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**CONSOLIDATED PLANNING
COMMITTEE**

10th Street Place, 1010 Tenth Street
2nd Floor, Room 2005
Modesto, CA

April 29, 2008 • 10:00 A.M.

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**

HUGHSON CITY (NOTE CHANGE)
Council Chambers, 7018 Pine Street
Hughson, CA

May 1, 2008 • 1:30 P. M.

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Questions: Contact Terri Estes at (209) 558-7830

AGENDA

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

These matters may be presented only by interested persons in the audience. Discussion is limited to five minutes, or at the discretion of the Chair.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

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| A. Adopt Minutes of Technical Advisory Committee:(03.27.08) | MOTION |
| B. FY 2007/08 Transportation Development Act Amended Transit Claim:
County of Stanislaus | MOTION |
| C. FY 2007/08 Local Transportation Fund Non-Transit Claim:
City of Patterson | MOTION |
| D. FY 2007/08 Local Transportation Fund Non-Transit Claim:
City of Turlock | MOTION |
| E. FY 2007/08 Local Transportation Fund Non-Transit Claim:
County of Stanislaus | MOTION |
| F. Request from the Riverbank Oakdale Transit Authority (ROTA)
for an Exemption to the Transportation Development Act Farebox
Ratio Requirement | MOTION |
| G. StanCOG as Sponsor and and Implementing Agency for State Rout 132
Expressway Project Status Report (PSR) and Project Approval and Environmental
(PA & ED) Phase | MOTION |

3. PRESENTATIONS
(NONE)

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS
(NONE)

5. ORAL REPORT ITEMS

- A. 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #11 (Type 3 Formal Amendment)

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items are for information only.

- A. Update – Stanislaus County Blueprint Planning Activities/Schedule
B. StanCOG Website

7. STANISLAUS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEES

- A. Citizens Advisory Committee Minutes (03.30.08)
B. Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (03.12.08)
C. Policy Board Minutes (03.25.08 and 04.09-08)

8. CALTRANS REPORT

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

10. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

Topics may be presented, but no action may be taken except to place an item on a future agenda

ADJOURNMENT

Next regular meeting scheduled for:

Consolidated Planning Committee
May 27, 2008 • 10:00 AM
10th Street Place, 1010 Tenth Street
Room 2005
Modesto, CA

Technical Advisory Committee
May 29, 2008 • 2:00 PM
Ceres City Hall
Council Chambers
2210 Magnolia Street
Ceres, CA

Consent Items

**Stanislaus Council of Governments
Technical Advisory Committee
Ceres City Hall, Council Chambers
2210 Magnolia Street
Ceres, California**

Minutes of March 27, 2008

Members Attending:

Michael Brinton (Ceres), David Chase (Hughson), Judith Ray (Modesto), Michael Holland (Newman), Stan Risen (Stanislaus County), John French (Turlock), Chuck Deschenes (Waterford), Tom Dumas (CalTrans)

Members Not Attending:

Steve Hallum (Oakdale), Cleve Morris (Patterson), Rich Holmer (Riverbank)

Also Present:

Kris Balaji (Jacobs Carter Burgess), Rosa De Leon-Park (Interwest Consulting), Vince Harris, Vince Canales, Lark Downs, Carlos Yamzon, Scott Philips (StanCOG)

As the Chair and Vice-chair were not present, the Chair was assumed by past-Chairman Chuck Deschenes (Waterford). Mr. Deschenes called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. The Committee then proceeded to self introductions.

1. Public Participation

None

2. Consent Calendar

- A. Adopt Minutes of Policy Board (02.28.08)
- B. FY 2007/08 OWP Amendment No. 3 / Budget Amendment No. 4
- C. Draft Program Management Plan

Regarding Agenda Item 3C, Draft Program Management Plan, Judith Ray asked if the schedule presented in the Plan allows sufficient time for the submission of applications to Caltrans for processing. Rosa de Leon-Park (Interwest Consulting) stated that StanCOG's Federal Transportation Improvement Program will be amended in May, to allow appropriate funds to be reserved for the approved projects.

