

AGENDA  
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY  
SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAYS AND EXPRESSWAYS  
AND  
MONTEREY COUNTY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE  
JOINT POWERS AGENCY

Meeting of Wednesday, January 28, 2009

**Agricultural Center Conference Room**  
**1428 Abbott Street**  
**Salinas, California**  
**9:00 A.M.**

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1. **QUORUM CHECK – CALL TO ORDER.** Transportation Agency by-laws require a quorum of a minimum of 9 voting members, including a minimum of 7 city representatives and 1 county representative.  
*If you are unable to attend, please contact your alternate. Your courtesy to the other Transportation Agency Board members to assure a quorum is appreciated.*

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS.** Any person may address the Transportation Agency Board at this time. Presentations should not exceed three minutes, should be directed to an item **NOT** on today's agenda, and should be within the jurisdiction of the Transportation Agency Board. *Though it is not required, the Transportation Agency Board appreciates your cooperation in completing a speaker request form available on the table at the entrance to the meeting room. Please give the completed form to the Transportation Agency Administrative Assistant.*
  
3. **CONSENT AGENDA** **(Yellow Paper)**  
**REVIEW** highlights of Consent Agenda – Hale  
**APPROVE** the staff recommendations for items 3.1.1 - 3.7.1 by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be considered for discussion and action after the Consent Agenda. **Pages 15 - 86**
  
4. **Fiscal Year 2008-09 State Transit Assistance Fund Allocations– Cook**  
**Pages 87 - 100**
  1. **APPROVE** revised administrative policies regarding State Transit Assistance funding; and
  2. **APPROVE** State Transit Assistance and Prop. 1B bond allocations for Fiscal Year 2008-09.

*The Board of Directors adopted revisions to the Agency's administrative policies in February 2008 to eliminate substantial and ongoing unallocated carryover State Transit Assistance balances and award these funds to County transit operators competitively. In response to a request from the City of Soledad, Counsel has recommended a revision to these policies based on a review of state law. The Agency recommended final allocations are summarized in this report.*

5. **RECEIVE** update on a potential federal infrastructure stimulus package. **AUTHORIZE** staff to issue a call for projects to program potential federal stimulus funds. – Muck **Pages 101 - 103**

*Transportation Agency for Monterey County staff has been working with Caltrans, other transportation agencies in the State, Monterey-Salinas Transit, and local jurisdictions to promote a federal transportation infrastructure stimulus package that benefits Monterey County. A priority list of projects to receive stimulus package funds needs to be developed in order to meet short timelines anticipated after the stimulus package is enacted into law.*

6. **RECEIVE** report on an agricultural freight rail feasibility study. – Watson/Collins **Pages 104 - 117**

*Steve Collins, consultant to the Grower-Shipper Association of Central California, will attend this meeting to present findings from the “Agricultural Transportation Intermodal Rail study: Market Feasibility and Economic Assessment”.*

7. **RECEIVE** presentation on the Highway 101- San Juan Road Interchange project. – Dave Silberberger, Caltrans **Pages 118 - 119**

*The US 101 – San Juan Road Interchange project will address congestion and safety issues on US 101 in the vicinity of San Juan Road, near the Red Barn and the Monterey County/San Benito County line. The project has progressed to the point that preliminary engineering is complete and that the draft environmental document (Mitigated Negative Declaration / Environmental Assessment) is targeted for release for public review and comment on January 15, 2009. A public hearing for the project and the environmental document is scheduled to be held at the Aromas School Gymnasium on February 5, 2009.*

8. **BOARD PHOTO**

9. **TIMED ITEM FOR 10:30 AM:**

**PRESENTATION** of 2008 Transportation Excellence Awards.  
– Potter/Sollecito **(Program Handout)**

10. Reports on meetings attended by Board Members at Transportation Agency expense, as required by state law. *No Enclosure*
11. Reports from other Agencies: **Pages 120 - 125**
  - Caltrans – Krumholz/Loe
  - Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments – Rubio
  - Fort Ord Reuse Authority – Hale
  - Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District – Getchell
  - Monterey Peninsula Airport District – Sabo
  - Monterey-Salinas Transit – Sedoryk
12. Executive Director’s Report. *No Enclosure*
13. Announcements and/or comments from Transportation Agency members on matters that they wish to put on future Transportation Agency agendas.
14. **Adjournment.**

**Please send any items for the February 25, 2008 Transportation Agency agenda to Senior Administrative Assistant Elouise Rodriguez by 12 noon, Thursday, February 12, 2009.**

The Transportation Agency Agenda will be prepared by Transportation Agency staff and will close at noon Thursday, February 12, 2009 nine (9) working days before the regular meeting. Any member may request in writing an item to appear on the agenda. The request shall be made by the agenda deadline and any supporting papers must be furnished by that time or be readily available.

