,000. A local match equal to 20% of the grant request is required, of which half may be in-kind.
- Eligible Projects:
- Long-term sustainable community/economic development growth studies or plans
  - Safe, innovative, and complete pedestrian/bicycle/transit linkage studies or plans
  - Community to school linkage studies or plans
  - Jobs and affordable housing proximity studies or plans
  - Transit Oriented/Adjacent Development or “transit village” studies or plans
  - Community transit facility/infrastructure studies or plans
  - Mixed-land use development studies or plans
  - Form-based or smart code development
  - Context sensitive streetscapes or town center studies or plans
  - Grid street system studies or plans
  - Community revitalization studies or plans
  - Context sensitive community development planning
  - Studies for community-friendly goods movement transportation corridors, ports, and airports
- Further Details: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/grants.htm>
- Program Contact Person: Beth Thomas, Caltrans District 4, (510) 286-7227
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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY**  
**Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant**  
FTA 5304 Partnership Planning  
**Due April 1, 2009**

TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Sara Woo, Planning Assistant

This summary of the Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant for Partnership Planning is intended to assist jurisdictions plan projects that are eligible for the program. STA staff is available to answer questions regarding this funding program and provide feedback on potential project applications.

Eligible Project Sponsors: MPOs/RTPs as applicants. Others may apply as sub-recipients. Contact MTC for their sub-recipient process details.

Program Description: The Partnership Planning Grant promotes planning studies that have a statewide benefit or multi-regional significance or both.

Funding Available: Approximately \$1 million will be available in FY 2007-08. The maximum amount per grant is \$300,000 with a 20% non-federal local match.

Eligible Projects:

- Regional, inter-county, and/or statewide mobility and access needs
- Land use and smart growth studies
- Corridor studies and corridor preservation studies
- Projects that evaluate transportation issues involving ground access to international borders, seaports, airports, intermodal facilities, freight hubs, and recreational sites

Further Details: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/grants.htm>

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY**

**Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant**

FTA 5304 Statewide Transit Planning Studies

**Due April 1, 2009**

TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Sara Woo, Planning Assistant

This summary of the Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant for Statewide Transit Planning Studies is intended to assist jurisdictions plan projects that are eligible for the program. STA staff is available to answer questions regarding this funding program and provide feedback on potential project applications.

**Eligible Project Sponsors:** Only MPOs/RTPs may apply for this grant program . Others may apply as sub-recipients. Contact MTC for their sub-recipient process details.

**Program Description:** Funds studies that reduce urban transportation needs and improve transit on a statewide or multi-regional level.

**Funding Available:** \$1,400,000 available with a grant cap of \$300,000. 11.47% non-Federal funds or in-kind local match required.

**Eligible Projects:**

- GIS development
- Transit-oriented development (TOD) studies
- Transit planning
- Development tools
- Development models

**Example:**

- Transit-Related Child Care Study, Child Care Coordinating Council of San Mateo County - \$84,100

**Further Details:** <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/grants.htm>

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY**

**Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant**

FTA 5304 Transit Technical Planning Assistance

**Due April 1, 2009**

TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Sara Woo, Planning Assistant

This summary of the Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant for Transit Technical Planning Assistance is intended to assist jurisdictions plan projects that are eligible for the program. STA staff is available to answer questions regarding this funding program and provide feedback on potential project applications.

**Eligible Project Sponsors:** Only MPOs/RTPs may apply for this grant program . Others may apply as sub-recipients. Contact MTC for their sub-recipient process details.

**Program Description:** Funds public intermodal transportation planning studies for rural transit service (Population of 50K or less).

**Funding Available:** \$700,000 available with a grant cap of \$100,000. 11.47% non-Federal funds or in-kind local match required.