By Motion (Holland-Chase) and unanimous vote, the Technical Advisory Committee approved the Consent Calendar.

3. Presentations

None

4. Public Hearings

None

5. Oral Report Items

A. Update No. 3 – North County Corridor Project Study Report

StanCOG Executive Director Vince Harris gave a brief overview of the North County Corridor Project and introduced Chris Balaji, Project Manager from Jacobs Carter Burgess Consulting. Mr. Balaji updated the Committee on the completion of the Project Study Report (PSR) and commended the cities of Oakdale, Modesto, and Riverbank, the County of Stanislaus, Caltrans and StanCOG for their cooperation on the project. Stan Risen stated that the County will have the Joint Powers Agreement in its final form by April 7, and it will be signed within 60 days. He added that Stanislaus County Public Works Director Mat Machado will be the Project Manager. Mr. Balaji outlined the next steps in the process, and stressed the importance of keeping the project moving as quickly as possible toward construction.

By Motion (Chase-Brinton) and unanimous vote, the Technical Advisory Committee recommended that the Policy Board accept the North County Corridor Project Study Report and direct staff to begin work on the Project Approval and Environmental Document, as the next phase of project development for the North County Corridor Project.

B. 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 10 – (Type 3) Formal Amendment

Carlos Yamzon summarized the FTIP Amendment for the Committee. David Chase suggested that staff explore the possibility of working with the County's Information Technology Services Department to set up an e-subscription service for those who regularly receive StanCOG agendas. Both Mr. Harris and Mr. Yamzon agreed with the suggestion.

By Motion (Holland-Brinton) and unanimous vote, the Committee recommended that the Policy Board adopt the 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 10 (Type 3) Formal Amendment

C. Proposition 1B – Homeland Security – Transit Security Grant Program

Carlos Yamzon updated the Committee on staff activities for the Proposition 1B – Homeland Security – Transit Security Grant Program. He stated that due to the postponement of the March Policy Board meeting, and the short time frame for project submissions, project selection activities commenced prior to Policy Board approval. However, project selection has begun and should meet the April 11, 2008 submittal deadline.

By Motion (Brinton-Holland) and unanimous vote, the Committee recommended that the Policy Board direct the Executive Director to authorize staff to work with the transit operators to develop a list of preferred projects.

6. Information Items

The following items are for information only. They will not be formally discussed unless the Citizens Advisory Committee, staff, or the public chooses to do so.

A. Update No. 2 – North County Corridor Project Study Report (PSR)

Carlos Yamzon provided the Committee with an overview and schedule of project submissions for the Proposition 1B – Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement, and Service Enhancement Account (PTMISEA).

B. FTA 5310 – Elderly & Disabled Specialized Transit Program

Lark Downs and Scott Philips summarized the FTA Section 5310 Program and schedule for application submissions.

7. Stanislaus Council of Governments Advisory Committees

- A. Citizens Advisory Committee Minutes (2.27.08)
- B. Social Services Transportation Advisory Council Minutes (2.13.08)
- C. Technical Advisory Committee Minutes (2.28.08)

8. Caltrans Report

Tom Dumas informed the Committee of recent staffing changes at District 10.

9. Executive Director's Report


Executive Director Vince Harris updated the Committee on the following StanCOG activities relating to the Transportation Sales Tax Measures:

- The Draft Financial Expenditure Plan
- The recent hiring of a consultant to complete the Environmental Impact Report
- The schedule for the release of a Request for Proposal for the hiring of a Public Education Information Consultant
- Potential decisions affecting campaign revenue
- Overall schedule for the completion of StanCOG's work

10. Items from the Floor

- Chuck Deschenes emphasized the need for better service from Caltrans regarding the completion of projects.
- Vince Harris agreed with Mr. Deschenes, further stating that projects could be expedited more efficiently if Caltrans Project Managers were given greater authority in the project decision making process.

