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**TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING  
AGENDA**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2017  
6:00 PM**

**County of Imperial Administration Center  
Board of Supervisors Chambers  
940 W. Main Street, Second Floor  
El Centro, CA 92243**

**CHAIR: MARIA NAVA-FROELICH**

**VICE CHAIR: LUIS PLANCARTE**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

**II. EMERGENCY ITEMS**

- A. Discussion/Action of emergency items, if necessary.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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

**IV. CLOSED SESSION**

- A. Motion to Adjourn to Closed Session
- B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code § 54957)  
Title: ICTC Executive Director
- C. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code § 54957.6)  
Agency Designated Representative: AJ Gaddis  
Unrepresented Employee: Executive Director
- D. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Government Code § 54956.8)  
i. Property: 792 E. Ross Road, El Centro, CA, Assessor's Parcel Number #051-310-027-000.  
Use: Bus Parking / Storage  
Agency negotiator: Mark Baza  
Negotiating parties: Ed C. and Mary C. Mealey.  
Instructions to negotiator will concern price, terms of payment.

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

- ii. Property: 1448 Main Street, El Centro, CA Assessor's Parcel Number # 053-081-013  
Use: Office Space  
Agency negotiator: Mark Baza  
Negotiating parties: Quan & Woo Investment Company, LLC and Imperial Regional Alliance  
Instructions to negotiator will concern price, terms of payment.

E. Announcement of Closed Session Action(s)

**V. CONSENT CALENDAR**

(Executive Director recommends approval of consent calendar items)

- A. Approval of Commission Draft Minutes: June 28, 2017 Pages 4-14
- B. Receive and File:
  - 1. ICTC Management Committee Draft Minutes: July 12, 2017
- C. California Transit Security Grant Program FY 2016-17

The ICTC Management Committee met on June 14, 2017 and forwards this item to the Commission for review and approval after public comment, if any:

- 1. Approve the attached resolution authorizing the Executive Director or his designee to take any actions necessary on behalf of the ICTC for the purposes of obtaining FY 2016-17 financial assistance, provided by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security under the California Transit Security Grant Program.

**VI. REPORTS**

- A. ICTC Executive Director
  - See attached Executive Director Report
- B. Southern California Association of Governments
  - See attached report
- C. California Department of Transportation – District 11
  - See attached report
- D. Commission Member Reports

**VII. ACTION CALENDAR**

- A. Discussion / Action regarding Compensation Adjustment per Employment Agreement for the Position of Executive Director

**VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE AND PLACE**

- A. The next meeting of the **Imperial County Transportation Commission** will be held on **Wednesday, August 23, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.**, at the **County of Imperial Board Chambers**, at 940 W. Main Street, El Centro, CA.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

- A. Motion to adjourn

# V. CONSENT CALENDAR

## A. APPROVAL OF COMMISSION DRAFT MINUTES:

JUNE 28, 2017

## B. RECEIVE AND FILE:

### 1. ICTC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE DRAFT MINUTES:

JULY 12, 2017

**IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION****DRAFT MINUTES FOR JUNE 28, 2017****5:00 PM****VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

City of Brawley	George Nava
City of Calipatria	Maria Nava-Froelich (Chair)
City of El Centro	Cheryl Viegas-Walker
City of Holtville	James Predmore
City of Imperial	James Tucker (Alt.)
City of Westmorland	Larry Ritchie
County of Imperial	Ryan Kelley
County of Imperial	Luis Plancarte (Vice-Chair)

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:** Caltrans District 11 Laurie Berman

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mark Baza, Kathi Williams, David Aguirre, Michelle Bastidas, Vicky Hernandez, Cristi Lerma

**OTHERS PRESENT:** David Salgado: SCAG; Flavio Vargas, Cesar Sanchez, First Transit; Marcelo Piedra, Ann Fox; Caltrans, Mike Morales; Teamsters

The following action minutes are listed as they were acted upon by the Imperial County Transportation Commission and as listed on the agenda for the meeting held Wednesday June 28, 2017 together with staff reports and related documents attached thereto and incorporated therein by reference.

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Chair Nava-Froelich called the Commission meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

**II. EMERGENCY ITEMS**

There were none.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

**IV. CLOSED SESSION**

A. Motion to Adjourn to Closed Session: Walker/Plancarte Motion Carried. 5:07 p.m.

B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code § 54957)  
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Negotiating parties: Ed C. and Mary C. Mealey.  
 Instructions to negotiator will concern price, terms of payment.

- ii. Property: 1605 Adams Avenue, El Centro, CA Assessor’s Parcel Number # 052-061-017  
 Use: Bus Maintenance Yard  
 Agency negotiator: Mark Baza  
 Negotiating parties: Caltrans  
 Instructions to negotiator will concern price, terms of payment.
- iii. Property: 1448 Main Street, El Centro, CA Assessor’s Parcel Number # 053-081-013  
 Use: Office Space  
 Agency negotiator: Mark Baza  
 Negotiating parties: Quan &Woo Investment Company, LLC and Imperial Regional Alliance  
 Instructions to negotiator will concern price, terms of payment.

E. Announcement of Closed Session Action(s)  
 At 6:45 p.m., ICTC Counsel reported out.  
 On items B and C, *direction was given and no final action was taken.*  
 On item D i-iii, *direction was given and no final action was taken.*

**V. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. Approved ICTC Board Draft Minutes: May 24, 2017
- B. Received and Filed:
  - 1. ICTC Management Committee Draft Minutes: June 14, 2017
- C. Specific Transit Operator Fiscal Reports FY 2015-16 for Med Express

The ICTC Management Committee met on June 14, 2017 and forwards this item to the Commission for review and approval after public comment. If any:

- 1. Received and filed the Specific Transit Operator Fiscal Reports; Med Express for the Imperial County Transportation Commission for FY 2015-16.

