



**INTERCITY TRANSIT CONSORTIUM MEETING AGENDA**  
**1:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 19, 2017**  
**Solano Transportation Authority**  
**One Harbor Center, Suite 130**  
**Suisun City, CA 94585**

**ITEM**

**STAFF PERSON**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Nathaniel Atherstone, Chair

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**3. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

(1:30 – 1:35 p.m.)

**4. REPORTS FROM MTC, STA STAFF AND OTHER AGENCIES**

(1:35 – 1:50 p.m.)

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Recommendation: Approve the following consent items in one motion.

(1:50 – 1:55 p.m.)

**A. Minutes of the Consortium Meeting of November 28, 2017**

Johanna Masiclat

Recommendation:

Approve the Consortium Meeting Minutes of November 28, 2017.

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**6. ACTION – FINANCIAL ITEMS**

**A. Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF) Transit Working Group 6**

Robert Guerrero

Forward a recommendation to the STA TAC and Board to approve an RTIF disbursement with revenue collected through FY 2017-18 towards the SR 37/Fairgrounds Drive Express Bus Stop project.

(1:55 – 2:00 p.m.)

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**CONSORTIUM MEMBERS**

<u>Janet Koster</u>	<u>Nathan Atherstone</u>	<u>Brandon Thomson</u>	<u>Beth Kranda</u>	<u>Lori Damassa</u>	<u>Rachel Ford</u>	<u>Debbie McQuilkin</u>	<u>VACANT</u>
Dixon Readi-Ride	(Chair) Fairfield and Suisun Transit (FAST)	Rio Vista Delta Breeze	(Vice Chair) Solano County Transit (SolTrans)	Vacaville City Coach	County of Solano Dept. of Health & Social Svcs.	Solano Mobility	STA  <u>Ron Grassi</u> STA Staff

## 7. ACTION – NON FINANCIAL ITEMS

- A. STA’s 2018 Legislative Platform and Legislative Update** Jayne Bauer  
Recommendation:  
Forward a recommendation to the STA TAC and Board to approve the STA’s 2018 Legislative Platform.  
(2:00 – 2:10 p.m.)  
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## 8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – DISCUSSION

- A. SolanoExpress Implementation Update** Brandon Thomson, STA  
Nathaniel Atherstone, FAST  
Beth Kranda, SolTrans  
(2:10 – 2:20 p.m.)  
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- B. SolanoExpress Capital Improvements Update** Robert Guerrero  
(2:20 – 2:30 p.m.)  
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- C. State Route (SR) 37 Transit Alternatives** Robert Guerrero  
(2:30 – 2:40 p.m.)  
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- D. Employer Program Update** Sean Hurley  
(2:40 – 2:50 p.m.)  
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### NO DISCUSSION

- E. Solano Mobility Call Center/Transportation Info Depot Monthly Update** Amy Antunano  
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- F. Summary of Funding Opportunities** Cory Peterson  
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## 9. TRANSIT CONSORTIUM OPERATOR UPDATES AND COORDINATION ISSUES

## 10. FUTURE INTERCITY TRANSIT CONSORTIUM AGENDA ITEMS Group

### January 2018

- A. SolanoExpress Service Implementation Update
- B. Update on Transit Fare Consolidation
- C. Discussion of SolanoExpress Performance Targets and FY 2018-19 Intercity Funding Agreement
- D. Lyft Pilot Update
- E. Solano Community College Transit Pass Update
- F. Status of STAF Call for Projects

February 2018

- A. Quarterly Ridership Report for Capitol Corridor and WETA
- B. SolanoExpress Marketing Plan
- C. Solano Mobility Summit Update
- D. Solano Mobility Call Center 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

No meeting in July. The next regular meeting of the SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium is scheduled for **1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 30, 2018.**

**Meeting Schedule for the Remainder of Calendar Year 2018**

**1:30 p.m., Tues., January 30, 2018**

**1:30 p.m., Tues., February 27, 2018**

**1:30 p.m., Tues., March 27, 2018**

**1:30 p.m., Tues., April 24, 2018**

**1:30 p.m., Tues., May 29, 2018**

**1:30 p.m., Tues., June 26, 2018**

**No Meeting in July**

**1:30 p.m., Tues., August 28, 2018**

**1:30 p.m., Tues., September 25, 2018**

**No Meeting in October**

**1:30 p.m., Tues., November 27, 2018**

**1:30 p.m., Tues., December 18, 2018**

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**INTERCITY TRANSIT CONSORTIUM  
Meeting Minutes of November 28, 2017**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Atherstone called the regular meeting of the SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium to order at approximately 1:30 p.m. in the Solano Transportation Authority Conference Room.

**Members**

<b>Present:</b>	Nathaniel Atherstone, Chair	Fairfield and Suisun Transit (FAST)
	Beth Kranda, Vice Chair	Solano County Transit (SolTrans)
	Janet Koster	Dixon Redit-Ride
	Debbie McQuilkin	Rio Vista Delta Breeze
	Judy Leaks	SNCI
	Liz Niedziela	STA

**Members**

<b>Absent:</b>	Brian McLean	Vacaville City Coach
	Rachel Ford	County of Solano – Health & Social Services

**Also Present (In Alphabetical Order by Last Name):**

Anthony Adams	STA
Amy Antunano	STA
Jayne Bauer	STA
Ron Grassi	STA
Daryl Halls	STA
Sean Hurley	STA
Johanna Masiclat	STA
Jim McElroy	STA Project Manager
Lloyd Nadal	STA
Cory Peterson	STA

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

On a motion by Debbie McQuilkin, and a second by Judy Leaks, the SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium approved the agenda. (6 Ayes)

**3. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

None presented.

#### **4. REPORTS FROM MTC, STA STAFF AND OTHER AGENCIES**

Announcement:

Robert Guerrero announced that the STA is in the process of submitting the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF) Report to the Solano County Board of Supervisors. He commented that the SolanoExpress Transit Operators have been designated to provide input for the 5% off the top revenue designated for Working Group 6: Transit Facilities. He stated that staff will provide a more detailed report to the Transit Operators at their next Consortium meeting scheduled on December 19, 2017.

#### **5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

On a motion by Judy Leaks, and a second by Beth Kranda, the SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium approved Consent Calendar Item A and B. (6 Ayes)

**A. Minutes of the Consortium Meeting of September 26, 2017**

Recommendation:

Approve the Consortium Meeting Minutes of September 26, 2017.

**B. Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-18 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Matrix – Revised TDA Claim for City of Rio Vista**

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA TAC and Board to approve the December FY 2017-18 Solano TDA Matrix as shown in Attachment A that includes the revised TDA claim for the City of Rio Vista.

#### **6. ACTION NON FINANCIAL ITEMS**

**A. Solano Community College (SCC) Student Transportation Fee and Mobile Application Update**

Lloyd Nadal noted that based on a suggestion by Nathan Atherstone, FAST, STA staff is recommending that the Transit Operators and STA consider moving forward with the selected vendor to onboard the countywide mobile application separate from the SCC Pilot. He added that the cost for the mobile application is estimated at \$114,000 which includes pilot development and implementation for one year. He also commented that a potential option is to enter into a contract between STA and the three Transit Operators to hire the selected mobile application vendor and divide the cost between the four service entities or find additional funds to cover the costs and ongoing maintenance would also be divided between the four service entities based on the actual use (percentage split based on the collected revenues or boardings for the year).

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA TAC and STA Board to authorize STA's Executive Director to move forward with seeking options for financial support and onboarding the turnkey countywide mobile application separate of the SCC Transit Pilot Program.

On a motion by Beth Kranda, and a second by Janet Koster, the SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium unanimously approved the recommendation. (6 Ayes)

**B. Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) Application for Regional Transit Improvements**

Anthony Adams reported on STA’s proposed projects for TIRCP funding. He presented the concept of applying for SolanoExpress Electrification, Capital, and Operational Improvement Plan and the Fairfield/Vacaville (FF/VV) Train Station, Amenities, and Access Improvements. He noted that STA staff received approval from both committees to move forward with exploring the possibility of applying for both of these opportunities. STA met with Solano County Transit (SolTrans), Fairfield and Suisun Transit (FAST), and Fairfield staff over the proceeding weeks and formulated a plan of what would be included in each application, what information would need to be obtained, and how much each application would request.

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA TAC and Board to authorize STA to apply for a TIRCP application for Solano Regional Transit Improvements for an amount not to exceed \$30M.

On a motion by Beth Kranda, and a second by Liz Niedziela, the SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium unanimously approved the recommendation. (6 Ayes)

**7. ACTION FINANCIAL ITEMS**

**A. STA’s Draft 2018 Legislative Platform and Legislative Update**

Jayne Bauer noted that to help ensure the STA’s transportation policies and priorities are consensus-based, the STA’s Legislative Platform is first developed in draft form by staff with input from the STA’s state (Shaw/Yoder/Antwih, Inc.) and federal (Akin Gump) legislative consultants. She added that STA staff will forward the Draft 2018 Legislative Platform with TAC and Consortium feedback to the STA Board in December, with a recommendation to distribute the draft document for review and public comment. She concluded by stating that the Final 2018 Legislative Platform will be placed on the December 2018 agenda of the TAC and Consortium, and forwarded to the STA Board for consideration of adoption at their January 2018 meeting.

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA TAC and Board to release the STA’s Final 2018 Legislative Platform for review and comment.

On a motion by Debbie McQuilkin , and a second by Janet Koster, the SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium unanimously approved the recommendation. (6 Ayes)

**B. Solano Intercity Paratransit/Taxi Scrip Program – Phase II, Update**

Ron Grassi provided a status update in the development of Intercity Paratransit/Taxi Scrip Program Phase II, Delivery Model that includes developing a Debit Purchasing card that can be utilized for the Intercity Taxi Scrip Program. He explained that STA staff’s preferred option is the transportation debit purchasing card system because it allows the consumer greater accessibility and freedom. He noted that Nelson/Nygaard will be assisting staff to identify potential vendors and determine the cost of both Taxicards and a transportation debit purchasing card system. He also noted that staff will keep the Consortium, TAC, and Board updated on the progress and recommended changes to the Taxi Scrip Program as this moves forward with implementing Phase II of the Taxi Scrip Program.

