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3 Commission Reports John Chalker A C

No Commission reports were presented.

4 Commissioners' Meetings for Compensation John Chalker A C

Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve the Commissioners' Meetings for Compensation for February 2008. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which carried 9-0. (Commissioners Bergeson and Frommer were absent)

5 Executive Director's Report John Barna A C

John Barna, Executive Director, welcomed the Commissioners to the CALPERS auditorium and said if they liked the facility staff will pursue making this the official meeting site for Sacramento.

Mr. Barna gave an overview of the three programs that would be heard at the meeting - Adoption of the 10-Year State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP) totaling \$8.4 billion, the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) adding \$1.164 billion in new capacity and \$3 billion for the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF). He said CTC staff had been working hard on SHOPP, TCIF and STIP programs. He commended CTC staff, Andre Boutros, Susan Bransen and Maura Twomey for their work on the TCIF program. He also commended staff on their dedicated work on the Traffic Light Synchronization Program (TLSP) and the Highway-Railroad Safety Crossing Account (HRSCA) programs. He commended CTC staff, David Brewer, Mitchell Weiss and Juan Guzman on their work on the 2008 STIP.

Mr. Barna presented a handout of an email and letter from Remma Griffith, Executive Director of the Washington Transportation Commission inviting Commissioners to meet with the Oregon and Washington Transportation Commissions to discuss establishing a relationship including discussions on a vehicle miles traveled (VMT) strategy at the federal level. Commissioner Ghielmetti encouraged Mr. Barna to pursue participating with the other states. Commissioner Lindsey stated he supports bringing a regional western thought process to these issues.

Mr. Barna informed the Commissioners that staff has initiated conversations related to pursuing a federal goods movement strategy with Senator Lowenthal's staff, Jeff Brown and Norman Fassler-Katz, who have contacts regarding these issues. He stated this item will be brought back to the Commission at a later meeting for discussion.

**BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION & HOUSING AGENCY REPORT**

6 Report by Agency Secretary and/or Deputy Secretary Dale Bonner I B

Business, Transportation and Housing Agency (BTH) Deputy Undersecretary Jim Bourgart stated Secretary Bonner would join the meeting at 1:00 pm and that he would provide his remarks on the TCIF program. Mr. Bourgart informed the Commission that Secretary Bonner was confirmed by the Senate as the BTH Secretary on March 6, on a 35-0 vote.

Mr. Bourgart said the Governor had assembled an Infrastructure Roundtable on March 11 with leaders from government, business, and civic organizations to check on the progress of the infrastructure bond programs and how much needs to be done to get the bond money "out working to get shovels in the ground soon."

Mr. Bourgart spoke on the Governor's intent to have "One Voice for California" on federal transportation issues impacting our state, including joining forces with other states to help shape federal reauthorization in 2009, and performance-based infrastructure and legislation.

Mr. Bourgart stated that a meeting with representatives of the Province of Ontario Canada was held last week to talk about their Alternative Financing and Procurement program, which is a model for the administration's performance-based infrastructure initiative.

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7	<b><u>CALTRANS REPORT</u></b> Report by Caltrans' Director and/or Deputy Director		Will Kempton	I D
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Director Will Kempton congratulated BTH Secretary Bonner on his confirmation.

Mr. Kempton stated he thought it is a good idea to team up with other states for ideas and examples on certain issues. He stressed the need to maintain collaboration within California to keep present on the effort of "One Voice for California" and is looking forward to working together on that effort.

Mr. Kempton highlighted the 2008 SHOPP. He stated projects are consistent with the policies and priorities of the 2007 10-Year State Highway System Rehabilitation Program submitted in January of last year. He stressed the need to address the preservation of the state's infrastructure. He noted that \$60 million worth of pavement rehabilitation projects were on this agenda and SHOPP and GARVEE projects worth \$143 million, which are part of the Governor's economic stimulus package.

Mr. Kempton said the national Road Improvement Program was released today regarding urban pavement conditions around the country. California finished at the top of the Worst Roads Pavement List.

Mr. Kempton reported on the transit portion of the bonds and stated that \$394 million, of the \$600 million appropriated this year, will be allocated by the end of fiscal year.

Mr. Kempton reported that Caltrans had \$10 billion dollars worth of construction contracts throughout the state and received an average of nine bidders per project.

Mr. Kempton complimented John Barna, Andre Boutros, Caltrans staff Ross Chittenden, and all the other individuals who worked hard on the TCIF staff recommendations.

Mr. Kempton reminded the Commissioners about the 2008 Worker's Memorial and National Work Zone Awareness week on April 8.

Commissioner Guardino referred to the comments made by Deputy Undersecretary Bourgart and the emphasis on public-private partnerships and assumed the Department, BTH and the CTC will be looking at the legislative proposals already introduced. Mr. Bourgart stated there are members that have introduced bipartisan bills of support. He indicated that BTH will be working with both houses of the Legislature to move forward with new ideas through legislation.

