

VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION
SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAY EMERGENCIES
CONSOLIDATED TRANSPORTATION SERVICE AGENCY
CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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AGENDA*

*Actions may be taken on any item listed on the agenda

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One University Drive Camarillo

MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE PETITE SALON

(Note Change in Meeting Location)

CAMARILLO, CA FRIDAY, JULY 10, 2015 9:00 AM

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. ROLL CALL
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS Each individual speaker is limited to speak three (3) continuous minutes or less. The Commission may, either at the direction of the Chair or by majority vote of the Commission, waive this three minute time limitation. Depending on the number of items on the Agenda and the number of speakers, the Chair may, at his/her discretion, reduce the time of each speaker to two (2) continuous minutes. In addition, the maximum time for public comment for any individual item or topic is thirty (30) minutes. Also, the Commission may terminate public comments if such comments become repetitious. Speakers may not yield their time to others without the consent of the Chair. Any written documents to be distributed or presented to the Commission shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Board. This policy applies to Public Comments and comments on Agenda Items.

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Under the Brown Act, the Board should not take action on or discuss matters raised during Public Comment portion of the agenda which are not listed on the agenda. Board members may refer such matters to staff for factual information or to be placed on the subsequent agenda for consideration.

5. CALTRANS PRESENTATION -

Overview of Caltrans Mission, Vision Goals and Changes at Caltrans

- **6. COMMISSIONERS / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT -** This item provides the opportunity for the commissioners and the Executive Director to report on attended meetings/conferences and any other items related to Commission activities.
- 7. ADDITIONS/REVISIONS The Commission may add an item to the Agenda after making a finding that there is a need to take immediate action on the item and that the item came to the attention of the Commission subsequent to the posting of the agenda. An action adding an item to the agenda requires 2/3 vote of the Commission. If there are less than 2/3 of the Commission members present, adding an item to the agenda requires a unanimous vote. Added items will be placed for discussion at the end of the agenda.
- 8. CONSENT CALENDAR All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one vote. There will be no discussion of these items unless members of the Commission request specific items to be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action.

8A. APPROVE SUMMARY FROM JUNE 5, 2015 VCTC MEETING - PG. 5

Recommended Action:

Approve

Responsible Staff: Donna Cole

8B. APRIL, 2015 MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT - PG. 11

Recommended Action:

Receive and File

Responsible Staff: Sally DeGeorge

8C. PASSENGER RAIL UPDATE - PG. 17

Recommended Action:

Receive and File

Responsible Staff: Ellen Talbo

8D. <u>ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM CYCLE II TEN POINT CRITERIA</u> – PG. 21 Recommended Action:

Approve recommended criteria that achieve an additional award of 10 points allowing VCTC to advance competitive applications for grant funds in the Active Transportation Program (ATP).

Responsible Staff: Ellen Talbo

8E. <u>PROGRAMMING OF LOCAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FUNDS</u> – PG.23 *Recommended Action:*

Program \$6 million in Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds for the attached list of local street and road projects.

Responsible Staff: Peter De Haan

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8F. SAFE CONTRACT FOR CALL BOX MONITORING - PG.25

Recommended Action:

Approve a contract with Tele Tran Tek Services not to exceed \$180,000 for a three (3) year period, with the option for two (2) one (1) year extensions, for call box monitoring to be funded through the Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies.

Responsible Staff: Steve DeGeorge

8G. <u>LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND POSITION ON BILLS</u> – PG.27

Recommended Action:

Receive and File

Responsible Staff: Peter De Haan

8H. COMMUTER SERVICES QUARTERLY REPORT - PG.39

Recommended Action:

Receive and File

Responsible Staff: Alan Holmes

8I. AGREEMENT WITH CALTRANS FOR MANAGEMENT OF ROUTE 118 FREEWAY/

IMPROVEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT - PG.45

Recommended Action:

Authorize Executive Director to execute a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans to manage the Route 118 Freeway Improvement Environmental Document with \$3 million in Surface Transportation Program funding provided by VCTC.

Responsible Staff: Peter De Haan

9. WORKSHOP

9A. DRAFT SHORT RANGE TRANSIT PLAN AND VCTC INTERCITY FIVE-YEAR SERVICE

PLAN - PG.47

Recommended Action:

Receive the proposed Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) and the VCTC Intercity Five-Year Service Plan prior to adoption at the September Commission meeting

Responsible Staff: Amy Ahdi

9B. COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (CTP) UPDATE - PG.49

Recommended Action:

Receive and File

Responsible Staff: Steve DeGeorge

9C. VOTER RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS PRESENTATION - PG.51

Recommended Action:

Receive and File

Responsible Staff: Darren Kettle

10. VCTC GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

11. AGENCY REPORTS

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12. CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL: ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9:
1 case

13. ADJOURN to 9:00 a.m. Friday, September 11, 2015 - Note Change in Date Due to Labor Day



Item #8A

Meeting Summary

VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAY EMERGENCIES CONSOLIDATED TRANSPORTATION SERVICE AGENCY CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY

> CAMARILLO CITY HALL 601 CARMEN DRIVE CAMARILLO, CA FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2015 9:00 AM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Keith Millhouse, City of Moorpark, Vice Chair

Steve Bennett, County of Ventura

Claudia Bill-de la Peña, City of Thousand Oaks

Betsy Clapp, City of Ojai

Ginger Gherardi, City of Santa Paula

Bill Little, City of Camarillo Kathy Long, County of Ventura Bryan MacDonald, City of Oxnard

Carl Morehouse, City of San Buenaventura

Linda Parks, County of Ventura Jim White, Citizen Rep, County John Zaragoza, County of Ventura Shirley Chote, Caltrans District 7

ABSENT: Peter Foy, County of Ventura, Chair

Douglas Breeze, City of Port Hueneme Manuel Minjares, City of Fillmore Brian Humphrey, Citizen Rep, Cities Steve Sojka, City of Simi Valley

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR THOSE ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THIS AGENDA - None

TEEN COUNCIL REPORT

Teen Council President Angel and member Diego gave a report on the Earth Day activities the council was involved in for this year's project. They created a video to recap their efforts, however technical difficulties prevented our ability to share at the meeting. The video will be posted on the VCTC website.

CALTRANS REPORT -

District 7 has appointed two new Deputy District Directors.

Due to the Governor's drought declaration, this summer Caltrans will begin 5 smart controller projects in Ventura County. The projects are located on Routes 23,101, 118 and 126.

Storm damage repairs are nearing completion on PCH near Point Mugu. The installation of cable netting was completed last week. Additional work for slope restoration on the beach side will be starting soon, and is expected it to take about 2 weeks. The work will not impact the travel lanes.

At a previous meeting, the commission approved advancing funds into FY 15/16 for projects to widen Route 101 and Route 118. Caltrans will be performing PA&ED work on the Route 118 project and providing oversite on the Route 101 project.

ADDITIONS/REVISIONS - None

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Long requested to pull Item # 9F Unmet Transit Needs Findings, in order to give members an opportunity to comment on the process if they wish.

Commissioner Gherardi made a motion to approve all items as recommended on the Consent Calendar:

- 9A. APPROVE SUMMARY FROM MAY 1, 2015 VCTC MEETING Approve
- 9B. MARCH, 2015 MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT Receive and File
- 9C. PASSENGER RAIL UPDATE Receive and File

9D. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GOAL

Adopt a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) annual goal of 12.5% for VCTC contracts funded by the Federal Transit Administration for Federal Fiscal Years (FY) 2015/16 through 2018/19.

9E. FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5311 RESOLUTION

Adopt Resolution #2015-10 authorizing the Executive Director to approve applications for the Section 5311 program.

9G. CSUCI COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FY 15/16 EXTENSION

Approve the FY 2015-2016 Cooperative Agreement for bus service to California State University Channel Islands (CSUCI) and CSUCI providing \$510,000 for the service in FY 2015-2016

9H. VCTC INTERIM INTERAGENCY TRANSIT PASS PROGRAM

Authorize the Executive Director to develop and execute agreements with transit providers in Ventura County to accept and be reimbursed for rides which are made using the VCTC pass.

9I. ONBOARD VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS PROCUREMENT

Authorize the Executive Director to negotiate the final terms, and for the VCTC Chair to execute, a contract for onboard video surveillance system equipment with Apollo Video Technology, in a form and substance approved by VCTC General Counsel, in an amount not to exceed \$550,000.

9J. SAFE CONTRACT FOR CALLBOX MAINTENANCE

- Approve a contract with CASE Systems Inc. not to exceed \$18,480.00 per month for call box maintenance to be funded through the Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies.
- Approve upgrading 420 call boxes, 75% of the current system, to 3G cellular service for a price not exceed \$800 per call box for a total of \$336,000 to be funded through the Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies.

9K. AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL FOR SERVICES RELATED TO VENTURA COUNTY MOTORIST AID CALL BOX PROGRAM

- Approve the agreement between the State of California, Department of California Highway Patrol and the Ventura County Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies (SAFE).
- Adopt Resolution 2015-11 in support of the agreement between the State of California
 Department of California highway Patrol and Ventura County Service Authority for Freeway
 Emergencies.

9L. CAPITAL ASSETS POLICY UPDATE - Adopt the Capital Asset Policy

9M. VCTC OFFICE SPACE LEASE EXTENSION

Authorize the Executive Director to execute an 18 month lease extension with Lincoln's Inn, Marina Self Storage Inc. for a term of July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016 at a lease rate of \$11,803.58 per month (\$1.75/square foot).

9N. 2015/2016 SALARY SCHEDULE AND RANGE ADJUSTMENT FOR DIRECTOR CLASSIFICATION

Adopt 2015/16 salary schedule including approval of second phase of the Director salary range, effective July 1, 2015.

