

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

DATE: Thursday, June 25, 2020

TIME: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Zoom Meeting at ICTC Offices

Chairperson: County of Imperial

Vice-Chair: City of Brawley

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DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Adoption of Minutes for May 28, 2020

Action

3. Local Transportation Authority Requirements

Information

4. ICTC Updates / Announcements Presented by ICTC Staff 10 minutes

a. Transit Planning Updates

- Transit Orangian
- Transit Operations
- Article 3 Funding FY 20/21
- Article 8 Funding FY 20/21

CITIES OF BRAWLEY, CALEXICO, CALIPATRIA, EL CENTRO, HOLTVILLE, IMPERIAL, WESTMORLAND, IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT AND COUNTY OF IMPERIAL

- b. Transportation Planning Updates
 - 2020 Border Master Plan
 - Request for Authorization/Allocation- SB1, CMAQ, STBG
 - SR-78/Glamis Feasibility Study
 - Regional Climate Action Plan
 - Imperial County Regional Active Transportation Plan
- c. LTA Bond Updates: 2012 & 2018
- d. Imperial Valley Resource Management Agency (IVRMA)
 - Electronic Annual Report (EAR)
- 5. SCAG Updates / Announcements Presented by SCAG staff

10 minutes

6. Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates *All*

10 minutes

7. Caltrans Updates / Announcements Presented by Caltrans Staff 10 minutes

8. General Discussion / New Business *All*

5 minutes

9. Adjournment

The next meeting of the ICTC TAC meeting is tentatively scheduled for July 23, 2020. For questions you may call Marlene Flores at (760) 592-4494 or contact by email at marleneflores@imperialctc.org

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TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DRAFT MINUTES

May 28, 2020

Present:

Gordon Gaste City of Brawley
Veronica Atondo County of Imperial
Joel Hamby City of Westmorland

Others:

Virginia Mendoza ICTC
Marlene Flores ICTC
David Salgado SCAG
Javier Aguilar SCAG

Felix DeLeon
Javier Luna
City of El Centro
City of El Centro
Christian Rodriguez
Catherine Gutierrez
Catherine Gutierrez
City of El Centro
City of Imperial
Robert Urena
County of Imperial

Develine Villasenor IVRMA
Beth Landrum Caltrans
Ben Guerrero Caltrans
Jose Ornelas Caltrans

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The meeting was called to order at 10:11 a.m. A quorum was present, and introductions were made. There were no public comments made.

- 1. Introductions
- 2. A motion was made to adopt the minutes for April 23, 2020 (Gaste/ Atondo) Motion Carried.
- 3. Local Transportation Authority (LTA) Ordinance Requirements

(Presented by ICTC Staff)

Virginia Mendoza provided information on the LTA Ordinance Requirements. Maintenance of Effort (MOE) will be required from all agencies. Agencies that have not submitted MOE's in the past will be provided instructions on future submittals.

5 Year Program of Projects – All agencies shall submit a 5 Year Program of Projects yearly.

Need to approve ASAP:

Brawley FY 19-20 thru FY 24-25

Holtville FY 19-20 thru FY 24-25

Current but will need update:

El Centro FY 20-21 thru FY 25-26

County FY 20-21 thru FY 25-26

DEADLINE: JUNE 30, 2020

All agencies must submit to ICTC a list of completed projects funded by LTA for FY19/20. This will be an annual requirement moving forward. Submit list to Michelle Bastidas and Cristi Lerma at ICTC.

4. Imperial County Aerial Imagery

(Presented by SCAG, Javier Aguilar)

Javier Aguilar from SCAG provided TAC members with a brief update on the Aerial Imagery Project. He mentioned that SCAG is still willing to contribute with \$350,000 to the project. This project has been discussed with local agencies as well as other stakeholders. Javier provided a brief summary on estimated contributions amounts based on different SOW considered, provided an estimated timeline as well as the two proposed options. During TAC, it was proposed to bring this item back or make a separate meeting with more detailed information. SCAG and ICTC will create a Zoom meeting to discuss the project in more detail with stakeholders.

5. 2021 eFTIP Performance Measures Requirements

(Presented by ICTC Staff)

Federal law and regulations governing metropolitan transportation planning and programming require that Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), in coordination with the State and public transportation providers, must establish performance measures and targets and report on progress towards meeting those targets in its long-range planning and programming documents.

SCAG's forthcoming FY21 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) must include, to the maximum extent practicable, a description of the anticipated effect of the FTIP toward achieving the targets identified in Connect SoCal, linking investment priorities to those performance targets.

The performance measures provide a standardized quantitative metric for evaluating progress toward meeting each of the national goals. Performance targets provide a numeric threshold by which the performance measures can be interpreted as having made acceptable progress toward achieving a specific performance goal.

ICTC's current plan is to create with these new requirements a excel sheet filtered with all of the agency projects with columns per Performance Measure question. Local agencies will need to answer the questions with dropdowns across the row, save the file, and send it back to ICTC staff. ICTC will individually update the projects in the FTIP database. There is a deadline for this requirement, June 19th, 2020 please submit your answers to ICTC.

6. Imperial Valley Resource Management Agency (IVRMA) Updates

(Presented by Daveline Villasenor, Project Manager

ICTC staff welcomed Daveline Villasenor to ICTC and to TAC members. Daveline is the new

Project Manager for IVRMA and she will be part of the TAC meeting providing us with the latest news on IVRMA as well as providing us with upcoming events.

7. ICTC Updates / Announcements

(Presented by ICTC Staff)

- a. Transit Planning Updates- Virginia Mendoza provided a brief update on the transit side. Based on the current events surrounding the COVID-19 Pandemic, ICTC is still operating under COVID-19 requirements.
- b. Transportation Planning Updates (by Virginia Mendoza):
 - **Regional Climate Action Plan (CAP)-** Ms. Mendoza provided an update on the CAP. Due to recent COVID-19 state-wide shelter in place, ICTC is shifting our Community Outreach and Stakeholders meeting to a more virtual approach (website, online community surveys, social media). In regards to the Data Inventory, all local agencies have provided information for the data collection.
- c. **FFY 2019-20 Programmed Project Updates: (by Virginia Mendoza)** Update on State and Federal funding obligations. A complete list of programmed projects was provided as an attachment to the agenda. Each agency provided an update on the current status of each project.
- d. LTA Updates 2012 and 2018 (by Virginia Mendoza):
 - 2012 LTA Bond- City of Brawley still has a balance on their respective 2012 LTA Bond account of (\$668,871).
 - 2018 LTA Bond- The City of Holtville already utilize all their 2018 LTA money and City of Calexico (\$8,019,678) and City of Calipatria (\$1,396,017).

8. SCAG Updates / Announcements (by David Salgado)

- Connect SOCAL: The SCAG Regional Council (RC) met on May 7th and voted to approve the Final Connect SOCAL Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). The plan was approved with a 120 day hold on the SCS component to allow for further analysis of the current COVID situation.
- RHNA Update: The Regional Council adopted both the Connect SoCal (2020 RTP/SCS) and RHNA Appeals Procedures. Staff will provide each local jurisdiction its draft RHNA allocation. Per Government Code Section 65584.05(b) within forty-five (45) days of receipt of the draft RHNA allocation, a local jurisdiction (city or county) within the region or the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) may appeal for a revision of the share of the draft regional housing need proposed to be allocated to one or more local jurisdictions. SCAG staff has developed 6th Cycle RHNA Appeals Procedures that outline the appeals process, and includes information on bases for appeals, the public hearings to hear appeals, and the reallocation of successful appeals.
- 2020 SCAG General Assembly: SCAG is currently anticipating the convening of the General Assembly on Thursday June 4th, 2020 at 10:00am. The meeting will be held remotely and will only contain regular business matters such as the confirmation of incoming SCAG Regional Council Executive Members. The incoming SCAG President will be City of Long Beach Vice Mayor Rex Richardson, the SCAG First Vice President will be City of Eastvale Councilmember Clint Lorimore, and Second Vice President

- will be Palm Desert Councilmember Jan Harnik. Current SCAG President Bill Jahn (Big Bear) will become the Immediate Past President. There will be no programmatic content like previous SCAG General Assembly programs.
- Transportation Program (ATP) is a competitive statewide program created to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation, such as biking and walking. Senate Bill 99 (Chapter 359, Statutes of 2013) and Assembly Bill 101 (Chapter 354, Statutes of 2013) created the ATP, and Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) (Chapter 2031, statutes of 2017) directs additional funding from the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account to the ATP.

 Currently there is a total of \$445 million available for fiscal years 2021 to 2025. The "Call for Projects" was released earlier in March 2020. The deadline for applications has been extended to September 15th, 2020. Quick Build applications are still due July 15th, 2020. SCAG is working towards holding an ATP workshop in Imperial County concurrently with the ICTC Technical Advisory Committee meeting at a future date.

9. Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates:

- Local agencies gave an update on their local projects in progress.

10. Caltrans Updates / Announcements (By: Ben Guerrero and Beth Landrum)

Local Assistance: Mr. Guerrero provided updates on local assistance.

Inactive Projects- As of May 22, 2020, the INACTIVE and FUTURE Inactive list was updated. An invoice is not cleared from either "Inactive" or "Future Inactive" lists until paid by the State Controller's Office. Provided local agencies adhere to the format described in Chapter 5 of the Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM), invoices typically are paid by check within 60 days of receipt (or 50 days if paid through Electronic Funds Transfer).

Summer 2020 Deadline: Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 5 Call for Projects-The California Transportation Commission call for Active Transportation Program (ATP) projects began March 25, 2020. The extended deadline is <u>June 15, 2020</u>. September 15,2020 is the new deadline for all other ATP project types.

Quality Assurance Program (QAP)- A quick reminder, City of Calexico, City of El Centro and City of Westmorland need to renew the QAP if federal funds are anticipated for future projects. A list with specific dates for each agency was provided. An updated QAP package must be submitted as soon as possible to the Local Area Engineer, Ben Guerrero.

Preparation Schedule for California Transportation Commission (CTC)-Mr. Guerrero provided the schedule with deadlines to send allocation request packages for CTC approval. Please review the preceding schedule of deadlines to send allocation request packages for California Transportation Commission (CTC) approval by the July 2020 CTC meeting. All documents must be received by the Caltrans District 11 Office at least two months prior to the preferred CTC meeting date. Friday, June 12, 2020 is the next deadline (for the meeting in August 12-13, 2020).

Temporary Exception for Requiring "Wet" signature on Invoices- The current process of requiring wet signatures on invoice documents in order to process for payment is temporarily exempted. Until further notice, scanned copies of invoices will be accepted. For questions, please contact either the Local Area Engineer, Mr. Guerrero, or Local Assistance Program Support Analyst, Alma Sanchez, via email at Alma.Sanchez@dot.ca.gov

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)- Mr. Guerrero provided a brief update on DBE procedures. For projects awarded after March 1, 2020, when submitting an invoice for reimbursement that includes a payment to a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), no later than the 10th of the following month, the prime contractor/consultant shall email a complete LAPM Exhibit 9-F: DBE Running Tally of Payments to business.support.unit@dot.ca.gov (with a copy to local administering agencies).

Planning: Mrs. Landrum provided an update on the SR-78/Glamis Multiuse Grade Separated Crossing Feasibility Study. The fourth TWG meeting was on Thursday, May 21, 2020 to discuss the alternatives analysis report. The next step will be to work on the cost estimates.

11. General Discussion / New Business

- Virginia Mendoza provided information on the Service Authority Freeway Emergency (SAFE) program. Adoption of Assembly Bill 335 (AB 335), which gives ICTC the authority to administer non-transportation programs both IVRMA and SAFE programs can now be administered by ICTC.
- Next TAC meeting will be on June 25, 2020 via Zoom.
- 12. Meeting adjourned at 11:49 a.m.