**Eligible Projects:**

- Short-range transit development plans
- Ridership surveys
- Transit coordination studies

Example:

- Western Placer County Options for Transit Service Consolidation, Placer County Transportation Planning Agency - \$13,280

**Further Details:** <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/grants.htm>

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

**Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant**

FTA 5304 Transit Professional Development

Due April 1, 2009

TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Sara Woo, Planning Assistant

This summary of the Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant for Transit Professionals Development is intended to assist jurisdictions plan projects that are eligible for the program. STA staff is available to answer questions regarding this funding program and provide feedback on potential project applications.

Eligible Project Sponsors: Only MPOs/RTPs may apply for this grant program. Others may apply as sub-recipients. Contact MTC for their sub-recipient process details.

Program Description: *Transit Professional Development*: Funds training and development of transit planning professionals and students.

Funding Available: \$150,000 available with a grant cap of \$50,000. 11.47% non-Federal funds or in-kind local match required.

Eligible Projects:

- Single or multi-agency internships for university and community college students

Example:

- Professional Development and Transit Internships, Yolo County Transportation District - \$46,478

Further Details: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/grants.html>

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY**  
**California State-legislated Safe Routes to School (SR2S)  
Program**  
**April 15, 2009**

**TO:** STA TAC  
**FROM:** Sara Woo, Planning Assistant

This summary of the SR2S Program is intended to assist jurisdictions plan projects that are eligible for the program. STA staff is available to answer questions regarding this funding program and provide feedback on potential project applications.

**Eligible Project Sponsors:** Cities and counties.

**Program Description:** The goals of the program are to reduce injuries and fatalities to school children and to encourage increased walking and bicycling among students.

The program achieves these goals by constructing facilities that enhance the safety for pedestrians and bicyclists. By enhancing the safety of the pathways, trails, sidewalks, and crossings, the likelihood of attracting and encouraging other students to walk and bike increases.

**Funding Available:** Approximately \$6-7 million will be available for FY 2008/2009 and FY 2009/2010 in the San Francisco Bay Area; local match is 10 percent.

- Eligible Projects:** Projects:
- Pedestrian facilities – new sidewalks, widening, etc.
  - Traffic Calming – roundabouts, bulb-outs, speed humps, raised crosswalks/intersections, etc.
  - Traffic Control Devices – traffic signals/signs, pavement markings
  - Bicycle Facilities – new bike paths, lanes, parking/racks/lockers
  - Public Outreach & Education – education, encouragement, and enforcement (limited to 10% of total engineering project cost)

- Examples:**
- City of Fairfield – E. Ruth Sheldon Elementary School and T.C. McDaniels School; FY 2004/2005 – \$53,100
  - City of Vacaville – 15 Elementary Schools, 3 Jr. High Schools, 3 High Schools, 1 Charter School; FY 2002/2003 – \$178,200
  - County of Solano – Benjamin Franklin Middle School; FY 2002/2003 – \$81,000

**Further Details:** <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/saferoutes/saferoutes.htm>

**Program Contact Person:** Sylvia Fung, Local Assistance Engineer (Caltrans, District 4), (510) 286-5226, [Sylvia.fung@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Sylvia.fung@dot.ca.gov)

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*Solano Transportation Authority*

**Solano Transportation Authority  
Board Meeting Highlights  
February 11, 2009  
6:00 p.m.**

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**TO:** City Councils and Board of Supervisors  
(Attn: City Clerks and County Clerk of the Board)  
**FROM:** Johanna Masclat, STA Clerk of the Board  
**RE:** Summary Actions of the February 11, 2009 STA Board Meeting

Following is a summary of the actions taken by the Solano Transportation Authority at the Board meeting of February 11, 2009. If you have any questions regarding specific items, please call me at (707) 424-6008.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jim Spering (Chair)	County of Solano
Pete Sanchez (Vice Chair)	City of Suisun City
Elizabeth Patterson	City of Benicia
Jack Batchelor	City of Dixon
Harry Price	City of Fairfield
Jan Vick	City of Rio Vista
Len Augustine	City of Vacaville
Osby Davis	City of Vallejo

