

Memorandum

To: Chair and Commissioners

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From: 
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Ref: Monthly Report on Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee Activity

Summary: The following is a progress report on selected construction contracts for the San Francisco Oakland Bay Bridge Seismic Retrofit project and the May 2, 2008, Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee (TBPOC) meeting:

Self Anchored Suspension (SAS) contract –

- Caltrans continues to work closely with American Bridge Flour (ABF), the contractor, to manage the fabrication of deck panels. A concerted effort is underway to achieve timely processing and submittal of documentation from materials testing results.
- The shear leg barge arrived in China the first week of May, and the crane fabrication is on schedule. The shear leg barge is targeted to arrive at the job site this fall.
- Pile driving for the temporary towers began the first week of May.

Yerba Buena Island (YBI) Detour –

- Pile-drilling for the west tie-in Phase II, and excavation for the east tie-in skid bent footings continues.

May 2nd TBPOC meeting –

- The Department gave a presentation on the status of the Oakland Touchdown (OTD) Phase I contract followed by a tour of the job site. The OTD contract is on the Oakland side of the East Span, and consists of two parallel concrete structures connecting the Skyway structure to the Oakland approach fill.
- A meeting to discuss opportunities to accelerate the SAS contract completion has been scheduled for May 12th.

Background: In July 2005, Assembly Bill 144, (AB144) Hancock created the Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee to exercise project oversight and control over the Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program. The TBPOC is comprised of the Director of the Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA) Executive Director, and the Executive Director of the California Transportation Commission (CTC).

The TBPOC's program oversight and control activities include, review and approval of contract bid documents, provide field staff to review ongoing costs, review and approve significant change orders and resolve major project issues.