PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE OCTOBER 19, 2005 EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE OCTOBER 20, 2005

SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT ON 2006 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

UPDATE

ACTION: REVIEW STATUS REPORT AND PROVIDE DIRECTION ON THE 2006

LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

RECOMMENDATION

Metro

Review status report and provide direction on the development of the 2006 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) for Los Angeles County.

ISSUE

Staff is proceeding with the development of a minor update to the 2001 Long Range Transportation Plan. This update honors past Board commitments and serves as the primary transportation planning tool to guide further transportation investments throughout Los Angeles County through 2030. The LRTP will also address significant changes that have occurred since the 2001 LRTP, including growth patterns, the latest technical assumptions, and the uncertain transportation funding environment. Staff will present to the Committee an update on the LRTP development schedule and preliminary information on funding and mobility assumptions.

BACKGROUND

As the state-designated transportation planning and programming agency for Los Angeles County, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) proactively develops a long-range vision of the transportation system based on the financial resources that are projected to be available through 2030. The current LRTP defines a comprehensive and balanced, multi-modal transportation system that reflects both regional needs and local concerns. The final 2006 LRTP is tentatively scheduled to be presented for Board action in June 2006. The LRTP ensures that Metro's long-range priorities are included in the Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG) Regional Transportation Plan, thereby making them eligible for federal funding. The update will be incorporated into SCAG's upcoming 2007 Plan.

NEXT STEPS

Staff will continue to develop the 2006 LRTP and will periodically update the Board as major work activities are completed. Final Board action on the 2006 LRTP is tentatively proposed for June 2006.

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