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CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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(One Day Only)
Sacramento, California

Wednesday, January 14, 2009

9:00 a.m.

Commission Meeting
Lincoln Plaza
Auditorium, First Floor
400 P Street
Sacramento, CA

9:00 am	GENERAL BUSINESS
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1	Roll Call		John Chalker	I	C
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VICE CHAIR BOB ALVARADO	
CHAIR JOHN CHALKER	
COMMISSIONER LUCETTA DUNN	
COMMISSIONER JAMES EARP	
COMMISSIONER DARIO FROMMER	Arrived 9:45 am
COMMISSIONER JAMES GHIEMMETTI	
COMMISSIONER CARL GUARDINO	
COMMISSIONER R. KIRK LINDSEY	
COMMISSIONER PHILLIP H. TAGAMI	Absent
COMMISSIONER JOSEPH TAVAGLIONE	
COMMISSIONER LARRY ZARIAN	
TOTAL	Present: 10 Absent: 1
Senator Alan S. Lowenthal, Ex-Officio	Arrived 9:43 am
Assembly Member Mike Eng, Ex-Officio	Present

	Highway Right of Way Matters
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2 8 Ayes	Resolution of Necessity – Appearance -- E. David G. Waters, Trustee, etc., et ux. 08-SBd-215-PM 6.8 Resolution C-20038		Stephen Maller Ray Wolfe	A	D
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CTC Principal Transportation Engineer Stephen Maller presented this item and recommended approval. There was no appearance made by the property owner, except by letter.

Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve the item. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which carried 9-0. (Commissioners Frommer and Tagami were absent.)

<p>3 8 Ayes</p>	<p>Two Resolutions of Necessity – Appearances Resolutions C-20039 and C-20040</p> <p>-- Jarvis Properties, a California Limited Partnership; John L. McDonnell, Jr., Trustee, etc., et al. 05-Mon-101-PM 91.6 Resolution C-20039</p> <p>--John L. McDonnell, Jr., Trustee, etc., et al. 05-Mon-101-PM 91.6 Resolution C-20040</p>		<p>Stephen Maller Richard Krumholz</p>	<p>A D</p> <p>A D</p>
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CTC Principal Transportation Engineer Stephen Maller presented this item. He introduced Rory Quince, Caltrans Central Region Design Office Chief, who gave a Power Point presentation regarding the department’s work on the Jarvis property.

Les Hausrath, representing the Jarvis Trust, summarized a proposed exchange on the eastern property portion and stated the property owner’s concerns that the overall project design would affect the drainage and hydrology. Also, he stated that the land could face potential flooding and negative impact to water quality.

John McDonnell, trustee appointed by Monterey County Superior Court, expressed that he is in favor of the project, although he does not agree that the hydrology studies completed to date are adequate. He recommended that the Commission defer this resolution and order an independent analysis of the hydrology studies.

Jeff Grok, representing the Jarvis Trust, presented several maps and photos of the Jarvis property to explain the potential impacts to the property as a result of the project as designed. He expressed concern about the plans by Caltrans.

Todd Jarvis, property owner, reiterated the points made previously by his property’s representatives and requested that the Commission review the hydrology studies.

Commissioner Ghielmetti asked Mr. Quince if the hydrology report had been independently reviewed, and Mr. Quince confirmed that it had.

Commissioner Guardino asked if an agreement was expected to be reached within the next few weeks. Mr. Quince confirmed that was the expectation.

The Commission voted first on Resolution C-20039, regarding the eastern property portion. Commissioner Alvarado moved to approve the item. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which carried 9-0. (Commissioners Lindsey and Tagami were absent.)

The Commission voted second on Resolution C-20040, regarding the western property portion. Commissioner Alvarado moved to approve the item. Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion, which carried 8-1. (Commissioner Guardino voted against the resolution. Commissioners Lindsey and Tagami were absent.)

GENERAL BUSINESS				
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<p>4</p>	<p>Approval of Minutes for December 10-11, 2008</p>		<p>John Chalker</p>	<p>A C</p>
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Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve the item. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which carried 9-0. (Commissioners Lindsey and Tagami were absent.)

5	Commissioners' Meetings for Compensation		John Chalker	A	C
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Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the item. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which carried 9-0. (Commissioners Lindsey and Tagami were absent.)

6	Commission Reports		John Chalker	A	C
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There were no reports presented.

7	Election of Chair and Vice-Chair		John Chalker	A	C
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Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to elect Commissioner Alvarado to the position of Chair and Commissioner Earp to the position of Vice Chair. Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion, which carried 9-0. (Commissioners Lindsey and Tagami were absent.)

Chair Chalker stated that the new positions would be effective beginning with the March 2009 CTC meeting.