90. RESOLUTION FOR VCTC TO CLAIM FISCAL YEAR 2015/16 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDS (LTF) AND STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE (STA) FUND

Approve Resolution #2015-08 authorizing VCTC's claim for Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Local Transportation Funds (LTF) and State Transit Assistance (STA) funds for transit, planning and administrative expenditures

9P. TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT/LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUND APPORTIONMENT FOR FY 2015/16

Approve the Local Transportation Fund Apportionment for Fiscal Year 2015/2016 apportioning \$34.6 million as shown in Attachment 1.

9Q. AGREEMENT WITH DOWNTOWN VENTURA PARTNERS, INC. TO RECEIVE CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY FUNDS

Approve the attached agreement with the Downtown Ventura Partners, Inc. to receive \$353,692 in CMAQ funds, including \$176,846 in funds approved at the May meeting, plus another \$176,846 contingent upon the Commission's future approval of funds on the CMAQ shelf list that the Commission adopted in May.

9R. STEVEN ZANETELL V. VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Reject a claim in the matter of Steven Zanetell v. VCTC

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Morehouse and passed by a unanimous rollcall vote. **Commissioner Bennett was absent during the vote**.

9F. <u>FISCAL YEAR 2015/16 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS</u> FINDINGS

Commissioner Long made a motion to Approve the Fiscal Year (FY) 2015/2016 Unmet Transit Needs Findings and to Adopt Resolution No. 2015-12. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Morehouse and passed by a unanimous roll call vote

10. FISCAL YEAR 2015/16 BUDGET - PUBLIC HEARING

There were no speakers for the public hearing.

Commissioner Gherardi made a motion to adopt Resolution #2015-09, the proposed Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Budget. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zaragoza and passed by a unanimous roll call vote

11. VCTC MARKETING AND COMMUTER SERVICES COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM CONTRACT

Commissioner Gherardi made a motion to approve a three-year contract with Celtis Ventures LLC for VCTC Marketing and Community Outreach Program at an annual cost not to exceed \$565,000. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Morehouse and passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

12. VCTC INTERCITY BUS ADVERTISEMENT SALES

Commissioner Bennett made a motion to table this discussion for 2 years. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed by a unanimous roll call

13. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE & POSITIONS ON BILLS

Commissioner Morehouse made a motion to adopt SUPPORT position on SB 16 (Beall) to increase fuel taxes and vehicle fees to raise \$3.billion annually in transportation revenues for five years. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed by a unanimous roll call

14. FISCAL YEAR 2015/16 TRANSIT PROGRAM OF PROJECTS - PUBLIC HEARING

There were no speakers for the public hearing.

Commissioner Gherardi made a motion to approve the Program of Projects (POP) for federal transit operating, planning and capital assistance for FY 2015/16. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Morehouse and passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

15. OXNARD HARBOR DISTRICT QUARTERLY UPDATE -

Kristin Decas, CEO and Port Director, presented an update on port activities.

Oxnard Harbor District continues to upgrade facilities at the Port of Hueneme to improve goods movement connectivity and the environment. The Port's modernization project is an infrastructure investment that will include improvements to existing transportation facilities. These improvements will increase the economic competitiveness of the Port, improve the working waterfront, and provide environmental benefits to the surrounding community. These initiatives will optimize traffic flow, improve freight mobility, facilitate the efficient movement of cargo, allow the Port to accommodate larger ships, and expand shore power infrastructure.

- 16. VCTC GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT- None
- 17. AGENCY REPORTS None
- 18. CLOSED SESSION None
- 19. ADJOURN to 9:00 a.m. Friday, July 10, 2015

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Item #8B

June 10, 2015

MEMO TO: VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: SALLY DEGEORGE, FINANCE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file the monthly budget report for May 2015

BACKGROUND:

The monthly budget report is presented in a comprehensive agency-wide format with the investment report presented at the end. The Annual Budget numbers are updated as the Commission approves budget amendments or administrative budget amendments are approved by the Executive Director. Staff monitors the revenues and expenditures of the Commission on an on-going basis.

The May 31, 2015 budget reports indicate that revenues were approximately 74.28% of the adopted budget while expenditures were approximately 79.76% of the adopted budget. The revenues and expenditures are as expected. Although the percentage of the budget year completed is shown, be advised that neither the revenues nor the expenditures occur on a percentage or monthly basis. Furthermore, revenues are often billed and reimbursed in arrears.

Some revenues are received at the beginning of the year while other revenues are received after grants are approved. In many instances, VCTC incurs expenses and then submits for reimbursement from federal, state and local agencies which may also cause a slight lag in reporting revenues. Furthermore, the State Transit Assistance (STA), Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies (SAFE) revenues are received in arrears. The State Board of Equalization collects the taxes and remits them to the Commission after the reporting period for the business. STA revenues are paid quarterly with a two to three month additional lag and LTF receipts are paid monthly with a two month lag. For example, the July through September STA receipts are often not received until October or November and the July LTF receipts are not received until September. The Department of Motor Vehicles collects the SAFE funds and remits them monthly with a two month lag.

The Commission's capital assets are presented on the Balance Sheet. Capital assets that are "undepreciated" consist of land and rail lines owned by the Commission. Capital assets that are depreciated consist of buildings, rail stations, transit equipment, highway call box equipment and office furniture. Capital assets and depreciation are booked annually at year end.

VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION BALANCE SHEET AS OF MAY 31, 2015

<u>ASSETS</u>

Assets:

Cash and Investments - Wells Fargo Bank	\$ 4,794,585
Cash and Investments - County Treasury	18,003,269
Petty Cash	130
Receivables/Due from other funds	2,584,000
Prepaid Expenditures	359,401
Deposits	14,189
Capital Assets, undepreciated	25,885,133
Capital Assets, depreciated, net	24,533,736
Assets:	\$76,174,443

Total Assets:

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

Liabilities:

Accrued Expenses/Due to other funds	\$ 1,198,448
Deferred Revenue	2,004,964
Deposits	400
Total Liabilities:	<u>\$ 3,203,812</u>

Net Position:

Invested in Capital Assets	\$50,418,869
Fund Balance	<u>25,551,762</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$75,970,631</u>

Total Liabilities and Fund Balance: \$79,174,443

VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE ELEVEN MONTHS ENDING MAY 31, 2015

	G	eneral Fund Actual	LTF Actual	STA Actual	SAFE Actual	Fund Totals Actual	Annual Budget	Variance Over (Under)	% Year to Date
Revenues								, ,	
Federal Revenues	\$	8,690,336	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 8,690,336	\$ 13,726,200	(5,035,864)	63.31
State Revenues		7,848,831	25,351,992	3,510,264	564,636	37,275,723	49,309,633	(12,033,910)	75.60
Local Revenues		4,471,006	0	0	1,852	4,472,858	4,836,984	(364,126)	92.47
Other Revenues		91	0	0	0	91	0	91	0.00
Interest		1,585	19,501	24,758	8,225	54,069	105,000	(50,931)	51.49
Total Revenues		21,011,849	25,371,493	3,535,022	574,713	50,493,077	67,977,817	(17,484,740)	74.28
Expenditures									
Administration									
Personnel Expenditures		2,119,757	0	0	0	2,119,757	2,663,500	(543,743)	79.59
Legal Services		20,207	0	0	0	20,207	25,900	(5,693)	78.02
Professional Services		102,490	0	0	0	102,490	107,600	(5,110)	95.25
Office Leases		132,824	0	0	0	132,824	149,200	(16,376)	89.02
Office Expenditures		290,224	0	0	0	290,224	320,800	(30,576)	90.47
Total Administration		2,665,502	0	0	0	2,665,502	3,267,000	(601,498)	81.59
Programs and Projects									
Transit & Transportation Program									
Senior-Disabled Transportation		137,843	0	0	0	137,843	153,875	(16,032)	89.58
Go Ventura Smartcard		177,701	0	0	0	177,701	248,500	(70,799)	71.51
Fare Collection APC Systems		169,025	0	0	0	169,025	571,753	(402,728)	29.56
VCTC Interciy Bus Service		15,628,645	0	0	0	15,628,645	16,865,072	(1,236,427)	92.67
HVT Bus Contract Services		3,724,616	0	0	0	3,724,616	4,184,330	(459,714)	89.01
Nextbus		175,666	0	0	0	175,666	520,906	(345,240)	33.72
Transit Grant Administration		2,884,037	0	0	0	2,884,037	6,144,781	(3,260,744)	46.93
Total Transit & Transportation		22,897,533	0	0	0	22,897,533	28,689,217	(5,791,684)	79.81

	General Fund Actual	LTF Actual	STA Actual	SAFE Actual	Fund Totals Actual	Annual Budget	Variance Over (Under)	% Year to Date
Highway Program	Aotuai	Aotuui	Aotuui	Aotuui	Aotuai	Dauget	Over (onder)	to bate
Congestion Management Program	0	0	0	0	0	35,000	(35,000)	0.00
Motorist Aid Call Box System	0	0	0	282,389	282,389	440,500	(158,111)	64.11
SpeedInfo Highway Speed Sensor	0	0	0	104,500	104,500	144,000	(39,500)	72.57
Total Highway	0	0	0	386,889	386,889	619,500	(232,611)	62.45
Rail Program								
Metrolink & Commuter Rail	2,675,156	0	0	0	2,675,156	3,538,522	(863,366)	75.60
LOSSAN & Coastal Rail	32,947	0	0	0	32,947	34,700	(1,753)	94.95
Santa Paula Branch Line	290,336	0	0	0	290,336	769,356	(479,020)	37.74
Total Rail	2,998,439	0	0	0	2,998,439	4,342,578	(1,344,139)	69.05
Commuter Assistance Program								
Transit Information Center	17,272	0	0	0	17,272	45,500	(28,228)	37.96
Rideshare Programs	16,172	0	0	0	16,172	70,400	(54,228)	22.97
Total Commuter Assistance	33,444	0	0	0	33,444	115,900	(82,456)	28.86
						110,000	(02,100)	
Planning & Programming								
Transportation Development Act	199,779	27,944,725	0	0	28,144,504	32,911,017	(4,766,513)	85.52
Transportation Improvement Program	41,576	0	0	0	41,576	292,520	(250,944)	14.21
Regional Transportation Planning	74,618	0	0	0	74,618	466,000	(391,382)	16.01
Airport Land Use Commission	34,923	0	0	0	34,923	113,767	(78,844)	30.70
Regional Transit Planning	84,113	0	0	0	84,113	132,848	(48,735)	63.32
Freight Movement	45	0	0	0	45	12,500	(12,455)	0.36
Total Planning & Programming	435,054	27,944,725	0	0	28,379,779	33,928,652	(5,548,873)	83.65
General Government								
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Community Outreach & Marketing	533,283	0	0	0	533,283	898,900	(365,617)	59.33
State & Federal Relations	71,587	0	0	0	71,587	86,200	(14,613)	83.05
Management & Administration	41,548	0	0	0	41,548	77,100	(35,552)	53.89
Office Building Purchase	16,423	0	0	0	16,423	722,001	(705,578)	2.27
Total General Government	662,841	0	0	0	662,841	1,784,201	(1,121,360)	37.15
Total Expenditures	29,692,813	27,944,725	0	386,889	58,024,427	72,747,048	(14,722,621)	79.76

