

**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**PLEASE NOTE THE DATE, TIME, AND  
LOCATION:**

**JANUARY 14, 2004, WEDNESDAY  
9:00 AM TO 11:00 AM**

**Board of Supervisors Conference Room A  
County Government Center, San Luis Obispo, CA**

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call.**
2. **Public Comments.** Any member of the public may address the Committee for a period not to exceed three minutes on any item not on the agenda within the jurisdiction of the Council. The Committee will listen to all communication, but in compliance with the Brown Act, will not take any action on items not on the agenda.
3. **SLOCOG February 4, 2004 Agenda. Review. Attached.** (REVIEW & COMMENT, re: timing, sequence, etc.)

**PRESENTATION OF A PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION TO OUTGOING PRESIDENT PEG PINARD AND RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR OUTGOING BOARD MEMBER DAVID EKBOM; WELCOME NEW DELEGATE, JOHN SHOALS (GROVER BEACH).**

**INTRODUCTION: Bilingual Transportation Coordinator Jose Lemus**

**PUBLIC HEARING ITEM:**

**A-1, Unmet Transit Needs Hearing/Unmet Bikeway Needs Hearing (CONSIDER PUBLIC TESTIMONY AND DIRECT STAFF TO EVALUATE AND THEN FORWARD REQUESTS TO MEMBER JURISDICTIONS).** A public hearing will be held to receive public testimony on unmet transit/bikeway needs. Staff will present via addendum at the meeting any written, verbal or electronic testimony submitted to date. Once received, the testimony will be assessed against adopted criteria and a recommendation will be presented in April for action. No major issues are apparent at this time. One hour is scheduled for this item.

**TRANSPORTATION ITEMS:**

**B-1, Draft Proposed 2004 State and Federal Legislative Programs (ADOPT).** These are annual State and Federal legislative policies. Staff will highlight the amendments.

**B-2, 2004 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) (APPROVE).** Anticipated state funding for programming has been reduced from typically \$30m to \$143k. This programming cycle will largely be one of delaying or deleting previously programmed projects in the 2002 RTIP. The overall impact is moderated somewhat by a nominal increase in two federal funding categories. Almost all projects will be delayed, but most will retain funding, and some smaller projects may actually advance under different fund sources. Initial recommendations are being developed and reviewed with each agency and Caltrans. The advisory committees will review the draft recommendations on January 21<sup>st</sup> for SLOCOG board adoption on February 4<sup>th</sup>. The RTIPS are due to the state on April 1<sup>st</sup>. An unaddressed issue, at this time, involves the potential of advancing or programming funding to assist in the local cost to repair earthquake damages to the transportation system. One hour is scheduled for the item.

The Governor's budget proposal may further impact the first year of funding in the STIP. We are in the process of assessing its implications.

**B-3, Proposed Caltrans 2004 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) (REVIEW COMMENTS & FORWARD TO CALTRANS).** This program provides funding for projects to preserve, protect and improve the safe operation of the State Highway system. It is prepared by Caltrans every two years, and updated every year in the mid-cycle SHOPP. The 2004 SHOPP is a four-year program that provides a total of \$80m in funding for state highways in our county, 36% of the funding for all of the five counties in District 5. Each project is being assessed as to regional impacts, community sensitivity and acceptance. Staff is generally very supportive with a few concerns focusing on preservation of existing landscaping, median design, inclusion of ancillary features (pedestrian facilities, bike and transit express stops, and electronic system improvements). Recommendations to address these issues are being developed in consultation with Caltrans.

**B-4, Transportation Equity Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (TEA 21) Reauthorization Proposals (APPROVE POSITION).** Several competing proposals are now being debated in Congress. The measures differ significantly in terms of overall funding levels. Importantly, the basic structure of federal legislation remains providing a significant role for COG s in fund planning and programming. These bills will either move rapidly in February or stall out until after the Presidential election. Time permitting an assessment of the bills will be provided.

#### **ADMINISTRATION ITEMS:**

**C-1, Performance Audit Recommendations: Rideshare Agency Organization (SELECT OPTION).** This item will likely be continued to allow additional time to discuss options and concerns. A committee of stakeholders is reviewing the pros and cons of various options and will likely present the recommendations in the April meeting. Concurrently, each agency is preparing their budget with Ridesharing as a "placeholder".

**C-2, FY 2004/2005 Draft Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget (ADOPT).** Staff will review the OWP with CTAC and TTAC. Comments will be integrated. A detailed Work Element description identifying all work elements, tasks, and products for the 2004/05 will be presented based upon the preliminary OWP presented in December. The major concern raised at that time dealt with the deletion of the local option sales tax. The scope of work is being modified substantially, in form, to address recommendations in the performance audit for increased clarity and accountability. Time permitting the full budget and work program will be presented for adoption.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** See attached agenda. Notable items include:

D-3, Annual Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA) Program of Projects Obligation Plan (APPROVE). Listing of TEA projects that will be obligated this year.

D-4, Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Coordination Grant (APPROVE SCOPE OF WORK). A multi-county grant with all counties in District V focusing on meeting prescriptive federal requirements on a regional basis.

D-5, Notification of Transit Grant Applications for Proposed Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) per Overall Work Program for FY 04/05 (AUTHORIZE SUBMITTAL): Ride-on, Morro Bay, South Bay and Cambria. .

D-6, Planning for Community Energy, Economic, and Environmental Sustainability (PLACE<sup>3</sup>S) Phase II – Scope of Work and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Contract with Cal Poly for FY 04/05 (APPROVE SCOPE OF WORK AND GIS CONTRACT).

4. **Executive Committee Minutes, November 12, 2003, Attached** (APPROVE).
5. **Earthquake Response.** Provide direction to staff to respond to member agencies needs. (ie, letter of support for federal designation; STIP funding, GIS support).
6. **Office Building Update,** current building move, and progress to date on long-term options.
7. **Late-Breaking News.**
8. **Committee Member Comments and Adjournment.**

**Next Meeting: February 11, 2004 Wednesday.**

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