TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DRAFT AGENDA

DATE: December 29, 2011
TIME: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
LOCATION: ICTC Offices
1405 N. Imperial Ave., Suite 1
El Centro, CA  92243

Chairperson: Virginia Mendoza  Vice-Chair: Terry Hagen

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DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Introductions

2. Adoption of the minutes for December 1, 2011
   Requesting a motion to adopt
   ACTION

3. ICTC Updates / Announcements
   A presentation will be made by ICTC staff
   DISCUSSION

4. Apportionment Recommendation for FY 11-12
   RSTP Funding
   A presentation will be made by ICTC staff
   ICTC staff will be requesting a motion to adopt
   ACTION

5. Recommendation for CMAQ Call For Projects
   A presentation will be made by ICTC staff
   ICTC staff will be requesting a motion to adopt
   DISCUSSION/ACTION

CITIES OF BRAWLEY, CALEXICO, CALIPATРИA, EL CENTRO, HOLTVILLE, IMPERIAL, WESTMORLAND, IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT AND COUNTY OF IMPERIAL
6. Caltrans Updates DISCUSSION
   *A presentation will be made by Caltrans staff*

7. General Discussion/New Business DISCUSSION

8. Adjournment

The next meeting of the ICTC TAC is scheduled for January 26, 2012. Meeting will be held at the ICTC offices at 10 AM. For questions you may call Cristi Lerma at (760) 592-4494 or contact by email at cristilerma@imperialctc.org.

***Dates to Remember***

**Caltrans-Imperial Partnership Meeting**

To assist in communication, Caltrans will be organizing two multi-jurisdictional meetings for 2012. Information exchange, plan and project updates, and an open discussion will be included in the agenda. The first meeting is scheduled on April 26, 2012, following the TAC meeting with the second meeting scheduled for October 25, 2012. For further information or to place items on the agenda, please contact Beth Landrum at 619-688-6017 or by email at beth.landrum@dot.ca.gov.
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DRAFT MINUTES

December 1, 2011

Present:

Steven Sullivan  City of Brawley
Gordon Gaste  City of Brawley
Alex Espinoza  City of Calexico
Mindy Hernandez  City of Calipatria
Terry Hagen  City of El Centro
Abraham Campos  City of El Centro
Alex Meyerhoff  City of Holtville
Ana Salazar  The Holt Group/City of Holtville
Virginia Mendoza (Chair)  City of Imperial
Joel Hamby  City of Imperial
Wayne Walker  City of Westmorland
Bill Brunet  County of Imperial
John Gay  County of Imperial
Frank Fiorenza  IID

Others:

Oscar Espinosa  City of El Centro
Jose Castaneda  County of Imperial-Public Works
Jenell Guerrero  County of Imperial-Public Works
Manuel Ortiz  County of Imperial-Public Works
Codie Rowin  County of Imperial-Public Works
Emmanuel Sanchez  County of Imperial-APCD
Fumi Galvan  The Holt Group/City of Holtville
Kathi Williams  ICTC
Cristi Lerma  ICTC
David Salgado  ICTC
Dolores Valadez  Caltrans
Luis Medina  Caltrans
Chili Cilch  Caltrans
Jacob Armstrong  Caltrans
The meeting was called to order by Chair Mendoza at 10:02 a.m. A quorum was present. Introductions were made.

A motion was made to adopt the October 27, 2011 minutes. (Sullivan/Campos) Motion Carried.

