

APPROVED MINUTES

SHASTA COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY (MPO)
Tuesday, October 24, 2006, 4:00 p.m.
John Beaudet Community Senior Center,
1525 Median Avenue, City of Shasta Lake, California.

(Note: These minutes are not intended to serve as a transcript or verbatim record of the proceedings of the Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency, but rather as a record of meeting time, place and attendance; the order and general nature of discussion; Agency deliberations; and action taken, if any.)

Agency Members Clarke, Connick, Hawes, Goekler, Mathena, and Hartman were present. Agency Member Pohlmeier was absent.

1. Call to Order:

Chair Hawes called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

2. Staff Introductions

3. Public Comment Period:

There was no one who wished to speak during the Public Comment Period.

Consent Calendar

4-1 Minutes of July 25, 2006, RTPA Meeting

4-2 Future RTPA Meeting Schedule Through October 2007 - Information Only

4-3 Authorization to Submit Shasta Area Regional Blueprint Plan

By motion made, seconded and carried, the items on the Consent Calendar were approved with Board Member Goekler abstaining on item 4-1 - the minutes of July 25, 2006 RTPA meeting.

Regular Calendar

5. Amendment #1 to the 2006 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) (Public Hearing)

Staff member Thomas Hays explained that this item is to adopt a resolution and ask that Executive Officer, Dan Little, be able to make future changes to the FTIP. Thomas continued to explain how at the last Agency meeting the Board adopted the 2006 FTIP. Since then Caltrans headquarters has advised the RTPA of two proposed amendments. One is an increase of an additional \$742,000

for a City of Shasta Lake Hazard Elimination Program (HES) project. The project is for bike lanes, curb and gutter, and sidewalks along State Route 151. The second proposed amendment advises the RTPA that there is now firm programming in the FTIP for the Rail Crossing Safety Program of \$500,000. This is at Yuba street.

Board member Hawes asked what improvements were going to be done to the crossing.

Ray Duryee of the City of Redding answered that they plan to upgrade the crossing arms and lights. They also plan to enhance the pedestrian walking area and the sidewalk by extending the arms to restrict pedestrian access.

No one spoke during the public comment period.

By motion made and seconded (Comnick/Goekler) the staff recommendation passed unanimously.

6. Master Fund Transfer Agreement (MFTA) and Fix 5 Partnership Request for Proposals (RFP)

Executive Officer Dan Little explained that the action today is threefold. One is to give an update regarding the Fix 5 Partnership. Second is to authorize the Executive Officer to execute a Master Fund Transfer Agreement. Third is to authorize distribution of the Request for Proposals.

Dan explained an Executive Committee meeting was held concerning Fix 5 where some key decisions were made. The project limits are from Corning to the City of Shasta Lake. A decision was made to focus the study primarily on the mainline (I-5) and not so much on the interchanges and parallel roads. Discussion was held concerning the concept of an interim fee. Dan continued to explain the structure for the study would consist of an Executive Committee, the RTPA, and a Technical Advisory Committee. The next step is to go about selecting a consultant and bring it to the Agency at the February meeting.

Discussion was held concerning Del Webb, the bond on the ballot in November and Interstate 5.

By motion made and seconded (Hartman/Comnick) the staff recommendation passed unanimously.

7. Proposition 1A and 1B Workshop & Adopt Preliminary List of Corridor Mobility Improvement Account (CMIA) Projects

Executive Officer Dan Little explained that if these propositions pass it means \$7 million in annual funding plus

\$36 million in one time funds, and an unknown amount of competitive program funds. Dan explained Proposition 1A and that it puts greater firewalls on gasoline sales tax money.

Dan explained that Proposition 1B is one-time money. Thirty-four million is formula funds, other programs will be competitive statewide grants. The largest program within Proposition 1B is the \$4.5 billion Corridor Mobility Improvement Account (CMIA) Program. The guidelines need to be adopted right after the elections. The role of the Agency with this program will be by January 15, 2007, to have nominated a list of prioritized projects. Staff will have a list of projects by the December RTPA meeting for the Agency.

Brian Crane, Director Caltrans District 2, explained that they have two corridors that they are going to be focusing on. They are East to West from Eureka to Redding to Susanville to Reno. This is called the East-West Corridor, consisting of highways 299, 44, 36 and 395. The other corridor is Interstate 5 (I-5). In the greater Redding area they are looking to complete the Dana to Downtown project. The Stillwater freeway is another corridor need key project. Something will also be submitted for Buckhorn. Brian continued to speak about I-5 congestion. One project in particular that stands a good chance of going through is better information on monitoring the I-5 corridor. Acquiring traffic monitoring stations, changeable message signs, and closed circuit cameras would help to better manage the corridor.

Brian continued to explain that there are three operational type improvements. One is the south and northbound lanes on Cottonwood Hill. One is the southbound lane at the Central Redding Interchange. One is the auxiliary lanes between Bonnyview and Cypress both north and southbound, and Cypress to the Central Redding Interchange.

Executive Officer Dan Little noted that there was a meeting of the North State Super Region, which includes eleven counties from Willows to Butte County. It includes districts 1, 2 and Glenn County. There are a lot of needs and they tried to reach some level of coordination and consensus on projects for the whole region.

Dan Little concluded by advising the Agency to approve the tentative list of eligible Corridor Mobility Improvement Account projects.

By motion made and seconded (Clarke/Comnick) the staff recommendation passed unanimously.

8. Executive Officer Report

- a. South County Traffic Study Update
- b. Riverside/Ox Yoke Traffic Study Update
- c. Certificate of Appreciation, Dennis Daily, City of Shasta Lake

Executive Officer Dan Little reviewed the South County Traffic Study for the Anderson and Cottonwood area. He noted that a Traffic Impact Fee Program goes before the Board of Supervisors November 14, 2006, and before the Anderson City Council on November 21, 2006.

Executive Officer Dan Little reviewed the Riverside/Ox Yoke corridor. Dan noted that this project is just getting started. The first public meeting was held September 26, 2006, which was well-attended.

Executive Officer Dan Little noted that although he is not at the meeting, the RTPA wanted to present the City of Shasta Lake retiring Public Works Director, Dennis Daily, a certificate of recognition.

There being no other business to discuss, Chairman Hawes adjourned the meeting at 5:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel S. Little, Executive Officer

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