8	Executive Director's Report		John Barna	A	C
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CTC Executive Director Barna introduced Lucila Gonzalez, the new administrative officer for the CTC.

Director Barna stated that notice had been given for the possibility of a State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) amendment special meeting. He asked the Commission to consider the dates of January 28, February 5, and February 10. In response to a question by Commissioner Alvarado, Director Barna replied that the meeting could be held by teleconference as long as the public was able to join the Commissioners at the location where they will be calling from.

Director Barna suggested several possible future meeting locations for 2009, including Bakersfield, Monterey, Imperial County, and San Jose. Commissioner Ghielmetti suggested that locations out of range of major airports be reserved for "town hall" style meetings. Director Barna agreed to bring the discussion back at the February CTC meeting.

Action Item: Commissioner Ghielmetti requested staff to develop a proposed travel schedule for "Town Hall" meetings for 2009.

<u>BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION & HOUSING AGENCY REPORT</u>					
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9	Report by Agency Secretary and/or Deputy Secretary		Dale Bonner	I	B
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This item was presented out of order after Item 11.

Secretary Bonner expressed his concern regarding the state's financial situation. The Commissioners and Secretary Bonner agreed that a delegation should be formed to lobby the state's members of Congress to ensure that the federal stimulus package includes transportation components that are critical to California. Commissioner Dunn emphasized the importance of moving quickly and effectively.

<u>CALTRANS REPORT</u>					
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10	Report by Caltrans' Director and/or Deputy Director		Will Kempton	I	D
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Caltrans Director Kempton commended CTC staff on a well-written annual report. He expressed concern over a chart that reported the rate of project delivery. He explained that the report was based on different calculations than what Caltrans had previously reported as measures of delivery. He asked for coordination with CTC on the issue.

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Director Kempton announced several changes to Caltrans staff throughout the state.

Director Kempton stated that Caltrans was in the process of implementing the state employee furlough.

Director Kempton reported that the department had reached several benchmarks as required by the Federal Highway Administration. He reported that inactive obligations had gone from the amount of \$1.2 billion to \$155 million.

Director Kempton introduced Walter "Butch" Waidelich, the new division administrator for the California Division of the Federal Highway Administration.

Director Kempton reported that Caltrans had surpassed its property disposal goal by the end of 2008.

Commissioner Earp asked where the proceeds from the sale of property would go. Director Kempton replied that the money initially would go to the Public Transportation Account.

Commissioner Frommer expressed concern regarding the state employee furlough, and stated the employees must be considered and respected throughout the process.

Commissioner Guardino thanked CTC Associate Deputy Director Annette Gilbertson for her work on the annual report.

POLICY MATTERS				
11	Presentation on the Governor's FY 2009-10 Budget		Mitchell Weiss Norma Ortega	I D

Chair Chalker asked if the ex officio members had any comments before beginning this item. Senator Lowenthal expressed his appreciation for his reappointment. Assemblyman Eng also expressed his appreciation for his appointment and stressed the importance of transportation in California.

Caltrans Chief Division of Budgets Norma Ortega presented a summary of the Governor's budget with a Power Point presentation. She reported several significant proposals, including full funding of Proposition 42, no tribal gaming repayments, reduction and elimination of State Transit Assistance (STA) funding, and future spillover to the Mass Transportation Fund (MTF).

CTC Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss reported that a legislative proposal had been made to eliminate the gasoline excise tax and replace it with a gasoline fee. He recommended that given the state's current financial situation and the uncertainty regarding the budget and bond sales, the Commission should limit its allocations to emergency, safety, and supplementals, as short term revenue would be unpredictable.

Commissioner Earp asked how the process of contract award deferral would play out, and if it could force a re-bidding process. Ms. Ortega replied that nothing was certain. Director Kempton stated that it made sense to defer allocations, although the cost of re-bidding projects concerned him. Discussion ensued among the Commissioners regarding the implications of the gasoline tax revenue, the federal stimulus package, and the state employee furlough.

Rachel Moriconi, Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPA) Moderator, reported the planning agencies were concerned about bond projects being frozen. She requested the Commission continue to allocate funds on a contingent basis in order to ensure project delivery as soon as possible. Commissioner Lindsey asked what the advantage would be of allocation on a contingent basis. Ms. Moriconi replied that would be addressed by Kurt Brotchke.

Public speaker Kurt Brotchke, Orange County Transportation Authority, explained that a deferral of allocations would postpone project delivery.

Public speaker Suzanne Smith, Self-Help Counties Coalition Chair, agreed with Ms. Moriconi's comments and added that sales tax revenues were dropping and requested that money be handled with little risk to local agencies.

