## Board Workshop on Goods Movement

Monday, January 29, 2007 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Metro Headquarters 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Board Room



#### Welcome & Introductions

Los Angeles County Supervisor Gloria Molina Chair, Metro Board of Directors



## Overview of Workshop Agenda & Expected Outcomes

Roger Snoble Chief Executive Officer, Metro



#### **Regional Goods Movement**



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**Current Activity: Myriad Efforts** 

#### **Regional Goods Movement**



**Coordinated Action** 



#### **Proposed Policy Statement**

Consistent with Metro's responsibility to enhance the County's mobility, economic vitality and community livability, Metro shall:

- Act as a coordinator and facilitator of programs, projects and funding to ensure a regional approach to goods movement solutions;
- Champion solutions that ensure economic vitality while maximizing improvements to the environment and quality of life; and
- Provide adequate staffing levels to fulfill this responsibility.



# State of California Goods Movement Action Plan and Funding Highlights

Barry Sedlik, Acting Secretary California Business, Transportation & Housing Agency

John Barna, Executive Director California Transportation Commission



## Overview of Draft Metro Goods Movement Policy: Projects

Carol Inge, Chief Planning Officer

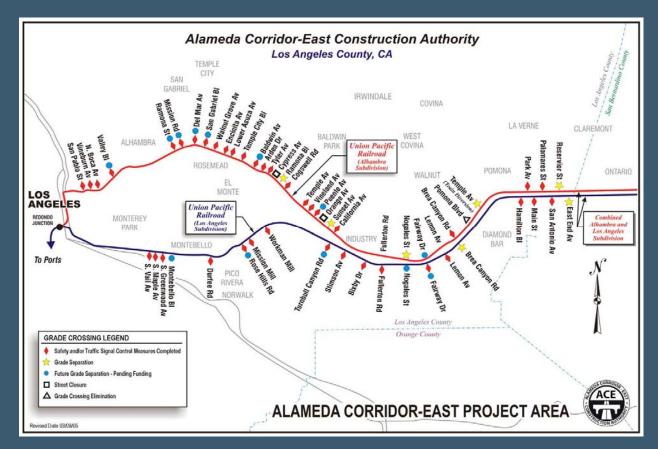


#### Grade Separations, Capacity and Safety Improvements

Continue to work closely with ACE, ACTA, the railroads, and others to ensure implementation of grade separations, capacity and safety improvements.



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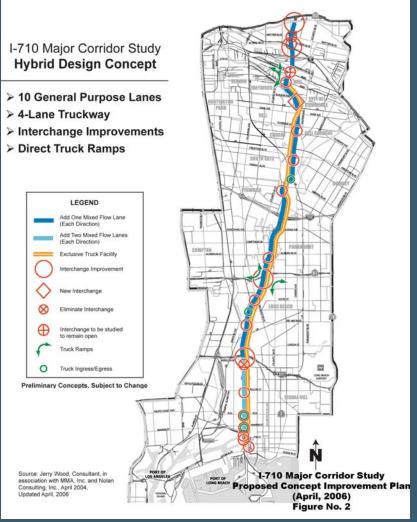


#### ACE:

- 20 major grade separations ( 2 completed, 10 funded)
- Safety and mobility improvements at 42 crossings
- Additional grade separations needed in LA County
- Additional grade separations needed in Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties



#### Interstate -710



Pursue alternatives for improving the I-710 Corridor serving the Ports of Los **Angeles and Long Beach that** achieve the goals of improved safety and mobility by separating truck / container and auto traffic, exploring alternative technology, and improving air quality and quality of life for surrounding communities.



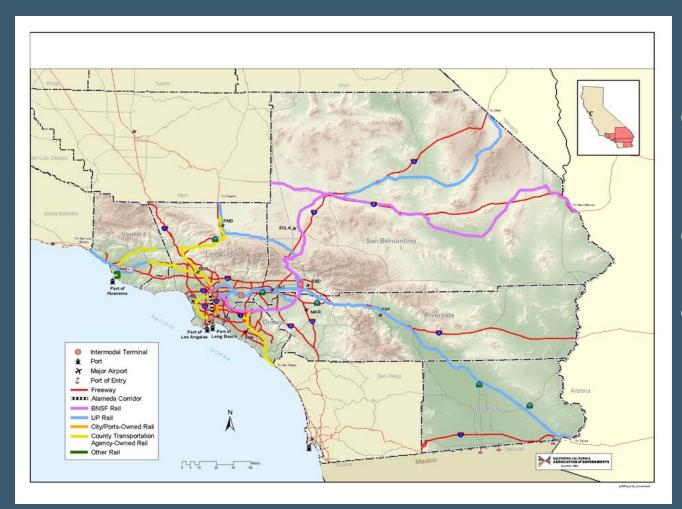
#### **Goods Movement Corridors**



Continue to identify and pursue improvements along other major goods movement corridors and interchanges.



#### **Multi-County Goods Movement Action Plan**



Finalize the Multi-County Goods Movement Action Plan for Board consideration as a blueprint for further development of projects and programs.

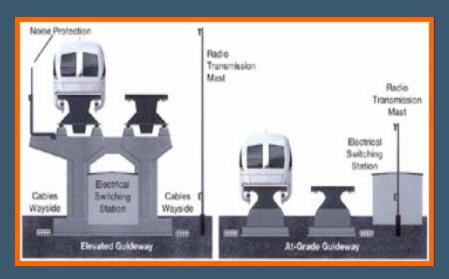


#### **Alternative Freight Technologies**



Support projects and programs that maximize air quality and improve the quality of life such as those that use clean fuel technologies, reduce greenhouse emissions, and promote renewable energy.

