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EAST COUNTY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

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September 4, 2009

Martin R. Engelmann, Deputy Executive Director, Planning
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Dear Mr. Engelmann:

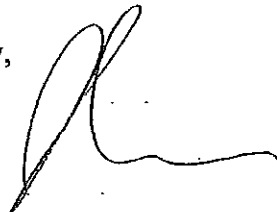
Attached please find a request from Mr. Joe Sbranti - City Engineer (Pittsburg), requesting that Bailey Road (from State Route 4 in Pittsburg to Clayton Road in Concord) be added as a Proposed Route of Regional Significance and San Marco Boulevard (from State Route 4 to Bailey Road) be added as a Future Route of Regional Significance.

The TRANSPLAN Board discussed the request at their August 6, 2009 meeting. During the discussion the Board also brought up the Cypress Corridor¹, noting the anticipated future development. Staff explained that the nearly two year Action Plan development/adoption process was terminating that very evening with the TRANSPLAN adoption of the *East County Action Plan For Routes of Regional Significance*. Given the timing, I noted that it was not possible for the new *Action Plan* to incorporate the request but that I would consult with Contra Costa Transportation Authority staff to determine how best to respond.

I would appreciate your assistance in bringing to TRANSPLAN the following information:

- 1) Noting the urgency in the City of Pittsburg's letter, how can an out-of-cycle update (assuming the last update period was normal) to the Action Plan be expedited, and
- 2) What is the process for establishing a new *Route of Regional Significance*?², and
- 3) With regard to the Cypress Corridor and in terms of land use or traffic volumes, what thresholds exist that would provide some guidance to TRANSPLAN as to when a route should be shifted from *Proposed* to *Designated* (once the corridor is complete)?

Sincerely,

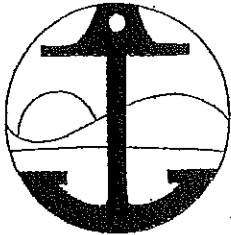


John W. Cunningham
TRANSPLAN staff

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¹ Cypress Road from Bethel Island Road to Sellers Avenue, to Laurel Road

² The segment of Bailey Road from Concord/Pittsburg City Limits to Clayton Road and San Marco Boulevard in Pittsburg



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August 13, 2009

John Cunningham, Transplan Staff
TRANSPLAN Committee
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Martinez, CA 94553

RE: EAST COUNTY ACTION PLAN for Routes of Regional Significance

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

The City of Pittsburg would like to formally request that Bailey Road, from State Route 4 in Pittsburg to Clayton Road in Concord, be added as a Proposed Regional Route of Significance to the East County Action Plan for Routes of Regional Significance and the 2009 Countywide Comprehensive Transportation Plan. We would also request that San Marco Boulevard, from State Route 4 to Bailey Road, be added as a Future Regional Route of Significance to these Plans.

Bailey Road, from SR 4 to Clayton Road, is a major arterial roadway that meets three of the four criteria identified in the East County Action Plan for designating regional routes: 1.) It connects two or more regions of the County (East and Central County), 2.) It carries significant through traffic (Average Daily Traffic is 30,575 vehicles per day, of which a very small fraction is local traffic), and 3.) It provides access to a regional highway (State Route 4 interchange at Bailey Road) and a transit facility (Pittsburg/Bay Point BART station).


San Marco Boulevard, from State Route 4 to Bailey Road, meets two of the four criteria identified in the East County Action Plan for designating regional routes: 1.) It is projected to carry significant through traffic, and 2.) It provides access to a regional highway (State Route 4 interchange at San Marco Boulevard).

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. The City of Pittsburg is anxious to see these regionally significant roadways added to the list of Routes of Regional

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Significance as quickly as possible. Time is of the essence as we would like to include these changes in the City's General Plan Amendment to update the Growth Management Element, as well as the 2009 Countywide Comprehensive Transportation Plan. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, please feel free to call me at 252-4923.

Sincerely,



Joe Sbranti
City Engineer

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