DATE: March 29, 2012
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

PUBLIC COMMENTS
Any member of the public may address the Committee for a period not to exceed three minutes on any item of interest not on the agenda within the jurisdiction of the Committee. The Committee will listen to all communication, but in compliance with the Brown Act, will not take any actions on items that are not on the agenda.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Introductions

2. Adoption of the minutes for February 23, 2012
   Requesting a motion to adopt

3. ICTC Updates / Announcements
   Presentation will be made by ICTC staff

4. Caltrans Updates / Announcements
   Presentation will be made by Caltrans staff

5. SCAG Update / Announcements
   Presentation will be made by SCAG Staff
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6. General Discussion / New Business

7. Adjournment

The next meeting of the ICTC TAC is scheduled for April 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.
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DRAFT MINUTES

February 23, 2012

Present:

Yazmin Arellano  City of Brawley
Mindy Hernandez  City of Calipatria
Alex Espinoza  City of Calexico
Abraham Campos  City of El Centro
Alex Meyerhoff  City of Holtville
Ana Salazar  The Holt Group/City of Holtville
Virginia Mendoza  City of Imperial
John Gay  County of Imperial
Wayne Walker  City of Westmorland

Others:

Mark Baza  ICTC
Cristi Lerma  ICTC
David Salgado  ICTC
Emmanuel Sanchez  ICAPCD

1. The meeting was called to order by Acting Chair Hagen at 10:05 a.m. A quorum was present. Introductions were made.

2. A motion was made to adopt the January 26, 2012 minutes. (Meyerhoff/Gay) Motion Carried.

3. EPA Sanctions – Review of Federal Aid Projects
   - In 2010 the APCD created a document called the SIP and the SIP was disproved by the EPA. One of the sanctions imposed was that all federal transportation funded projects would be frozen.
   - Mr. Baza stated that he is working with Caltrans and SCAG to create a master list of federal aid projects that will be affected by the EPA sanctions. Projects that will be exempt are safety, air quality enhancement and transit projects. Mr. Baza is urging all agencies with projects that do not meet the exempt criteria to obligate funds as soon as possible.
   - On February 15, 2012 a court hearing was held. Two questions the Judge asked the EPA were: 1. if mediation was ever offered and 2. was there any direction provided on the rule making? Both questions were answered no. The positive is that APCD will be able to begin
the process to remedy the disproved SIP. There is still no indication on whether there will be a stay on the sanctions or is there a timetable known at this time.

4. ICTC Updates / Announcements (Presentation by ICTC staff)
   - Ms. Williams had the following announcements:
     - The Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) was approved by the Commission the night before.
     - The UTN second meeting will be held in the afternoon at the County Board Chambers. The staff response was distributed to panel members the evening before after the commission meeting. Some of the items that will be discussed as reasonable to meet are: 1. the overcrowding on 3rd and Paulin Streets and the need for shadow buses to be implemented. 2. Additional routes to and from Seeley in the am and in the pm. Bus stop and shelter installation and upkeep will also be discussed for Seeley and Heber, which is being referred to the County of Imperial.
     - The Dial-A-Ride additional funds were given to the Cities to re-implement Saturday service, but service has not been implemented. Agencies are waiting on the Consolidated Paratransit RFP process to finalize. It is being recommended by ICTC staff that the Dial-A-Ride (DAR) contracts be extended until December 31, 2012. Ms. Arellano commented that the City of Brawley will be taking the contract extension and re-implementation of Saturday service to their counsel in one amendment. Ms. Williams stated that she’s been in contact with the City of El Centro’s Finance Officer. They were informed to contact their DAR provider.
     - Mr. Salgado had the following announcements:
       - The RSTP Call For Projects is due tomorrow, February 24, 2012.
       - The CMAQ Call For Projects was approved the night prior by the Commission and is set to be effective Monday, February 27, 2012. Please provide ICTC staff 1 electronic copy and 11 hard copies of each submittal.
       - Mayor Daniel Romero was appointed by the Commission as an alternate voting member for our region for the SANDAG Border’s Committee.
       - There have been discussions by the Governor that a consolidation of transportation agencies may be taking place in the future. Caltrans, the DMV and the CHP are the three agencies that fall under transportation.
       - Mr. Baza announced that the SCAG Regional Conference and General Assembly is scheduled for April 4-5, 2012 in Los Angeles.
       - Mr. Baza stated that a recent trip to Hayward, CA to visit the Gillig plant proved to be very interesting. Gillig will be making 10 new buses for IVT and will be ready in August. The trip was to finalize specifics about the buses, such as radiator position, fabric colors, etc.
       - Mr. Baza stated he going to Washington D.C. the week of February 27th for a meeting regarding the federal transportation bill.

5. Caltran Updates / Announcements
   - There were none.

6. SCAG Updates / Announcements
   - There were none.

7. Designing for Pedestrian Safety Workshop (Presentation by Alex Meyerhoff)
   - Mr. Meyerhoff stated that he attended a workshop in the Palm Springs area that would benefit local agencies and gain a better understanding of pedestrian safety and possibly even assist them with their submittals for Safe Routes to School (SR2S) applications. He also stated that the City of Holtville will gladly host the training with lunch to be provided. Mr. Meyerhoff stated that he will be in contact with the gentleman who will conduct the training to see if his availability allows him to conduct the training before the deadline date of the SR2S applications.
8. General Discussion / New Business
   - Ms. Arellano announced that the ASCE/APWA will hold a meeting on February 29, 2012 that will feature an informal open discussion regarding the benefits and challenges of forming a county-wide Flood Control District in Imperial County. The cost is $12 for members and $15 for non-members or $17 at the door. It will be held at the El Centro PAL at 1100 N. 4th St. in El Centro. Panel members will be:
     o Cid Tesoro, PE, CFM, Flood Control District Manager, San Diego County Flood Control District
     o Eric Mosolgo, PE, Brown and Coldwell, Storm water Regulatory Expert
     o Paul Peschel, PE, Executive Program Manager, Imperial Irrigation District
     o Armando Villa, Director of Planning & Development Services, County of Imperial
   - It was announced that there is still no date set for the RSTP Review Committee at this time.
   - It was also announced that the FY 2012 TIGER Discretionary Grants Pre-application deadline was February 20th, 2012. The final application deadline is Monday, March 19, 2012 at 5:00 pm. Mr. Baza stated that grant submittals are geared towards agencies that have applied in the past and were rejected. The City of Holtville stated that they submitted a new project and would like a support letter if possible. El Centro and Calexico both re-submitted previously rejected projects.
   - Ms. Mendoza announced that the City of Imperial is having their Inaugural Tri-tip Cook Off with a Fair Parade and Market Days kicking off at 10 AM, Saturday, February 25, 2012.
   - The Imperial State of the City Address is scheduled for Wednesday, February 29, 2012 at 7:30 AM at The Movies in Imperial.

9. Meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.
   - The next meeting will be held on March 29, 2012 at 10 a.m. at the ICTC Offices.