Based on input, the Consortium requested to modify the recommendation noted below shown in ***bold italics***.

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA TAC and Board to approve the development of Intercity Paratransit/Taxi Scrip Program – Phase II, Delivery Model that includes the following;

1. Develop a Debit Purchasing card that can be utilized for the Intercity Taxi Scrip Program ***and additionally explore other future fare media options.***
2. Amend the Intercity Taxi Scrip Service to include contract for non-ambulatory service; and
3. Amend the Intercity Taxi Scrip Contracts to eliminate Taxi Scrip Vouchers and use a Debit Purchasing card.

On a motion by Chair Atherstone, and a second by Liz Niedziela, the SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium unanimously approved the recommendation as amended shown above in ***bold italics***. (6 Ayes)

**C. First/Last Mile Pilot - Suisun Amtrak Station/Solano Business Park/Green Valley**

Lloyd Nadal reported that as of November 2017, Partnership Health, Northbay Health and SCHSS have a combined thirteen employees registered for the pilot. Between May 1<sup>st</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup> (5 months), there have been 139 trips taken. The total subsidized cost for these trips was \$1,114.06 (Attachment A). He outlined staff's recommendation to continue the pilot to June 30, 2018 and expand the service area to include more employers.

After discussion, the Consortium requested to modify the recommendation as noted below in ***bold italics***.

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA TAC and Board to:

1. Extend the First/Last Mile Pilot between Suisun Amtrak Station to Solano Business Park/Green Valley until June 30, 2018; and
2. Expand the pilot to the eligible employers from the initial six employers to the businesses located within the Solano Business Park; and
3. ***Expand the Lyft Pilot to the employers within the Benicia Industrial Park whose employees use the Benicia Bus Hub and employers in the VacaValley area (i.e. Genentech, Kaiser Permanente, State Fund) whose employees use the new Fairfield-Vacaville Train Station.***

On a motion by Chair Atherstone, and a second by Brenda Kranda, the SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium unanimously approved the recommendation. (6 Ayes)

**8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – DISCUSSION**

**A. Lifeline Transportation Program (LTP) Cycle 5**

Liz Niedziela reported that for the LTP Cycle 5, MTC staff is proposing minimal changes to the program guidelines, and that overall, the program goals, administration, local match, and performance measures stay the same. She noted that the LTP Cycle 5 will cover 2 Fiscal Years, (FY) 2016-17 and 2017-18, and that a total of approximately \$20 million will be available in this cycle, which is made up of \$14 million in State Transit Assistance Funds



(STAF), and \$6.5 million in FTA (Federal Transit Administration) Section 5307 funds. For Solano County, over \$1,028,957 will be available in STAF and \$640,046 in Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) 5307 funding.

**B. Update of Solano Mobility Summits**

Debbie McQuilkin reported that to date, there have been four (4) mini-summits held. One each in Rio Vista, Suisun City, Benicia and Dixon. Transit operators from each city have provided complimentary rides to any resident requesting it. She provided a brief summary of the top three cities with the highest priority challenges (Dixon, Rio Vista, and Suisun City).

**C. Solano Mobility Travel Training Year-End Report for FY 2016-17**

Debbie McQuilkin provided a year-end report for the Solano Mobility Travel Training for FY 2016-17.

**D. Solano Mobility Call Center/Transportation Info Depot Monthly Update**

Amy Antunano provided a monthly update to the Solano Mobility Call Center and Transportation Info Depot for the month of October. She cited that for the month of October 2017, the Solano Mobility Call Center assisted 663 customers, of which 199 were ADA/Mobility related. The Call Center also assisted 430 walk in customers, processed nine (9) Regional Transit Connection (RTC) applications, and sold 18 Clipper cards.

**NO DISCUSSION**

**E. Summary of Funding Opportunities**

**9. TRANSIT CONSORTIUM OPERATOR UPDATES AND COORDINATION ISSUES** Group

**10. FUTURE INTERCITY TRANSIT CONSORTIUM AGENDA ITEMS** Group

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Solano Express Intercity Transit Consortium is scheduled for **1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 19, 2017.**

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DATE: December 12, 2017  
TO: SolanoExpress Transit Consortium  
FROM: Robert Guerrero, Project Manager  
Re: Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF) Transit Working Group 6

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**Background:**

The STA and the County of Solano coordinates on the collection and management of the Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF), a transportation component of the County’s Public Facilities Fee (PFF). The County Board of Supervisors added a \$1,500 per dwelling unit equivalent dedicated to the RTIF program as part of the PFF at on December 3, 2013. The RTIF collection formally began on February 3, 2014 with \$4.4 million collected as of the 4th Quarter of Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-17.

Seven RTIF Working Groups were created to administer the RTIF funds for transportation projects that address development growth. Five of the seven RTIF Working Groups are geographically situated with the City of Fairfield and the County of Solano located in multiple Working Groups. Attachment A illustrates the five RTIF Working Group boundaries. The remaining two working groups were created separately with a 10% off the top revenue dedication (5% each) for both the unincorporated County area and transit related projects.

**Discussion:**

The RTIF Working Groups meet at least once annually to provide a status update on the program and the selected project. The SolanoExpress Transit Operators have been designated to provide input for the 5% off the top revenue designated for Working Group 6: Transit Facilities. Previously, Working Group 6 selected the SR 37/Fairgrounds Drive SolanoExpress Bus Stop project as the priority for future RTIF revenues to match Working Group 3’s revenue commitment for the same project. This action was recommended because the previous project, the Bencia Bus Hub, is completed and the RTIF revenue commitment is nearly complete. STA staff will work directly with the City of Benicia to fulfill the RTIF financial obligation.

At this time, STA staff is seeking recommendation from Working Group 6 for the STA Board to disburse any additional revenue through the FY 2017-18 for the SR 37/Fairgrounds Drive Project. STA staff estimates approximately \$40,000 will be available after accounting for Benicia Bus Hub’s RTIF payments.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Any RTIF disbursement with revenue collected through FY 2017-18 will be made available towards the SR 37/Fairgrounds Drive Express Bus Stop project. This disbursement is estimated to be \$40,000 and takes into account existing RTIF commitments for the Benicia Bus Hub Project estimated at \$15,000.

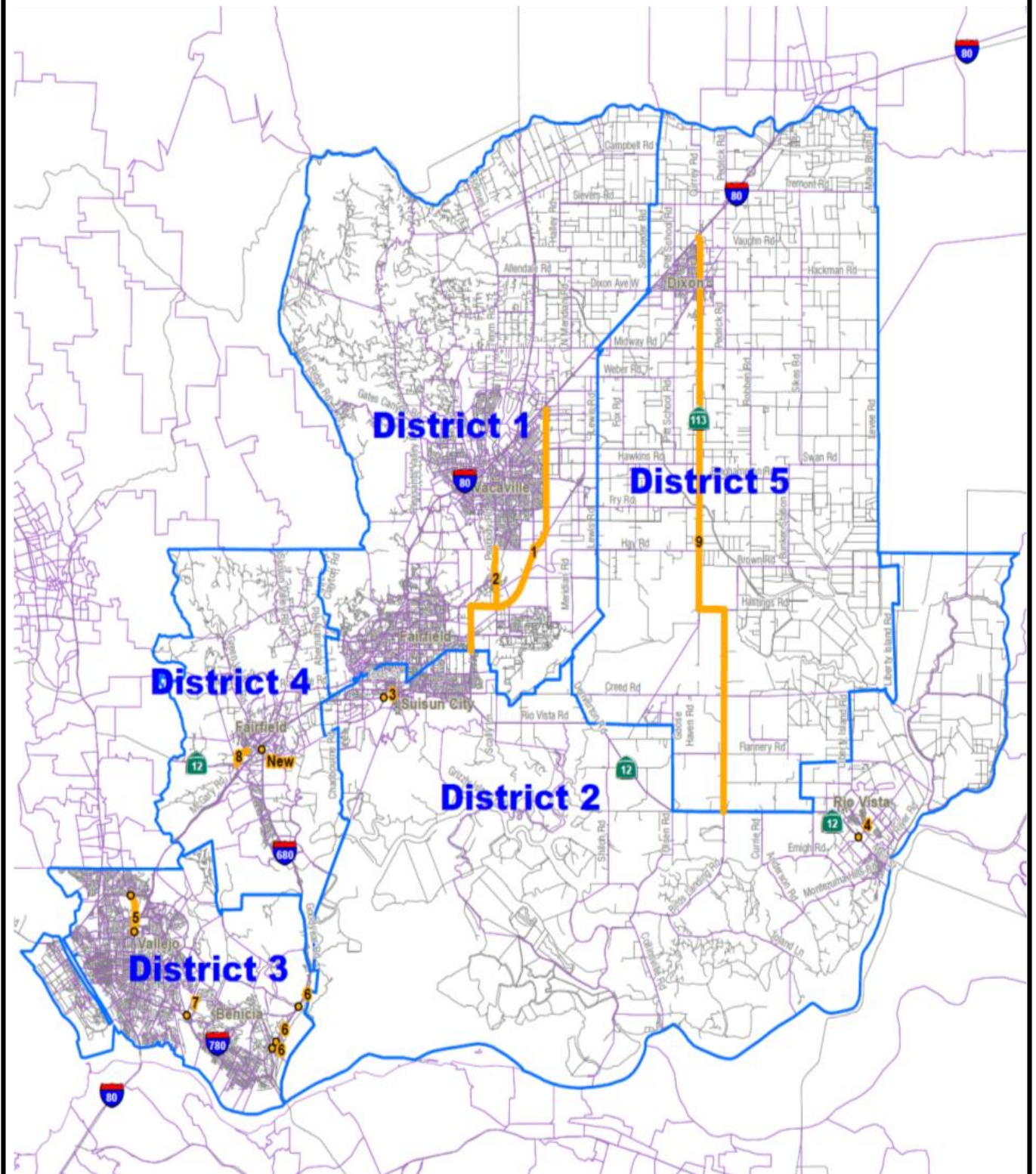
**Recommendation:**

Forward a recommendation to the STA TAC and Board to approve an RTIF disbursement with revenue collected through FY 2017-18 towards the SR 37/Fairgrounds Drive Express Bus Stop project.

