

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

November 13, 2019

Agenda Item 6a

California Transportation Commission (CTC) Update

Subject: Updates on the October 9, 2019 California Transportation Commission meeting and the October 10, 2019 Joint California Air Resources Board/California Transportation Commission meeting.

Background: The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is responsible for programming and allocating certain state funds for the construction of highway, passenger rail, non-motorized facilities, and transit improvements throughout California. The CTC consists of eleven voting members and two non-voting ex-officio members. The San Francisco Bay Area has two (2) CTC members residing in its geographic area: Bob Alvarado (Executive Officer, Northern California Carpenters Regional Council) and Carl Guardino (President and CEO, Silicon Valley Leadership Group).

October CTC Meeting (October 9, Modesto, CA)

The CTC discussed the following issues of significance to the region.

San Mateo US-101 Express Lanes Allocation Approved

The CTC allocated \$171 million in Solutions for Congested Corridors, Local Partnership Competitive, and State Transportation Improvement Program funds to the Northern Segment of the US-101 Express Lanes project in San Mateo. The full project will complete a 22-mile high-occupancy toll facility on US-101 from the Santa Clara County Line to I-380. The CTC approved the allocation contingent on a project amendment to separate the system integrator contract from the overall capital contract, for consideration at the December CTC meeting. Construction of the Northern Segment is expected to start in Spring 2020.

Senate Bill 1 Program Updates and Actions. The CTC approved the following items related to SB 1 implementation:

- SB 1 Cycle 2 Update. CTC held guideline workshops on the Solutions for Congested Corridors, Local Partnership, and Trade Corridor Enhancement Programs in September and October. CTC's current schedule targets early 2020 for Guidelines adoption, applications due late Spring 2020, and competitive program adoption in October 2020.

Allocations, Extensions, and Amendments. The CTC approved the following:

- Funding allocations for two Active Transportation Program (ATP) projects in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties;
- Funding allocation for one State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) project in Santa Clara County;
- Funding allocation for one Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) project in Alameda County;
- Contract award deadline extension for one ATP project in Solano County; and
- One baseline agreement approval for one ATP project in Alameda County.

MTC staff will continue to work with project sponsors of ATP and other CTC-managed programs to meet CTC delivery deadlines and requirements.

CTC Commissioner Updates

In late September, the Governor announced his appointments to fill the two CTC Commissioner vacancies created by the retirement of Commissioner Earp (Sacramento) and the resignation of Commissioner Madaffer (San Diego). The Governor's appointments are Tamika Butler and Hilary Norton, both from Los Angeles. Additionally, Commissioner Ghielmetti announced his resignation from the Commission effective immediately as of the conclusion of the October CTC meeting. The Governor subsequently named Mr. Ghielmetti to the California High Speed Rail Commission.

The next CTC meeting is scheduled for December 4-5, 2019 in Riverside, CA.

October 10, 2019 Joint CARB/CTC Meeting

As mandated by State Law, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and the California Transportation Commission met jointly on October 10. Topics discussed include:

- California's response to the implementation of the federal "Safer Affordable Fuel Efficient" (SAFE) Vehicle Rule, which becomes effective November 26. Caltrans, CalSTA, and CARB have formed an internal working group to analyze the potential effects, communicate to stakeholders, and develop solutions to minimize impacts to transportation projects and programs. California joins many other states in filing a permanent injunctive relief request to reverse the Rule.
- Housing and Transportation Linkages, including discussion of the Governor's Executive Order directing future funds to reduce the state's greenhouse gas emissions. The Order could have significant impacts on future funding programs, including the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program and the Solutions for Congested Corridors Program.
- Panel Discussion with Central Valley Councils of Governments. Topics included technology and jobs/housing imbalance with the Bay Area.

Starting next year, the California Department of Housing and Community Development will also meet jointly with CARB and CTC.

Issues: None.

Recommendation: Information. No action required.

Attachments: None.



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