Memorandum

To:
DISTRICT DIRECTORS
PROJECT MANAGEMENT DEPUTIES
ENVIRONMENTAL DEPUTIES

From:
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Chief Engineer

Date: January 2, 2003

Subject: Balanced Environmental Document Delivery

The Department can derive substantial benefit by balancing delivery of environmental documents over the entire fiscal year, particularly to create more predictability for resource and regulatory agencies in planning their workloads for review of environmental documents and technical reports. This will allow limited staff resources in these agencies to work on our projects in a more timely manner.

Similar to the need to balance planned Ready to List (RTL) delivery (see attached memo), it is critical that you plan to deliver approximately 25 percent of the environmental documents (EIR or Negative Declaration and NEPA equivalents) each quarter during the fiscal year.

Attachment

"Caltrans improves mobility across California"
Memorandum

To: DISTRICT DIRECTORS
   SINGLE FOCAL POINTS
   PROGRAM MANAGERS
   PROJECT DELIVERY

From: DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
      PROJECT DELIVERY
      Mail Station #28

Date: April 27, 2000

Subject: Milestone Delivery

The need to meet project delivery commitments and to appropriately balance project workload is as critical as ever. There is ever increasing emphasis on timely completion of all major milestones, especially Project Approval & Environmental Document (PA&ED), Ready to List (RTL), and Construction Contract Acceptance (CCA). All are important in the eyes of our customers. In the 1999/2000 Fiscal Year, the Department planned to deliver (RTL) 65% of its programmed State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) within the month of June. The timing creates undue strain on key functional groups and unnecessary risk.

In an effort to improve project planning and a more balanced delivery plan, beginning in the 2000/01 FY the Districts/Regions shall submit within their District Operation Plan no more than 30% of the fiscal year’s dollar delivery, in each of the third and fourth quarters. Because of the timing of this memo, the 30% will be a target for the 2000/01 FY and will be mandatory for the 2001/02 FY. Exceptions will require approval from the Program Manager, Project Management. The District/Region’s operation plan, as well as applicable programming documents, are the tools that will be used to determine compliance with this planning criteria and to set a baseline. Actual performance will then be measured against this baseline and be monitored each quarter to coincide with the CTC project delivery reports.

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