Regional Transit Chair's Report May 11, 2009

BOARD INITIATIVE ADOPTED ON JANUARY 26, 2009

CREATE A RAIL REGIONAL ALLIANCE/COALITION – HIGH SPEED RAIL

No updates at this time.

THE BOARD CHAIR ALONG WITH THE GENERAL MANAGER/CEO WILL MEET WITH EACH JURISDICTION DURING CALENDAR 2009.

No updates at this time.

CONDUCT THE FIRST ANNUAL STATE OF RT BREAKFAST WITH THE SACRAMENTO METRO CHAMBER.

Completed on March 19, 2009.

WORK WITH VARIOUS INTEREST GROUPS TO DEVELOP AN ADDITIONAL SOURCE OF DEDICATED LOCAL REVENUE TO BEGIN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TRANSIT MASTER PLAN BY NOVEMBER 2010.

Currently working with ECOS & BIA.
ECOS & BIA are currently scheduling briefings with each jurisdiction.

BEGIN CONSTRUCTION ON THE SOUTH LINE PHASE 2 LIGHT RAIL PROJECT BY DECEMBER 2009.

No updates at this time.

BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF THE FIRST PHASE (MOS#1) OF THE DOWNTOWN/NATOMAS/AIRPORT LIGHT RAIL PROJECT BY SEPTEMBER 2009.

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was issued in February 2nd with 7 design build entities submitting prequalification packages on March 4th. Upon initial screening, three teams were deemed non-responsive. The remaining four teams were evaluated with three of the four teams determined to be in the competitive range and notified of their eligibility to advance to the Request for Proposal (RFP) phase. In the interim, two of the three teams deemed non-responsive in the initial screening submitted a protest. As a result of the protest process, one team withdrew their protest while the other was advanced for evaluation and determined to be in the competitive range. The completion of the RFQ process has concluded with four teams advancing to the RFP process.

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An interactive process with the four teams and RT staff will begin shortly with the proposals due in July and recommendation to the Board of award of a contract in August.

On April 13th, the Board certified the project's Environmental Impact Report which permits the completion of the RFP process to determine the successful design builder and begin the final design and construction of the project.

IMPLEMENT THE RT EXECUTIVE BOARD COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE POLICY DIRECTION ON KEY ISSUES.

First meeting held on 02/02/2009. Scheduled to meet the first Monday of each month.