A motion was made by [Viegas-Walker](#) and seconded by [Predmore](#) to approve the consent calendar, **Motion carried unanimously.**

**VI. REPORTS**

- A. ICTC Executive Director  
 Mr. Baza had the following announcements:
  - 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 will cover a 3-year period. ICTC will be the fiscal agent and is working on developing an MOU which will define roles and responsibilities (Audits, Administration and Project Management) for ICTC and IVEDC. The MOU will be brought forth to the Commission for review and approval in late summer. For Imperial Valley, the project will evaluate broadband needs for our disadvantaged communities and identify opportunities to increase broadband availability.
  - ICTC in partnership with IVEDC received a 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 is working on developing an MOU which will define roles and responsibilities (Audits, Administration and Project Management) for ICTC and IVEDC. The MOU will be brought forth to the Commission for review and approval in late summer/early fall. The project will evaluate and prioritize properties for remediation with cost estimates. This will create opportunities for clean-up and remediation grants.

- SB 1 provides new funding for transportation purposes, with investments fix-it-first purposes on local streets and roads, highways, transit operations and maintenance, capital investments, and active transportation. Over the next 10 years it is estimated SB 1 will provide \$52.4 billion for transportation purposes. The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is in the process of preparing guidelines for several programs that are part of SB 1. The programs include: State Highway Operation and Protection; Local Streets and Roads Program; Trade Corridor Enhancement Account; Active Transportation Program; Solutions for Congested Corridors Program; and Local Partnership Program. Agencies will need to pay attention early requirements that may impact your agency’s budget process. Funding provided under the SB 1 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) for local streets and roads will be distributed to the cities and county based on the same formula as the Highway User Tax Account distribution. SB 1 also outlines a role for the CTC in the funding of projects. In order to receive an agency’s formula share of the RMRA funds, the agency is required to submit a list of budgeted projects (having projects listed in CIPs is not sufficient) and ensure that its maintenance of effort is consistent with general fund expenditures as reported through the State Controller’s office report for fiscal years 2010 through 2012. Both of these requirements pertain to the adoption of your local agency’s 2017-18 budget. The list of potential projects submitted to the CTC must be included as SB1 funded in your agency’s adopted annual budget. Agencies are recommended to consider SB 1 related requirement when working on their FY 2017-18 budget. Agency budgets should include potential projects that may be funded through the SB1 RMRA formula program and to also consider the new maintenance of effort requirement. The CTC has indicated that it will not have estimates available for this program until the end of July/early August timeframe, agencies are recommended use the League of Cities estimate as a placeholder. The CTC has indicated that following the submittal of the budgeted list of projects, the local agency would have flexibility to administratively update or change the project list, but must report on SB1 expenditures on projects. In developing local agency lists, consideration should be made to PCI of less than 80 based on the CSAC Statewide Streets and Roads Needs Assessment from 2016; agencies will be limited to road maintenance/rehabilitation, safety, railroad grade separation, complete street and traffic control device projects. \$1.5 Billion annually will go to cities and counties for local road improvements. The following are projected annual revenues for the Cities and the County of Imperial.

Brawley	\$608,000	Holtville	\$139,000
Calexico	\$920,000	Imperial	\$416,000
Calipatria	\$176,000	Westmorland	\$52,000
El Centro	\$1,034,000	County of Imperial	\$10,600,000
<i>Source: cacities.org</i>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,945,000</b>

Staff recommends the Cities and the County to incorporate these estimates in your budget amendments and develop your prioritized list of specific projects and improvements that can be submitted to the CTC at the end of 2017.

- All FY 2016-2017 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP), and Active Transportation Program (ATP) that are pending request for authorization (RFA) should be submitted to Caltrans Local Assistance in June 2017.
- A complete list of ICTC updates can be found on Page 27 of the agenda.

**B. Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)**

Mr. Salgado had the following announcements:

- A second round of “GO-Human” advertising will be released throughout the SCAG region beginning in May 2017. ICTC has collaborated to include “Go-Human” advertising on their transit buses in order to promote safe walking and bicycling. Please feel free to contact David Salgado to participate.
- SCAG’s Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program had a workshop in Imperial County on June 14, 2017 in partnership with the Strategic Growth Council (SGC). The workshop was held following the ICTC Management Committee Meeting at 1:00 p.m. at the City of El Centro Community Center, 375 S. 1st Street, El Centro, CA.
- A Tool Box Tuesday workshop was held on June 27, 2017 titled “Replacing Redevelopment: Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts (EIFD) / Community Revitalization Investment Authority (CRIA) Technical Assistance. This workshop provided an overview and technical training for SCAG’s new tool to evaluate Enhanced Infrastructure Finance Districts (EIFDs) and Community Revitalization and Investment Authorities (CRIAs). EIFDs and CRIAs empower local jurisdictions to finance infrastructure investment through tax increment financing. EIFDs and CRIAs are the major economic development strategies and financing mechanisms after the dissolution of Redevelopment Agencies (RDAs). SCAG has developed this tool for project sponsors to evaluate the viability of establishing an EIFD or CRIA for a given project area.
- A SCAG report can be found on page 35.

**C. California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)**

Ms. Berman had the following updates:

- The Mile Marker Quarterly report was distributed to all.
- The I-8 Continuously Reinforced Concrete Pavement Project will be having a ribbon cutting / groundbreaking event on July 11, 2017. Segment 1 and Segment 2 will be completed in August. For segment 3, construction began mid-March 2016 and is scheduled to be completed in early 2018. Segment 4 will begin construction in July 2017. Segment 5 began construction the week of June 12, 2017.
- Caltrans will be working to install roadside signs and re-locate flashing beacons at SR-86 and Keystone Road. This project should be out to construction summer 2017. Caltrans will be working with law enforcement.
- A full Caltrans report can be found on page 41 of the agenda.