	General Fund Actual	LTF Actual	STA Actual	SAFE Actual	Fund Totals Actual	Annual Budget	Variance Over (Under)
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(8,680,964)	(2,573,232)	3,535,022	187,824	(7,531,350)	(4,769,231)	(2,762,119)
Other Financing Sources							
Transfers Into GF from LTF	4,539,417	0	0	0	4,539,417	7,596,115	(3,056,698)
Transfers Into GF from STA	6,785,642	0	0	0	6,785,642	7,778,177	(992,535)
Transfers Into GF from SAFE	19,221	0	0	0	19,221	42,600	(23,379)
Transfers Out of LTF into GF	0	(4,539,417)	0	0	(4,539,417)	(2,817,017)	(1,722,400)
Transfers Out of STA into GF	0	0	(6,785,642)	0	(6,785,642)	(7,778,177)	992,535
Transfers Out of SAFE into GF	0	0	0	(19,221)	(19,221)	(42,600)	23,379
Total Other Financing Sources	11,344,280	(4,539,417)	(6,785,642)	(19,221)	0	4,779,098	(4,779,098)
Net Change in Fund Balances	2,663,316	(7,112,649)	(3,250,620)	168,603	(7,531,350)	9,867	(7,541,217)
Beginning Fund Balance	1,493,411	11,255,387	13,535,597	3,798,717	30,083,112	20,859,960	9,223,152
Ending Fund Balance	<u>\$ 4,156,727</u>	<u>\$4,142,738</u>	<u>\$10,284,977</u>	<u>\$3,967,320</u>	<u>\$22,551,762</u>	<u>\$20,869,827</u>	<u>\$ 1,681,935</u>

VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION INVESTMENT REPORT AS OF MAY 31, 2015

As stated in the Commission's investment policy, the Commission's investment objectives are safety, liquidity, diversification, return on investment, prudence and public trust with the foremost objective being safety. VCTC has the ability to meet its expenditure requirements, at a minimum, for the next six months. Below is a summary of the Commission's investments that are in compliance with the Commission's investment policy and applicable bond documents.

Institution	Investment Type	Maturity Date	Interest to Date	Rate	Balance
Wells Fargo – Checking	Government Checking	N/A	\$1,724.98	0.01%	\$ 4,794,585.45
County of Ventura	Treasury Pool	N/A	\$52,441.05	0.34%	\$18,048,281.99
Total			\$54,166.03		\$22,842,867.44

Because VCTC receives a large portion of their state and federal funding on a reimbursement basis, the Commission must keep sufficient funds liquid to meet changing cash flow requirements. For this reason, VCTC maintains checking accounts at Wells Fargo Bank.

The Commission's checking accounts for the General Fund are swept daily into a money market account. The interest earnings are deposited the following day. The first \$250,000 of the combined deposit balance is federally insured and the remaining balance is collateralized by Wells Fargo Bank. A portion of interest earned in the General Fund is for Proposition 1B funds and is reclassified and is not shown as General Fund interest in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance.

The Commission's Local Transportation Funds (LTF), State Transit Assistance (STA) funds and SAFE funds are invested in the Ventura County investment pool. Interest is apportioned quarterly, in arrears, based on the average daily balance. The investment earnings are generally deposited into the accounts in two payments within the next quarter. Amounts shown are not adjusted for fair market valuations.

For Management Reporting Purposes Only



Item #8C

July 10, 2015

MEMO TO: VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: ELLEN TALBO, PROGRAM ANALYST

SUBJECT: PASSENGER RAIL UPDATE

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file.

BACKGROUND:

This report provides a monthly update of regional passenger rail activities. The information in this update focuses on regional commuter rail (Metrolink), intercity rail (Amtrak), and other rail-related issues pertinent to Ventura County.

DISCUSSION:

Ridership & On-Time Performance (OTP)

During the month of May, ridership on the Ventura County Line averaged 3,730 total boardings per weekday (inbound and outbound) indicating a 2.8% decrease from the previous month of March 2015, and a 1.4% decrease from the same month last year. Systemwide ridership experienced no change from the previous month and a 0.7% increase from the same period last year. Monthly ridership statistics for the month of May 2015 are provided in the attachment for reference.

On-time performance data for the month of May was 91.7% indicating a 2% decrease from the previous month. On-time performance on the Ventura Line has generally remained flat over the last year and slight dips in OTP are attributed to the percentage of trains arriving early, the majority of them within a 5 minute time window.

Board & TAC Updates

Metrolink

At the time of this report, Metrolink FY 15-16 budget had yet to pass by the Board of Directors as scheduled on June 26th, 2015. Due to the timing of the budget being transmitted to the member agencies before the new CEO assumed leadership, the budget priorities have evolved to focus on expanding mobile ticket purchasing over systemwide replacement of the ticket vending machines and exercising Metrolink's option to purchase new locomotives over rehabbing the current fleet. Executive management has been in discussions with member agencies about any future budget amendments however, the need for an amendment and the resulting amount to member agencies will remain unknown until the status of cap and trade grant funding is confirmed, which would largely fund the purchase of the locomotives.

LOSSAN

In June, the LOSSAN Board and the State Department of Rail & Mass Transit (DMRT) approved the interagency transfer agreement. LOSSAN Agency staff also participated in the first of a series of meetings to prepare for the next coordinated schedule change on the LOSSAN rail corridor, which is currently planned for October 2015. Staff from Amtrak, Metrolink, North County Transit District, and Caltrans DRMT were also in attendance. The majority of the schedule changes proposed are related to adding sufficient time to allow for initialization and operation of Positive Train Control, as well as minor changes to improve train meets on single track territory.

May 2015 Metrolink Ridership

AVERAGE WEEKDAY PASSENGER TRIPS (INBOUND and OUTBOUND) MAY 2015 v. APRIL 2015 (MONTH OVER MONTH)

	Ventura	System Grand	Metrolink Rail 2 Rail on Amtrak North of LA
MO/YR	County Line	Total	(weekday)
May-15	3,617	42,437	219
Apr-15	3,720	42,432	199
Change	-2.8%	0.0%	10.0%

AVERAGE WEEKDAY PASSENGER TRIPS (INBOUND and OUTBOUND) MAY 2015 V.MAY 2014 (YEAR OVER YEAR)

			Metrolink
			Rail 2 Rail
			on Amtrak
	Ventura	System	North of LA
MO/YR	County Line	Grand Total	(weekday)
MO/YR May-15	County Line 3,720	Grand Total 42,432	(weekday) 219
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5 YEAR SNAPSHOT OF AVERAGE DAILY TOTAL BOARDINGS (INBOUND and OUTBOUND)

MO/YR	Ventura County Line	VC County Portion	System Grand Total	Average Daily Metrolink Monthly Passholders on Amtrak (weekday)
May-15	3,617	1,890	42,437	219
May-14	3,671	1,626	42,133	148
May-13	4,076	1,995	43,380	264
May-12	4,008	1,941	44,037	210
May-11	3,842	2,132	42,318	237
May-10	3755	2,130	40,688	325

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Item #8D

July 10, 2015

MEMO TO: VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: ELLEN TALBO, PROGRAM ANALYST

SUBJECT: ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM CYCLE II TEN POINT CRITERIA

RECOMMENDATION:

 Approve recommended criteria that achieve an additional award of 10 points allowing VCTC to advance competitive applications for grant funds in the Active Transportation Program (ATP).

BACKGROUND:

The Active Transportation Program (ATP) was created by Senate Bill 99 (Chapter 359, Statues of 2013) and by Assembly Bill 101 (Chapter 354, Statues of 2013) to fund projects that increase and promote bike and pedestrian trips. The California Transportation Commission (CTC) adopted guidelines for the 2015 ATP and released the Cycle II call for projects on March 26, 2015. This call for projects includes three years of funding in Fiscal Year 2016/17, FY 2017/18 and FY 2018/19. Per the CTC guidelines, agencies applied to Caltrans for funding from the statewide portion of ATP funds by June 1, 2015. Caltrans is currently reviewing these applications and will assign scores to each of the projects based on the CTC guidelines. Projects that are not selected for funding by Caltrans will be passed on to SCAG and the other Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) around October 2015. VCTC will not know the CTC's project scores until that time. SCAG will select projects eligible for regional funding around December 2015.

DISCUSSION:

In addition to CTC guidelines, project applicants are subject to SCAG regional guidelines. Per the SCAG regional guidelines, VCTC can add up to 10 points to the Caltrans-assigned scores to projects that are consistent with local and regional plans within the county. The 10 points will put consistent plans in a better position to compete against other Ventura County projects that do not receive Caltrans ATP funds. In the case that some projects within Ventura County are not selected to receive funding from the statewide portion of ATP funds, they will be eligible for the VCTC proportion of SCAG ATP funds, which is approximately \$1.9 million for Cycle II, which is similar to the previous cycle.

