



TO: WCCTAC Technical Advisory Committee **DATE:** Feb 2, 2012
FR: John Rudolph JR
RE: **Summary Notes of Jan 12, 2011 WCCTAC-TAC Meeting**

1. Meeting Notes from Nov 17 accepted.

2. I-80 Integrated Corridor Mobility Project: Raj Murthy, ACTC, and Cristina Ferraz, Caltrans, provided status reports on key deliverables and milestones, consistent with material in the agenda packet. A revised MOU has been circulated to the stakeholders and WCCTAC. The project team aims to present the executed MOU to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) by the end of February, and is standing by to work with the jurisdictions to meet this timeline. The Incident Response Plan (IRP) is part of the System Integrator contract. The project team proposed a series of workshops after the WCCTAC-TAC over the next several months to provide local input on the IRP and the Project Implementation Plan. Project team will provide invitations and lunch, be available to meet with individual agencies, and coordinate with CHP.

The project team continues to determine the location of Smart Corridor devices that cities wish to see preserved in the ICM or are willing to pay to maintain separately from the ICM; the team is waiting for information from Pinole and San Pablo. Ms. Ferraz confirmed that Caltrans will maintain devices on Caltrans' ROW in El Cerrito, even though El Cerrito owns the sidewalks. Ms. Ferraz clarified that Caltrans has never agreed to pay for SC devices that are not within the state ROW, and that Caltrans will actually perform the maintenance on devices that are within the state ROW.

Staff indicated that the revised MOU addresses west County's concerns; the final MOU may be close at hand. Ms. Ferraz clarified the direction the project team has received from CTC staff: an executed MOU is necessary to show the CTC that local agencies understand and accept the project; the project is behind schedule; and there is pressure on CTC to allocate the dwindling CMIA funds to other, readier projects. Staff suggested and Ms. Ferraz agreed that a letter of support from WCCTAC may help the CTC to see that local agencies are working toward execution of the MOU. Staff asked that member agencies respond to a request for information on their approach to schedule council/board consideration of the MOU in the next several weeks. Staff will meet with the Board subcommittee next week and will appreciate knowing the agencies' perspectives ahead of that meeting. Hisham Noeimi, CCTA, volunteered the CCTA staff report and resolution as templates for the local agencies. Staff suggested that agencies' legal staffs may consider separate agreements pertaining to the legal liability of the operation of the traffic signals. The project TAC will meet on Jan 25 for a workshop on the MOU.

3. San Pablo Avenue Smart Corridors Program Status: Staff will bring the TAC's recommendation to use Measure J 28b funds for \$187,000 in past-due invoices for FYs 2009-2011 and a portion of FY 2011-2012 to the Jan 2012 meeting of the WCCTAC Board.

4. Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee: The TAC (a) considered the credentials of two west County citizens, Adrienne Harris and Bill Pinkham, for recommendation to the Board for appointment to the west County citizen position on the CBPAC, and (b) recommended incumbents for the two staff positions. Ms. Harris provided additional information on her credentials. The TAC agreed to conduct its selection of a recommended nominee via email.

5. STMP Update: Staff distributed spreadsheets detailing cumulative cash flow needs FY 2007-2030 and life-to-date receipts, expenditure, and program balance. Richmond inquired whether the account balance reflects an allocation of \$527,000 from WCCTAC's Letter of No Prejudice. Staff clarified that the LONP does not allocate funding to the Richmond Intermodal: the LONP allows Richmond to expend resources on the project without prejudicing its future application for an allocation for reimbursement. Staff stated that the West Contra Costa Transportation Investment Study may highlight a project or several projects that have a regional priority. El Cerrito said that the San Pablo Ave Specific Plan identified \$1m in near-term improvements, and the Del Norte TOD project is an El Cerrito project. Staff suggested that projects for which there are no committed resources and no forward momentum may be considered second tier, and placed on a vision list. The Measure J Strategic Plan tracks cash flow and lists principles for the orderly process of dealing with applications. Richmond expressed frustration with the lack of funding and the approach in which those who ask first, receive first. Staff suggested that changes in traffic flow wrought by the ICM may alter local priorities, perhaps even interchange projects. BART stated that MTC's Transit Sustainability Project includes funding for signal timing updates, and that a tiered list of west County projects may help the county to prepare for an effort to extend Measure J. Mr. Noeimi offered ideas on coordinating the STMP Strategic Plan with the Measure J Strategic Plan. Staff will continue to ask for additional detail from project sponsors and then return with a proposal.

6. Lifeline Cycle 3 Program Guidelines and Funding: Staff stated that the Call for Projects is expected Jan 19. Applications are due Mar 2 to CCTA. Staff suggested that CCTA staff may hold a workshop on the LTP in a west County community and invite non-profit organizations to participate; staff will follow up.

7. Safe Routes to Schools (SR2S) Cycle 10 Call for Projects: Staff stated that applications are due March 30 to Caltrans, with ten percent match required, and maximum request of \$450,000.

8. Focus Technical Assistance: Staff stated that applications are due March 2 to MTC, with no local match requirement.

9. FY 2012/13 Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant Program: Julie Campero, Caltrans, distributed material pertaining to the current cycle of planning grants; applications are due April 2 to Caltrans. A Planning Grant Open House will occur at District 4 offices on Feb 9 at 10:30 a.m.

10. Adjournment until February 9, 2012, at 9:00 a.m.

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

- Feb 9, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.
- Mar 8 at 9:00 a.m.

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

- Feb 24, 2012 at 8:00 a.m.
- Mar 23 at 8:00 a.m.