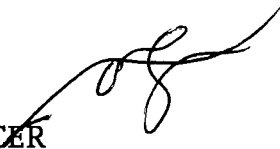





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January 16, 2005

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THROUGH: ROGER SNOBLE
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 

FROM: CAROL INGE, INTERIM CHIEF PLANNING OFFICER
COUNTYWIDE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT 

SUBJECT: QUARTERLY REPORT ON REGIONAL EXTERNAL
ORGANIZATIONS

ISSUE

This report is prepared in response to the October 1997 Board action that requires the CEO or designee to report quarterly to the Board on the status and progress of regional external organizations on which Metro is represented by Board members or elected-official appointees. Board members may request that any item described in this report be brought forward for discussion at a future Board meeting.

DISCUSSION

Attachment A is the Quarterly Report on Regional External Organizations: Fiscal Year 2005-06 1st Quarter ending September 30, 2005. As a regional transportation planning agency, Metro currently participates on the boards of nine organizations. The following report summarizes the roles and responsibilities, status, and progress of each organization.

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| <p>ORGANIZATION: 1) Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA)</p> | <p>LEAD STAFF: Nalini Ahuja Patricia Chen (213) 922-3088 (213) 922-3041</p> | <p>PHONE NUMBER: (213) 922-3088 (213) 922-3041</p> |
| <p>ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: SCRRA is a Joint Powers Authority is made up of MTA, OCTA, RCTC, SANBAG, and VCTC. It's mission is to plan, construct, and administer the operation of regional passenger rail lines (known as "Metrolink").</p> | <p>METRO REPRESENTATIVES/ALTERNATES: Michael Antonovich/.....Robert Bartlett Frank Roberts/.....Maureen Micheline Don Knabe/..... Beatrice Proo Hal Bernson/.....Francine Oschin</p> | <p>6-Month Projected Actions</p> |
| <p>Issue</p> | <p>Quarterly Actions (Including Dates of Actions)</p> | <p>Metro Position *</p> |
| <p>Railcar Procurement</p> | <p>At the September 9, 2005 SCRRA Board meeting, the Board approved Invitation for Bid (IFB) documents to procure approximately 46 rail cars. The Board gave the CEO authority to advertise the IFB and to return to the Board with a recommendation to award a contract for rail cars to the lowest priced, responsive and responsible bidder.</p> <p>Included in the IFB documents is the technical requirement that rail cars incorporate Crash Energy Management (CEM). CEM is an APTA-sponsored initiative to include new safety features in commuter rail cars.</p> | <p>The IFB was advertised to the general public in mid September. Bids were due in late October and staff hopes to return to the Board in November 2005 with a recommendation for a contract award.</p> <p>The base order is currently for approximately 46 vehicles. OCTA staff is currently seeking Board approval to add vehicles to the SCRRA procurement, effectively doubling the order, as they plan to significantly increase service on the Orange County Line. If so, OCTA would fund their additional vehicles with their own member agency funds.</p> |
| <p>Lease of Railcars from San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission</p> | <p>At the September 9, 2005 Board meeting, the Board approved a motion to give the CEO authority to negotiate a one year lease (with additional one year option) for the lease of two cab cars and two coaches from San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission, not to exceed \$25,000 total per month.</p> <p>The lease of these vehicles is essential given the two year timeframe for delivery of new vehicles associated with the larger rail car procurement (see above). Metrolink is also experiencing equipment shortages due to the January 2005 Glendale incident. Metrolink is presently experiencing overcrowding on some lines and there are not sufficient spare cars to support rehabilitation and renovation programs.</p> | <p>SCRRA to enter into lease, take delivery of vehicles in December, and place into service by Dec 31st, 2005.</p> |