For Cycle II of the Statewide ATP, the SCAG region's annual share is approximately \$25 million, which includes 100% of SCAG's federal Transportation Alternative Program apportionments (approximately \$14 million) plus approximately \$11 million/year from other federal and state funding programs that were consolidated by SB 99 into the ATP.

Discussion at the previous TTAC meeting resulted in a desire to review a palate of criteria that VCTC could apply to the ATP applications in the amount of 10 points. A project application that demonstrates commitment toward implementation through its consistency with local and regional plans is likely to compete better within the SCAG pool of regional applications. Therefore, the assignment of an additional 10 points on an application, based on consistency with other local and regional plans, would enhance the competitive position of a project applicant from the Ventura County region. The following table illustrates resources and existing local plans that VCTC staff could reference when considering when to award an additional 10 points.

A subcommittee formed by TTAC members met and consensus was reached in May on the amount of points split among the 10 points, which would be awarded to projects that are consistent with plans in this list. The local area plans in this table are listed because they include specific goals and objectives in them that pertain to active transportation activities that go beyond the typical circulation goals and objectives that might be listed in a jurisdictional general plan. To ensure that pedestrian-oriented projects are adequately considered, the subcommittee recommended that projects consistent with a local jurisdiction's Safe Routes 2 School program be considered for a portion of the 10 points.

Point Award Consideration	Title of Regional/Local Plan
	Ventura County Bike Plan (2007)
	City of Ojai Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan (1999)
	Santa Paula Branch Line Recreational Trail Compatibility Survey (2015)
	Santa Paula Branch Line Trail Master Plan (1996)
	Fillmore Business Park Master Plan (2008)
	Heritage Valley Parks Specific Plan, Fillmore CA (2002)
	Moorpark College Facilities Master Plan (2005-2015)
	Moorpark Master Bicycle Transportation Plan (2008)
5 points awarded if the	City of Simi Valley Bicycle Master Plan (2008)
proposed project is consistent	Simi Valley Green Community Action Plan (2010)
with 1 or more of the	City of Thousand Oaks Bicycle Master Plan (2010)
following:	Thousand Oaks Boulevard Specific Plan (2012)
	Camarillo Commons Strategic Plan (2007)
	City of Oxnard Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan (2011)
	Santa Clara River Trail Master Plan (2011)
	Oxnard Corridor Transportation Improvement Plan – A Livable Oxnard
	(current)
	City of Ventura Bicycle Master Plan (2011)
	City of Port Hueneme Bicycle Master Plan (
	County of Ventura Transportation Strategic Master Plan (2012)
5 points awarded if the	Safe Routes 2 School grant application
proposed project is consistent	
with:	



Item #8E

July 10, 2015

MEMO TO: VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: PETER DE HAAN, PROGRAMMING DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: PROGRAMMING OF LOCAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FUNDS

RECOMMENDATION:

• Program \$6 million in Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds for the attached list of local street and road projects.

BACKGROUND:

At the May meeting, the Commission approved policies for programming Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds anticipated to be available through Fiscal Year 2015/16. These priorities included \$14 million to prepare the environmental document for Route 101 improvements from the Los Angeles County line to Route 33, \$3 million to prepare the environmental document for Route 118 improvements from Tapo Canyon Road to Los Angeles Avenue, and \$6 million for local streets and roads projects to be recommended by TTAC. On May 21st TTAC met and approved a policy for recommending the local projects to fund with the \$6 million. The attached list provides the recommended distribution of STP funds to local agency projects.

RECOMMENDED DISTRUBUTION OF STP FUNDS TO LOCAL AGENCIES

AGENCY	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	REQUESTED FUNDS
Camarillo	Various Streets Repaving	342,288
Fillmore	Pavement Rehab On-System Roads – Various Locations	200,000
Moorpark	Rehab or Improvements of City Roads	200,000
Ojai	Road Rehabilitation Project	200,000
Oxnard	Vineyard/Patterson Resurfacing – Ventura Rd. to Gonzalez Rd.	1,044,243
Port Hueneme	Street Rehab Various Locations	200,000
Santa Paula	Peck Rd. and Faulkner Rd. Pavement Rehabilitation	200,000
Simi Valley	Major Streets Pavement Rehabilitation	647,662
Thousand Oaks	2016 Pavement Overlay and Resurfacing Program	661,681
Ventura	Street Resurfacing – Various Locations	129,440
Ventura	California St. Bridge Pedestrian Improvements	429,286
Ventura County	Pavement Rehab On System Roads	1,745,400
	TOTAL:	\$6,000,000



Item #8F

July 10, 2015

MEMO TO: SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAY EMERGENCIES (SAFE)

FROM: STEVE DEGEORGE, PLANNING AND TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: SAFE CONTRACT FOR CALL BOX MONITORING

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve a contract with Tele Tran Tek Services not to exceed \$180,000 for a three (3) year period, with the option for two (2) one (1) year extensions, for call box monitoring to be funded through the Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies.

Background:

The Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies (SAFE) manages the County's 560 highway call boxes and utilizes two contractors in that effort. The maintenance contractor is responsible for the physical call boxes located on the County's highways and the monitoring contractor responsible for monitoring call box usage to protect against fraudulent use or phone charges due to malfunctioning equipment. The monitoring contractor also provides cost recovery services when a call box is knocked down or damaged by a motorist. VCTC's current contract for call box monitoring expires June 30, 2015. The Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies activity is funded through the imposition of a one dollar fee on vehicles registered in Ventura County.

Although there has been a significant reduction in call box use since 2000 due to the proliferation of personal cellular phones, the call box system usage has averaged approximately 3000 calls per year since 2010. In recognition of the reduced use of the call box system, VCTC undertook a siting study, performed by the monitoring contractor, earlier this year to identify call boxes which may be removed from the system without harm to motorists in need. The results of this study will be brought to the Commission early in the upcoming fiscal year. It is anticipated that the reduction in the number of call boxes will lower the cost of the overall program and provide opportunities for other motorist services to be provided in accordance with the enabling legislation.

Discussion:

In March the Commission authorized the release of two (2) Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for the maintenance and monitoring of Ventura County's Call Box System. The first set of proposals due for consideration was for the maintenance of the call box system and in June the Commission approved a contract with CASE System Inc. for that work.

Identical to the process for call box maintenance, staff direct mailed RFPs to firms engaged in call box monitoring and advertised in trade journals and on VCTC's website and like the call box maintenance RFP, staff anticipated a small number of responses for monitoring considering that the call box market is shrinking rapidly as SAFE's throughout the State contemplate significant reductions in their call box network.

Staff received two notices from firms declining the opportunity to participate and received one proposal from Tele Tran Tek Services, VCTC's current call box monitoring contractor. The proposal met the RFP requirements and was deemed conforming.

Tele Tran Tek's proposal and contract, contained in Attachment A provided under separate cover, offered monitoring services to track call box usage and protect against fraudulent use or phone charges due to malfunctioning equipment. The proposal also includes cost recovery services when a call box is knocked down or damaged by a motorist. Tele Tran Tek's cost proposal over the three year term of the contract is shown in Table 1 and is slightly below that which VCTC is currently paying for the service.

Table 1	
Year 1	\$ 47,240
Year 2	\$ 44,623
Year 3	\$ 46,379
Total	\$ 138,241

In anticipation of preparing and submitting a formal call box reduction plan to Caltrans and the California Highway Patrol, staff is recommending that the Commission authorize an additional \$41,759 bringing the total not to exceed cost to \$180.000 for the three year period of the contract.

Staff therefore recommends that the Commission approve a contract with Tele Tran Tek Services for a three year period with the option for two (2) one (1) year extensions, not to exceed \$180,000 as shown in Attachment A provided under separate cover.



Item #8G

July 10, 2015

MEMO TO: VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: PETER DE HAAN, PROGRAMMING DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE UPDATE & POSITIONS ON BILLS

RECOMMENDATION:

· Receive and file. .

BACKGROUND:

State Issues

Attachment A provides the monthly report of Delaney Hunter, the Commission's state lobbyist. This report includes information on the Fiscal Year 2015/16 state budget adopted by the Legislature, as well as the special session declared by the Governor regarding funding for infrastructure maintenance. Attachment B is the Governor's special session proclamation.

Attachment C contains the status of bills being tracked by VCTC.



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VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MONTHLY STATE ADVOCACY REPORT JUNE 2015

Legislative Update

Two legislative deadlines in the end of May and beginning of June brought the end to a large number of bills. Moving forward into the end of this year's session there will be fewer bills moving. The May 29 Appropriations Committee Suspense File hearings in both legislative houses brought a lot of bills to their end, by being held in committee. In the following week, the June 5 House of Origin deadline required that bills either be passed off of the Floor into the second house, or become two-year bills. The exception to this is if a bill has an urgency clause and requires a 2/3 vote. Senator Beall's SB 16 is an example of this situation – it has not moved out of the Senate yet, but is also not "dead" because it has an urgency clause.

The remainder of June consisted of policy committee hearings for bills in the second house and focusing on developing and passing the Budget by June 15. The legislative Summer Recess begins on July 17, and this is also the deadline for policy committees to hear bills. Session will resume from Recess on August 17.

Budget

The Budget process went fairly smoothly this year in terms of transportation. The Governor's original trailer bill proposals for express lanes and highway relinquishments were never brought back up, and neither the Assembly nor the Senate attempted to introduce a comprehensive transportation funding reform proposal. As mentioned previously, Senator Beall's proposal has not moved off of the Senate Floor yet. This bill requires a 2/3 vote, so it is still in the negotiation process; however, with an urgency clause, the bill is able to avoid certain deadlines.

A major component in the Budget compromise between the Legislature and the Governor was the announcement of two Extraordinary Sessions. One of these will focus on transportation funding and infrastructure. Timing wish, it is expected that the major work will occur during summer recess.

So far, Senator Beall has introduced the language of his SB 16 into SBX1-1. The Administration has indicated that they would like to look for a permanent funding solution, but the Senator's five-year proposal could be an opportunity to bridge the gap as a permanent solution is developed. Assembly Leadership is expected to announce its own funding proposal shortly.

