

# MINUTES

## CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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**OCTOBER 29-30, 2008**

Riverside, California

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### Wednesday, October 29, 2008

1:00 p.m.

#### Commission Meeting

County Administration Center  
4080 Lemon Street  
Supervisors' Chambers  
Riverside, California

1:00 pm	<b><u>GENERAL BUSINESS</u></b>				
1	Roll Call		Bob Alvarado	I	C

VICE CHAIR BOB ALVARADO

CHAIR JOHN CHALKER

Absent

COMMISSIONER LUCETTA DUNN

COMMISSIONER JAMES EARP

COMMISSIONER DARIO FROMMER

COMMISSIONER JAMES GHIEMMETTI

COMMISSIONER CARL GUARDINO

Absent (Arrived 1:15pm)

COMMISSIONER R. KIRK LINDSEY

Absent

COMMISSIONER PHILLIP H. TAGAMI

Absent

COMMISSIONER JOSEPH TAVAGLIONE

COMMISSIONER LARRY ZARIAN

#### **TOTAL**

**Present: 8**

**Absent: 3**

Senator Alan S. Lowenthal, Ex-Officio

Not present

Assembly Member Mark DeSaulnier, Ex-Officio

Not present

2	Approval of Minutes for September 24-25, 2008 and Correction to October 24, 2007 Minutes		Bob Alvarado	A	C
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Public speaker Sean McClelland addressed the Commission and asked them not to approve the corrected minutes from the October 24, 2007 meeting.

Commissioner Zarian moved to approve the September 24-25, 2008 and the corrected October 24, 2007 minutes. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

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3	Commission Reports		Bob Alvarado	A	C
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There were no reports given.

4	Commissioners' Meetings for Compensation		Bob Alvarado	A	C
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Commissioner Zarian moved to approve the item. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

5	Executive Director's Report – Approval of proposed letter regarding fair market value of property		John Barna	A	C
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CTC Executive Director Barna reminded everyone of the AB32 scoping workshop scheduled for December 10, 2008. He suggested the Commission begin discussions to take a position at the December 2008 CTC meeting. He discussed the Prop 1B Accountability expectations outlined in a document provided to the Commissioners under this Agenda Item. He also requested approval of a draft letter regarding the sale of excess property at fair market value. Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve the letter. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

6	Inland Empire Welcome and Update		Deborah Barmack Anne Mayer	I	R
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Jeff Stone, Chairman of the Riverside County Transportation Commission, welcomed the Commission to Riverside. He expressed appreciation to Caltrans and the Commission for their support of the 60/91/215 interchange, which had been completed. He reported that RCTC was focused on the widening of State Route 91 through Corona and the widening of Interstate 15. He reported that RCTC received funding for 12 grade separation projects through TCIF.

Gary Ovitt, President of the San Bernardino Associated Governments Board of Directors, reported on San Bernardino county freight and current projects with a Power Point presentation.

Commissioner Tavaglione presented gifts of appreciation to the Board of Supervisors of Riverside County, the California Highway Patrol of San Bernardino, and Caltrans District 8 Acting Director Karla Sutliff.

<b><u>BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION &amp; HOUSING AGENCY REPORT</u></b>					
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7	Report by Agency Secretary and/or Deputy Secretary		Dale Bonner	I	B
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There was no report given.

<b><u>CALTRANS REPORT</u></b>					
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8	Report by Caltrans' Director and/or Deputy Director		Will Kempton	I	D
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Caltrans Director Will Kempton expressed his appreciation for the excellent response to the recent overturned tanker truck accident on Interstate 880.

He reported on his trip to China to review the steel fabrication for the Bay Bridge SAS structure.

He congratulated Caltrans Chief Deputy Randall Iwasaki, who received the Thomas H. McDonald Memorial Award for his achievements in the transportation field.

He announced the appointment of John Bulinski to the position of Caltrans Director for District 2 in the Redding. He also announced the retirement of several employees, including Ann Barsotti, Bruce Behrens, and Claire Yee.

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He reported the GARVEE bond issuance for two Interstate 80 payment rehabilitation projects over Donner Summit. He stated that each of the projects had been awarded. He expressed appreciation to all involved in the delivery of transportation projects statewide.

Jim Bourgart, BTH Deputy Secretary, commended Caltrans for their work in response to the tanker accident on Interstate 880. He also reported on upcoming groundbreaking for new HOT lanes in the Bay Area.

<b><u>LOCAL REPORTS</u></b>					
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<b>9</b>	Report by Regional Agencies Moderator		Rachel Moriconi	<b>I</b>	<b>R</b>
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Rachel Moriconi reported that bond accountability procedures had been the main focus of discussion at that morning's RTPA meeting. The group also discussed the State-Local Partnership Program guidelines and financing forums. She expressed appreciation for the chance to attend the Transit Summit in Sacramento. She reported that local agencies delivered 117% of the federal obligation authority designated for the regions. She reported that her group was awaiting the outcome of the Legislature's discussion of the budget deficit and the economic stimulus package.