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| Issue | Quarterly Actions (Including Dates of Actions) | 6-Month Projected Actions | Metro Position* |
| Replacement of Seat Cushions | At the September 23, 2005 Board meeting, the Board approved the extension of an option on the contract with Seatmax to replace seat cushions in 57 older, first generation rail cars. Some delay has occurred in the replacement project due to the Glendale incident. | All first and second generation seat cushions are to be replaced by December 31, 2005. | S |
| Ridership Update | For the first time since Metrolink's inception, monthly ridership now averages more than 40,000 boardings per weekday. The 40,078 daily boardings for September 2005 represents a 6% increase in ridership over September 2004. There has also been significant growth in Saturday ridership on the San Bernardino Line. There are now more Saturday boardings on the San Bernardino Line (3,985) than on the Ventura County Line on weekdays (3,969). | Continue to monitor growth in ridership on Metrolink system. Four new rail cars from San Joaquin will help mitigate existing overcrowding conditions. | N/A |

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| <p>ORGANIZATION: 2) Los Angeles-San Diego –San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency (LOSSAN)</p> | <p>LEAD STAFF: Patricia Chen Jay Fuhrman (213) 922-3041 (213) 922-2810</p> <p>PHONE NUMBERS:</p> <p>METRO REPRESENTATIVES/ALTERNATES: VACANT Jacki Bacharach</p> |
| <p>ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: LOSSAN is a Joint Powers Authority composed of OCTA, MTA, NTC, SANDAG, SBCAG, SLOCOG, VCTC, and Caltrans (with SCAG as an ex-officio member). The organization's mission is to provide efficient, effective inter-city rail services in the Los Angeles-San Diego Rail corridor. Specifics: Coordinate capital improvements along the corridor; develop a capital program to secure funding from state and federal governments; coordinate and conduct a legislative and lobbying program at the federal and state level for LOSSAN corridor issues, especially those that give voice to funding needs and funding inequities.</p> | <p>6-Month Projected Actions An additional \$70 million will soon be requested from the CTC for grade separations and track work.</p> |
| <p>Issue</p> | <p>Quarterly Actions (Including Dates of Actions)</p> |
| <p>State Funding for LOSSAN Corridor Projects</p> | <p>At the September 14, 2005 LOSSAN Board meeting, the Board received good news regarding capital improvements to the LOSSAN corridor. In August 2005 the California Transportation Commission (CTC) approved an \$87 million request for the triple track project between Los Angeles and Fullerton. This important project will expand capacity in this heavily congested corridor. When completed, the project will add a third main line track, sidings, and expand overall capacity for Amtrak, Metrolink and freight trains.</p> |
| <p>LOSSAN Corridor North Strategic Business Plan</p> | <p>The LOSSAN Board received an update on the Strategic Business Plan (North) document. This document represents a detailed, long-range vision for the corridor from Los Angeles Union Station to San Luis Obispo.</p> <p>A public review process for the North Strategic Business Plan was initiated this Fall, and comments incorporated into the draft plan. The scope of work was expanded to include an assessment of commuter rail between Ventura and Santa Barbara counties.</p> |
| <p>Pacific Surfliner Ridership</p> | <p>Pacific Surfliner trains continue to experience record ridership. July ridership was the highest recorded in history on the Surfliner. Amtrak is projecting a record 2.5 million boardings on the Surfliner for the Federal fiscal year ending September 30, 2005.</p> <p>On-time performance is at 71% for the year, well below the goal. Delays are attributable primarily to interference with other passenger and freight trains.</p> |
| <p></p> | <p>The final Strategic Business Plan is scheduled for adoption in March 2006.</p> |
| <p></p> | <p>N/A – information only</p> |
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| <p>ORGANIZATION: 3) Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC)</p> | <p>LEAD STAFF: Douglas Kim Stacy Alameida (213) 922-2817 (213) 922-7414</p> <p>PHONE NUMBER:</p> | |
| <p>ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: MSRC is an independent entity created by State law, which allocates about \$12 million annually in AB 2766 discretionary funds from a portion of an annual \$4 DMV surcharge. This revenue is used to fund programs that reduce air pollution from motor vehicles. Metro represents its interests and those of LA County jurisdictions.</p> <p>The MSRC is composed of eight member agencies: Metro, South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD), Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG), Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), California Air Resources Board (CARB), and Southern California Rideshare (regional rideshare agency).</p> | <p>METRO REPRESENTATIVE/ALTERNATE: Todd Campbell / Cameron Smyth</p> | |
| <p>Issue</p> <p>FY 2005-06 Annual Work Program</p> | <p>Quarterly Actions (Including Dates of Actions)</p> <p>At the July 28, 2005 meeting, the MSRC approved 6 funding categories for inclusion in the FY'05-06 Phase I Work Program. The categories and dollars allocated are as follows: CNG School Bus Incentives (\$2 million), Diesel Exhaust After-Treatment Devices (\$1.25 million), Alternative Fuel Infrastructure (\$2.5 million), Local Government Match (\$3 million), Freeway Service Patrol (\$3.95 million) and a Vanpool Incentive Continuation Program (\$175,000).</p> <p>Solicitations were developed and released in September 2005 for the Diesel Exhaust After Treatment Program, Alternative Fuel Infrastructure and Local Government Match Programs. MTA staff notified its stakeholder regarding the solicitations and the available funding. As part of this work program MTA received \$1.4 million in funding for new or expanded FSP service. Long Range Planning Staff continues to work with Operations and the TCM subcommittee to work out the details and develop the agreements for this program.</p> | <p>6-Month Projected Actions</p> <p>Staff will continue to work with MSRC staff and its TAC to further refine each of the work program categories as well as determine the funding parameters for the developing Work Program. The MSRC is expected to make funding the early part of next year. Development for Phase II of this year's work program will begin in January 2006.</p> |
| <p>MSRC and AQMD Funding Award for MTA Buses</p> | <p>On September 29, 2005, staff submitted a proposal for \$1,046,970 to re-power 100 CNG 40-foot transit buses with new lower emitting CNG engines.</p> | <p>Staff will work with AQMD to respond to any questions regarding this proposal prior to the grant awards. Staff will continue to participate in other grant proposals as they become available.</p> |