The Cap and Trade proposals from the Governor, Assembly, and Senate were all tabled. The Budget Committee and Administration decided that the allocation plan would not be included as a piece in the Budget, but rather, it would be worked out in the remainder of the year. We expect that major negotiations will take place during the summer recess, and then continue into August.

Extraordinary Session 1 - Transportation

Committee membership in both Houses has been announced for the Special Sessions. Members for the Session on Infrastructure are as follows below; however no bills have been referred nor have committee hearings been scheduled.

Assembly Finance Committee:

Assemblymember Jimmy Gomez (D), Chair

Assemblymember Frank Bigelow (R), Vice Chair

Assemblymember Richard Bloom (D)

Assemblymember Reginald Jones-Sawyer (D)

Assemblymember Kevin McCarty (D)

Assemblymember Melissa Melendez (R)

Assemblymember Jay Obernolte (R)

Assemblymember Phil Ting (D)

Assemblymember Shirley Weber (D)

Assembly Transportation and Infrastructure

Development Committee:

Assemblymember Jim Frazier (D), Chair

Assemblymember Katcho Achadjian (R), Vice Chair

Assemblymember Luis Alejo (D)

Assemblymember Autumn Burke (D)

Assemblymember David Chiu (D)

Assemblymember Bill Dodd (D)

Assemblymember Susan Talamantes-Eggman (D)

Assemblymember Mike Gatto (D)

Assemblymember David Hadley (R)

Assemblymember Young Kim (R)

Assemblymember Eric Linder (R)

Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian (D)

Assemblymember Patrick O'Donnell (D)

Senate Transportation and Infrastructure Development

Committee:

Senator Jim Beall (D), Chair

Senator Anthony Cannella (R), Vice-Chair

Senator Benjamin Allen (D)

Senator Patricia Bates (R)

Senator Tom Berryhill (R)

Senator Ted Gaines (R)

Senator Robert Hertzberg (D)

Senator Connie Leyva (D)

Senator Carol Liu (D)

Senator Mike McGuire (D)

Senator Tony Mendoza (D)

Senator Fran Pavley (D)

Senator Bob Wieckowski (D)

SBX1-1 (Beall) Transportation Funding

Shortly after the announcement of the Extraordinary Session, Senator Beall introduced language from his SB 16 into the first Senate Bill. SbX1-1 would create the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program to address deferred maintenance on the state highway system and the local street and road system. It would provide for the program to be authorized every 5 years by the Legislature for the 2015-16 through 2019-20 fiscal years. The bill would require the CTC to identify the estimated funds to be available for the program and adopt performance criteria to ensure efficient use of the funds. The bill would provide for the deposit of various funds for the program in the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account, which the bill would create in the State Transportation Fund, including revenues attributable to a \$0.10 per gallon increase in the motor vehicle fuel (gasoline) tax imposed by the bill and \$0.10 of the \$0.12 per gallon increase in the diesel fuel excise tax imposed by the bill, a \$0.10 per gallon storage tax on motor vehicle fuel and \$0.10 of the \$0.12 per gallon storage tax on diesel fuel imposed by the bill, an increase of \$35 in the annual vehicle registration fee, a new \$100 annual vehicle registration fee applicable to zero-emission motor vehicles, as defined, commercial vehicle weight fees redirected over a 5-year period from debt service on general obligation transportation bonds, and repayment, over a 3-year period, of outstanding loans made in previous years from certain transportation funds to the General Fund.

SCAX1-1 (Huff) Motor vehicle fees and taxes: restriction on expenditures.

Senator Huff introduced SCAX1-1, which is a constitutional amendment that would prohibit the Legislature from borrowing revenues from fees and taxes imposed by the state on vehicles or their use or operation, and from using those revenues other than as specifically permitted by Article XIX. The measure would prohibit those revenues from being pledged or used for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or other indebtedness, and would delete the provision that provides for use of any fuel tax revenues allocated to mass transit purposes to be pledged or used for payment of principal and interest on voter-approved bonds issued for those mass transit purposes. It would instead subject those expenditures to the existing 25% limitation applicable to the use of fuel tax revenues for street and highway bond purposes.

Assembly Republican Proposal (Not contained in a bill yet)

The Assembly Republican Caucus announced a plan for transportation funding that has not yet been introduced as a bill yet. The proposal has nine components, and claims that it would raise \$6.6 billion without increasing and taxes or fees. To do this, the components include the following. Fiscal Changes:

- 40% of funds from Cap & Trade ~ \$1 billion + annually
- Vehicle Weight Fee revenue ~ \$1 billion annually
- 50% of the Strategic Growth Fund for "shovel-ready roads projects." ~ \$200 million annually
 - The budget provides the Governor with \$400 million a year for selected projects of his choosing. The Assembly Republican plan reduces this pot of money by half.
- Eliminating redundancies at Cal Trans ~ \$500 million annually
 - This proposal is in response to the LAO recommendation to eliminate 3,500 redundant positions at Cal Trans.
- Eliminating 25% of long-term vacant state positions ~ \$685 million annually
- A formal State Budget General Fund commitment ~ \$1 Billion annually
- + \$2.3 billion in approved spending for 2015-16 fiscal year

Policy Changes:

- Specified CEQA Relief for Highway Projects. Highway projects would be insulated from injunctions, expediting the process by prohibiting a court from staying or enjoining a project unless certain specific factors are present.
- Removing the sunset on public-private partnership (P3) authority for transportation projects.
- Removing the CTC from the Executive Branch and restoring its independence.

VCTC Bill Tracking

AB 21 (Perea D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: scoping plan.

Status: 6/17/2015-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 7. Noes 0.) (June 17). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board in preparing its scoping plan to consult with specified state agencies regarding matters involving energy efficiency and the facilitation of the electrification of the transportation sector. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 156 (Perea D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: disadvantaged communities.

Status: 6/25/2015-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author. **Summary**: Current law requires the California Environmental Protection Agency to identify disadvantaged communities and requires the Department of Finance, in consultation with the State Air Resources Board and any other relevant state agency, to develop, as specified, a 3-year investment plan for the moneys deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Current law requires the 3-year investment plan to allocate a minimum of 25% of the available moneys in the fund to projects that provide benefits to disadvantaged communities. This bill would require the state board to prepare and post on its Internet Web site a specified report on the projects funded to benefit disadvantaged communities. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 162 (Rodriguez D) State highways: wrong-way driving.

Status: 6/25/2015-In Assembly. Concurrence in Senate amendments pending. May be considered on or after June 27 pursuant to Assembly Rule 77.

Summary: Would require the Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Department of the California Highway Patrol, to update a 1989 report on wrong-way driving on state highways to account for technological advancements and innovation, to include a review of methods studied or implemented by other jurisdictions and entities to prevent wrong-way drivers from entering state highways, and to provide a preliminary version of the report to specified legislative committees on or before December 1, 2015, and the final report on or before July 1, 2016.

AB 194 (Frazier D) High-occupancy toll lanes.

Status: 6/18/2015-Referred to Com. on T. & H.

Summary: Current law provides that the Department of Transportation has full possession and control of the state highway system. Current law authorizes the department to construct exclusive or preferential lanes for buses only or for buses and other high-occupancy vehicles. This bill would authorize a regional transportation agency, in cooperation with the department, to apply to the California Transportation Commission to develop other toll facilities, as specified

AB 323 (Olsen R) California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: roadway improvement.

Status: 6/26/2015-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 11 a.m.

Summary: The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of, an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. This bill would extend the above exemption to January 1, 2020. This bill contains other existing laws.

AB 464 (Mullin D) Transactions and use taxes: maximum combined rate.

Status: 6/17/2015-Read second time and amended. Ordered to third reading.

Summary: Current law authorizes cities and counties, and, if specifically authorized, other local governmental entities, subject to certain limitations and approval requirements, to levy a transactions and use tax for general purposes, in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Transactions and Use Tax Law, including a requirement that the combined rate of all taxes imposed in

accordance with that law in the county not exceed 2%. This bill would increase that maximum combined rate to 3%.

AB 1030 (Ridley-Thomas D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

Status: 6/11/2015-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author. **Summary**: Current law requires moneys in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to be used to facilitate the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and, where applicable and to the extent feasible, to foster job creation by promoting in-state greenhouse gas emissions reduction projects carried out by California workers and businesses. This bill would, for projects involving hiring, require priority be given to projects that include partnerships with training entities that have a proven track record of placing disadvantaged workers in career-track jobs.

AB 1171 (Linder R) Construction Manager/General Contractor method: regional transportation agencies: projects on expressways.

Status: 6/19/2015-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Summary: Would authorize regional transportation agencies, as defined, to use the Construction Manager/General Contractor project delivery method, as specified, to design and construct certain expressways that are not on the state highway system if: (1) the expressways are developed in accordance with an expenditure plan approved by voters, (2) there is an evaluation of the traditional design-bid-build method of construction and of the Construction Manager/General Contractor method, and (3) the board of the regional transportation agency adopts the method in a public meeting.

AB 1250 (Bloom D) Vehicles: buses: gross axle weight.

Status: 5/7/2015-Referred to Com. on T. & H.

Summary: Current law, operative January 1, 2016, provides that the gross weight on any one axle of a bus shall not exceed 20,500 pounds. Current law exempts from this limitation a transit bus procured through a solicitation process pursuant to which a solicitation was issued before January 1, 2013. A violation of this provision is a crime. This bill would exempt from the weight limitation transit buses procured through a solicitation process pursuant to which a solicitation was issued before January 1, 2016.

POSITION: SUPPORT

ABX1 1 (Alejo D) Transportation funding.

Status: 6/24/2015-From printer.

Summary: Current law provides for loans of revenues from various transportation funds and accounts to the General Fund, with various repayment dates specified. This bill, with respect to any loans made to the General Fund from specified transportation funds and accounts with a repayment date of January 1, 2019, or later, would require the loans to be repaid by December 31, 2018. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

ABX1 2 (Perea D) Transportation projects: comprehensive development lease agreements.

