

TRANSPAC
Transportation Partnership and Cooperation
Meeting Notice and Agenda
THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2013

9:00 AM – 11:30 AM
Pleasant Hill City Hall – Community Room
100 Gregory Lane, Pleasant Hill

TRANSPAC reserves the right to take formal action on any item included on this agenda, whether or not a form of resolution, motion or other indication that action will be taken is included on the agenda or attachments thereto.

- 1. Convene Meeting/Pledge of Allegiance/Self-Introductions**
- 2. Public Comment:** At this time, the public is welcome to address TRANSPAC on any item not on this agenda. Please complete a speaker card and hand it to a member of the staff. Please begin by stating your name and address and indicate whether you are speaking for yourself or an organization. Please keep your comments brief. In fairness to others, please avoid repeating comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 3. Approve February 14, 2013 Minutes**

ACTION: Approve minutes and/or as revised/determined

Attachment: February 14, 2013 minutes

END CONSENT AGENDA

- 4. Presentation of the Mococo Overhead Bridge Rehabilitation Project at Marina Vista and Waterfront Road, City of Martinez, Hamid Fathollahi, Caltrans, Project Manager and Jaswinder Mann, Caltrans, Design**

Mr. Fathollahi will present plans to rehabilitate the Mococo Overhead Bridge and replace the southbound loop off-ramp structure to Marina Vista. This work necessitates the closure of the existing off-ramp for a period of 4 months. The scope of the southbound I-680 Overhead Rehabilitation Project at Marina Vista Road/Waterfront Road includes seismic restoration of the Mococo Overhead in the southbound direction and replacing the existing loop off-ramp to Marina Vista, as well as providing access for emergency vehicles during a major catastrophic event. The funding cost and schedule is programmed in the 2012 State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP) for delivery in Fiscal Year 2012-13. The cost of the project is approximately \$15 million and Southbound I-680 traffic will be detoured to the next exit at Pacheco Blvd./Arthur Road. Construction is targeted to start in February 2014.

The proposed off-ramp replacement has better alignment and improved sight distance geometrically. The roadwork will be done at the off-ramp terminal to Marina Vista. A median crossover for emergency access in the event of a major catastrophic event has been included. If the overhead is rendered unusable, this median is provided for emergency vehicles only from southbound I-680 and will cross over the blue strip onto the northbound lane, bypassing the existing overhead structure. This is included because I-680 is a California Lifeline route, which means, "the bridge needs to remain open to traffic after a major seismic event."

The new northbound bridge that leads to the toll plaza and eventually to the Benicia/Martinez Bridge was built several years ago, allowing for southbound traffic of I-680 be carried on the old overhead structure. There were two overhead structures: one carrying the southbound traffic and one the northbound. When the new northbound bridge was built, it allowed Caltrans to switch the southbound traffic to both old bridges, allowing for wider shoulders. There are four through-lanes coming off the Benicia Bridge in the southbound direction. One will come off at Mococo off-ramp, leaving three lanes. Approximately one mile past the Mococo off-ramp, the fourth lane will continue, in the form of an HOV lane.

Allyn Amsk, Caltrans Public Information Officer for Contra Costa, attended the TAC meeting and commented that City newsletters are a good way to get information out. Tim Tucker, Martinez staff added that the Chamber of Commerce and Main Street Martinez both have very good outreach programs.

ACTION: Receive report with thanks to Caltrans staff and/or as determined

Electronic Attachment: PowerPoint Presentation entitled, "Southbound I-680 Mococo OH Rehabilitation Project" by Hamid Fathollahi, Project Manager for Caltrans, may be downloaded at http://transpac.us/wp-content/uploads/2010/09/Mococo-OH-Presentation_2-28-2013-TRANSPAC.pdf

5. Development of a Recommendation to TRANSPAC on the allocation of Measure J Additional Bus Service Enhancements funding (Line Item 19a)

In May 2008, TRANSPAC sent a letter to CCTA to clarify its position that Measure J funding for "Additional Bus Transit Enhancements" (Line Item 19) is intended to augment bus services through annual payments over the 25-year life of Measure J, with the funds to be used by County Connection at its discretion to best address Central County's bus transit needs.

In February 2009, the CCTA approved a policy that, with respective RTPC approval, would allow eligible bus operators to use funds from the Measure J Additional Bus Transit, Line Item 19, for existing services as well as enhanced and supplemental services. TRANSPAC and WCCTAC are the two RTPCs with allocation recommendation authority over respective Measure J Line Item 19 funds.

In 2009 and 2010, TRANSPAC approved the allocation of Measure J Central County's (Line Item 19a) "Additional Bus Service Enhancements" for County Connection (CCCTA) to use in support of Routes 16 and 316. Route 16 provides a direct connection between the Monument Corridor and the County Hospital in Martinez. In the past, riders were forced to transfer at the Amtrak station. Weekend Route #316 provides service linking Martinez to the Pleasant Hill BART station via Sun Valley Mall, DVC and downtown Pleasant Hill and the Pleasant Hill BART station.

The TRANSPAC TAC previously recommended, and TRANSPAC approved, a two-year allocation of funds from Line Item 19a. CCCTA staff requested and the TAC recommends extending the

allocation period from two to four years with CCCTA reports required as requested by TRANSPAC. The CCTA Program Manager for these funds has no objection to a four-year approval action since the fund allocations are made annually. Please see the chart in the attachment which details the projected service information and the proposed Measure J allocations.