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| <p>ORGANIZATION: 4) Regional Transportation Agencies Coalition (RTAC)</p> | <p>LEAD STAFF: Douglas Kim Eric Carlson Cosette Stark (213) 922-2817 / (213) 922-3069/ (213) 922-2822</p> | <p>PHONE:</p> |
| <p>ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: RTAC provides member agencies with a forum to discuss legislative mandates of mutual interest as set forth in AB 1246. RTAC addresses issues, facilitates identification, coordination, and resolution of transportation and air quality issues affecting member agencies. RTAC is composed of six voting members: Metro, Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG), Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), and Caltrans. The five Southern California air districts, Imperial Valley Association of Governments, and Ventura County Transportation Commission are ex-officio members.</p> | <p>METRO REPRESENTATIVE: None</p> | <p>METRO REPRESENTATIVE: None</p> |
| <p>Issue</p> | <p>Quarterly Actions (Including Dates of Actions)</p> | <p>6-Month Projected Actions</p> |
| <p>Regional Rideshare Services</p> | <p>Each of the CTCs executed MOUs with RCTC for the provision of regional ridesharing services and maintenance of the CommuteSmart.Info website for FY06. Each of the CTCs executed POs with Metro for the provision of a regional electronic newsletter, coordination of the Rideshare Week Media Luncheon and guaranteed ride home (GRH) services for the region in FY06. Rideshare week activities were implemented the first week of October in all the counties and activities were coordinated across the region. Metro (on behalf of the CTCs) extended the existing GRH program that was funded by the MSRC until January 2006 when a new contractor can be selected to implement an enhanced GRH program for the region. Metro and the CTCs finalized a scope of work and prepared procurement documents to solicit for the new GRH contractor. GRH programs provide a ride home for people who use transit or carpool to work in the event of an emergency such as illness of the employee or employee's child. The Regional Rideshare Implementation Committee met in July, August and September to continue to coordinate rideshare service provision. The committee also began discussion of 511 in relation to 1-800 Commute and the CommuteSmart.Info regional commute assistance website.</p> | <p>Release RFP to develop and implement a new regional GRH program. Form a regional committee to discuss potential for 511 implementation.</p> |
| | | <p>Metro Position * S</p> |

