

# **MINUTES**

## **CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**August 22-23, 2001  
Sacramento, California**

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The meeting of the California Transportation Commission was called to order at 3:00 p.m. on August 22, 2001 at the Department of Water Resources Auditorium, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California.

The Commissioners' attendance was as follows:

Members Present: Allen Lawrence, Chairman  
Dianne McKenna, Vice Chair  
Jeremiah Hallisey  
James Kellogg  
Jim Lawson  
Kirk Lindsey  
Esteban Torres

Members Absent: Senator Kevin Murray, Ex-Officio  
Assemblyman John Dutra, Ex-Officio

The meeting recessed at 5:30 p.m. and reconvened on August 23, 2001 at 8:40 a.m.

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Jim Lawson  
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### **1. GENERAL MATTERS**

#### **1.(1) Approval of Minutes for July 11-12, 2001 Meeting**

The July 11-12, 2001 minutes were presented for approval. Commissioner Kellogg moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion which carried 6-0 (Vice Chair McKenna was absent).

#### **1.(2) Commissioners' Meetings for Compensation**

The List of Commissioners' Meetings for Compensation was presented for approval. Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve the List. Commissioner Kellogg seconded the motion which carried 6-0 (Vice Chair McKenna was absent).

**1.(3) Information Calendar**

Deputy Director Stephen Maller presented the following agenda items as information reports which were deemed by staff not to raise any issues:

**2.1b. STIP Amendments for Notice**

- 2.1b.(1) Amends the STIP to program \$1,200,000 from Los Angeles County's \$60,539,000 unprogrammed share balance for a soundwall project on Route 210. The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority is requesting this amendment.

**2.5f. Information Reports on Allocations made by Caltrans Under CTC Delegated Authority**

- 2.5f.(1) Three emergency condition allocations totaling \$4,560,000.
- 2.5f.(3) Fourteen SHOPP Rehabilitation/Safety allocations totaling \$70,870,000.
- 2.5f.(4) Thirty-eight local pavement rehabilitation allocations totaling \$13,692,000.
- 2.5f.(5) Sixteen local project development component allocations totaling \$4,947,000.
- 2.5f.(6) Four local rideshare allocation totaling \$930,000.
- 2.5f.(7) Thirty-one local RSTP/CMAQ match allocations totaling \$2,388,000.
- 2.5f.(8) Sixteen local planning, programming and monitoring allocations totaling \$1,181,000.

**3.2 Monthly Report on Caltrans projects voted but not awarded within six month of Commission allocation****3.3 Monthly Report on Projects Amended into the SHOPP by Department Action****1.(4) Consent Calendar**

Deputy Director Robert Chung presented the Consent Calendar and reported on the following changes to the Consent Calendar:

- Item 2.4b. Resolution of Necessity #C-189338 was withdrawn by Caltrans prior to the meeting; also, the book item language on Resolution #C-18310 was revised.
- Item 2.5b.(3) agenda language was corrected to \$35,986,000.
- Item 2.5c.(1) agenda language was corrected to \$6,839,000 from other sources.
- Item 2.5g. book item and agenda language was corrected to an allocation of \$9,583,000.

Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve the revised Consent Calendar. Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion which carried 7-0. The revised Consent Calendar was as follows:

- 2.1a.(1) Amend STIP to program an additional \$139,000 from Stanislaus County's Unprogrammed Share Balance for a total of \$414,000 for planning, programming and monitoring (PPM).
- 2.1a.(2) Amend STIP to program \$2,455,000 from Monterey County's Unprogrammed Share Balance in FY 2001-02 for a rehabilitation project on Blanco Road in Monterey County.

- 2.1a.(3) Amend STIP to program \$10,194,000 from Riverside County's Unprogrammed Share Balance for four new local road projects.
- 2.1a.(4) Amend STIP to program \$7,235,000 from San Bernardino County's Unprogrammed Share Balance for three new road projects.
- 2.1a.(5) Amend STIP to program \$206,000 from San Joaquin County's Unprogrammed Share Balance in FY 2001-02 for a rehabilitation project on West Yosemite Avenue in the City of Manteca.
- 2.1e. Approve Prop. 116 Amendment for \$710,000 to the Town of Tiburon for change in scope only to the Ferry Dock-Access and Safety Improvement project.
- 2.2c.(1) Approve Negative Declaration for consideration of future funding for a project to construct an HOV connector on Routes 5 & 14 near the City of Santa Clarita (Los Angeles County).
- 2.2c.(4) Approve Environmental Impact Report for consideration of future funding for San Francisco Muni Third Street Light Rail Project (San Francisco County) Extending Third Street Line to Chinatown (Tunnel). (TCRP #20).
- 2.2c.(5) Approve Negative Declaration for Nogales Street Grade-Separation Project on the Union Pacific Railroad Alhambra Subdivision for consideration of future funding (Los Angeles County) (TCRP #54).
- 2.3c. Approve 3 Relinquishment Resolutions to turn over sections of state highway to the cities of Atascadero, Fresno, and Redondo Beach.
- 2.4b. Approve 38 Resolutions of Necessity toward condemning properties needed for state highway purposes.
- 2.4d. Approve 2 Director's Deeds to sell excess properties for \$3,033,000 (103% of est. market value).
- 2.5a. Allocate \$7,745,000 from State Highway Account funds for 18 minor projects.
- 2.5b.(1) Allocate \$129,337,000 from the State Highway Account for three STIP state highway projects.
- 2.5b.(2) Allocate \$12,331,000 from State Highway Account funds for 3 SHOPP projects.
- 2.5b.(3) Allocate \$35,986,000 from State Highway Account funds for 8 SHOPP projects.
- 2.5c.(1) Allocate \$12,900,000 from State Highway Account funds for 5 Local Assistance STIP projects.
- 2.5c.(2) Allocate \$5,740,000 from State Highway Account funds for 1 Local Assistance STIP project.
- 2.5c.(3) Allocate \$3,604,000 from State Highway Account Funds for 8 Local Assistance Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) projects.
- 2.5c.(4) Allocate \$2,350,000 from State Highway Account Funds for 1 Local Assistance Conservation Land (CL) Program project in Madera County.
- 2.5c.(5) Allocate \$4,900,000 from State Highway Account funds for 1 Local Assistance Conservation Land (CL) Program project in Baldwin Hills, Los Angeles County.
- 2.5c.(8) Allocate \$1,784,000 from State Highway Account funds for 2 Local Assistance STIP projects on the State Highway System in Butte County for project development.
- 2.5g. Allocate \$9,583,000 in Prop. 192 Bond (Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Funds) for Benicia-Martinez Bridge project.