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Memorandum

Date: June 16, 2020

To: ICTC Commission Members

From: Mark Baza, Executive Director

Re: Executive Director's Report

The following is a summary of the Executive Director's Report for the ICTC Commission Meeting on June 24, 2020

- 1) LTA Bonds Refunding/Financing Effort: Based on municipal market and sales tax revenue trends we will remain on pause until we have a better sense of phase 3 openings within the County. In addition to continued lifting of travel restrictions at the border as legal crossings are a significant part of Imperial County's economy. A positive tone in the municipal market continues. There is an increasing number of investors (i.e. cash available) and as they are facing a continuing light calendar we are seeing a compression (lowering) of both absolute yields and spreads. Our Underwriter team (Ramirez & Co., Inc.) will continue to keep an eye on the market and review the most opportune time to move forward with the bond rating and pricing of the bonds. See attached, regarding municipal market trends.
- 2) Funding for Phase II of the Calexico West Port of Entry: As previously noted, Congress authorized \$98 million for Phase 1. The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) began construction for Phase 1 in December 2015 with completion now scheduled for July 2018. Phase 2A was awarded in the amount of \$191million and will include six additional northbound privately-owned vehicle (POV) inspection lanes, permanent southbound POV inspection, expanded secondary inspection and adding a pre-primary canopy, new administration building, and employee parking structure. Funding for phase 2B is in the President's Budget Proposal in the amount of \$99.7million. Work for phase 2B will include demolition of the old port building and construction of the new pedestrian building. The total estimated cost for phases 2A plus 2B are \$276million. Phase 2A demolition and construction is scheduled to begin in June 2020.
- 3) SR-78/Glamis Multiuse Grade Separated Crossing Feasibility Study: The study will analyze and develop feasible design alternatives and locations for a Grade Separated Crossing (GSC) for Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) use at or near SR-78 and the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) in Imperial County. The successful consultant will provide conceptual GSC design alternatives, analysis of site alternatives, public/stakeholder outreach and cost estimates for construction, operations and maintenance. The consultant selection process was completed on September 25th. The consultant selected was Kleinfelder. A kick-off meeting was held on Wednesday, October 9, 2019. The first technical working group meeting was held on December 10, 2019 at the ICTC office in El Centro. A project page has been created on the ICTC website at http://www.imperialctc.org/sr-78-glamis-crossing/. As part of the outreach plan, an online survey was open to the public from January 1st through January 31st, where over 4,000 people completed the survey. A public outreach event was held in Glamis on January 18, 2020 from 9am to 3pm. The third technical working group (TWG) meeting was held on February 13, 2020 in San Diego at Caltrans District 11 offices. The fourth TWG meeting to discuss the alternatives analysis report was held on Thursday, May 21, 2020. The next step will be to work on the cost estimates.

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- 4) **Potential Bus Stop in Calipatria:** *ICTC* has evaluated all of its fixed route service routes to attempt to provide service to the east side of Calipatria. Staff conducted time trials as well utilized several types of buses to verify buses would not have issues with other existing stops within proposed routes. Potential stops for the area include a stop along Commercial Avenue and potentially another stop near Alexandria Street. Staff is proposing to utilize its *IVC* Express route to potentially service the area. Final location and infrastructure associated with the potential bus stop(s) is pending discussion with the city of Calipatria staff.
- 5) Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center (ITC): A new Intermodal Transportation Center in the City of Calexico has been part of ICTC's long range transit planning. The new Calexico ITC will serve as a regional mobility hub that will accommodate bus bays for Imperial Valley Transit in addition to the City of Calexico's private transit operators, taxis and farm labor buses. ICTC received a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality federal program fund to complete the environmental and design plans of the new Calexico ITC. ICTC staff is in the process of completing the contract award for a consultant firm that will complete the environmental and design phase. Currently, ICTC staff is completing the Caltrans award review process with multiple Caltrans' departments. The ICTC Board adopted the agreement with Psomas on September 26, 2018. Environmental phase is in progress with consultant team and agency partners, including the City of Calexico, Caltrans and ICTC. The environmental phase is scheduled to be completed in June 2020. Next steps: Begin design and property (Right of Way) acquisition process.
- 6) **Imperial County Regional Climate Action Plan:** Imperial County Regional Climate Action Plan: After the kick-off meeting on June 28, 2019, ICTC established Project Management Procedures and Communication Protocols with the Consultant as well as reviewing the Scope of Work and Schedule. *Completion of the Data Collection from project stakeholders. The outreach plan will be rolled starting summer 2020.*
- 7) **I-8 / Imperial Avenue Interchange Reconstruction:** Caltrans and construction team have been meeting with City of El Centro and ICTC to discuss details of construction phases and the public information campaign for both the Interchange Project and the Imperial Avenue Extension South Project. *The first phase of construction began on Monday, May 6, 2020. See attached announcement by Caltrans.*
- 8) Calexico East Port of Entry Bridge Widening Project: The Project proposes to widen the bridge over the All-American Canal at the U.S./Mexico border approximately 0.7 miles south of State Route (SR) 7. The project proposes to widen the existing structure by adding four-lanes: Two New Northbound Auto Lanes and Two New Northbound Commercial Vehicle Lanes. In May 2018, Caltrans and ICTC received \$3,000,000 from the California Transportation Commission and the Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) to complete the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA/ED) for the project. In June 2018, Caltrans completed a Project Initiation Document (PID). In Fall of 2018, the PA/ED phase was initiated by Caltrans, technical studies for the National Environment Policy Act (NEPA) document under Caltrans as the NEPA lead are in progress and is scheduled for completion in May 2020. In December 2018, was awarded \$20 million under the U.S. Department of Transportation's BUILD discretionary grant program to complete the Design-Build construction phase. ICTC proposes to deliver the project under Design-Build process, with ICTC leading the Request for Qualifications in May 2020 and Request for Proposals in Summer 2020 for Design and Construction teams. Following the RFQ and RFP process, the Design-Build contract award is scheduled to begin in February 2021. The NEPA studies and final document were completed in April 2020. ICTC will be advertising a Request for Qualifications in late May 2020. Subsequently, ICTC will request authorization for the \$20 million in federal funding and proceed with the Request for Proposals for Design-Build in Fall 2020.
- 9) Imperial Mexicali Binational Alliance Meeting: The last IMBA meeting scheduled for March 18, 2020 was postponed due to COVID-19. An IMBA meeting was held via Zoom on Thursday, May 14, 2020. The meeting provided updates on the Calexico East and West infrastructure projects. The State of Baja provided updates on the bridge work at the Calexico West Port of Entry. A presentation on the California-Baja California Border Master Plan was made by Cheryl Mason from the San Diego Association of Governments. The new Executive Director of the Mexicali Industrial Development Coorporation Rodolfo Andrade gave a presentation of their work plan. Lastly, brief updates were provided by other economic development agencies as well as IMBA members.
- 10) **Assembly Bill 335 (Garcia):** In December 2018, staff met with Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia and his staff to discuss legislation that would amend ICTC's authority to include non-transportation programs. The Bill was

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approved on Consent with the Assembly Transportation Committee on April 22, 2019, and on Consent with the Senate Transportation Committee on June 11, 2019. The Governor signed the Bill on June 26, 2019. AB 335 will become effective in January 2020. ICTC will have on-going meetings with the City of El Centro and County of Imperial Public Works Department to carry out the transition of the Imperial Valley Resource Management Authority (IVRMA) and the Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies (SAFE).

On March 2, 2020, ICTC took over the the administration of the IVRMA. Staff will continue to work closely with IVRMA staff during the transition time and in the future. ICTC is finalizing the recruitment and hiring process to replace the recently retired Director. ICTC staff is continuing to have meetings with County Public Works staff and Counsel to finalize the documentation to transition the SAFE program to ICTC.

- 11) **State Route 98 from Ollie to Rockwood:** As part of the Calexico West POE Expansion project, SR-98 and Cesar Chavez Boulevard were widened and improved to serve the expansion to the west. Caltrans' SR-98 work between VV Williams and Ollie Avenue was completed in March 2018, and the Cesar Chavez Blvd. Widening was completed in October 2019. Caltrans has completed the design and right of way phase for SR-98 Widening between Rockwood Avenue and Ollie Avenue. Construction phase is scheduled to begin in Summer 2020.
- 12) **FY 2019 Public Transit Fare Analysis**: The Request for Proposal for a consultant for the ICTC FY 2019 Public Transit Fare Analysis was released on March 1, 2019. The project is for professional services to develop a Public Transit Fare Pricing Analysis. This planning document is expected to provide recommendations for the current fares/fee structure and media for the four public transit services under the Imperial Valley Transit brand for the next three to five years. The award recommendation was approved at the May 22, 2019 Commission meeting. AECOM was selected to complete the Analysis. A project kick-off meeting was held on June 20, 2019 and the study is underway. The first round of public outreach efforts was held on October 23-24, 2019. Outreach was held in various areas throughout the County including IVC. The fare analysis is in progress, when it is finalized, further outreach will be scheduled.
- 13) **Federal Triennial Review:** The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is conducting a Triennial Review of the Imperial County Transportation Commission in early 2019. The review determines whether a grant recipient and its subrecipients are administering its FTA-funded programs in accordance with 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53, Federal transit law provisions. It assesses the recipient's management practices and program implementation to ensure that the programs are administered in accordance with FTA requirements and are meeting program objectives. Grant subrecipients that may be inlucded in this cycle include the Cities of Brawley, El Centro and Imperial for the transfer terminal projects. Site visits were scheduled for October 7-8, 2019. The FTA Audit team completed their review in two days where they reviewed accounting and procurement records. ICTC did receive a few deficiencies, specifically in policy updates and transit asset management plan. We will be working closely with the FTA to provide the updated documents in the required time. An information item describing in greater detail what the deficiencies are was presented to the Commission in December. *Documentation modifications were completed and forwarded to the FTA for review*.
- 14) **2018 ICTC Bus Stop Bench and Shelter Inventory:** 2018 ICTC Bus Stop Bench and Shelter Inventory: The Project Consultant team Kimley Horn and Associates, and Agency Stakeholders from ICTC, Brawley, Calexico, El Centro and Imperial met on January 31, 2018 to review and discuss the current status of the ICTC Bus Stop Inventory, Signage Replacement and Technology Assessment Project. The items reviewed included the consultant prepared Bus Stop Inventory, Asset Condition Report, ADA Assessment Report, Bus Stop Usage Priority List and Bus Stop Signage installation parameters and requirements. ICTC and member agency staff have worked together to complete the priority list for implementation and pursuit of funding. Bus stop signage specifications with specific route information have been finalized. The consultant and staff are working towards finalizing the Technology Memorandum which will provide ICTC with possible technology solutions for the fixed route bus system. Staff is continuing to look for funding opportunities to complete bus stop improvements throughout the county.
- 15) Westshores Transit Opportunities: As part of the Short-Range Transit Plan, ICTC has explored connection opportunities with Sunline Transit who serves the Coachella Valley region. ICTC and Sunline Transit have discussed pursuing grant opportunities for interregional transit services to/from Westshores and Coachella. ICTC and Sunline Transit continue to have regular dialogue about the potential opportunities most recently engaging in discussions in January 2019. ICTC will be implementing an adjustment to the IVT Ride Westshores

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service to provide service to Eisenhower Medical Center on Bob Hope Drive and facilities ³/₄ of a mile from Highway 111 between Eisenhower Medical Center and Avenue 52 in Coachella. The service will operate every other Tuesday and reservations will be required. Service began on April 16, 2019. On September 9, 2019, ICTC staff attended a meeting at the West Shores Senior Center to inform the attendees about IVT Ride West Shores and the updates to the service. On September 11, 2019 the Regional Mobility Coordinators distributed IVT Ride West Shores brochures in the West Shores High School, West Shores Elementary School and Senior Center. Staff will continue outreach efforts within the area.