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| <p>ORGANIZATION: 5) SCAG Transportation and Communications Committee (TCC)</p> | <p>LEAD STAFF: Douglas Kim Eric Carlson (213) 922-2817 / (213) 922-3069</p> <p>PHONE NUMBER:</p> |
| <p>ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: TCC is a policy advisory committee to the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Regional Council on all regional matters pertaining to the movement of goods and people. TCC reviews the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and makes recommendations to the Regional Council. The TCC also provides recommendations on state and federal legislative proposals and administrative guidelines affecting planning and capital improvement programs for transportation and utilities.</p> | <p>METRO REPRESENTATIVES: John Fasana (SGVCOG) Pam O'Connor (City of Santa Monica) Bonnie Lowenthal (City of Long Beach) MTA Seat: Yvonne Burke</p> |
| <p>Issue</p> | <p>6-Month Projected Actions</p> |
| <p>Quarterly Actions (Including Dates of Actions)</p> <p>At the Sept. 1st, 2005 meeting Staff reported on some of the highlights of the recently adopted SAFETEA-LU bill:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MPO Funding Increase – Increase from 1% of core programs to 1.25% will provide additional funding for SCAG planning activities. • Minimum Guarantee for States – Increased on an incremental scale from 90.5% to 92% by 2008. • RTP/RTIP Cycle – Cycles were extended to every 4 years and were synchronized. • Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) – Retains 8-hour ozone weighting factors by severity level so that South Coast Air Basin will continue to receive funding based its non-attainment severity classification for 8-hour ozone. • Gas Tax – No raise to federal gas tax which remains at 18.4 cents/gallon through 2009. • Two New National Transportation Plng. Committees – The Surface Transportation Infrastructure Comm. and the Future of Surface Transportation Comm. Were formed to research future funding mechanisms and develop a national strategy for surface transportation, respectively. <p>Project Funding Highlights: Eastside Light Rail Line \$400 Million Alameda Corridor East \$178 Million I-405 HOV \$130 Million Desmond Bridge \$100 Million Inland Empire Goods Movement Gateway Project \$75 Million Metro Gold Line \$12.5 Million</p> | <p>SCAG staff are reviewing the SAFETEA-LU earmarks for the SCAG region to determine how many of the projects already exist in the RTIP, and how many will need to be placed into the next RTIP update.</p> <p align="right">Metro Position* N</p> |

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| <p>Issue Goods Movement Initiatives</p> | <p>Quarterly Actions (Including Dates of Actions) On Sept. 1, 2005, SCAG staff presented the findings of the Port & Modal Elasticity Study, conducted by UC Berkeley Professor Rob Leachman. The study provided an analysis of the "elasticity" of demand for the use of the Ports of LA and LB, in response to possible container fees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The study lays out the business case for private sector investment in goods movement infrastructure. • The study shows that container fees could actually boost trade volume through Southern California, as long as it is invested in congestion relief. • It also shows that for every dollar that private industry pays in the form of tolls on truck lanes, it could benefit as much as \$5-11. | <p>2006 RTIP Guidelines On Sept 1, 2005, members unanimously approved the release of the 2006 RTIP Guidelines and approval process for RTIP amendments, and authorized staff to finalize the guidelines. The RTIP Guidelines are prepared in concert with the transportation commissions for the purpose of facilitating the work of the commissions, Caltrans, and transit operators in the development of the RTIP project listing. The RTIP Guidelines are updated every two years by SCAG.</p> |
| <p>Compass 2% Strategy Tools & Resources</p> | <p>On July 7, 2005, staff reported that SCAG will offer planning assistance to cities that desire it, in the form of a tool kit they are calling the <i>2% Strategy Suite of Services</i>. The suite is intended to provide tools and resources to local governments that desire assistance to develop plans and projects consistent with the Compass 2% Growth Strategy principles. This incentive approach is intended to both assist the partner government and provide learning lessons that can be shared with other cities. The city will have access to SCAG and its consultants, bringing with them a suite of new tools for planning.</p> | <p>The resources are currently available at no cost to all local governments.</p> |

