# Bay Area Infrastructure Finance Authority (BAIFA)

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**Agenda Item 6a - 25-0446** 

## BAIFA Resolution No. 46, Revised – Committee Structure

## **Subject:**

Recommendation to revise BAIFA Resolution No. 46, Revised to change the timeline for transitioning at-large seats on BAIFA's Network and Operations Committee to commissioners representing the State Route (SR) 37 corridor.

## **Background:**

The BAIFA Network and Operations Committee was established through the adoption of BAIFA Resolution No. 46 in February 2023. The Committee focuses on the delivery and operation of facilities where BAIFA has tolling authority – the MTC Express Lanes Network and SR 37. The Committee meets monthly to review and refer items to the full BAIFA board for approval, as appropriate. Examples of items that come before this Committee include approval of facility-specific toll rates, operating rules, discounts, equity programs and toll ordinance amendments; annual budget and long-range financial planning; matters related to delivery, operations and maintenance of tolling; and use of toll revenue for operations and maintenance, Express Lanes Network buildout and eligible uses of excess (net) revenue. (As a reminder, state law restricts use of MTC express lane revenue to the MTC facilities/corridors. Tolling authorization for SR 37 similarly restricts revenue to the SR-37 facility/corridor.) The BAIFA board also delegated to the Network and Operations Committee the approval of contract actions and interagency agreements.

When Resolution No. 46 was adopted, BAIFA had not yet received tolling authority from the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for SR 37. Committee membership included one commissioner representing each county that has BAIFA tolled facilities (Alameda, Contra Costa, and Solano), plus the commissioner representing CalSTA (non-voting). Three at-large members were to be appointed by the Chair with the provision that the three at-large seats would be designated for Marin, Sonoma, and Napa counties when BAIFA was authorized to operate tolling on SR 37. Subsequently, BAIFA received this authorization from the CTC in May 2023. At this time, the SR 37 project continues its work to complete design and secure funding. As

such, the business before the Network and Operations Committee remains focused on the BAIFA Express Lanes in Alameda, Contra Costa, and Solano Counties. Staff recommends waiting to designate Marin, Sonoma and Napa commissioners to the Committee until closer to when the business and operations of tolling SR 37 will be acted upon, and that the three positions remain at large in the meantime. BAIFA Resolution No. 46, Revised, would reflect that these assignments to Marin, Sonoma, and Napa will be made prior to BAIFA's adoption of the first BAIFA budget for SR 37 or of a toll ordinance for SR 37, whichever approval comes first.

### **Issues:**

None identified.

### **Recommendations:**

Staff recommends the Authority approve BAIFA Resolution No. 46, Revised, to change the timeline for designating at-large seats for BAIFA's Network and Operations Committee.

### **Attachments:**

• Attachment A: BAIFA Resolution No. 46, Revised

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