<b>10</b>	Report by Rural Counties Task Force Chair		Mike Woodman	<b>I</b>	<b>R</b>
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Mike Woodman reported that the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act was reauthorized through 2011 and thanked the CTC for their support. He expressed his wish that transit services be maintained or expanded. He reported that the rural counties had submitted blueprint grant applications.

<b>11</b>	Report by Self-Help Counties Coalition Chair		Suzanne Smith	<b>I</b>	<b>R</b>
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Suzanne Smith reported that the Coalition met and discussed State-Local Partnership Program guidelines, the legislative session and its impacts, decrease in sales tax revenues, and SB375 clean-up. She reminded everyone of the Focus on the Future Conference to be held November 16-18, 2008 in Monterey.

<b>12</b>	Presentation on the California-Nevada Maglev		Ken Kevorkian	<b>I</b>	<b>R</b>
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Ken Kevorkian, Vice Chair of the California-Nevada Super Speed Train Commission, expressed appreciation for the improvements and advances made in California rail projects. He presented information on the California-Nevada Maglev with a Power Point presentation, which was co-presented by Neil Cummings.

Commissioner Ghielmetti asked what the cost difference was between the Maglev and a bullet train. Mr. Kevorkian replied that the Maglev presented a higher up-front cost but was far more beneficial in the long run due to lower maintenance requirements.

<b><u>POLICY MATTERS</u></b>					
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<b>13 TIMED ITEM 2:45 pm</b>	Proposition 1B State-Local Partnership Program Guidelines – Southern Hearing		David Brewer	<b>I</b>	<b>C</b>
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Item 13 was taken out of order after item 24.

David Brewer presented this item, which was the first of two hearings on guidelines for the State-Local Partnership Program, as required by AB 268. The second hearing is scheduled for Oakland in December. He reviewed several issues that had been raised by regional and local agencies, and recommended clarifying the language in the guidelines and identified changes staff would recommend for a second draft of the guidelines.

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Commissioner Ghielmetti expressed his concerns about developer fees and their reliability. David Brewer replied that uniform developer fees did not enter into the formula part of the program. He stated that the agencies would be asked to identify the uniform developer fees when they apply for the discretionary grant program.

Public Speakers:

*Mike Woodman*, of the Nevada County Transportation Commission, spoke on behalf of five rural self-help cities in Mendocino and Nevada counties. These cities felt that the program guidelines ignored the fact that the cities generated sales taxes at a rate 2-3 times higher than the unincorporated areas of the county. The cities would be rewarded at only a fraction of their sales tax receipts. The legislation did not provide guidance on this issue.

Commissioner Earp asked Mr. Woodman what the difference in funding would be in these counties. Mr. Woodman replied that the changes would be relatively small but did not yet have a specific number. Director Barna suggested that Mr. Woodman send the information for analysis. Commissioner Guardino expressed his agreement with Mr. Woodman's points.

*Suzanne Smith*, Self-Help Counties Coalition Chair, expressed concern about the year-by-year programming. She reported that creating a mechanism to allow an agency to borrow funds ahead of time had been discussed.

*Rachel Moriconi*, Regional Agencies Moderator, also expressed concern about year-by-year programming and possible impact on project delivery.

Action Item: David Brewer will seek guidance on legislative intent regarding the application of the formula calculations for self help cities within a county with no countywide sales tax.

14	Approval of Amendments to Proposition 1B Traffic Light Synchronization Program List Resolution TLSP-P-0809-01, Amending Resolution TLSP-P-0708-01		Juan Guzman Ross Chittenden	A D/C
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Juan Guzman presented this item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Earp moved to approve the item. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which passed 7-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Frommer, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b>Proposition 1B Traffic Light Synchronization (TLS)-Project Allocations</b>				
15	Financial Allocation (2.5g.(7)): \$26,631,000 for 11 Traffic Light Synchronization Projects. Resolution TLS1B-A-0809-003		Juan Guzman Earl Seaberg	A D

Juan Guzman presented the item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the item. Commissioner Zarian seconded the motion, which passed 7-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Frommer, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

	<b><u>PROJECT BUSINESS MATTERS</u></b>			
	<b><u>Program/Project Amendments/Approvals for Action</u></b>			

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16	The Department proposes to amend TCRP Project #55.1 (Alameda Corridor East; build grade separations on Burlington Northern Santa Fe and Union Pacific Railroad lines, Los Angeles County line to Colton, with rail-to-rail separation at Colton in San Bernardino County) to redistribute \$698,000 in previously allocated TCRP funds from Construction to R/W, and update the project schedule and funding plan Resolution TAA-08-05, Amending Resolution TAA-07-24 Resolution TFP-08-04, Amending Resolution TFP-07-02		Juan Guzman Rachel Falsetti	A	D