Attachment:

- A. Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF) Working Group Boundaries

# Regional Transportation Impact Fee Working Group Districts



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DATE: December 14, 2017  
TO: SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium  
FROM: Jayne Bauer, Marketing and Legislative Program Manager  
RE: STA's 2018 Legislative Platform and Legislative Update

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**Background:**

Each year, STA staff monitors state and federal legislation that pertains to transportation and related issues. On February 8, 2017, the STA Board approved its 2017 Legislative Platform to provide policy guidance on transportation legislation and the STA's legislative activities during 2017.

Monthly legislative updates are provided by STA's State and Federal lobbyists and are attached for your information (Attachments A and B). An updated Legislative Bill Matrix listing state bills of interest is available at <http://tiny.cc/staleg>.

**Discussion:**

To help ensure the STA's transportation policies and priorities are consensus-based, the STA's Legislative Platform is first developed in draft form by staff with input from the STA's state (Shaw/Yoder/Antwih, Inc.) and federal (Akin Gump) legislative consultants.

The draft was distributed to STA member agencies and members of our federal and state legislative delegations for review and comment prior to adoption by the STA Board. This item was presented to the SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium on November 28, 2017, and to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on November 29, 2017. Both Committees unanimously passed the staff recommendation (to distribute the draft document for review and public comment) on to the STA Board. The STA Board released the platform for review at their meeting on December 13.

The Final Draft 2018 Legislative Platform is being presented to the Consortium and TAC, with a request to forward it to the STA Board for adoption at their meeting on January 10, 2018. The platform document is the same as presented at the November TAC and Consortium meetings. Staff will provide updated comments at the meeting.

**State Legislative Update (Shaw/Yoder/Antwih, Inc.):**

The 2016-17 state legislative session has adjourned. The 2018 Regular Session reconvenes on January 3, 2018.

**State Transportation Funding**

Updates on the following are detailed in Attachment A:

- SB 1 ("Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017" state transportation funding package) program funding update
- SB 1 repeal update
- Cap and Trade update



The following lists STA-supported bill status to date:

[AB 28 \(Frazier\) - Department of Transportation: environmental review process: federal pilot program.](#)

This bill would re-enact, until January 1, 2020, the California Department of Transportation's (Caltrans') authority to waive its 11th Amendment right to sovereign immunity from lawsuits brought in federal court thereby allowing Caltrans to continue assuming the role of the United States Department of Transportation (U.S. DOT) for National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) decision making. STA Position: Support 2/8/17. *Chaptered on March 29<sup>th</sup>.*

[AB 1113 \(Bloom\) – State Transit Assistance Program Formula Clarification](#)

This bill amends the statutes governing the State Transit Assistance (STA) program to clarify several ambiguities in law that led to administrative changes made in 2016 by the State Controller's Office. STA Position: Support 5/10/17. *Chaptered on July 21<sup>st</sup>.*

[AB 1324 \(Gloria\) – Local Sales Taxes for Transportation](#)

This bill would authorize a Metropolitan Planning Organization or Regional Transportation Planning Agency authorized to levy a sales tax to levy that tax in only a portion of the jurisdiction, as an alternative to the entire jurisdiction, in which the organization or agency has authority if approved by the required percentage of the voters in that portion of the jurisdiction. The bill would require the revenues derived from the sales tax to be used only within the area for which the tax was approved by the voters. AB 1324 would benefit counties that have transportation needs that differ between rural and suburban areas, and that have difficulty obtaining the required 2/3 voter support countywide for local transportation sales tax measures. STA Position: Support 5/10/17. *Failed deadline, may be acted upon in January 2018.*

[ACA 4 \(Aguiar-Curry\) - Local government financing: affordable housing and public infrastructure: voter approval.](#)

This measure would lower the voter threshold to 55% for special taxes for purposes of funding the construction, rehabilitation or replacement of public infrastructure or affordable housing, which specifically includes improvements to transit and streets & highways, as well as protection from impacts of sea-level rise. This measure would also reduce the threshold to 55% for local governments to increase property taxes to cover bonded indebtedness to fund similar project types. STA Position: Support 4/12/17. *Referred to Comm. on Local Government & Appropriations April 24<sup>th</sup>.*

[ACA 5 \(Frazier and Newman\) – Protection of Transportation Revenues](#)

Assembly Member Frazier introduced Assembly Constitutional Amendment (ACA) 5 to dedicate for transportation purposes all vehicle fee and gasoline/ diesel tax revenues raised by SB 1. STA Position: Support 5/10/17. *ACA 5 has been chaptered and will be on the June 2018 statewide ballot.*

[SB 1 \(Beall\) - Transportation funding.](#)

Comprehensive \$52.4 billion transportation funding bill. STA Position: Support 12/14/16. *Chaptered.*

[SB 595 \(Beall\) – Regional Measure 3](#)

This bill is for Regional Measure 3 and would authorize the nine counties in the Bay Area to vote on an unspecified increase in tolls on the Bay Area's bridges to be used for transportation projects throughout the region. Bay Area leaders in both houses are working on the legislation, which could take shape in the coming weeks. STA Position: Support letter 7/13/17. *Chaptered on October 10, 2017.*



SCA 6 (Wiener) – Lower Vote Threshold for Local Transportation Taxes

The California Constitution subjects the imposition of a special tax by a city, county, or special district upon the approval of two-thirds of the voters. This measure would lower that threshold to 55 percent of voters for taxes for transportation purposes. STA Position: Support 4/12/17. *Held in Appropriations Committee and under submission May 25<sup>th</sup>*.

STA's state legislative advocates (Shaw/Yoder/Antwih, Inc.) will work with STA staff to schedule project briefings in early 2018 with each of Solano's state legislators and their staff (as well as key state agency staff) to provide the current status of STA priority projects and discuss future funding. Top STA priorities are to protect the funding implemented by Senate Bill (SB) 1 (the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017), and to support the enactment of Senate Bill (SB) 595 (the Regional Measure 3 Bay Area bridge toll extension). Josh Shaw and Matt Robinson will present a legislative update at the January 10<sup>th</sup> Board meeting, which is the scheduled release date for the Governor's statewide budget.

Federal Legislative Update (Akin Gump):

STA's federal legislative advocate (Susan Lent of Akin Gump) continues to work with STA staff to craft STA's strategic objectives to align with those of the new administration. Updates on the following are detailed in Attachment B:

- FY 2018 Appropriations
- Federal Tax Reform
- Infrastructure Legislation still forthcoming
- Surface Transportation System Funding Alternatives (STSFA)
- Regulatory Reform Task Forces
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Reform

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA TAC and Board to approve the STA's 2018 Legislative Platform.

Attachments:

- A. State Legislative Update
- B. Federal Legislative Update
- C. STA's Draft 2018 Legislative Platform

December 1, 2017

TO: Board of Directors, Solano Transportation Authority

FM: Joshua W. Shaw, Partner  
Matt Robinson, Legislative Advocate

RE: STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – December 2017

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***Legislative Update***

The Legislature will reconvene the 2017-2018 Legislative Session on January 3. The 2017-2018 Legislative Session will end August 31, 2018. Legislators have until February 16 to introduce new bills for consideration in 2018.

***SB 1 Programs Underway***

For the past several months, numerous state agencies, including CalSTA, Caltrans, and the CTC, have been working vigorously to develop guidelines and issue the call for projects for several programs funded by SB 1 (Beall and Frazier). Below is the most up to date information on the status of each program.

*Trade Corridors Enhancement Program* – Final guidelines were adopted on October 18, 2017. Applications or project lists must be submitted to the CTC by January 30, 2018.

*Solutions for Congested Corridors Program* – Draft guidelines for the Program were approved by the CTC on October 18 and will be finalized by the Commission on December 6. Project applications will be due by February 16, 2018. The first Program cycle will stretch across four years and the CTC will award \$1 billion in projects.

*State-Local Partnership Program* – Applications for the Formula Program share are due on December 15. Applications for the Competitive Program are due on January 30, 2018.

*Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program* – Final guidelines were released for this competitive statewide Program on October 13 and the Call for Projects has been announced. Project applications are due to Caltrans by January 12, 2018. This Program cycle will stretch across five years and CalSTA is poised to award approximately \$2.4 billion in projects.

*State Rail Assistance Program* – Guidelines for this Program were released on October 13. Allocation requests are due to CalSTA by December 15. This Program provides approximately \$2.5 to \$4.1 million annually over the next three years to Caltrain.

### ***SB 1 Repeal***

As we have reported in the past, a meaningful threat to the SB 1 revenues has arisen, with the filing of a new referendum initiative on September 14. The initiative would require statewide voter approval of any increase or extension of gasoline or diesel fuel taxes after January 1, 2017. The initiative is now being led by John Cox, a wealthy Republican businessman and candidate for Governor. The initiative is also supported by several of California's Congressional Republicans. To qualify the initiative for the ballot, the proponents will need to gather approximately 587,000 signatures.

On November 20, California's Attorney General released the title and summary for the repeal initiative. The title and summary retains the language of the title and summary drafted for the repeal initiative led by Assembly Member Travis Allen (R-Huntington Beach), and adds verbiage specifying that the initiative "Requires Any Measure to Enact Certain Vehicle Fuel Taxes and Vehicle Fees Be Submitted to and Approved by the Electorate." The Los Angeles Times has since reported that, with the title and summary in hand, supporters of the initiative will begin to collect signatures immediately. This signature gathering effort is supported by two committees, which have collectively raised \$675,000, including \$250,000 from John Cox, \$100,000 from House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-Bakersfield), and \$50,000 from other Republican members of Congress. According to the L.A. Times story, the funding will pay for a \$500,000 public awareness campaign on television, radio and print intended to persuade voters to sign petitions, as well as an email blast of petitions to the nearly 300,000 voters who have already said they intend to sign. These developments signal that the campaign to repeal SB 1 is now underway. It remains unclear if opponents will raise the necessary funds to qualify the measure for the ballot, and we are monitoring the situation closely.