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Next Transportation Agency for Monterey County meeting will be on  
Wednesday, February 25, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

**Agricultural Commissioner – AG Center Conference Room  
1428 Abbott Street  
Salinas, California**

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**BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Approve the staff recommendations for items 3.1.1 – 3.7.1 below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the **CONSENT AGENDA** for discussion and action.

**ADMINISTRATION and BUDGET**

3.1.1 **APPROVE** minutes of the Transportation Agency Joint Powers Agency for Monterey County meeting of December 3, 2008. – Rodriguez

**Pages 15 - 24**

3.1.2 **ACCEPT** the list of checks written for November and December 2008 and credit card statements for the months of October and November 2008. – Delfino

**Pages 25 - 26**

*The list of checks and copies of credit card statements are submitted to the Transportation Agency Board each month in accordance with the recommendation from the Transportation Agency's independent Certified Public Accountant to keep the Transportation Agency Board informed about Transportation Agency's financial transactions.*

3.1.3 **RECEIVE** report on conferences attended by Agency staff. – Bachman

**Pages 27 - 37**

*Agency staff occasionally attend conferences and meetings at Agency expense that are pertinent to the their roles in pursuing the Agency's mission. These events allow the staff to stay current and participate in the development of transportation practices and policies related to their roles.*

- 3.1.4 **APPROVE** Resolution No. 2009-01, to add new Board Chair Frank Sollecito, Executive Director Debra Hale, Deputy Executive Director Don Bachman, Administrative Services Manager Rita Goel, to list of authorized signatures for banking services in support of agency financial operations. – Goel **Pages 38 - 40**

*This action is necessary to update the names of persons authorized to sign the Transportation Agency for Monterey County checks, due to election of new Chair in December 2008. The local bank used by the Agency is First National Bank.*

- 3.1.5 **APPROVE** the amendment to the Will Gallagher contract to transfer all of the interests and obligations of the consultant from Will Gallagher to Oppidea LLC. – Delfino **Pages 41 - 42**

*The Agency has a contract for professional accounting services with Will Gallagher, an individual, for a term expiring December 31, 2009. Will Gallagher has formed Oppidea, LLC to operate his consulting business for certain business reasons. Will Gallagher wants to transfer all of the interests and obligations to Oppidea LLC.*

- 3.1.6 **APPROVE** the basic concept and format of the 2008 Transportation Agency for Monterey County Annual Report. – Hoschouer **Pages 43 - 44**

*The Transportation Agency 2008 Annual Report, which addresses Agency accomplishments for 2008 and goals for 2009, will be mailed to residents and businesses throughout the County during the month of March.*

**BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT, and SOCIAL SERVICES**

- 3.2.1 **APPROVE** amendments to Resolutions 2008-12 and 2008-14 allocating Fiscal Year 2008-09 Local Transportation Funds for Monterey-Salinas Transit Line 23 Express operations through June of 2009. – Cook  
**Pages 45 - 53**

*This action will reallocate \$74,387 in Local Transportation Funds from the South Monterey County jurisdictions to Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) to maintain operation of the Line 23 Express (Line 23x) service between King City and Salinas, which has been funded to date through private contributions and federal transit grants for rural intercity services. Beginning in February 2009, MST will no longer receive the federal grant funds budgeted for this service due to recent changes to federal grant eligibility criteria.*

- 3.2.2 **APPROVE** short term, zero-interest Regional Service Transportation Program (RSTP) loan to Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) in the amount of \$1,500,000 for bus purchase debt reduction subject to approval of a draft agreement by Agency Counsel. – Cook  
**Pages 54 - 57**

*This action would mitigate the impact of significant cuts to State Transit funding budgeted by MST for repayment of its 2002 bus purchase loan. The proposed RSTP loan is intended to preserve MST operations funding in 2009 and reduce its long-term interest payment costs.*

**PLANNING**

- 3.3.1 **ADOPT** CALCOG 2009 Priority Actions. – Watson  
**Pages 58 - 59**

*The California Association of Councils of Governments (CALCOG) Board is requesting that all member agencies adopt this list of priority actions.*

- 3.3.2 **RECEIVE** revised final 2009 Legislative Program. – Watson  
**Pages 60 - 63**

*The purpose of the legislative program is to set general principles to guide staff and Board responses to proposed legislative or budgetary issues. The program also notifies state representatives of the Transportation Agency's position on issues of key importance to the agency.*

- 3.3.3 **APPROVE** cost sharing agreement between the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG), the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission, the San Benito Council of Governments and the Transportation Agency for environmental review of the 2010 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Regional Transportation Plans.  
– Cook  
**Pages 64 - 71**

*AMBAG is proposing to coordinate environmental review for the 2010 update of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan and countywide regional plans in the Monterey Bay Area with the Transportation Agency and its other transportation planning partners to streamline the environmental review process and reduce costs for each participating agency. The environmental analysis will include a greenhouse gas emissions component in response to recent state legislation.*