Status: 6/25/2015-Read first time. To print.

Summary: Current law authorizes the Department of Transportation and regional transportation agencies, as defined, to enter into comprehensive development lease agreements with public and private entities, or consortia of those entities, for certain transportation projects that may charge certain users of those projects tolls and user fees, subject to various terms and requirements. Current law provides that a lease agreement may not be entered into under these provisions on or after January 1, 2017. This bill would extend this authorization indefinitely and would include within the definition of "regional transportation agency" the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, thereby authorizing the authority to enter into public-private partnerships under these provisions.

ACA 4 (Frazier D) Local government transportation projects: special taxes: voter approval.

Status: 6/24/2015-In ASM REV & TAX: Hearing postponed by committee.

Summary: Would provide that the imposition, extension, or increase of a special tax by a local government for the purpose of providing funding for local transportation projects, as defined, requires the

approval of 55% of its voters voting on the proposition. The measure would also make conforming and technical, nonsubstantive changes. This measure would also provide that it shall become effective immediately upon approval by the voters and shall apply to any local measure imposing, extending, or increasing a special tax for local transportation projects submitted at the same election.

POSITION: SUPPORT

SB 9 (Beall D) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program.

Status: 6/23/2015-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Com. on TRANS.

Summary: Current law establishes the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program, which receives 10% of the annual proceeds of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund as a continuous appropriation, to fund capital improvements and operational investments to modernize California's rail systems to achieve certain policy objectives. This bill would modify the purpose of the program to delete references to operational investments and instead provide for the funding of transformative capital improvements that will modernize California's intercity, commuter, and urban rail systems and bus and ferry transit systems to achieve certain policy objectives, including reducing emissions of greenhouse gases, expanding and improving transit services to increase ridership, and improving transit safety.

SB 16 (Beall D) Transportation funding.

Status: 6/1/2015-Read second time and amended. Ordered to third reading.

Summary: Would create the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program to address deferred maintenance on the state highway system and the local street and road system. The bill would provide for the program to be authorized every 5 years by the Legislature, and would provide that authorization for the 2015-16 through 2019-20 fiscal years. The bill would require the California Transportation Commission to identify the estimated funds to be available for the program and adopt performance criteria to ensure efficient use of the funds.

POSITION: SUPPORT

SB 32 (Pavley D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: emissions limit.

Status: 6/15/2015-Referred to Com. on NAT. RES.

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board to approve statewide greenhouse gas emissions limits that are the equivalent to 40% below the 1990 level to be achieved by 2030 and 80% below the 1990 level to be achieved by 2050, as specified. The bill would authorize the state board to adopt an interim greenhouse gas emissions level target to be achieved by 2040. The bill also would state the intent of the Legislature for the Legislature and appropriate agencies to adopt complementary policies that ensure the long-term emissions reductions advance specified criteria. The bill would make conforming changes.

SB 39 (Payley D) Vehicles: high-occupancy vehicle lanes.

Status: 5/22/2015-Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Summary: Current federal law, until September 30, 2017, authorizes a state to allow specified labeled vehicles to use lanes designated for high-occupancy vehicles (HOVs). Current law authorizes the DMV to issue no more than 70,000 of those identifiers. This bill would increase the number of those identifiers that the DMV is authorized to issue to an unspecified amount. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

SB 64 (Liu D) California Transportation Plan.

Status: 6/24/2015-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Summary: The California Transportation Commission is required to adopt and submit to the Legislature, by December 15 of each year, an annual report summarizing the commission's prior-year decisions in allocating transportation capital outlay appropriations, and identifying timely and relevant transportation issues facing the state. This bill would require that the annual report also include specific, action-oriented, and pragmatic recommendations for legislation to improve the transportation system.

SB 254 (Allen D) State highways: relinquishment.

Status: 6/15/2015-Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Summary: Current law provides for the California Transportation Commission to relinquish to local agencies state highway segments that have been deleted from the state highway system by legislative enactment or have been superseded by relocation, and in certain other cases. This bill would revise and recast these provisions to delete the requirement that the portion to be relinquished be deleted from the state highway system by legislative enactment or superseded by relocation.

SB 257 (Bates R) Vehicles: Gold Star Family license plates.

Status: 6/15/2015-Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Summary: Would, commencing July 1, 2016, authorize the DMV to issue personalized Gold Star Family license plates if the requester pays a \$48 personalization fee and specified environmental fees. The bill would direct the revenue generated from the personalization fee and the environmental fees to be deposited into the Motor Vehicle Account within the State Transportation Fund until the DMV's upfront cost of implementing this program is covered. The bill would then direct the revenue generated from the personalization fee and the environmental fees to be deposited into the Veterans Service Office Fund.

SB 321 (Beall D) Motor vehicle fuel taxes: rates: adjustments.

Status: 6/15/2015-Referred to Com. on REV & TAX

Summary: Would, for the 2015-16 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, require the State Board of Equalization, on or before July 1, 2015, or March 1 of the fiscal year immediately preceding the applicable fiscal year, as specified, to adjust the excise tax rate on motor vehicle fuel in a manner as to generate an amount of revenue equal to the amount of revenue loss attributable to the exemption, based on estimates made by the board that reflect the combined average of the actual fuel price over the previous 4 fiscal years and the estimated fuel price for the current fiscal year, and continuing to take into account adjustments required by existing law to maintain revenue neutrality for each year . This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

POSITION: SUPPORT

SB 348 (Galgiani D) California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: railroad crossings.

Status: 6/23/2015-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 6. Noes 0.) (June 22). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Summary: CEQA exempts from its requirements railroad grade separation projects that eliminate existing grade crossings or that reconstruct existing grade separations. CEQA authorizes a lead agency, if it determines that a project is exempt from the requirements of CEQA, to file a notice of exemption with specific public entities. This bill would require a lead agency, if it determines that the above exemption applies to a project that the agency approves or determines to carry out, to file a notice of exemption with the Office of Planning and Research and, in the case of a local agency, with the county clerk in each affected county. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 491 (Committee on Transportation and Housing) Transportation: omnibus bill.

Status: 6/15/2015-June 22 hearing postponed by committee.

Summary: Current law, in the area under the jurisdiction of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, requires at least 40% of fee revenues to be proportionately allocated to each county within the district, and requires an entity receiving these revenues, at least once a year, to hold one or more public meetings for the purpose of adopting criteria for expenditure of the funds and to review those expenditures. This bill would instead, at least once a year, require one or more public meetings to adopt criteria for expenditure of funds, if the criteria have been modified from the previous year, and one or more public meetings to review those expenditures.

SB 508 (Beall D) Transportation funds: transit operators: pedestrian safety.

Status: 5/28/2015-Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Summary: Would delete the requirement for transit operators to maintain higher farebox requirements based on the 1978-79 fiscal year. The bill would exempt additional categories of expenditures from the definition of "operating cost" used to determine compliance with required farebox ratios, including, among

others, certain fuel, insurance, and claims settlement cost increases beyond the change in the Consumer Price Index. The bill would also exempt startup costs for new transit services for up to 2 years.

POSITION: SUPPORT

SB 719 (Hernandez D) Department of Transportation: motor vehicle technologies testing.

Status: 6/23/2015-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR with recommendation: To consent calendar. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (June 22). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Summary: Current law establishes rules of the road for the operation of a vehicle on state highways and roads. These rules require motor vehicles being driven outside of a business or residence district in a caravan or motorcade, whether or not towing other vehicles, to be operated so as to allow sufficient space and in no event less than 100 feet between each vehicle or combination of vehicles so as to enable any other vehicle to overtake or pass. This bill would authorize the Department of Transportation, in coordination with the Department of the California Highway Patrol, to conduct testing of technologies that enable drivers to safely operate motor vehicles with less than 100 feet between each vehicle or combination of vehicles and would exempt motor vehicles participating in this testing from the above-described rule.

SBX1 1 (Beall D) Transportation funding.

Status: 6/23/2015-From printer.

Summary: Would create the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program to address deferred maintenance on the state highway system and the local street and road system. The bill would provide for the program to be authorized every 5 years by the Legislature, and would provide that authorization for the 2015-16 through 2019-20 fiscal years.

SCA 5 (Hancock D) Local government finance.

Status: 6/9/2015-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Com. on Gov & Finance

Summary: Would exempt from taxation an amount up to \$500,000 of tangible personal property used exclusively for business purposes. This measure would prohibit the Legislature from lowering this exemption amount or from changing its application, but would authorize it to be increased consistent with the authority described above. This measure would provide that this provision shall become operative on January 1, 2019. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SCA 7 (Huff R) Motor vehicle fees and taxes: restriction on expenditures.

Status: 5/28/2015-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Com. on T. & H.

Summary: Would prohibit the Legislature from borrowing revenues from fees and taxes imposed by the state on vehicles or their use or operation, and from using those revenues other than as specifically permitted by Article XIX. The measure would also provide that none of those revenues may be pledged or used for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or other indebtedness.

SCAX1 1 (Huff R) Motor vehicle fees and taxes: restriction on expenditures.

Status: 6/22/2015-From Printer.

Summary: Would prohibit the Legislature from borrowing revenues from fees and taxes imposed by the state on vehicles or their use or operation, and from using those revenues other than as specifically permitted by Article XIX. The measure would also prohibit those revenues from being pledged or used for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or other indebtedness. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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Executive Department State of California

A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS maintaining infrastructure is a critical function of state government and vital to California's continued economic growth; and

WHEREAS California faces considerable challenges in its ability to fund crucial maintenance and repair of its core transportation infrastructure—state highways, local streets, roads, and bridges—and current resources do not adequately support the maintenance of this vast system; and

WHEREAS the current fuel excise tax revenues are only sufficient to fund \$2.3 billion in annual highway repairs, leaving \$5.7 billion in unfunded repairs each year based on the latest estimate of the state's deferred maintenance; and

WHEREAS these extraordinary circumstances require the Legislature of the State of California to be convened in a special session.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDMUND G. BROWN JR., Governor of the State of California, in accordance with Section 3(b) of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of California, hereby convene the Legislature of the State of California to assemble in extraordinary session in Sacramento, California, on the 19th day of June, 2015, at a time to be determined, for the following purposes:

To consider and act upon legislation necessary to enact pay-as-you-go, permanent and sustainable funding to:

- Adequately and responsibly maintain and repair the state's transportation and other critical infrastructure; and
- b. Improve the state's key trade corridors; and
- Complement local efforts for repair and improvements of local transportation infrastructure.

