



TO: WCCTAC-TAC

DATE: May 14, 2009

FR: John Rudolph

RE: Summary of May 14, 2009 WCCTAC-TAC Meeting

1. Funding Opportunities: Staff and TAC members presented background and timelines for:

(1) Safe Routes To Transit (www.transformca.org/campaign/sr2t);

(2) TFCA Regional (www.baaqmd.gov/pln/grants_and_incentives/tfca/regional_fund.htm);

(3) Ferry Boat Discretionary (www.fhwa.dot.gov/discretionary/fbinfo.cfm);

(4) Public Lands Highway (www.fhwa.dot.gov/discretionary/plhcursola3.cfm); and

(5) Interstate Maintenance Discretionary (www.fhwa.dot.gov/DISCRETIONARY/imdinfo.cfm).

Additionally, (6) MTC will release a call for projects for arterial signal timing in June, details and URL to be forwarded as they become available.

The TAC expressed interest in approaching these grant opportunities strategically by developing a project prioritization in West County where appropriate. CCTA staff noted the Authority's willingness to write letters of support for all West County agencies' applications for funding, though the Authority needs several weeks' lead time to agendaize letters on standing committee consent calendars. TAC members also noted that ABAG has released an open call for new Priority Development Areas (PDAs).

2. Draft Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan: Staff reviewed the process of developing the CBPP, and noted that CCTA staff would present a comprehensive overview of the plan at the June 11, 2009 meeting of the TAC. County Health Services expressed interest and willingness to assist in public outreach for the plan. The TAC discussed how the plan would enable local agencies to apply for funding through Caltrans' Bicycle Transportation Account, and noted that there may be a need to update the plan based on local bicycle and pedestrian initiatives that began after the countywide plan was initiated.

3. Marina Bay Shuttle Consortium: Staff gave an update on a new project in south Richmond to connect employment centers and residential developments in Marina Bay to City Hall and the Richmond BART station via a shuttle van service, similar to the Emery Go-Round in Emeryville. A process is underway to survey employers. Details about an RFP to provide the shuttle service will be forthcoming. The project is planned to be submitted as a TFCA Regional grant applicant.

4. City of Pinole Specific Plan: Pinole staff provided maps and an overview of the City's specific plan to guide land use changes and roadway improvements on three corridors – San Pablo Avenue, Appian Way, and Pinole Valley Road. In analyzing the feasibility and desirability of narrowing San Pablo Avenue down to one lane in each direction, the key issues that have emerged include delivery movements, parallel parking, transit pullouts, and lack of consensus so far among the business community. Pinole staff noted that an EIR is expected to be released in late 2009.

5. Report on May 6, 2009 CCTA Planning Committee: Staff presented a synopsis of WCCTAC's comments on the CTP, and noted that while the Authority's PC staff memo did not accurately reflect WCCTAC's concerns, these were corrected prior to the meeting, and the committee endorsed a more visionary approach advocated by WCCTAC. CCTA staff noted that the June 3 PC meeting will include a revised CTP and a revised summary of RTPCs' comments.

6. West County Action Plan: Staff noted that the current Action Plan, which is scheduled to be adopted this summer, depends on out-dated General Plans for its baseline measurements and modeling. As jurisdictions throughout West County engage in updates to city General Plans and development of Specific Plans, the 2008/2009 West County Action Plan may be obsolete even before it is adopted. As a means to keep adoption of the Action Plan and the CTP on schedule, which are foundational to Measure J, while allowing flexibility to jurisdictions that are engaged in General Plan and Specific Plan development, the TAC agreed to add an action to the 2008/2009 West County Action Plan to update the plan as appropriate based on current planning initiatives.

7. WETA Draft Transition and Emergency Plan: Staff presented an overview of WETA's two draft plans, with special attention to the Draft Transition Plan, and noted that comments are due to WETA by May 18, 2009.

8. Street WISE / Safe Routes To School: County Health Services staff announced receipt of their funding for the West County SRTS Project, and expressed appreciation for assistance from staff at Caltrans District 4.

9. Adjournment: The TAC adjourned until June 11 in memory of Bruce Burton King.

The next **regular WCCTAC-TAC meeting** will be: Thursday June 11 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

The next **regular WCCTAC Board meeting** will be: Friday May 29 2009 at 8:00 a.m.