

General Manager's Report June 13, 2011

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS UPDATE

FEDERAL

On the Federal side, we expect House Chairman Mica to release his reauthorization bill sometime next week (week of June 13th). The Senate could follow with the release of their bill this month as well. These dates keep slipping and previously the committees had eyed Memorial Day as the target release of their bills. In addition, the House Appropriations committee expects to start moving the FY12 THUD bill through the committee process in July. The Senate has not made any announcements regarding the timing of their bills.

STATE

The State Senate has scheduled budget committee hearings this week to prepare for action on the 2011-12 budget act in the event the negotiated resolution between the Governor and the Legislature result in an agreement. The deadline for legislative action on the budget bill is June 15; Senator Steinberg, Senate Pro Tem, has indicated that in the event no agreement is apparent, he will move ahead on budget committee actions in time to meet this deadline.

Transportation programs have fared well in the ensuing hearings following the release by the Governor of his proposed May Revision to the budget. The Fuel Tax Swap that was re-enacted in March as required under the provisions of Proposition 26 has been maintained intact. As well, the Legislature has incorporated into the revised 2011-12 budget act additional appropriations for Proposition 1B and fully funded the CTC-approved 2011 Proposition 1A Connectivity program at \$230 million.

Provisions in the Fuel Tax Swap related to triggering the onset of STA funding become effective on July 1, with or without a budget. This should result in the release of STA funds over the course of the coming year. In addition, relief provided for transit agencies to meet recovery ratios that was contained in the Fuel Tax Swap is intended to be extended an additional two years as part of the budget trailer package.

RT MEETING CALENDAR

Regional Transit Board Meeting

June 27, 2011
RT Auditorium
6:00 P.M

July 25, 2011
RT Auditorium
6:00 P.M

August 8, 2011
RT Auditorium
6:00 P.M

Executive Committee Meetings for 2011

Will be approved and scheduled by the Chair
on an as needed basis.

Mobility Advisory Council

July 7, 2011
RT Auditorium
2:30 P.M

August 4, 2011
RT Auditorium
2:30 P.M

September 1, 2011
RT Auditorium
2:30 P.M

Quarterly Retirement Board Meeting

September 13, 2011
RT Auditorium
9:00 A.M

December 5, 2011
RT Auditorium
9:00 A.M

ParaTransit Board Meeting

July 28, 2011
2501 Florin Road
6:00 P.M