**ACTION – NON FINANCIAL ITEMS**

**A. Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Proposal for Establishment of a Regional High Occupancy Vehicle and High Occupancy Toll (HOV/HOT) Lanes Network**

Recommendation:

Approve the following:

1. Support in concept a Bay Area Regional HOV/HOT Lane Network;
2. Support MTC/BATA as the lead agency for operating a Bay Area Regional HOV/HOT Network;
3. Approve Attachment F as the Solano County HOV/HOT lanes priorities;
4. Support specifying in the enabling legislation STA representation in the governance on the I-80 and I-680 corridors and Steering Committee for the Regional HOT/HOV Lanes Network; and
5. Support specifying in the enabling legislation funding derived from Bay Area Regional HOV/HOT lanes network remain in the corridor from which funds are generated.

On a motion by Vice Chair Sanchez, and a second by Board Member Patterson, the STA Board approved this item with language that would include transit in the concept.

**B. Federal Economic Stimulus Submittal for Transportation in Solano County**

Recommendation:

Adopt the Federal Economic Stimulus Solano County project lists for transportation and transit as shown on Attachment A and B.

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

**C. State Route (SR) 113 Major Investment and Corridor Study**

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to distribute the attached final draft SR 113 Major Investment and Corridor Study for public comment.

On a motion by Board Member Augustine, and a second by Board Member Batchelor, the STA Board approved the recommendation.

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

On a motion by Board Member Augustine, and a second by Board Member Batchelor, the STA Board approved Consent Calendar Items A thru G with the exception of Agenda Item VII.A, STA Board Minutes of January 14, 2009. At the request of Board Member Patterson, a correction was made to the STA Board Minutes of January 14, 2009 as noted below.

**A. STA Board Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2009**

Recommendation:

Approve STA Board Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2009 to include changes made to Agenda Item IX.A, Regional Measure 2 (RM 2) Implementation Plan. Board Member Patterson, City of Benicia, declared she had a potential conflict of interest relative to that portion of the RM 2 funding proposals and recused herself to that sub-part of the item concerning the Benicia Industrial Park.

**B. Review TAC Draft Minutes for the Meeting of January 28, 2009**

Recommendation:

Receive and file.

**C. Fiscal Year (FY) 2008-09 Second Quarter Budget Report**

Recommendation:

Review and file.

**D. 2009 Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC) Work Plan**

Recommendation:

Approve the 2009 PCC Work Plan as shown on Attachment A.

**E. STA's Marketing and Public Input Plan for 2009**

Recommendation:

Approve the STA 2009 Marketing Plan.

**F. Regional Measure 2 (RM 2) City of Vacaville Intermodal Station Resolution of Support**

Recommendation:

Approve Resolution No. 2009-02 authorizing the funding allocation for Regional Measure 2 funds from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to the City of Vacaville for the Solano County Express Bus North Intermodal Facilities – Vacaville Intermodal Station.

**G. Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Committee Membership**

Recommendation:

Appoint Board Member Davis as Chair of the Transit Committee and make other CTP Committee appointments as shown in Attachment B.

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

**A. Caltrans Report:**

None presented.

**B. MTC Report:**

Steve Heminger, MTC Executive Director, presented and reported on the following:

**1. Federal Economic Recovery Package**

He stated that the House and Senate Appropriations Committee have marked up versions of an \$825 billion economic recovery package featuring new federal spending in areas such as infrastructure as well as tax cuts geared toward stimulating the depressed U.S. economy and creating jobs. He added that given the accelerated congressional schedule for the transportation infrastructure spending elements in the package, it is anticipated that presenting a program of Bay Area projects for approval to the Programming and Allocations Committee and Commission will take place next month.

