

Agenda

May 22, 2007
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

SACOG
1415 L Street, Suite 300
Sacramento, CA 95814

Meeting called by: Muhaned Aljabiry
Facilitator: Abhijit Bagde
Recorder/Time Keeper: Tracy Hendrickson

Agenda Topics

Item	Description	Time	Presenter
1	Topics/Agenda/Introductions	10:00	Abhijit Bagde, CT
2	Ground Rules	10:05	Abhijit Bagde, CT
3	Approval of the April 3, 2007 CFPG meeting minutes	10:10	Abhijit Bagde, CT
4	Announcements and updates	10:15	All
5	Follow-Up Items from last meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caltrans response to FHWA's Gap Analysis Letter to CFPG • Revisit FASS • Handouts from FHWA's E-76 presentation to CFPG • MTC to set-up Task Force to discuss 2/4 year FTIP/FSTIP update • CT Planning to send RTP schedule update • Comments on Performance Measures to CT- Federal Programming 	10:20	CT
6	Obligating large urbanized area RSTP funds	10:25	Cathy Gomes, CT Laura Quintana, CT Steve Luxenberg, FHWA
7	High Risk Rural Roads (HR-3) Program	10:40	Abhijit Bagde, CT
8	SAFETEA-LU Compliance – Formal Amendments Only		Abhijit Bagde, CT
9	Two or Four-Year FSTIP Cycle – Update		Raymond Odunlami, MTC
10	FHWA and Caltrans Stewardship Agreement – Performance Measures		Muhaned Aljabiry, CT
11	CTIPS/FASS		Muhaned Aljabiry, CT
12	Public Participation Plans, FTIP/FSTIP		Muhaned Aljabiry, CT Sue Kiser, FHWA
13	Financial Summary Sheet		Jody Tian, CT
14	Open Forum & Next meeting date and location: Date June 26, 2007 (11am-1pm)		All
	Place Caltrans (Sacramento)		

**CALIFORNIA FEDERAL PROGRAMMING GROUP (CFPG)
MEETING MINUTES – May 22, 2007**

The CFPG meeting was held at the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) in Sacramento from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

1. Topics/Agenda/Introduction:

The meeting started with the self-introduction of attendees.

2. Ground Rules:

Abhijit Bagde, Caltrans, Federal Programming, asked the group to refer to the Ground Rules from previous meeting minutes. He also asked the group to send him any suggestions to the existing ground rules.

- Since there are phone participants, everyone who speaks should state his/her name and agency.
- Keep comments as brief as possible.
- Stick to the current agenda item. Additional items not in the agenda will be added to the end and will be discussed if time permits.
- Turn off cell phones and limit interruptions.
- This is a forum to hear everyone's concerns, comments and suggestions. Please make sure your voice is heard.
- Facilitator to ask before moving on to the next item if anyone on the phone has any additional comments on the item, then pause for a few seconds.
- Respond to follow-up items and meeting notices by the deadlines.
- Except for follow-up items, the minutes will include discussions that take place during the meeting only. If you do not want what you say during the meeting included in the minutes, state "off the record."
- When not speaking, phone participants to keep their phones on mute if possible.

3. Approval of 4/03/07 CFPG meeting minutes:

The meeting minutes for April 3, 2007, were approved once the Ground Rules were added in.

4. Announcements and updates:

- Sue Kiser, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), announced a new planner, Scott Carson, from the Mississippi Division of FHWA. He will be taking over for the San Joaquin Valley Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs). Sue will provide updated information once the restructuring of duties is complete.
- Bruce Abanathie, STANCOG, announced Carlos Yamzon, a new Senior Regional Planner for Programming and Project Delivery.

5. Follow-up:

- Abhijit announced the gap analysis response letter was sent to the CFPG group on May 21, 2007.
- Revisit FASS - Will be discussed in today's Item #11.
- Handouts from FHWA's E-76 presentation - Completed.
- 2 vs. 4 Year FSTIP Task Force - Will be discussed in today's Item #9.
- Caltran's Planning to send RTP schedule update – Completed.
- Performance Measure comments - Will be discussed in today's item #10 with handout.

6. Obligating Large Urbanized Area Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Funds:

Cathy Gomes, Caltrans, Federal Programming, stated a question came up whether or not large urbanized RSTP funds can be distributed to large urban areas other than those the funds were originally distributed to. The answer is yes – the funds must be obligated in a large urbanized area (in the MPO area only).

Wade Hobbs, FHWA, stated there is a publication (Financing Federal-Aid Highways) on FHWA's website that discusses this issue.

Andrea Zurick stated STP regulations state an MPO can request to use these funds outside the MPO area from the Secretary. She will send this regulation to Caltrans for distribution to the group.

7. High Risk Rural Roads (HR-3) Program:

Abhijit stated he sent program information for 2006/07 through 2008/09 for Caltrans selected projects.

