TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

Friday, March 15, 2013
9 a.m. to 12 noon
SANDAG Board Room
401 B Street, 7th Floor
San Diego

AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

- INDEPENDENT TAXPAYER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORT - DRAFT FY 2012 TRANSNET FISCAL AND COMPLIANCE AUDITS: INITIAL FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- FY 2014 REGIONAL TRANSIT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

- SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAY EMERGENCIES: OPTIONS FOR USE OF PROGRAM FUNDS

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ITEM # | RECOMMENDATION
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+1. | APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES
   +A. | FEBRUARY 15, 2013, MEETING MINUTES
   +B. | MARCH 1, 2013, JOINT MEETING MINUTES WITH REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

2. | PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS

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CONSENT (3 through 4)

+3. | FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5311 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS (Sookyung Kim)

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) provides funding for capital and operating assistance to agencies providing transportation services in the rural areas through the Section 5311 Non-Urbanized Area Formula Program. Caltrans has published the estimated apportionment for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2013 Section 5311. For the San Diego area, this program is divided between Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) and the North County Transit District (NCTD) by a formula based on the rural population served by each agency. The Transportation Committee is asked to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the apportionment of FTA Section 5311 funds for FFY 2013.

+4. | SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION GRANT PROGRAMS STATUS UPDATE (Danielle Kochman)

SANDAG manages three competitive grant programs for specialized transportation projects: Job Access and Reverse Commute, New Freedom, and TransNet Senior Mini-Grant. This report provides an overview of the progress made to date by the grant recipients in each program.
INDEPENDENT TAXPAYER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORT
(Paul Fromer, ITOC Chair; Sam Perera, Mayer Hoffman McCann P.C.; Lisa Kondrat-Dauphin)

A. DRAFT FY 2012 TransNet FISCAL AND COMPLIANCE AUDITS: INITIAL FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (Paul Fromer, ITOC Chair; Sam Perera, Mayer Hoffman McCann P.C.; Lisa Kondrat-Dauphin)

In accordance with the TransNet Extension Ordinance, the Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee (ITOC) has the responsibility to conduct the annual fiscal and compliance audits of TransNet recipients. The Extension Ordinance also requires ITOC to share the initial audit findings and recommendations with the Transportation Committee 60 days prior to its release to resolve any inconsistencies and technical issues. On March 13, 2013, ITOC reviewed the initial findings and recommendations of the FY 2012 TransNet Fiscal and Compliance Audit as conducted by the certified public accounting firm of Mayer Hoffman McCann, P.C.

B. FY 2012 REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO TransNet EXTENSION ORDINANCE REQUIREMENT (Lisa Kondrat-Dauphin)

The North County Transit District (NCTD) and Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) did not meet certain eligibility requirements as noted in their draft FY 2012 TransNet annual compliance audit. In an effort to gain compliance, the transit operators are requesting an adjustment to the eligibility calculation as permitted by Section 4(C)5 of the TransNet Extension Ordinance. The Transportation Committee is asked to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the request for exception to the Extension Ordinance requirements. The ITOC reviewed this item at its March 13, 2013, meeting.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BOARD POLICY NO. 018: REGIONAL TRANSIT SERVICE PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION (Julie Wiley)

The Federal Transit Administration issued new Title VI and Environmental Justice Circulars in the second half of 2012. Pursuant to Board Policy No. 001, the Transportation Committee is consulted when changes are proposed to Board Policy No. 018. The Transportation Committee is asked to review the updates that are proposed to Board Policy No. 018 to conform to the new requirements in the circulars, and recommend that the Board of Directors approve the proposed amendments. Among the amendments proposed, is selection of a threshold of significance for use in determining whether a disparity exists for Regional Fare Ordinance amendments impacting low-income or minority populations.
7. **FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2012 JOB ACCESS AND REVERSE COMMUTE AND NEW FREEDOM PROGRAMS AND FY 2014 AND 2015 TransNet SENIOR MINI-GRANT PROJECTS** (Danielle Kochman)

SANDAG received proposals for the TransNet Senior Mini-Grant program and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom programs. The proposals were reviewed and ranked by an external evaluation committee using the criteria approved by the Transportation Committee on June 15, 2012. The Transportation Committee is asked to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the funding recommendations for the TransNet Senior Mini-Grant and FTA JARC and New Freedom programs in substantially the same form as attached to the report.

8. **FY 2014 REGIONAL TRANSIT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM** (Kim York)

The Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) and the North County Transit District (NCTD) have developed their Capital Improvement Programs (CIPs) for FY 2014, which are the basis for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formula funding grants and the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) amendment for the related projects. The Transportation Committee is asked to recommend that the Board of Directors: (1) approve the FY 2014 CIPs for the San Diego region (MTS and NCTD); (2) approve the submittal of FTA Sections 5307, 5337, and 5339 grant applications for the San Diego region (SANDAG, MTS, and NCTD); and (3) adopt Resolution No. 2013-14, in substantially the same form as shown in Attachment 4, approving Amendment No. 3 to the 2012 RTIP.

9. **MID-COAST CORRIDOR TRANSIT PROJECT: CONSTRUCTION MANAGER/GENERAL CONTRACTOR DELIVERY METHOD AUTHORIZATION AND DESIGNATION OF MID-COAST PROJECT AS SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLEX** (John Haggerty)

Staff has evaluated the three primary construction contracting methods used in the transit industry for delivery of large projects and is recommending the Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) method be used to implement the Mid-Coast Corridor Project. Specific authorization, including approval of a resolution by the Board of Directors, is required by state law to authorize use of a CM/GC contract. The Transportation Committee is asked to recommend that the Board of Directors: (1) adopt Resolution No. 2013-16 (Attachment 1), approving the use of the CM/GC construction delivery method for the Mid Coast Corridor Transit Project; and (2) adopt Resolution No. 2013-17, approving the designation of the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project as substantially complex.
SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREeway EMERGENCIES: OPTIONS FOR USE OF PROGRAM FUNDS (Samuel Johnson)

SANDAG became the successor agency for the San Diego Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies motorist aid program on January 1, 2013. The legislation governing the program allows the use of program revenues that exceed the amount needed to maintain and operate the call box system for additional motorist aid services and safety-related projects. Staff will provide a report on program options for the Transportation Committee to consider for inclusion in the FY 2014 Program Budget.

CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMENTS

If the five speaker limit for public comments was exceeded at the beginning of this agenda, other public comments will be taken at this time. Subjects of previous agenda items may not again be addressed under public comment.

UPCOMING MEETINGS INFORMATION

The next meeting of the Transportation Committee is scheduled for Friday, April 5, 2013, at 9 a.m.

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