**D. Commission Member Reports**

- Commissioners had various announcements regarding their communities.

## **VII. ACTION CALENDAR**

- A.** Discussion/Action regarding Compensation Adjustment per Employment Agreement for the Position of Executive Director.

This item was tabled until July.

- B. Appointment of an ICTC Commission Member to the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Regional Council.

A motion was made by [Ritchie](#) and seconded by [Viegas-Walker](#) to appoint *James Predmore* to the SCAG Regional Council, **Motion carried unanimously.**

- C. Draft ICTC Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget 2017-2018

Ms. Williams reviewed the FY 2017-18 Budget with the Commission.

The ICTC Management Committee met on June 14, 2017 and forwarded this item to the Commission for review and approval after public comment, if any:

1. Reviewed and Approved the Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget for FY 2017-2018

A motion was made by [Viegas-Walker](#) and seconded by [Predmore](#). **Motion carried unanimously.**

- D. Amendment #1 to Agreement for Professional Agency Auditing Services for FY 2016-17.

The ICTC Management Committee met on June 14, 2017 and forwarded this item to the Commission for review and approval after public comment, if any:

1. Authorized the Chairman to sign the first amendment to the agreement for financial audit services effective July 1, 2017, for the audit period FY 2016-17, with the firm Hutchinson and Bloodgood LLP for the not to exceed fee set at \$69,905.

A motion was made by [Nava](#) and seconded by [Kelley](#). **Motion carried unanimously.**

- E. Extension of the Transit Drug and Alcohol Auditor Agreement, LPM and Associates, FY 2017-18 through FY 2018-19.

The ICTC Management Committee met on June 14, 2017 and forwarded this item to the Commission for review and approval after public comment, if any:

1. Authorized the Chairman to sign the two year extension to the agreement for transit drug and alcohol auditing and reporting services with the firm of *LPM and Associates* for the not to exceed annual fee of \$11,550.00 effective November 1, 2017 through November 30, 2019.

A motion was made by [Nava](#) and seconded by [Ritchie](#). **Motion carried unanimously.**

- F. FY 2017-18 Second Revision to Memorandum of Understanding (MOU); ICTC – Quechan Indian Tribe-Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transit Authority (YCIPTA).

The ICTC Management Committee met on June 14, 2017 and forwarded this item to the Commission for review and approval after public comment, if any:



1. Authorized the Chairperson to sign the Second Extension to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority (YCIPTA), The Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) and the Quechan Indian Tribe for the continued implementation and operation of a regional connector bus service (YCAT Turquoise #10) between Yuma AZ, Winterhaven and El Centro, California; and, a circulator route from Yuma with stops in the eastern Imperial County area (YCAT Blue #5) effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and provide a not to exceed subsidy to the Quechan Tribe and YCIPTA in an amount of \$138,708.07.

A motion was made by [Nava](#) and seconded by [Ritchie](#), **Motion carried unanimously.**

- G. Legal Service Agreement – County of Imperial – Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) FY 2017-18 to FY 2018-19.

The ICTC Management Committee met on June 14, 2017 and forwarded this item to the Commission for review and approval after public comment, if any:

1. Authorized the Chairperson to sign the agreement for the continuation of legal services between the County of Imperial and the Imperial County Transportation Commission for an annual fee not to exceed \$15,000, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019.
2. Directed staff to forward the agreement to the County of Imperial.

A motion was made by [Nava](#) and seconded by [Ritchie](#), **Motion carried unanimously.**

- H. ICTC and the City of Imperial Agreement for Human Resources Services with the City of Imperial for the not to exceed fee of \$5,000.00, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

The ICTC Management Committee met on June 14, 2017 and forwarded this item to the Commission for review and approval after public comment, if any:

1. Authorized the Chairperson to sign the agreement for Human Resource Services with the City of Imperial for the not to exceed fee of \$5,000.00, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

A motion was made by [Kelly](#) and seconded by [Nava](#), **Motion carried unanimously.**

## VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE AND PLACE

- A. The next meeting of the Imperial County Transportation Commission will be held on **Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.**, at the County of Imperial Board Chambers, at 940 W. Main Street, El Centro, CA.

## IX. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

**IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

**DRAFT MINUTES OF JULY 12, 2017**

**10:00 a.m.**

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**VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

City of Brawley	Rosanna Bayon Moore
City of Calipatria	Rom Medina (Chair)
City of El Centro	Marcela Piedra
City of Holtville	Nick Wells
County of Imperial	Joe Picazo Jr. for Ralph Cordova

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mark Baza, Virginia Mendoza, Cristi Lerma

**OTHERS PRESENT:** David Salgado: SCAG; Joseph Chua, Bing Luu and Beth Landrum: Caltrans; Liz Zarate, City of El Centro

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**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Chair Medina called the Committee meeting to order at 10:51 a.m. Roll call was taken. Introductions were made.

**II. EMERGENCY ITEMS**

A. There were none.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

**IV. CONSENT ITEMS**

A motion was made by Wells seconded by Picazo to approve consent items 4A-B. **Motion carried** unanimously.

- A. Approved ICTC Management Committee Minutes for June 14, 2017
- B. Received and filed:
  - 1. ICTC Board Draft Minutes for June 28, 2017

**V. REPORTS**

- A. ICTC Executive Director
  - Mr. Baza had the following updates:
    - The FY 2017-18 Overall Work Program and Budget was approved by the Commission at their last meeting on June 28, 2017.
    - At the ICTC Commission on June 28, 2017, Commissioner James Predmore (Holtville) was appointed at the ICTC representative on the SCAG Regional Council. Mr. Predmore attended his first meeting on the Regional Council on July 6, 2017.
    - ICTC, CBP and Caltrans have not been able to come to an agreement on an alternative for an interim expansion for the SR 86 Border Patrol Checkpoint. CBP did

include the project in their federal budget. All parties are expected to meet in July to discuss their options further.