- 16) **Community of Niland Bus Stop Bench and Shelter Request:** The ICTC submitted a formal request to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 11 requesting their assistance in identifying a location for a bus stop bench and shelter in the Community of Niland along State Route 111 (SR-111). The shelter has been installed in an existing parking lot on the east side of SR-111. *Staff is reviewing the possibility of relocating the bus stop to the location of the newly constructed fire station.*
- 17) **State and Federal funding Obligations:** Beginning October 1, 2019, agencies can move forward with request for authorization (RFA) for Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Surface Transportation Block Grant program (STBG) and Active Transportation Program (ATP) programmed in FY 2019/2020. See complete project list attached.
- 18) **State Route 86 (Northbound) Border Patrol Checkpoint:** In August 2017 following a year of coordination, Caltrans, the County of Imperial and ICTC met with CBP management and operations staff achieved consensus for a new conceptual alternative prepared by Caltrans. The LTA Board met on September 27, 2017, staff presented the Board with a fund request for \$1.3 million from the 5% Regional Highway Set-Aside from the Measure D allocations. A Consultant Agreement with AECOM for design and construction engineering was approved by the LTA on February 28, 2018. Currently design is underway. A draft of 35% plans were completed and submitted for review on October 12, 2018. The 65% design plans in Spring 2020. All stakeholder staff met on May 6, 2020 to review status of 65% plans. Next steps: consultant will proceed to complete 90% plans; CBP Border Patrol is preparing a formal request to receive final construction funds needed of \$2.3 million.
- 19) **2018 Trade Corridor Enhancement Program:** The Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP), created by Senate Bill (SB) 1 (Beall, Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017), provides approximately \$300 million annually for infrastructure improvements on federally designated Trade Corridors of National and Regional Significance, on the Primary Freight Network, and along other corridors that have a high volume of freight movement. ICTC in partnership with Caltrans and the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) were successful in receiving TCEP funds for Advanced Technology Corridors at the California-Mexico Ports of Entry (POE). The goal project is to implement Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) strategies that will improve border travel delays. Some of the ITS strategies will include Bluetooth and Wi-Fi readers to help track vehicle delays, as well as implement changeable message signs on State Routes to inform border travelers of POE delays. Caltrans will serve as the implementing agency of this project and has an estimated completion date of early 2020. Caltrans has initiated the environmental phase and preliminary design of the project. TCEP funds will be used in collaboration with the BUILD grant award for the design and construction phases.
- 20) State Legislation for Transportation Funding SB 1 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA): \$1.5 Billion annually will go to cities and counties for local road improvements. The following are projected annual revenues of RMRA for the Cities and the County of Imperial for FY 2018/2019. This list of projects for all cities and the county can also be found on the ICTC website at: http://www.imperialctc.org/senate-bill-1/

The following is a list of projects funded by SB1 for FY 2018-2019.

| Agency | Project |
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| Brawley | Rehabilitation of Legion Street from Highway 86 to Evelyn Street |
| Brawley | Street Rehabilitation – Phase 11 |
| Calexico | Cesar Chavez Boulevard Improvement |
| Calexico | De Las Flores Street Improvement |
| Calexico | Second Street Bridge |
| Calipatria | Freeman Street Rehabilitation between Brown and Commercial Avenues |
| El Centro | 2018 Streets Overlay and Rehabilitation Project |

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| Holtville | Citywide Pavement Rehabilitation Project |
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| Imperial | Storm Drain Installation – Northwest Quadrant of City – Continuing |
| Imperial County | Includes a total of 70 road improvement projects. List can be found on the <u>ICTC</u> |
| | website here. |
| Westmorland | North H Street Improvements |
| Westmorland | Street Rehabilitation Program – Phase 2 |
| Caltrans/ICTC | Calexico East Port of Entry Truck Crossing Improvements |
| Caltrans | State Route 111 from State Route 98 to Ross Avenue near Calexico |
| Caltrans | State Route 98 from Rockwood Avenue to east of Cole Road near Calexico |
| Caltrans | Bridges on Interstate 8 and State Route 86, 98, 11 and 186 |
| Caltrans | State Route 86 from I Street to Brandt Road near Brawley |
| Caltrans | State Route 86 south of B Street to Martin Road near Westmorland |

Below are the projected annual revenues for FY 2019/2020. On May 1, 2019 a list was submitted to the CTC. All Imperial County cities and the county are required to submit their list of projects in order to be eligible for funding distribution.

| Agency | RMRA Amount FY 2019-2020 |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Brawley | \$453,796 |
| Calexico | \$681,911 |
| Calipatria | \$127,530 |
| El Centro | \$766,589 |
| Holtville | \$107,602 |
| Imperial | \$320,638 |
| Westmorland | \$38,483 |
| County of Imperial | \$7,501,204 |
| TOTAL | \$9,997,753* |

^{*}Estimate source is from the California League of Cities dated January 22, 2019 - http://californiacityfinance.com/LSR1901.pdf

- 21) **Rio Vista and Pioneers Memorial Hospital Bus Stops**: ICTC has engaged in several discussions with the City of Brawley Staff regarding the potential relocation of the existing bus stops along Rio Vista Avenue/SR78 and at Pioneers Memorial Hospital. Caltrans recently completed improvements to SR 78 and provided on street concrete bus pads with an approximate value of \$80,000. ICTC recently met with the City of Brawley Staff to discuss incorporating the relocation of the bus stop at Pioneers Memorial Hospital as part of an upcoming City of Brawley capital project. Funding previously set aside for the Rio Vista Project was approved and reallocated towards the Pioneers Memorial Hospital Project at the July 2019 commission meeting. The bus stops at Pioneers Memorial Hospital have been constructed and in use.
- 22) Heber Bus Stop & Pedestrian Access Improvements on State Route 86: The community of Heber has had a need to improve pedestrian and bus stop access along State Route 86. The ICTC Commission granted the use of Regional Set-Aside Local Transportation Authority (LTA) funds for the project. Caltrans has served as the project lead; the first phase was recently completed in November 2017. Phase 1 included bench, bus shelter and ADA access improvements. Phase 2 was recently completed in mid-June 2018 and consisted of curb and sidewalks improvements from Parkyns Ave to Heber Ave. Phase 3 will also have curb and sidewalk improvements and is located between Heffernan to Parkyns Ave. ICTC participated in a Heber Community Outreach event together with County Public Works and led by Supervisor Plancarte. The County of Imperial discussed sidewalk pavement projects, and ICTC gave transit updates and a status of the SR-86 improvements. The Phase 3 construction improvements have been completed and project is nearing completion and closeout. A ribbon cutting will be scheduled soon.
- 23) State Legislation for Transportation Funding SB 1 2018 Local Partnership Program (LPP): The 2018 Local Partnership Program is comprised of formulaic program and competitive programs. In FY2017/2018 total amount available statewide is \$200M and distribution is 50/50 for both formulaic and competitive programs. The

formulaic program share distributions for the Local Partnership Program were presented at the CTC meeting in December 6-7, 2017. During the meeting the CTC Commission took action and approved the distribution of funds for the formulaic portion, the funding share for Imperial County in FY2017/2018 is \$538,000. For FY2017/2018, no projects were submitted for the formulaic program and funds will be rolled over to FY2018/2019.

On the following page is the list of projects for Imperial County:

| | Local Partnership Program (LPP) Programing Date | | | | | | |
|----------------------|--|------------------------|-------------|----|---------|--|--|
| Agency | Project Name | LPP Formulaic Funds | Local Match | | | Project Implementation Fiscal Year | Proposed CTC Programming Date |
| Brawley | 2020 Legion Street Improvements | \$ 209,000 | \$ 209,000 | \$ | 418,000 | 2019-2020 | 1/30/2020 |
| Calexico | Scaroni Road Improvements | \$ 305,000 | \$ 550,000 | \$ | 855,000 | 2019-2020 | 5/16/2019 |
| Calipatria County | Calipatria Date Street Sidewalk Improvement Project Overlay of Picacho Road from Winterhaven Road to Quechan Drive | | \$ 41,000 | \$ | 82,000 | 2019-2020 | 5/16/2019 5/16/2019 |
| Imperial | Aten/Clark Road Improvements | \$ 154,000 | \$ 327,000 | \$ | 481,000 | 2019-2020 | 5/16/2019 |
| Holtville | Orchard Road/Cedar Avenue | \$ 60,000 | \$ 60,000 | \$ | 120,000 | 2020-2021 | Jun-20 |
| El Centro | Dogwood Road from Villa Road to Commercial Avenue | \$ 339,000 | \$ 339,000 | \$ | 678,000 | 2020-2021 | Jun-20 |

The following is the link to the 2019 Local Partnership Program guidelines: http://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/lpp/docs/062719+Amended_LPP%20Guidelines.pdf

24) Partnerships with IVEDC:

a) Southern Border Broadband Consortium (SBBC): ICTC in partnership with IVEDC received a California Advanced Services Regional Consortia Grant award of \$450,000 from their Rural and Regional Consortia program. The grant covers a 3-year period. ICTC is fiscal agent and developed an MOU which defines roles and responsibilities (Audits, Administration and Project Management) for ICTC and IVEDC. Since the project's approval, IVEDC staff Sean Wilcock designed a new logo for SBBC to assist the clarity in larger marketing materials. An update was presented to the Commission at the August 2018 meeting. the project is in year two of the contract. In year two/quarter two, Ms. Barrett began working with other consortiums on the Caltrans Strategic Corridors Plan. SBBC submitted corridors that would need better broadband sources in Imperial and San Diego Counties. A new staff was hired during this time; Mr. Rene Pollard has been attending meetings with Ms. Barrett since September. An Area Agency on Aging (AAA) Board Meeting was attended in October, along with another AAA event in Bombay Beach; and SBBC is planning to attend more AAA events to assist seniors attain internet access in their homes. The SBBC staff designed a USB with both their logo and AAA's logo to hand out to seniors when they complete the "internet needs questionnaire" and has worked as a great incentive. Glenna Barrett provided an update at the Commission meeting in September. The goals for the third year of the program are to continue to work with local stakeholders to identify, prioritize and advance digital access projects; facilitate and promote broadband education and conduct community and business surveys; work with the Boys and Girls Club of IV and the Workforce Development Board to create Digital Literacy Centers throughout Imperial County; form a preferred scenario for 98% deployment in Imperial County and present to the California Advanced Service Fund and the CPUC in January 2020, and; work with Spectrum to install five Wi-Fi towers in Imperial County.

b) The Brawley Transit Corridor Brownfield Assessment: ICTC in partnership with IVEDC received a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfields Communitywide Assessment Grant award of \$300,000 from the Environmental Protection Agency's Brownfields Assessment Program. This assessment will be focused along the transit circulator route within the 13-mile Imperial Valley Transit's (IVTs) Brawley Gold Line Transit Route and the Brawley Transit Center that serves as the IVTs North Imperial County transfer terminal. The commercial corridors in the target assessment area include over 100 known commercial properties and suspected historical gas station sites with known or suspected underground tanks in the target area. ICTC will be the fiscal agent and has developed an MOU which will define roles and responsibilities (Audits, Administration and Project Management) or ICTC and IVEDC. SCS Engineers have initiated early Tasks that include the Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) and project management plan as required by EPA. The Steering Committee consisting of agency partners and stakeholders met on August 22, 2018. The draft QAPP is nearing completion. The first community outreach meeting was held on October 11, 2018. The consultant and IVEDC presented an overview of the project and the opportunities available for property owners to consider participating and requesting Phase 1 or 2 Brownfield Assessments. Currently we are processing 4 Property Eligibility applications with the Dept. of Toxic Substance Control (DTSC) which will be later submitted to the Environment Protect Agency for final approval. All 4 of these properties are seeking to redevelop or sell properties for redevelopment within the project's subject area. These properties will be processed for Phase 1 and potentially Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessments to clear them of contamination concern or evaluate them for site cleanup planning if necessary.

Mr. Sean Wilcock provided an update at the October Commission meeting regarding the status of the properties.

- The Finnell Property has 3 parcels. It received DTSC approval on March 8, 2019. Phase 1 report completion occurred on October 15, 2019. Pending is Field Sampling Plan and Phase 2 report completion.
- The Chai Property has 2 parcels. It received DTSC approval on March 28, 2019. Phase 1 report completion occurred on October 15, 2019 and no further work is necessary.
- The Lesicka Property has 2 parcels. It received DTSC approval on August 29, 2019 and Phase 1 and Phase 2 report completion, and Field Sampling Plan are all still pending.

A map of the transit corridor in Brawley as it pertains to this project was provided at the December Commission meeting and attached to this report in January.

25) California-Baja California Binational Region: A Fresh Look at Impacts of Border Delays: Building upon previous Caltrans, SANDAG, and ICTC studies, this project will refine the economic models developed to assess economic impacts of delays at the land ports of entry (POEs) between the San Diego and Imperial Counties region and Baja California, Mexico, on the border region economies. It will also estimate greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions of passenger and commercial vehicles due to northbound and southbound border delays at the six California POEs and propose strategies to reduce GHG emissions at the border region. Lastly, extensive outreach to government agencies, local border communities, and private sector stakeholders was conducted. *A final report is scheduled to be completed in the spring of 2020*.