### ***Cap and Trade***

The November 2017 auction for Cap and Trade allowances reached record-high sales. In the most recent auction, every permit offered by the state was sold, and prices reached their highest-level in the program's history. By our estimates, the November 2017 auction generated approximately \$862.4 million in auction proceeds, which will be invested in, among other things, the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program, the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program, and the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program. The August auction generated approximately \$642.8 million.

### ***Bills of Interest***

#### **SCA 6 (Wiener) – Lower Vote Threshold for Local Transportation Taxes (2-Year Bill)**

The California Constitution subjects the imposition of a special tax by a city, county, or special district upon the approval of two-thirds of the voters. This measure would lower that threshold to 55 percent of voters for taxes for transportation purposes. ***The STA Board SUPPORTS this bill (Board Action: 4/12/17).***

#### **AB 1121 (Chiu) – WETA Board (2-Year Bill)**

Existing law establishes the San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority, composed of 3 members appointed by the Governor, one member appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules, and one member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly. This bill would increase the membership of the authority to 9 members, with 5 members to be appointed by the Governor, 2 members appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules, and 2 members appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.

**AB 1324 (Gloria) – Local Sales Taxes for Transportation (2-Year Bill)**

This bill would authorize a metropolitan planning organization or regional transportation planning agency authorized to levy a sales tax to levy that tax in only a portion of the jurisdiction, as an alternative to the entire jurisdiction, in which the organization or agency has authority if approved by the required percentage of the voters in that portion of the jurisdiction. The bill would require the revenues derived from the sales tax to be used only within the area for which the tax was approved by the voters. *The STA Board SUPPORTS this bill (Board Action: 5/10/17).*

**ACA 4 (Aguilar-Curry) – Lower Vote Threshold for Local Infrastructure Taxes**

The California Constitution subjects the imposition of a special tax by a city, county, or special district upon the approval of two-thirds of the voters. This measure would lower that threshold to 55 percent of voters for taxes for purposes of funding the construction, rehabilitation or replacement of public infrastructure or affordable housing, which specifically includes improvements to transit and streets & highways, as well as protection from impacts of sea-level rise. This measure would also reduce the threshold to 55 percent for local governments to increase property taxes to cover bonded indebtedness to fund similar project-types. *The STA Board SUPPORTS this bill (Board Action: 4/12/17).*

## M E M O R A N D U M

November 30, 2017

**To:** Solano Transportation Authority  
**From:** Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP  
**Re:** October/November Report

We assisted STA with developing its platform for 2018 and monitored developments in Congress and at the Department of Transportation. We also provided information regarding the next round of funding for Federal Land Access Program grants.

**Fiscal Year 2018 Appropriations**

The current continuing resolution that funds the federal government expires on December 8. Congress is expected to pass another short-term extension until sometime in January. Congress is working on an agreement that would lift the spending caps imposed under the Budget Control Act of 2011 (PL 112-25) to avoid sequestration as part of a comprehensive agreement on fiscal year 2018 funding. Republicans want to increase defense spending and reduce spending on domestic programs to offset the defense spending increases. Democrats want to spend equally on defense and non-defense programs. Negotiations are complicated by the need to lift the debt ceiling and appropriate supplemental spending for disaster recovery. Some Democrats have threatened to force a government shutdown unless an agreement can be reached on the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) issue. It is not certain that Democrats will take the risk of having popular opinion turn against them by attaching DACA to a final spending bill.

**Tax Reform**

The Senate appears on track to pass tax reform legislation this week. The House passed its bill before the Thanksgiving recess. Some concerns with the bills are that the Senate bill would eliminate the deduction for state and local taxes. The House bill would allow property taxes up to \$10,000 per year to be deducted. Also the House bill would eliminate Private Activity Bonds, which often are used to fund infrastructure projects where the private sector plays a role, and the House and Senate bills would preclude governmental entities from issuing tax exempt advance refunding bonds. The House bill also would eliminate the deductibility of employer-provided transit and parking benefits. Various trade groups are advocating for Congress to resolve these issues in the final Senate bill or in conference. Republican leadership rejected the idea of identifying funding for infrastructure as part of tax reform efforts.

There appears to be momentum among Republicans and the President to reconcile differences between the House and Senate bills quickly and pass legislation that the President will sign into law before Christmas.

## **Infrastructure**

The status of President Trump's infrastructure proposal is not clear. The Administration has developed a 70 page proposal that focuses on environmental streamlining, provides funds to rural areas and would incentivize states and local government to raise revenues for projects or enter into public private partnerships. The Administration has said that it will reward project sponsors that contribute a greater non-federal share, but has acknowledged that not all states and localities have the ability to raise revenues. The Administration has said that it will allow state and local governments to decide on the types of infrastructure they want to fund. White House Staff, including Gary Cohn, President Trump's top economic adviser, have indicated that the Administration may support an increase in the gas tax to fund the investment, but the Administration has not engaged in the kind of vigorous campaign to win public support and persuade Congress to raise the gas tax.

Congressional Committees continue to lay the ground work for considering an infrastructure bill. The Environment and Public Works Committee is drafting its own bipartisan proposal. The House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee held a series of hearings on infrastructure, including surface transportation, rail and water resources and transport. During an October 11 stakeholders' hearing before the Highways and Transit Subcommittee, witnesses representing the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, Sound Transit, the Transportation Construction Coalition, North America's Building Trades Unions, and the National Association of Manufacturers endorsed a gas tax increase in order to stabilize the trust fund and spoke in support of streamlining permitting.

## **Surface Transportation System Funding Alternatives (STSFA)**

California will participate in a pilot program to test Surface Transportation System Funding Alternatives (STSFA). The State was awarded \$1.75 million to explore mechanisms to collect revenue at pay-at-the-pump charging stations. The grant is part of \$15.5 million distributed by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to six states that are exploring new ways to fund highway and bridge projects. The seven projects will investigate and evaluate user-based approaches to raising revenue, including on-board vehicle technologies to charge drivers based on miles traveled and multi-state or regional approaches to road user charges. The projects will address common challenges such as security and reliability of VMT technologies, public acceptance, privacy protection, equity and geographic diversity.

## **Regulatory Reform Task Forces**

Acting DOT General Counsel James Owens testified at an October 24 hearing before the House Oversight and Regulatory Reform Committee that DOT had made progress toward reducing the cost of regulations as a result of the Trump Executive Orders ordering regulatory repeal and the formation of Regulatory Reform Task Forces. Owens reported that DOT rules issued in fiscal year 2016, under the Obama Administration, imposed an estimated \$3.2 billion in annualized costs on the public, while rules issued under the Trump Administration in fiscal year 2017 resulted in \$21.9 million in annualized cost savings. Owens anticipated additional savings to result from new procedures to thoroughly vet any new rulemaking proposal and efforts within DOT that identified at least 80 deregulatory actions. He stated that a call for public comment in June resulted in an additional 200 comments that are also under evaluation. Owens testified that DOT will continue to focus on streamlining the permitting process for infrastructure projects and encourage technological innovation and that the next steps will include a review of DOT's regulatory guidance documents.

## **National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Reform**

Convening a November 29 oversight hearing before the House Natural Resources Committee, Chair Rob Bishop (R-UT) advocated for reforming NEPA, expressing concerns that the law has become a tool for excessive litigation that blocks or impedes economic or energy-related activity. Wyoming County Commissioners Association Member James Willox, Common Good Chairman Philip Howard, Longview/Kelso Building Trades and Construction Council Mike Bridges testified that the law had been perverted to causes needless delay that did not contribute to protecting the environment. Dinah Bear, former White House General Counsel, recommended that Congress direct resources to ensuring that agencies have adequate trained, competent staff to implement and expedite the NEPA process.



**Solano Transportation Authority**  
**DRAFT 2018 Legislative Platform**  
*For Review and Adoption by STA Board January 10, 2018*

**PROJECTS AND FUNDING PRIORITIES**

**Pursue (and seek funding for) the following priority projects:**

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**Roadway/Highway:**

**I-80 Corridor Freight Mobility Improvements**

- I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange Packages II & III
- I-80 Express Lanes – Vacaville Segment (Airbase Parkway to I-505)
- I-80 Westbound Truck Scales
- SR 37 Corridor/Mare Island Interchange

**Access to Federal Facility (Travis Air Force Base)**

- Jepson Parkway and North Gate Entrance

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**Transit Centers:**

**Tier 1:**

- Fairfield-Vacaville Train Station, Phase 2 (building/solar panels/electric vehicle charging stations)
- Vallejo Transit Center (Downtown) Parking Structure Phase B

**Tier 2:**

- Fairfield Transportation Center Expansion
- Parkway Blvd. Overcrossing / Dixon Intermodal Station
- SolTrans Curtola Park & Ride Hub, Parking Structure Phase 1B SolTrans Curtola Park & Ride Hub, Phase 1B Parking Structure

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**Programs:**

- Active Transportation (bike, ped, SR2S, PDA, PCA)
  - Climate Change/Alternative Fuels
  - Freight/Goods Movement
  - Mobility Management
  - Safe Routes to School
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## LEGISLATIVE OBJECTIVES