Mr. Kempton stated that he met with U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Secretary Mary Peters regarding interest in performance based infrastructure and identified \$400 billion available for investment in transportation infrastructure from the private sector.

Mr. Barna reminded the Commissioners that they will be presented with findings for Riverside County Transportation Commission's (RCTC) AB 1467 HOT Lanes proposal at the next meeting.

Mr. Kempton gave a brief history of 1989-1990 legislation that was introduced for toll facilities. Two facilities are currently in operation, an additional two did not get off the ground.

Mr. Bourgart stated the need to seek a broader and more flexible authority to have performance based infrastructure projects rather than to go to the Legislature for special legislation each time a project idea is presented.

Commissioner Lindsey stated that the Commission is 100% behind the idea of public-private partnerships to address the infrastructure needs of the state.

Chair Chalker stated it would benefit the Commission to understand the thinking and motivation of the "buy side" and asked that the issue be brought back before the Commission.

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Mr. Barna said that in the current climate the desire of accountability for the private sector is critical. In review of agency proposals, like RCTC's, they could be used as a model. He also suggested the idea of tapping into pension funds to invest in infrastructure and to look at the questions and ideas to unlock that potential.

Commissioner Frommer agreed with Mr. Barna and stated CALPERS does invest funds and stated it would be excellent if we can tap into that type of funding source.

**LOCAL REPORTS**

**8** Report by Regional Agencies Moderator Shirley Medina I R

Shirley Medina, Regional Agencies Moderator, thanked Commissioner Ghielmetti for his leadership as Chair this past year. She also congratulated Chair Chalker on his appointment as Chair. She thanked Mr. Kempton for holding the Finance Forum Workshop and thanked Commissioners Chalker, Earp, and Tavaglione for attending. She stated that the regional agencies are looking forward to working with the Department on finance issues and reporting the progress of this effort.

She thanked the CTC staff on the TCIF program that included collaboration and transparency throughout the process and strongly supports staff recommendations.

Ms. Medina indicated that the proposed amendment to the federal energy bill, requiring a minimum of 80% federal match for CMAQ projects, will impact a number of projects. Many projects are currently funded with less this 80% federal funding. She stated the amendment to the energy bill affects billions of dollars of projects and hinders their ability of delivery.

Chair Chalker asked Commissioners if they were familiar with the situation. He also suggested staff draft a memo to educate Commissioners on this subject and the impacts.

**9** Report by Rural Counties Task Force Chair Mike Woodman I R

Mike Woodman, Rural Counties Task Force Chair (RCTF), thanked former Chair Ghielmetti and welcomed Chair Chalker. As Chair for the RCTF he participated in the Finance Forum and thanked Director Kempton for putting it together and looks forward to addressing the rural needs for transportation funding.

Mr. Woodman introduced Pat DeChellis, of Los Angeles County Public Works, who is the project manager on the local streets and roads assessment. Mr. DeChellis addressed the Commission and gave a status on the project. Discussion ensued regarding the assessment.

**10** Report by Self-Help Counties Coalition Moderator Suzanne Smith I R

Suzanne Smith, Self-Help Counties Coalition Moderator, said the Coalition was scheduled to meet that afternoon.

She thanked Director Kempton for convening the Finance Forum and looks forward to continuing work on the effort to address and fix the financial constraints in transportation.

Ms. Smith stated the focus of the Coalition agenda was geared toward reviewing legislation including tolling. She indicated that the Coalition will also be discussing Proposition 1B baseline agreements.

**INFORMATION CALENDAR (#11-16)**

Stephen Maller

Deputy Director Stephen Maller presented the Information Calendar.

Chair Chalker noted changes on the pink for Item #16: Change of a column header.

Commissioner Lindsey questioned items #10 - #12 regarding right of way and asked what the \$10,000 was for. Mr. Maller stated it was for land acquisition.

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Commissioner Lindsey asked if item #13, which includes a two 18-month extension request would be discussed later. Mr. Maller stated the item would be discussed later on the agenda.

11	IC	<u><b>Informational Reports on Allocations Under Delegated Authority</b></u> -- Emergency G-11 Allocations (2.5f.(1)): Seven Projects totaling \$8,529,000. -- SHOPP Safety G-03-10 Allocations (2.5f.(3)): One Project for \$3,000,000. -- Minor G-05-05 Allocations (2.5f.(4)): 20 Projects totaling \$12,118,000.		I D
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This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

12	IC	Monthly Report on Projects Amended into the SHOPP by Department Action		I D
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This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

13	IC	Monthly Status of Construction Contract Award for State Highway Projects, per Resolution G-06-08		I D
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This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

14	IC	Monthly Status of Construction Contract Award for Local Assistance STIP Projects, per Resolution G-06-08		I D
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This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