26) Meetings attended on behalf of ICTC:

- May 14, 2020 Imperial Mexicali Binational Alliance Meeting at the ICTC offices and via Zoom Meeting
- May 21, 2020 Fourth Technical Working Group (TWG) meeting of the SR 78/Glamis Multiuse Grade Separated Crossing Feasibility Study via Microsoft Teams
- May 27, 2020 ICTC Budget Workshop, Commission and IVRMA Meetings via Zoom Meeting
- May 28, 2020 ICTC TAC Meeting via Zoom Meeting June 3, 2020 – ICTC SSTAC Meeting via Zoom Meeting

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State and Federal funding Obligations: Beginning October 1, 2019, agencies are allowed to move forward with request for authorization (RFA) for Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Surface
Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) and Active Transportation Program (ATP) programmed in FY 2019/2020

| | Transportation block Grant Program (SIBG) and Active Transportation Program (ATP) programmed in F1 2019/2020 | | | | | | |
|------------|--|--------------|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|--|
| Agency | Project Name | Funding Type | Phase | Federal Amount in FY 2019/20 | Local Match | Total Phase Cost | Status |
| Brawley | Pedestrian and street improvements (paving of dirt road) on Legion Street between State Route 86 and Western Avenue | CMAQ | Engineering/Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) | \$177,000 | \$23,000 | \$200,000 | RFA Submittal |
| Brawley | Construct street improvements (paving of dirt road) along Western Avenue from Legion Street to Wildcat Drive | CMAQ | Engineering/Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) | \$177,000 | \$23,000 | \$200,000 | RFA Submittal |
| Brawley | Street improvements (repavement) along Legion Street from Eastt of Kelley Ave. to West St. deflection point near West City limits | STBG | CON | \$620,000 | \$81,000 | \$701,000 | RFA Submittal |
| Brawley | Street improvement (repavement) along K Street from Highway 86 to to 8th St. | STBG | Engineering/Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) | \$52,000 | \$8,000 | \$60,000 | RFA Submittal |
| Calexico | Weakley Street between Scaroni Blvd. and Portico Blvd. (unpaved street) | CMAQ | Engineering/Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) | \$173,000 | \$20,000 | \$193,000 | Working on RFA |
| Calipatria | Date Street between HWY 111/Sorenson Ave. and Railroad Ave. pedestrian improvements | CMAQ & STBG | CON | \$528,000 | \$69,000 | \$597,000 | Ready to submit RFA for CON |
| El Centro | Traffic Signal Synchronization Dogwood Avenue and 8th Street | CMAQ | Engineering/Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) | \$48,000 | \$7,000 | \$55,000 | E-76/Council approval |
| Holtville | Cedar Avenue Sidewalk Improvements | CMAQ | Engineering/Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) | \$17,000 | \$3,000 | \$20,000 | RFA process going to Council fo approval |
| Holtville | 9th Street Sidewalk Improvements from Beale Avenue to Oak Avenue | CMAQ | CON | \$331,000 | \$43,000 | \$374,000 | RFA process |
| Holtville | Orchard Road from Alamo River Bridge to 4th Street | STBG | CON | \$396,000 | \$52,000 | \$448,000 | RFA process |
| Imperial | Class II Bike facility north side of Aten Road from Dogwood Road to Puerto Vallarta Ave. | CMAQ | CON | \$432,000 | \$56,000 | \$488,000 | Already received state approval |
| County | Clark Road Improvements from Wahl Road to 0.5 miles north of SR- 98 | STBG | CON | \$1,348,000 | \$175,000 | \$1,523,000 | Request for Authorization packet to Caltrans |
| | | | | | Regional Total FY2019/20 | \$4,859,000 | |

IMPERIAL VALLEY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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AGENDA REPORT

TO: IVRMA Board Members

FROM: Daveline Villasenor, Project Manager

SUBJECT: IVRMA Board Meeting

MEETING DATE: June 24, 2020

STAFF REPORT

- 1. 2019 CalRecycle Four Year Review: The Imperial Valley's jurisdictions review will be completed by the end of June 2020. We appreciate the cities availability and participation to have their review during these challenging months. The request letter from each participating city to create temporary relief from specific waste reduction and recycling requirements during the pandemic was sent to CalRecycle on June 16, 2020. Fall 2020: After receipt of the 2019 annual report is submitted on August 1, 2020, CalRecycle will conduct its formal on-site review of all jurisdictions. The on-site review consists of the recycling programs required by the state of California; AB341 MCR, AB1826, AB827 and SB1374 C&D. It is crucial that the City, or IVRMA on behalf of the cities, include schools and school districts as part of the MORe education, outreach, monitoring, and reporting plans. AB 827 Overview: Requires businesses to make composting and recycling bins accessible to customers at restaurants, malls, and other businesses. This bill requires commercial waste generators and organic waste generators that provide customers access to the business with a commercial solid waste recycling bin or an organic waste recycling bin to collect materials purchased on the premises by July 1, 2020.
- 2. <u>Jurisdiction Electronic Annual Report (EAR)</u>: The Imperial Valley jurisdictions EAR report is due **August 1, 2020.** IVRMA will be contacting the required city departments, haulers, businesses to gather the required information for the year 2019. Planning and Developing Departments/Public Works Departments will be requested to provide the total tons of rubberized asphalt, concrete, recycled/reused asphalt and site grind for any project completed in 2019. Local Food Businesses will be requested to provide information on Waste Reduction Programs in place. This concludes the total tons of food donated per AB1826 MORe requirements. Updated ordinances, letters sent to residents and businesses and procurement policies referencing AB1826, AB1383, AB827, AB341 and SB1374 will be requested from each city. We appreciate your support in providing the necessary information by **July 17, 2020**.
- 3. <u>Illegally Dumped Tires</u>: During the absence of Amnesty Events due to the pandemic COVID-19, IVRMA will be assisting all jurisdictions with any dumped tires collected within the city limits collected and taken to the city yards. Please feel free to contact IVRMA at (760) 337-4537 to schedule a tire pick-up. We ask the tires be stacked and cleaned of any debris or harmful insects/animals.



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Memorandum

Date: June 24th, 2020

To: ICTC Committee Meeting

From: David Salgado, Regional Affairs Officer (RAO)

Re: Southern California Association of Government's (SCAG) Report

The following is a summary of the SCAG Executive Director's Report and/or Federal and State Legislature Staff Report for the Imperial County Transportation Commission Committee meeting Wednesday June 24th, 2020.

1. SCAG Report: COVID-19 Impact on SoCal Economy Will be Severe and Long-Lasting, With Historic Levels of Unemployment, Taxable Sales Losses MAY 2020: Southern California faces "severe and long-lasting" economic impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic, with Great Depression-level unemployment, supply chain interruptions and significant drops in taxable sales, according to an analysis from the nation's largest metropolitan planning organization.

The report, prepared by analysts at the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), projects an annual unemployment rate for the six-county region of 19.3% in 2020, tapering down to 12.2% in 2021. The 2020 rate is particularly significant given that year started with unemployment averaging around 4% in January and February. In April alone, SCAG estimates job loss rates of 20% to 22% – a surge that surpasses the more gradual trendline during the Great Depression, when U.S. unemployment took more than three years to reach its peak of 24.9% in 1933.

The analysis also projects decrease in taxable sales of 26% to 38% in 2020 and 2021. In total dollars, those decreases would range from \$178 billion to \$264 billion, which could severely impact local municipal budgets that rely on sales tax revenues. The forecast models do not take into account the possibility of further waves of infection or the still-unclear impact of government spending on relief efforts. The official press release is attached in the agenda backup and a link was provided to the full report in the agenda posting e-mail. Please feel free to contact SCAG with any questions. http://www.scag.ca.gov/Documents/scag-COVID-19-White-Paper_FINAL_2020-0514.pdf

2. Connect SOCAL 120 Day Directive- On May 7 SCAG's Regional Council approved Connect SoCal, the 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, for federal



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transportation conformity purposes and approval for all other purposes was postponed for up to 120 days to allow more time to consider the short- and long-term implications of the COVID-19 pandemic on the plan. SCAG will continue to conduct further targeted outreach with jurisdictions and other stakeholders over the 120-day period. For updates on Connect SoCal, please visit connectsocal.org.

- **3. SCAG Demographic Workshop:** SCAG and the University of Southern California's Sol Price School of Public Policy will be hosting the 31st Annual Demographic Workshop over two sessions one on Thursday, June 11, 2020, and the other on Thursday, June 18, 2020 virtually. The program is free and will focus on responding to demographic changes across the region and the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. register on the event webpage
- **4. 2020 SCAG General Assembly:** Thursday June 4th, SCAG held its 55th Annual General Assembly meeting virtually via Zoom. This was rescheduled due to the cancellation of the annual conference in May. Delegates representing all of the jurisdictions in the SCAG region met where Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon gave introductory remarks, approved the 2020/2021 General Fund Budget, and elected new Board Officers. Rex Richardson, Councilmember Long Beach was elected as the new SCAG President.
- 5. 2021 Cycle 5 Active Transportation Program (ATP) Grant: The Active Transportation Program (ATP) is a competitive statewide program created to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation, such as biking and walking. Senate Bill 99 (Chapter 359, Statutes of 2013) and Assembly Bill 101 (Chapter 354, Statutes of 2013) created the ATP, and Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) (Chapter 2031, statutes of 2017) directs additional funding from the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account to the ATP.

Currently there is a total of \$445 million available for fiscal years 2021 to 2025. The "Call for Projects" was released earlier in March 2020. The deadline for applications has been extended to September 15th, 2020. Quick Build applications are still due July 15th, 2020. SCAG is working towards holding an ATP workshop in Imperial County concurrently with the ICTC Technical Advisory Committee meeting at a future date.



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Inactive Projects

Projects must be billed within the specified and agreed-upon timeframe to avoid de-obligation of funds.

As of June 19, 2020, the INACTIVE and FUTURE Inactive list was updated. No action is required now.

Note: An invoice is not cleared from either "Inactive" or "Future Inactive" lists until paid by the State Controller's Office. Provided local agencies adhere to the format described in Chapter 5 of the Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM), invoices typically are paid by check within 60 days of receipt (or 50 days if paid through Electronic Funds Transfer).

A complete list of Inactive Projects is online at this webpage –

https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/projects/inactive-projects

Summer 2020 Deadlines: Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 5 Call for Projects

The California Transportation Commission call for Active Transportation Program (ATP) projects began March 25, 2020. The extended deadline is **July 15**, 2020 for "Quick-Build" ATP Projects. **September 15**, 2020 is the new deadline for all other ATP project types.

Check this link for all available details, including a revised schedule –

https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/active-transportation-program/cycle5

September 4, 2020 – Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 10 Call for Projects

Caltrans Division of Local Assistance (DLA) announced the local Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 10 Call for Projects on May 5, 2020. The application deadline is **September 4**, 2020.

For additional information on the HSIP Cycle 10, please see the following link –

 $\underline{https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/local-assistance/documents/hsip/2020/hsipcycle10announcement.pdf}$

Resources and presentations from the recent Webinar are now posted through the following link – http://www.localassistanceblog.com/2020/06/13/new-resources-hsip-cycle-10-webinar

Monday, June 29, 2020 (11-12:30) – Webinar on Implementing a Local Roadway Safety Plan (LRSP)

Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 11 (around April 2022) will require a mandatory Local Roadway Safety Plan (or the equivalent) from any agency applying for HSIP project funds.

Details regarding this requirement are available through the following link –

https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/highway-safety-improvement-program/local-roadway-safety-plans

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is hosting a 90-minute webinar to review information for LRSP implementation on **Monday**, **June 29**, **2020** (**11-12:30** Pacific Time).

More details and registration instructions are available through the following link -

http://www.localassistanceblog.com/2020/06/03/webinar-implementing-a-local-road-safety-plan



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New Invoice Form Required – Effective Immediately

In January 2020, Caltrans updated the new invoice form to incorporate many suggestions from staff and local agencies. Please transmit all invoices on this new *LAPM* Exhibit 5-A.

These following links have details with instructions -

https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/projects/local-agency-invoice-process

https://forms.dot.ca.gov/v2Forms/servlet/FormRenderer?frmid=LAPM5A

For questions, please contact either the Local Area Engineer, Ben Guerrero, or Local Assistance Program Support Analyst, Alma Sanchez, via email at <u>Alma.Sanchez@dot.ca.gov</u> or by phone: 619-278-3735.

January 31, 2020: Federal Fiscal Year 19/20 Requests for Authorization/Obligation – PAST DUE!

Funding Requests for Authorization (RFA) during this federal fiscal year were due by **January 31, 2020.** Please continue to transmit all RFA submittals and minimize delay in obtaining fund authorizations.

Note the Obligation Authority (OA) funds for redistribution are dwindling faster than in prior years. Also, make sure that funds are programmed appropriately.

Preparation Schedule for California Transportation Commission (CTC) Allocation Requests

Please review the following schedule of deadlines to send allocation request packages for California Transportation Commission (CTC) approval by the July 2020 CTC meeting. When possible, do not wait to submit requests. All documents must be received by the Caltrans District 11 Office at least two months prior to the preferred CTC meeting date. Friday, **August 14**, 2020 is the next deadline (for the meeting on October 14-15, 2020).

