

CTC Meeting Notes for TAC
Sacramento
June 25, 2014

12. State and Federal Legislative Matters – CTC Carrie Pourvahidi presented: Commission approved letters of support for several bills including SB 1298 and SB 983 regarding the permanization of existing demonstration toll lanes in Los Angeles County and future expansion to new toll lanes statewide.

13. Allocation Capacity and Budget Update – Caltrans Steven Keck presented: Proposed allocation capacity for FY '15 is \$3.385 billion, including the ATP, SHOPP, STIP, and TCRP and other programs allocated by the CTC. It does not include carryovers and advances. Final allocation capacity will include those; and will be presented in August for adoption. FY '14 capacity was \$3.484 billion.

- The Federal Highway Trust Fund is forecast to run out of assets in August, prior to the September 30 expiration of MAP-21. Secretary Fox has not yet said how the FHWA will handle it – by withholding payments, delaying, or paying proportionally (~70% estimated) Commission staff indicated that in the past the Commission has not made allocations to federally funding projects when this occurs.
- FY 15 Budget approved. It includes:
 - a Capital Outlay Support reduction \$21.8 million and 210 FTE's
 - a \$351m early loan repayment from the General Fund. It will be allocated as follows:
 - \$210 million for SHOPP
 - \$27 million for Maintenance projects
 - \$100 million to Cities and Counties
 - \$9 million additional funds for the ATP
 - \$5 million to Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program (EEMP)
 - Establishes two new Cap and Trade programs
 - Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program
 - Low Carbon Transit Operations Program
 - Formula Disbursement
 - \$553 million appropriation (the remainder) for Prop 1B.

16. Fuel Excise Tax – Joe Fitz, Board of Equalization presented:

The Board of Equalization is responsible for setting the tax each year. We true up for the previous year and we forecast for the coming year. There is actually a two-year time-lag on the true-up. There is a Diesel Sales Tax sales and use tax add-on that we also adjust annually. Both are revenue neutral over time. The fuel price is forecast based on: actuals, U.S. Energy Information Administration, IHS Global Insight, and California fuel CPI from the Department of Finance economic research unit.

20. 2016 STIP Guidelines Update. With the 2014 STIP adopted, and the next STIP to be adopted in March 2016, staff is embarking on revisions to the STIP guidelines for 2016. Workshops are rotating around the state. At the first workshop, held in June, topics of discussion were simplifying performance measures, ensuring mode neutrality, and clarifying the goals of the STIP.

73. Allocations of RIP funds were made to 5 TEA projects located in Los Angeles County.

82., 83. TCIF allocations made to 2 projects located in Los Angeles County.

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