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Public speaker Gary Gallegos, San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) Executive Director, expressed concern about the possibility of contractors not being paid for their work. Commissioner Earp asked what the advantage would be to contingent allocations as opposed to deferring them. Mr. Gallegos replied that if allocations were contingent, projects would be ready to go and preparations would be made.

Director Barna stated that staff was committed to working on all proposals to keep funds flowing and would meet sooner if necessary. He stated that the flexibility of funding needed to be preserved, as the future would be uncertain, and allocating conditionally may not be in everyone's best interest. Mr. Weiss added that if allocations were made on a contingent basis, contracts could not be awarded until the budget was resolved. Further discussion ensued among Commissioners regarding the financial issues raised.

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12	Presentation on the Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP)		Mitchell Weiss Rachel Falsetti	I	D
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This item was addressed out of order after Item 9. Director Barna directed everyone to the Power Point handout and asked everyone to direct their questions to staff. No full presentation was made.

13	Implementation of Federal Stimulus		Mitchell Weiss Ken DeCrescenzo	A	C
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Ken DeCrescenzo, Caltrans Federal Liaison, presented an overview of the proposed stimulus package. He stated that the funds were likely to be based on an allocation formula with broad project eligibility. He stated there would likely be little relief from programming and project development requirements. Potential issues included a 100% match requirement and no expected leeway in environmental requirements.

Commissioner Ghielmetti stressed the importance of following through on this legislation.

Commissioner Earp asked if there was a list of projects that would work under the federal stimulus package. Mr. DeCrescenzo replied that it was in progress.

Public speaker Gary Gallegos, SANDAG Executive Director, suggested that the Commission advocate for project delivery, and work to improve Interstate 5.

Suzanne Smith, Self-Help Counties Coalition Chair, urged the Commission to consider both short and long term approaches. She also asked the Commission to urge Congress to continue pursuing a federal transportation bill. She suggested that transit funding be allocated directly to operators.

Mike Woodman, Rural Counties Task Force (RCTF) Chair, reported that the main focus of discussion by the RCTF had been allocation of funds and draft economic stimulus principles. He explained that he would present an option to the RCTF that would allow regions, cities, and counties to forgo the federal stimulus, provide the funds to the state to address Proposition 1B shortfalls, and be paid back later with Proposition 1B funds when available.

David Yale of LA Metro expressed his support of Mr. DeCrescenzo's points.

Rebecca Long of Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) urged the Commission to consider a two-part focus when considering use of the federal stimulus. She stressed the importance of short-term projects to deliver jobs in the immediate future, and also long-term investment projects. She reported that the MTC would like to use 80% of Bay Area funding for maintenance. Commissioners Guardino and Ghielmetti reminded everyone that the stimulus package was not aimed at starting long-term projects.

Rusty Selix of CALCOG stated his group's support of the Surface Transportation Program formula for distribution. He expressed his concern about projects not already in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program. He explained the need for state legislation in addition to the federal.

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Rachel Moriconi, RTPA Moderator, stated her group's general agreement with the points made by CALCOG, RCTF, and the Self-Help Counties representatives. She stated her concern regarding possible delays with the federal programming process. She asked for the Commission's support for local street and road projects within the STIP.

Sharon Neely of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) stated her group's support of Secretary Bonner's points regarding working creatively and with flexibility. She stated her group's concern about the cuts made in transit funding and its effect on jobs.

Commissioner Earp reminded everyone that the federal stimulus bill was meant to deliver projects quickly and create jobs. CTC Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss explained that while the regions were well-represented at the meeting, the cities and California State Association of Counties (CSAC) may not agree with all of the points made. He urged the Commission to gather a consensus for the state.

Chair Chalker asked CTC staff to draft a letter stating the Commission's support of Mr. DeCrescenzo's three main points. Commissioner Earp moved to approve the drafting of a letter. Commissioner Alvarado seconded the motion, which carried 9-0. (Commissioners Lindsey and Tagami were absent.)

Action Item: Chair Chalker requested that staff prepare a letter, to be reviewed by the Executive Committee, to Business, Transportation, and Housing (BTH) Secretary Bonner, regarding the Commission's support of Ken DeCrescenzo's three points regarding implementation of the federal economic stimulus package.

1:30 pm	LOCAL REPORTS			
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14	Report by Regional Agencies Moderator		Rachel Moriconi	I	R
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Rachel Moriconi, RTPA moderator, announced the appointment of Brittany Oderman to the position of vice moderator. She urged the Commission to defer discussion on agenda Item 59.

15	Report by Rural Counties Task Force Chair		Mike Woodman	I	R
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Mike Woodman, RCTF Chair, announced the upcoming appointment of a new chair and expressed his appreciation for the Commission's work.

16	Report by Self-Help Counties Coalition Chair		Suzanne Smith	I	R
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Suzanne Smith, Self-Help Counties Chair, reported that all of her points had already been addressed.