Per the Interim Timely Use of Funds Policy (officially adopted at the May 13-14, 2020 CTC meeting), project components that are programmed in Fiscal Year 2019-20 that have not yet allocated:

The deadline to request an allocation was extended from the June 24-25, 2020 CTC meeting to the December 2-3, 2020 CTC meeting.

Under this new Interim Timely Use of Funds Policy, any agencies that need extensions past the extended December deadline will need to submit new time extension requests for consideration at CTC meetings in October or December 2020.

In addition, per the Interim Timely Use of Funds Policy, projects that received a construction allocation (capital and/or support) at the October 2019, December 2019, or January 2020 Commission meetings:

The contract award deadline will be revised to allow 12 months to award instead of six months. Agencies require no additional action for this extension.

Further information is in a list of "Frequently Asked Questions" (FAQ) available at the following link –

 $\underline{https://catc.ca.gov/-/media/ctc-media/documents/reports-resources/resources/2020413-interim-timely-use-funds-policy-faq-ally.pdf}$

2020 PREPARATION SCHEDULE CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (CTC) MEETINGS AGENDA ITEM(S) DUE DATES

Prepared by:

OFFICE OF CTC LIAISON

DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMMING
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

As of: August 2019

| 2020 California Transportation Commission (CTC) Meeting Schedule | Local Agency Submits Off System Funds Requests, Program Amendments, and Time Extensions to Caltrans Districts | District Submits Off System and On System Requests to HQ Divisions | HQ Divisions Submit Final Off System and On System Requests to Budgets | Due From HQ | Final Book Items Due from HQ Divisions to Office of CTC Liaison |
|--|---|--|--|------------------|---|
| Date and | 10:00 AM | 10:00 AM | 5:00 PM | 10:00 AM | 10:00 AM |
| Location: | District & CTC | HQ Divisions | Budgets | CTC Liaison | CTC Liaison |
| | | | | | |
| Jan 29-30 - Sacramento Area | Mon, Dec 2, 19 | Mon, Dec 9, 19 | Fri, Dec 13, '19 | Fri, Dec 20, '19 | Tue, Dec 24, '19 |
| Mar 25-26 - Santa Barbara | Mon, Jan 27, 20 | Mon, Feb 3, 20 | Mon, Feb 10, '20 | Wed, Feb 19, '20 | Thu, Feb 20, '20 |
| May 13-14 - San Diego | Mon, Mar 16, 20 | Mon, Mar 23, 20 | Mon, Mar 30, '20 | Wed, Apr 8, '20 | Thu, Apr 9, '20 |
| June 24-25 - Sacramento Area | Mon, Apr 27, 20 | Mon, May 4, 20 | Mon, May 11, '20 | Wed, May 20, '20 | Thu, May 21, '20 |
| Aug 12-13 - Oakland | Mon, Jun 15, 20 | Mon, Jun 22, 20 | Mon, Jun 29, '20 | Wed, Jul 8, '20 | Thu, Jul 9, '20 |
| Oct 14-15 - Central Valley | Mon, Aug 17, 20 | Mon, Aug 24, 20 | Mon, Aug 31, '20 | Wed, Sep 9, '20 | Thu, Sep 10, '20 |
| Dec 2-3 - Riverside | Mon, Oct 5, 20 | Mon, Oct 12, 20 | Mon, Oct 19, '20 | Wed, Oct 28, '20 | Thu, Oct 29, '20 |

^{*} No Scheduled Meeting in: February, April, July, September and November



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Temporary Exception for Requiring "Wet" Signatures on Invoices

The current process of requiring wet signatures on invoice documents in order to process for payment is temporarily exempted. Until further notice, scanned copies of invoices will be accepted.

For questions, please contact either the Local Area Engineer, Ben Guerrero, or Local Assistance Program Support Analyst, Alma Sanchez, via email at Alma.Sanchez@dot.ca.gov or by phone: 619-278-3735.

Division of Local Assistance Blog (LAB) – http://www.localassistanceblog.com

The Caltrans Local Assistance Blog (LAB) provides clarity on issues and contributes to the successful delivery of transportation projects using federal resources.

Construction Contract Administration Guidance

Construction on critical transportation infrastructure and most public works is designated an "essential service" by the U.S Department of Homeland Security.

Check this link for general guidance on potential impacts to current and upcoming (awarded) projects -

http://www.localassistanceblog.com/2020/04/08/construction-contract-administration-guidance-covid-19/

For questions, please contact the Local Area Engineer, Ben Guerrero: 619-220-5485.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Running Tally Procedure: Office Bulletin (OB) 20-02

For projects awarded after March 1, 2020, when submitting an invoice for reimbursement that includes a payment to a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), no later than the 10th of the following month, the prime contractor/consultant shall email a complete *LAPM* Exhibit 9-F: DBE Running Tally of Payments to business.support.unit@dot.ca.gov (with a copy to local administering agencies).

Caltrans Division of Local Assistance OB 20-02 has further details available through the following link – https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/local-assistance/documents/ob/2020/ob20-02.pdf

<u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Contract Goal Calculation and Good Faith Efforts (GFE)</u> Review Procedures: Office Bulletin (OB) 19-03

Caltrans Division of Local Assistance released OB 19-03, effective November 22, 2019, which implements *LAPM* Exhibit 9-D, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Contract Goal Methodology by setting DBE contract goals and providing simplified responsibilities for all stakeholders.

The following link has further details –

 $\underline{https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/local-assistance/documents/ob/2019/ob19-03.pdf}$

Quality Assurance Program (QAP) – Documentation Expired!

The schedule on the following page lists due dates for all eligible agencies in Imperial County.

As a reminder, Calexico, El Centro, and Westmorland must renew Quality Assurance Program (QAP) documentation approval if federal funds are anticipated for future projects.

Updated QAP packages must be submitted to the Local Area Engineer, Benjamin Guerrero ASAP. Otherwise, no funding for *Construction* authorization requests will be processed.

QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM (QAP)

LAST UPDATED ON: 5/13/2020 BY A.SANCHEZ

| Agency | QAP Current | QAP Expires | Date Agency Submitted the QAP? |
|--------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| Agency | QAI COILEIII | QAI LAPITES | QAI: |
| BRAWLEY | 10/10/2019 | 10/10/2024 | |
| CALEXICO | 4/13/2015 | 4/13/2020 | |
| CALIPATRIA | 7/14/2019 | 7/14/2024 | |
| COUNTY OF IMPERIAL | 9/14/2016 | 9/14/2021 | |
| EL CENTRO | 4/27/2015 | 4/27/2020 | |
| HOLTVILLE | 7/14/2019 | 7/14/2024 | |
| IMPERIAL | 1/9/2017 | 1/9/2022 | |
| ICTC | 9/14/2016 | 9/14/2021 | |
| WESTMORLAND | 4/21/2015 | 4/21/2020 | |



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Architectural & Engineering Contract Procurement Training Webinar Recording Now Available

This recording of a recently delivered class is now available online. Training focuses on Chapter 10 of the *LAPM* and provides an overview of step-by-step procedures that local agencies must follow to select and procure Architectural & Engineering service contracts related to State and federal aid highway projects.

Click this link for the recording – https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CtJGAzh1iJc&feature=youtu.be

LAPM Ex. 10-C: New Online Process for Submission (Link to Details and the Instructions)

A new online database entry replaces the traditional way of completing a *LAPM* Exhibit 10-C – http://www.localassistanceblog.com/2020/01/14/new-online-submission-process-exhibit-10-c

Subsidized Classes for Local Agencies

The California Local Technical Assistance Program is a jointly funded effort between Caltrans and the Federal Highway Administration to provide local governments with training, information, technology and direct assistance to help transportation infrastructure. Upcoming courses are listed at the following link – http://californialtap.org/index.cfm?pid=1077

Send any questions to the California Local Technical Assistance Program Center: californialtap@csus.edu

For questions about additional training opportunities, please contact the District 11 Local Assistance Training Coordinator, Alma Sanchez, via email at Alma.Sanchez@dot.ca.gov or by phone: 619-278-3735.

Title VI Nondiscrimination Program

A reminder that local agencies shall comply with all Title VI requirements. See *LAPM* Section 9.2, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI) and Related Statutes:

Title VI and the additional nondiscrimination requirements are applicable to all programs and activities administered by a recipient, in addition to programs receiving federal financial assistance, due to the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987. Nondiscrimination provisions apply to all programs and activities of federal-aid recipients, subrecipients, and contractors, regardless of tier (49 CFR part 21).

The requirements include providing and maintaining the following, as detailed in *LAPM* Section 9.2: Title VI Nondiscrimination Statement, Assurances (as part of the Master Agreement and Program Supplement Agreement), Designation of a Title VI Coordinator, Complaint Procedures, Data Collection, Training, Limited English Proficiency (LEP) accessibility, Dissemination of Information, Contracts and Agreements, Environmental Justice, Public Hearings and Meetings, Right-of-Way activities, Construction Contract Compliance, Monitoring, and others.

Note that an agency is subject to Title VI program and compliance review at any time.

Please note this new link, with guidance to local agencies for Title VI complaints -

https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/guidance-and-oversight/title-vi

2020 Updates for Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM) and LA Program Guidelines (LAPG)

Please refer to the following page with links to this latest documentation for 2020.







2020 Updates! – Local Assistance Procedures Manual and Program Guidelines

January 13, 2020 by Caltrans Division of Local Assistance

Caltrans Division of Local Assistance has released the 2020 Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM) and 2020 updates to the Local Assistance Program Guidelines (LAPG). All changes to the LAPM and LAPG have been documented in Local Programs Procedures 19-01 (LPP 19-01) and can be viewed here.

The LAPM helps California local agencies scope, organize, design, construct and maintain their public transportation facilities when participating in Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funded federal-aid or state funding. The manual describes the processes, procedures, documents, authorizations, approvals and certifications required in order to receive federal-aid and/or state funds for many types of local transportation projects.

2020 Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM)

- To view the 2020 LAPM in its entirety, click here.
- To view the 2020 LAPM by individual chapter, click here.

The LAPG provides local project sponsors with a complete description of the federal and state programs available for financing local public transportation-related facilities. Each program is discussed in detail by chapter and addresses such topics as: project eligibility, project selection process, funding levels, key decision makers, significant dates, relevant statutory references and related publications.

2020 Local Assistance Program Guidelines (LAPG)

• To view the 2020 updates to the LAPG, click here.



Date: June 19, 2020

To: ICTC Commissioner's

From: Gustavo Dallarda, Caltrans District 11, District Director

Re: District Director's Report

The following is the California Department of Transportation, District 11 report for the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) Commissioner's meeting of June 24, 2020:

1. Project Updates:

Please see map at end of report for project level detail.

2. Construction:

I-8/Imperial Avenue Interchange

The project will include installing two ramps that will provide direct access to southbound Imperial Avenue which will provide connectivity to the south portion of El Centro. These improvements will complement the City of El Centro's plans for future development.

Project construction signs were posted in late April with earth moving work beginning May 5 for two months behind concrete barriers. Stage 1 closures and detours are anticipated for early July. Caltrans scheduled a virtual groundbreaking media event on June 9, 2020, with speakers including California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) Secretary David S. Kim; Caltrans Director Toks Omishaken; District 11 Interim Director Gustavo Dallardo, Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) Chairman George A. Nava and City of El Centro Mayor Efrain Silva. This will be followed by newspaper and radio ads and flyer distribution to inform the community about the July closures. Additional outreach to businesses in and near the construction zone will continue as needed to keep them informed about project details and impacts

Construction (continued):

Informational materials are attached to this report and are also available at:

https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-11/current-projects/i8-imp-interchange

The project will be open to traffic in mid-2022, with plant establishment and close out work continuing through 2023.

SR-98 Pavement Rehabilitation Project

Caltrans is improving 5.7 miles of travel way and shoulders on SR-98 from SR-7 to just west of East Highline Canal Bridge near Calexico.

The work uses cold-in-place recycling of the existing pavement to create a new base layer which is overlaid with rubberized hot mix asphalt concrete. The finished travel way will include shoulder backing and rumble strips.

Work on the three month project began May 6, 2020. Crews will work Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. with some extended hours and weekend work occurring as needed.

Caltrans issued a news release in advance of work advising motorists about lane closures in one-mile increments and one-way traffic control through a single open lane. Highway workers will direct traffic through the open lane, one direction at a time, when it is safe to do so. Minor delays of less than ten minutes may occur.

