Status Report on Los Angeles County Congestion Pricing Initiatives

Ad Hoc Congestion Pricing Committee June 18, 2008



Congestion-Reduction Demonstration Initiative

- On June 2, 2008 the USDOT notified us of a \$3 million reduction to the \$213.6 M awarded to fund our initiative, due to a funding commitment included in a June 6, 2008 SAFETEA-LU Technical Corrections Bill.
- Received executed MOU from USDOT
- Received executed MOU from Caltrans for \$300,000
- Received executed MOU from SCAG for \$500,000

Congestion-Reduction Demonstration Initiative

- Submitted FTA grant application for \$210.6 M under Section 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities program
 - Approval expected June 30, 2008
 - Funds will be used to replace federal funds programmed for LACMTA's preventive maintenance program for FY09 and a portion of FY10
 - The freed-up funds are eligible to be used for the HOV-HOT conversion activities

Congestion-Reduction Demonstration Initiative

- Included language in the draft LRTP to add the Congestion Pricing initiative
 - Board to adopt LRTP at the June meeting
- Working with SCAG to amend the Regional Transportation Plan to include the Congestion Pricing Initiative
 - This will allow us access to the federal funding
- We plan to bring to the Board in July a programming action for the Congestion Pricing Initiative
 - Will ask the Board to approve the funding plan for the Congestion Reduction Demonstration Initiative for the I-210 and I-10 HOT lanes and the supporting capital projects

Congestion Pricing Operating Plan - Update

- Current Consultant Activities
 - Received Draft Project Management Plan June 5, 2008
 - Received general public draft surveys
 - Received accelerated plan for the development of the concept of operations for I-210 and I-10
 - Initiated modeling activities working with Metro and SCAG

AB 1467 UPDATE

- Metro/Caltrans project is on the CTC agenda for their June 2008 meeting for a status update and discussion
- CTC plans to present the application for action at their July 23, 2008 meeting
- Schedule two public hearings:
 One for Northern California (July 24) & One for Southern California
- Submit our application to State Legislature for approval by the end of July 2008
 - Approval shall be achieved by enactment of a statute
 - USDOT MOU stipulates that authority must be granted by the State by October 15, 2008

Community Education & Outreach

Two Corridor Advisory Groups

- I-210 (Bradbury, Claremont, La Verne, San Dimas, Glendora, Azusa, Duarte, Irwindale, Monrovia, Sierra Madre, Arcadia, Pasadena, Altadena, South Pasadena, San Marino, Los Angeles, L.A. County, Federal and State field representatives)
- I-10 (Pomona, Covina, West Covina, Baldwin Park, El Monte, South El Monte, Temple City, Rosemead, San Gabriel, Monterey Park, La Puente, Alhambra, Los Angeles, L.A. County, Federal and State field representatives)

Community Education & Outreach (cont.)

- Technical Advisory Group
- Focus Groups & Surveys (re: public awareness, attitudes, & environmental justice issues)
- Educational Materials Development
 - Website (news, reports, FAQs, etc)
 - Video

Community Education & Outreach (cont.)

Key Meetings

- Technical Advisory Focus Group May 30, 2008
- Glendale City Council June 3
- Meeting #1 of I-210 and I-10 Corridor Advisory
 Groups June 12
- Congestion Pricing Forum at SGVCOGTransportation Committee June 12

Legislative Update

- May 29, 2008 made a presentation to Congressional staff
- June 12, 2008 -Quarterly Legislative Briefing update on Congestion Pricing
- June 14, 2008 San Gabriel Valley Legislative Caucus briefing
- Continued communication with congressional and state legislative staff