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MODAL ISSUES  
I-710 Gateways Major Investment Study  
Information Item

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**I-710 GATEWAYS MAJOR INVESTMENT**  
**CORRIDOR STUDY**

The Department and Parsons Brinckerhoff will present a status report on the Route 710 Major Investment Corridor Study at the meeting.

The Route 710 Major Investment Corridor Study is a joint-funded project that will provide a comprehensive evaluation of the overall transportation system on the Route 710 freeway corridor between Route 60 and the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles. The Corridor Study will recommend a plan for providing efficient access to the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles, and reduce passenger and truck congestion along the 710 Freeway and surface streets. Other results will help reduce pollution and improve traffic safety. The Corridor analysis includes Data Collection, Developing Alternative Analysis, (modeling, Environmental Evaluation, Costs, etc.) and a Public Outreach Program. Upon identifying a preferred alternative, the consultant, Parsons Brinckerhoff, will prepare Project Study Reports (PSR) and PSR equivalent documents for the most critically needed improvements.

In September 2000, the Commission allocated \$2 million from the Traffic Congestion Relief Program to fund this study. The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Authority (LACMTA) has already committed \$500,000. The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) has committed \$500,000 in Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) funding. Gateway Cities Council of Governments has committed \$250,000 of local Prop. C funds. The Department of Transportation has committed \$650,000 of State Planning and Research funds.

# Route 710 Corridor Study

## CTC Presentation

### Executive Summary

#### Project Description:

To conduct a Corridor Study which recommends a plan for providing efficient access to the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles which reduces passenger and truck congestion along the 710 Freeway, and surface streets. Other objectives are reducing pollution and improving safety. Corridor analysis includes the development and evaluation of transportation alternatives, (modeling, environmental evaluation, costs, etc.) in conjunction with a Public Outreach Program. Upon identifying a preferred alternative, the consultant will prepare Project Study Reports and Project Study Report equivalent documents for the most critically needed improvements. The study limits are from Route 60 on the North end, to the Ports on the South end with a total length of approximately 18 miles. The duration of the study is two and a half years with an anticipated completion in Summer 2003. Total cost is \$3.9 million. Stakeholders include Caltrans, MTA, SCAG and the Gateway Cities COG. Funding breakdown is as follows.

Caltrans State Planning and Research	\$650,000
TCRP	\$2,000,000
LA County MTA (Prop C)	\$500,000
SCAG (CPG Funds)	\$500,000
Gateway Cities COG (Prop C)	\$250,000

#### Milestones:

Study milestones and timeframes are below. Currently a delay of approximately three months has been encountered due to irregularities found in the SCAG modeling data for future job growth and trip generation. Therefore the following dates are approximate.

- Project Initiation Winter 2001
- Purpose and Need/Develop Alternatives Fall 2001
- Select Reduced Set of Alternatives Winter 2002
- Select Final Set of Alternatives Spring 2002
- Select Locally Preferred Alternative Fall 2002
- Complete Project Study Reports Summer 2003

#### Future Actions:

Correct irregularities in modeling data  
Integrate models and assess transportation system  
Prepare Purpose and Need Statement  
Develop and screen alternatives  
Travel demand forecasting  
Conceptual plans/value engineering  
Evaluate costs/financial analysis  
Environmental evaluation  
Public outreach campaign (throughout entire study)  
Preferred alternative report  
Conceptual plans  
Prepare Project Study Reports