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**Joint Meeting of the  
INTERAGENCY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ITAC)  
and the  
TRANSPORTATION FUNDING TASK FORCE  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

Thursday, February 16, 2006  
1:30 p.m.

SCCRTC Conference Room  
1523 Pacific Ave.  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

**ITAC MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ken Anderson, City of Scotts Valley Public Works and Planning Proxy  
Teresa Buika, UCSC  
Jennifer Calate, Caltrans District 5  
Sandra Coley, Pajaro Valley Transportation Management Association  
Mark Dettle, City of Santa Cruz Public Works  
Mark Dorfman, SCMTD  
Thomas Hiltner, SCMTD  
Steve Jesberg, City of Capitola Public Works and Planning Proxy  
John Presleigh, County Public Works and Planning Proxy  
Maria Esther Rodriguez, City of Watsonville Public Works and Planning Proxy  
Sergeant Stephen Seibert, CHP Ex-Officio Member

**STAFF PRESENT**

Grace Blakeslee  
David Brown  
Pat Dellin  
Rachel Moriconi  
Karena Pushnik  
Luis Mendez

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Fred Keeley  
Dave Murray, Caltrans District 5  
Hina Pendle

**EXCUSED ABSENCE**

Kathy Urlie and Todd Muck, AMBAG

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Chair John Presleigh called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

- 1. Introductions** - Introductions were made.
- 2. Oral Communications** – Rachel Moriconi encouraged lead agencies with federally-funded contracts to attend the Caltrans District 5 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Informational Meeting on February 22, 2006 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. via videoconference from the RTC Conference Room. Staff noted that parties interested in the Transportation Funding Task Force portion of today's meeting would be arriving at 2:00 p.m.

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**3. Status of ongoing transportation projects, programs, studies and planning documents**

*City of Santa Cruz* – Mark Dettle reported that the Beach Street Bikeway Project is 99% complete.

*SCMTD*-Mark Dorfman reported that pile driving for the first phase of the MetroBase project would begin in a few weeks. Mailers were sent to people located near the project and a public information phone number has been established for the project.

*City of Watsonville* – Maria Esther Rodriguez reported that next week is Engineers' Week and that the City is hosting an egg drop competition and has adopted a proclamation.

*RTC* - Rachel Moriconi reported that the RTC had conducted interviews with finalists for the Executive Director position, but has not yet announced who was selected.

*County of Santa Cruz*- John Presleigh reported that the Paulsen-Whiting Bridge project is out to bid, that the Valencia Road repair project is underway. He also reported that the Mt. Hermon Road/Graham Hill Road Intersection project is under design, with construction scheduled for this summer or fall. He noted that the County is working on \$2.2 million in FEMA storm damage projects, including repairs on Bear Creek and Soquel-San Jose Road.

*Caltrans* – Dave Murray noted that the Monthly Caltrans Construction Report is in the packet. Staff provided an update on funding for the Highway 1/17 Merge Lanes project and thanked the Public Works directors for sending a letter expressing support to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for supplemental funds.

**4. Additions/Changes to the Agenda – none.**

**CONSENT AGENDA (Dorfman/Dettle)**

**5. Approved Amended Minutes of the January 19, 2006 Meeting**

The minutes were approved with the following amendments:

- John Presleigh added that the March 15, 2006 APWA meeting at Peachwoods Restaurant is sponsored by the County of Santa Cruz.
- *UCSC*- Teresa Buika provided a summary of the Bay Corridor Preliminary Feasibility Analysis Study regarding the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) ~~Preliminary Conceptual Plan for service between options along Bay Street between~~ UCSC and California Street Avenue... *UCSC, the City of Santa Cruz* and *SCMTD* re-submitted an application for a Caltrans grant which would provide funding to hire a public facilitation consultant to facilitate public input on BRT options in this corridor.

**6. Received Highlights from the February 2006 Commission Meeting**

**7. Received Information Item:** Caltrans Monthly Construction Report

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**8. Received Update on Proposition 42 Funds**

Staff informed the ITAC of the “Californians to Improve Traffic Now” ballot initiative, currently in circulation, that would amend Article 19 of the Constitution to prevent diversion of Proposition 42 revenues to the State General Fund.

**9. Received Update on the Infrastructure Bond Proposals**

Staff provided an overview of the various comments letters and positions that agencies throughout the state have taken on the proposed Infrastructure Bonds. Staff encouraged members to consider submitting comments on behalf of their agencies to the Governor and legislators regarding the proposals. John Presleigh and Mark Dettle reported that their agencies had already submitted letters, similar to the one prepared by the RTC.

*1:53 p.m. the committee adjourned for a short break.*

*2:00 p.m. the committee reconvened.*

**10. Transportation Funding Task Force Technical Advisory Committee Discussion**

Director Pat Dellin introduced Fred Keeley who provided an overview of the Transportation Funding Task Force. He presented the concept for the workshops, the process, and the role of the TAC and Task Force. Ms. Dellin gave a demonstration of the preliminary website/workbook content, and Karena Pushnik reviewed the outreach elements that may be used. Staff distributed forms to be used for gathering information on projects in the area and requested that TAC members complete the forms for projects recently completed, projects underway, and underfunded projects. In addition, staff requested information on maintaining their current transportation systems/networks.

**11. Adjournment and Next Meeting** –Staff suggested that the next meeting be moved to Wednesday March 22, 2006 at 1:30 p.m. and agreed to send email to confirm if the new date will work for members. Chair Presleigh adjourned the meeting at 2:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

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Rachel Moriconi, Transportation Planner

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