- 2.5h. Revise allocation of Local Assistance Annual Lump Sum Allocation from \$1,206,366,000 to \$1,019,585,000 due to enacted 2001-02 State Budget.
- 2.6a.(2) Allocate \$5,550,000 in State Highway Account funds for 2 State STIP Intercity Rail Projects.
- 2.6c. Deallocate \$212,303 in Prop. 116 Bond program funds due to cost savings from a completed study of a high speed passenger rail link between Bakersfield and Los Angeles for a revised total of \$4,480,697.
- 2.7 Allocate \$263,000 for FY 2001-02 California Aid to Airports Program (CAAP) funds for two projects in Riverside and Humboldt Counties from the 2000 Aeronautics Program.
- 2.9a. Amend Resolution FP-99-81, EEM project, originally approved on May 11, 2000, to revise acreage for the Del Mar Mesa Vernal Pool Acquisition Project to correct a typographical error in the original book item.
- 2.9b. Amend Resolution MFP-00-21, originally approved on June 6, 2001, to Project # 12 in Norwalk to purchase two 35-passenger/heavy-duty buses and correct typographical error and add two (2) additional vehicle purchases for heavy-duty electric buses for a total of four (4) vehicle purchases.
- 2.9c. Amend Resolution FP-97-68, originally approved February 18, 1998, for \$283,125,000 for three Proposition 192 Bond (Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Funds) projects. Revise funding for Project # 1 - Richmond-San Rafael Bridge from \$188,878,000 to \$180,678,000 for a total reduction of \$8,200,000.

**1.(5) Commission Reports**

- Public Transit Committee Report

Commissioner Kellogg presented the Public Transit Committee Report which covered the following items:

1. North Coast Railroad Authority Status Report on the Progress on Assessment of the Line
2. One TCRP Application totaling \$40,000,000 for Project #10 - Regional Express Bus; acquire low-emission buses for new express service on HOV lanes region-wide. Applicant Agency: Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Implementing Agency: MTC Advance Requested: \$30,000,000 Resolution TA-01-14
3. Allocation of \$49,552,000 in Public Transportation Account (PTA) funds to the Department for intercity rail operations and feeder bus service on the San Joaquin and Pacific Surfliner (formerly San Diegan) Routes. Resolution MFP-01-05

Chairman Lawrence discussed his meeting with various transportation officials to discuss a Museum for Transportation.

Commissioner Lindsey reported on his meeting with the Rural Counties Task Force.

Executive Director Robert Remen presented an invitation from CITE to attend a tour of European of selected rail and transit transportation facilities. Commissioner Kellogg moved to accept the invitation and recommended that Chairman Lawrence and Commissioner Hallisey attend. Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion which carried 7-0.

**1.(6) Business, Transportation and Housing Agency Report**

John Ferrera, Business, Transportation and Housing Agency, reported on issues being worked on at Agency while the Legislature is on break.

1.(7) Caltrans Report

Caltrans Director Jeff Morales reported on the transfer of sales tax on gasoline to the transportation account, discussed the TCRP program delivery, and spoke in strong support of the MTC express bus program.

1.(8) Regional Agencies Report

Regional Agencies Moderator Dean Delgado reported on the items discussed at the RTPA Meeting.

1.(9) Commission Executive Director

1.(9)a. Appointment of Acting Executive Director

1.(9)b. Appointment of Executive Director

Chairman Lawrence discussed the status of recruitment for a new Executive Director noting that the Commission may call a special meeting in September to interview and appoint a new Executive Director.

**2. PROJECT BUSINESS MATTERS**

2.1 Program Amendments/Project Approvals

2.1a. STIP Amendment for Action

2.1a.(1) STIP Amendment 00S-46 - Action Programs an additional \$139,000 from Stanislaus County's Unprogrammed Share Balance for a total of \$414,000 for planning, programming and monitoring (PPM). The Stanislaus Council of Governments is requesting this amendment.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.1a.(2) STIP Amendment 00S-47 - Action Programs \$2,455,000 from Monterey County's Unprogrammed Share Balance in FY 2001-02 for a rehabilitation project on Blanco Road in Monterey County. The Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) is requesting this amendment.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.1a.(3) STIP Amendment 00S-48 - Action Programs \$10,194,000 from Riverside County's Unprogrammed Share Balance for four new local road projects: \$671,000 for a street improvement project in the City of Corona; \$6,947,000 for a bridge project in the City of Indian Wells; \$1,012,000 for a roadway widening project in the City of Rancho Mirage; and \$1,564,000 for a roadway widening/reconstruction project in Riverside County. The Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) is requesting this amendment.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.1a.(4)** STIP Amendment 00S-049 - Action  
 Programs \$7,235,000 from San Bernardino County's Unprogrammed Share Balance for three new projects: \$200,000 for the design phase of a soundwall project on Route 215; \$5,800,000 for a soundwall project on Route 10; and \$1,235,000 for the environmental and design phases of a project to reconstruct Cherry Avenue interchange on Route 10. The Department and the San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) are requesting this amendment.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.1a.(5)** STIP Amendment 00S-50 - Action  
 Programs \$206,000 from San Joaquin County's Unprogrammed Share Balance in FY 2001-02 for a rehabilitation project on West Yosemite Avenue in the City of Manteca. The San Joaquin Council of Governments is requesting this amendment.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

**2.1b.** STIP Amendments for Notice

- STIP Amendment 00S-051 - Notice  
 Programs \$1,200,000 from Los Angeles County's Unprogrammed Share Balance in FY 2002-03 for a soundwall project on Route 210 (previously defined in statutes as Route 30) in Los Angeles County. The Department and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) request approval of this amendment.