Chairman Chuck Deschenes adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m.



Lark Downs
Sr. Planner

Next Meeting: May 1, 2008 – 2:00 p.m.
 Ceres City Council Chambers
 2210 Magnolia Street
 Ceres, CA



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TO: Technical Advisory Committee Staff Report
Motion
 Consolidated Planning Committee

FROM: Vincent Canales, Finance Director *VC*
 Robin Whitehead, Budget & Grants Coordinator *RW*

DATE: April 15, 2008

SUBJECT: FY 2007/08 Local Transportation Fund Non-Transit Claim: County of Stanislaus

Recommendation

BY MOTION, based on the findings and comments below, recommend that the Policy Board approve the claim as submitted to StanCOG.

Background

The claimant has submitted a claim for Local Transportation Funds (LTF) as follows:

Purpose	Source	2007/08 Claim
Nonmotorized	LTF-99234	\$ 0*
Streets	LTF-99400a	1,229,916
Pavement Mgmt Program	LTF-99262/99402	12,780**
Financial Expenditure Plan	LTF-99262/99402	89,135***
		<u>\$1,331,831</u>

- * \$55,665 of 2007/08 nonmotorized funds were apportioned to the County and are being held in reserve at StanCOG until such time that the County claims the money for a nonmotorized project.
- ** Modesto is the lead agency for the Pavement Management Program Update. The PMP amount will be paid to Modesto.
- *** StanCOG is the lead agency for the Financial Expenditure Plan. The Financial Expenditure Plan amount will be deposited to StanCOG's general fund.

The claim has been checked and determined to be complete. The claimant has submitted all required audits and reports. The audit for FY 2005/06 contains no audit recommendations.

The rules governing the LTF require the adopting resolution to contain specific findings prior to any LTF allocations. The findings are as follows:

Required Findings

- (1) The claimant's proposed expenditures are in conformity with the Regional Transportation Plan.
- (2) The sum of the claimant's allocations from the Local Transportation Fund does not exceed the amount the claimant is eligible to receive during the fiscal year.
- (3) There are no unmet transit needs which are reasonable to meet within the jurisdiction.

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TO: Technical Advisory Committee Staff Report
 Consolidated Planning Committee **Motion**

FROM: Vincent Canales, Finance Director *VC*
 Robin Whitehead, Budget & Grants Coordinator *RW*

DATE: April 15, 2008

SUBJECT: FY 2007/08 Local Transportation Fund Non-Transit Claim: City of Patterson

Recommendation

BY MOTION, based on the findings and comments below, recommend that the Policy Board approve the claim as submitted to StanCOG.

Background

The claimant has submitted a claim for Local Transportation Funds (LTF) as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>2007/08 Claim</u>
Nonmotorized	LTF-99234	\$ 9,917
Streets	LTF-99400a	79,097
Pavement Mgmt Program	LTF-99262/99402	2,148*
Financial Expenditure Plan	LTF-99262/99402	14,985**
		<u>\$ 106,147</u>

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TO: Technical Advisory Committee Staff Report
 Consolidated Planning Committee **Motion**

FROM: Vincent Canales, Finance Director *VC*
 Robin Whitehead, Budget & Grants Coordinator *RW*

DATE: April 15, 2008

SUBJECT: FY 2007/08 Local Transportation Fund Non-Transit Claim: City of Turlock

Recommendation

BY MOTION, based on the findings and comments below, recommend that the Policy Board approve the claim as submitted to StanCOG.