ICTC Updates / Announcements
- Mr. Salgado urged agencies to submit their TDA Article 3 requests via a letter. ICTC would like to take the Article 3 package to the Commission in January.
- Ms. Williams stated that ICTC staff are working with the FTA 5309 earmark grant funds for the Imperial and Brawley transfer terminals.
- Staff is still working on submitting the 2013 FTIP. Staff is pending information regarding the County’s projects.
- ICTC continues their efforts to become an independent agency. Recently, ICTC was approved retirement benefits through ICERS. Currently, staff is reviewing comparable health benefits. Current county employees will be ICTC employees on January 1, 2012.
- Staff is still working on the CMAQ Call For Projects with more information to come in January or if a special meeting is preferred, staff can come back later this month preferably on the Thursday before New Years.
- ICTC staff will be recommending to the Commission that the West Shores Dial-A-Ride services be retired effective June 30, 2012. It has not been able to meet the performance standards set forth by the State for farebox ratio.
- Ms. Williams and Ms. Lerma participated in the interview process for the Regional Office Assistant position. This individual will be working for SCAG 50% and ICTC 50%. SCAG also filled the Regional Affairs Officer position, with a Mr. Tomas Olivas.
- It is anticipated that the STIP will be approved at the next Commission meeting. The STIP document is submitted to the California Transportation Commission for approval and covers a five year period. There are some STP TEA funds available for FY 2013-14-2016-17, in an amount approximate to $800K. Staff plans to come back to the TAC in early spring for a STIP TEA Call For Projects.

RSTP Call For Projects
- Ms. Williams stated that staff was notified by SCAG that Regional Surface Transportation Program Funds (RSTP) were available. The total amount available between Fiscal years 2012-13 to 2015-16 is $7,355 (millions).

Staff proposed a schedule as follows:
ICTC issues call for projects: December 19, 2011
- Call For Projects Effective December 19, 2011 – January 30, 2012
- ICTC RSTP Evaluation Committee: February 2012
- ICTC Management Committee/Commission endorses project submittals, region’s financial plan and conducts final public comment period: March 2012
- Projects submitted to SCAG in an RTIP amendment: March to April 2012

A motion was made to proceed with the proposed schedule with a change to the Call For Projects effective dates to be December 19, 2012 to February 24, 2012. (Hamby/Gay) Motion Carried.

FY 2011-12 has $310 (thousands) available. These funds are recommended for use on current projects since they have to be programmed and obligated in this FFY. Agencies were reminded that these funds should be submitted to Caltrans for obligation by May 1, 2012. Also, if funds were added to an existing project that it didn’t exceed 40% of the total project
cost so that the funds could be programmed in an Administrative Amendment. Agencies discussed and proposed different projects and it was determined that further time was needed for agencies to discuss it internally. A motion was made to delay discussions for use of the $310,000 and to reconvene on December 29, 2011, (Hamby/Hagen) Motion Carried.

5. Value Analysis Study
   - An overview of the Value Analysis Study conducted in partnership with Imperial County and the City of El Centro to improve the oversight process for local projects on the State Highway System was presented by Ms. Chili Cilch of Caltrans. Ms. Cilch shared key study findings, recommendations, including plans for implementing process improvements.
   - Mr. Armstrong encouraged agencies contact his department during the preliminary stages of a new project to schedule and discuss early on preliminary scope of the project and cost estimates among other things.
   - For more information on this study, you may contact Ms. Cilch at 619 688-4217.

6. Caltrans Updates
   Mr. Medina had the following announcements and updates:
   - Mr. Medina reviewed status of active projects, as of 09/07/2011. He indicated which projects had red flags and discussed with each agency what is needed if anything to clear each project.
   - Mr. Medina stated that there was an overview of the ARRA projects and FHWA found many deficiencies such as, labor compliance, support documentation among other things.
   - At the last TAC meeting Local Assistance agreed to provide a response to each agencies Good Faith Efforts (GFE) memorandum within 10 days. A GFE training will be held Wednesday, December 7, 2011 from 9 am to 1 pm at the Caltrans offices in San Diego.
   - Buy America requirements will apply to all CMAG funded vehicle and equipment purchase contracts.
   - DLA-OB 11-11 Dispute Resolution Process has been posted to the Local Assistance website at http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/DLA_OB/DLA_OB.htm.
   - Discretionary Call For Projects applications are due December 9, 2011 by close of business.
   - Mr. Medina reviewed the Formula OA Funds delivery report.
   - Mr. Medina reviewed the Obligation Plan for FFY 2011-12.
   - For any questions on any of these announcements or updates please contact Luis Medina at (619) 278-3735.

7. General Discussion
   - There was none.

8. Meeting adjourned at 12:24 p.m.
   - The next meeting will be held on December 29, 2011 at 10 a.m. at the ICTC Offices.