



North County Corridor Transportation Expressway Authority

To: Board of Directors, Ex-Officio Members, Technical Advisory Committee
From: Matt Machado, Authority Manager *mmachado*
CC: City Councils, Board of Supervisors, County CEO's Office, City Managers
Date: 9/15/09
Re: North County Corridor Transportation Expressway Authority – September 9th Meeting Summary

The September 9th NCC JPA meeting was held at 4:00 pm in the City / County Basement Training Room. In attendance for this meeting were approximately 40 people from the general public. The meeting began promptly at 4:00 pm and was concluded at approximately 4:54 pm.

Below I will describe some highlights of the agenda items.

Item 3a. – NCC TEA Board Meeting Schedule Revision. After some discussion and input from the public the Board took unanimous action to meet on the second Wednesday of each month from 4:30-6:00 pm at the Stan COG Board Room.

Item 3b. – Project Update – Discussion only. Two critical areas of discussion were the schedule and a recent stakeholder meeting on the east end of the project.

It was anticipated that the Draft EIR would be released for public review on September 15. This date hinged upon Caltrans legal review who had recently commented that they may more review time. As of the print of this meeting summary it appears that the Draft EIR will not be released until late in the week of September 14 or at the very latest September 22. This will not affect the scheduled public hearing dates.

In terms of the recent stakeholder meeting on the east end of the project it was stated that there is good consensus being built. This consensus, based upon inquiries of landowners is moving beyond the study area into more specific alignment alternatives. This is great news and we hope that this can provide an example of how to proceed on the western portion of the project.

Item 3c. – Public Hearing Panel Representative – Modified to a discussion item only. With no action needed during the public hearing it was discussed that any of the policy board members for the JPA, who are available for the public hearings, can represent the Board on the proposed panel.

Additionally, there was a lot of discussion from the public, still questioning the need for the project and the area being studied. This discussion is consistently from stakeholders on the western end of the project. It is apparent that clear communication is an issue. Some members of the public made statements that were misleading and taken out of context, causing confusion and distrust. In an effort to clarify the issue I did meet with one of the citizens after the JPA Board meeting to correct the prior statements. We will continue the effort of providing accurate and timely information.

At the manager's report I commented that we met with the new District 10 Director Ross Chittenden to update him on the project status. We will next be scheduling a meeting with the new Caltrans Director Randy Iwasaki to inform him of the NCC project and status. This meeting will be coordinated to include up to two representatives from the JPA Policy Board.

For complete agenda item discussions and actions see attached minutes.

Our next scheduled meeting is October 14 at 4:30 pm at the Stan COG Boardroom, 1111 I Street, Suite 308.