Background

The claimant has submitted a claim for Local Transportation Funds (LTF) as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>2007/08</u> <u>Claim</u>
Nonmotorized	LTF-99234	\$ 33,292
Streets	LTF-99400a	365,991
Pavement Mgmt Program	LTF-99262/99402	7,568*
Financial Expenditure Plan	LTF-99262/99402	<u>52,784**</u>
		\$ 459,635

* Modesto is the lead agency for the Pavement Management Program Update. The PMP amount will be paid to Modesto.
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TO: Technical Advisory Committee
Consolidated Planning Committee

Staff Report
Motion

FROM: Vincent Canales, Finance Director *VC*
Robin Whitehead, Budget & Grants Coordinator *RW*

DATE: April 15, 2008

SUBJECT: FY 2007/08 Transportation Development Act Fund
Amended Transit Claim: County of Stanislaus

Recommendation

BY MOTION, recommend that the Policy Board approve FY 2007/08 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Fund amended transit claim for the County of Stanislaus, as submitted to StanCOG.

Background

On November 14, 2007, the StanCOG Policy apportioned additional State Transit Assistance (STA) funds to the City of Modesto, the City of Turlock, and the County of Stanislaus. The County of Stanislaus has now submitted its amended transit claim #2 to reflect this action.

Discussion

The revised apportionment increased the County of Stanislaus' STA from \$6,904 to \$13,752, for an \$6,848 increase. Accordingly, the additional STA apportionment reduced the County of Stanislaus' Local Transportation Fund (LTF) apportionment by \$6,848.

The required findings for the County of Stanislaus' claim were previously made on June 13, 2007.

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TO: Consolidated Planning Committee
Citizens Advisory Committee
Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Lark Downs, Sr. Planner LD

DATE: April 23, 2008

RE: Request from the Riverbank Oakdale Transit Authority (ROTA) for an Exemption to the Transportation Development Act Farebox Ratio Requirement

Staff Report
Motion

Recommendation

By Motion, recommend that the Policy Board approve the Riverbank Oakdale Transit Authority's request for exemption from Transportation Development Act farebox ratio requirements through fiscal year 2009/10.

Background

As mandated by the Transportation Development Act (TDA), each transit operator that receives TDA funds is required to meet certain ridership revenue-generating goals. The primary goal is the "farebox" recovery ratio, which is the ratio of fare revenues collected divided by the operating cost of the system. Different transit systems have different farebox ratio % requirements (usually based on the population base they serve). For the Riverbank Oakdale Transit Authority (ROTA) this farebox ratio is 10%.

Discussion

Although the farebox ratio is set at 10% for the Riverbank Oakdale Transit Authority, TDA regulations allow for certain exemptions from these minimum farebox requirements. Transit operators who significantly expand services (e.g. increase geographical service area, routes, or hours of operation, or increase service frequency 'headways' greater than 25%) can request a two-year exemption from farebox ratio

requirements. Effective January 1, 2008, ROTA implemented a redesign of two trolley routes within, and between, the cities of Riverbank and Oakdale (see attached). The route revision increases route frequency from 1 hour to 30 minutes for routes within each city, and adds an Express Bus for provision of services between the two cities.

The implementation of the new routes also included an increase in fares. The trolley fares were increased to \$1.00 within each city and \$.25 transfer fare for the Express Bus for general public and \$.50 for seniors. The Dial-a-Ride service was increased to \$2.00 for general public and \$1.50 for seniors.

Opinion of Caltrans, Division of Mass Transit

The ROTA request for farebox exemption was reviewed by Caltrans, Division of Mass Transit with the following response:

“Based on the documentation submitted to my office April 22, 2008, the Riverbank Oakdale Transit Authority is exempt from required ratios through the 2009/2010 fiscal year.

PUC Section 99268.8 allows exemption of fare box ratio requirements for newly established services or expansion of services. Riverbank Oakdale Transit Authority qualifies under two stipulations: frequency of service and an addition of a new type of service (Express Trolley Buses)”

attachment

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Riverbank Oakdale Transit Authority
Request for an exemption to the Transportation Development Act fare box ratio Requirement.