1. Support efforts to protect and ensure efficient, effective implementation of the various SB 1 transportation funding programs.
2. Support the enactment of increased bridge tolls through Regional Measure 3 that benefit Solano County. Ensure that any new bridge tolls are dedicated to improve operations and mobility in Solano County. (Specifically: I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange, I-80 Westbound Truck Scales, SR 37/Mare Island Interchange, I-80 Express Lanes, Intercity bus facilities, additional operating funds for SolanoExpress, and additional operating funds and capital improvements for the Vallejo segment of the SF Bay Ferry operated by WETA).
3. Seek grant funding through SB 1 competitive programs for:
  - I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange (Phases 2a, 2b and 3) and I-80 Westbound Truck Scales (Trade Corridors Enhancement)
  - I-80 Express Lanes (Solutions for Congested Corridors).
4. Seek grant funding through Cap and Trade competitive Transit and Intercity Rail Capitol Program (TIRCP) for:
  - Fairfield-Vacaville Train Station (station building, solar panels and charging stations; and
  - SolanoExpress Electrification, Capital and Operation Improvements
5. Support efforts by the SR 37 Policy Committee (County Transportation Authorities of Marin, Napa, Solano and Sonoma Counties) to develop an expedited funding, financing and project implementation strategy for the reconstruction of SR 37 and provide flood protection to withstand rising seas and storm surges, while improving mobility and safety along the route.
6. Oppose efforts to reduce or divert funding from transportation projects.
7. Support initiatives to pursue the 55% voter threshold for local transportation infrastructure measures.
8. Monitor/support/seek/sponsor, as appropriate, legislative proposals in support of initiatives that increase funding for transportation infrastructure, operations and maintenance in Solano County.
9. Monitor and participate in the implementation of state climate change legislation. This includes Executive Order S-3-05 and subsequent Executive Orders, SB 375 (the California Global Warming Solutions Act), and agency regulations such as the California Air Resources Board (CARB) greenhouse gas reduction target setting. Continue to participate in the development and implementation of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), known as Plan Bay Area, including on-going funding of investment in Priority Development Areas (PDAs) and Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs).
10. Support implementation of the Capitol Corridor Strategic Plan and State Rail Plan, including:
  - Identify Solano County as a regional rail hub
  - Support designation of an Amtrak rail station in Solano County
11. Support efforts to protect and preserve funding in the Public Transportation Account (PTA).

12. Support efforts to ensure Solano receives fair share of federal transportation funding from state.
13. Support implementation of national, state and regional freight plans that include construction of the I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange, I-80 Westbound Truck Scales and SR 12/Church Road improvements, and Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) deployment.
14. Monitor implementation of the National Freight Program and the Nationally Significant Freight and Highway Projects Program to ensure that funds are distributed to projects that are the most critical to the safe movement of freight.
15. Support laws and policies that expedite project delivery.
16. Support establishment and operation of regional Express Lanes network that includes I-80 in Solano County and connects the Bay Area region to Sacramento.
17. Support “fix it first” efforts that prioritize a large portion of our scarce federal and state resources on maintaining, rehabilitating and operating Solano County’s aging transportation infrastructure over expansion.
18. Advocate for continued Solano County representation on the WETA Board. Concurrently seek sponsorship for and support legislation specifying that Solano County will have a statutorily-designated representative on the WETA Board.
19. Support legislation that encourages public private partnerships and provides low cost financing for transportation projects.
20. To create consistency in the application of Federal regulations (i.e. ADA), advocate for the establishment of a Federal definition establishing the threshold between maintenance and improvement in paving as “more than one-inch”. This would mirror the threshold used in the State of California Streets for roads.

## LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM

### I. Active Transportation/Land Use

1. Promote, implement and expand active transportation and land use planning, facilities and programs (such as Safe Routes to School) to support pedestrian, bicycle and multimodal use in Solano County.
2. Support legislation that provides adequate, dedicated funding for the development of affordable housing and housing in Transit Oriented Development (TOD) locations such as PDAs.
3. Support legislation and regional policy that provide qualified Commuter Carpools and Vanpools with reduced tolls on toll facilities as an incentive to encourage and promote ridesharing.
4. Promote innovative programs to fill commuter first/last mile gaps.
5. Support legislation that increases employers' opportunities to offer commuter incentives.
6. Support legislative and regulatory efforts to ensure that projects from Solano County cities are eligible for federal, state and regional funding of TOD projects. Ensure that development and transit standards for TOD projects can be reasonably met by suburban communities.

### II. Climate Change/Air Quality

1. Monitor implementation of federal attainment plans for pollutants in the Bay Area and Sacramento air basins, including ozone and particulate matter attainment plans. Work with MTC and SACOG to ensure consistent review of projects in the two air basins.
2. Monitor and participate in the implementation of state climate change legislation. This includes Executive Order S-3-05 and subsequent Executive Orders, SB 375 (the California Global Warming Solutions Act), and agency regulations such as the California Air Resources Board (CARB) greenhouse gas reduction target setting. Continue to participate in the development and implementation of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), known as Plan Bay Area, including on-going funding of investment in Priority Development Areas (PDAs) and Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs). (*Objective #9*)
3. Support legislation, which ensures that any fees imposed to reduce vehicle miles traveled, or to control mobile source emissions, are used to support transportation programs that provide congestion relief or benefit air quality.
4. Support legislation providing infrastructure for low, ultra-low and zero emission vehicles.
5. Support policies that improve and streamline the environmental review process, including the establishment and use of mitigation banks.

6. Support legislation that allows for air emission standards appropriate for infill development linked to transit centers and/or in designated Priority Development Areas. Allow standards that tolerate higher levels of air pollutants in exchange for allowing development supported by transit that reduces greenhouse gas emissions.
7. Monitor energy policies and alternative fuel legislation or regulation that may affect fleet vehicle requirements for mandated use of alternative fuels.
8. Support legislation to provide funding for innovative, intelligent/advanced transportation and air quality programs, which relieve congestion, improve air quality and enhance economic development.
9. Support legislation to finance cost effective conversion of public transit fleets to alternative fuels and/or to retrofit existing fleets with latest emission technologies.
10. Support income tax benefits or incentives that encourage use of alternative fuel vehicles, vanpools and public transit without reducing existing transportation or air quality funding levels.
11. Support federal climate change legislation that provides funding from, and any revenue generated by, emission dis-incentives or fuel tax increases (e.g. cap and trade programs) to local transportation agencies for transportation purposes.

### **III. Employee Relations**

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

### **IV. Environmental**

1. Monitor legislation and regulatory proposals related to management of the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta, including those that would impact existing and proposed transportation facilities such as State Route 12 and State Route 113.
2. Seek funding for vulnerability assessment, adaptation and projects implementation for sea-level rise, flood protection and climate change in relation to existing and proposed transportation facilities in Solano County, including State Route 37. (*Objective #5*)
3. Monitor proposals to designate new species as threatened or endangered under either the federal or state Endangered Species Acts. Monitor proposals to designate new "critical habitat" in areas that will impact existing and proposed transportation facilities.

4. Monitor the establishment of environmental impact mitigation banks to ensure that they do not restrict reasonably-foreseeable transportation improvements.
5. Monitor legislation and regulations that would impose requirements on highway construction to contain stormwater runoff.
6. Advocate for regulations that increase safety pertaining to the transport of volatile and hazardous materials.
7. Monitor implementation of the environmental streamlining provisions in FAST Act.
8. Support provisions in the FAST Act that further streamline the environmental review and permitting process.
9. Advocate for further streamlining of project delivery requirements to allow projects to advance quicker and more cost-effectively. (*Objective #15*)

## **V. Water Transport**

1. Protect existing sources of operating and capital support for San Francisco Bay Ferry service operated by WETA (including the Bridge Tolls-Northern Bridge Group “1st and 2nd dollar” revenues) which do not jeopardize transit operating funds for FAST, SolTrans, and SolanoExpress intercity bus operations, and include additional operating funds and capital improvements for the Vallejo segment of the SF Bay Ferry.
2. Support efforts to increase and expand levels of service directly between Vallejo and San Francisco.
3. Seek funding opportunities for passenger and freight water transport operations and infrastructure.
4. Advocate for continued Solano County representation on the Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA) Board. Concurrently seek sponsorship for and support legislation specifying that Solano County will have a statutorily-designated representative on the WETA Board. (*Objective #18*)
5. Evaluate water transit options between Solano and Marin counties.

## VI. Funding

1. Support and protect SB 1 to assure a dedicated source of funding, other than the State Highway Account for local streets and roads maintenance/repairs, and transit operations.
2. Support constitutional protection of SB 1 funds such as ACA 5 which dedicate for transportation purposes all vehicle fee and gasoline or diesel tax revenues raised by SB 1 and prohibit the state from borrowing these revenues to pledge or be used for the payment of principal and interest on general obligation bonds issued by the state.
3. Protect Solano County's statutory portions of state highway and transit funding programs.
4. Seek a fair share for Solano County of any federal and state discretionary funding made available for transportation grants, programs and projects.
5. Protect State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds from use for purposes other than those covered in SB 45 of 1997 (Chapter 622) reforming transportation planning and programming, and support timely allocation of new STIP funds.
6. Support state budget and California Transportation Commission allocation to fully fund projects for Solano County included in the State Transportation Improvement Program and the Comprehensive Transportation Plans of the county.
7. Support efforts to protect and preserve funding in the Public Transportation Account (PTA). *(Objective #11)*
8. Seek/sponsor legislation in support of initiatives that increase the overall funding levels for transportation priorities in Solano County.
9. Support legislation that encourages public private partnerships and provides low-cost financing for transportation projects in Solano County. *(Objective 19)*
10. Support legislation to secure adequate budget appropriations for highway, bus, rail, air quality and mobility programs in Solano County.
11. Support initiatives to pursue the 55% or lower voter threshold for local transportation infrastructure measures. Any provisions of the State to require a contribution for maintenance on a project included in a local measure must have a nexus to the project being funded by the measure. *(Objective #7)*
12. Seek funding for movement of goods via maritime-related transportation, including the dredging of channels, port locations and freight shipment.