- As part of the Port of Entry Expansion project, traffic will be rerouted from the existing roadways to SR-98 and Cesar Chavez Boulevard. The City of Calexico is finalizing their right of way acquisition for widening Cesar Chavez Boulevard; however, the city has faced a challenged and will need to amend the project's CEQA document that will result in a 3 to 4 month delay. Caltrans is currently scheduled for completion in March 2018 to coincide with GSA's Phase 1 completion of the Port expansion.
- ICTC is pursuing discretionary freight program funding for the bridge expansion, 3 new truck inspection lanes and Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) technologies for a total cost of \$35 million.
- ICTC is partnering with IVEDC for a Southern Border Broadband Consortium and the Brawley Transit Corridor Brownfield Assessment. ICTC will be the fiscal agent on both projects.
- Closed Session Calendar Items for the Commission Meeting on June 28, 2017 included the following:
  - o Executive Director Evaluation and Labor Negotiations
  - o Property negotiations / lease agreement for property located on Ross Road, currently leased to First Transit
  - o Property negotiations / lease agreement for property located on Adams Avenue, currently owned by Caltrans
  - o Property negotiations for property located on Main Street and Imperial Avenue, proposed new ICTC office space

Ms. Mendoza had the following updates:

- As a part of Senate Bill (SB) 1, the 2017 Active Transportation Program (ATP) Augmentation is funded from the approximately \$200 million allocated from the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account to the ATP in fiscal years 2017-18 and 2018-19. The Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account funds are state funds. Therefore, projects funded in the 2017 ATP Augmentation do not need to be federal-aid eligible. The initial programming capacity for the 2017 ATP Augmentation program is in fiscal years 2017-18 and 2018-19. Some fiscal year 2019-20 and 2020-21 programming capacity may become available as previously programmed projects request advancement into fiscal years 2017-18 and 2018-19. The call for projects has opened on June 30, 2017 and applications are due by August 30, 2017. Project eligibility will be restricted to the following:
  - o Projects programmed in the adopted 2017 ATP that can be delivered earlier than currently programmed
  - o Projects that applied for funding in the 2017 ATP but were not selected for funding
  - o Under the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) component, SCAG will accept New Planning Projects from agencies that have NOT been awarded ATP funds in prior cycles. For Imperial Valley, all agencies are eligible for this opportunity with the exception of: City of Westmorland, City of El Centro, and County of Imperial.
- ICTC staff will submit project programming changes to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program. Amendment 17-11 will be submitted to SCAG on July 11, 2017. The submittal will include programming for SR-98 and the mobility coordination program.
- The next IMBA meeting is scheduled for July 13, 2017 from noon to 2pm at the conference room of the Fairfield Inn & Suites in El Centro. The agenda will include border infrastructure updates, economic development updates and a presentation of the 2017 Imperial Valley Border Economic Impact Study.

- The 2019 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Guidelines have been prepared to facilitate the work of the County Transportation Commissions (CTCs) (Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura Counties), transit operators, and the State of California Department of Transportation Caltrans) in development of county Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) for inclusion in the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2019 FTIP. These Guidelines assist in the development of the county TIPs that fulfill the legal, administrative and technical requirements prescribed by the law and which minimizes duplicate efforts by the CTCs, Caltrans, SCAG and/or other agencies.
- SCAG staff has released the draft guidelines for the 2019 FTIP. SCAG staff will receive input from ICTC and other member agencies on the draft guidelines prior to submitting them to the CTC on September 29, 2017. In addition, SCAG will open Amendment 3 of the 2016 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) to update or include new projects to meet the 2019 FTIP adoption. More information regarding RTP/SCS Amendment 3 will be provided by SCAG.
- Ms. Mendoza highlighted FY 2016-2017 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP), and Active Transportation Program (ATP) projects that are pending request for authorization (RFA) by agency.
- CTC staff will be conducting SB 1 Program workshops throughout the state. ICTC staff plans to participate in the workshops and provide pertinent information with Imperial County member agencies. The following is a list of the upcoming events:
  - o July 11, 2017 – Local Partnership Workshop
  - o July 17, 2017 – Trade Corridors Enhancement Program Workshop
  - o July 17, 2017 – State Transportation Improvement Program Workshop
  - o July 18, 2017 – Local Streets and Roads Program Workshop
  - o August 16-17, 2017 – CTC Meeting in Oakland
- A complete list of ICTC updates can be found on Page 17 of the agenda.

**B. Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)**

Mr. Salgado had the following announcements:

- On June 26, 2017, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) is expected to approve the 2017 ATP Augmentation Guidelines to provide direction on the allocation and programming of fiscal year (FY) 17-18, FY 18-19 funds, for a total of \$200 million. The guidelines maintain the program's traditional funding structure of awarding grants through three competitive components: Statewide Component, Small Urban & Rural Component and Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Component. SCAG's share of the MPO Component is \$40 million. The majority of new awards across all three components will be directed to the augmentation of the 2017 ATP, either through advancement of projects previously recommended for funding or to support projects that were submitted and scored, but not funded, as part of the 2017 ATP. SCAG will also reissue the regional 2017 supplemental call for projects for planning and non-infrastructure projects to fund new project proposals that are aimed at building local capacity for future ATP funding cycles. A minimum of five (5) percent, or \$2 million, will be awarded for planning and non-infrastructure projects. The supplemental call for projects will be released today, July 6, 2017, as the Sustainability Planning Grants: 2017 Active Transportation Call for Proposals. An informational workshop for potential applicants will be hosted at SCAG on July 20, 2017 and will be available in webinar format. Questions can be directed to Stephen Patchan, Senior Planner, Active Transportation & Special Programs, (213) 236-1936, patchan@scag.ca.gov.
- A second round of "GO-Human" advertising will be released throughout the SCAG region in May 2017. The "GO-Human" Campaign is an ATP Cycle 1 Grant funded

program designed and developed to be utilized by all stakeholders and partners in the region to bring heightened awareness to pedestrian and bicycle safety as well as driver safety through a robust marketing and advertising campaign. ICTC has collaborated to include “Go-Human” advertising on their transit buses in order to promote safe walking and bicycling.