To consider and act upon legislation necessary to:

- Establish clear performance objectives measured by the percentage of pavement, bridges, and culverts in good condition; and
- Incorporate project development efficiencies to expedite project delivery or reduce project costs.



ATTACHMENT C

VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION STATE LEGISLATIVE MATRIX BILL SUMMARY June 30, 2015 **SUBJECT POSITION STATUS BILL/AUTHOR** AB 194 Removes limitation on the number of toll Watch Passed Assembly 62-17. In Senate Transportation & Frazier lanes the California Transportation Housing Committee. Commission can approve. AB 1250 Extends the bus axle weight exemption. Support In Senate Transportation & Housing Committee. Bloom ACA 4 Places before the voters a Constitutional Support In Assembly Revenue & Frazier Amendment to reduce to 55% the approval Taxation Committee. threshold for local transportation funding measures. AB X1-1 Support Provides various transportation revenue Special session Aleio enhancements including a prohibition on reintroduction of AB 227, spending truck weight fees on which VCTC supported. transportation bond debt service. SB 321 Modifies the gas tax adjustment process to Support Passed Senate 40-0. In Beall reduce fluctuations. Assembly Revenue & Taxation Committee. SB 508 Provides flexibility regarding transit cost Support In Assembly Transportation and farebox ratio requirements. & Housing Committee. Beall Special session SB X1-1 Increases fuel taxes and vehicle fees to Support reintroduction of SB 16, Beall raise \$3.5 billion annually for transportation over five years. which VCTC supported.

Staff-recommended Commission positions shown in **bold**.



Item #8H

July 10, 2015

MEMO TO: VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: ALAN HOLMES, TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT

PROGRAM MANAGER

SUBJECT: COMMUTER SERVICES QUARTERLY REPORT

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file

DISCUSSION:

To improve reporting of Ventura County Rideshare activities, staff prepares and submits to the Commission quarterly reports for review. The primary focus of the Commuter Services program is to reduce traffic congestion and improve air quality by a voluntary reduction of single occupant vehicle (SOV) commute trips in Ventura County. SOV trips are reduced by offering direct assistance to employers located in Ventura County and through the provision of services to county residents, promoting carpooling, vanpooling, bus pooling, transit, walking, biking, and other Transportation Demand Management (TDM) commute alternatives.

Through the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2014/2015, VCTC staff and its marketing consultant continued to promote the agency's popular Commuter Services program through a variety of channels. During this period, VCTC coordinated its Bike to Work Week and Earth Day campaigns and distributed targeted communications via social media and email (eBlast).

Employer Support

- Commuter eBlast The Commuter Services program's monthly communication continued to be
 distributed electronically on the first business day of each month to a database of approximately 250
 ETCs located at employers throughout the county. Specific eBlast topics included "Should Old
 Commutes Be Forgot...", "GoVenturaRideshare.org Your Online Rideshare Toolbox," and "Spring
 Free From Your Old Commute!"
- On the Go newsletter Commuter Services continued hosting and distribution of the "On the Go" newsletter to Ventura County ETCs, including monthly availability announcement eblasts. Content was created for the monthly newsletter and uploaded to www.GoVenturaRideshare.org in advance of monthly distribution to approximately 250 contacts.

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- Earth Day 2015 In preparation for this year's Earth Day promotion, participation was coordinated and confirmed at events in Oxnard, Thousand Oaks, and Ventura. Staff worked with the Teen Council to build a photo booth, prize wheel, and graffiti pledge wall for these events. "Trading cards" featuring each of the winners' artwork from last year's Teen Council art contest were created for distribution at Earth Day events. Additionally, a full inventory was conducted to assess stock levels of printed collateral and promotional materials. Upon completion of this inventory, the following giveaways were used to promote the Commuter Services program at the aforementioned events: Guaranteed Ride Home-branded jar openers, biodegradable paper clips, and plastic bag-holder tote bags that encourage people to recycle, reduce, and reuse.
- Bike to Work Week 2015 To build on a highly successful 2014 campaign, planning began on VCTC's second-largest promotion of the year Bike to Work Week 2015, held May 11-15. This campaign is designed to communicate the environmental, personal, and financial benefits of using a bicycle as a viable commute option and has become an increasingly popular annual event across Ventura County. Early planning included the development of three campaign theme concepts to guide promotion and communications. An initial marketing brief outlining the proposed tactics and artwork was drafted and reviewed in late February. Proposed tactics included the scheduling of "pit stops," where printed collateral and promotional items will be distributed, breakfast refreshments will be offered, and, following coordination with local bike shops, free bike tune-ups will be provided. Additionally, potential prizes for participants were outlined and communication channels (i.e., social media, direct mail, eblast) were identified for effective dissemination of campaign messaging. Revised artwork comps were provided and reviewed in subsequent days. Planning and implementation of the campaign will continue into Quarter 4.
- Wellness/Health Events In correlation with Earth Day event scheduling, VCTC participation was coordinated for the Simi Valley Wellness Expo on May 21 and the Family Care and Volunteer Resource Fair in Ventura on May 22.

Social Media

• **Facebook and Twitter** – Approximately 37 percent of all posts and tweets on Facebook and Twitter during the second quarter encouraged ridesharing. Across the quarter, Facebook "likes" increased approximately two percent and Twitter followers increased approximately four percent.

Print Media

• **Bike to Work Week 2015** – In support of Bike to Work Week 2015, initial campaign artwork, which will be used to create posters, flyers, postcards, etc., was developed to be finalized in Quarter 4.

Fourth Quarter FY 2014/2015 Planned Activities:

- Continue distribution of monthly Rideshare-themed eBlasts to employers throughout Ventura County.
- Conduct Earth Day (April) and Bike to Work Week (May) annual promotions.
- Secure and facilitate rideshare-related events/promotions at employer sites throughout Ventura County.
- Continue using social media to promote the benefits of ridesharing, the availability of new employer materials, and upcoming events.
- Develop content for the "On the Go" newsletter, host associated files on www.GoVentura.org, and distribute corresponding eBlasts to local employers.

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Services:

Through the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2014/2015, VCTC staff continued to provide ridematching, employer support, and Guaranteed Ride Home services to commuters and employers throughout Ventura County. Over 29,900 commuters and 301 worksites are currently on file, with over 5,200 commuters active for ridematching. More than 370 matches were attempted, of which approximately 70 percent of carpool matches were done online, which contributes to an overall decrease in call volume. Fifteen Guaranteed Rides Home were provided during this quarter, which is in line with anticipated usage of the program.

Program Metrics:

Annual program metrics were developed in order to measure the progress and success of the Commuter Services program. Marketing metrics assess performance against established goals, which are based on anticipated activities as well as prior year performance. Service metrics review current performance against similarly developed goals. Each of the metrics for the third quarter of FY 2014/15 (below) is compared against the overall goal for the year as well as the actual performance from FY 2013/14 and the totals for FY2014/15 to date.

Marketing	FY 14/15 3 rd Quarter	FY 14/15 YTD Total	FY 14/15 Goal	FY 13/14 Actual
Percent of total VCTC social media content	32.87%	32.27%	33%	36.5%
Commuter Services-related eblasts	3	9	12	24
Commuter Services eblast click-throughs	16.91%	18.72%	25%	23.5%
On the Move newsletter articles	6	12	12	15
Worksite/employer events	0	14	18	16
Community events	3	5	20	18
Rideshare Week participants	0	1,059	1,000	763
Bike to Work Week participants	0	0	250	228
Marketing pieces	0	6	15	14

Commuter Services Overview

Ridesharing enjoys the single largest mode share other than SOVs according to the American Community Survey with almost 13% of Ventura County workers sharing the ride.

The Commuter Services program supports ridesharing and works to reduce traffic congestion and improve air quality by facilitating voluntary reduction of single occupant vehicle (SOV) commute trips in Ventura County. SOV trips are reduced by offering direct assistance to employers located in Ventura County and through the provision of services to county residents, promoting carpooling, vanpooling, bus pooling, transit, walking, bicycling, and other Transportation Demand Management (TDM) commute alternatives.

The Commuter Services staff maintains a database of employers with 100 or more employees. Through the participation in VCTC- provided services, registered employees can find others travelling in the same direction. Employees can access the ride matching system directly with a username/password combination or through VCTC staff via phone or email.

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Employees can access the ridematching system directly with a username/password combination or through VCTC staff via phone or email. The table below provides the number of commuters requesting personalized ridematching information

FY 14/15 2nd Quarter	FY 14/15 Goals	FY 13/14 Actual
168	1,600	1,542
211	850	817
379	2,450	2359
272	1,800	1,734
135	160	190
7	8	10
14.0	N/A	18.1
1,750	10,500	9,151
25	120	96
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Guaranteed Ride Home Program

Offers a free ride home via taxi or overnight use of a rental car to registered carpoolers, vanpoolers and transit users should they experience a personal emergency or unexpected overtime. Trips of twenty miles or less are provided by taxi; trips over twenty mile by rental car.

