

Daily Brief

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Formula Allocation Procedure (FAP) Update

In September, the Board was notified that the FAP Executive Committee would continue to work together to revise the FAP so that a fare change by an operator would not impact the FAP allocation.

At last week's Board Staff Briefing, a member of the Municipal Operators Executive Committee and I informed the staff that after much negotiation and discussion, we have been unable to reach a consensus on changes to fix the FAP. The current formula does not properly reflect actual ridership and penalizes an operator who raises their base fare. Any change to the FAP requires are ³/₄ majority (10) vote. I do not plan to bring this issue back to the Board.

In an earlier motion adopted by the Board, MOSIP was extended for one year pending resolution of the FAP issue. Therefore, we will address the future of MOSIP funding during the FY08 Budget discussions.

RFPs for I-710 Environmental Study, Preliminary Engineering and Facilitation of Community Participation

A Request for Proposal (RFP) was posted on <u>Metro.net</u> today to procure consultant services for environmental clearance and preliminary engineering for the I-710 Major Corridor Project between the Ports of Long Beach and Los

Angeles and State Route 60 (Pomona Freeway), a distance of approximately 18 miles. This project is in response to Board action taken in June directing staff to proceed with the environmental phase of the project. The EIR/EIS is being funded jointly Metro, SCAG, Caltrans, the Gateway Cities Council of Governments, and the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles. Bids for this RFP are due by 4:00 p.m. on January 9, 2007.

Similarly, the RFP for Facilitation of Community Participation for this project will be released on Monday November 20, 2006. Board Members and their staff should refer all consultant/contractor calls pertaining to either aspects of this project to Metro's Senior Contract Administrator, Calvin Rascoe throughout this procurement period. Mr. Rascoe can be reached at (213) 922-7326.

Metro Rail Westside Extension

The Los Angeles Times is preparing to run a story this weekend on the possibility of extending the Metro Rail subway system to Santa Monica. Planning staff indicated that the Board has not taken a position on the extension but did authorize \$100,000 to begin a study of the proposal. Staff also told the reporter that we are looking for a consultant to hire for this purpose. The story will mention the work of the City of Beverly Hills' Mass Transit Committee which is in the process of finalizing its recommendations to the City for any potential subway extensions. Beverly Hills City and Chamber officials were also contacted for the article.

Regional Transportation CEO's Committee Meeting Recap

The Regional Transportation CEO's Committee met today to discuss the status of the Multi-County Goods Movement Action Plan and to schedule the release of SCAG's "State of the Region" report. We also discussed the possibility of expanding the Mobility 21 Coalition to other parts of Southern California. Additionally, I reminded the group of the dates of two important upcoming trips -- the SCAG Consensus Trip to Washington, D.C. from February 27-March 2 and the APTA Annual Legislative Conference scheduled for March 11-13th.

Upcoming CEO Meetings and Events

Next week, I will be meeting individually with Directors John Fasana and Bernard Parks. I will also meet with Bill Doig, Senior Vice President of Operations and Bill Coryell, Vice President of Sales, both of North American Bus Industries. Finally, I will attend a luncheon honoring the EXPO Groundbreaking Volunteers.

Of Note

On this date in 2000, Metro Board Chair Yvonne Burke and Caltrans officials dedicated the Pacific Coast Highway and Carson Street bus stations - the last to be opened on the 19.5-mile Harbor Transitway. The high-speed bus and carpool lane, which runs down the middle of the I-110 freeway, connects San Pedro, downtown Los Angeles and points between.

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