This item was presented on the Information Calendar and noticed as required.

**2.1c.** Traffic Congestion Relief (TCR) Program Application Approvals/Amendments

**2.1c.(1)** Traffic Congestion Relief (TCR) Application Approvals  
 6 Applications totaling \$89,998,000  
 Resolution TA-01-13

- Project #74.1 - \$6,000,000, Phases 1, 2, 4 for Pacific Surfliner; double track intercity rail line within San Diego County, add maintenance yard in San Diego County – Oceanside Double Track Project.  
 Applicant Agency: Department of Transportation (Caltrans)  
 Implementing Agency: Caltrans
- Project #74.2 - \$2,498,000, Phase 1 for Pacific Surfliner; double track intercity rail line within San Diego County, add maintenance yard in San Diego County – EIR/EIS for LOSSAN Corridor.  
 Applicant Agency: Department of Transportation (Caltrans)  
 Implementing Agency: Caltrans
- Project #79 - \$80,000,000, Phase 4 for North County Light Rail; build new 20-mile light rail line from Oceanside to Escondido in San Diego County.  
 Applicant Agency: North San Diego County Transit District (NCTD)  
 Implementing Agency: NCTD

- Project #102.1 - \$400,000, Phase 4 for Route 101 access; State Street smart corridor Advanced Traffic Corridor System (ATSC) technology in Santa Barbara County.  
Applicant Agency: City of Santa Barbara  
Implementing Agency: City of Santa Barbara  
Advance Requested: \$400,000
  
- Project #102.2 - \$900,000, Phase 4 for Route 101 access; State Street smart corridor Advanced Traffic Corridor System (ATSC) technology in Santa Barbara County.  
Applicant Agency: City of Santa Barbara  
Implementing Agency: Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District
  
- Project #150 - \$200,000, Phase 1 for Renovation or rehabilitation of Santa Cruz Metro Center.  
Applicant Agency: Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (SCMTD)  
Implementing Agency: SCMTD

Debbie Mah, Caltrans, presented the TCRP Applications and recommended approval.

Vice Chair McKenna moved to approve the applications as recommended. Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion which carried 7-0.

**2.1c.(2)** Traffic Congestion Relief (TCR) Application Amendment Approvals

No Items This Month

**2.1c.(3)** Traffic Congestion Relief (TCR) Application Approvals

One Application totaling \$40,000,000 for Project #10 - Regional Express Bus; acquire low-emission buses for new express service on HOV lanes region-wide.  
Applicant Agency: Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)  
Implementing Agency: MTC  
Advance Requested: \$40,000,000

Deputy Director Robert Chung presented the TCRP application noting that the Public Transit Committee had forwarded the item to the full Commission for action. Deputy Director Chung reviewed the project and summarized the issues.

Therese McMillan, MTC, discussed the need and justification for the buses.

Michael Melaniphy, MCI, discussed the NOX 2.5 engines for the buses.

Commissioner Lindsey discussed his concerns about using "old technology" buses. Commissioner Lawson also raised concerns about using "old technology" buses.

After discussion, Commissioner Kellogg moved to approve the application on condition that 45 suburban buses be purchased as soon as possible and 57 over the road buses be purchased at such time as the engines meet the 2.5 gram NOX requirement. Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion. Chairman Lawrence ordered a roll call vote. The motion passed 5-2 as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Hallisey, Kellogg, Lawson, McKenna, Torres (5)

NOES: Commissioners Lawrence, Lindsey (2)

2.1d. Proposition 116 – Non-Urban County Project Approvals/Amendments

No Items This Month

2.1e. Proposition 116 – Waterborne Ferry Project Approvals/Amendments

- Project Approval Amendment for \$710,000 to the Town of Tiburon for change in scope only to the Ferry Dock-Access and Safety Improvement project.  
Resolution PA-01-\_\_\_\_, Amending Resolution PA-00-18

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.1f. Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) Program Amendment

- Change of scope and programmed amount for the California State Coastal Conservancy Los Osos Coastal Dunes Acquisition project from 556 acres to 17.8 acres and from \$500,000 to \$425,000, a savings of \$75,000. (Concurrent De-allocation Amendment under Item 2.5c.(6) and concurrent Allocation Amendment under Item 2.5c.(7).)  
Resolution G-01-\_\_\_\_, Amending Resolution G-99-20

Deputy Director Stephen Maller reviewed the proposed project and recommended approval.

Commissioner Lawson moved to approve the amendment. Commissioner Torres seconded the motion which carried 7-0.

2.2 Environmental Matters

2.2a. Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

- Comments on Notice of Preparation of an EIR for Route 152 in Merced County - Construct a four-lane freeway around the City of Los Banos.

Deputy Director Maller reviewed the Notice of Preparation and suggested comments for the proposed project.

The Commissioners discussed the project and asked staff to identify partially programmed projects and the estimated residual funding for programming and report at the October Commissioner meeting.

**ACTION: S. Maller/J. Nicholas**

Commissioner Lindsey moved to prepare a Letter of Commission comments encouraging cost containment on the project so that it is more easily able to be programmed at a later date. Commissioner Torres seconded the motion which carried 6-0 (Commissioner Hallisey was absent).

