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Department of Transportation

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***PROPOSED***

PROGRAM AMENDMENTS  
STIP Amendment 00S-058  
Action Item  
CTC Meeting: December 12-13, 2001

Agenda Item: 2.1a.(1)

**Original Signed By**

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ROBERT L. GARCIA  
Chief Financial Officer  
December 1, 2001

### **STIP AMENDMENT 00S-058 ACTION**

#### **ACTION UPDATE FROM NOTICE**

This item was noticed at the November 2001 Commission meeting. In response to questions and concerns raised by the Commission, San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) has submitted additional information, included as an attachment to this item.

#### **SUMMARY**

This amendment programs \$627,000 in Regional Improvement Program (RIP) funds from San Bernardino County's Unprogrammed Share Balance to purchase and install capital equipment for the San Bernardino County Call Box Program in FY 2002-03 and 2003-04.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) is requesting this amendment. While the Commission has rejected previous requests to use STIP funds for call box programs, the Department has prepared this amendment at SANBAG's request.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission (CTC) revise the 2000 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) at the end of the 30-day notice period as follows:

**Adds:**

| Project Information  |  |       |        |          |                    |         |          |                   |
|----------------------|--|-------|--------|----------|--------------------|---------|----------|-------------------|
| County:              | CT District:   | PPNO: | EA:    | Element: | Const Year:        | PM Back | PM Ahead | Route/Corridor    |
| San Bernardino       | 08   | 0000P | SBSAFE | LA       | 2002-03<br>2003-04 | --      | --       | 210/30<br>Various |
| Project Title:       | Call Boxes for new 210/30 freeway and for upgrading/retrofitting the San Bernardino Call Box System                                |       |        |          |                    |         |          |                   |
| Sponsor:             | San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG)   |       |        |          |                    |         |          |                   |
| Implementing Agency: | San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG)   |       |        |          |                    |         |          |                   |
| RTPA/CTC:            | San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG)   |       |        |          |                    |         |          |                   |
| Location:            | San Bernardino County – along a 15-mile segment of the 210/30 freeway from the Los Angeles County-line to Sierra Avenue in Fontana |       |        |          |                    |         |          |                   |
| Description:         | Install call boxes and replace/update existing boxes.  |       |        |          |                    |         |          |                   |

| STIP Programming – RIP |       |           |           |           |           |  | (Dollars in Thousands) |  |
|------------------------|-------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|------------------------|--|
| Component              | PRIOR | 2000/2001 | 2001/2002 | 2002/2003 | 2003/2004 |  | Total                  |  |
| PA&ED                  |       |           |           |           |           |  |                        |  |
| PS&E                   |       |           |           |           |           |  |                        |  |
| R/W SUP                |       |           |           |           |           |  |                        |  |
| CON SUP                |       |           |           |           |           |  |                        |  |
| R/W                    |       |           |           |           |           |  |                        |  |
| CON                    |       |           |           | \$313     | \$314     |  | \$627                  |  |
| TOTAL                  |       |           |           | \$313     | \$314     |  | \$627                  |  |

**BACKGROUND**

This amendment programs \$627,000 in Regional Improvement Program (RIP) funds from San Bernardino County’s Unprogrammed Share Balance to purchase and install capital equipment for the San Bernardino County Call Box Program in FY 2002-03 and 2003-04.

The Call Box Program is funded entirely through a dedicated \$1 Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) fee that each San Bernardino County resident pays when their vehicle is registered. Over the years, this DMV revenue source has not increased at the same pace as population or traffic congestion, nor has this revenue source kept up with inflation and increasing program costs. San Bernardino County is the largest county in the nation with more than 1,656 miles of highway, and yet neither the population nor the DMV registration fees adequately support the current county-wide call box system.

The San Bernardino County Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies (SAFE) is now being challenged with installing call boxes along the new I-210 freeway. In order to keep the call box system at its current level, and to not degrade the system any further, funding for new call boxes is needed for the San Bernardino Call Box Program. The 210/30 freeway is the only state highway in San Bernardino County currently without call boxes, which are used to assist motorists in trouble, and are utilized by the California Highway Patrol and other emergency services.

**ATTACHMENTS**

**STIP AMENDMENT 00S-058**

Location Map



08-San Bernardino-210/30  
PPNO 0000P

Location: In San Bernardino County - At various locations along a 15-mile segment of State Highway 210/30 freeway from the Los Angeles County-line to Sierra Avenue in Fontana

Description: Install call boxes and replace/update existing ones





# San Bernardino Associated Governments

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November 21, 2001

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Chair, California Transportation Commission  
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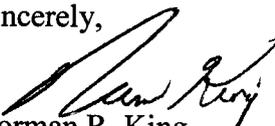
Dear Mr. Lawrence:

The purpose of this letter is to clarify a question asked at the November 7, 2001 California Transportation Commission (CTC) meeting, relative to the San Bernardino Associated Government's (SANBAG) State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) amendment request, to program \$627,000 from SANBAG's current uncommitted STIP Regional Share, for the purchase and installation of capital equipment for San Bernardino's Call Box Program.

A Commissioner asked for clarification about one of the two graphs contained within the SANBAG backup documentation in the November CTC Agenda packet. Although the graph is accurate, it is difficult to explain, as it uses a variety of formulas to get at the numbers identified under columns A and B. Therefore, rather than go into a detailed and possibly confusing explanation, we instead would like the Commission to focus on the attached graph depicting how much annual revenue is generated by each highway mile. This graph emphasizes that the \$1 per registered vehicle fee has no relationship to the number of highway miles in a call box county. **This is critical because it is highway miles, not total traffic or congestion, which drives the cost and quantity of a county's call box program.**

We trust that this information provides further clarification on our request to utilize STIP funding for our call box program, and we look forward to the CTC vote on our request, at your December 2001 meeting.