- SCAG President Margaret Finlay held a leadership retreat for Executive Administration on June 8-9.
- A complete list of SCAG updates can be found on Page 26 of the agenda.

C. Caltrans Department of Transportation – District 11

Ms. Landrum had the following updates:

- The I-8/Dogwood Road Landscape Project will be completed in fall 2017.
- Construction for the SR-98/Cesar Chavez Widening Project has begun with a completion date of spring 2018.

Mr. Luu had the following updates:

- The Southern California Local Assistance Management Meeting (SCLAMM) will be held on September 15, 2017 at Caltrans District 12 in Santa Ana, CA.
- To assist recipients meet their DBE Goals for FTA projects, Caltrans is offering a webinar on Tuesday July 18<sup>th</sup>.
- The deadline to submit RFA’s for FY 2016-17 projects is July 7, 2017.
- A full report is on page 32 of the agenda.

D. Committee Member Reports

- There were none.

## VI. ACTION CALENDAR

A. California Transit Security Grant Program FY 2016-17

Ms. Mendoza presented this item. She stated funds from this grant program from FY 2016-17 would be utilized to provide Advanced Vehicle Location (AVL) systems for the IVT 40 foot bus fleet.

It was requested that the ICTC Management Committee forward this item to the Commission for review and approval after public comment, if any:

1. Approve the attached resolution authorizing the Executive Director or his designee to take any actions necessary on behalf of the ICTC for the purposes of obtaining FY 2016-17 financial assistance, provided by the Governor’s Office of Homeland Security under the California Transit Security Grant Program.

A motion was made by [Picazo](#) seconded by [Bayon Moore](#), **Motion carried** unanimously.

B. Authorization for the Examination of Sales or Transaction Use Tax Records

Mr. Baza stated that ICTC is pursuing an agreement with MuniServices, LLC to provide reporting services for FY 2017-18 for ICTC’s sales or transactions and use tax records. MuniServices, LLC will provide ICTC with the following quarterly analysis reports: sales tax cash performance; multi-year sales tax forecast; economic overview; and an executive two-page summary. No payment is due from the Commission to the Contractor for any of the reports or services including but not limited to the annual meeting service.

The Committee requested more information from staff. They would like to see a sample report. The item was continued until next month.

**VII. NEXT MEETING DATE AND PLACE**

The next meeting of the **Management Committee** will be held on **August 9, 2017** at the **City of Holtville**, Holtville, CA and 10:30 a.m.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

A. Meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

# V. CONSENT CALENDAR

## C. CTGSP FY 2016-17



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July 20, 2017

Maria Nava-Froelich, Chairperson  
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SUBJECT: California Transit Security Grant Program FY 2016-17

Dear Commission Members:

The California Transit Security Grant Program (CTSGBP) provides funds for use on a variety of transit capital improvement projects. These projects are designed to enhance security for transit systems and passengers. The program is administered by the State of California's Governor's Office of Homeland Security.

In previous years, ICTC has successfully applied for funding through this program for security cameras and lighting improvements to the Imperial Valley College Bus Transfer Terminal, solar lighting at the Brawley and Imperial Transfer Terminals and for security cameras on the larger Imperial Valley Transit (IVT) buses. For the FY 2016-17 funding, ICTC is seeking funding in an amount of \$106,671.00 through this program to provide Advanced Vehicle Location (AVL) systems for the IVT 40 foot bus fleet. No matching funds are required.

The application process requires the submittal of a resolution from the Commission authorizing the Executive Director to act on behalf of the Commission.

The ICTC Management Committee met on July 12, 2017 and forwards this item to the Commission for their review and approval after public comment, if any:

1. Approve the attached resolution authorizing the Executive Director or his designee to take any actions necessary on behalf of the ICTC for the purposes of obtaining FY 2016-17 financial assistance, provided by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security under the California Transit Security Grant Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Mark Baza'.

MARK BAZA  
Executive Director

Attachment

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



**A RESOLUTION OF THE IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (ICTC) AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSION TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR THE CALIFORNIA TRANSIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM - CALIFORNIA TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUND (CTSGP-CTAF) FOR FY 2016-17.**

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

WHEREAS, the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006 authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds for specified purposes, including, but not limited to, funding made available for capital projects that provide increased protection against security and safety threats, and for capital expenditures to increase the capacity of transit operators to develop disaster response transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) administers such funds deposited in the Transit System Safety, Security, and Disaster Response Account under the California Transit Security Grant Program (CTSGP); and

WHEREAS, the Imperial County Transportation Commission is eligible to receive CTSGP funds; and

WHEREAS, the Imperial County Transportation Commission will apply for FY 2016-17 CTSGP funds in an amount up to \$106,671 for Automated Vehicle Location (AVL) systems to improve the safety and security of passengers and related equipment on the Imperial Valley Transit system in ICTC's service area, which satisfies the tenets of the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Imperial County Transportation Commission recognizes that it is responsible for compliance with all Cal OES CTSGP grant assurances, and state and federal laws, including, but not limited to, laws governing the use of bond funds; and

WHEREAS, Cal OES requires the Imperial County Transportation Commission to complete and submit a Governing Body Resolution for the purposes of identifying agent(s) authorized to act on behalf of the Imperial County Transportation Commission to execute actions necessary to obtain CTSGP funds from Cal OES and ensure continued compliance with Cal OES CTSGP assurances, and state and federal laws.

*THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF THE IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, THAT MARK BAZA, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND/OR HIS DESIGNEE, is hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the Imperial County Transportation Commission, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance provided by the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services under the CTSGP.*

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Imperial County Transportation Commission held on \_\_\_\_\_.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

**ATTEST:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

**CRISTI LERMA**  
Secretary to the Commission

# V. REPORTS

- A. ICTC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT
- B. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS REPORT
- C. CALTRANS REPORTS



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## Memorandum

**Date:** July 20, 2017  
**To:** ICTC Commission Meeting  
**From:** Mark Baza, Executive Director  
**Re:** Executive Director's Report

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The following is a summary of the Executive Director's Report for the Commission Meeting on July 26, 2017

- 1) **FY 2017-18 Overall Work Program and Budget:** The FY 2017-18 Overall Work Program and Budget was approved by the Commission at their last meeting on June 28, 2017. It is anticipated that a copy of the OWP and Budget Report will be provided at the meeting on July 26, 2017.
- 2) **Caltrans Adams Avenue Site:** For the proposed acquisition, ICTC staff and consultant team have initiated the first phase of the feasibility analysis. ICTC is no longer pursuing a short-term lease. ICTC is coordinating access with Caltrans. Phase I is scheduled to be completed in late September 2017.
- 3) **LTA Board Request:** At the last meeting on June 28, 2017 there was a request for additional information regarding the LTA budget details. The LTA Board will convene in August and staff will provide the Board with the information requested.
- 4) **SCAG Regional Council – ICTC New Position:** At the ICTC Commission Meeting on June 28, 2017, Commissioner James Predmore (Holtville) was appointed at the ICTC representative on the SCAG Regional Council. Mr. Predmore attended his first meeting on the Regional Council on July 6, 2017.
- 5) **Active Transportation Program (ATP) Augmentation Planning Grant Opportunity:** As a part of Senate Bill (SB) 1, the 2017 Active Transportation Program (ATP) Augmentation is funded from the approximately \$200 million allocated from the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account to the ATP in fiscal years 2017-18 and 2018-19. The Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account funds are state funds. Therefore, projects funded in the 2017 ATP Augmentation do not need to be federal-aid eligible. The initial programming capacity for the 2017 ATP Augmentation program is in fiscal years 2017-18 and 2018-19. Some fiscal year 2019-20 and 2020-21 programming capacity may become available as previously programmed projects request advancement into fiscal years 2017-18 and 2018-19.

The call for projects has opened on June 30, 2017 and applications are due by August 30, 2017. Project eligibility will be restricted to the following:

- Projects programmed in the adopted 2017 ATP that can be delivered earlier than currently programmed
- Projects that applied for funding in the 2017 ATP but were not selected for funding
- Under the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) component, SCAG will accept *New Planning Projects* from agencies that have *NOT* been awarded ATP funds in prior cycles. For Imperial Valley, all

agencies are eligible for this opportunity with the exception of: City of Westmorland, City of El Centro, and County of Imperial.

For a complete copy of the ATP Augmentation guidelines, refer to the following link: [http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/ATP/2017/Final\\_2017\\_ATP\\_Augmentation\\_Guidelines.pdf](http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/ATP/2017/Final_2017_ATP_Augmentation_Guidelines.pdf)

- 6) **State Route 86 (Northbound) Border Patrol Checkpoint:** ICTC has initiated discussions with management and staff with Customs and Border Protections (CBP) Border Patrol regarding the potential to add a second inspection lane at this very busy checkpoint. Since July 2016, ICTC has been meeting (July 16<sup>th</sup>, October 24<sup>th</sup>, and December 20<sup>th</sup>) with Border Patrol, Caltrans and the County of Imperial to determine feasibility, costs and funding of required improvements within Caltrans and Border Patrol right-of-way. A goal of the meetings is to identify a streamlined feasible option for possible funding from the Measure D Regional Highway Set-aside fund since there are no current funds available in the foreseeable future. Caltrans assisted by completing a draft alternatives that would include four canopied inspection lanes (allowing two inspection lanes for vehicles and two inspection lanes for trucks) and improved secondary inspection, impound and employee parking areas. In May ICTC, CBP and Caltrans were still reviewing conceptual alternatives for an interim expansion to two lanes. On July 19, 2017, ICTC, Caltrans and County of Imperial met with CBP staff to review a new conceptual alternative. Comments were provided for subsequent review by CBP management and operations. Input is expected in late July/Early August 2017.
- 7) **Calexico East Commercial Vehicle Port of Entry Expansion Project:** ICTC submitted the Calexico East Commercial Vehicle Port of Entry Expansion Project under the California Sustainable Freight Action Plan: Pilot Project Ideas. The project is a proposed public-private partnership for the construction costs of the freight elements of the Calexico East Expansion that include: bridge expansion, commercial vehicle primary inspection booths and road construction totaling \$30 million. ICTC is pursuing discretionary freight program funding for the bridge expansions and Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) technologies for a total cost of \$35 million. Pending the possible funds for the bridge expansion ICTC is pursuing a donation authority request to U.S. Customs and Border Protection for the proposal bridge expansion.
- 8) **Preparation of FTIP 2019 and RTP/SCS Amendment #3:** The 2019 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Guidelines have been prepared to facilitate the work of the County Transportation Commissions (CTCs) (Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura Counties), transit operators, and the State of California Department of Transportation Caltrans) in development of county Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) for inclusion in the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2019 FTIP. These Guidelines assist in the development of the county TIPs that fulfill the legal, administrative and technical requirements prescribed by the law and which minimizes duplicate efforts by the CTCs, Caltrans, SCAG and/or other agencies.

