

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Executive Director

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Information**

Ref: Quarterly Report on Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee Activity

Summary: Since the last Quarterly Report update, the following San Francisco Oakland Bay Bridge Seismic Retrofit project construction activities and Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee (TBPOC) actions occurred:

2nd Quarter TBPOC meetings –

- The Program Oversight Committee continues to explore options to accelerate the work.
- Steve Heminger, Executive Director of the Bay Area Toll Authority, has been selected as the new Chairman of the TBPOC, replacing Will Kempton.

Self Anchored Suspension (SAS) contract –

- Fabrication delays of the steel deck segments for the east end of the bridge may hinder westbound opening by 2012. Full bridge opening is still on target for 2013.
- The first shipment of deck segments is expected to leave China next month.
- American Bridge Flour, the contractor, continues to work on placing the temporary bridge that will be used to support the self anchored suspension structure until load transfer is executed.

Yerba Buena Island (YBI) Detour –

- Intense public outreach is taking place to announce full bridge closure during the Labor Day weekend.
- Caltrans and the contractor are finalizing the last details to ensure a successful roll-out/roll-in operation. The last lift test for the east tie-in segment is scheduled for August 31, 2009.

Background: In July 2005, Assembly Bill 144, (AB144) Hancock created the Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee (TBPOC) 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, contract change orders and resolution of major project issues.