#### **Alternative Freight Technologies**











## Overview of Draft Metro Goods Movement Policy: Advocacy & Partnerships

Raffi Hamparian, Federal Government Relations Manager Michael Turner, State Government Relations Manager





#### 1) Federal Government and Goods Movement

- **♦ SAFETEA-LU (2004-2009)** 
  - Section 1301 Projects of National and Regional Significance (\$1.8 billon)
  - Section 1302 Corridors Program (\$1.95 billion)
  - Section 1303 Borders Program (\$ 833 million)
- **♦ Example of LAC Goods Movement Projects in SAFETEA-LU** 
  - Alameda Corridor East
  - Gerald Desmond Bridge

#### 2) The Future

- **♦** Next Reauthorization bill slated for 2009
- Key players: U.S. Senators Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer,
   Members of California House Delegation

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#### **State Advocacy Opportunities**

#### **Proposition 1B**

- > Bond program still subject to further legislation
- >SB 9 (Lowenthal) would outline the criteria to allocate project funding.
- >SB 19 (Lowenthal) would outline the criteria to allocate air quality improvement funding.
- >Container fee legislation still under discussion
- Future legislation could expand the use of Public Private Partnerships.



#### Goods Movement Policy: Advocacy & Partnerships

- Pursue ongoing dialogue with public and private goods movement stakeholders to ensure that community interests are accurately communicated and properly represented.
- Communicate a message to state and federal officials and legislators that highlights Los Angeles County's critical role in getting goods to markets across the United States and the accompanying disproportional environmental costs borne by Los Angeles County residents.
- Endorse and support Mobility 21 as a strategic advocacy partner and expand its current Los Angeles focus to a multi-county regional focus as part of Metro's active presence in all high level forums on goods movement.
- Support and propose legislation favorable to regional goods movement goals.
- Work in close collaboration with neighboring counties to ensure the development of goods movement policies that are mutually beneficial and transcend geographic boundaries.



## Overview of Draft Metro Goods Movement Policy: Funding

David Yale, Director Regional Transportation Planning & Development



#### Modal Category Fund Source Eligibility

MODAL CATEGORY	LOCAL	STATE		FEDERAL	
	Prop C	2006 STIP Augmentation		SAFETEA-LU	
	25%	RIP	TEA	CMAQ	RSTP [1]
RSTI/Goods Movement	X <sup>(2)</sup>	X			X
Bikeway Improvements			X	X	X
Pedestrian Improvements			X	X	X
Signal Synchronization	X	X		X	X
Transportation Demand Management				X	X
Transit Capital		X		X	X
Transportation Enhancements			Х		X

<sup>(1)</sup> Very little RSTP funds are expected to be available for the Call for Projects because RSTP is used for ADA transit service (Access Services Inc.)

STIP = State Transportation Improvement Program, SAFETEA-LU = Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Equitable Transportation Efficiency Act – A Legacy for Users, RIP = Regional Improvement Program, TEA = Transportation Enhancements Activities, CMAQ = Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement, RSTP = Regional Surface Transportation Program



<sup>(2)</sup> Eligibility for Prop C 25% funds for the Regional Surface Transportation Improvements (RSTI)/Goods Movement modal category is limited to transit related improvements to freeway, state highways, and regionally significant arterial streets.

#### Ports Program Requires 50% Match

- \$2 B Ports program might yield \$1 B for LA County
- \$1 B program requires \$1 B in matching funds
  - Metro commitment to matching funds would aid LA County Ports program competitors
    - Metro provided 17% for Alameda Corridor & Alameda Corridor East
- Metro staff reviewing alternative, project specific approaches to Ports program match through the Call for Projects process



#### Goods Movement Planning & Programming

January 26, 2007 Metro Call for Projects application deadline

• January 2007 State BT & H and Cal EPA agencies release Goods Movement Action Plan

• February 2007 State begins Ports, Security, and Air Quality Program Guidelines process

• February 28, 2007 SCAG 2007-08 Regional Transportation Plan Update project deadline

Spring 2007 Public comment on Multi-County Goods Movement Action Plan

February – April Metro staff evaluates Call for Projects applications

April 2, 2007 Metro submits 2006 STIP Augmentation to CTC

• To Be Determined CTC Ports/Goods Movement Program applications due

• Spring/Summer 2007 Metro considers preliminary Long Range Plan Update recommendations

• May 2007 Metro Call for Project sponsor appeals

July 2007 Metro approves Call for Projects

To Be Determined CTC approves Ports/Goods Movement Program

December 2007 SCAG begins 10 month-long Regional TIP process

October 2008 Caltrans/FHWA/FTA/EPA approval of Statewide TIP



#### **Goods Movement Policy: Funding**

- Continue collaboration with organizations such as the Coalition for America's Gateways and Trade Corridors in developing dedicated federal and state goods movement funding sources.
- Pursue public and private partnerships, resources and investments.
- Evaluate the possibility of providing a Metro fund to match all projects that secure a portion of the Statewide Goods Movement Program.



### **Testimony**



### **Public Comment**



### Metro Board Policy Discussion



### **Conclusion & Next Steps**