13. Support implementation of national, state and regional freight plans that fund construction of the I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange, I-80 Westbound Truck Scales and SR 12/Church Road improvements, and Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) deployment. *(Objective #13)*
14. Support legislation that provides funding that would allocate State ATP funds at the regional/county level by formula.
15. Ensure STA population-based funds (SB 1) are distributed by formula to the county transportation authorities. *(Objective #1)*
16. Support the enactment of increased bridge tolls through Regional Measure 3 that benefit Solano County. Ensure that any new bridge tolls are dedicated to improve operations and mobility in Solano County. (Specifically: I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange, I-80 Westbound Truck Scales, SR 37/Mare Island Interchange, I-80 Express Lanes, Intercity bus facilities, additional operating funds for SolanoExpress, and additional operating funds and capital improvements for the Vallejo segment of the SF Bay Ferry operated by WETA). *(Objective #2)*
17. Oppose any proposal that could reduce Solano County's opportunity to receive transportation funds, including diversion of state transportation revenues for other purposes. Fund sources include, but are not limited to, State Highway Account (SHA), Public Transportation Account (PTA), and Transportation Development Act (TDA), SB 1, and any local ballot initiative raising transportation revenues. *(Objective #6)*

## **VII. Project Delivery**

1. Monitor implementation of FAST Act and MAP-21 provisions that would expedite project delivery.
2. Support legislation and/or administrative reforms to enhance Caltrans project delivery, such as simultaneous Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and engineering studies, design-build authority, and a reasonable level of contracting out of appropriate activities to the private sector.
3. Support legislation and/or administrative reforms that result in cost and/or time savings to environmental clearance processes for transportation projects.
4. Continue to streamline federal application/reporting/monitoring requirements to ensure efficiency and usefulness of data collected and eliminate unnecessary and/or duplicative requirements.
5. Support legislation that encourages public private partnerships and provides streamlined and economical delivery of transportation projects in Solano County.
6. Support legislation and/or administrative reforms that require federal and state regulatory agencies to adhere to their statutory deadlines for review and/or approval of environmental documents that have statutory funding deadlines for delivery, to ensure the timely delivery of projects funded with state and/or federal funds.

## **VIII. Rail**

1. In partnership with other counties located along Capitol Corridor, seek expanded state commitment for funding passenger rail service, whether state or locally administered.
2. Support legislation and/or budgetary actions to assure a fair share of State revenues of intercity rail (provided by Capitol Corridor) funding for Northern California and Solano County.
3. Support legislation to assure that dedicated state intercity rail funding is allocated to the regions administering each portion of the system and assure that funding is distributed on an equitable basis.
4. Support implementation of the new State Rail Plan, including making Solano County a regional rail hub, connecting the Capitol Corridor to the state high speed rail system, and exploring connection of the Sonoma Marin Area Rapid Transit system to Solano County.
5. Support legislation to adequately fund replacement of at-grade railroad crossings with grade-separated crossings.
6. Oppose legislation that would prohibit Amtrak from providing federal funds for any state-supported Intercity Passenger Rail corridor services.
7. Advocate for accelerated Positive Train Control implementation.

## **IX. Safety**

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



## **X. Transit**

1. Protect funding levels for transit by opposing state funding source reduction without substitution of comparable revenue.
2. Support tax benefits and/or incentives for programs to promote use of public transit.
3. In partnership with the affected agencies and local governments, seek additional strategies and funding of programs that benefit seniors, people with disabilities, and the economically disadvantaged such as mobility management programs, intercity paratransit operations, and other community based programs.
4. Monitor efforts to change Federal requirements and regulations regarding the use of federal transit funds for transit operations in rural, small and large Urbanized Areas (UZAs).
5. In addition to new bridge tolls, work with MTC to generate new regional transit revenues to support the ongoing operating and capital needs of transit services, including bus, ferry and rail. *(Objective #2)*
6. Monitor implementation of requirements in MAP-21 and FAST Act for transit agencies to prepare asset management plans and undertake transportation planning.
7. Support the use of Cap and Trade funds for improved or expanded transit service.
8. Support funding of discretionary programs, including bus and bus facilities and ITS deployment.

## **XI. Movement of Goods**

1. Monitor and participate in implementation of national, state and regional freight plans that include construction of the I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange, I-80 Westbound Truck Scales and SR 12/Church Road improvements, and Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) deployment. *(Objective #14)*
2. Monitor and support initiatives that augment planning and funding for movement of goods via maritime-related transportation, including the dredging of channels, port locations and freight shipment.
3. Support efforts to mitigate the impacts of additional maritime goods movement on surface transportation facilities.
4. Monitor and support initiatives that augment planning and funding for movement of goods via rail involvement.
5. Monitor and support initiatives that augment planning and funding for movement of goods via aviation.
6. Monitor proposals to co-locate freight and/or passenger air facilities at Travis Air Force Base (TAFB), and to ensure that adequate highway and surface street access is provided if such facilities are located at TAFB.

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DATE: December 10, 2017  
TO: SolanoExpress Transit Consortium  
FROM: Brandon Thomson, Transit Mobility Coordinator  
Re: SolanoExpress Implementation Update

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**Background:**

The STA Board, staff, and two intercity transit operators (Fairfield and Suisun Transit (FAST) and Solano County Transit (SolTrans) are engaged in a process to revamp the SolanoExpress system. The last system review was completed in 2004. The I-80/I-680/I-780/SR 12 Transit Corridor Study, which is the basis of the proposed changes, was completed in December 2014. That Study made findings about the current system that included:

1. Built upon expedience and opportunity.
2. Not clear or easy to understand
3. There are areas of duplication
4. Except for the Route 80, the service does not meet key performance standards
5. Connections between Solano cities are slow and infrequent

The December 2014 study analyzed the existing service and selected a preferred alternative. Since that time the following key activities have been completed:

1. Refined the preferred alternative
2. Implementation planning
3. Developed schedules and operating framework
4. Identified key capital projects
5. Initiated funding and implementation plans for capital projects

**Consolidated Routing**

The routes network will be consolidated from the existing seven routes into three routes plus a temporary transition commute route. Route consolidation is the most significant outcome of the implementation since it makes for easier travel between destinations within and outside of Solano County. Moreover, the consolidation builds a framework upon which more frequency and extended hours can be added as new funding and demand are generated. Originally, STA had recommended modifying the seven route numbers (20, 30, 40, 78, 80, 85, and 90) to route colors to coincide with connecting BART transfers (red and yellow). Subsequently, both FAST and SolTrans staff requested shifting the three colors to coincide to current colors of the SolanoExpress buses. Blue and Green for FAST and Green and Yellow for SolTrans.

**Implementation Components**

Implementation of the Green Line requires a new bus stop on State Route 37 at Fairgrounds Drive to gain time savings needed for on-time performance and to extend service to the Amtrak Station in Suisun. The Green Line consolidation cannot occur until the stop is implemented which is scheduled to by Spring of 2019. Implementation of the new Blue Line only needs implementation of new bus stops near the Solano Community College campuses in Suisun

Valley and VacaValley. These are expected to be completed by Spring of 2018. Based on the capital project timing, the new SolanoExpress service will be implemented in two phases.

A. Phase 1:

On July 1, 2018: Phase 1, Blue, Green Express and Yellow Lines

- i. Routes 20, 30, and 40 merged into Blue Line
- ii. Route 90 merged into Green Line Express
- iii. Route 78 merged into Yellow Line

B. Phase 2:

On July 1, 2019: Phase 2, Green Line

- i. Routes 80 and 85 merged into Green Line

Marketing and Outreach

STA, Soltrans, and FAST Staff have been working collectively to engage riders and the broader community to inform them of the upcoming service changes. In September 2017, the SolTrans Board authorized a public comment period for Route 78. SolTrans staff held numerous public workshops and surveyed the communities of Benicia and Vallejo. The results from the surveys as well as public comments received regarding the changes to Route 78 will be analyzed after the public comment period closes. The SolTrans Board was scheduled to consider these comments at their meeting on December 14, 2017. FAST will follow a similar marketing and outreach approach to inform the community of the upcoming service changes and have a public hearing for Routes 20, 30, 40 and 90 set to begin in January 2018. This public hearing for Routes 20, 30, 40 and 90 will conclude at Fairfield City Council’s meeting in February 2018. Once SolTrans and FAST’s public hearing concludes, STA will host a public comment period at the STA Board meeting in March of 2018 and present the public feedback received.

Fare Structure

FAST, SolTrans, and STA staff are also working towards a fare structure that is simple and easy to understand for transit riders. The current fare structure, shown below, is complex and confusing.

<b>Current SolanoExpress</b>	<b>Individual</b>	<b>31-Day</b>
Soltrans - Intracounty, Outside Jurisdiction	5.00	114.00
SolTrans - Outside County	5.00	114.00
SolTrans 78 - within jurisdiction	1.75	56.00
FAST - Intracounty	5.75	70.00
FAST - Outside County	5.75	130.00
FAST - within jurisdiction (30/40 Short)	2.75	70.00

Staff from all three agencies will continue working towards a fare structure that is equitable and easy to understand for SolanoExpress customers and recommendations will be provided at a future Consortium and STA Board meeting.

**Fiscal Impacts:**

The service improvements are intended to be implemented within existing resources and performance targets, as adopted by the STA Board for the SolanoExpress service.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.



DATE: December 12, 2017  
TO: SolanoExpress Transit Consortium  
FROM: Robert Guerrero, Senior Project Manager  
Re: SolanoExpress Capital Improvements Update

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**Background:**

The STA contracted with the cities of Fairfield and Vacaville to construct new SolanoExpress bus stops at Suisun Valley Parkway and Vaca Valley Parkway, respectively. In addition, STA procured consultant services from HQE consultants to design a new SolanoExpress stop at Fairgrounds Drive and SR 37.

The three locations are going to be service stops for the new SolanoExpress implementation plan which consolidates existing service routes for more efficient service. The implementation plan will provide frequent connections to local and regional transit options such as Bay Area Regional Transit (BART), Capitol Corridor Train Service and Vallejo Ferry Terminal.

**Discussion:**

The following is a quick status update on each stop:

**1. State Route 37/Fairgrounds Drive**

Scope: 1 stop each direction (total of two) and bicycle and pedestrian access

Phase: Environmental and design underway

Contractor: HQE Consultant for Design

Estimated cost: \$100k for design; \$1M for Construction

**Status:** HQE under contract and currently designing the project. Estimated completion date is November 2018.

**2. Suisun Valley Parkway**

Scope: 1 stop each direction (total of two)

Phase: Design underway

Contracting Agency: City of Fairfield

Estimated cost: \$200k

**Status:** Agreement with City of Fairfield executed. Stop location identified. Design underway. Estimated completion date is June 2018.