Juan Guzman presented this item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the item. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which carried 7-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Frommer, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

17	The Coachella Valley Association of Governments proposes to amend TCRP Project #146 (Palm Drive/Gene Autry Trail Interchange in Palm Springs) to redistribute \$3,957,000 in TCRP funds from R/W to Construction, and update the project schedule and funding plan. Resolution TAA-08-06, Amending Resolution TA-01-07		Juan Guzman Rachel Falsetti	A	D
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Juan Guzman presented this item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the item. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which carried 7-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Frommer, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b>Proposition 116 – Rail Program Project Approvals/Amendments</b>					
18	Project Application Amendment to de-program \$3,045,753 in Proposition 116 Bonds funds from two completed grade separation projects. PUC Section 99624. Resolution PA-08-04, Amending Resolutions PA-02-10 and PA-05-07.		Juan Guzman	A	C

Juan Guzman presented this item and recommended approval. He recommended using a portion of the savings for the High-Speed Rail Authority, consistent with legislative action in the Budget Act of 2008. He also recommended that the High-Speed Rail Authority make a presentation at the December CTC meeting on how the Proposition 116 funds have been used.

Commissioner Earp asked what would happen to the funds appropriated to high-speed rail if the bond measure did not pass. Executive Director Barna replied that would be explained during the Authority’s presentation at the December meeting.

Commissioner Zarian moved to approve the item. Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b>Financial Allocations for State Proposition 116 Projects</b>					
19	Financial Allocation Amendments for two Proposition 116 Rail Program Projects to De-Allocate \$3,045,753. Resolution BFA-08-02, Amending Resolutions BFP-02-01 and BFA-05-02		Juan Guzman Lam Nguyen	A	D

Juan Guzman presented this item and recommended approval.

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Commissioner Earp moved to approve the item. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b><u>Program/Project Amendments/Approvals for Notice</u></b>				
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<b>20</b>	STIP Amendment 08S-007 The Inyo County Local Transportation Commission, proposes to amend the STIP to reduce the scope of the Independence Town Rehabilitation Project (PPNO 2556) and add the Riverside Bridge Project (PPNO 2570).		Mitchell Weiss Rachel Falsetti	<b>I</b>	<b>D</b>
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This item was taken out of order and presented after the Consent Calendar on October 29, 2008.

David Brewer presented this informational item and recommended the item be placed on the Consent Calendar at the December meeting.

<b>21</b>	STIP Amendment 08S-005 The Department, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, and the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency propose to amend the STIP to designate the Department as the implementing agency for Construction of the Route 880 29 <sup>th</sup> -23 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue Reconstruction project and update the project funding plan to make it consistent with approved Trade Corridor Improvement Fund Baseline Agreement (PPNO 0044C).		David Brewer Rachel Falsetti	<b>I</b>	<b>D</b>
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This item was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

<b>22</b>	STIP Amendment 08S-006 The Department proposes to amend the STIP to move \$5,800,000 IIP from R/W in FY 2009-10 to Construction Support in FY 2012-13, and move \$325,000 IIP from R/W in FY 2009-10 to R/W Support in FY 2009-10 to be consistent with the approved Trade Corridors Improvement Fund Baseline Agreement for the San Juan Road Interchange Project (PPNO 0058E).		David Brewer Rachel Falsetti	<b>I</b>	<b>D</b>
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David Brewer presented this informational item and recommended the item be placed on the Consent Calendar at the December meeting.

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<b>23</b>	TCIF Program Amendments		Maura Twomey	<b>A</b>	<b>C</b>
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Maura Twomey presented this item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Guardino asked if the Commission had a liaison to work with Northern California Trade Corridor Coalition regarding removal of the Donner project. Executive Director Barna replied that the Commission staff acts as the liaison.

Commissioner Frommer asked if the projects among which funding was being moved were all approved and on the list. Maura Twomey replied that they were on the list of projects approved in April, and that the movement of funds was primarily within the Port of Long Beach suite of projects. Director Barna added that any consideration of alternative projects would come from the Tier 2 list of projects.

