



## DISTRICT 5 DIRECTOR'S REPORT – SAN BENITO COUNTY

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### NEWSWORTHY

- Governor Brown recently appointed three agency secretaries ahead of the major state government reorganization. He appointed Marybel Batjer of Reno, Secretary of the Government Operations Agency; Anna Caballero of Salinas, Secretary of the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency; and Brian Kelly of Sacramento, Secretary of the Transportation Agency (formerly the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency). This reorganization reduces the number of state agencies from 12 to 10 and eliminates, or consolidates, dozens of departments and entities. The changes are expected to improve coordination and efficiency, and make government more responsive to the public. More information is available at: [http://gov.ca.gov/docs/Cover\\_Letter\\_and\\_Summary.pdf](http://gov.ca.gov/docs/Cover_Letter_and_Summary.pdf)
- The Transportation Agency recently formed the California Freight Advisory Committee in response to MAP-21. The federal legislation encourages each state to establish a state freight advisory committee and develop a comprehensive statewide freight plan.
- Caltrans is currently developing the *California Freight Mobility Plan*, an update to the 2007 *Goods Movement Action Plan*. The revised plan will address current freight conditions and issues across all modes and regions in the state and identify important trends. It will also discuss community impacts, trucking, new legislation, regional differences and linkages, and greenhouse gas emission reduction strategies. More information is available at: [http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/ogm/california\\_freight\\_mobility\\_plan.html](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/ogm/california_freight_mobility_plan.html)
- Caltrans recently released the 2013 *Transportation Development Act Statutes and California Codes of Regulations*. The TDA funds multiple transportation programs, including planning and programming activities, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, community transit services, public transportation, and bus and rail projects. The guidebook is available online at: [http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/MassTrans/Docs-Pdfs/STIP/TDA\\_4-17-2013.pdf](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/MassTrans/Docs-Pdfs/STIP/TDA_4-17-2013.pdf)
- Caltrans recently updated its *Public Participation Plan* for gathering input on statewide planning and programming efforts, including the *California Transportation Plan* and the Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. MAP-21 emphasizes providing early and continuous opportunities for public comment. The document is available at: [http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/osp/ppp\\_files/CTPE\\_PPP\\_Final\\_052913\\_dg\\_29.pdf#zoom=75](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/osp/ppp_files/CTPE_PPP_Final_052913_dg_29.pdf#zoom=75)

### FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

A call for projects is under way for the 2013 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 6. Up to \$150 million is expected to be available for this call. **Applications are due Friday, July 26, 2013**, and should be submitted to the attention of the District Local Assistance Engineers. Applications received or postmarked later than that date will not be accepted. Applications, program guidelines and more information are available at:

[http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/HSIP/apply\\_now.htm](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/HSIP/apply_now.htm)

Please Submit Maintenance Service Requests at the Following Link: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/maint/mrsrsubmit/>

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