The Riverbank Oakdale Transit Authority (ROTA) began fixed route service in June 2004. The first full fiscal year of service was in the 2004/05 fiscal year. It is under or understanding that the Transportation Development Act Fund provides for a two year exemption from the fare box ratio.

The fiscal year 06/07 would have been the first year that ROTA would have been required to meet the fare box Ratio of 10%. As a result of ongoing issues with its contracted service provider the fare box ratio was 8%.

On October 1, 2007 ROTA contracted with a new service provider although at substantial additional cost. On January 1, 2008 ROTA instituted a change in its fixed route system.

Since the inception of the fixed route system provided for 2 trolley buses on one hour routes within the City's of Riverbank and Oakdale and between the two Cities. On January 1, 2008 a redesign of the routes was implemented with two 30 minutes routes within each City with a trolley bus staying within each City and an Express Trolley Bus between the two Cities.

The implementation of the new routes also included a rate increase in Fares. The trolley fares were increase to \$1.00 within each City, a \$.25 transfer fare for the express for general public and a \$.50 senior. The dial a ride service was increase to \$2.00 for general public and \$1.50 for seniors.

The change in service providers has been well received by the riding public. Because of the issues prior to the change in service providers it has taken several months of extensive outreach into the communities to get the public to ride the system, we have began to see some significant increases in ridership.

We are requesting that ROTA be exempt from the Fare box ratio requirement through 2009/10 fiscal year.

Albert Avila
Finance Director
City of Oakdale



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TO: Technical Advisory Committee
Citizens Advisory Committee
Consolidated Planning Committee Staff Report
Motion

FROM: Carlos Yamzon, Senior Planner *cy*

DATE: April 21, 2008

SUBJECT: StanCOG as Sponsor and Implementing Agency for State Route 132 Expressway Project Status Report (PSR) and Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) Phase

Recommendation

By Motion, recommend that the Policy Board direct staff to continue project development activities with StanCOG as the Sponsor and Implementing Agency for the State Route (SR) 132 Expressway Project for the Project Study Report (PSR) and Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) Phase.

Background

In a letter to Mark Leja, former Caltrans District 10 Director, dated September 8, 2003, the Route 132 Plan Implementation Project (PIP) Team requested the consolidation of the Caltrans design teams working on the SR-132 West and SR-132 East projects, based on connectivity issues that were apparent but were not being resolved as a result of the separate project development teams. With this action, work on the SR-132 West Expressway was suspended, and with eventual Federal Earmark funding, StanCOG began and completed the activities leading to the SR 132 East / West Connectivity Study.

As the lead agency for the SR 132 East / West Feasibility Study, StanCOG in a joint effort with the City of Modesto, Stanislaus County, Caltrans, elected officials, community groups and the general public, has completed the study which would set the various strategies for the next series of project development activities.

This proposed project will construct a four (4) lane expressway in combination with a four (4) to six (6) lane arterial street to reroute SR 132 away from downtown extending east/west, south of Kansas Avenue, from SR-99 to approximately Dakota Avenue to the east. This is the Caltrans SR 132 West Expressway project. This will be the first of several phases of a project that will eventually construct a new SR 132/SR-99 interchange, one way couplets on 5th and 6th Streets, and a new interchange in the approximate vicinity of the Tuolumne Blvd. interchange. This eastern connection with SR 99 will be complemented by a series of local street network improvements connecting to the extension of SR 132 / D Street and Yosemite Blvd.

Discussion

With the momentum started by completion of the SR-132 East / West Feasibility Study, StanCOG staff is recommending that the agency continue as the sponsor and implementing agency for the next phases of project development, immediately moving into the Project Study Report (PSR) and Project Report and Environmental Document (PA&ED) activities. This recommendation is based on factors that are related to federal, state, regional and local priorities and resources. To supplement available Regional Improvement Program (RIP) funding, the availability of federal earmark funding from Congressman Dennis Cardoza is the catalyst that allows StanCOG to sustain a continued level of progressive, project development activities.