**ACTION: S. Maller**

2.2b. Comments on Documents in Circulation (Draft EIS/EIR)

No Items This Month

- 2.2c.** Approval of Projects for Future Consideration of Funding, Route Adoption or New Public Road Connection (Final Negative Declaration or EIR)
- 2.2c.(1)** Routes 5 and 14 in Los Angeles County - Consideration of future funding for a project to construct an HOV connector near the City of Santa Clarita (ND).  
Resolution E-02-04

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.2c.(2)** Route 101 in Ventura County - Consideration of future funding for a project to widen the freeway, revise an interchange and replace the Santa Clara River Bridge in the cities of Oxnard and San Buenaventura (EIR).  
Resolution E-02-05

Deputy Director Stephen Maller reviewed the project and recommended the Commissioner adopt the findings.

Later in the meeting when a quorum was present, Vice Chair McKenna moved to adopt the findings. Commissioner Kellogg seconded the motion, which carried 6-0 (Commissioner Lindsey was absent).

- 2.2c.(3)** Route 710 in Los Angeles County - Consideration of future funding for a project to revise the Atlantic/Bandini Boulevard interchange in the City of Vernon (EIR).  
Resolution E-02-06

Deputy Director Stephen Maller reviewed the project, discussed the impacts, and recommended the Commissioner adopt the findings.

Commissioner Torres moved to adopt the findings. Vice Chair McKenna seconded the motion which carried 7-0.

- 2.2c.(4)** Consideration of future funding for San Francisco Muni Third Street Light Rail Project (San Francisco County) Extending Third Street Line to Chinatown (Tunnel). (TCRP #20) (EIR/EIS).  
Resolution E-02-07

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.2c.(5)** Nogales Street Grade-Separation Project on the Union Pacific Railroad Alhambra Subdivision – Consideration of future funding for a grade separation placing portions of Nogales Street in an undercrossing beneath the railroad tracks and Valley Boulevard (Los Angeles County). (TCRP #54) (ND).  
Resolution E-02-08

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

**2.3 Highway Route Matters**

**2.3a. Route Adoption**

No Items This Month

**2.3b. New Public Road Connections**

No Items This Month

**2.3c. Three Relinquishment Resolutions**

- 05-SLO-41-PM 16.0/18.4 Route 41 in the City of Atascadero  
Resolution R-3494
- 06-Fre-168-PM R3.4/R4.0 Route 168 in the City of Fresno  
Resolution R-3495
- 07-LA-91-PM 0.2/2.5 Route 91 in the City of Redondo Beach  
Resolution R-3496

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

**2.3d. Vacation Resolutions**

No Items This Month

**2.4 Highway Right of Way Matters**

**2.4a. Resolutions of Necessity – Appearances**

No Items This Month

**2.4b. 38 Resolutions of Necessity  
C-18310 through C-18337  
C-18339 through C-18348**

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar, as amended with #C-189338 being withdrawn by the Department.

**2.4c. Airspace Lease Direct Negotiations**

No Items This Month

**2.4d.** Director's Deeds

- Items #1 and 2  
Excess Lands - Return to State: \$3,033,000  
Return to Others: \$0

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

**2.5** Highway Financial Matters

- 2.5a.** Financial Allocation for 18 Minor Projects totaling \$7,745,000.  
Resolution FP-01-08

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

**2.5b.** Financial Allocation for STIP/SHOPP Projects on the State Highway System

- 2.5b.(1)** Three STIP Projects totaling \$129,337,000 plus \$41,204,000 from other sources.  
Resolution FP-01-09

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5b.(2)** Three SHOPP Projects totaling \$12,331,000.  
Resolution FP-01-10

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5b.(3)** Eight SHOPP Projects totaling \$35,986,000 amended into the SHOPP by Departmental action, plus \$750,000 from other sources.  
Resolution FP-01-11

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

**2.5c.** Financial Allocation for Local Assistance STIP/TEA/EEM Projects

- 2.5c.(1)** Five Local Assistance STIP projects Off the State Highway System totaling \$12,900,000 plus \$6,839,000 from other sources.  
Resolution FP-01-12

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5c.(2)** One Local Assistance STIP project On the State Highway System for \$5,740,000, plus \$5,213,000 from other sources.  
Resolution FP-01-13

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5c.(3)** Eight Local Assistance Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) projects totaling \$3,604,000, plus \$23,480,000 from other sources.  
Resolution FP-01-14

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5c.(4)** One Local Assistance Conservation Land (CL) Program project in Madera County for \$2,350,000.  
Resolution FP-01-15

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5c.(5)** One Local Assistance Conservation Land (CL) Program project in Baldwin Hills, Los Angeles County, in the amount of \$4,900,000.  
Resolution FP-01-16

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5c.(6)** One Local Assistance Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) project for the California State Coastal Conservancy Los Osos Coastal Dunes Acquisition de-allocating \$75,000. (Concurrent Program Amendment under Item 2.1f. and Allocation under Item 2.5c.(7).)  
Resolution FP-01-17

Deputy Director Maller presented Items 2.5c.(6 and 7) together. He described the projects and recommended approval.

Vice Chair McKenna moved to approve the projects. Commissioner Kellogg seconded the motion which carried 7-0.

- 2.5c.(7)** One Local Assistance Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) project in the City of Modesto, Stanislaus County, for the Hetch Hetchy Bicycle Trail Project for \$75,000. (Concurrent Program Amendment under Item 2.1f. and De-allocation under Item 2.5c.(6).)  
Resolution FP-01-18

Refer to Item 2.5c.(6) for proceedings related to this item.