SCAG staff has released the draft guidelines for the 2019 FTIP. SCAG staff will receive input from ICTC and other member agencies on the draft guidelines prior to submitting them to the CTC on September 29, 2017. In addition, SCAG will open Amendment 3 of the 2016 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) to update or include new projects to meet the 2019 FTIP adoption. More information regarding RTP/SCS Amendment 3 will be provided by SCAG.
- 9) **Imperial Mexicali Binational Alliance Meeting:** A meeting was held on July 13, 2017 at the conference room of the Fairfield Inn & Suites in El Centro. The agenda included border infrastructure updates, economic development updates and a presentation of the 2017 Imperial Valley Border Economic Impact Study. The next meeting will be scheduled in Mexicali.
- 10) **Partnerships with IVEDC:**
  - a. **Southern Border Broadband Consortium:** 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 will cover a 3-year period. ICTC will be the fiscal agent and is working on developing an MOU which will define roles and responsibilities (Audits, Administration and Project Management) for ICTC and IVEDC. The MOU will be brought forth to the Commission for review and approval in late summer.

For Imperial Valley, the project will evaluate broadband needs for our disadvantaged communities and identify opportunities to increase broadband availability.

- b. The Brawley Transit Corridor Brownfield Assessment: ICTC in partnership with IVEDC received a 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 is working on developing an MOU which will define roles and responsibilities (Audits, Administration and Project Management) for ICTC and IVEDC. The MOU will be brought forth to the Commission for review and approval in late summer/early fall. The project will evaluate and prioritize properties for remediation with cost estimates. This will create opportunities for clean-up and remediation grants.

- 10) **State Legislation for Transportation Funding – SB 1**: SB 1 was passed by the legislature and signed by the Governor. SB 1 provides new funding for transportation purposes, with investments fix-it-first purposes on local streets and roads, highways, transit operations and maintenance, capital investments, and active transportation. Over the next 10 years it is estimated SB 1 will provide \$52.4 billion for transportation purposes. The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is in the process of preparing guidelines for several programs that are part of SB 1. The programs include: State Highway Operation and Protection; Local Streets and Roads Program; Trade Corridor Enhancement Account; Active Transportation Program; Solutions for Congested Corridors Program; and Local Partnership Program.

Agencies will need to pay attention early to requirements that may impact your agency’s budget process. Funding provided under the SB 1 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) for local streets and roads will be distributed to the cities and county based on the same formula as the Highway User Tax Account distribution. SB 1 also outlines a role for the CTC in the funding of projects. In order to receive an agency’s formula share of the RMRA funds, the agency is required to submit a list of budgeted projects (having projects listed in CIPs is not sufficient) and ensure that its maintenance of effort is consistent with general fund expenditures as reported through the State Controller’s office report for fiscal years 2010 through 2012. Both of these requirements pertain to the adoption of your local agency’s 2017-18 budget. The list of potential projects submitted to the CTC must be included as SB1 funded in your agency’s adopted annual budget. Agencies are recommended to consider SB 1 related requirement when working on their FY 2017-18 budget. Agency budgets should include potential projects that may be funded through the SB1 RMRA formula program and to also consider the new maintenance of effort requirement.

The CTC has indicated that it will not have estimates available for this program until the end of July/early August timeframe, agencies are recommended use the League of Cities estimate as a placeholder. The CTC has indicated that following the submittal of the budgeted list of projects, the local agency would have flexibility to administratively update or change the project list, but must report on SB1 expenditures on projects.

In developing local agency project specific lists, consideration should be made to Pavement Condition Index (PCI) of less than 80 based on the CSAC Statewide Streets and Roads Needs Assessment from 2016; agencies will be limited to road maintenance/rehabilitation, safety, railroad grade separation, complete street and traffic control device projects.

\$1.5 Billion annually will go to cities and counties for local road improvements. The following are projected annual revenues for the Cities and the County of Imperial. Attached is a factsheet that also includes funds for transit and the Active Transportation Program.

Brawley	\$608,000	Holtville	\$139,000
Calexico	\$920,000	Imperial	\$416,000

Calipatria	\$176,000	Westmorland	\$52,000
El Centro	\$1,034,000	County of Imperial	\$10,600,000
<i>Source: cacities.org</i>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,945,000</b>

Staff recommends the Cities and the County to incorporate these estimates in your budget amendments and develop your prioritized list of specific projects and improvements that can be submitted to the CTC at the end of 2017.

CTC staff will be conducting SB 1 Program workshops throughout the state. ICTC staff plans to participate in the workshops and provide pertinent information with Imperial County member agencies. The following is a list of the upcoming events:

- July 11, 2017 – Local Partnership Workshop
- July 17, 2017 – Trade Corridors Enhancement Program Workshop
- July 17, 2017 – State Transportation Improvement Program Workshop
- July 18, 2017 – Local Streets and Roads Program Workshop
- August 16-17, 2017 – CTC Meeting in Oakland

For more details of the SB 1 Programs Implementation Schedule, refer to the following link: [http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/SB\\_1/SB\\_1\\_Programs\\_Implementation\\_Schedule\\_070617.pdf](http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/SB_1/SB_1_Programs_Implementation_Schedule_070617.pdf)