**3. Vacaville Solano Community College Satellite Campus**

Scope: 1 stop each direction (total of two)

Phase: Design underway

Contracting Agency: City of Vacaville

Estimated cost: \$200k

**Status:** Agreement with City of Vacaville executed. Stop location identified. Design underway. Estimated design completion in Spring 2018 followed by construction in May 2018.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None at this time. Projects are fully funded.

**Recommendation:**

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DATE: December 11, 2017  
TO: SolanoExpress Transit Consortium  
FROM: Robert Guerrero, Senior Project Manager  
RE: State Route (SR) 37 Transit Alternatives

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**Background:**

SR 37 is 21 miles in length from SR 101 in Marin County to I-80 in Solano County. The SR 37 Corridor has been divided into three segments: Segment A is located in Marin and Sonoma Counties from SR 101 to SR 121, Segment B which is located in Solano and Sonoma Counties from SR 121 to Mare Island and Segment C located in Solano County from Mare Island to I-80. Attachment A illustrates the corridor segments. Most of the immediate traffic congestion occurs in Segment B where the two lanes from Segments A and C merge into one lane in both directions. In addition, all three segments are projected to have increased traffic congestion and are forecasted to be impacted by future sea level rise and near-term flooding.

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Transportation Authorities of Marin, Sonoma, Napa and Solano Counties have funded a Project Initiation Document (PID) equivalent to address the congestion and sea level rise challenges. The PID equivalent for the corridor is called the SR 37 Transportation and Sea Level Rise Corridor Improvement Study.

The Corridor Study is being developed in two phases. The first phase will study the entire corridor and identify improvements from a corridor wide conceptual level. The second phase will focus on project specific improvements for Segment B (SR 37 from Mare Island in Solano County to SR 121/SR 37 Intersection in Sonoma County). The first phase draft study is nearly complete with the second phase being completed in parallel.

**Discussion:**

On May 10<sup>th</sup>, the STA Board approved a recommendation to be the lead agency for developing and implementing transportation projects for the corridor in Segments B and C. The STA Board also dedicated \$5 Million in State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Funding to assist in funding the environmental phase of the Segment B Project. In anticipation of this, the STA is studying transit alternatives in partnership with the SR 37 MOU and its member agencies. These alternatives include ferry, express bus and passenger rail service options.

**Solano Water Transit Plan**

The STA is currently in the consultant selection process for the Solano Water Transit Plan. A major component of the Plan is to assess the feasibility of additional ferry service from Solano County to Marin County. This assessment will feed directly into the current SR 37 Study and the

future environmental documents. The scope of the study includes an analysis of existing and potential ports/docks, potential ridership, and preliminary costs. The Solano Water Transit Plan is scheduled to kick off in January 2018 and will include a Plan Development Team with invited participants from Cities of Vallejo, Benicia, Rio Vista, as well as other agencies such as Soltrans, Transportation Authority of Marin (TAM), Golden Gate Transit, and Water Emergency Transit Agency (WETA).

#### SR 37 Express Bus Service

Similar to SR 12 Jameson Canyon, express bus service options on SR 37 would not operate efficiently without a 2<sup>nd</sup> lane in each direction in Segment B. Currently, traffic congestion at Segment B would make bus service options non-viable given the excessive delay in the morning and evening peak periods. The good news is that the SR 37 Corridor Study is considering additional lane options that could allow for express bus service. The four north bay transportation authorities are considering a transit ridership study to assess the transit demand on the corridor. As part of this assessment, origins and employment destinations will be surveyed. Related to this is the STA's SR 37/Fairground Drive Solano Express Stop project near Six Flags Discovery Kingdom in Vallejo. This stop will be a strategic anchor point for any future bus transit service on the SR 37 Corridor, as well as I-80. Invited participants in this study include: Solano County Transit, Napa Valley Transportation Authority, Marin Transit and Sonoma County Transit.

#### SR 37 Passenger Rail Service

Sonoma Marin Area Rapid Transit (SMART) recently submitted a Caltrans grant application for assessing passenger rail service from Marin County to Solano County via the SR 37 Corridor through Sonoma and Napa counties. The scope of the study includes a gate way connection at the Suisun City Capitol Corridor Station for SMART to connect with Amtrak's Capitol Corridor passenger rail service. This analysis is consistent with the California State Rail Plan and would make the Suisun City train depot an important rail hub for north bay county trips and beyond.

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

None at this time.

#### **Recommendation:**

Informational.

Attachment:

- A. SR 37 Corridor Segment Map



# SR 37 Corridor Segments Map



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DATE: December 19, 2017  
TO: SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium  
FROM: Sean Hurley, Employer Outreach Coordinator  
RE: Employer Program Update

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**Background:**

Solano Mobility offers a variety of services to assist and encourage commuters to use alternatives to driving alone to work. Outreach is conducted to the general public and to local employers as well. The wide-range of services to employers and ultimately to their employees include free campaign materials and incentives (Commute Challenge, Bike to Work Day, etc), ridematching, employee density maps, emergency ride home, commuter benefits consultations, information display racks, events, and more.

**Discussion:**

Solano Mobility’s employer database is comprised of 250 companies in Solano County. In an effort to package all of our programs and services, a “new” Employer Program was rolled out in October 2017 (Attachment A). The goal is to re-connect with the employers and ensure that they are aware of all of the programs and services available to them and their employees. Since October, twenty one (21) employers have registered for the new program. The 21 employers include: Valero, Bio Rad, Solano County, Insulfoam, Northbay Healthcare, Ball Metal, FSUSD, City of Fairfield, Travis AFB, State Fund, Genentech, Kaiser Vacaville, Kaiser Vallejo, California Maritime, Vallejo Flood and Wastewater, MIT Academy, City of Dixon, Just Desserts, Tencate, Solano Family & Children’s Services, and Paradise Valley Estates.

Some of the key changes/initiatives to the Employer Program include:

1. The Solano Commute Challenge is now a year-long campaign (Attachment B) and will have monthly drawings to reward commuters that take a commute alternative. Previously, the Commute Challenge ran three months out of the year from June through August.
2. Employers are required to sign up for the Employer Program in order to receive incentives and services.
3. The goal is to register five employers per month to the Employer Program, for a total of 70 by the end of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-18.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.

Attachments:

- A. Employer program Flyer
- B. Solano Commute Challenge



## EMPLOYER PROGRAMS

**Register today!**

**800-535-6883**

**[commuterinfo@sta.ca.gov](mailto:commuterinfo@sta.ca.gov)**

We provide services to help your employees get to work easier.

Call or email us today to register to be part of the Employer Commute Program.

Your employees will be able to take advantage of the many programs we have to promote vanpooling, carpooling, taking transit or commuting by bike.

These options can save your employees money and also make getting to work stress free.

## Our Services

Ongoing promotions to encourage your employees to use a green commute mode

Staffed worksite events such as Health Benefits Fairs or carpool match luncheons

Assist employers in complying with the Bay Area Commuter Benefits Program

FREE Emergency Ride Home program (taxi or rental car) for participating employees that have an unexpected situation like sick kids or working late

Opportunity to participate in first/last mile commute solutions

Promoting commute options: vanpool | carpool | transit | bike



# Join the Year Round Solano Commute Challenge! Multiple Ways to WIN!

**Why drive your car alone? Try a Commute Alternative...**  
Bike | Bus | Carpool | Ferry | Train | Vanpool | Walk

## EMPLOYEES:

**Register and log 10 or more Commute Alternative trips each month for a chance to win**

**\$25 Gift Card Drawing for 10+ Trips**

**\$50 Gift Card Drawing for 15+ Trips**

**\*10 Winners per month per drawing**

➔ Only commuters from registered businesses are eligible.  
Encourage your employer to join the Solano Commute Challenge!

## EMPLOYERS:

**Exclusive workplace drawings for registered employees logging 10 or more Commute Alternative trips each month**

**10+ Registered Employees = \$25 Gift Card Drawing**

**20+ Registered Employees = \$50 Gift Card Drawing**

**\*at least one winner per drawing**

➔ **Monthly Drawings begin December 2017**

Winners will be posted monthly on [CommuterInfo.net](http://CommuterInfo.net) and 

**Start tracking your trips today!**

**Register at: [commuterinfo.net](http://commuterinfo.net) | 800-535-6883**

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DATE : December 19, 2017  
TO: SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium  
FROM: Amy Antunano, Call Center Supervisor  
RE: Solano Mobility Call Center/Transportation Info Depot Monthly Update

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**Background:**

The STA has expanded their services to include the Solano Mobility Call Center in February 2014. In addition to providing commuters and Solano/Napa county employers with information on a variety of transit services and incentive programs, the Mobility Call Center provides seniors and people with disabilities with a range of various mobility information. The Transportation Info Depot, at the Suisun-Fairfield Train Depot opened in November 2014, which now provides the public with expanded access to transportation information and mobility options.

**Discussion:**

*Solano Mobility Call Center and Transportation Info Depot*

For the month of October 2017, the Solano Mobility Call Center assisted 557 customers, of which 158 were ADA/Mobility related. The Call Center also assisted 400 walk in customers, processed nine (11) Regional Transit Connection (RTC) applications, and sold 11 Clipper cards.

*Transportation Info Depot*

The hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 7am until 3pm. Customers can still receive assistance from 3pm till 5pm at the office at One Harbor Center in Suisun City. Clipper card sales are available only at the Transportation Info Depot.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.

