Bay Area Toll Authority Oversight Committee

October 9, 2024

Agenda Item 4c-24-1172

Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA) Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Period Ended August 31, 2024 (Unaudited)

Subject:

Statement of revenues and expenses for the period ended August 31, 2024 (unaudited)

Background:

The Bay Area Toll Authority manages the electronic toll revenues collected from the Bay Area's seven bridges owned by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). BATA also manages FasTrak®, which is the electronic toll payment system for the bridges and express lanes. Caltrans is responsible for the operation and maintenance of these bridges.

The Statement of Revenues and Expenses has been prepared in accordance with the generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The columns have been designed to provide an easy comparison of current year-to-date actuals to the prior year-to-date actuals, including dollar and percentage variances.

Operating Revenue:

Regional Measures (RM) 1, 2, and 3 are tolls on the state-owned bridges to finance specific bridge and roadway improvements and transportation projects. Year-to-date toll revenues collected were \$142.9 million, which was about \$2.9 million more than the prior year-to-date actual. The increase in revenues was driven by a slight increase in paid traffic across the Bay Area bridges.

Violation revenues and other revenues collected were \$6.7 million, which was \$3.2 million more than the prior year-to-date actual violation revenues and other revenues. Higher violation revenues in FY 2025 were attributed to DMV hold revenues as BATA resumed the DMV hold process in November 2023.

Operating Expenses:

As of August 31, 2024, Operating Expenses were \$6.6 million, which was a \$2.5 million decrease compared to the prior year-to-date actual. Lower operating expenses in FY 2025 were driven by timing differences in professional fees booked and various operating expenses.

Non-Operating Revenues and Expenses:

As of August 31, 2024, Total Non-operating Revenues (Expenses) were (\$25.5 million), which was \$15.0 million less than non-operating expenses in the prior year-to-date actual. The decrease in net expenses was mainly due to more investment income from additional funds invested. This increase in investment income was partially offset by the accounting for unrealized losses on investments in FY25. In previous years, BATA would perform a revaluation of long-term investments annually at year-end. In FY 2025, BATA started to track all investments by market value, which required a one-time adjustment as of July 1, 2024. Some of BATA's investment securities were purchased when interest rates were close to zero percent. With interest rate increases, the market value of these securities are less than book value. There are no plans to sell these securities prior to their maturity, and no losses will actually be recognized if the securities are held to maturity.

Contributions and Transfers:

As of August 31, 2024, Total Contributions and Transfers were \$43.3 million, an increase of \$4.4 million compared to the prior year-to-date actual. The increase in transfers was attributed to a one-time transfer of \$7.5 million to the MTC for an ERP system implementation. This increase was off-set by reduced transfers to capital funds in FY25.

Budget & Forecast Updates:

FY 2024-25 total operating expenses are currently projected to be within budget.

Recommendations:

None. Information only.

Attachments:

 Attachment A: BATA Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Period Ended August 31, 2024 (unaudited)

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