

I-80 ICM
Traffic Operations Discussion/Workshop
San Pablo Council Chambers, June 14, 2011, 9-11:30 a.m.

DRAFT AGENDA

Clarification (9:00 – 9:50)

1. Proposed Operational Strategies and Responsibilities (Exhibit A)
2. Adaptive Ramp Metering
 - a. Summary of Ramp Metering Impacts (Exhibit B) and Caltrans Commitment to Work with Local Agencies
 - b. Control Strategy Implementation
 - i. Interim Strategy: TOS 2.0 Traffic Responsive Control – Locally Optimal
 - ii. Ultimate Strategy: Coordination/Global Traffic Responsive Control – Globally Optimal
 - iii. Transition Plan from Interim to Ultimate

Issues (9:50 – 10:40)

1. “Balanced, Responsive, and Equitable” may not be achieved under Interim TOS 2.0 Strategy (Exhibit C)
2. Limited local agency resources
3. Defining suitable governance structure between agencies having different chains of command

Advancing the O&M MOU (10:40 – 11:30)

1. Identify areas of disagreement
2. Alternative approaches to resolution
3. Need for policy discussion & possible public hearings at local level
4. Risks of moving forward with TLSP
5. Next steps and timing

Exhibit A
Clarification on Proposed Operational Strategies and Responsibilities

Facility	Normal Weekday Operations		Incident Management	
	Strategy	Lead Agencies	Strategy	Lead Agencies
Freeway & Ramps	Adaptive Ramp Metering	Caltrans	Lane Use Signals Variable Advisory Speed Signs End-of-Queue Warning Adaptive Ramp Metering	Caltrans Caltrans Caltrans Caltrans
San Pablo Av	Signal Coordination Transit Priority	Local AC/WestCAT	Flush Plans Trailblazers Emergency Vehicle Priority	Caltrans Caltrans First Responders
Crossing Arterials	Signal Coordination Transit Priority	Local-Caltrans AC/WestCAT	Flush Plans Emergency Vehicle Priority	Caltrans First Responders

Exhibit B
Clarification on Summary of Ramp Metering Impacts
and Caltrans Commitment to Work with Local Agencies

Potential Positive Benefits	Potential Negative Impacts	Will Project Address Potential Negative Impact?
Maintain mainline freeway flows and speeds	Diverting vehicles degrade arterial performance	Yes
Reduce variance of travel times	Queue spillbacks affect nearby intersections	Yes
Smooth entry onto freeways; spreading platoons of vehicles	Encourage SOV use for long trips	No
Improve safety; reducing merging and rear-end incidents	Inequitable changes in travel time	No
Provide local authorities with greater control over freeway and arterial traffic assignment/diversion	Encourage urban fringe growth	No
Balance flow during incidents	Perception of increased delay (“freeway looks good but need to stop at meter”)	Yes
Discourage short freeway trips		
Provide HOV/transit incentives		

Source: I-80 ICM Ramp Metering Plan, Revised Final, July 23, 2010

Exhibit C
Achievement of “Balanced, Responsive, and Equitable” System
Under Interim TOS 2.0 Strategy

Performance Measure	Alameda/Contra Costa	Others	Total System-Wide
Reliability	↑ on Freeway ↑ on Ramps ↑ on Arterials	↑ on Freeway	↑ System-Wide
Delay	↓ on Freeway ↑ on Ramps ↑ on Arterials	↓ on Freeway	↓ System-Wide
Safety	↑ on Freeway ↑ on Arterials (?)	↑ on Freeway	↑ System-Wide
Air Quality	↑ on Freeway ↓ on Ramps ↑ on Arterials	↑ on Freeway	↑ System-Wide



Richmond General Plan Adoption Timeline - Updated

Richmond Planning Division – June 8, 2011

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Date:	
Public Release of Draft General Plan Elements 1 through 4, 6 through 15 and Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)	February 14, 2011
45-Day Public Comment Period on Draft General Plan and DEIR	February 14, 2011 to March 31, 2011
Planning Commission DEIR Comment Hearing	March 17, 2011
Planning Commission Study Session Meeting Public and Commissioners may provide comment on Draft General Plan Elements 1, 3 through 4, 7, 9, 11 and 12	April 7, 2011
Planning Commission Study Session Meeting Public and Commissioners may provide comment on Draft General Plan Elements 2, 6, 8, 10, and 13 through 15	April 21, 2011
City Council Study Session Meeting Public and City Council may provide comment on Draft General Plan	June 28, 2011
City Council Action Meeting City Council to provide direction regarding appropriate land use designation for General Plan Change Area 12 (Northshore)	July 5, 2011
Prepare Revised Draft General Plan & FEIR Planning staff to prepare Revised Draft General Plan and response to comments on Draft General Plan; Atkins to prepare FEIR including response to comments on DEIR	April 21, 2011 to July 29, 2011
Planning Commission Action Meeting Commission to provide a formal recommendation on the Draft General Plan and Final Environmental Impact Report to City Council	August 2011
City Council Action Meetings City Council to take action on Final Environmental Impact Report and Draft General Plan	September 2011

General Plan Element No. Key:

1 – Economic Development; **2** – Education and Human Services; **3** – Land Use and Urban Design; **4** – Circulation; **6** – Community Facilities and Infrastructure; **7** – Conservation and Open Space; **8** – Energy and Climate Change; **9** – Growth Management; **10** – Park and Recreation; **11** – Community Health and Wellness; **12** – Public Safety and Noise; **13** – Arts and Culture; **14** – Historic Resources; **15** – National Historical Park

Status of the Draft Housing Element:

Staff submitted a draft Housing Element to the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) on December 22, 2010. A letter detailing HCD's comments on the draft element was received on February 25, 2011. Due to the extent of revisions necessary to make the draft Housing Element compliant with State housing law, the Housing Element will need to be separated from the process for adopting the rest of the General Plan. Once a revised draft of the Housing Element is completed, staff will prepare a separate environmental document to assess the potential environmental impacts associated with its implementation.