	INFORMATION CALENDAR		Stephen Maller		
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17 IC	<p><u>Informational Reports on Allocations Under Delegated Authority</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- Emergency G-11 Allocations (2.5f.(1)): \$11,565,000 for eight projects. -- SHOPP Safety G-03-10 Allocations (2.5f.(3)): \$6,127,000 for three projects. -- Minor G-05-05 Allocations (2.5f.(4)): \$5,416,000 for 11 projects. 			I	D
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CTC Principal Transportation Engineer Stephen Maller presented the information calendar. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners.

18 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 on Wednesday, January 14, 2009.

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19 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 on Wednesday, January 14, 2009.

20 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 on Wednesday, January 14, 2009.

21 IC	Monthly Status of Construction Contract Award for TCRP Projects, per Resolution G-06-08			I	D/C
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This item was presented on the Information Calendar on Wednesday, January 14, 2009.

	CONSENT CALENDAR		Robert Chung		
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CTC Associate Deputy Director Susan Bransen presented the Consent Calendar. She noted that the change list included the withdrawal of Resolution of Necessity C-20044 under Item 23. She stated that Item 25 would be pulled off of the Consent Calendar and discussed separately. She also stated that Item 27 had been withdrawn, although it was not listed on the change list. She recommended the revised Consent Calendar be approved.

Commissioner Zarian moved to approve the revised Consent Calendar. Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion, which carried 9-0. (Commissioners Lindsey and Tagami were absent.)

22 CC	One Relinquishment Resolution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 1-Men-162-PM R0.0/R0.1 Right of Way along Route 162 in the county of Mendocino near Route 101. Resolution R-3715 			A	D
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This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on Wednesday, January 14, 2009.

23 CC 8 Ayes	16 Resolutions of Necessity Resolutions C-20041 through C-20056			A	D
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This revised item was approved on the Consent Calendar on Wednesday, January 14, 2009.

24 CC	Director's Deeds Items #1 through #22 Excess Lands – Return to State: \$115,585 Return to Others: \$0			A	D
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This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on Wednesday, January 14, 2009.

25 CC	Financial Allocation (2.5a.): \$3,512,000 for eight District Minor SHOPP projects. Resolution FP-08-26			A	D
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CTC Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss presented this item. He recommended the allocation be deferred.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the deferral. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which carried 9-0. (Commissioners Lindsey and Tagami were absent.)

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26 CC	Technical Correction to Resolution MFP-08-01, originally approved July 24, 2008, for \$50,163,000 for two locally-administered STIP projects. A technical correction is needed for Project #1 – MetroBase Consolidated Bus Operations Facility (PPNO 05-0924B) to modify the funding year for the AB 3090 Reimbursement.			A	D

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on Wednesday, January 14, 2009.

27 CC	Technical Correction to Resolution FP-08-11, originally approved September 25, 2008, for \$18,465,000 for three locally-administered STIP projects. A technical correction is needed for all three projects to modify the fund type and year for the three allocations.			A	D
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This item was withdrawn from both the Consent Calendar and the agenda on Wednesday, January 14, 2009.

<u>Environmental Matters – Comments on Documents in Circulation (Draft EIR)</u>					
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28	Submittal of Draft Document for Comments: White Rock Road General Plan Amendment, and Widening, Improvement & Safety Project (Phases A, B & C) in Sacramento County. (DEIR)		Susan Bransen	A	C
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CTC Associate Deputy Director Susan Bransen presented this item. She recommended that the Commission make no comments regarding the environmental issues, and that a letter be sent to the County of Sacramento recommending that the funding necessary to complete Phases A and C be secured. In addition, because Phase B was programmed in the Corridor Mobility Improvement Account (CMIA), the comments recommended in the book item should also be included in the letter to the County.

Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve staff recommendations. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which carried 10-0. (Commissioner Tagami was absent.)

<u>Environmental Matters – Approval of Projects for Future Consideration of Funding, Route Adoption or New Public Road Connection (Final Negative Declaration or EIR)</u>					
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29	Approval of Project for Funding: 04-Sol-80, PM 11.4/20.1 Route 80 in Solano County. Construct High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes in both directions in the median between Red Top Road and Air Base Parkway in Fairfield. (PPNOs 8320B, 8320D, 8230C) (MND) (CMIA) Resolution E-09-01		Susan Bransen Jay Norvell	A	D
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CTC Associate Deputy Director Susan Bransen presented this item. She explained that this environmental document provides environmental clearance for the HOV lanes portion of the project. She recommended that the Commission consider the Mitigated Negative Declaration and approve this portion of the project for consideration of funding.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve staff recommendations. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which carried 10-0. (Commissioner Tagami was absent.)