3. Traffic Operations:

SR-86/Customs & Border Protection Checkpoint Expansion

Caltrans continues to work on design reviews with the goal being to have a design approved project ready for when funding becomes available. The comments for the 65% design review were provided to ICTC/AECOM in mid May. Caltrans also provided a list of documents/forms that will need to be reviewed prior to permit submittal. Currently, Caltrans looks forward to ICTC's response and next submittal.

4. Planning:

SR-78/Glamis Grade Separated Crossing Feasibility Study

Caltrans was successful in obtaining State Planning and Research funds for a feasibility study to develop alternatives for a grade separated crossing at the Union Pacific rail line in Glamis. ICTC is the project manager for this study with Caltrans providing contract oversight and participation on the Technical Working Group.

Planning (continued):

The Technical Working Group meetings have begun, and initial outreach to the Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) community was held at the Glamis Dunes on Saturday, January 18, 2020. There was significant attendance by OHV users, with maps and displays, surveys and one-on-one feedback and input provided. Four alternatives were presented for analysis and discussion. Two alternatives were eliminated from future study, with the remaining two alternatives requiring modifications. These will be revised and presented to the TWG at the next meeting in July.

El Centro Land Use, Mobility Element and Environmental Justice Update:

The City of El Centro was successful in obtaining a Sustainable Communities Planning Grant from Caltrans which will address such topics as reducing suburban sprawl and vehicle dependency, and encouraging multimodal activity. The updated Plan will embrace key planning principles and goals such as GHG emission reduction targets, provide consistency with the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), provide improvements to public health, reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT), and seek improvements to transportation technology as well as to incorporate Active Transportation Planning goals.

This contract was awarded to Chen Ryan and City Place Planning. The kick-off meeting was held on August 20, 2019 and the contract is expected to be complete in early 2021.

During May, two Study Sessions with the El Centro Planning Commission and City Council were held to discuss the amendments to the Land Use Element, Mobility Element, and preparation of an Environmental Justice Element for the City of El Centro General Plan. Feedback and input was received and the consultant will address concerns in future information sharing sessions.

District 11 Active Transportation Plan:

Caltrans District 11 is developing an Active Transportation Plan for San Diego and Imperial Counties. This plan will include an existing conditions analysis and a prioritized list of identified bicycle and pedestrian needs on and around the State Highway System.

Input from regional and local partner agencies and local advocates is essential to the development of this plan. Caltrans encourages our partner agencies to participate in the Active Transportation Plan Working Group (ATPWG). Your agency's involvement will ensure Caltrans has an accurate inventory of existing conditions as well as planned and necessary active transportation improvements.

Further outreach will occur at future TAC meetings and through non-traditional methods such as social media and virtual meetings.

Planning (continued):

Border Master Plan:

The BMP is a comprehensive, binational approach to coordinate the planning and delivery of international land ports of entry (POEs) and their transportation infrastructure projects.

The first BMP, completed in 2008, formalized the binational dialogue between the United States and Mexico and established a structure for the BMP process. The 2014 BMP refreshed previous efforts, reprioritizing projects and developing a framework for transportation project sensitivity analysis. Building upon the efforts of the previous two BMPs, the 2021 BMP will broaden outreach activities to gain new insights on border issues, assess current border conditions, determine the status of border transportation projects, and identify new border improvement strategies. A critical component to the success of the BMP is the active participation of local, regional, state, and federal agencies from the United States and Mexico. More than 30 agencies from both sides of the border participate in this process.

A kickoff meeting was held on January 21, 2020, and the update is expected to be completed by early 2021. A public outreach program is being developed, and the Policy Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet on June 30, 2020.

5. Senate Bill 1 Projects:

The remaining project which received SBI funding is the Calexico East Bridge Expansion. Caltrans is providing design and environmental services.

Caltrans anticipates that the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) funds will be awarded before the end of September 2020. Following receipt of those funds, the Request for Proposals will be posted. The RFP process will take several months to complete. It is expected that the actual design build process will begin about March 2021.

6. Upcoming Projects:

For 2020, there are two projects that have been confirmed in the Caltrans Project Delivery Plan in Imperial County. They are:

- Widening on SR-98 from Ollie to Rockwood.
- Upgrade curve warning signs along various routes.

7. Maintenance

Recent by Caltrans Maintenance has repaired deteriorated portions of SR-115 between Evan Hewes Highway and Alamo Road (Figure 1), as well as removing brush, mowing and applying herbicide along I-8 near the Jaime Obeso Rest Area (Figure 2).



Figure 2



8. Local Assistance:

Summer 2020 Deadline: Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 5 Call for Projects:

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) call for ATP projects began March 25, 2020. The extended deadline is July 15, 2020, for "Quick-Build" ATP projects. September 15, 2020 is the new deadline for all other ATP project types.

The following link provides all available details, including the revised schedule.

https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/active-transportationprogram/cycle5

Local Assistance (continued):

September 4, 2020 – Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 10 Call for Projects

Caltrans Division of Local Assistance (DLA) announced the local HSIP Cycle 10 Call-for-Projects on May 5, 2020. The application deadline is September 4, 2020.

For additional information on the HSIP Cycle 10, please see the following link:

https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/local-assistance/documents/hsip/2020/hsipcyclel0announcement.pdf

Quality Assurance Program (QAP) – Documentation Expired in 2020

As a reminder, Calexico, El Centro, and Westmorland must renew QAP approval if federal funds are anticipated for future projects.

| QAP LAST UPDATED 5/13/2020 | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Local Agency | QAP Current | QAP Expiration | Date Agency Submitted QAP | | | |
| BRAWLEY | 10/10/2019 | 10/10/2024 | | | | |
| CALEXICO | 4/13/2015 | 4/13/2020 | | | | |
| CALIPATRIA | 7/14/2019 | 7/14/2024 | | | | |
| EL CENTRO | 4/27/2015 | 4/27/2020 | | | | |
| HOLTVILLE | 7/14/2019 | 7/14/2024 | | | | |
| IMPERIAL (CITY) | 1/9/2017 | 1/9/2022 | | | | |
| IMPERIAL COUNTY | 9/14/2016 | 9/14/2021 | _ | | | |
| ICTC | 3/9/2020 | 3/9/2025 | | | | |
| WESTMORLAND | 4/21/2015 | 4/21/2020 | | | | |

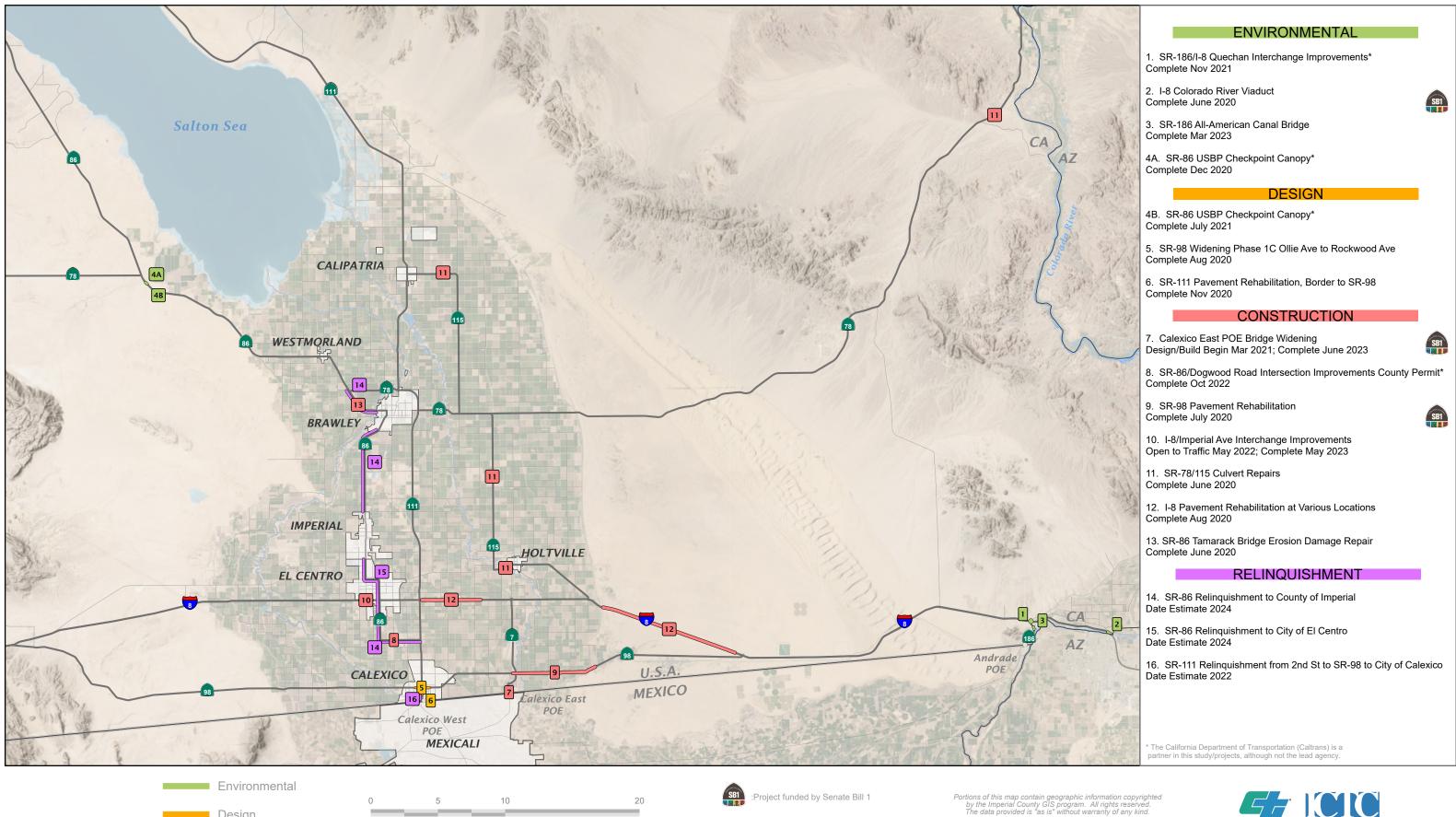
IMPERIAL COUNTY STATUS OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

Miles

Design

Construction

Relinquishment







Abbreviations:

GSA: General Services Administration

POE: Port of Entry 32

Questions can be directed to (619) 688-6699 ct.public.information.d11@dot.ca.gov

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NEWS RELEASE

Date: June 10, 2020

District: District 11 — San Diego and Imperial Counties

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Transportation Officials Announce Work on Project that Facilitates Trade and Commerce

I-8/Imperial Avenue Interchange Closures Begin Early July

EL CENTRO, Calif.—Caltrans partnered with state and local transportation officials today to announce work on the Interstate 8 (I-8)/Imperial Avenue Interchange Project that represents a significant investment in local, state and cross-border trade and commerce. Meanwhile, drivers in the city of El Centro are advised to prepare for closures of eastbound Interstate 8 (I-8) on-and off-ramps at Imperial Avenue lasting several months beginning July 5.

Adapting to Covid-19 social distancing guidelines, officials from the following agencies released an informational video about the project and construction impacts: California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) Secretary David S. Kim; Caltrans Director Toks Omishakin; Caltrans District 11 Director Gustavo Dallarda (Acting); Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) Chairman George A. Nava, City of Brawly Councilmember; County of Imperial Board of Supervisors Chairman Luis A. Plancarte, District 2 Supervisor; City of El Centro Mayor Efrain Silva; California Highway Patrol Border Division Assistant Chief Ray Diggins; El Centro Chamber of Commerce President Ann Irigoyen; and Imperial Valley Aggregates, LLC President Matthew Richert

"About 31,000 motorists and commercial trucks travel through this important interchange daily, affecting thousands of businesses throughout the border region. Smart, well-planned investments like this are vital to sustaining and growing California's economy which at \$3.3 trillion is fifth largest in the world," said CalSTA Secretary Kim.

"This project is a good example of partnership as we work with the City of El Centro, the County of Imperial and the Imperial County Transportation Commission to bring about better access to businesses, community services and health care, including emergency health care," said Caltrans Director Omishakin.

City of El Centro Mayor Efrain Silva stated, "This is one of the most important projects in the City and one that will have an everlasting benefit to the City of El Centro and the quality of life of our residents."

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According to Caltrans District 11 Director Dallarda, Stage 1 construction on the project will require closing the eastbound I-8 on- and off-ramps at Imperial Avenue for eight to 10 months beginning July 5 while working on the southern portion of the intersection. The westbound I-8 on- and off-ramps will remain open for this first stage.

During the extended closure of eastbound I-8 Imperial Avenue ramps, motorists on eastbound I-8 will be detoured along 4th Street/State Route 86 (SR-86) located east of Imperial Avenue.

