

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DRAFT 2012 STIP GUIDELINES

### **Guidelines Specific to the 2012 STIP:**

- **Schedule:** Sets forth a schedule calling for adoption of the Fund Estimate on August 10, 2011, RTIP and ITIP submittal by December 15, 2011, and adoption of the STIP on March 28, 2012.
- **Statewide fund estimate:** The development of the 2012 STIP will consist primarily of programming projects into the two years added to the STIP, 2015-16 and 2016-17. **Because of the loss of PTA revenues anticipated in the 2012 STIP fund estimate, transit and rail projects currently programmed in 2012-13 through 2014-15 that are not eligible to be funded with Federal or State Highway Account funds must be unprogrammed. Additionally, excluding TE the STIP is overprogrammed (underfunded) by approximately \$101 million through 2012-13. This may require that some projects programmed in 2012-13 be delayed (reprogrammed) to 2013 14.**
- **Transportation Enhancement (TE) targets:** Nearly all new TE capacity added in the 2012 STIP is in the two new years of the Fund Estimate (2015-16 and 2016-17).
- **TE Allocations.** In order to improve delivery of TE projects, the Commission will, in the fourth quarter of the fiscal year, consider advancing for allocation TE projects programmed in outer years if in the first three quarters of the fiscal year less than 75% of the current-year TE projects have been allocated. The Commission's priority for advancing TE projects will be construction allocations for non-motorized transportation projects. .
- **Commission expectations and priorities:** Specifies that the Commission expects to give first priority to the reprogramming of projects from the 2010 STIP.

### **Amendments to the permanent STIP Guidelines:**

- **1996 STIP Projects:** Requires Caltrans to submit updated budgets for grandfathered STIP projects.
- **Criteria for Measuring Performance and Cost-Effectiveness (Section 19):** Requires an explanation of how the use of TE funds supports transportation goals and is consistent with other planning documents.
- **Project Planning, Programming, and Monitoring (Section 21):** Clarifies that regions may use PPM funds to reimburse Caltrans for project study reports.
- **County Shares, Advances, and Reserves (Section 23):** Adds statutory reference.
- **Transportation Enhancement Projects in the ITIP (Section 35):** Adds language to comply with Senate Bill 286, which requires the prioritization of TE projects utilizing the services of a conservation corps.

- Cost Estimates for Project Components (Section 47): Requires that updated right-of-way and construction costs estimates be submitted in the STIP cycle following completion of the environmental process.
- Commission Action on Advances and Reserves (Section 61). Deletes reference to projects implementing the Traffic Congestion Relief Program and adds a reference to grandfathered projects from the 1996 STIP.
- Restore language to the guidelines recognizing the return of State Highway Account funding (including federal funding) for the STIP:
  - Section 25, Regional improvement program eligibility.
  - Section 26, Federalizing transit projects.
  - Section 43, Project descriptions.
  - Section 44, State-only funding.
  - Section 64, Allocation of funds.
  - Section 65, Timely use of funds.
  - Section 67B, Selection of Projects for GARVEE Bonding.
- Consolidation of Performance Measurement sections.
  - The text on Performance Measurement which for the last several STIP cycles was in the guidelines specific to those cycles has been moved to Section 19, Criteria for Measuring Performance and Cost-Effectiveness, of the permanent STIP guidelines.
  - Attachment 1 regarding Performance Measurement which for the last several STIP cycles was in the guidelines specific to those cycles has been combined with Table A, Performance Indicators, Measures and Definitions, and renumbered Appendix B.
- Update sections that refer to the 2010 STIP to refer to the 2012 STIP.
  - Section 23, County Shares, Advances, and Reserves.
  - Section 60, Commission Action on RTIP proposals.
  - Appendix A, STIP Project Fact Sheet
- Delete outdated language referencing the Transportation Investment Fund:
  - Section 25, Regional improvement program eligibility.
  - Section 64, Allocation of funds.
- Delete outdated language regarding the programming of TE apportionments beginning 2003-04:
  - Section 22, Transportation Enhancement Projects in the RTIP.
  - Section 35, Transportation Enhancement Projects in the ITIP.
- The Appendices have been reorganized as follows:
  - Appendix A: Project Fact Sheet
  - Appendix B: Performance Indicators, Measures and Definitions
  - Appendix C: Addendum for Local Alternative Transportation Improvement Programs.