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30	Approval of Project for Future Consideration of Funding: 04-Son-101, PM 7.5/13.9 Route 101 in Sonoma County. Widen Route 101 from four to six lanes by adding one HOV lane in each direction from Old Redwood Highway to the Rohnert Park Expressway through the cities of Petaluma, Cotati, and Rohnert Park. (PPNO 0775) (FEIR) (CMIA) Resolution E-09-02		Susan Bransen Jay Norvell	A	D

CTC Associate Deputy Director Susan Bransen presented Items 30-32 together. She recommended the Commission consider the environmental documents and approve the projects for future consideration of funding.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve staff recommendations. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which carried 10-0. (Commissioner Tagami was absent.)

31	Approval of Project for Future Consideration of Funding: 12-Ora-57, PM 16.2/21.1 Route 57 in Orange County. Widen northbound Route 57 from just south of Orangethorpe Avenue to north of Lambert Road through the cities of Placentia, Fullerton, and Brea. (PPNO 3788) (MND) (CMIA) Resolution E-09-03		Susan Bransen Jay Norvell	A	D
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This item was presented with Items 30 and 32 and was approved.

32	Approval of Project for Future Consideration of Funding: 08-Riv-91, PM 0.0/2.9 ; 12-Ora-91, PM 15.9/19.9 Route 91 in Riverside and Orange Counties. Widen Route 91 between Route 241 near Yorba Linda and Route 71 near Corona. (PPNO 4678) (MND) (CMIA) Resolution E-09-04		Susan Bransen Jay Norvell	A	D
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This item was presented with items 30 and 31 and was approved.

Program/Project Amendments/Approvals for Action
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33	SHOPP Amendment 08H-132 The Department proposes to amend the SHOPP to modify description of work for the Cold Spring Canyon Bridge project near San Marcos Pass in Santa Barbara County.		Mitchell Weiss Rachel Falsetti	A	D
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This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

Program/Project Amendments/Approvals for Notice
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34	Resolution CMIA-PA-0809-008 STIP Amendment 08S-008 Resolution TAA-08-09, Amending Resolution TA-01-07 The Department, in conjunction with the Kings County Association of Governments and the Tulare County Association of Governments, proposes to amend the Corridor Mobility Improvement Account (CMIA), the STIP, and the TCRP (TCRP #111) for the Route 198 Expressway project near Hanford (PPNO A4360B) to increase IIP PS&E to \$4,105,000, increase IIP R/W Support to \$1,600,000, decrease IIP Construction Support to \$5,014,000, increase IIP R/W to \$5,281,000, delete IIP Construction, and program \$4,500,000 IIP for a follow-up landscaping project (PPNO A4360Y).		Andre Boutros Rachel Falsetti	I	D

CTC Chief Delivery Officer Andre Boutros presented this informational item. He explained that the project's cost increase would be handled by moving funds from the construction capital budget to cover the right of way cost increase.

Chair Chalker and Commissioner Ghielmetti expressed their disapproval of this action. Commissioner Lindsey asked for an explanation of the cost increase.

Malcolm Dougherty, Caltrans District 6 Director, explained that the cost increase was due to utility costs and court-determined land costs as a result of condemnation. He also explained that the total project cost was coming in under budget. Commissioner Lindsey suggested that Mr. Dougherty bring documentation upon his return for funding.

Mr. Boutros also explained that a proposal existed to split the landscaping out of the contract into its own separate contract.

35	STIP Amendment 08S-009 The Department and the Merced County Association of Governments propose to amend the STIP to change the scope of the Los Banos Bypass project (PPNO 5707) to an environmental only project and program PS&E and Right of Way for a Los Banos Bypass Segment 1 project (PPNO 5707A) from Route 165 to 0.5 mile west of Santa Fe Grade Road.		Mitchell Weiss Rachel Falsetti	I	D
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CTC Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss presented this informational item. He explained that action would be requested at the next CTC meeting. In response to a request by Commissioner Ghielmetti, Mr. Weiss replied that representatives for the project would be asked to be present at that meeting.

Action Item: Commissioner Ghielmetti requested additional information on where the funds will come from for construction on this item.

	Proposition 1B CMIA Program Amendments
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36	The Department proposes to amend the CMIA baseline agreement for the Route 101– HOV Marin/Sonoma Narrows projects to increase PA&ED and reduce PS&E for Route 101 Marin-Sonoma Narrows – HOV (0360F) and Route 101 Marin-Sonoma Narrows – Southerly Interchange (0360J). In addition, the Department requests a TCRP amendment for TCRP #18 to designate the Transportation Authority of Marin as implementing agency for PS&E for the Route 101 Marin Sonoma Narrows – Southerly Interchange (0360J) and the Sonoma County Transportation Authority as implementing agency for PS&E for the Route 101 Marin – Sonoma Narrows- Petaluma Boulevard South Interchange (0360H) to make it consistent with the CMIA baseline agreement. Resolution CMIA-PA-0809-007, Amending Resolution CMIA-PA-0708-005 Resolution TAA-08-08, Amending Resolution TAA-08-07		Andre Boutros Rachel Falsetti	A	D

CTC Chief Delivery Officer Andre Boutros presented this item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Alvarado moved to approve the item. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which carried 10-0. (Commissioner Tagami was absent.)