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Commissioner Zarian moved to approve the item. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

24	TCIF Project Baseline Agreements		Maura Twomey	A C
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Maura Twomey presented this item and recommended approval. Ms. Twomey also informed the Commissioners that the Commission had received a letter from WS-Pace, expressing their opposition to the San Joaquin Valley Short Haul Rail and Inland Port Project and stated that a copy would be provided to the Commissioners. Ms. Twomey noted that the San Joaquin Valley Short Haul Rail and Inland Port Project was not slated for any action at the October 2008 Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve the item. Commissioner Earp seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b>Proposition 1B CMIA Program/Project Amendments</b>				
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25	The Department, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, and the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency propose to amend the CMIA Project and Baseline Agreement for the Route 580 Isabel Interchange Project (PPNO 0115B) to split the project into three contracts. <i>(Related items under Tab 27, Tab 29, and Tab 30.)</i> Resolution CMIA-PA-0809-004		Andre Boutros Ross Chittenden	A D
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This item was taken out of order after the Public Hearing (Item 13).

Andre Boutros presented this item in a group including items 25-32. Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve Items 25-32. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b>Technical Corrections to Previously Approved Resolutions</b>				
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26	Technical Correction to Resolution CMIA-A-0708-009 and Resolution STIP1B-A-0708-010, originally approved March 13, 2008 for one State-administered multi-program project on Route 580 in Alameda County. Technical correction is needed designate that the CMIA allocation was for Segment 1 and adjust the scope and allocation amount accordingly.		Andre Boutros Rachel Falsetti	A D
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Andre Boutros presented this item in a group including items 25-32. Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve Items 25-32. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b>Environmental Matters – Approval of Projects for Future Consideration of Funding, Route Adoption or New Public Road Connection (Final Negative Declaration or EIR)</b>				
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27	Approval of Project for Consideration of Funding: Route 580 in Alameda County – Roadway improvements in the city of Livermore. (FND) <i>(Related items under Tab 31 and Tab 32.)</i> Resolution E-08-19		Susan Bransen Jay Norvell	A D
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Andre Boutros presented this item in a group including items 25-32. Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve Items 25-32. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

Director Barna added that in the book items for Items 27 and 28, there was a paragraph relating to expectations of the department and regional agencies regarding the environmental documents for the bond program.

Commissioner Dunn asked if the three project segments would be considered independently of each other. Mr. Boutros replied that they were, and that segments 1 and 2 were already environmentally cleared. Segment 3 would receive an environment clearance through a supplemental document that was being prepared. Commissioner Dunn asked if segments 1 and 2 would move forward even if segment 3 should not be cleared. Andre Boutros and Ross Chittenden both confirmed that they would.

28	Approval of Project for Consideration of Funding and New Public Road Connection for new interchange at Isabel Avenue. (MND) <i>(Related items under Tab 25, Tab 29, and Tab 30.)</i> Resolution E-08-20		Susan Bransen Jay Norvell	A D
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Andre Boutros presented this item in a group including items 25-32. Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve Items 25-32. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b><u>New Public Road Connections</u></b>				
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29	One New Public Road Connection to Route 580 at 04-Ala-580-PM 14.2 (Isabel Avenue) in the city of Livermore. <i>(Related items under Tab 25, Tab 27, and Tab 30.)</i> Resolution S-738		Susan Bransen Terry Abbott	A D
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Andre Boutros presented this item in a group including items 25-32. Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve Items 25-32. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b><u>Proposition 1B CMIA Project Allocations</u></b>				
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30	Financial Allocation <i>(2.5g.(1a))</i> : \$31,500,000 for Segment 3 of the Route 580 Isabel Interchange Project in Livermore programmed in the CMIA. <i>(Related items under Tab 25, Tab 27, and Tab 29.)</i> Resolution CMIA-A-0809-004		David Brewer Rachel Falsetti	A D
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Andre Boutros presented this item in a group including items 25-32. Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve Items 25-32. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

Commissioner Zarian asked if it was normal to spend roughly 30% of the project cost on engineering. Caltrans Director Kempton replied that the average cost for engineering usually made up about 34-35% of project cost. Andre Boutros added that other funding sources existed that were not part of this allocation, which brought the percentage down.

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31	Financial Allocation (2.5g.(1b)): \$29,709,000 for Segment 2 of the Route 580 HOV project in Livermore programmed in the CMIA (\$20,435,000) and STIP (\$9,274,000). <i>(Related items under Tab 27 and Tab 32.)</i> Resolution CMIA-A-0809-005 Resolution STIP1B-A-0809-007		David Brewer Rachel Falsetti	A	D

Andre Boutros presented this item in a group including items 25-32. Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve Items 25-32. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b>Proposition 1B State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) Project Allocations</b>					
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32	Financial Allocation (2.5g.(6)): \$14,172,000 for roadway improvements on Route 580 in Livermore programmed in the SHOPP. <i>(Related items under Tab 27 and Tab 31.)</i> Resolution SHOP1B-A-0809-002		Mitchell Weiss Rachel Falsetti	A	D
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Andre Boutros presented this item in a group including items 25-32. Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve Items 25-32. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

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**Thursday, October 30, 2008**

9:00 a.m.