15	IC	Monthly Status of Construction Contract Award for TCRP Projects, per Resolution G-06-08		I D
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This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

16	IC	2006 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Balance Report for AB 1012 Unobligated RSTP and CMAQ "Use It or Lose It"		I D
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*Pink Change: 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Balance Report – AB 1012 Unobligated RSTP and CMAQ "Use it or Lose It" – Corrected attachments 1 and 2. Column 2 header should read: "CMAQ Unobligated 12/31/2007 Delivery Balance."*

This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

**CONSENT CALENDAR ( #17 – 30)**

Robert Chung

Deputy Director Robert Chung presented the Consent Calendar. He noted changes on the pink hand-out titled "Changes to CTC Agenda".

Mr. Chung recommended approval with the noted changes.

Commissioner Zarian moved to approve the Consent Calendar with the changes noted by staff. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion. The motion carried 10-0. (Commissioner Bergeson was absent)

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17 CC The San Bernardino Associated Governments proposes to amend TCRP Project #55.3 – Alameda Corridor East; build grade separations on Burlington Northern-Santa Fe and Union Pacific Railroad lines, Los Angeles County line to Colton, with rail-to-rail separation at Colton in San Bernardino County, to redistribute \$3,080,000 in TCRP funds from Construction to R/W, and update the project schedule and funding plan. *(Related Item under Tab 45)*  
Resolution TAA-07-49, Amending Resolution TAA-06-62

*Pink Change: TCRP Project #55.3 – Alameda Corridor East Correct cross-reference (Related item under Tab 42)*

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.

18 CC Three Relinquishment Resolutions A D  
 -- 3-Pla-80-PM 0.5  
 Route 80 in the city of Roseville  
 Resolution R-3687  
 -- 4-CC-680-PM 16.8/R17.7  
 Route 680 in the city of Pleasant Hill  
 Resolution R-3688  
 -- 8-Riv-111-PM 38.02/40.71  
 Route 111 in the city of Palm Desert  
*(Related item under Tab 23)*  
 Resolution R-3683

*Pink Change: Three Relinquishment Resolutions Correct Cross Reference (Relate Item Under Tab 22).*

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.

19 CC 27 Resolutions of Necessity A D  
**8 Ayes** Resolutions C-19818 through C-19844

*Pink Changes: 5 Resolutions of Necessity were withdrawn prior to CTC meeting: C-19823, C19831, C19835, C-19840 and C-19843.*

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.

20 CC Director’s Deeds A D  
 Items #1 through #10  
 Excess Lands - Return to State: \$92,209  
 Return to Others: \$0

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.

21 CC Financial Allocation (2.5a.): Eight District Minor Projects A D  
 totaling \$5,741,000, plus \$1,500,000 from other sources.  
 Resolution FP-07-58

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.

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22 CC	Financial Allocation (2.5b.(1)): 15 SHOPP Projects totaling \$73,819,000, plus \$72,360,000 from other sources as follows: -- Six projects programmed in the 2006 SHOPP totaling \$55,228,000, plus \$9,380,000 from other sources. -- Nine projects totaling \$18,591,000, plus \$62,980,000 from other sources, amended into the SHOPP by departmental action. Resolution FP-07-59		A D
<p><i>Pink Changes: Corrected Agenda Vote List and Book Item attachment to show correct location as "...1.2 miles west of American Canyon Road to American Canyon Road."</i></p>			
<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.</p>			
23 CC	Financial Allocation (2.5b.(2)): Ten SHOPP Projects totaling \$28,984,000, plus \$29,500,000 from other sources, programmed in FY 2008-09 and 2009-10. Resolution FP-07-60		A D
<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.</p>			
24 CC	Financial Allocation (2.5c(2)): Two Locally-administered STIP Projects on the State Highway System totaling \$7,615,000, plus \$18,343,000 from other sources, as follows: -- One STIP project for \$7,315,000, plus \$18,180,000 from other sources. -- One STIP Transportation Enhancement project for \$300,000, plus \$163,000 from other sources. Resolution FP-07-61		A D
<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.</p>			
25 CC	Financial Allocation for Supplemental Funds for Previously Voted Projects (2.5e): One Minor 'B' SHOPP Project for \$5,300 to complete construction of a Route 395 project in Inyo County. The current budget amount is \$144,100; this request for \$5,300 to complete construction results in an increase of 3.7 percent over the current allocation. Resolution FA-07-09		A D
<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.</p>			
26 CC	Financial Allocations (2.5c.(3)): 14 Locally-administered STIP Projects off the State Highway System totaling \$2,372,000, plus \$170,000 from other sources, as follows: -- 12 STIP projects totaling \$2,164,000, plus \$108,000 from other sources. -- One STIP Transportation Enhancement project for \$148,000, plus \$62,000 from other sources. -- One STIP Planning, Programming, and Monitoring project for \$60,000. Resolution FP-07-62		A D
<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.</p>			

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27	CC	Budget Revision to exchange \$25,000,000 of Capital Outlay SHOPP State funds for Local Assistance Federal Trust Fund dollars for projects programmed in the Safe Routes to Schools Program. Resolution FM-07-04, amending Resolution FM-07-03	A	D
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This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.