There are several advantages for StanCOG to maintain the lead agency status for the project. Aside from the agency's direct responsibility for administration of state and federal funding, StanCOG has also recently demonstrated successful fiduciary responsibility on current project management activities including the aforementioned Feasibility Study for SR-132, completed on budget, the North County Corridor (NCC) Feasibility Study, completed on time and under budget, and the recent NCC Project Study Report (PSR) completed on budget and within its target time frame of three and half months. Additionally, because Caltrans does not have available technical staffing resources to work on this project in Fiscal Year 2008-09, as the lead agency, StanCOG will hire and manage consultant activities for the PSR and PA&ED. This direct responsibility and oversight will lead to increased accountability of project activities, schedule progress, and invoicing.

As the project sponsor, StanCOG already has an established stakeholder oversight committee in the form of the 132 PIP team, which it will maintain through the subsequent project development phases. The process of consensus building which was an important part of the success of the SR-132 Feasibility Study, will continue in the oversight process for the continued phases of project development.

The primary challenge to StanCOG as an implementing agency is the reimbursement process associated with federal funding. This is not expected to be an issue in the initial phases of project development but will need to be planned for in the construction phase wherein larger amounts of invoice payment may present a cash flow issue.

Lastly, in reiteration of the increased accountability associated with its lead agency status, it will further enhance StanCOG's true involvement, commitment and visibility in improving mobility and enhancing safety in transportation, in the Stanislaus County region.

Action

By Motion, recommend that the Policy Board direct staff to continue project development activities with StanCOG as the Sponsor and Implementing Agency for the State Route (SR) 132 Expressway Project for the Project Study Report (PSR) and Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) Phase.



Oral Reports



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DATE: April 23, 2008

TO: Technical Advisory Committee
Consolidated Planning Committee

FROM: Carlos Yamzon, Senior Planner 
Scott Philips, Associate Planner 

RE: 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #11 (Type 3
Formal Amendment)

Staff Report
Motion

Recommendation

By motion, recommend that the Policy Board approve the 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #11 (Type 3 Formal Amendment).

Background

As the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization, for the Stanislaus Region, StanCOG is responsible for managing state and federal funds through a document called the Federal Transportation Improvement Program, or FTIP. This document contains the entire list of projects to which state and federal funds have been awarded through StanCOG, CalTrans, or other grantor agencies. The Policy Board adopted the latest version of the FTIP on May 9, 2007. Occasionally, this document must be amended to add new projects, modify project descriptions or funding amounts, change program-funding year, or delete existing projects.

The projects contained herein are presented to the Technical Advisory Committee and a motion for recommendation to the Policy Board to approve Amendment #11 is being requested.

AMEND THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS:

1. Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 Program (FTA 5307): City of Modesto requests to amend the FY 2007 FTIP to include the following new projects:

The City of Modesto's Area Express Transit (MAX) is relocating its administrative offices as part of a larger reorganization at the Stanislaus County/City of Modesto Governmental Center building. In an effort to expedite relocating the MAX administrative offices and necessary renovations, the City requests to add the following dollar amounts to be incorporated into the FTA 5307 program:

Add:

a. Administration Building – Renovation

FY 08-09

\$80,000 Federal Funds (5307)

\$20,000 Local Matching Funds (LTF)

\$100,000 Total

b. Administration Building – Lease

FY 08-09

\$60,000 Federal Funds (5307)

\$15,000 Local Matching Funds (LTF)

\$75,000 Total

FY 09-10

\$66,000 Federal Funds (5307)

\$16,500 Local Matching Funds (LTF)

\$82,500 Total

FY 10-11

\$72,600 Federal Funds (5307)

\$18,150 Local Matching Funds (LTF)

\$90,750 Total

2. Highway Bridge Program (HBP): The City of Modesto requests to add the following Project to the FY 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement Program:

