

Memorandum

To: Chair and Commissioners

Date: September 19, 2005

From: Diane C. Eidam

Reference Number 4.9
Action

Ref: 2005 Annual Report to the Legislature

Issue:

Should the Commission adopt the outline for the 2005 Annual Report to the Legislature as prepared by Commission staff?

Recommendation:

Commission staff recommends that the Commission approve the draft outline of topics proposed for the 2005 Annual Report to the Legislature.

Background:

Government Code Section 14535 requires that the Commission “adopt and submit to the Legislature by December 15 each year, an annual report summarizing the Commission’s prior-year decisions in allocating transportation capital outlay appropriations, and identifying timely and relevant transportation issues facing the State of California.” The Annual Report consists of the following:

- Discussion of significant transportation issues expected to be of concern to the public and Legislature.
- Explanation and summary of major policies and decisions adopted by the Commission during the previously completed State and Federal fiscal year, with an explanation of any changes in policy associated with the performance of its duties and responsibilities over the past year.
- Discussion and summary of loans and transfers from the State Highway Account, cash-flow and project delivery impact of the loans and transfers, as well as guidance provided by the Commission to the Department of Transportation.

Outline for the 2005 Annual Report:

Attached is a draft outline proposed for the 2005 Annual Report. Commissioners are asked to review this draft and offer any suggested changes. The outline sets forth topics that staff intends to cover with a general notion of the report’s organization. The sequence of topics and exact titles of sections may be adjusted as the report is written. Further, the outline may be augmented with items to be considered at the Commission’s November and December meetings.

Key issues for 2005 focus upon state and federal transportation financing and the impact on project programming and delivery.

Drafting of the Annual Report will be accomplished between the September and December meetings. Staff expects to mail a draft to Commissioners the first week of December for review and comment. The Commission will be asked to act upon the 2005 Annual Report at the December meeting, giving direction to staff for any additional changes prior to transmittal to the Legislature in time for the new legislative session.

Attachment

Draft
Outline of Topics
2005 Annual Report

Section I: Issues for 2006

Trends and Outlook for State Transportation Financing

Structural Reform of Transportation Finance

Outlook for the 2006 STIP and 2006 SHOPP

Outlook for the Traffic Congestion Relief Program

Outlook for the State Aeronautics Program

Implementation of SAFETEA-LU

Goods Movement

Section II: 2005 Activity and Accomplishments

Proposition 42

Traffic Congestion Relief Program Implementation and Allocation Plan

STIP/SHOPP Implementation and Allocation Plans

2006 STIP Guidelines and Fund Estimate

2005 Report on County and Interregional Share Balances

Fiscal Year 2004-05 Project Delivery

State Highway Operations and Protection Program

Aeronautics Program

Real Estate Advisory Panel

Fiscal Year 2005-06 Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program

Proposition 116 Program Implementation

Seismic Safety Retrofit Programs

Fiscal Year 2005-06 Elderly and Disabled Program

State Rail Programs