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| Expanded Regional Comprehensive Plan Approach and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) | On Sept. 1, 2005, staff presented a report from the RCP task force. The task force is proposing that SCAG expand the original RCP work plan to include new work efforts aimed at producing more definite measurable outcomes, that would add the following activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none">o Establish quantifiable outcomes for planning and resource categories.o Demonstrate measurable benefit for the environment.o Include mitigation measures that are applicable at the project level.o Propose funding and other incentive mechanisms. In response to CEQA Reform discussions, SCAG sees the RCP as an opportunity to develop a test case regional plan that could potentially be useful in qualifying subsequent projects, should CEQA reform proceed. | Metro staff will continue to monitor the development of the Regional Comprehensive Plan as it relates to the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) development. | N |
| Maglev Task Force Report | SCAG staff are exploring the funding possibilities for including private and non-profit government sources for a trip to China, which has been pushed back to January or February 2006. Notice to proceed was sent to Lockheed Martin on July 28 th for phase two, which is the preliminary engineering of the initial operating segment of the West Los Angeles to Ontario Airport. A notice to proceed was sent out on August 4 th , this study will analyze the State high-speed rail and Maglev on the Initial Operating Segment. | Related to the Maglev Initial Operating Segment, SCAG is conducting a West LA Multi-Modal Transfer Facility Study. Metro staff have requested that Metro be included in the study as it gets underway. | N |

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| 6) Advanced Transit Vehicle Consortium (formerly Fuel Cell Buyers Consortium) | | PHONE NUMBER: (213) 922-5815 |
| ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: | | METRO REPRESENTATIVES: |
| 1. Improving bus service through Advanced Technology High Capacity vehicles. 2. Improving air quality through ultra low and/or zero emission advanced technology vehicles. 3. Capturing economic benefits from manufacturing advanced technology vehicles. 4. Creating new high technology jobs. | | Frank Roberts (MTA Rep) Yvonne Burke (At-Large) John Fasana (At-Large) Michael Antonovich (At-Large) Zev Yaroslavsky (At-Large) |
| Issue | Quarterly Actions (Including Dates of Actions) | 6-Month Projected Actions |
| Evaluation of advanced technology vehicles. | Staff presented a recommendation to the Board to initiate a procurement to purchase gasoline hybrid electric vehicles. Staff received ATVC Board approval to proceed with acquisition of hybrid electric vehicles, and is moving forward with this project for delivery in 2007. Staff and the ATVC consultant met to determine the technical path forward the agency. | Staff has identified local funds to proceed with outlined projects. Staff will move forward with the acquisition of hybrid vehicles for delivery in 2007. Staff is working with AQMD to underwrite HCNG engine test program. |
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| ORGANIZATION: 7) California Association of Councils of Governments (CALCOG) | | LEAD STAFF: Frank Flores David Yale (213) 922-2469 |
| ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: CALCOG's primary activities are to provide public policy advocacy and intergovernmental coordination with the state legislature, state agencies, the League of California Cities, California State Association of Counties, California's Congressional Delegation and federal officials. CALCOG member agencies serve as regional transportation planning agencies under state law and as metropolitan (transportation) planning organizations (MPO) under federal law. | | METRO REPRESENTATIVES/ALTERNATES: VACANT – The MTA Chairman and/or the MTA Board needs to assign an elected official to the CALCOG organization. Metro staff cannot serve in a voting capacity. |
| Issue | Quarterly Actions (Including Dates of Actions) | 6-Month Projected Actions |
| SAFETEA-LU Implementation Issues | SAFETEA-LU implementation issues prepared by Caltrans will be addressed in an October meeting (date to be announced) (Sept. 12, 2005) | CALCOG will not support Gov's "Live Within Our Means Act". |
| Planning, Programming and Monitoring (PPM) Funds Revised Proposal | Consensus reached on a PPM proposal to present to the Legislature in 2006 (Sept. 12, 2005) | CALCOG representatives and Caltrans staff will work to identify consensus positions on the emerging reauthorization legislation. Will Kempton is drafting an administration letter on the matter. |
| SB 1024 | A lobbyist presented an amended SB 1024 bill that includes language to implement regional blueprint plans (Sept. 12, 2005). | CALCOG will support amendments. |
| | | Metro Position * N (Metro staff will recommend support) S |
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| <p>ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: RTPA is an advocacy organization which aims to build consensus among the regions on issues impacting every regional planning agency. With a coordinated and joint position, the RTPA speaks as a unified group, advocating for key issues to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) and other bodies.</p> | <p>Quarterly Actions (Including Dates of Actions)</p> <p>CTC adopted Tier 2A STIP Assumption:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than two thirds of STIP funds will come from the Public Transportation Account (PTA). These funds are restricted to public transit exclusively. • LA County stands to lose up to \$500 million in existing programming capacity or gain up to \$323 million in the upcoming legislative processes surrounding the use of Prop. 42 sales tax on gas revenues. • Adopted STIP guidelines reflected new and revised nomenclature from SAFETEA-LU. | <p>6-Month Projected Actions</p> <p>Legislation to protect Prop 42 funds for transportation will continue to be reviewed by this group.</p> <p>CTC voted to delay the Fund Estimate by two months due to the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gov. still pursuing Tribal Gaming Compact for GF Loan • Congress has yet to reauthorize TEA-21 • New STIP capacity appear to be wholly dependent on TIF transfers and PTA spillover revenues • AB 144 had not yet been approved (was approved 7/18/05) |
| <p>Issue</p> <p>2006 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)</p> | <p>The CTC approved \$71.2 million in TCRP allocations for LA County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$68.7 million for Alameda Corridor East • \$2.5 for Hollywood Intermodal Transportation Center <p>The CTC also "re-allocated" \$9.4 million for the I-405 Northbound Sepulveda Pass Car Pool Lane.</p> | <p>Metro Position *</p> <p>Metro letter to CTC (Aug. 23, 2005) requested the CTC not implement the \$50 million AB 3090 ceiling</p> |
| <p>TCRP Allocation Plan</p> | <p>Caltrans presented CTC a status update on the I-5 widening project.</p> | <p>Metro working with Caltrans to explore design/build for the I-405 project to accelerate delivery</p> |
| <p>I-5 Widening Project</p> | <p>Construction is scheduled to begin in 2010 with a 2015 opening. The project has experienced significant cost increases and will require further review and identification of cost reduction strategies and local funding options.</p> | |

