



AUGUST 28, 2008

AGENDA ITEM # 5

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Action Requested: Receive and file

Key Staff: Brian Williams, Executive Director

Recommendation

Receive and file this summary report of current STA activities.

Discussion

A. Measure A Transportation Sales Tax Program

As reported previously, cumulative FY 2007-08 Measure A sales tax revenues came in at about \$101.4 million, which is 13.5% less than the original budget amount. We will distribute the full budgeted FY 2007-08 allocation to each Entity by accruing Measure A revenues from the first few weeks of FY 2008-09. This action will reduce the amount of Measure A revenues available for distribution next year, but it was factored into the FY 2008-09 revenue estimate.

Richardson & Company, our independent auditors, will commence the audit of FY 2007-08 transactions at the end of September. They will work first at the STA's administrative office, and then conduct field audits at each of the Measure A entities.

B. New Measure A, 2009-2039

Sacramento Countywide Transportation Mitigation Fee Program

The **New** Measure A Ordinance requires the County and each incorporated city to implement a new Sacramento Countywide Transportation Mitigation Fee Program (SCTMFP) by April 1, 2009. In June 2006, your Board adopted the Fee (Nexus) Study for the SCTMFP, and confirmed the rates that the County and cities shall impose on new development. That action also tasked staff with preparing an **Agreement on Operating Protocols** for adoption by your Board and each of the effected local jurisdictions. Staff has been coordinating with local agency transportation and infrastructure finance managers and legal counsels on the content and language of the Agreement. At the July Board meeting, we introduced the draft document for Board review and discussion. Today, staff recommends that your Board adopt the resolution to approve the Agreement, and direct staff to execute it with the County and each incorporated city (*Item #6*).

B. New Measure A, 2009-2039 (continued)

Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee

The **New** Measure A Ordinance provides for the creation of an Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee (ITOC) to supervise fiscal and performance audits of Measure A funds and to ensure that the funds are expended in accordance with the Ordinance. The ITOC is to consist of three voting members with the following professional experience: a municipal auditor, finance director, or budget officer; a civil engineer or transportation planner; a development or construction manager. Three additional non-voting members include the STA Board Chair, Executive Director, and County Auditor-Controller.

Last month, your Board authorized distribution of the ITOC application packet to potentially interested persons and organizations. Staff has commenced that distribution, and we will be sending a press release to newspaper editors throughout the County regarding this opportunity. The application materials are also posted on the STA website. Staff continues to seek input from Board members on specific individuals and organizations that should be contacted. The application due date has been pushed back to December 1.

Project Report: Elk Grove—Rancho Cordova—El Dorado Connector Project

Today, we continue our series of occasional presentations on **New** Measure A capital projects (*Item #7*). Sponsoring public agencies are invited to provide your Board with a comprehensive overview of the description, purpose, and delivery status of selected projects, as well as an assessment of the significance of Measure A to timely project delivery. At today's meeting, Elk Grove—Rancho Cordova—El Dorado Connector Joint Powers Authority staff will discuss the status of its efforts to deliver a new multimodal expressway in the south and east portion of the County.

C. Countywide Transportation Planning, Programming, and Policies

Supplemental Local Transportation Funding Program (“Measure B”)

Last year, your Board resolved to pursue a supplemental transportation revenue program(s) by 2012 in an amount roughly equal to what would be generated by an additional one-half percent Countywide transportation sales tax. The resulting funds would be earmarked for transit capital and operations and enhanced roadway maintenance services. In May, your Board created a committee of Board members to refine a work plan for preparing the supplemental transportation funding measure for voter consideration. The committee will also review associated work products, generate policy recommendations and strategies, and report back to the full Board on proposed actions. Staff has recently completed background research on the administrative feasibility and funding capacity of numerous potential funding programs. We'll compile that research into a presentable report, and hope to convene the Board committee later this year.

D. Sacramento Abandoned Vehicle Service Authority (SAVSA)

There is no new information to report on this work element.

E. Sacramento Metropolitan Freeway Service Patrol (FSP)

The presentation of the Safe Driver award for the 2nd quarter of 2008 to **Russell Myers** was continued from last month's meeting. Mr. Myers has since requested that the presentation be made privately. As such, staff will present the award through his employer, Sierra Hart Auto Center.

Freeway Service Patrol operators provided 3,947 motorist assists in June, an average daily rate of 188. The monthly assistance statistics are attached hereto.

F. Administrative Matters

Please note that the next STA Board meeting will be on Thursday **October 9**. No Board meeting is scheduled for September.

The STA is again co-sponsoring the Friends of Light Rail & Transit annual reception. This year's event will occur on Thursday Sept. 25, 6:00-8:00 pm, at the Globe Mills redevelopment on 12th Street in downtown Sacramento. As a co-sponsor, STA has several complimentary tickets. Board members interested in attending should contact staff for more information.

G. Upcoming Events 2008

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Sep 25	Friends of Light Rail & Transit annual event	
Oct 9	STA Board	
Nov 16-18	Self-Help Counties' Focus on Future annual event	
Dec 11	STA Board	

Attachments