ACTION: The TRANSPAC TAC recommends that TRANSPAC approve allocation of Line Item 19a Measure J funds for Routes 16 and 316 through FY 2017, with reports required by CCCTA to TRANSPAC as requested and/or as determined.

Attachments: Letter from Laramie Bowron, CCTA Manager of Planning, Route 16 and Route 316 spreadsheet including annual passengers, total hours, total miles, cost, fares and requested Line Item 19a funds and cost per passenger, maps for Route 16 and Route 316

6. Appointment of Technical Coordinating Committee Representatives

TRANSPAC was advised by CCTA Executive Director Randell Iwasaki that TRANSPAC's Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) appointments expire on March 31, 2013. The TRANSPAC TAC considered this information at its February 28, 2013 meeting and has forwarded its recommendations to TRANSPAC for its consideration/action on three proposed TCC representatives and one alternate, which are: Representatives: Eric Hu, City of Pleasant Hill; Tim Tucker, City of Martinez; Jeremy Lochirco, City of Walnut Creek and Alternate: Ray Kuzbari, City of Concord.

ACTION: Approve the TAC recommendations on TCC appointments and/or as revised/determined

Attachments: Letter from CCTA Executive Director Randy Iwasaki, the TCC charter and current TCC roster

7. Real-Time Ridesharing Pilot Program Update-Martin Engelmann, Deputy Executive Director, Planning, CCTA (Item held over from the February 14, 2013 TRANSPAC meeting)

CCTA is one of three CMAs participating in a Real-Time Ridesharing (RTR) pilot program that will explore the application of smart-phone technologies as a catalyst for increased casual carpooling. Working in partnership with the Sonoma County Transportation Authority (SCTA), and the Transportation Authority of Marin (TAM), CCTA is the recipient of approximately one-third of the \$1.5 million grant administered by MTC through the Climate Initiatives Program.

ACTION: Receive Report and/or as determined

Attachment: January 2, 2013 CCTA Staff Report approved at January 16, 2013 CCTA Board meeting

8. TRANSPAC CCTA Representative Reports: Reports on the most recent CCTA Administration and Projects Committee (Member Pierce), Planning Committee (Member Durant) and CCTA meetings (Members Pierce and Durant)

ACTION: As determined

Attachments: Memo dated February 25, 2013 from Randell H. Iwasaki regarding items approved by the Authority on February 20, 2013; CCTA Executive Director's Report dated February 20 2013; CCTA Calendar of Upcoming Events dated February 20, 2013

9. SB 375/SCS Report by Martin Engelmann, CCTA Deputy Executive Director, Planning

ACTION: Accept report and/or as determined

Attachment: CCTA Planning Committee Staff Report dated January 2, 2013, regarding SB 375/SCS Implementation Update

10. 511 Contra Costa and TRANSPAC Staff Reports

a) 511 Contra Costa: Program Manager Report

SR2S Update: In 2010, TRANSPAC allocated Central County's Measure J 21a Safe Transportation for Children funds and authorized 511CC to implement a pilot bicycle/pedestrian safety program to middle schools located in Central Contra Costa. Based on the success of the pilot program, the Measure J 21a funds were used to develop elementary, expanded middle, and high school bicycle/pedestrian safety programs (Street Smarts Diablo Region) in anticipation of the Cycle 1 Federal SR2S grant. The 21a dollars have funded program elements which have complemented activities and provided infrastructure improvement needs that were not permissible expenditures in a Federal SR2S grant, later approved by TRANSPAC and allocated by CCTA to the 511 CC program in February 2012.

The TRANSPAC TAC reviewed this request at its February 28, 2013 meeting and recommends TRANSPAC approval of this request.

ACTION: Accept TAC recommendation and/or as determined

Attachments:

- Status Report on activities conducted and infrastructure installed to date using Central County MJ 21a funds;
- Spreadsheet on activities conducted, infrastructure completed, as well as activities scheduled and infrastructure requests by schools to date;
- Request for ongoing Central County M/J 21a funds to provide continued support for Central County Street Smarts Diablo K-12 program, conduct school site assessments in cooperation with City/County staff, address additional school pedestrian and bicycle access infrastructure needs, and to provide local matching funds for Central County jurisdictions for 2013 Federal Cycle 2 SR2S match requirements.

b) TRANSPAC Staff Report:

At the time of packet preparation the new member briefing is planned to be completed on March 11, 2013

11. TAC Oral Reports by Jurisdiction: Clayton, Concord, Martinez, Pleasant Hill, Walnut Creek and Contra Costa County

12. Correspondence/Copies/Newsclips/Information

ACTION: For information and/or as determined

13. Agency and Committee reports:

() SWAT – Summary Minutes of February 4, 2013 meeting; Review Draft SWAT Comments on CCTA’s Discussion Papers entitled “Launch of the 2014 Countywide Transportation Plan (CTP) Update” and “Incorporating Sustainability into the 2014 CTP”

- TRANSPAC – Status Letter for TRANSPAC meeting held on February 14, 2013
- County Connection - Fixed Route Operating Report; LINK Monthly Operating Summary
- CCTA Project Status Report may be downloaded at:
<http://transpac.us/wp-content/uploads/2008/08/CCTA-Monthly-Project-Status-Report1.pdf>

ACTION: Accept reports and/or as determined

14. For the Good of the Order

15. Adjourn/Next Meeting Date: The next meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Room at Pleasant Hill City Hall unless otherwise determined

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