	FY 14/15 3rd Quarter	FY 14/15 Goals	FY 13/14 Actual	
Guaranteed Ride Home Program Usage				
Rental Car Trips	9	15	25	
Taxi Rides	6	25	27	
Total	15	40	52	

Estimated Program Benefits

Program benefits are estimated based on the number of RideGuides generated for a specific time period. The ridematching software utilizes a formula to estimate the reduction in vehicle miles travelled (VMT) using the industry standard placement rate of 7% of employees that receive a RideGuide changes their commute mode from driving alone to an alternative commute mode. The Reduction in Commuting Costs figure is based on latest annual AAA Cost of Driving estimate, currently set at \$0.59 per mile. Reductions in pollution are based on the latest available data from multiple sources, including the Environmental Pollution Agency (EPA), the California Air Resources Board (ARB), and local agencies.

	FY 14/15 2nd Quarter	FY 14/15 Goals	FY 13/14 Actual
Estimated Program Benefits			
Reduction in Vehicles Miles of Travel	382,555	2,600,000	2,531,410
Reduction in Commuting Costs	\$225,686	\$1,400,000	\$1,366,866
Reduction in carbon monoxide (tons)	3.96	32.0	26.23
Reduction in volatile organic compounds			
(tons)	0.43	3.85	2.87
Reduction in Oxides of Nitrogen (tons)	0.29	1.2	1.93

A more detailed description of services offered to Ventura County's commuters is below.

Customized reports

The RidePro ridematching software has a robust report writer feature that allows the user to create origin/destination reports by mode. This has proven to be a useful feature for employers considering beginning or expanding a carpool and /or vanpool program.

• Employer Rideshare Program Enhancement

Customized rideshare programs are developed for employers upon request. The program is based on several factors including available budget, site location, amenities, employee classification, and local resources.

Commuter Benefits education/updates

Provide information and updates for employers regarding Transportation Fringe Benefits (IRS code section 132(f)) which allows employees to withhold pre-tax up to \$130/month for transit/vanpool fares and up to \$20/month for bicycle commuting costs.

CalVans:

The California Vanpool Authority (CalVans) is a Joint Powers Authority which operates commuter vanpools within jurisdictions of its member agencies. A full suite of third-party vanpool services are available including vehicle acquisition, insurance, maintenance, driver recruitment and training. Twenty vanpools are based in Ventura County and over four hundred are operating statewide reducing traffic congestion, air pollution and saving participants thousands of dollars per year compared to driving alone. CalVans operations in the county are supported solely by passenger fares.

At the end of the third quarter, CalVans has a total of five commuter vans and fifteen agricultural vans. The agricultural vans travel throughout Ventura and Santa Barbara counties servicing both local strawberry fields and organic blueberries in Goleta.

A new commuter van has been formed traveling between Ventura and Santa Barbara City College. Five vanpool presentations were made including County of Ventura maintenance crews, Solimar Farms in Camarillo and the City of Santa Barbara. Staff forecasts that at least five new agricultural vans

CalVans Passengers				
	Weekdays	Saturday	Sunday	
Jan	3,981	263	38	
Feb	3,784	134	14	
March	5,125	216	71	
Total	12,890	613	123	
Miles				
	Weekdays	Saturday	Sunday	
Jan	13,672	2,376	386	
Feb	9,664	1,264	9	
March	13,042	1,832	283	
TOTAL	36,378	5,472	678	
Passenger Lane Miles				
	Weekdays	Saturday	Sunday	
Jan	157,039	28,877	4,233	
Feb	118,464	15354	112	
March	148,202	21,765	2,851	
TOTAL	423,705	65,996	7,196	

will be formed in the fourth quarter and one new commuter vanpool will be on the road between Ventura and Santa Barbara.



Item #8I

July 10, 2015

MEMO TO: VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: PETER DE HAAN, PROGRAMMING DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: AGREEMENT WITH CALTRANS FOR MANAGEMENT OF ROUTE 118 FREEWAY\

IMPROVEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT

RECOMMENDATION:

 Authorize Executive Director to execute a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans to manage the Route 118 Freeway Improvement Environmental Document with \$3 million in Surface Transportation Program funding provided by VCTC.

BACKGROUND:

At the May meeting, the Commission approved policies for programming Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds anticipated to be available through Fiscal Year 2015/16. These priorities included \$14 million to prepare the environmental document for Route 101 improvements from the Los Angeles County line to Route 33, \$3 million to prepare the environmental document for Route 118 improvements from Tapo Canyon Road to Los Angeles Avenue, and \$6 million for local streets and roads projects to be recommended by TTAC. The Commission also directed that Caltrans will be the lead agency on the Route 118 study and VCTC will be the lead agency on the Route 101 study.

A Cooperative Agreement between VCTC and Caltrans is necessary to define the relative responsibilities of Caltrans and VCTC for the Route 118 project and to memorialize VCTC's commitment of \$3 million in STP funds for the work to be managed by Caltrans. The agreement is still being finalized in legal review, but a draft of the agreement is provided as a separate attachment to this item. Since Caltrans administers STP funds in California on behalf of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), this agreement provides that Caltrans will draw down the \$3 million in study funds directly from the FHWA; therefore these funds are not included in VCTC's budget.

Staff anticipates returning to the Commission at a later date with an agreement for the more complex Route 101 study to be managed by VCTC.

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Item #9A

July 10, 2015

MEMO TO: VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: AMY AHDI, TRANSIT PLANNER

SUBJECT: DRAFT SHORT RANGE TRANSIT PLAN AND VCTC INTERCITY FIVE-YEAR

SERVICE PLAN

RECOMMENDATION:

 Receive the proposed Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) and the VCTC Intercity Five-Year Service Plan prior to adoption at the September Commission meeting

BACKGROUND

In March 2014, the Commission awarded the VCTC Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) consultant services contract to Nelson/Nygaard. The initial contact was procured to address the development of countywide performance metrics, update of the countywide transit investment study, refinement of the gap analysis, and a plan of VCTC Intercity service modifications for the Commission to consider over the next five years. In October 2014, the scope was expanded to include a fare analysis to allow for a more comprehensive understanding of regional and intercity fare structure.

The final document is comprised of two components: the Ventura County SRTP and the VCTC Intercity Five-Year Plan. The Ventura County SRTP provides strategies for improved regional coordination and connectivity, in an effort to establish a cohesive and consistent set of transit services. It incorporates input from VCTC staff, Ventura County Transit Operations Advisory Committee (TRANSCOM) members, as well as community stakeholders and customers. In addition it examines services provided by all transit operators in Ventura County and includes regional analyses to identify service gaps and prioritize investments. The VCTC Intercity Five-Year Plan was written in conjunction with the SRTP and primarily focuses on a plan of VCTC Intercity service modifications for the Commission to consider over the next five years and a fare analysis. This plan does not address specialized senior and disabled paratransit services, which are the focus of the Ventura County Coordinated Public Transit- Human Services Transportation Plan. This plan is updated every 3 years, and will be updated in FY2015-2016.

To ensure countywide participation, draft report chapters and updates of the document were shared throughout the project with TRANSCOM members. In May 2015, TRANSCOM was presented with the final draft document, and, with the exception of a few minor technical errors, commended VCTC staff on the project. In addition, an overview of the project was presented at the May 2015 CTAC/SSTAC meeting, where the project was well-received.

See attachment(s):

Ventura County Short Range Transit Plan VCTC Intercity Service Plan

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Item #9B

July 10, 2015

MEMO TO: VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: STEVE DEGEORGE, PLANNING AND TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (CTP) UPDATE

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and File

Discussion:

In September 2013 after an extensive public outreach effort involving more than fifty public presentations, multiple public committees, and oversight by a Commission sub-committee, the Commission approved the Ventura County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP). The CTP is a long range planning document containing policies and strategies that guide the Commission's efforts in enhancing mobility for Ventura County residents.

Although the CTP is a long range planning document, there have already been many actions taken that reflect the policies outlined and approved in the Plan. At the July meeting, staff will provide a brief progress report to the Commission highlighting work completed or underway that stems directly from that planning effort.

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Item #9C

July 10, 2015

MEMO TO: VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: DARREN KETTLE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: VOTER RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS PRESENTATION

RECOMMENDATION:

· Receive and File

BACKGROUND:

In 2008 VCTC retained Moore Methods, a Sacramento based voter research firm, to conduct polling and focus groups to gauge Ventura County voter support for a ½ cent countywide sales tax measure to fund transportation investments such as maintaining local streets and roads, improving freeways, and expanding public bus and rail transit. At that time, while a clear majority of voters were inclined to support such a measure, the support was short of the required 2/3rd super-majority that is required by California Constitution. One clear direction that came from the research is that voters did want to see better long range transportation planning which was what led to the VCTC substantial public engagement and planning exercise, the GoVentura 2035 Plan that was ultimately approved by the Commission in 2013. Not long after the 2008 voter research effort was completed, the County, State, and Country experienced the greatest financial upheaval since the Great Depression in what has become known as the Great Recession. In anticipation of 2012 Presidential election, Moore Methods conducted another voter research effort in 2011 and not surprisingly voter support dropped significantly. In 2013, as the economy started to improve and in anticipation of the 2014 Gubernatorial election, another research effort was conducted and voter support still was not in the range to pursue a measure that required a 2/3rd supermajority approval.

Earlier this year, VCTC retained Fairbanks, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates (FM3) to conduct voter research as the Commission looks ahead to the 2016 Presidential Election and the possibility of placing countywide transportation sales tax measure on the ballot. FM3 conducted a telephone survey of just over 800 high-propensity Ventura County voters April 16-23, 2015. Dr. Richard Bernard of FM3 who developed the survey instrument in consultation with the VCTC Executive Director and managed the research effort will be make a Powerpoint presentation to the Commission explaining the results and his findings and analysis.

Also presenting at the workshop will be Mr. Monte Ward who has been consulting with VCTC since the 2008 voter research effort. Mr. Ward was the chief strategist in Orange County's successful 2006 countywide transportation sales tax measure extension effort. Since his retirement from the Orange County Transportation Authority Mr. Ward has been assisting VCTC and other "aspiring" counties as they consider new transportation sales measures that require the 2/3rd voter approval. The role Mr. Ward is able to play is that of "disinterested" objective third party and he will take the data provided by FM3 and present his analysis of the positives and the pitfalls.