Attachment:

- A. Call Center Activity Chart



Mobility Call Center Activities	August	September	October	November	FY 17/18 Totals
<b><u>Seniors &amp; People W/Disabilities-Calls</u></b>					
ADA Paratransit Eligibility	43	61	55	43	239
RTC Questions	12	21	26	9	82
Trip Planning	24	11	5	16	74
<i>Calls Referred to Outside Agencies</i>					
NonProfit		1	5	5	11
Private	4	8	2	4	28
Transit Agency	1		3	3	7
Taxi Scrip Local Questions	14	15	13	4	55
Taxi Scrip InterCity Questions	16	19	24	15	82
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>578</b>
<b><u>Seniors &amp; People W/Disabilities-Other</u></b>					
RTC Apps Processed	14	10	9	11	56
Senior/Disabled Walk-Ins	67	39	49	34	252
Materials Mailed	9	11	8	10	46
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>354</b>
<b><u>General Mobility Call Center</u></b>					
Transit Calls	20	28	30	31	129
SNCI Incentives/Programs	11	3	6	8	38
Trip Planning	0	29	6	17	70
Other	37	45	58	2	184
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>421</b>
<b><u>General Walk-Ins</u></b>					
General Transit Questions	408	394	313	310	1735
Trip Planning	20	13	15	11	75
RTC Questions	7	7	3	2	21
Clipper Questions	3	6	3	1	16
Other - Taxi, Misc	39	14	11	10	80
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>1927</b>
<b><u>Sales</u></b>					
Clipper Card Sales	<b>34</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>94</b>
Senior	16	7	5	6	37
Adult	18		13	4	51
<b><u>Travel Training</u></b>					
Travel Training Referrals	13	10	10	8	53
<b><u>Outreach</u></b>					
Events & Presentations	1	3	6	2	13
# Attendees	65	220	130	33	495
Solano Mobility Website Hits	1376	1132	1722	950	6268
<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>999</b>
<b>Total Walk-Ins</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>2377</b>





DATE: December 13, 2017  
 TO: SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium  
 FROM: Cory Peterson, Planning Assistant  
 RE: Summary of Funding Opportunities

**Discussion:**

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

	FUND SOURCE	AMOUNT AVAILABLE	APPLICATION DEADLINE
<b>Regional</b>			
1.	**Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) Charge Program	Anticipated \$5 million	Extended to March 9, 2018
2.	State Transit Assistance Funds	\$150,000	January 5, 2018
3.	Carl Moyer Off-Road Equipment Replacement Program (for Sacramento Metropolitan Area)	Approximately <b>\$10 million</b>	Due On First-Come, First-Served Basis
4.	Air Resources Board (ARB) Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP)	Up to <b>\$7,000</b> rebate per light-duty vehicle	Due On First-Come, First-Served Basis (Waitlist)
5.	Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) Hybrid Electric Vehicle Purchase Vouchers (HVIP) (for fleets)	Approximately <b>\$5,000 to \$45,000</b> per qualified request	Due On First-Come, First-Served Basis
<b>State</b>			
1.	Caltrans Transit & Intercity Rail Capital Program	<b>Est. \$323 million</b>	January 12, 2018

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.

Attachment:

- A. Detailed Funding Opportunities Summary

**ATTACHMENT A**

The following funding opportunities will be available to the STA member agencies during the next few months. Please distribute this information to the appropriate departments in your jurisdiction. Yellow highlighted grants have deadlines approaching soon!

Fund Source	Application Contact**	Project Types/Eligibility	Amount Available	Program Description	Call For Projects	STA Staff Contact	Potential Projects
<b>Regional Grants</b>							
<b>BAAQMD Charge Program</b>	Grants Programs Information Request Line  (415) 749-4994	Vehicle Charging Stations	<b>\$5 million</b>	The Charge Program is an incentive that offers grant funding to help offset the cost of purchasing and installing new publicly available electric vehicle charging stations. Funded through the Transportation Funds for Clean Air fund.	Deadline extended to March 9, 2018	<b>Cory Peterson (707) 399-3214</b> <a href="mailto:cpeterson@sta.ca.gov">cpeterson@sta.ca.gov</a>	<b>Transit Facilities, Govt buildings</b>
<b>Carl Moyer Off-Road Equipment Replacement Program (for Sacramento Metropolitan Area)</b>	Gary A. Bailey Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District <b>(916) 874-4893</b> <a href="mailto:gbailey@airquality.org">gbailey@airquality.org</a>	Replace high-polluting off-road equipment	Approx. <b>\$10 million</b> , maximum per project is \$4.5 million	The Off-Road Equipment Replacement Program (ERP), an extension of the Carl Moyer Program, provides grant funds to replace Tier 0, high-polluting off-road equipment with the cleanest available emission level equipment.	Ongoing. Application Due On First-Come, First-Served Basis	<b>Robert Guerrero (707) 399-3211</b> <a href="mailto:rgruero@sta.ca.gov">rgruero@sta.ca.gov</a>	

Fund Source	Application Contact**	Project Types/Eligibility	Amount Available	Program Description	Call For Projects	STA Staff Contact	Potential Projects
<b>Air Resources Board (ARB) Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP)*</b>	Graciela Garcia ARB (916) 323-2781 <a href="mailto:ggarcia@arb.ca.gov">ggarcia@arb.ca.gov</a>		Up to <b>\$7,000</b> rebate per light-duty vehicle	The Zero-Emission and Plug-In Hybrid Light-Duty Vehicle (Clean Vehicle) Rebate Project is intended to encourage and accelerate zero-emission vehicle deployment and technology innovation. Rebates for clean vehicles are now available through the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP) funded by the Air Resources Board (ARB) and implemented statewide by the California Center for Sustainable Energy (CCSE).	Application Due On First-Come, First-Served Basis (Currently applicants are put on waitlist)	<b>Cory Peterson</b> (707) 399-3214 <a href="mailto:cpeterson@sta.ca.gov">cpeterson@sta.ca.gov</a>	
<b>Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) Hybrid Electric Vehicle Purchase Vouchers (HVIP)*</b>	To learn more about how to request a voucher, contact: <b>888-457-HVIP</b> <a href="mailto:info@californiahvip.org">info@californiahvip.org</a>	Low/No Carbon Engines	Approx. <b>\$5,000 to \$45,000</b> per qualified request	The California Air Resources Board (ARB) created the HVIP to speed the market introduction of low-emitting hybrid trucks and buses. It does this by reducing the cost of these vehicles for truck and bus fleets that purchase and operate the vehicles in the State of California. The HVIP voucher is intended to reduce about half the incremental costs of purchasing hybrid heavy-duty trucks and buses.	Application Due On First-Come, First-Served Basis	<b>Brandon Thomson</b> (707) 399-3234 <a href="mailto:bthomson@sta.ca.gov">bthomson@sta.ca.gov</a>	<b>- FAST Renewable Diesel Bus Purchase</b>
<b>Lifeline Transportation Program Cycle 5</b>	Brandon Thomson (707) 399-3234	Transit	\$1.5 million	Lifeline Transportation Program is a mix of state transit assistance funds (STA), and Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) 5307 funding. It is reserved for projects that improve mobility in low-income communities.	January 2018	<b>Brandon Thomson</b> (707) 399-3234 <a href="mailto:bthomson@sta.ca.gov">bthomson@sta.ca.gov</a>	

Fund Source	Application Contact**	Project Types/Eligibility	Amount Available	Program Description	Call For Projects	STA Staff Contact	Potential Projects
State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF)	Brandon Thomson (707) 399-3234	Transit	\$150,000	This call for projects is reserved for transit operators in Solano County. Project must be supported by an STA adopted plan and be completed by the end of FY 18-19.	December 2017 Due January 5, 2018	Brandon Thomson (707) 399-3234 <a href="mailto:bthomson@sta.ca.gov">bthomson@sta.ca.gov</a>	
<b>Statewide Grants</b>							
<b>SB 1 Grants</b>							
Active Transportation Program (ATP)		Bicycle/Pedestrian	<b>\$440 Million</b>	The Active Transportation Program provides funding to bicycle and pedestrian projects across California. It is distributed on a competitive grant basis at the regional and state level. Approximately \$60 million is available from a statewide competitive grant.	Bi-Annually Next Cycle is March – May 2018	Ryan Dodge (707) 399-3230 <a href="mailto:rdodge@sta.ca.gov">rdodge@sta.ca.gov</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fairfield Green Valley Road Overcrossing</li> <li>- Fairfield West Texas Gateway</li> <li>- Rio Vista Airport Rd</li> <li>- Vacaville Elmira Road Bike Path</li> <li>- Vallejo Sonoma Blvd Improvements</li> </ul>
<b>Cap and Trade Grants</b>							
Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP)	Ezequiel Castro Caltrans (916) 654-8012 <a href="mailto:tircpcomments@dot.ca.gov">tircpcomments@dot.ca.gov</a>		<b>Est. \$323 million</b>	Provides funding for expanding and improving rail and transit service to increase ridership and reduce GHG emissions. Potential Solano County projects could include bus/ferry investments that help increase ridership.	October 13 – January 12, 2018	Anthony Adams (707) 399-3215 <a href="mailto:aadams@sta.ca.gov">aadams@sta.ca.gov</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Solano Express Bus Expansion/ Electrification</li> <li>- FF/VV Train Station</li> </ul>

Fund Source	Application Contact**	Project Types/Eligibility	Amount Available	Program Description	Call For Projects	STA Staff Contact	Potential Projects
<b>Future Funding Opportunities</b>							
Volkswagen Settlement – CARB and Electrify America		EV Infrastructure	<b>\$800 million over 10 years</b>	\$800 million of funding from a settlement with Volkswagen will be put into a trust called Electrify America that will be used to fund EV education and infrastructure projects across the state. Could be a potential fund source in the future and will be updated as information becomes available.	N/A	<b>Cory Peterson (707) 399-3214</b> <a href="mailto:cpeterson@sta.ca.gov">cpeterson@sta.ca.gov</a>	- EV Charging Infrastructure
PG&E EV Charge Network	1-877-704-8723 <a href="mailto:EVChargeNetWork@pge.com">EVChargeNetWork@pge.com</a>	EV Infrastructure	<b>TBD</b>	PG&E plans to install 7,500 charging stations across their service area. Most of these will be at employers or multi-unit dwellings. This could be a potential avenue for funding and coordination to bring more EV infrastructure to Solano County.	Early 2018	<b>Cory Peterson (707) 399-3214</b> <a href="mailto:cpeterson@sta.ca.gov">cpeterson@sta.ca.gov</a>	EV Charging Infrastructure

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