



**TO:** WCCTAC Technical Advisory Committee

**DATE:** February 18, 2010

**FR:** John Rudolph JR

**RE:** Summary of February 11, 2010 WCCTAC-TAC Meeting

1. Pt. Molate DEIS/DEIR Response: Richmond staff and the City's environmental consultants met with the TAC to present and discuss their proposed disposition of WCCTAC's comments to the DEIS/DEIR. The TAC reviewed a list of discussion points relative to the traffic impact report in the environmental analysis, and suggested, among other matters, (a) that a transit plan be developed as part of the environmental review; and (b) that analysis of Interstate 80 south of I-580 be included in the traffic impact report. Knowing that the project could generate trips in excess of those anticipated, and yet desiring to encourage local economic development, the TAC discussed inviting Richmond to participate in creating principles of agreement that would serve as a framework for monitoring and mitigation of traffic impacts as the project develops over time.

2. Caltrans Community Based Transportation Plan: West County CBTP: The TAC discussed the proposed grant application, and recommended that the project focus on specific corridors. Staff also announced that WCCTAC is not an eligible applicant, and noted that one of the member agencies may be asked to sponsor the project.

3. MTC's CMA Block Grant: Technical details pertaining to the proposed program will be discussed at the February 18<sup>th</sup> TCC meeting. The TAC opposed the transfer of Regional Bicycle Program funds to the Local Streets and Roads Program, noting that the funds make a big difference in the Bike Program and would make virtually no difference in the Local Streets and Roads Program, considering the magnitude of the shortfall.

4. Guiding Principles for SB 375: Matt Kelly, CCTA, provided an overview. With respect to apparent discrepancies between CCTA's Principles and the text of SB 375, the TAC asked CCTA to consider creating a chart indicating points of comparison.

5. Safe Routes to School: Shannon Ladner-Beasley announced (a) that at the recent Smart Growth conference in Seattle the presentation of the Health Element of Richmond's General Plan was enthusiastically received by a national audience; and (b) a pedestrian safety assessment in Richmond was recently undertaken with financial and technical assistance from UC Berkeley's Traffic Safety Center.

6. I-80 ICM: Comments on the CSMP are due March 1, except that a presentation by the ACCMA on the CSMP is expected at both the March 11 TAC and March 26 Board meetings, after which time members of the TAC and Board may submit comments.

7. West County Paratransit Study: A Board subcommittee is working with staff to develop a Scope of Work to include in a forthcoming RFP to increase long- and short-term effectiveness.

8. Richmond Traffic Safety Survey: Steven Tam announced that Richmond Traffic Engineering is conducting an online poll: <http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=474>.

9. Adjournment until March 11, 2010, at 9:00 a.m.

The next **regular WCCTAC-TAC meetings** will be:

- Thursday March 11, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday April 8, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

The next **WCCTAC Board meetings** will be:

- Friday February 26, 2010 at 8:00 a.m.
- Friday March 26, 2010 at 8:00 a.m.