- 2.5c.(8)** Two Local Assistance STIP projects On the State Highway System in Butte County for project development for \$1,784,000.  
Resolution FP-01-19

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5d.** Financial Allocation for STIP/SHOPP Projects with Cost Increases Greater than 120 Percent

No Items This Month

**2.5e.** Financial Allocation for Supplemental Funds for Previously Voted Projects  
 Four Projects totaling \$4,900,000.  
 Resolution FA-01-02

- 03-Nev-80/89/267 – STIP Project near Truckee at Route 80 to Placer County Line. Original vote \$23,373,000. Current allocation \$20,761,000. This request of \$1,000,000 for an ongoing project, for an increase of 5% over the award amount.
- 05-SLO-46 – SHOPP Project near Paso Robles east of Airport Road to east of Cholame Valley Road. Original vote \$1,500,000. Current allocation \$1,500,000. This request of \$69,000 to closeout project, for an increase of 30% over the award amount.
- 06-Fre,Mad-41 – STIP Project in Fresno and Madera Counties from Friant Road Undercrossing to Avenue 10-1/2. Original vote \$26,800,000. Current allocation \$31,420,000. This request of \$166,000 for on going project, for an increase of 18% over the vote amount.
- 10-Mer-99 – STIP Project in and near Livingston from Dwight Way to 0.1 mile south of August Avenue. Original vote \$30,448,000. Current allocation \$29,581,000. This request of \$3,665,000 to closeout project, for an increase of 24% over the award amount.

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, reviewed the projects and explained why supplemental funds were needed.

Commissioner Kellogg moved to approve the supplemental funds. Vice Chair McKenna seconded the motion which carried 7-0.

**2.5f.** Information Report on Allocations Under Delegated Authority

**2.5f.(1)** Emergency: G-11 Allocations  
 Three Projects totaling \$4,560,000.

This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

**2.5f.(2)** Seismic Retrofit: (Proposition 192): G-11 Allocations

No Items This Month

**2.5f.(3)** SHOPP Rehabilitation/Safety: G-01-01 Allocations  
 14 Projects totaling \$70,870,000.

This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

**2.5f.(4)** Local Assistance Allocation for Local Street and Road  
 Pavement Rehabilitation: G-01-04 Allocations  
 38 Projects totaling \$ 13,692,00.

This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

- 2.5f.(5)** Local Assistance Allocation for Project Development Components of Local Grant Projects: G-01-03 Allocations  
16 Projects totaling \$ 4,947,000.

This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

- 2.5f.(6)** Local Assistance Allocation for Rideshare Projects in the STIP: G-01-07 Allocations  
Four Projects totaling \$ 930,000.

This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

- 2.5f.(7)** Local Assistance Allocation for RSTP/CMAQ Match Reserve Projects: G-01-05 Allocations  
31 Projects totaling \$ 2,388,000.

This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

- 2.5f.(8)** Local Assistance Allocation for Planning, Programming and Monitoring Activities: G-01-06 Allocations  
16 Projects totaling \$ 1,181,000.

This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

- 2.5g.** Financial Allocation of \$9,583,000 in Proposition 192 Bond (Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Funds) for Benicia-Martinez Bridge project.  
Resolution FP-01-20

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5h.** Adjustment to Local Assistance Annual Lump Sum Allocation  
Revise allocation from \$1,206,366,000 to \$1,019,585,000 due to enacted 2001-02 State Budget.  
Resolution FM-01-03, Replacing Resolution FM-01-02

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

**2.6** Mass Transportation Financial Matters

**2.6a.** Financial Allocation for STIP Rail/Transit Projects

- 2.6a.(1)** Three Local STIP Rail/Transit Projects for \$121,850,000.  
Resolution MFP-01-03

Deputy Director Robert Chung reviewed the projects and recommended approval of Projects 1 and 3. He then discussed the grade separation and street closure issues surrounding the Pasadena Blue Line (Project 2) allocation request.

After discussion, Commissioner Torres moved to approve Projects 1 and 3 and to give the Pasadena Blue Line the full allocation. Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion which carried 5-0 (Commissioners Hallisey and Kellogg were absent).

- 2.6a.(2)** Two State STIP Intercity Rail Projects for \$5,550,000.  
Resolution MFP-01-04

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.6b.** Financial Allocation for Proposition 116 Program Projects

No Items This Month

- 2.6c.** Proposition 116 Allocation Amendments

- Kern and Los Angeles Counties -  
Deallocate \$212,303 in Proposition 116 Bond program funds due to cost savings from Kern County Council of Governments (KCOG) and Los Angeles County Mass Transportation Authority (LACMTA) completed preliminary engineering and feasibility study of a high speed passenger rail link between Bakersfield and Los Angeles for a revised total of \$4,480,697.  
Resolution BFA-01-01, Amending Resolutions BFP-93-26.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.6d.** Transit Capital Improvement (TCI) Project Allocation Amendment

No Items This Month

- 2.6e.** Traffic Congestion Relief (TCR) Project Allocations

No Items This Month

- 2.6f.** Informational Report on Delegated Allocations for Traffic Congestion Relief (TCR) Program Projects, per Resolution G-00-23.  
22 Project Allocations totaling \$121,704,000.

Debbie Mah, Caltrans, discussed the status of the delegated allocations for the TCRP projects. During the discussion, the Commission asked staff to provide periodic charting of TCRP application, allocations, and expenditures against statutory amounts for individual projects.

ACTION: R. Chung/D. Mah

- 2.6g.** Allocation of \$49,552,000 in Public Transportation Account (PTA) funds to the Department for intercity rail operations and feeder bus service on the San Joaquin and Pacific Surfliner (formerly San Diegan) Routes. (See Also Public Transit Committee Agenda Item 3.)  
Resolution MFP-01-05

Deputy Director Robert Chung presented the allocation request noting that the PTC had reviewed it and recommended approval.

Vice Chair McKenna moved to approve the allocation. Commissioner Kellogg seconded the motion which carried 7-0.

