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To: Chair and Commissioners

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Information

Ref: Monthly Report on Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee Activity

Summary: Since the last Commission meeting the following San Francisco Oakland Bay Bridge Seismic Retrofit project construction activities and Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee (TBPOC) actions occurred:

Self Anchored Suspension (SAS) contract –

- American Bridge Flour (ABF) submitted a proposal to the TBPOC aimed at mitigating delays and accelerate the delivery of the project. The TBPOC countered with a proposal to cover known issues and will continue to work with the contractor to resolve all outstanding items and accelerate the schedule. ABF committed to respond to the TBPOC counter proposal by May 7, 2009.
- The final temporary steel shipment from China that will be used to support the structure during construction is scheduled to arrive in the Bay Area in June.

Yerba Buena Island (YBI) Detour –

- Traffic management coordination meetings are taking place in preparation for the Labor Day weekend traffic switch. Final determination on whether three or four days are needed for the closure is expected by the end of May. Intense public outreach will begin about two months prior to the Labor Day weekend.

Upcoming May 7th, TBPOC meeting –

- The Program Management Team will update the TBPOC on the work in progress regarding the seismic retrofit work needed on the Dumbarton and Antioch bridges. Progress has also been made on the legislative front. AB 1175, adding the seismic safety improvements of both bridges to the Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program, passed the Assembly Transportation Committee and is currently in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

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.