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TO:

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS** 

THROUGH:

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SUBJECT:

PROJECT MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE CONTRACT

QUARTERLY STATUS REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING

**MARCH 2005** 

### **ISSUE**

This quarterly status report on the Project Management Assistance (PMA) Contract is submitted as requested by the Board of Directors.

#### RATIONALE

PMA Contract PM022 was awarded on May 25, 2001 and has a current Contract Value of \$7,036,663. The PMA contract is a cost-effective means of providing highly qualified expertise on a short-term as-needed basis to address complex issues and tasks that occur on Capital Projects.

During this quarterly reporting period, the PMA performed the following tasks:

### **CONTRACT CWO 3 (Wilshire BRT):**

### Traffic Engineering Demonstration Project

- 1. Reviewed and summarized Before and After Studies Technical Memorandums (Bus Operations, Parking and Traffic Operations) submitted by Korve.
- 2. Utilized traffic data collected by LADOT (i.e., ATSAC detector counts, peak hour and daily traffic counts) to provide additional analysis; refined and further developed concept

drawing through coordination with LADOT to provide an additional eastbound mixedflow lane between Barrington and Federal; preparing geometric concept drawings, including broad cost estimates, identifying range of improvements on an eastern extension to the bus turnout at Bonsall and further to the intersection of Federal.

3. Prepared draft white paper/technical memorandum for submittal to LADOT detailing MTA's position on the existing demo project and its operation, concept drawings and analysis to extend the bus lane eastward. The document also identifies status MTA's efforts with the cities of Santa Monica and Beverly Hills in implementing Transit Signal Priority (TSP) as an initial step of extending the bus lanes.

## Traffic Engineering BRT Extension

- 1. Initiated and coordinated meetings with LA County DWP, LADOT, and Caltrans; met Caltrans design staff to discuss status of I-405/HOV Project between I-10 and US-101 and impacts associated with the Wilshire Boulevard ramps; met with Caltrans TMC staff to obtain loop ramp data at I-405/Wilshire Boulevard; conducted field visits to observe overall traffic operations between Federal Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard.
- 2. Participated in discussions with MTA Environmental Compliance staff to review requirements related to CEQA and NEPA.
- 3. Prepared a draft white paper summarizing the initial study results; developing alternative concepts for an eastern extension of the bus-only lane and other mixed flow concepts east of the bus-turnout towards the intersection at Sepulveda.

# CONTRACT CWO 6 (Systemwide):

- Metro Green Line (MGL) H1100 Contract Closeout Maintained and updated the open items matrices; Assisted in resolving issues related to ATO/ATP software release 17; prepared documentation for contract closeout; prepared responses to submittals/ correspondence from Union Switch & Signal and Systra Consulting, Inc.; reviewed and commented on as-built drawings for wayside equipment.
- P2000 Contract Closeout Reviewed ground brush, air spring pressure, and Vehicle Data Control Unit (VDCU) related issues and discussed resolution options; participated in and completed vehicle inspections and resolving inspection open items for Metro Green Line and Metro Gold Line vehicles.

# CONTRACT CWO 7 (Exposition LRT):

1. Provided Planning Management Administrative Services - Organized documents for preparation of filing for Preliminary Engineering and EIS/EIR binders; reviewed documents/reports for traffic counts from year 2000 to the present; reviewed material describing the Culver City segment of the west end alignment (Ballona Creek to Venice/Robertson Station) to compare to the description in the MTA EIR/EIS.

2. Contract Administration Services – Completed detailed procurement plan and linked the procurement plan to the web page; met with the preliminary engineering Consultant to coordinate the Design Documents with the Request For Proposal (RFP). Coordinated activities for the Industry Review; compiled questions from the Contracting community; continued drafting RFP Key Terms and Conditions (General Provisions).

Contract PM022 total incurred cost for this period is \$255,498, and cumulative incurred cost is \$6,425,825. The work described has been accomplished in a satisfactory manner consistent with contract requirements and within the established budget and schedule.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Estimating services for the Exposition LRT project and authorization of the 2<sup>nd</sup> (and final) 1-year Option for this contract is on the MTA Board Agenda for April 28, 2005. In the event exercising the Option is not approved, the PMA Contract expires May 25, 2005.