## **PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING**

- 3.4.1 **APPROVE** the request by City of Seaside to allocate \$ 284,487 in Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funds from the Fiscal Years 04/05/06 cycle to 2008 Pavement Management System Implementation and to reallocate fair share funds from the Fiscal Years 07/08/09 cycle in the amounts of \$10,000 from the Circle Avenue Retaining Wall project and \$50,000 from the Emergency Vehicle Detection project to the Fremont/Trinity Lighted Crosswalk project.  
– Delfino **Pages 72 - 73**

*The Agency distributes \$1.2 million per year in Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funding by population to the local jurisdictions for a wide range of eligible transportation projects and is available at the discretion of the local jurisdiction for their chosen projects upon approval by the Board.*

- 3.4.2 **RECEIVE** fiscal year 2007-2008 Freeway Service Patrol Annual Report.  
– Chen **Pages 74 - 75**

*The fiscal year 2007-2008 Freeway Service Patrol Annual Report summarizes the program's performance in the last fiscal year and illustrates results from changes made to the program within the last year. The report also presents a future outlook for the program by setting new program goals.*

3.4.3 **Construction Management Request for Qualifications – Myers**  
**Pages 76 - 77**

1. **APPROVE** the construction management on-call consultant scope of work; and
2. **AUTHORIZE** staff to release the standardized request for qualification with the scope of work, score the received statements of qualifications, and conduct interviews as necessary.

*The current on-call consultant list for construction management was approved on January 31, 2007 for a period of two years and a renewal is required at this time. The proposed scope of work will be included in the request for qualifications process used to solicit consultant proposals for this work. Staff will return to the Board with a list of selected consultants for approval. The availability of ready to use on-call consultants will maximize member agencies resources' should economic stimulus funding become available for local transportation projects in our area.*

**RAIL PROGRAM**

*No items this month*

**REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE**

3.6.1 **RECEIVE** update on the Regional Development Impact Fee Strategic Expenditure Plan. – Zeller  
**Pages 78 - 82**

*The Joint Powers Agency contracted with the Transportation Agency to perform all administrative and technical services, including the preparation of a Strategic Expenditure Plan to identify funding and scheduling of the fee program transportation projects. Staff has initiated work on the plan and solicited input from the jurisdictions.*

## **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

### **3.7.1 ACCEPT minutes from Transportation Agency committees:**

**Pages 83 - 86**

- Executive Committee – Draft January 7, 2009
- Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee  
– Draft January 7, 2009 (online at [www.tamcmonterey.org](http://www.tamcmonterey.org))
- Rail Policy Committee – No meeting
- Social Services Transportation Advisory Council – Draft  
January 8, 2009 (online at [www.tamcmonterey.org](http://www.tamcmonterey.org))
- Technical Advisory Committee – Draft January 8, 2009  
(online at [www.tamcmonterey.org](http://www.tamcmonterey.org))

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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**CORRESPONDENCE, REPORTS, MEDIA CLIPPINGS**  
*Online at [www.tamcmonterey.org](http://www.tamcmonterey.org)*

- C1 November 25, 2008 letter from Debra L. Hale, Executive Director, to Governor Schwarzenegger and Leadership of the Senate and Assembly, re: 2008-09 State Budget – Protect Public Transit Funding to Support the Economy & Clean Air.
- C2 November 25, 2008 letter from Debra L. Hale, Executive Director, to Joan Musillani, Program Manager, On behalf of TAMC and Monterey-Salinas Transit re: Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement and Service Enhancement Account Fund Request for Monterey County.
- C3 November 25, 2008 letter from Debra L. Hale, Executive Director, to Joan Musillani, Program Manager, On behalf of TAMC and City of Greenfield re: Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement and Service Enhancement Account Fund Request for Monterey County.
- C4 December 4, 2008 letter from Debra L. Hale, Executive Director, to Michael Hutchinson, Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare System re: Request for Monterey-Salinas Transit Funding.
- C5 December 11, 2008 letter from Debra L. Hale, Executive Director, to Adela Gonzales, City of Soledad re: State Transit Assistance Funding for Soledad Shuttle Capital Funding Requests.
- C6 December 11, 2008 letter from Debra L. Hale, Executive Director, to South Monterey County City Managers, Yazdan Emrani, Monterey County Department of Public Works and Carl Sedoryk, MST re: Monterey-Salinas Transit Line 23 Funding.
- C7 December 16, 2008 letter from Debra L. Hale, Executive Director, to Adela Gonzales, City Manager, City of Soledad re: State Transit Assistance Allocations for Fiscal Year 2008-09.
- C8 December 11, 2008 letter from Will Kempton, Director of Caltrans re: Proposition 1B.
- C9 December 18, 2008 letter from Debra L. Hale, Executive Director, to Dwayne Weeks, Federal Transit Administration, re: Caltrain Commuter Rail Extension to Monterey County Ridership Validation Report Submittal.