37	The Department proposes to amend the CMIA baseline agreement for the Route 24 Caldecott Tunnel Fourth Bore project in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties to split and reprogram the original CMIA project into four segments, as follows: Segment 1 – on Route 24, from Route 13 in Alameda County to Gateway Boulevard in Contra Costa County (PPNO 0057A); Segment 2 – realign westbound Route 24 to northbound Route 13 Connector (PPNO 0057G); Segment 3 – widen Caldecott Lane at Kay Street Overcrossing and install traffic signal at Broadway and Kay Street intersection (PPNO 0057I); and Segment 4 - Establish highway planting (PPNO 0057J). Resolution CMIA-PA-0809-009		Andre Boutros Rachel Falsetti	A	D
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This item was deferred until the next CTC meeting scheduled in February 2009.

Action Item: Chair Chalker would like the Executive Steering Committee to meet with Commissioner Alvarado, Commissioner Ghielmetti, and Commissioner Tagami to review CMIA support cost increases requested for this project.

Financial Allocations for STIP Projects					
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38	Financial Allocation (2.5c.(1)): \$1,240,000 for one State-administered STIP Transportation Enhancement (TE) project on Routes 18 and 330 in Running Springs in San Bernardino County. Resolution FP-08-28		Mitchell Weiss Rachel Falsetti	A	D
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CTC Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss presented this item as a group including items 38-42 and recommended deferral.

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Commissioner Alvarado moved to approve the deferral. Commissioner Earp seconded the motion, which carried 10-0. (Commissioner Tagami was absent.)

39	Financial Allocation (2.5c.(2)): \$320,000 for one locally-administered STIP TE project on Route 780 in Benicia between Glen Cove Road and Military West Street. Contributions from local sources: \$3,189,000. Resolution FP-08-29		Mitchell Weiss Rachel Falsetti	A	D
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This item was presented as a group including Items 38-42 and was deferred.

40	Financial Allocations (2.5c.(3)): \$1,769,000 for three locally-administered STIP projects off the State Highway System, as follows: -- \$1,553,000 for two STIP TE projects. Contributions from local sources: \$337,000. -- \$216,000 for one STIP Planning, Programming, and Monitoring project. Resolution FP-08-30		Mitchell Weiss Earl Seaberg	A	D
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This item was presented as a group including Items 38-42 and was deferred.

41	Financial Allocation (2.5c.(4)): \$186,000 for one locally-administered STIP TE project off the State Highway System to be funded from FY 2009-10 TE reserves. Contributions from local sources: \$24,000. Resolution FP-08-__		Mitchell Weiss Earl Seaberg	A	D
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This item was presented as a group including Items 38-42 and was deferred.

42	Financial Allocation (2.5c.(5)): \$1,653,000 for one locally-administered STIP project on Route 99 in Chico from Route 32 to East First Avenue. Resolution FP-08-__		Mitchell Weiss Norma Ortega	A	D
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This item was presented as a group including Items 38-42 and was deferred.

Financial Allocations for Supplemental Funds					
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43	Financial Allocation (2.5e.(1)): \$60,000 in supplemental funds to close out contract on one previously voted 11-SD-8 SHOPP bridge project (PPNO 11-0189W) in San Diego County. Current allocation is \$2,623,000. This request for \$60,000 results in an increase of 2.3 percent over the current allocation. Resolution FA-08-08		Juan Guzman Rachel Falsetti	A	D
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CTC Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss presented this item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Zarian moved to approve the item. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which carried 10-0. (Commissioner Tagami was absent.)

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44	Financial Allocation (2.5e.(2)): \$5,000,000 in supplemental funds to complete construction on one previously voted - 10-Mer-5 SHOPP pavement project (PPNO 10-0071) in Merced and Fresno County. Current allocation is \$27,623,000. This request for \$5,000,000 results in an increase of 18.1 percent over the current allocation. Resolution FA-08-09		Juan Guzman Rachel Falsetti	A	D

CTC Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss presented this item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Ghielmetti asked for an explanation of the increased project cost. Kome Ajise, Caltrans District 10 Director, explained that a lack of communication among staff resulted in lack of project updates and that certain policies were not followed. He assured the Commission that action had been taken to prevent a future occurrence.