**2.7 Aeronautics Financial Matters**

- Allocation of \$263,000 for FY 2001-02 California Aid to Airports Program (CAAP) funds for two projects from the 2000 Aeronautics Program. Resolution FDOA-2001-7
  - County of Riverside – Blythe Airport in Riverside County \$96,000 – Seal coat and crack seal taxiways.
  - Shelter Cove Resort Improvement District – Shelter Cove Airport in Humboldt County \$167,000 – Slurry and seal coat runway and taxiway.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

**2.8 Time Extension Requests per CTC Resolution G-00-20, STIP Guidelines, Section 65 – Timely Use of Funds / Proposition 116 Waiver Requests / Miscellaneous Requests**

**2.8a. Request to Extend the Period of Project Allocation**

No Items This Month

**2.8b. Request to Extend the Period of Contract Award**

- 2.8b.(1)** Request to Extend the Period of Project Award for one Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA) Program project in the City of South Pasadena for \$558,000.  
Waiver-01-46

Deputy Director Stephen Maller presented the extension request and recommended approval.

Commissioner Torres moved to approve the extension as recommended. Vice Chair McKenna seconded the motion which carried 7-0.

- 2.8b.(2)** Request to Extend the Period of Project Award for one Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA) Program project in the City of Modesto for \$422,000.  
Waiver-01-47

This item was pulled from the agenda.

- 2.8b.(3)** Request to Extend the Period of Project Award for three local STIP projects totaling \$540,000.  
Waiver-01-48

Deputy Director Stephen Maller presented the extension request and recommended approval.

Vice Chair McKenna moved to approve the extension. Commissioner Hallisey seconded the motion which carried 7-0.

- 2.8c.** Request to Extend the Period of Project Completion  
  
No Items This Month

- 2.8d.** Request to Extend the Period of Project Reimbursement  
  
No Items This Month

- 2.8e.** Request for Waiver to Resolution G-99-25, Commission’s Guidelines for Allocating, Monitoring, and Auditing of Funds for Local Assistance Projects
  - Request for Waiver to Extend the Period of Project Completion per Resolution G-99-25 for Tehama County’s bus purchase project for \$231,316. No reimbursements to date.  
Waiver-01-49

Deputy Director Stephen Maller presented the waiver request and recommended approval.

Commissioner Lawson moved to approve the waiver, Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion which carried 7-0.

**2.9** Technical Changes to Previously Approved Resolutions/Actions

- 2.9a.** Resolution FP-99-81, Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) project, originally approved on May 11, 2000 – revise acreage for the Del Mar Mesa Vernal Pool Acquisition Project to correct a typographical error in the original book item and to reflect the acreage indicated in the approved project application.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.9b.** Resolution MFP-00-21, originally approved on June 6, 2001 allocated \$1,019,000 in federal funds to Project # 12 in the City of Norwalk for the purchase of two (2) 35-passenger/heavy-duty buses. Revise Resolution attachment to correct typographical error and add two (2) additional vehicle purchases for heavy-duty electric buses --- four (4) total vehicle purchases. No change in allocation amount.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.9c. Resolution FP-97-68, originally approved February 18, 1998 for \$283,125,000 in State funds for three Proposition 192 Bond, (Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Funds) projects. Revise funding for Project # 1 - Richmond-San Rafael bridge from \$188,878,000 to \$180,678,000. A total reduction of \$8,200,000.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

**3. PROGRAM STATUS**

- 3.1 Caltrans Monthly FY 2001-2002 Finance Report

Rick Terry, Caltrans, presented the Monthly Finance Report.

- 3.2 Monthly Report on Status of Projects Previously Voted but not Awarded

This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

- 3.3 Monthly Report on Projects Amended into the SHOPP by Department Action

This item was presented on the Information Calendar.

- 3.4 Status Report on Caldecott Tunnel Fourth Bore

Bijan Sartipi and Arrind Joshi, Caltrans, presented information on the status of the Caldecott Tunnel Fourth Bore. The Commissioners asked them to include in the scope of the environmental assessment consideration of four lanes for the Fourth Bore.

**ACTION: B. Sartipi**

- 3.5 Progress Report concerning delivery of the four State Highway projects funded with pooled STIP funds for Alpine, Amador and Calaveras Counties including concerns for project delivery delays and their impacts on desired ITIP funding and continuation of the Tri-County Partnership.

Bill Brenner, Amador CTC, reviewed the history of the pooled fund partnership.

Paul Stein, Calaveras COG, discussed the status of the projects.

Commissioner Lindsey spoke in support of the county partnership and discussed problems encountered with the projects and resulting delay.

Dinah Bortner, Caltrans District 10, indicated Caltrans supported the counties' projects and intended to deliver the projects.

During the discussion, the Commission asked staff to:

- Present the Tri-County projects to the Interagency Streamlining Committee as possible laboratories for streamlining efforts to accelerate delivery

**ACTION: J. Ferrera**

- Prepare a memorandum to Caltrans reiterating the Commissioners' emphasis on ITIP funding as necessary for the Tri-County Projects in the 2002 STIP Cycle.

**ACTION: D. Brewer**

- Present at the January Commission meeting an update on the status of the environmental documents for the Tri-County Projects.

**ACTION: D. Bortner**

- Review and provide comments back on the written material received from Mr. Ken Berry.

**ACTION: J. Nicholas**

**4. POLICY MATTERS**

**4.1 State Legislative Matters**

Deputy Director Chuck Oldham reviewed the status of several transportation-related bills.

**4.2 2002 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and Fund Estimate**

**4.2a. 2001 Report on County and Interregional Share Balances**

Deputy Director David Brewer reviewed the annual Report on County and Interregional Share balances.

**4.2b. Adoption of 2002 STIP Fund Estimate  
Resolution G-01-25**

Rick Terry, Caltrans, reviewed the Fund Estimate, the issues identified at the workshop, and assumptions used in preparing the Fund Estimate.

The Commissioners reviewed the Fund Estimate and issues raised by staff. During the discussion, staff was asked to develop reports and products to track amounts programmed and expended for project support for individual projects and in the aggregate amounts programmed, budgeted, and expended for project support.

**ACTION: S. Maller/W. Lewis**

Vice Chair McKenna moved to approve the Resolution adopting the Fund Estimate. Commissioner Kellogg seconded the motion which carried 7-0.

**4.2c. State-Only Funding Policy  
Resolution G-01-26**

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, reviewed the policies and priorities for state-only funding. During the discussion, the Commissioners asked staff to present an analysis of the requests for State-only funding prior to STIP adoption and to consider at that time the procedure for considering requests for amendments for State-only funding.

**ACTION: D. Brewer**

Commissioner Torres moved to approve the Resolution. Vice Chair McKenna seconded the motion which carried 5-0 (Commissioners Hallisey and Kellogg were absent).

**4.3** Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP)

- Proposed Policy for Delegating Allocation Authority for TCRP/STIP Projects  
Resolution G-01-\_\_\_\_, Amending Resolution G-00-23

Debbie Mah, Caltrans, reviewed the proposed policy for delegating allocation authority to Caltrans for TCRP/STIP Projects. The Commissioners reviewed the proposed policy and after discussion, Commissioner Torres moved to approve the policy for six months and to review it after six months. Vice Chair McKenna seconded the motion which carried 6-0 (Commissioner Hallisey was absent).

**4.4** Hearing and Adoption of FFY 2001-02 Federal Transit Administration (FTA)  
Section 5310 Elderly and Disabled Transit Program  
Resolution G-01-\_\_\_\_

Section 5310 Program Manager Kathie Jacobs reviewed the draft program and recommended approval of the project list.

Phil Dow, Mendocino COG, spoke in support of the program.

Dr. Nancy Jewell Cross, AC Transit, asked the Commission to consider involvement in bus specifications for the elderly and disabled.

Vice Chair McKenna moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion which carried 5-0 (Commissioners Kellogg and Lawson were absent).

**4.5** Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA) Program

**4.5a.** Status and Outlook for TEA Apportionments

Norma Ortega, Caltrans, presented information on the status and outlook for TEA apportionments.

**4.5b.** Proposed Interim Relaxation of Use-It-Or-Lose-It Provisions  
for TEA Program

Deputy Director Stephen Maller discussed the use-it-or-lose-it provisions for the TEA program. The Commission asked staff to schedule for the October Commission meeting the opportunity for the Commission to formally adopt the staff recommendations.

**ACTION: S. Maller**

**4.5c.** Comments on Draft Reform of California's TEA Program

Deputy Director Stephen Maller reviewed the comments received.

Regional Agencies Moderator Dean Delgado presented comments from the RTPAs.

The following individual also submitted comments:

- Laura Cohen, Rails to Trails
- Bill Magavern, Sierra Club
- Ken McKowen, California State Parks Statewide Trails
- Pete DeHaan, Ventura County Transportation Commission

The Commissioners considered the comments and asked staff to present at the October Commission meeting plans for initiating an Advisory Committee to consider reforms for the TEA Program to both accelerate implementation of the program and at the same time assure quality projects.

**ACTION: S. Maller/G. Murtey/B. Newton**

**4.6** Technical Advisory Committee on Aeronautics (TACA) Report on Aviation Issues

Deputy Director Chuck Oldham introduced the following TACA members who presented information from TACA's Report on Aviation Issues:

Dan Burkhart  
Jack Kemmerly

The following action items resulted from the discussion of this item:

- At the November Commission meeting, present TACA recommendation for Commission action on aviation issues.

**ACTION: C. Oldham**

- Provide Commissioners with a written version of the TACA oral presentation on aviation issues made at the Commission meeting.

**ACTION: C. Oldham**

**4.7** Airspace and Excess Land Business Plan to Airspace Advisory Committee for FY 2001-02

Gene Mattocks, Caltrans, presented the discussed the Airspace and Excess Land Business Plan. During the discussion, the Commission directed staff to transmit to Caltrans a letter codifying the AAC's recommendation for next years Airspace and Excess Land Business Plan.

**ACTION: K. Jacobs**

**4.8** Annual Report on Delegated Director's Deeds Sales under Increased Delegation for FY 2000-01, per Resolution G-98-22

Gene Mattocks, Caltrans, presented the Annual Report on Delegated Director's Deed Sales.

**4.9** Report by Council of Fresno County Governments on Possible EPA Sanctions Under the Clean Air Act for the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin

Barbara Goodwin, Fresno COG, reported on a possible lawsuit challenging their transportation program on air quality grounds. During the discussion, the Commission directed staff to consider in the Annual Report to the Legislature a discussion of the impact of delays resulting from federal sanctions on the State Use-It-Or-Lose-It requirements.

**ACTION: B. Remen**

**4.10** FY 2001-02 Rural Transit System Grant Program

Program Manager Kathie Jacobs presented an overview of the upcoming Rural Transit System Grant Program in AB 437, which was expected to be passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor.

**5. MODAL ISSUES**

**5.1** Rail

No Items This Month

**5.2** Highways

No Items This Month

**5.3** Transit

No Items This Month

**6. OTHER MATTERS**

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, discussed the Status Report on the Route 101 Prunedale Bypass Project. The following action items resulted from the discussion on this item:

- Present an update on efforts regarding the Prunedale Bypass at the February Commission Meeting

**ACTION: J. Walter**

- Provide documentation from the Project Manager and Environmental Document Manager that indicates the current status of the Prunedale Bypass project as compared to the schedule previously reports.

**ACTION: J Walter**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

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Robert I. Remen, Executive Director

# MINUTES

## CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

September 19, 2001  
Sacramento, California

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The meeting of the California Transportation Commission was called to order at 11:05 a.m. on September 19, 2001 at the Department of Food and Agriculture Auditorium, 1220 N Street, Sacramento, California.

The Commissioners' attendance was as follows:

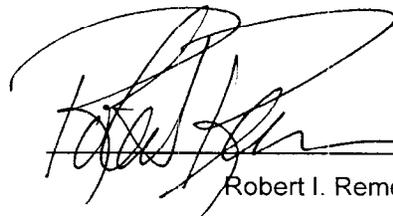
Members Present: Allen Lawrence, Chairman  
Dianne McKenna, Vice Chair  
Jeremiah Hallisey  
James Kellogg  
Jim Lawson  
Kirk Lindsey  
Esteban Torres

Members Absent: Senator Kevin Murray, Ex-Officio  
Assemblyman John Dutra, Ex-Officio

Chairman Allen Lawrence called the Public Session of the meeting to order and noted that pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(a) and (b) the Commission would move into Closed Session to consider the appointment of an Executive Director to the Commission. He then asked that all members of the public vacate the room. Those remaining in Closed Session were: Commissioners Hallisey, Kellogg, Lawson, Lindsey and Torres; Chairman Lawrence, Vice Chair McKenna, Robert Remen, Mary Lea Filbert and Diane Eidam. After a time, Diane Eidam was excused from the Closed Session and the remaining participants continued on in Closed Session.

Following the Closed Session, the Commission reconvened in Public Session and Chairman Lawrence asked for a motion to appoint an Executive Director. Vice Chair Dianne McKenna moved to appoint Diane Eidam as Executive Director of the California Transportation Commission effective October 1, 2001. Commissioner James Kellogg seconded the motion, which passed 7-0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.



Robert I. Remen, Executive Director

**STATUS OF ACTION ITEMS**

from

August 22-23, 2001 Meeting

- 2.2a Stephen Maller/Jim Nicholas – Identify partially programmed projects and estimated residual funding for programming and report at October Commission meeting. (*October Agenda Item*)
- **This will be discussed under October Agenda Item 4.3a.**
- 2.2a Stephen Maller – Prepare letter of Commission comments on Merced Rt. 152 around Los Banos, encouraging cost containment so that project is more easily programmed at later date.
- **This has been done.**
- 2.6f Robert Chung/Debbie Mah – Provide periodic charting of TCRP applications, allocations and expenditures against statutory amounts.
- **This will be done routinely on a quarterly basis.**
- 3.4 Bijan Sartipi – Look at four lanes for the Caldecott Tunnel Fourth Bore.
- **This will be done as part of the environmental document.**
- 3.5 John Ferrera (BT&H Agency) – Present the Tri-County projects to the Interagency Streamlining Committee as possible laboratories for streamlining efforts to accelerate delivery.
- **This will be done.**
- 3.5 David Brewer – Prepare a memorandum to Caltrans reiterating the Commissioners' emphasis on ITIP funding as necessary for the Tri-County projects in the 2002 STIP cycle.
- **This has been done.**
- 3.5 Dinah Bortner – Present at the January Commission meeting an update on the status of the environmental documents for the Tri-County projects. (*January 2002 Agenda Item*)
- **This will be done and reported on at January 2002 Commission meeting.**
- 3.5 Jim Nicholas – Review and provide comments back on written material from Mr. Ken Berry.
- **A response to Mr. Berry is in the process of being prepared.**
- 4.2b Stephen Maller/Wayne Lewis – Develop reports and products to track amounts programmed and expended for project support for individual projects and in the aggregate amounts programmed, budgeted, and expended for project support. Report at October meeting.
- **This will be discussed under October Agenda Item 4.3b.**

- 4.2c David Brewer – Prior to STIP adoption, present analysis of request for State-only funding and consider at that time procedure for considering requests for amendments for State-only funding.
- **This will be done and reported on at February/March 2002 Commission meeting.**
- 4.3 Robert Chung/Debbie Mah – Revisit the Policy for Delegating Allocation Authority for TCRP/STIP Projects after the initial six months of effort. (*February 2002 Agenda Item*)
- **This will be done and reported on at February 2002 Commission meeting.**
- 4.5b Stephen Maller – Schedule for October Commission meeting, opportunity for Commission to formally adopt staff recommendations on Use-It-Or-Lose-It provisions for TEA and tightening the language on six-month extensions. (*October Agenda Item*)
- **This will be discussed under October Agenda Item 4.5a.**
- 4.5c Stephen Maller/Gene Murtey/Barton Newton – Present at October Commission meeting plans to initiate Advisory Committee to consider TEA Program reforms to accelerate implementation and assure quality projects. (*October Agenda Item*)
- **This will be discussed under October Agenda Item 4.5b.**
- 4.6 Chuck Oldham – At the November Commission meeting, present TACA recommendations for Commission action on aviation issues. (*November Agenda Item*)
- **This will be done and reported on at November 2001 Commission meeting.**
- 4.6 Chuck Oldham – Provide Commissioners with a written version of the TACA oral presentation on aviation issues made at the Commission meeting.
- **This will be done prior to October 2001 Commission meeting.**
- 4.7 Kathie Jacobs – Transmit to the Department a letter codifying the Airspace Advisory Committee's recommendations for next years Airspace and Excess Land Business Plan.
- **This will be done prior to October 2001 Commission meeting.**
- 4.9 Robert Remen – Consider in the Annual Report to the Legislature a discussion of the impact of delays resulting from federal sanctions on State Use-It-Or-Lose-It requirements.
- **This will be done.**
- 6.0 Jim Nicholas – Present update on Prunedale Bypass at February 2002 Commission meeting.
- **This will be done and reported on at February 2002 Commission meeting.**
- 6.0 Jim Nicholas – Provide documentation from Project Manager and Environmental Document Manager indicating current status of Prunedale Bypass project as compared to prior schedule.
- **To date, this has not been received.**