28	CC	Financial Allocation (2.6a.(2)): One State-Administered STIP Rail Project for \$2,000,000. Resolution MFP-07-16	A	D
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*Pink Changes: Corrected Agenda Vote List and Book item attachment to add information regarding outcome/output..*

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.

29	CC	Technical Correction to Resolution FP-07-23, originally approved September 19, 2007, in the amount of \$3,777,000 for eight locally-administered STIP Transportation Enhancement projects. A technical correction is needed for Project #7 – University Avenue Mobility Project (Phase 1) in the city of San Diego, to correct the project phase. A technical change is also needed for Project #8 – Pacific Coast Highway Improvements in Dana Point, to correct the project limits. No change to the amounts allocated.	A	D
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This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.

30	CC	Advice and Consent on Transportation Development Act (TDA) Regulations Resolution G-08-04	A	D
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This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on March 12, 2008.

**PROGRAM MATTERS**

31	Monthly Report on Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee Activity	Stephen Maller Dina Noel	I	C
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Deputy Director Stephen Maller introduced Dina Noel who presented the information.

Ms. Noel stated that as of March 3, ZPMC has produced 874 tons of steel items of the 29,234 needed for the SAS. She reported that American Bridge Fluor (ABF) is 3-months behind schedule. The barge left Hawaii on Monday, March 10 and is expected to arrive in China at the end of April for crane installation and is scheduled to be at the job site with the first steel shipment by the end of the year. Ms. Noel stated that ABF has mobilized at Pier 7. She indicated that the first span of the viaduct Yerba Buena detour is almost complete, and that roll-out roll-in of the east end is expected by the spring of next year. The west approach ribbon cutting ceremony for the east bound structure is currently scheduled for April 12. The update to the Legislature is scheduled for May 7.

Commissioner Zarian asked if we are changing the oversight process on our bridges due to the accident in Minnesota. Mr. Maller said California has a much more aggressive program for monitoring its bridges.

Mr. Maller noted that the Fourth Quarter Report for 2007 was in the meeting book. He indicated that the TBPOC looked at forecasts reflecting savings from the finished Richmond/San Rafael bridge project, the finished

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foundation work on the SAS bridge structure, the almost finished Skyway contract, and forecasts that reflected detour work is starting to cost more than previously forecast.

Chair Chalker said in his review he did not see anything overall that would affect the schedule. He asked Mr. Maller if he foresees anything that would affect the schedule in the future. Mr. Maller said some contracts are running ahead of schedule: The work on the approaches to San Francisco is about a year ahead of schedule, the foundation work for the SAS is ahead of schedule, and that ABF indicated the SAS bridge may be a quarter behind schedule and are working out the kinks, which may allow for catch up later.

Mr. Barna said it would be worth while to the Commissioners to schedule a special meeting on Treasure Island to see the work being done. The project management approach to this project is being applied to CMIA projects. He emphasized the east span project of the Bay bridge is the largest public works project underway in the United States today.

Discussion ensued regarding an appropriate time to meet at Treasure Island for a tour of different facilities, possibly in May. Chair Chalker reflected on a tour the Commissioners took last year and how informative it was and said it would be appropriate to schedule another meeting for the new Commissioners.

**Highway Right of Way Matters – Appearance**

<b>32</b> <b>8 Ayes</b>	Resolution of Necessity – Appearance -- Edouard Laxague 07-LA-10-PM 31.7 Resolution C-19817	Stephen Maller Doug Failing	<b>A</b>	<b>D</b>
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Deputy Director Stephen Maller presented this item and said the property owner chose to appear via correspondence and letters have been entered into the Commission records.

*Pink Changes: Noted letter from property letter March 3, 2008. March 6, 2008 response.*

Mr. Maller stated that the property owners objections are compensation issues and outside the purview of the Commission and recommended approval the Resolution of Necessity.

Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve the Resolution of Necessity. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which passed 10-0. (Commissioner Bergeson absent)

**POLICY MATTERS**

<b>33</b>	Adoption of Proposition 1B Highway-Railroad Crossing Safety Account Guidelines Resolution GS1B-G00708-01	Robert Chung	<b>A</b>	<b>C</b>
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Deputy Director Robert Chung presented this item and noted changes to the process, text to clarify the guidelines and noted the revised schedule would result in the initial program being adopted in August 2008. Mr. Chung recommended two final changes to the guidelines. He recommended adding text under Section 3, paragraph 2 stating that the Commission expected a full-funding picture of the project nomination. He also recommended striking the wording “State Highway Account” from the language in Section 9 the guidelines and recommended approval.