- These projects can be amended using the formal amendment process;
- These are safety projects and air quality exempt;
- These projects can be lump summed;
- Modify Expedited Project Selection Procedures (EPSP) to include this program so Caltrans can approve/add to triennial phase;
- Safe Routes to School, Section 130, and Highway Safety Improvement programs should be added as well.

Sue Kiser suggested looking at SAFETEA-LU when updating EPSP

8. Safe, Accountable, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Compliance – Formal Amendments Only:

Abhijit stated when adding the fourth year to the existing Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), use the formal amendment process.

9. Two or Four Year FSTIP Cycle - Update:

Raymond Odunlami, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), went over a handout on this issue.

The cycle will be kept as is for now and visit the idea of adding a fifth year to a four-year cycle.

10. FHWA and Caltrans Stewardship Agreement - Performance Measures:

Muhaned Aljabiry, Caltrans, Federal Programming, went over handout. FHWA and Caltrans have met regarding stewardship agreement performance measures within the state. Discussed comments received from MPO regarding the performance measures.

- Item #55: in the past MPOs reported percentage of all projects programmed/delivered compared to what's programmed.
- Not done: Non-federal funded regionally significant projects changed performance measures to target.
- Revision of language – narrowed to non-attainment areas.

11. CTIPS/FASS:

Muhaned Aljabiry questioned the group as to whether CTIPS should remain. He stated a complete database will help generate reports. The state will ask MPOs to provide information not contained in CTIPS.

Sue Kiser, FHWA, had some concerns with using CTIPS if the data contained in it is not the same (state vs. MPOs).

It was clarified the state does not modify information in CTIPS. This item will be discussed further at the next CFPG meeting.

12. Public Participation Plan, FTIP/FSTIP:

FHWA received MTC's draft public participation plan and commented on how good of a plan it is. They would like to submit it to FHWA's headquarters as the national best practice (with MTC's permission).

13. Financial Summary Sheet:

Jody Tian, Caltrans, Federal Programming, went over the changes that were made to the Financial Summary Sheet. Provide any comments regarding the sheet to Jody Tian.

14. Open Forum & Meeting Dates and Locations:

The next CFPG meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 10, 2007, at Caltrans in Sacramento.

15. Follow-up Items for Next Meeting:

- Provide link to FHWA’s federal-aid programs and projects. Emailed 6/18/07
- Provide information re: 23 USC Section 133 Surface Transportation Program. Completed
- Generate list of state managed programs for EPSP for MPOs Completed
- Provide CTIPS contact information to MPOs. Emailed 6/18/07



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Memorandum

TO: California Federal Programming Group

DATE: May 22, 2007

FR: Raymond Odunlami

RE: Discussion on 2-year VS 4-year TIP Cycles

At the last CFPG meeting, a committee was set up to discuss issues related to changing the TIP cycle to every four-years thereby taking full advantage of the provision in SAFETEA. The committee was also to find out if there was interest by MPOs regarding the change.

The committee comprised of:

John Asuncion – SCAG

Rosemary Ayala – SCAG

Abhijit Bagde – Caltrans

Muhaned Aljabiry – Caltrans

Jose Luis Caceres – SACOG

Dan Ito – SJCOG

Sookyung Kim – SANDAG

Renee De Vere – Fresno COG

Raymond Odunlami - MTC

Other Participants

Penny Grey – Caltrans

Rachel Falsetti - Caltrans

Ross McKeown – MTC

Samson Okhade - SAGOG

Two meetings were held. After the first meeting, it was agreed to use a document previously developed by Penny Grey of Caltrans (see attached) as the starting point. Members were to go back, review the document and send their comments to Raymond Odunlami of MTC for compilation.

At the second meeting, comments received by committee members were discussed with the discussion focused on three main issues:

- 1) Air Quality Conformity benefits of a four-year program (once every four years versus every other year;
- 2) Resources conserved if the TIP was only developed every four years as well as the cutting in half the six months TIP freeze during the TIP development period; and
- 3) The flexibility offered using the Expedited Project Selection Procedures during the first or second year of the four-year TIP updated every two years.

After a long and sometimes heated debate, members could not come to a consensus with the sticking point being giving up on the flexibility provided under two year cycle. During discussion, it was suggested that if an amendment to the ACT allowing a fifth year of programming to the FSTIP cycle was made during re-authorization, would MPO's consider a change to a five-year FSTIP updated every four years. Most of the participating MPO and Caltrans indicated that they would consider supporting such a change, however, one of the participating MPO's was totally against giving up on the flexibility provided with a two-year update.

State of California

2006/07 - 2009/10 Federal Transportation Improvement Program

MPO:

(Dollars X \$1000)

Revenue	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	TOTAL
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SHOPP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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STIP (AC)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Proposition 1B - Transportation Bond Program					
Corridor Mobility Improvement Account (CMIA)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Account	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ports Infrastructure, Security & Air Quality	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Federal Highway Programs					
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