**Commission Meeting**  
**County Administration Center**  
**4080 Lemon Street**  
**Supervisors' Chambers**  
**Riverside, California**

<b>9:00 am</b>	<b><u>GENERAL BUSINESS</u></b>				
	Roll Call		Bob Alvarado	I	C

The meeting was called to order at 9:00am on October 30, 2008 by Vice Chair Alvarado. The roll call was taken as follows, followed immediately by closed session.

VICE CHAIR BOB ALVARADO  
 CHAIR JOHN CHALKER Absent  
 COMMISSIONER LUCETTA DUNN  
 COMMISSIONER JAMES EARP  
 COMMISSIONER DARIO FROMMER Absent  
 COMMISSIONER JAMES GHIEMMETTI  
 COMMISSIONER CARL GUARDINO  
 COMMISSIONER R. KIRK LINDSEY Absent  
 COMMISSIONER PHILLIP H. TAGAMI Absent  
 COMMISSIONER JOSEPH TAVAGLIONE  
 COMMISSIONER LARRY ZARIAN

**TOTAL Present: 7**  
**Absent: 4**

Senator Alan S. Lowenthal, Ex-Officio Not present  
 Assembly Member Mark DeSaulnier, Ex-Officio Not present

	<p><b><u>CLOSED SESSION</u></b>                  The Commission will meet in closed session to consider the evaluation of personnel, pursuant to Government Code section 11126(a)(1).</p> <p><b><u>NOTE: The Commission will convene in Open Session and then move immediately into Closed Session. Following the Closed Session, the Commission will reconvene in Open Session.</u></b></p>
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No action was taken during the closed session. The meeting resumed after closed session at 10:00am. The first item presented was Item 60.

	<b><u>INFORMATION CALENDAR</u></b>		Stephen Maller		
	<b><u>Informational Reports on Allocations Under Delegated Authority</u></b>				

The Information Calendar (Items 33-37) was taken out of order after Item 19 on October 29, 2008. Stephen Maller presented the Information Calendar. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners.

<b>33 IC</b>	-- Emergency G-11 Allocations (2.5f.(1)): \$10,148,000 for ten projects. -- SHOPP Safety Allocations (2.5f.(3)): \$6,578,000 for five projects. -- Minor G-05-05 Allocations (2.5f.(4)): \$2,307,000 for four projects.			I	D
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This item was presented on the Information Calendar on October 29, 2008.

<b>34 IC</b>	Monthly Report on Projects Amended into the SHOPP by Department Action			<b>I</b>	<b>D</b>
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This item was presented on the Information Calendar on October 29, 2008.

<b>35 IC</b>	Monthly Status of Construction Contract Award for State Highway Projects, per Resolution G-06-08			<b>I</b>	<b>D</b>
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This item was presented on the Information Calendar on October 29, 2008.

<b>36 IC</b>	Monthly Status of Construction Contract Award for Local Assistance STIP Projects, per Resolution G-06-08			<b>I</b>	<b>D</b>
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This item was presented on the Information Calendar on October 29, 2008.

<b>37 IC</b>	Monthly Status of Construction Contract Award for TCRP Projects, per Resolution G-06-08			<b>I</b>	<b>D/C</b>
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This item was presented on the Information Calendar on October 29, 2008.

<b><u>END OF INFORMATION CALENDAR</u></b>					
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<b><u>CONSENT CALENDAR</u></b>			Robert Chung		
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<b>38 CC</b>	Approval of Project for Consideration of Route Adoption as a Freeway: Route 180 and DeWolf Avenue Interchange Freeway Agreement Project in Fresno County – Update the freeway agreement and seek route adoption and location of a future interchange between Temperance Avenue to De-Wolf Avenue. (MND) <i>(Related item under Tab 40.)</i> Resolution E-08-15			<b>A</b>	<b>D</b>
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The Consent Calendar was presented after the Information Calendar on October 29, 2008 by Robert Chung. Item 43 was changed to reflect the withdrawal of one Resolution of Necessity. Item 45 was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which carried 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b>39 CC</b>	Approval of Project for Future Consideration of Funding: Route 99 in the County of Madera – Reconstruction of Route 145/Route 99 and Gateway Drive/Route 99 Interchanges. (ND) <i>(Related item under Tab 64.)</i> Resolution E-08-18			<b>A</b>	<b>C</b>
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This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on October 29, 2008.

<b>40 CC</b>	One Route Adoption as a Freeway on Route 180 at 06-Fre-180-PM R66.3/R66.9 in the county of Fresno <i>(Related item under Tab 38.)</i> Resolution HRA-08-02			<b>A</b>	<b>D</b>
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This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on October 29, 2008.