The I-8/Imperial Avenue Interchange will be fully closed for several nights in mid-July between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. while crews demolish and remove the existing bridge.

During the nighttime full intersection closures, motorists will be detoured along Forrester Road, Evan Hewes Highway/Adams Avenue, and 4th Street/ SR-86.

Residents along the detour routes are likely to notice more traffic than usual, according to Dallarda, and construction dust and noise will be ongoing.

"Noisy construction work will be scheduled during the day as much as possible. Expect three months of noisy pile driving work--mostly daytime. Nighttime bridge demolition will also be noisy and hopefully only take place or two nights at a time, for several times," Dallarda said.

The project will remove the existing bridge and eastbound on- and off-ramps, then reconstruct the structure and the on- and off-ramps in both directions. Construction will include a new entrance loop ramp from southbound Imperial Avenue to eastbound I-8 and create access to the City's upcoming extension of southbound Imperial Avenue to city areas south of I-8.

Stage 2 work on the northern portion of I-8 is anticipated to take four to six months to complete and is expected to begin in spring/summer 2021. During Stage 2, all I-8/Imperial Avenue on-and off- ramps will be fully closed.

The total cost is approximately \$44 million with \$42 million funded through the Regional Improvement Program and another \$2 million from the Federal Highway Priority Projects Program.

More information about the I-8 Imperial Avenue Project may be found at this link: https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-11/current-projects/i8-imp-interchange

For real-time traffic information including traffic speeds, lane and road closures due to construction and maintenance activities, and more, go to http://quickmap.dot.ca.gov/.

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NEWS RELEASE

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Construction During COVID-19 Pandemic: Public works construction is deemed essential and work continues during the pandemic. Our partners, contractors and workers are following U.S. Center for Disease Control and California Department of Public Health guidelines. For more information about COVID-19 https://covid19.ca.gov/.

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PARA PUBLICACIÓN INMEDIATA

Oficiales de Transporte Anuncian Labores en Proyecto que Facilita el Comercio

Cierres en el Distribuidor Vial de la Interestatal 8 y Avenida Imperial Inician a Principios del Mes de Julio

EL CENTRO, Calif. —Caltrans, en colaboración con oficiales de transporte estatales y locales, anunciaron el día de hoy labores de construcción en el Proyecto del Distribuidor Vial de la Interestatal 8 (I-8 por sus siglas en inglés) / Avenida Imperial, el cual representa una inversión significativa en el comercio local, estatal, e internacional. Mientras tanto, se les informa a los automovilistas de la Ciudad de El Centro que estén preparados ya que habrán cierres en las rampas de entrada y salida de la I-8 hacia el este en la Avenida Imperial. Estos cierres se llevarán a cabo por varios meses, e iniciarán a partir del 5 de julio.

Con la finalidad de adherirse a los lineamientos de distanciamiento social por COVID-19, oficiales de las siguientes agencias publicaron un video informativo acerca del proyecto y los impactos de las labores de construcción: David S. Kim, Secretario de la Agencia de Transporte de California (CalSTA por sus siglas en inglés); Toks Omishakin, Director de Caltrans; Gustavo Dallarda, Director (Interino) del Distrito 11 de Caltrans; George A. Nava, Presidente de la Junta Directiva de la Comisión de Transporte del Condado de Imperial (ICTC por sus siglas en inglés), Concejal de la Ciudad de Brawley; Luis A. Plancarte, Presidente de la Junta Directiva del Condado de Imperial y Supervisor de Distrito 2; Efraín Silva, Alcalde de la Ciudad de El Centro; Ray Diggins, Jefe Adjunto de la División de Aduanas de la Patrulla de Caminos de California; Ann Irigoyen, Presidenta de la Cámara de Comercio de El Centro; y Matthew Richert, Presidente de la empresa Imperial Valley Aggregates, LLC.

"Aproximadamente, 31,000 automovilistas y vehículos comerciales transitan diariamente por este importante distribuidor vial; afectando a miles de empresas por toda la zona fronteriza. Las inversiones inteligentes y bien planificadas como ésta son vitales para sustentar e incrementar la economía del Estado de California, la cual, a \$3.3 trillones de dólares, es la quinta economía más grande del mundo" dijo el secretario de CalSTA David S. Kim.

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"Este proyecto ejemplifica el trabajo en colaboración, ya que estamos trabajando con la Ciudad de El Centro, el Condado de Imperial, y la Comisión de Transporte del Condado de Imperial para mejorar el acceso comercial, servicios comunitarios, y atención médica, incluyendo servicios médicos de urgencia" dijo el director de Caltrans Toks Omishakin.

Efraín Silva, alcalde de la ciudad de El Centro, declaró "Ese es uno de los proyectos mas importantes de la ciudad, y uno que tendrá beneficios permanentes en la ciudad de El Centro y en la calidad de vida de nuestros residentes.

Según afirmó Gustavo Dallarda, director del Distrito 11 de Caltrans, el trabajo de construcción de la Etapa 1 del proyecto requerirá el cierre de las rampas de entrada y salida de la I-8 hacia el este en la Avenida Imperial por un período de ocho a diez meses a partir del 5 de Julio mientras se trabaja en el segmento sur de la intersección. Las rampas de entrada y salida de la I-8 hacia el oeste permanecerán abiertas durante la primera etapa.

Durante el cierre a largo plazo de las rampas de la I-8 hacia el este en la Avenida Imperial, los automovilistas que transitan en la I-8 serán desviados a través de la Calle 4ª/ Ruta Estatal 86 (SR-86 por sus siglas en inglés), ubicada al este de la Avenida Imperial.

Cierres totales nocturnos de la intersección I-8 / Avenida Imperial se llevarán a cabo en diferentes ocasiones a mediados de Julio entre las 9 p.m. y las 5 a.m. mientras las cuadrillas de construcción derrumban y remueven la estructura existente.

Durante los cierres totales nocturnos, los automovilistas serán desviados por el Camino Forrester, Carretera Evan Hewes / Avenida Adams y Calle 4ª / SR-86.

Es posible que los residentes que habitan a lo largo de las desviaciones observen más tráfico de lo normal, según dijo Gustavo Dallarda, así como polvo y ruido continuo a causa de las labores de construcción.

"Las labores de construcción ruidosas serán programadas durante el día tanto como sea posible. Se espera que sean tres meses de trabajo con rotomartillos ruidosos, principalmente durante el día. El trabajo de derrumbe del puente también será estridente, pero esperamos que solo se lleve a cabo una o dos noches durante varias ocasiones" dijo Gustavo Dallarda.

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El proyecto removerá el puente existente, así como las rampas de entrada / salida y reconstruirá tanto la estructura, como las rampas de entrada / salida en ambas direcciones. La construcción incluirá una nueva rampa helicoidal (curva pronunciada) de entrada de la Avenida Imperial al sur a la I-8 este y un nuevo acceso hacia la nueva extensión de la Avenida Imperial al sur (realizada por la Ciudad) hacia las áreas al sur de la I-8.

El trabajo de la Etapa 2 en el segmento norte de la I-8 tomará de cuatro a seis meses en completarse y se espera que dé inicio durante la primavera/verano de 2021. Durante la Etapa 2, las rampas de entrada y salida de la I-8 / Avenida Imperial estarán totalmente cerradas

El costo total del proyecto es de aproximadamente \$44 millones de dólares, \$42 de estos financiados a través del Programa Estatal de Mejoramiento Regional y los \$2 restantes por el Programa Federal de Proyectos de Alta Prioridad de Carreteras Federales.

Puede encontrar más información sobre el Proyecto de Intersección I-8/ Avenida Imperial, en el siguiente enlace:

https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-11/current-projects/i8-imp-interchange/i8-imp-sp

Para información en tiempo real, incluyendo velocidad del tránsito vehicular, así como cierres de carriles y carreteras debido a actividades de construcción y mantenimiento, visite http://quickmap.dot.ca.gov/

Síganos en Twitter <u>www.twitter.com/SDCaltrans</u> y dele Me Gusta en Facebook <u>www.facebook.com/CaltransDistrict11</u> para estar al tanto de las noticias relacionadas con el transporte estatal en los condados de San Diego e Imperial.

Construcción durante la Pandemia de COVID-19: El trabajo público de construcción es considerado esencial y continúa durante la pandemia. Nuestros asociados, contratistas y empleados se adhieren a los lineamientos del Centro de Control de Enfermedades de Estados Unidos y del Departamento de Salud Pública de California. Para mayores informes sobre COVID-19: https://covid19.ca.gov/

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Interstate 8 Imperial Avenue Interchange

INTERCHANGE OUTREACH VIRTUAL EVENT

Project Information

June 2020

Project Fact Sheet
Project Location Map
Project Stages
I-8 Imperial Detour-Full Closure
I-8 Imperial Detour Stage 1- Eastbound I-8 ramps
Project Contact Information







GOALS

Provide access from Interstate 8 (I-8) to southbound Imperial Avenue—planned to be extended south of the freeway by the City of El Centro, and eliminate the current out-of-direction travel on city streets and county roads;

Improve traffic safety by updating the existing interchange; and

Reduce traffic congestion at Imperial Avenue and 4th Street interchanges on I-8 in the city of El Centro.

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IMPROVING THE HIGHWAY

Caltrans has received funding to move forward on reconstructing the interchange at Imperial Avenue and Interstate 8 (I-8) in the city of El Centro. Work will include constructing two ramps at I-8 that will provide direct access to southbound Imperial Avenue and will provide connectivity to the south portion of the city. The improvements will complement city plans for future commercial and residential development.

MEETING TRAFFIC DEMANDS

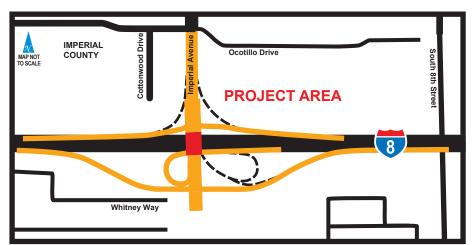
Traffic in the project area is primarily associated with the growth in international trade and travel between the United States and Mexico as well as travel onto and from Imperial Avenue north of I-8. The Imperial Avenue interchange experiences congestion in the morning and afternoon hours. Approximately 16,000-27,000 vehicles per day use this section on I-8. By 2025, traffic on this portion of I-8 is projected to almost double.

SECURING DOLLARS

The \$44 million project is funded through the State Regional Improvement Program and the Federal High Priority Projects Program.

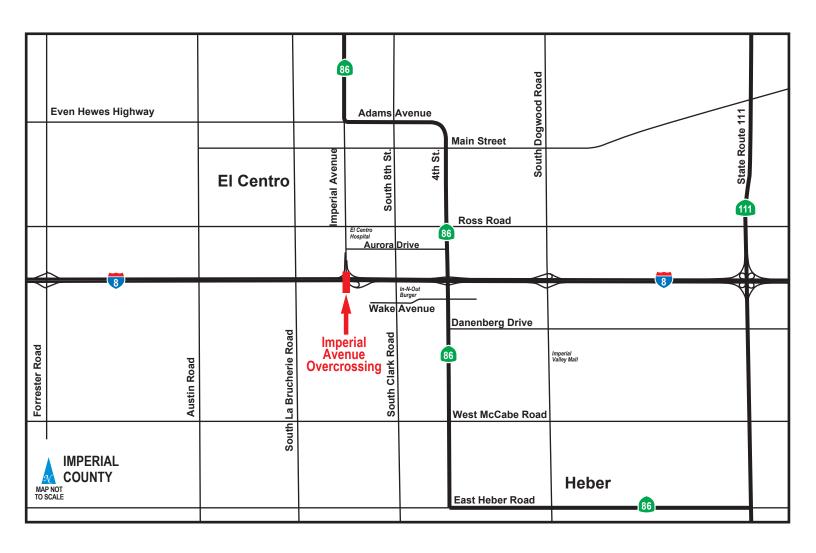
WHAT'S AHEAD?

Project construction began April 2020 and is scheduled for completion early 2023. The I-8 Imperial Avenue Interchange is expected to open to traffic mid-2022.