“Seismic retrofit of Carpenter Road Bridge over Tuolumne River including bent retrofit, superstructure link beam, hinge retrofit, abutment retrofit and barrier rail replacement”

Add:

“Carpenter Road Bridge – Seismic Retrofit and Barrier Rail Replacement”

FY 07 – 08

PE Funds: \$400,236 (Federal)

PE Funds: \$100,059 (Local)

Total PE: \$500,295

ROW Funds: \$ 44,215 (Federal)

ROW Funds: \$ 5,785 (Local)

Total ROW: \$ 50,000

FY 08 – 09

Construction: \$10,641,306 (Federal)

Construction: \$ 1,378,694 (Local)

Total Construction: \$12,020,000

This project was previously included in the 2004 FTIP; however, due to shortages in local and state funding resources that were necessary for the construction match, Caltrans excluded this project from the 2007 FTIP. Currently, the State of California has made construction matching funds available to the City and the City is prepared to proceed with this project. (PE requires a

20% local match)

The project schedule and cost estimate have been revised to include updating the environmental analysis and revising the engineering plans to current federal and state specs.

3. Transportation Enhancement Activities Program (TE): The City of Modesto's Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhoods and Caltrans District 10 staff have requested the following amendment the 2007 FTIP:

Move:

\$250,000 Total PE funds from "Prior Years" to FY 07/08 for project described as "In the City of Modesto along the abandoned Union Pacific Rail Corridor from Bowen Avenue to Rumble Road. Construct a Class I bike path and linear park. (CTIP ID: 11400000122)

\$200,000 Federal PE Funds from "Prior Years" to FY 07/08

\$ 50,000 Local Match PE Funds from "Prior Years" to FY 07/08

\$250,000 Total PE Funds to be moved to FY 07/08

4. Federal Demonstration Project/High Priority Project (HPP): The City of Modesto requests to add \$5,600,000 in Federal Demonstration Funds to the project described as "**Dale Road at Kiernan Avenue State Highway 219 Project**" to the FY 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement Program. Funding source is provided by House Resolution 3 (HR-3) High Priority Projects #'s 1230 and 3801 (a Manager's Amendment List has been attached referencing the allocation amounts).

Add:

"Dale Road at Kiernan Avenue State Highway 219 Project"

FY 07 – 08

HPP 1230: \$1,600,000(Federal Construction)

HPP 3801: \$4,000,000(Federal Construction)

5. Jobs Access & Reverse Commute (JARC) FTA 5316: Stanislaus Council of Governments request to add the following grant program to the 2007 FTIP:

Add:

Jobs Access & Reverse Comute (JARC) – Training & Education

Federal Year Allocation	JARC (5316) Program
FY 2006	\$206,464
FY 2007	\$217,635
FY 2008	\$235,771

6. New Freedom (NF) FTA 5317: Stanislaus Council of Governments request to add the following grant program to the 2007 FTIP:

Add:

New Freedom – Community based transit options for elder and handicapped individuals

Federal Year Allocation	NF (5317) Program
FY 2006	\$85,165
FY 2007	\$105,141
FY 2008	\$113,578

Discussion

- This is a Type 3 Formal amendment to the 2007 FTIP.
- The projects in the proposed amendment conform to the applicable SIPs and meet all the applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450. Therefore, no further conformity determination and/or regional emissions analysis are required for the amendment. Some projects may have to have a project-level air quality determination.
- The amendment was circulated for at least 30 days prior to approval.
- The proposed amendment does not interfere with the timely implementation of any approved Transportation Control Measures.
- The amendment maintains the financial constraint of the 2007 FTIP and the air quality conformity findings of the 2007 RTP.

This amendment will require full State and Federal concurrence and, accordingly, will be forwarded to the reviewing agencies after Policy Board action.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this amendment, please call Scott Philips (swphilips@StanCOG.org) or Carlos Yamzon (cyamzon@stancog.org) at (209) 558-7830.

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Attachments: Financial Constraint Tables
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