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POLICY ELEMENT FOR THE CALIFORNIA AVIATION SYSTEM PLAN

SUMMARY

The Policy Element of the California Aviation System Plan (CASP) consists of 18 policies and implementing actions which reflect the Department of Transportation's (Department) purpose, mission, vision, and goals for the aviation transportation mode. This update includes a new policy reflecting the Department's involvement in the promotion of space technology in California.

RECOMMENDATION

This is an information item for the October 2001 meeting. The Policy Element will be proposed for adoption by the California Transportation Commission (Commission) at the November meeting.

BACKGROUND

Effective January 1990, Public Utilities Code Section 21701, et seq., requires a CASP to be developed and updated every five years by the Department's Division of Aeronautics in consultation with Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs).

The Commission initially adopted the Policy Element in October 1991 to begin the first CASP update. The Policy Element has been updated periodically to ensure that it is current enough to provide the appropriate guidance for the continuous aviation system planning process and for completion of the CASP. Previous updates were adopted in May 1995 and January 1998.

In updating the CASP Policy Element, the Division of Aeronautics has worked with Regional Transportation Planning Agencies, the Department's RTPA Aviation System Planning Committee, the Commission's Technical Advisory Committee on Aeronautics (TACA), and others. The TACA approved the Policy Element at its June 13, 2001 meeting.