

Memorandum

To: Chair and Commissioners

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Executive Director

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Ref: Monthly Report on Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee Activity

Summary: The following is a progress report on selected construction contracts for the San Francisco Oakland Bay Bridge Seismic Retrofit project and the November 6, 2008, Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee (TBPOC) meeting:

Self Anchored Suspension (SAS) contract –

- Final construction approval of the top deck panels to be used in the construction of the orthotropic box girder (OBG) deck segments number three, four, and five is on target for the end of November. Approval for the panels for deck segments one and two will follow. The first shipment of the deck segments is scheduled to leave Changxing Island in the Spring of 2009.

Yerba Buena Island (YBI) Detour –

- Procurement and fabrication of the East Tie-In components continues.
- The Labor Day 2009 roll-out/roll-in of the east tie-in segment is still on target. It is anticipated the contractor will provide concurrence in January 2009.

November 6 TBPOC meeting –

- The TBPOC meeting covered a wide range of items. Of most importance was the agreement to facilitate the prompt delivery of the Orthotropic Box Girders (OBGs) to the job site.
- The Project Management Team is working on a global approach to address all China related issues that includes “partnering meetings” with the contractor. A partnering session with American Bridge-Flour has been scheduled for December 11, 2008.

Background: In July 2005, Assembly Bill 144, (AB144) Hancock created the Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee (TBPOC) to exercise project oversight and control over the Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program. The TBPOC is comprised of the Director of the Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA) Executive Director, and the Executive Director of the California Transportation Commission (CTC).

The TBPOC’s program oversight and control activities include, review and approval of contract bid documents, contract change orders and resolution of major project issues.