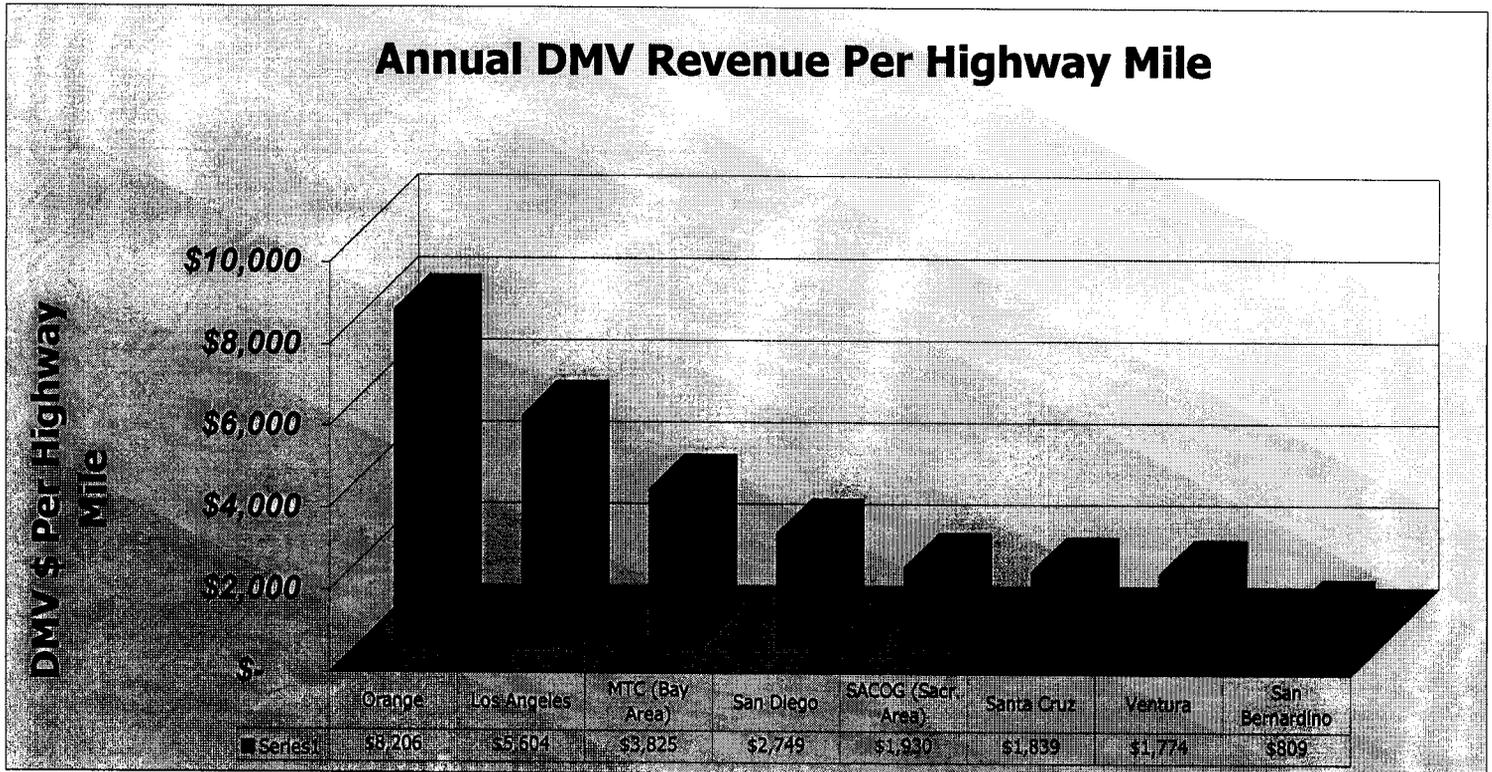
Sincerely,

  
Norman R. King  
Executive Director

Cc: CTC Commissioners  
Diane Eidam, CTC Executive Director

ATTACHMENT  
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## Comparison of San Bernardino SAFE to Other California SAFEs



| Column:                 | A                     | B             | C                    |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| SAFE                    | Year 2000 DMV Revenue | Highway Miles | DMV \$ Per Hwy. Mile |
| Orange                  | \$ 2,245,199          | 274           | \$ 8,206             |
| Los Angeles             | \$ 6,520,134          | 1,163         | \$ 5,604             |
| MTC (Bay Area)          | \$ 5,763,628          | 1,507         | \$ 3,825             |
| San Diego               | \$ 2,273,429          | 827           | \$ 2,749             |
| SACOG (Sacramento Area) | \$ 1,711,706          | 887           | \$ 1,930             |
| Santa Cruz              | \$ 227,345            | 124           | \$ 1,839             |
| Ventura                 | \$ 654,005            | 369           | \$ 1,774             |
| <b>San Bernardino</b>   | <b>\$ 1,265,869</b>   | <b>1,565</b>  | <b>\$ 809</b>        |

Explanation of the Above Chart:

Column A: Approximate Calendar Year 2000 \$1 DMV Fee, based on vehicle registration figures from the DMV.

Column B: State highway miles, per Caltrans' Transportation System Information Program, Figure 4, "Centerline Miles by County and Jurisdiction".

Column C: The average DMV fee generated by each highway mile within that county (Column A/Column B).