Commissioner Alvarado asked if the entire cost increase was to cover the cost of asphalt. Mr. Ajise confirmed that it was.

Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve the item. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which carried 7-2. (Commissioners Ghielmetti and Guardino voted against the item. Commissioners Frommer and Tagami were absent.)

Financial Allocations for SHOPP Projects					
45	Financial Allocation (2.5b.): \$36,142,000 for 14 SHOPP projects, as follows: -- \$24,873,000 for seven projects programmed in the SHOPP. -- \$11,269,000 for seven projects amended into the SHOPP by department action. Contributions from local sources: \$180,000. Resolution FP-08-27		Juan Guzman Rachel Falsetti	A	D

CTC Associate Deputy Director Juan Guzman presented this item and recommended only projects 8, 12, and 13 be funded as they are safety projects, while deferring the remaining projects.

Commissioner Alvarado moved to approve the item as recommended. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which carried 9-0. (Commissioners Frommer and Tagami were absent.)

Proposition 1B STIP Project Allocations					
46	Financial Allocation (2.5g.(3b)): \$3,000,000 for one locally-administered STIP project off the State Highway System near Weed and Mount Shasta, on North Old Stage Road from Abrams Lake Road to Stewart Springs Road. Resolution STIP1B-A-0809-013		Mitchell Weiss Ross Chittenden	A	D

CTC Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss presented items 46 and 47 together and recommended deferral.

Commissioner Zarian moved to approve the deferral. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which carried 9-0. (Commissioners Frommer and Tagami were absent.)

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47	Financial Allocation (2.5g.(3a)): \$27,506,000 for one locally-administered STIP project on Route 50 in El Dorado County, in Placerville at Missouri Flat Road. Contributions from local sources: \$3,347,000. (Related item under Tab 45.) Resolution STIP1B-A-0809-012		Mitchell Weiss Rachel Falsetti	A	D

This item was presented together with item 46 and was deferred.

Proposition 1B CMIA Project Allocations
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48	Financial Allocation (2.5g.(1a)): \$28,138,000 for one State-administered CMIA project on Route 1 in Monterey County, near Watsonville just south of Jensen Road to Trafton Road. Resolution CMIA-A-0809-009		Andre Boutros Ross Chittenden	A	D
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CTC Chief Delivery Officer Andre Boutros presented this item and recommended deferral. He highlighted the fact that the project would be over budget from a baseline agreement standpoint. CTC Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss added that based on statute, cost increases for project development and right of way that are less than 20% over the programmed amount do not count against county shares and are reported at the time of construction allocation. He explained that this issue was apparent because of a separated landscaping contract for this project.

Commissioner Lindsey asked why the Commission would not hear about CMIA projects exceeding costs by 20%. Mr. Boutros explained that CMIA itself was not affected by the overage. Rachel Falsetti, Caltrans Director of Programming, explained that 20% overage statute was listed in SB 45. Director Barna explained that a provision had been made to allow for cost shifting in between STIP cycles, but projects were not allowed to exceed overall budget.

Commissioners Lindsey and Alvarado expressed ambivalence about the statutes discussed. Director Barna acknowledged their points and assured them that the issues would be addressed by staff.

Commissioner Zarian moved to approve deferral of the item. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which carried 9-0. (Commissioners Guardino and Tagami were absent.)

Action Item: Chair Chalker asked to re-examine the 20% issue of floating funds and the funding plan for the landscaping component.

49	Financial Allocation (2.5g.(1b)): \$194,457,000 for three State-administered multi-program (CMIA/STIP) projects on Route 24 in Contra Costa and Alameda Counties for Segments 1, 2 and 3 of the Caldecott Tunnel Fourth Bore project. Contributions from local sources: \$121,043,000. Resolution CMIA-PA-0809-009 Resolution STIP1B-A-0809-011 Resolution CMIA-A-0809-010		Andre Boutros Ross Chittenden	A	D
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CTC Chief Delivery Officer Andre Boutros presented this item and recommended deferral.

Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve deferral of the item. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which carried 10-0. (Commissioner Tagami was absent.)

Proposition 1B Traffic Light Synchronization (TLS)-Project Allocations

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50	Financial Allocation (2.5g.(7)): \$180,000 for one Traffic Light Synchronization project in Sacramento County, on Folsom Boulevard in the city of Rancho Cordova. Resolution TLS1B-A-0809-005		Juan Guzman Ross Chittenden	A	D

CTC Deputy Director Juan Guzman presented this item and recommended deferral.

Commissioner Earp moved to approve deferral of the item. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which carried 10-0. (Commissioner Tagami was absent.)