41 CC	One New Public Road Connection to Route 20 at 03-Nev-20-PM R14.3 (Dorsey Drive) in the city of Grass Valley, north of Idaho-Maryland Road. Resolution S-737			A	D
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This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on October 29, 2008.

42 CC	Four Relinquishment Resolutions ■ 2-Sha-5-PM R50.4/R50.9 Right of Way on Route 5 in the county of Shasta near the Pollard Flat overcrossing. Resolution R-3709 ■ 11-SD-125-PM 19.0/19.2 Right of Way on Route 125 in the city of San Diego near Fletcher Parkway. Resolution R-3711 ■ 8-Riv-86S-PM R2.54/R18.27 Right of Way on Route 86S south of the Coachella City limits. Resolution R-3712 ■ 5-SLO-227-PM 0.00/0.97 Right of way on Route 227 in the city of Arroyo Grande from Highway 101 to Huanan Road. Resolution R-3713			A	D
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This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on October 29, 2008.

43 CC 8 Ayes	Six Resolutions of Necessity Resolutions C-19996 through C-20001			A	D
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Resolution C-19999 withdrawn prior to the meeting.

The remaining five Resolutions of Necessity were approved on the Consent Calendar on October 29, 2008.

44 CC	Director's Deeds Items #1 through #15 Excess Lands – Return to State: \$241,653 Return to Others: \$0			A	D
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This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on October 29, 2008.

45 CC	Financial Allocation (2.5a.): \$250,000 for one District SHOPP Project to construct an E-85 fuel station at the Redding Maintenance Station. Resolution FP-08-14			A	D
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This item was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

46 CC	Budget Revision (2.5h.): Exchange \$24,300,000 Federal Highway Bridge Program Funds for State Highway Account Funds. Resolution FM-08-02, Amending Resolutions FM-08-01 and FM-07-07			A	D
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This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on October 29, 2008.

<b>47 CC</b>	Financial Allocation (2.7): \$712,200 for FY 2008-09 California Aid to Airports Program (CAAP) funds for one project from the 2008 Aeronautics Program and two projects from the 2006 Aeronautics Program. Resolution FDOA-2008-03			<b>A</b>	<b>D</b>
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This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on October 29, 2008.

<b>48 CC</b>	Technical Correction to Resolution FP-05-48, originally approved December 15, 2005. A technical correction is needed for Project #2 – Ferndale Pedestrian Improvements, to adjust budget year. No change to the amount allocated.			<b>A</b>	<b>D</b>
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This item was approved on the Consent Calendar on October 29, 2008.

<b><u>END OF CONSENT CALENDAR</u></b>
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<b><u>PROGRAM STATUS</u></b>
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<b>49</b>	Status Report on Deferred and Final Right of Way Estimates for STIP Projects		Robert Chung Rachel Falsetti	<b>I</b>	<b>D</b>
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This item was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

<b><u>POLICY MATTERS</u></b>
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<b>50</b>	Wireless Program Renewal – Approve renewal of Department's Wireless Program with minor change to the Master License Agreement and update pricing matrix. Resolution G-08-17, Amending Resolution G-02-14		Robert Chung Bimla Rhinehart	<b>A</b>	<b>D</b>
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This item was presented out of order after the item group 25-32 on October 29, 2008.

Robert Chung presented this item and recommended approval. Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the item. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b>51</b>	State and Federal Legislative Matters		Robert Chung	<b>A</b>	<b>C</b>
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Robert Chung presented this item. No action was taken or required.

Director Barna asked if the \$70 million set aside annually for inter-city rail grants would be leveraged on an 80/20 scale or if the \$400 million in Prop 1B would act as 80%. Caltrans Director Kempton confirmed that Mr. Barna's assumption should be correct.

<b>52</b>	Proposed FY 2009-10 Allocation Set-Aside for the Public Utilities Commission Railroad Grade Crossing Protection Maintenance Program Resolution G-08-16		Robert Chung	<b>A</b>	<b>C</b>
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Robert Chung presented this item and recommended approval. Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve the item. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

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53	Monthly Report on Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee Activity		Dina Noel	I	C
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Dina Noel presented this informational item. She updated the Commission on the most recent trip to China.

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54	Report on Investments to State Highway System by Outside Funding Sources		Mitchell Weiss David Youmans	I	D
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Mitchell Weiss presented this informational item. He introduced Karla Sutliff to answer any questions from the Commission and give brief overview of the report. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners.

<b>Environmental Matters – Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR)</b>					
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55	Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR): Route 58 in Kern County – route adoption study for future location of Route 58 roadway extension near Bakersfield. (NOP)		Susan Bransen Jay Norvell	A	D
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Susan Bransen presented this item and recommended that Commission staff send a letter stating the Commission does not have comments on the alternatives and recommends that the funds necessary to complete the project be secured.

Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve the item. Commissioner Zarian seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

56	Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR): I-80 in San Francisco County – Yerba Buena Island Ramps Improvement Project (NOP)		Susan Bransen	A	C
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Susan Bransen presented this item and recommended that the Commission make no comments on the alternatives and that a letter be sent to the San Francisco County Transportation Authority recommending that the funds necessary to complete the project be secured.

Commissioner Ghielmetti asked if there was a chance this could be a negative declaration and if a full EIR was necessary. Director Barna replied that it was not decided by the Commission because it was the city of San Francisco's project. Ms. Bransen agreed to follow up and stated that the current plan was to complete a full EIR. Commissioner Ghielmetti said that this question did not need to be included in the formal comments submitted to the San Francisco County Transportation Authority.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the item. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

Action Item: Susan Bransen will follow up with San Francisco County Transportation Authority to ask if a Negative Declaration and not an EIR could be prepared for the Yerba Buena Island Ramps Improvement Project.

<b>Environmental Matters – Approval of Projects for Future Consideration of Funding, Route Adoption or New Public Road Connection (Final Negative Declaration or EIR)</b>					
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57	Approval of Project for Future Consideration of Funding: Salinas Road Interchange Project in Monterey County – Construct an interchange and make operational improvements to Route 1 between Jensen Road and Trafton Road undercrossing. (MND) Resolution E-08-14		Susan Bransen Jay Norvell	A	D

Susan Bransen presented this item and recommended acceptance of the environmental document and adoption of a resolution to allow this project to be considered for future funding.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the item. Commissioner Frommer seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

58	Approval of Project for Future Consideration of Funding: Route 11 and Otay Mesa East Port of Entry Project in San Diego County – Identifies corridor for consideration of the future Route 11 and the associated port of entry. (FEIR) Resolution E-08-16		Susan Bransen Jay Norvell	A	D
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Susan Bransen presented this item and recommended acceptance of the statement of overriding considerations and adoption of a resolution to allow for future consideration of funding.

Commissioner Ghielmetti moved to approve the item. Commissioner Zarian seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

Commissioner Frommer asked if more environmental study would be done in the project’s second phase. Ms. Bransen confirmed that it would.

59	Approval of Project for Future Consideration of Funding: Kings and Tulare Counties Route 198 Expressway – Widen Route 198 in Kings and Tulare Counties from 0.5 miles east of Route 43 near Hanford to 0.4 miles west of Route 99 near Visalia. (ND) Resolution E-08-17		Susan Bransen Jay Norvell	A	D
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Susan Bransen presented this item and recommended acceptance of the environmental document and adoption of a resolution to allow consideration for future funding.

Commissioner Dunn moved to approve the item. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

**The meeting adjourned for the day after this item on 10/29/08 at 4:00 pm.**

Financial Allocations for SHOPP Projects					
60	Financial Allocation (2.5b.): Four SHOPP Projects totaling \$13,659,000, as follows: -- \$11,828,000 for one project programmed in the 2008 SHOPP. -- \$1,831,000 for three projects amended into the SHOPP by departmental action. Resolution FP-08-15		Mitchell Weiss Rachel Falsetti	A	D

This item was presented out of order on October 29, 2008 immediately following the closed session.

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Mitchell Weiss presented this item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the item. Commissioner Zarian seconded the motion, which passed 7-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Frommer, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b>Financial Allocations for STIP Projects</b>				
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61	Financial Allocation (2.5c.(4)): \$250,000 for one locally-administered Eureka Non-Freeway Alternative Project on Waterfront Drive, from Del Norte Street to Hilfiker Lane. Resolution FP-08-18		Laurel Janssen Earl Seaberg	A D
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Laurel Janssen presented this item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Earp moved to approve the item. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which passed 7-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Frommer, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

62	Financial Allocation (2.5c.(2)): \$2,000,000 for one locally-administered STIP project on Route 82 between Route 101 and Route 82 (El Camino Real). Contributions from other sources: \$1,370,000. Resolution FP-08-16		David Brewer Rachel Falsetti	A D
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David Brewer presented this item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the item. Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion, which passed 7-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Frommer, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

63	Financial Allocations (2.5c.(3)): \$8,675,000 for 16 locally-administered STIP projects off the State Highway System, as follows: -- \$1,704,000 for Eight STIP projects, plus \$431,000 from other sources. -- \$3,547,000 for Four STIP Transportation Enhancement projects, plus \$4,844,000 from other sources. -- \$3,424,000 for Four STIP Planning, Programming, and Monitoring projects. Resolution FP-08-17		David Brewer Earl Seaberg	A D
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David Brewer presented this item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the item. Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion, which passed 7-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Frommer, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b>Proposition 1B STIP Project Allocations</b>				
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64	Financial Allocation (2.5g.(3a)): \$5,100,000 for one state-administered STIP project on Route 145 in the city of Madera at Route 99. Contributions from other sources: \$3,499,000. (Related item under Tab 39.) Resolution STIP1B-A-0809-005		David Brewer Rachel Falsetti	A D
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David Brewer presented this item and recommended approval.