**2. Regional High Occupancy Toll (HOT) Lanes Network for the Bay Area**

Mr. Heminger presented the developing plans of implementing the HOT Lanes Network

**C. STA Reports:**

1. Federal Advocacy Trip to Washington, D.C. presented by Jayne Bauer

2. STA Status Reports:

A. Projects by Janet Adams

B. Planning by Robert Macaulay

C. Transit and Rideshare by Elizabeth Richards

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- A. SolanoExpress Mid-Year Ridership Report**
- B. Summary of SolanoExpress Public Comments for Fiscal Year (FY) 2008-09**
- C. Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) Program Fiscal Year (FY) 2008-09 Mid-Year Report**
- D. Legislative Update**
- E. State Route (SR) 12 Status Update**
- F. Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Update**
- G. Solano Napa Travel Demand Model Update**
- H. Project Delivery Update**
- I. Non-motorized (Bicycle and Pedestrian) Routine Accommodations Checklist Update**
- J. Funding Opportunities Summary**
- K. STA Board Meeting Schedule for 2009**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The STA Board meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. The next regular meeting of the STA Board is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 11, 2009, 6:00 p.m., Suisun City Hall Council Chambers.**



DATE: February 18, 2009  
TO: STA TAC  
FROM: Johanna Masiclat, Clerk of the Board  
RE: STA Board and Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule for 2009

**Background:**

Attached are the STA Board and Advisory Committee meeting schedule for calendar year 2009 that may be of interest to the STA TAC.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.

Attachment:

- A. STA Board and Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule for 2009



**STA BOARD AND ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE  
CALENDAR YEAR 2009**

DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	STATUS
Wed., January 14	4:00 p.m.	RTIF Policy Committee	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Wed., January 14	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Wed., January 28	10:00 a.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Thurs., February 5	6:30 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Tues., February 10	2:00 p.m.	Safe Routes to School (SR2S)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., February 11	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Wed., February 25	10:00 a.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Thurs., March 5	6:30 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., March 18	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting (Rescheduled from 3/11)	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Fri., March 20	12 noon	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	Fairfield Community Center	Confirmed
Thurs., March 19	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., March 25	10:00 a.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., April 8	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Tues., April 14	2:00 p.m.	Safe Routes to School (SR2S)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., April 29	10:00 a.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Thurs., May 7	6:30 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., May 13	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Thurs., May 14	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Fri., May 15	12 noon	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	JFK Library - Vallejo	Confirmed
Wed., May 27	10:00 a.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Tues., June 9	2:00 p.m.	Safe Routes to School (SR2S)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., June 10	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Wed., June 24	10:00 a.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Thurs., July 2	6:30 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Thurs., July 8	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Thurs., July 16	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Fri., July 17	12:30 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	Ulatis Community Center	Confirmed
July 29 (No Meeting)	SUMMER RECESS	Intercity Transit Consortium	N/A	N/A
		Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	N/A	N/A
August 12 (No Meeting)	SUMMER RECESS	STA Board Meeting	N/A	N/A
Tues., August 11	2:00 p.m.	Safe Routes to School (SR2S)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., August 26	10:00 a.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Thurs., September 3	6:30 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., September 9	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Thurs., September 17	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Thurs., September 18	12:30 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	Dixon Senior Center	Confirmed
Wed., September 30	10:00 a.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., October 7	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Tues., October 13	2:00 p.m.	Safe Routes to School (SR2S)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., October 28	10:00 a.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Thurs., November 5	6:30 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Wed., November 11	6:00 p.m.	STA's 11 <sup>th</sup> Annual Awards	TBD - Rio Vista	TBD
Thurs., November 19	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Fri., November 20	12:30 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Wed., November 25	10:00 a.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Confirmed
Tues., December 08	2:00 p.m.	Safe Routes to School (SR2S)	STA Conference Room	Tentative
Wed., December 09	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	Suisun City Hall	Confirmed
Wed., December 30	10:00 a.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	STA Conference Room	Tentative
	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	STA Conference Room	Tentative

**SUMMARY:**

STA Board: Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of Every Month  
 Consortium/TAC: Meets Last Wednesday of Every Month  
 PAC: Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every *Odd* Month  
 PCC: Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of every *Odd* Month

BAC: Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every *Odd* Month  
 SR2S: Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every *Even* Month