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| STIP Transportation System Performance Measures | <p>As part of the Governors Go California vision, the Business Transportation and Housing Agency developed a Performance Improvement Initiative designed to provide the state with a performance measurement tool for future transportation investments. The result has been the development of a set of Transportation System Performance Measures. These measures will be used to guide investment decisions on the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Highway Operations and Protection Plan (SHOPP), • Inter-Regional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP), and • the • Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP). <p>In addition, these measures will be used to inform and guide the long range planning programs of the state's highway and regional rail network.</p> | The CTC approved the draft amendment to include system performance measures for the 2006 STIP. |
| Regional Transportation Planning Agencies | <p>Discussed SAFETEA-LU implementation issues</p> <p>Obligation Authority: LA County has delivered almost 130% of its Federal FY 2004 target and is expected to exceed its FY 2005 target.</p> <p>PPM Committee: Developed a consensus-based approach to bring more certainty to PPM funds for local agencies.</p> <p>No actions were taken.</p> | N/A |
| Go California | | Go California regional workshop will be scheduled in October – more information is at www.dot.ca.gov . |

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

Attachment A: QUARTERLY REPORT ON REGIONAL EXTERNAL ORGANIZATIONS
1st Quarter, ending September 30, 2005

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| ORGANIZATION: 9) Self-Help Counties Coalition | | LEAD STAFF: Frank Flores David Yale (213) 922-2456 (213) 922-2469 |
| ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: An advocacy organization relating to consensus positions on sales tax measures which support transportation programs. | | METRO REPRESENTATIVES/ALTERNATES: David Yale |
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| Project Red Tape | No actions to report. | The committee will meet quarterly and will be responsible for identifying and recommending solutions to specific problems raised by the membership. |
| Transportation Reorganization | No actions to report. | Staff will continue to monitor. |
| Rescue Transportation | No actions to report. | Staff will continue to monitor the "Rescue Transportation" proposal. |
| | | Metro Position * N N (Metro staff will recommend support) |