Pam Loomis, Public Utilities Commission, spoke in support of the guidelines and thanked Mr. Chung for his work.

The Commission discussed whether to increase the weight given for matching funds, when evaluating projects seeking the \$100 million.

Shirley Medina, RCTC, recommended the match should provide for better eligibility placement but not made to be a requirement.

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The Commission agreed conceptually to the guidelines with the proviso that the criteria portion of the guidelines come back for resolution at the April meeting (Lindsey moved, Tavaglione seconded, motion passed 11-0). Project nominations are not due until June 16, 2008 and the initial program of projects will not be approved until August 2008.

<b>34</b>	Quarterly Progress Report for CMIA and SR 99 Projects		Andre Boutros	<b>A C</b>
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Chief Delivery Officer, Andre Boutros, recommended deferral of this item until the April CTC meeting.

<b>35</b>	Staff Recommendations for the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund		Andre Boutros	<b>A C</b>
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Chief Delivery Officer Andre Boutros presented this item.

BTH Secretary Dale Bonner addressed the transition in leadership of the Commission, congratulating the new Chair and Vice-Chair and welcoming the two new members, Commissioners Frommer and Tagami. He expressed his appreciation to the Commission for the work over the past year.

Mr. Bonner also stated a letter of intent will be sent out to the railroads by April 10.

Mr. Bonner stated the need for a commitment from the Legislature is vital on adequate appropriations. He said he and Governor Schwarzenegger met with stakeholders to discuss public-private partnerships. He also stated his support of the Commission.

Chair Chalker thanked Secretary Bonner for his focus and commitment and congratulated him on his confirmation.

Lynn Terry, Air Resources Board (ARB), testified ARB worked closely with CTC staff on an understanding of air quality and local impacts and have developed a sound process underway with the screening process. Ms. Terry stated some projects are still of concern and looks forward to working together for mitigation on projects.

Commissioner Tagami noted he will recuse himself on projects 1-3 and Commissioner Ghielmetti noted he will recuse himself of Project #14.

Chief Delivery Officer Andre Boutros acknowledged the people who have worked hard to bring the TCIF program together thus far.

Mr. Boutros noted the projects not recommended for funding. He then noted the asking amount from each corridor and what staff is recommending for each corridor.

The following individuals requested to give testimony for their agency on proposed projects from staff recommendations for the Trade Corridor Improvement Fund:

Northern California Regions

- Carolyn Clevenger, Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)
- John Amber
- Scott Peterson, Oakland Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, Port of Oakland projects
- Athena Applon, W.O. EIP, Port of Oakland projects
- Michael Cunningham, Bay Area Council

Northern California Region (Continued)

- Tony Fisher, NUMMI
- Bruce Kern, East Bay Economic Development Alliance

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Kathryn Phillips, Environmental Defense Fund  
 Steve Vaughn, California Highway Patrol, Cordelia Inspection Facility  
 Richard Aschieris and Jeff Casper, Port of Stockton  
 John Ritchie, Paramount Farming, Shafter  
 Chris Minus, SSA Marine, Shafter  
 Paul Esposito, Railex, ILC and Kathy Kivley, Delano Assistant City Manager  
 Chris Clark, City of Bakersfield, Rosedale Highway  
 Stacy Mortensen, San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission  
 Shelley Burcham, San Joaquin Partnership  
 George Logan, City of Patterson, Crows Landing  
 Angel Lucero, Humboldt Bay, NCRA

Southern California Consensus Group

Anne Mayer, Executive Director Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC)  
 Gary Gallegos, Executive Director San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), San Diego Broader Region  
 Irene McCormack, SANDAG, San Diego Boarder Region  
 Angel Lucero, Humboldt Bay, NCRA  
 Bob Hamm – El Centro  
 Debbie Hall, Executive Director Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC)  
 Lisa Rheinheimer – San Benito COG  
 John Ristow, Santa Clara  
 Brian Gengler, City of Victorville, submitted a letter to the Commission on behalf of the High Desert Corridor

Introduction of The San Joaquin Valley Regional Policy Council	John Barna Michael Rubio, Chairman	I R
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San Joaquin Valley Regional Policy Council Chairman Michael Rubio described the Council and its purpose. He said the council consists of two people each from the eight Councils of Government in the region working as a united front and building consensus on transportation issues.

Commissioner Ghielmetti congratulated them for coming together and appreciated their team effort.

Commissioner Lindsey stated the region was becoming a One-Voice region and it is important to partake in competing for dollars. He noted together they have a loud voice and not to let anyone tell them differently, because if they do not stand up for together, then no one will.