LOCAL REPORTS

51	Presentation by Dr. Frieder Seible on Seismic Issues		Frieder Seible	I	R
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Dr. Frieder Seible explained seismic issues and safety within California transportation structures with a Power Point presentation.

PROGRAM STATUS

52	Monthly Report on Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee Activity		Stephen Maller	I	C
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CTC Principal Transportation Engineer Stephen Maller reported that seismic safety had been accomplished on the west approach of the Bay Bridge being constructed. He also reported that the first shipment of steel from China had arrived.

POLICY MATTERS

53 3:00pm TIMED ITEM	Public Hearing – Adoption of FFY 2007-08 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Elderly & Disabled Transit Program Resolution G-09-01		Juan Guzman	A	C
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CTC Deputy Director Juan Guzman presented this item. Chair Chalker opened the Public Hearing. There were no speakers for the public hearing and Chair Chalker closed the Public Hearing. Mr. Guzman recommended adoption of the item.

Commissioner Guardino moved to adopt the item. Commissioner Earp seconded the motion, which carried 9-0. (Commissioners Tagami and Tavaglione were absent.)

54	Follow-up Discussion on December 2008 Proposition 1B CMA/Route 99 Corridor Quarterly Report		Andre Boutros Ross Chittenden	I	D
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CTC Chief Delivery Officer Andre Boutros presented this informational item. Ross Chittenden explained several updates and additional information added to the report.

55	State and Federal Legislative Matters		Robert Chung	A	C
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CTC Deputy Director Robert Chung presented this item. Commissioner Dunn asked for a report from staff regarding the progress of SB 375 to be presented at the next CTC meeting. No action was taken or required for this item.

Action Item: Commissioner Dunn requested a progress report on amendments to SB 375.

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56	Amendment to the Highway-Railroad Crossing Safety Account Program to amend the Port of Stockton Expressway Grade Separation project to modify the scope and funding plan. Resolution GS1B-P-0809-02, Amending Resolution GS1B-P-0809-01		Juan Guzman Bill Bronte	A	D

CTC Associate Deputy Director Juan Guzman presented this item and recommended approval.

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

57	Follow-up Discussion on September and December 2008 Rail Items		Robert Chung Bill Bronte	I	D
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CTC Deputy Director Robert Chung presented this informational item. Bill Bronte of Caltrans Division of Rail directed Commissioners to their book item for detailed answers to questions previously discussed. Both presenters noted the need for strategic use of the existing state and potential federal funding that will be available for intercity rail projects. There were no additional questions or comments from Commissioners.

58	Update to High Speed Rail Connectivity Program		Mitchell Weiss	I	C
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CTC Deputy Director Mitchell Weiss presented this informational item. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners.

59	Consideration of Amendments to G-12		Laurel Janssen	I	C
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This item was recommended for deferral.

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

60	Update on Corridor System Management Plans		Andre Boutros Joan Sollenberger	I	D
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This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

61	Status Report on the Implementation and Performance of Short-term Mobility Projects		Juan Guzman John Wolf	I	D
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CTC Deputy Director Juan Guzman presented this informational item.

John Wolf, Caltrans Division of Traffic Operations, reviewed the highlights of the report, emphasizing fast delivery and innovation.

<u>Technical Corrections to Previously Approved Resolutions</u>					
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62	Technical Correction to Resolution CMIA-A-0809-006, originally approved December 11, 2008, for \$35,607,000 for two Corridor Mobility Improvement Account projects. A technical correction is needed to correct the total allocation amount for both projects to \$39,307,000 to reflect the allocation for construction support.		Laurel Janssen Ross Chittenden	A	D
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CTC Assistant Deputy Director Laurel Janssen presented this item and recommended approval.

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

Request to Extend the Period of Contract Award					
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63	Request to Extend the Period of Contract Award for one SHOPP project for \$17,500,000 and one multi-program project for \$31,063,000, per Resolution G-06-08. Waiver-09-01		Juan Guzman Rachel Falsetti	A	D
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CTC Associate Deputy Director Juan Guzman presented items 63 and 64 together, and recommended the Commissioners accept each of the requests and defer action until the budget is resolved.

Commissioner Dunn moved to accept the requests and defer the items. Commissioner Earp seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Frommer, Tagami, and Tavaglione were absent.)

64	Request to Extend the Period of Contract Award for six locally-administered STIP Projects totaling \$6,077,000, per STIP Guidelines. Waiver-09-02		Juan Guzman Earl Seaberg	A	D
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This item was presented together with item 63. The request was accepted and action was deferred.

OTHER MATTERS / PUBLIC COMMENT					
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There were no other matters or public comment.

3:45 pm	Adjourn				
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Chair Chalker adjourned the meeting at 3:50 pm on Wednesday, January 14, 2009.

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JOHN F. BARNA, JR., EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR