

Memorandum

To: Chairman and Commissioners

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Action

Ref: **Regional Express Bus Program (San Mateo, San Francisco and Santa Clara Counties) – Consideration for Future Funding for Regional Express Bus Service (Notice of Determination) (TCRP #10) Resolution E-02-15**

Issue:

Should the Commission adopt the attached resolution to approve future consideration of funding for regional express bus service by the San Mateo County Transit District?

Recommendation:

Commission staff recommends that the Commission, as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-02-15.

Background:

This resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Negative Declaration under the California Environmental Quality Act has been completed:

- Regional Express Bus Service (San Mateo, San Francisco and Santa Clara counties) – Add additional routes that operate through San Mateo County between Santa Clara County and the City and County of San Francisco

The project is part of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC) Regional Express Bus Program included in the Governor's Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP), Project #10. The current estimate for this project is \$3,919,652, which will allow for the purchase of 11 suburban buses to be operated by the San Mateo County Transit District. This project will be fully funded by TCRP funds. The Commission approved the MTC's project application and future allocation request for the purchase of suburban buses at its August 22-23, 2001 meeting.

The San Mateo County Transit District has approved a Negative Declaration for the express bus service. The Negative Declaration and supporting Initial Study has been transmitted to Commission staff. The Commission's approval and the resulting filing of the Notice of Determination with the Office of Planning and Research will satisfy the environmental requirements for this stage of the project planning process.

Attachment

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

**Resolution for Approval of Project for Future Consideration of Funding
Regional Express Bus Program
(San Mateo, San Francisco and Santa Clara Counties)**

Resolution E-02-15

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the San Mateo County Transit District has completed a Negative Declaration in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act, the CEQA Guidelines, and the California Transportation Commission Environmental Regulations for the following project
 - Regional Express Bus Program Project in San Mateo, San Francisco and Santa Clara counties
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Negative Declaration; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2.1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby approve the above referenced project for future consideration of funding.