The meeting of the California Transportation Commission was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

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**Thursday, March 13, 2008**

**9:00 a.m. Commission Meeting**

**Secretary of State Office Building  
Auditorium, First Floor  
1500 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
Sacramento, California**

The meeting of the California Transportation Commission was called to order by Vice Chair Alvarado at 9:00 am on March 13, 2008, at the Secretary of State Office Building Auditorium, 1500 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Sacramento, California.

Roll call was conducted and Commissioners were in attendance as follows:

- VICE CHAIR ALVARADO
- COMMISSIONER BERGESON
- CHAIR CHALKER Absent (arrived at 9:45 a.m.)
- COMMISSIONER EARP Absent (arrived at 9:24 a.m.)
- COMMISSIONER FROMMER
- COMMISSIONER GHIELMETTI
- COMMISSIONER GUARDINO
- COMMISSIONER LINDSEY
- COMMISSIONER TAGAMI
- COMMISSIONER TAVAGLIONE
- COMMISSIONER ZARIAN

**TOTAL** Present   11    
Absent     0  

Assembly Member Pedro Nava, Ex-Officio Not Present  
Senator Alan S. Lowenthal, Ex-Officio Not Present

**37** Northern California 2008 STIP Hearing David Brewer **I C**

Chief Deputy Director David Brewer presented the statutory requirements and general overview of the 2008 STIP process.

Rachel Falsetti, Acting Division Chief of Programming, gave an overview of the Department’s Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP) and made a Power Point presentation.

Commissioner Tagami questioned return on investment and life cycle benefits and asked for a breakdown of the formula used.

CTC Chief Deputy Director, David Brewer, Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss and Assistant Deputy Juan Guzman alternately gave short overviews of each County prior to their testimony.

Mendocino County Council of Governments (Mendocino COG) – Phil Dow, Executive Director, Mendocino COG

Del Norte – Del Norte Local Transportation Commission, (Del Norte LTC) – Chris Howard, Past President, Del Norte Chamber of Commerce

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El Dorado – El Dorado County Transportation Commission (EDCTC) – Jack Sweeney, Chair EDCTC; presented handout

Siskiyou – Siskiyou County Transportation Commission (SCTC) – Brian McDermott, Executive Director, SCTC

Madera – Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC) – Derek Winning, Deputy Director, MCTC

Tri-Counties – Amador County Transportation Commission (Amador CTC), Alpine County Local Transportation Commission (Alpine LTC), and Calaveras Council of Governments (Calaveras COG) – Tim McSorely, Executive Director, Calaveras COG, Dennis Cardoza; presented handout

Lake – Lake County/City Area Planning Council (Lake CAPC) – Phil Dow spoke on behalf of Lisa Davey-Bates, Executive Director, Lake CAPC

MTC – Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) – Alix Bockelman, Director of Programming and Allocation, MTC

Tahoe – Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) – Scott Frosythe, Senior Transportation Planner, TRPA City of South Lake Tahoe

Tehama – Tehama County Transportation Commission (TCTC) – Barbara O’Keefe, Commission and Transit Staff, TCTC, presented handout

Kings – Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) – John Murray, Mayor of Lemoore, and Terry King, Transportation Planner Kings County Association of Governments; presented handout

Shasta – Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency (Shasta RTPA) – Dan Little, Executive Director, Shasta RTA

San Benito – Council of San Benito County Governments (san Benito COG) – Lisa Rheinheimer, Executive Director, San Benito COG

Humboldt – Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCOG) – Spencer Clifton, Executive Director, HCOG

Monterey – Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) – Debbie Hale, Executive Director, TAMC, Frank Sollecito, Vice Chair, TAMC

Sacramento – Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) – Mike McKeever, Executive Director, SACOG

**POLICY MATTERS**

38	Presentation of the Draft FY 2007-08 Environmental Enhancement Mitigation Program	Juan Guzman	I	C
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Assistant Deputy Director Juan Guzman presented this item and recommended acceptance of the notice.

Discussion ensued regarding recreational roadside rests and the budgeting of the funds.

Mr. Guzman noted that \$9,875,000 of the \$10 million was for projects and \$125,000 was for administrative fees.

*Heard under Public Comment on March 13, 2008.*

Assemblymember Sam Blakeslee, Thirty-third District, spoke on behalf for support of the Avila Ranch project as a candidate for mitigation for a bridge project.



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from PS&E to PA&ED and update the project schedule and funding plan. (Related Item under Tab 42)  
 Resolution CMIA-PA-0708-005  
 Resolution TAA-07-48, Amending Resolution TAA-07-23

*Pink noted: CMIA Program/TCRP Project Amendment. TCRP #39, Los Angeles, Route 405. **Withdrawn prior to CTC meeting.***

42	Financial Allocation Amendment (2.6e.(3)): Two TCRP Projects, no net change in funding. Resolution TFP-07-13, Amending Resolutions TFP-06-27 and TFP-07-02	Juan Guzman Rachel Falsetti	A D/C
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*Pink noted: One TCRP project, no net change in funding. Project #1 (Dept of Transportation, Project #39 – Route 405) Withdrawn prior to CTC meeting.*

Assistant Deputy Director Juan Guzman presented item and recommended approval of the one project.

Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve the item. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion which carried 7-0. (Commissioners Bergeson, Tagami, Tavaglione, and Zarian were absent)

**Financial Allocations for Proposition 1B Projects**

43	Financial Allocation (2.5g.(1a)): One Multi-program State-administered CMIA Project on the State Highway System for \$44,622,000 (\$36,227,000 CMIA and \$8,395,000 STIP), plus \$33,000,000 from other sources. (Related item under Tab 44) Resolution CMIA-A-0708-009 Resolution STIP1B-A-0708-010	Andre Boutros David Brewer Rachel Falsetti	A D
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Chief Delivery Officer, Andre Boutros presented the item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve the item. Commissioner Guardino seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Tagami, Tavaglione, and Zarian were absent)

44	Financial Allocation (2.5g.(6)): One SHOPP project for \$12,828,000. (Related item under Tab 43) Resolution SHOP1B-A-0708-005	Mitchell Weiss Rachel Falsetti	A D
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Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss presented the item and recommended approval.

*Pink noted: Corrected Agenda Vote List and Book Item attachment*

Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve the item. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Tagami, Tavaglione, and Zarian were absent)

**Financial Allocations/Amendments for Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP) Projects**

45	Financial Allocation (2.6e.(1)): One AB 1335 Letter of No Prejudice for \$21,000,000. Resolution TFP-07-__	Juan Guzman Rachel Falsetti	A D/C
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Assistant Deputy Director Juan Guzman presented the item and recommended deferral until future funding is available.

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A request was made to keep a pending list of deferred allocations to give those requests priority when new funding becomes available.

Shirley Medina, RCTC, spoke on behalf of the project and asked that it be a top priority when funding is available.

Commissioner Lindsey motioned to defer item. Commissioner Bergeson seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Tagami, Tavaglione, and Zarian were absent)

**Program/Project Amendments/Approvals for Action**

46	The Sacramento Regional Transit District proposes to amend TCRP Project #116 – Route 80 Light Rail Corridor; double-track Route 80 light rail line for express service in Sacramento County, to revise the project scope, redistribute \$525,000 in TCRP funds from Construction to PS&E, and update the project schedule and funding plan. <i>(Related Item under Tab 47 and Tab 48)</i> Resolution TAA-07-50, Amending Resolution TAA-07-29	Juan Guzman Rachel Falsetti	A D/C
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Assistant Deputy Director Juan Guzman presented the item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve the item. Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Tagami, Tavaglione, and Zarian were absent)

**Financial Allocations for STIP Projects**

47	Financial Allocation (2.6a.(1)): One Locally-Administered STIP Rail/Transit Project for \$5,000,000. <i>(Related item under Tab 46 and Tab 48)</i> Resolution MFP-07-15	Juan Guzman Gale Ogawa	A D
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Assistant Deputy Director Juan Guzman presented the item and recommended approval.

*Pink noted: Modify Agenda Vote List and Book Item attachment*

Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve the item. Commissioner Earp seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Tagami, Tavaglione, and Zarian were absent)

**Financial Allocations/Amendments for Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP) Projects**

48	Financial Allocation (2.6e.(2)): Two TCRP Projects totaling \$13,881,000. Resolution TFP-07-__	Juan Guzman Rachel Falsetti	A D/C
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Assistant Deputy Director Juan Guzman presented the item and recommended approval for Project #2 and deferral of Project #1 due to insufficient funding.

Commissioner Bergeson moved to approve staff recommendation. Commissioner Earp seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Tagami, Tavaglione, and Zarian were absent)

**Financial Allocations for STIP Projects**

49	Financial Allocation Adjustment (2.5c.(5)): One STIP Sutter/Yuba 70 Corridor Project near Rio Oso, per AB 608. Resolution FA-07-08, Amending Resolution FP-06-115	David Brewer Rachel Falsetti	A D
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Chief Deputy Director David Brewer presented the item and recommended approval.

*Pink noted: Corrected Book Item, Agenda Vote List and Book Item attachment*

Commissioner Bergeson moved to approve the item. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Tagami, Tavaglione, and Zarian were absent)

**Request to Extend the Period of Contract Award**

50	Request to Extend the Period of Contract Award for Two State-Administered STIP Projects for \$88,383,000 and Four SHOPP Projects totaling \$161,347,000, per Resolution G-06-08. Waiver-08-07	Maura Twomey Rachel Falsetti	A D
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Deputy Director Maura Twomey presented item and recommended deferral of action. Projects #4 and #5 were withdrawn.

Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve staff recommendation. Commissioner Bergeson seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Tagami, Tavaglione, and Zarian were absent)

51	Request to Extend the Period of Contract Award for Two Locally-Administered STIP Transit Projects totaling \$45,810,000, per Resolution G-06-08. Waiver-08-08	Maura Twomey Gale Ogawa	A D
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Deputy Director Maura Twomey presented the item noting Project #2 was withdrawn and recommended a four-month extension for Project #1.

Commissioner Alvarado moved to approve staff recommendation. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Tagami, Tavaglione, and Zarian were absent)

52	Request to Extend the Period of Contract Award for One Locally-Administered STIP Project for the City of Corona for \$1,416,000, per Resolution G-06-08 Waiver-08-09	Maura Twomey Terry Abbott	A D
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Deputy Director Maura Twomey presented the item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Alvarado moved to approve the item. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Tagami, Tavaglione, and Zarian were absent)

**POLICY MATTERS**

53	Notice of Proposed SHOPP GARVEE Projects	Mitchell Weiss Norma Ortega	I D
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This item was heard after Item #34 on March 12, 2008.

Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss introduced Norma Ortega, Budgets Division Chief, who presented this item.

Discussion ensued regarding the state match used for GARVEE bonds and if the number of bonds is increasing.

Commissioner Ghielmetti asked if there was an available list and schedule. Ms. Ortega stated there is a list with current schedules and that Caltrans is operating on an assumption of \$2.4 billion in GARVEE capacity.

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Discussion ensued regarding the need to balance debt service and issuance costs.				
<b><u>PROGRAM STATUS</u></b>				
54	FY 2007-08 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Finance Report		Mitchell Weiss Norma Ortega	I D
Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss introduced Steven Keck, Caltrans Division of Budgets. Mr. Keck presented the item in a Power Point presentation.				
Discussion ensued regarding the cash account reserves, expenditures and cash balances.				
55	FY 2007-08 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Project Delivery Report		Maura Twomey Karla Sutliff	I D
This item heard after item #40.				
Deputy Director Maura Twomey gave an overview report.				
No questions or comments followed.				
56	FY 2007-08 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Rail Operations Report		Robert Chung Bill Bronte	I D
Deputy Director Robert Chung introduced Bill Bronte, Rail Division Chief, who presented the item.				
Mr. Bronte noted the increased on-time performance of the Pacific Surfliner, San Joaquin rail line, and the Capitol Corridor.				
Commissioner Guardino asked if there were any vendors interested in providing wireless internet access on the trains. Mr. Bronte suggested he and Commissioner Guardino meet offline to discuss this idea.				
Discussion ensued regarding the load factors, increase in ridership and the processes, models and time to generate this information.				
Chair Chalker asked Mr. Bronte if metrics could be included on the quarterly reports. Mr. Bronte agreed to work with Commission staff to provide the performance metrics.				
57	FY 2007-08 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Excess Land Sales Report		Robert Chung Bimla Rhinehart	I D
Robert Chung, Deputy Director, introduced Bimla Rhinehart, Right of Way Division Chief, who gave an overview report with a Power Point presentation.				
No questions or comments followed.				
58	Local Assistance Lump Sum Allocation Year-End Report for Federal Fiscal Year 2007		Robert Chung Terry Abbott	I D
Robert Chung, Deputy Director, gave an overview report. Mr. Abbott presented the status report.				
No questions or comments followed.				
59	Local Assistance Lump Sum Allocation Status Report for Federal Fiscal Year 2008		Robert Chung Terry Abbott	I D

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Robert Chung, Deputy Director, gave an overview report. Mr. Abbott presented the status report.

No questions or comments followed.

60	Report on AB 1012 "Use It or Lose It" Provision for FFY 2006 Unobligated CMAQ and RSTP Funds		Robert Chung Terry Abbott	I D
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This item was a duplicate of Item #16 heard on the Information Calendar on March 12, 2008.

61	2007 Year-End Seismic Safety Retrofit Report		Stephen Maller Karla Sutliff	I D
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Stephen Maller, Deputy Director, gave an overview report.

No questions or comments followed.

62	Proposition 1B Quarterly Report – Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program		Stephen Maller Terry Abbott	I D
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Stephen Maller, Deputy Director, gave an overview report.

No questions or comments followed.

**OTHER MATTERS / PUBLIC COMMENT**

Liberty Sanchez, representing the Teamsters Union, spoke on item #35 Staff Recommendations for the Trade Corridor Improvement Fund. Ms. Sanchez stressed the desire to defer any allocations to the Ports of Long Beach and Oakland to ensure the drivers in the trucking industry are protected.

Chair Chalker stated that her requests will be addressed through the environmental review process.

Commissioner Frommer expressed concern for the projects and trust the stakeholders work together to resolve these concerns.

	<b>ADJOURN</b>			
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The meeting of the California Transportation Commission was adjourned at 2:10 pm.

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JOHN F. BARNA, JR., Executive Director