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Commissioner Earp moved to approve the item. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which passed 7-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Frommer, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

65	Financial Allocation Adjustment (2.5g.(3b)): Reduce original allocation of \$23,404,000 to \$18,055,000, per AB 608, for one State-administered STIP Project for Route 99/Whitmore Avenue Interchange Project in Ceres. Resolution STIP1B-AA-0809-001, Amending Resolution STIP1B-A-0708-008		David Brewer Rachel Falsetti	A	D
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This item has been deferred until the December meeting.

66	Financial Allocation Adjustment (2.5g.(3c)): Reduce original allocation of \$33,000,000 to \$25,900,000, per AB 608, for one State-administered STIP Project for Route 99 Widen to 4 lanes with a Median (Segment 4) Project in Sutter County. Resolution STIP1B-AA-0809-002, Amending Resolution STIP1B-A-0708-011		David Brewer Rachel Falsetti	A	D
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David Brewer presented this item and recommended approval, but with the understanding that after the AB 608 approval the allocation may not be adjusted upward again using the department's delegated authority under Resolution G-12. Any additional project allocation would require Commission approval.

Commissioner Earp moved to approve the item. Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion, which passed 7-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Frommer, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

Commissioner Ghielmetti asked what the purpose of the allocation reduction was. Mr. Brewer replied that the award amount was low.

	<b>Proposition 1B Trade Corridor Improvement Fund (TCIF) Project Allocations</b>				
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67	Financial Allocation (2.5g.(5)): \$84,038,000 for one State-administered project on Route 905 in San Diego east of the Route 805/905 separation to east of Britannia overcrossing. Contributions from other sources: \$11,062,000. Resolution TCIF-A-0809-01		David Brewer Rachel Falsetti	A	D
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David Brewer presented this item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the item. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which passed 7-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Frommer, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

	<b>Financial Allocations for STIP Projects</b>				
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68	Financial Allocation (2.6a.): One Plumas Lake Park and Ride STIP Project in Yuba County for \$650,000. Resolution MFP-08-03		Laurel Janssen Gale Ogawa	A	D
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Laurel Janssen presented this item and recommended approval.

Commissioner Zarian moved to approve the item. Commissioner Tavaglione seconded the motion, which passed 7-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Frommer, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

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<b><u>Request to Extend the Period of Contract Award</u></b>					
69	Request to Extend the Period of Contract Award for Two GARVEE SHOPP Projects totaling \$143,000,000 per Resolution G-06-08. Waiver-08-34		Mitchell Weiss Rachel Falsetti	A	D

Mitchell Weiss explained this item had been withdrawn, as both contracts had been awarded prior to the meeting.

70	Request to Extend the Period of Contract Award for Five locally-administered STIP Projects totaling \$13,379,000, per STIP Guidelines. Waiver-08-35		Juan Guzman Earl Seaberg	A	D
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Juan Guzman presented this item and recommended approval as modified. (Request to Extend the Period of Contract Award for ~~Five~~ **Four** locally-administered STIP Projects totaling ~~\$13,379,000~~ **\$13,004,000**, per STIP Guidelines. **Waiver-08-35** -- Project #5 (San Joaquin County, PPNO 10-K656, Mall Transfer Enhancements TE) **withdrawn prior to CTC meeting.** Contract awarded.

Commissioner Tavaglione moved to approve the item. Commissioner Ghielmetti seconded the motion, which passed 7-0. (Commissioners Chalker, Frommer, Lindsey, and Tagami were absent.)

<b><u>OTHER MATTERS / PUBLIC COMMENT</u></b>					
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Commissioner Zarian asked to bring forth a discussion at the December meeting on the \$97 million for the Colton crossing project.

Director Barna explained that Commissioner Zarian was referring to a letter received by the Commissioners from the Southern California Consensus Group recommending that the \$97 million for the Colton crossing be redirected if it should be withdrawn. He stated that until Caltrans and BTH formally indicate a change in their support of the project, it was premature to speculate. He stated that the sponsoring agency has to formally request a change.

Commissioner Zarian stated that the legislation made it clear that the funds would stay in the southern California region, but needed clarification regarding how the money would be spent.

Vice Chair Alvarado stated for the record that no action was taken during the closed session.

12:00 pm	<b><u>ADJOURN</u></b>				
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Vice Chair Alvarado adjourned the meeting at 10:15 am on October 30, 2008.

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JOHN F. BARNA, JR., Executive Director