Interstate 8 Imperial Avenue Interchange









STAGE 1: Work on Southern Portion of Interstate 8 (8-10 Months)

Construction Activities:

- Place construction signs
- Place K-rail/restripe lanes
- Bridge Demolition and Falsework, Construct Embankments
- Construct Bridge Abutments
- Construct Imperial Avenue Overcrossing Bridge
- •Construct Connectors, Gore areas, Drainage, and Infiltration Basins

Traffic Impacts:

- EB I-8/Imperial Avenue on-/off-ramps closed
- No access from EB I-8 to Imperial Avenue
- No access to EB I-8 from Imperial Avenue
- WB I-8/Imperial Avenue on-/off-ramps open

STAGE 2: Work on Northern Portion of Interstate 8 (4 to 6 Months)

Construction Activities:

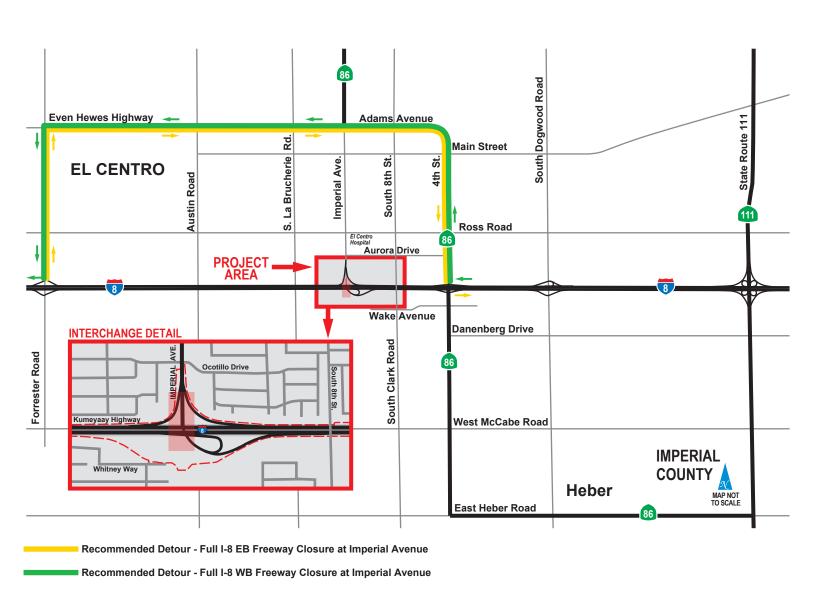
- Place additional construction signs
- Place K-rail/restripe lanes
- Construct Retaining Walls
- Remaining work on Connectors including Gore areas
- Drainage and Infiltration Basins
- Final Pavement Delineation
- Open to traffic mid-2022
- Landscaping/project completion early 2023

Traffic Impacts:

- All I-8/Imperial Avenue on- and off-ramps closed
- No access from EB / WB I-8 to Imperial Avenue
- No access from Imperial Avenue to EB / WB I-8
- Imperial Avenue Intersection CLOSED (adjacent to the project) No access south of Ocotillo Drive.



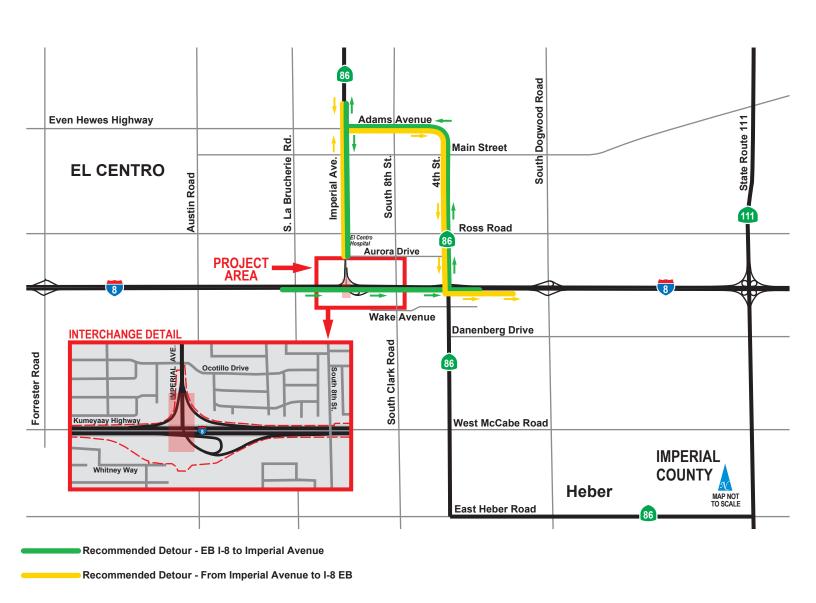
Nighttime Full Closures - I-8/Imperial Avenue On/Off Ramps Closed



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Stage 1 - Eastbound I-8 Imperial Avenue (On/Off Ramps Closed)





Interstate 8 **Imperial Avenue Interchange**

For more information or to be added to the distribution list to receive project updates, please contact the

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I-8 Imperial Avenue Project Info:

https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-11/current-projects/i8-imp-interchange

For real-time traffic information including traffic speeds, lane and road closures due to construction and maintenance activities, and more, go to

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Información sobre el **Proyecto**

Junio de 2020

Ficha Técnica Mapa del Área del Proyecto Desviación y Cierre de los Conectores I-8 y Avenida Imperial **Etapas del Proyecto** Desviación en la Etapa 1 – Conector hacia la I-8 Este Contacto







OBJETIVOS

Proporcionar acceso desde la Carretera Interestatal 8 (I-8) a la Avenida Imperial en dirección sur, y eliminar rodeos por calles de la ciudad y caminos del condado: La modernización del actual distribuidor vial haciéndolo más seguro para los conductores y Reducir el congestionamiento vehicular en los distribuidores viales de la Avenida Imperial y Calle Cuarta sobre la Interestatal 8 en la Ciudad de El Centro.

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MEJORANDO EL SISTEMA DE TRANSPORTE

Caltrans ha recibido financiamiento para avanzar con la reconstrucción del distribuidor vial de la Avenida Imperial y la Carretera Interestatal 8 (I-8) en la Ciudad de El Centro. La obra incluirá la instalación de dos rampas en la Carretera I-8 las cuales proporcionarán acceso directo a la Avenida Imperial en su dirección sur y proporcionarán conectividad a la parte sur de la ciudad. Las mejoras complementarán los planes de la ciudad para futuros desarrollos comerciales y residenciales.

SATISFACIENDO LAS DEMANDAS DE TRÁFICO

El tráfico en el área está principalmente relacionado con el crecimiento en el comercio internacional y los viajes entre los Estados Unidos y México así como con los viajes hacia y desde la Avenida Imperial al norte de la autopista I-8. Se registran embotellamientos vehiculares en el distribuidor vial de la Avenida Imperial por las mañanas y tardes. Aproximadamente de 16,000 a 27,000 vehículos por día transitan por este segmento de la Interestatal I-8. Se pronostica que para el año 2025 el tráfico en este segmento de la autopista I-8 casi se duplique.

FINANCIAMIENTO DEL PROYECTO

El proyecto de \$44 millones está financiado a través del Programa del Estado para el Mejoramiento Regional y del Programa Federal de Proyectos de Alta Prioridad.

ETAPAS DEL PROYECTO

La construcción del proyecto dio inicio en abril de 2020 y será completado a inicios del año 2023. Se planea abrir el Distribuidor al tránsito vehicular a mediados del 2022.





ETAPAS DE CONSTRUCCIÓN

ETAPA 1: Trabajo en el segmento sur de la Interestatal 8 (8-10 meses)

Labores de Construcción:

- Colocación de señalamientos
- Instalación de muros de contención temporales/redelineado de carriles
- Demolición del puente e instalación de zapatas
- Construcción de terraplenes
- Construcción los estribos del puente
- Construcción del puente de cruce sobre la Avenida Imperial
- Construcción de conectores, acotamientos, alcantarillado y cuencas de drenaje

Impactos al Tránsito Vehicular:

- Cierre de los conectores de la Avenida Imperial/I-8 hacia el este
- Cierre del acceso al conector de la I-8 este/Avenida Imperial
- Cierre del acceso al conector de la Avenida Imperial/I-8 este
- Rampas de salida/entrada de la I-8 oeste/Avenida Imperial y de la Avenida Imperial/I-8 oeste permanecerán abiertas

ETAPA 2: Trabajo en el segmento norte de la Interestatal 8 (4 a 6 meses)

Labores de Construcción:

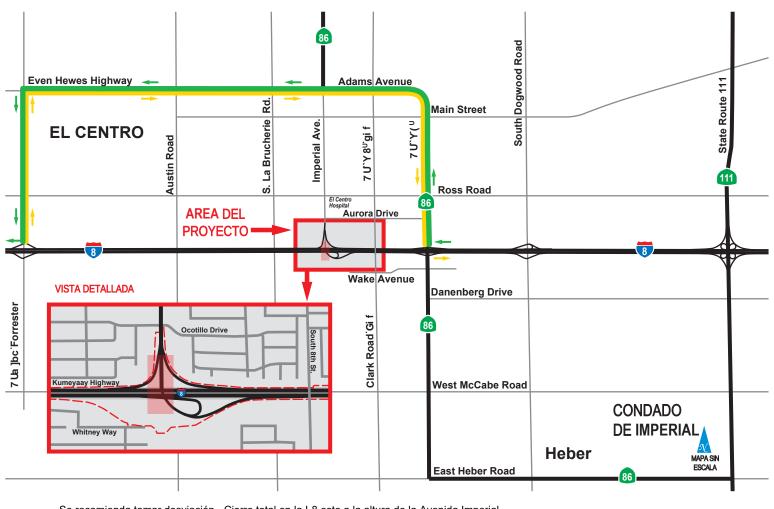
- Instalación de señalamientos adicionales
- Instalación de muros de contención temporales/redelineado de carriles
- Construcción de muros de contención
- Trabajo residual en los conectores incluyendo acotamientos
- Alcantarillado y cuencas de drenaje
- Delineación final del pavimento
- Apertura al tránsito vehicular a mediados del año 2022
- Finalización del proyecto/paisajismo a inicios del año 2023

Impactos al Tránsito Vehicular:

- Cierre de todas las rampas de entrada/salida de la I-8/Avenida Imperial
- Cierre del acceso a los conectores de la I-8 este/oeste hacia la Avenida Imperial
- Cierre del acceso a los conectores de la Avenida Imperial hacia la I-8 este/oeste
- CIERRE de la intersección vial de la Avenida Imperial (adyacente al proyecto)
- No habrá acceso al sur de Ocotillo Drive.



Cierres Totales Nocturnos - Rampas de Entrada/Salida a la I-8/ Avenida Imperial Permanecerán Cerradas

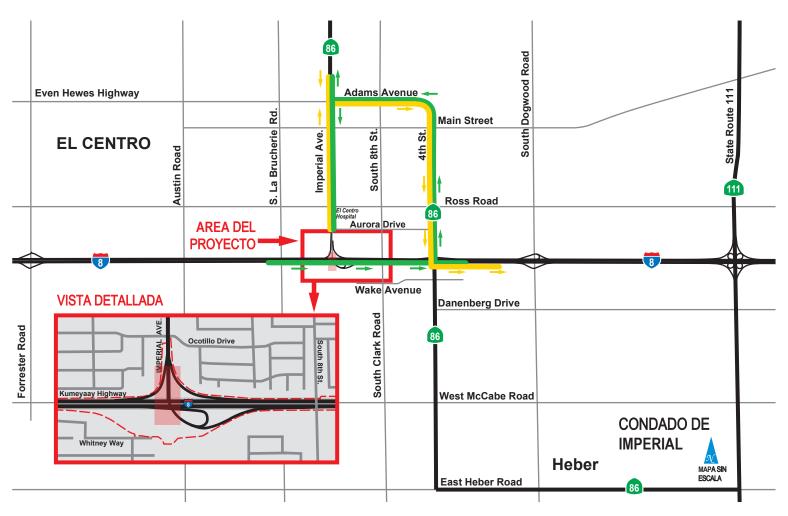


Se recomienda tomar desviación - Cierre total en la I-8 este a la altura de la Avenida Imperial

Se recomienda tomar desviación - Cierre total en la I-8 oeste a la altura de la Avenida Imperial



Etapa 1 - Interestatal 8 Este/Avenida Imperial (Cierre de Rampas de Salida/Entrada)



Se recomienda tomar desviación - Cierre total en la I-8 este a la altura de la Avenida Imperial

Se recomienda tomar desviación - Cierre total en la I-8 oeste a la altura de la Avenida Imperial



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Información del Proyecto I-8 Avenida Imperial:

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Para información en tiempo real, incluyendo velocidad del tránsito vehicular, así como cierres de carriles y carreteras debido a actividades de construcción y mantenimiento, visite

http://quickmap.dot.ca.gov/

Para noticias relacionadas al transporte estatal en los Condados de San Diego

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