- 11) **Proposed New Facility for ICTC:** ICTC and its partners IVEDC and SCAG are pursuing a lease on a new larger facility. The new facility is the old Rabobank location on the corner of Main St. and Imperial Ave.
- 12) **I-8 / Imperial Avenue Interchange Reconstruction:** The region has an opportunity to accelerate the I-8 / Imperial Ave. project from FY 2019/20 to FY 2018/19 for construction. ICTC staff will be submitting a request for a STIP Amendment to the CTC in the August 2017 timeframe.
- 13) **Transportation Development Act (TDA-State Funds) Triennial Performance Audit Project:** The auditor staff will be in Imperial Valley visiting agencies and the transit operators on April 26, 27 and 28. Requests for information have been emailed to member agency staff by the audit consultants. The audit is a state mandated requirement every three years for all TDA funds received in Imperial County. The audit is expected to be presented to the Commission in September.
- 14) **Westshores Transit Opportunities:** In Preparation for the Short Range Transit Plan, staff is exploring transit connection opportunities with Sunline Transit that serves the Coachella Valley region, and pursuing grant opportunities for interregional transit services to/from Westshores and Coachella. Together we will be pursuing available grant opportunities to provide service connections. Update - On Friday, May 19, 2017, ICTC and IVT RIDE staff held a 2nd transit service outreach at the Imperial Valley Food Bank’s distribution site in Westshores from 7:30 am – 9:30 am. ICTC staff met with SunLine staff in Palm Springs on June 2, 2017 to continue dialogue for potential opportunities.
- 15) **IVT RIDE:** ICTC and transit operator staff have started an evaluation and review process of the performance data for the first three years of operations. The review will focus primarily on the Brawley, Calexico, Imperial and Westshores areas, as the City of El Centro service did not begin until July 1, 2016. The Paratransit Coordinating Committee (PCC) met on March 13 to develop recommendations for service adjustments. Service adjustments are under development.
- 16) **State Route 86 (Northbound) Border Patrol Checkpoint:** ICTC has initiated discussions with management and staff with Customs and Border Protections (CBP) Border Patrol regarding the potential to add a second inspection lane at this very busy checkpoint. Since July 2016, ICTC has been meeting (July 16<sup>th</sup>, October 24<sup>th</sup>, and December 20<sup>th</sup>) with Border Patrol, Caltrans and the County of Imperial to determine feasibility, costs and funding of required improvements within Caltrans and Border Patrol right-of-way. A goal of the meetings is to identify a streamlined feasible option for possible funding from the Measure D Regional Highway Set-aside fund since there are no current funds available in the foreseeable future. Caltrans assisted by completing a draft

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- 17) **California HERO Program:** The California Hero Program was launched in April 2014 in Imperial County with ICTC as the administering agency. Attached is a copy of the program activity report for June 2017.
- 18) **RSTP, CMAQ Obligation and Repurposed Earmarks:** The table below is a list of all FY 2016-2017 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP), and Active Transportation Program (ATP) that are pending request for authorization (RFA). For ease of receiving approvals, the local agency RFA's should be submitted to Caltrans Local Assistance in June 2017.

Agency	Fund Type	Project Name	Total Project Cost (in thousands)	Status
Brawley	CMAQ	Paving Wildcat Drive	\$1,008	<i>Request for Authorization (RFA) for Design was submitted in the amount of \$208. Construction costs in the amount of \$800K are programmed for FY2018-2019.</i>
Brawley	Earmark Repurpose	Rio Vista Avenue	\$86	<i>RFA pending</i>
Calexico	CMAQ	Paving of De Las Flores St.	\$466	<i>RFA was submitted, city is pending Caltrans HQ approval of single audit submitted on 3/16/17. No federal funds will be processed until audit is approved.</i>
Calipatria	CMAQ & RSTP	Roadway & Pedestrian Improvements on N. Brown St.	\$1,233	<i>Obligation issued 9-16-16</i>
El Centro	CMAQ	Signal Lights Synchronization along Dogwood Ave. & Danenberg Ave.	\$351	<i>Obligated in April</i>
El Centro	ATP	Establish of SR2S Program and Bicycle Route Improvements	\$524	<i>Obligation completed, it's been awarded for design</i>
Holtville	CMAQ & RSTP	9 <sup>th</sup> St. from Palm Ave. to Olive Ave.	\$633	<i>Obligation for ROW issued 12-27-16, RFA for CON will be submitted June 2017</i>
Holtville	CMAQ & RSTP & EAR-Repurpose	6 <sup>th</sup> Street Pavement	\$682	<i>RFA for CON was submitted on January 24, 2017, pending obligation</i>
Imperial City	RSTP	Dogwood Road Pavement from Aten Rd. to Southeast City Limits	\$302	<i>RFA submitted on May 18<sup>th</sup></i>
Imperial County	RSTP	Dogwood Road Pavement between El Centro City Limits to Imperial City Limits	\$2,335	<i>RFA expected to be submitted end of June 2017.</i>
Imperial	ATP	Pedestrian Master Plan	\$100	<i>RFA expected to be submitted end</i>



County				<i>of June 2017.</i>
Imperial County	CMAQ	Pedestrian and Bicycle improvements along Rio Vista Street from San Diego Avenue to Holt Avenue in Seeley	\$1,119	<i>RFA expected to be submitted end of June 2017.</i>
Imperial County	CMAQ	Pedestrian and Bicycle improvements along Rio Vista Street from Holt Avenue to Heil Avenue in Seeley	\$237	<i>RFA expected to be submitted end of June 2017.</i>
Imperial County	Earmark Repurpose	Sidewalks on various sites in Heber	\$1,017	<i>RFA pending</i>
Imperial County	Earmark Repurpose	IV Desert Museum easement access	\$719	<i>RFA pending</i>
Westmorland	CMAQ	Paving H Street and 8 <sup>th</sup> Street	\$429	<i>RFA was submitted on 4/26/17 and is pending E-76.</i>
ICTC	CMAQ	Design of New Intermodal Transportation Center in the City of Calexico	\$559	<i>RFA was submitted on July 20, 2017.</i>
ICTC	Earmark Repurpose	SR98 Rockwood Ave to Ollie Ave	\$3,595	<i>RFA pending</i>
SDSU	Earmark Repurpose	Parking lot improvement SDSU Brawley campus	\$719	<i>RFA pending</i>
		<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$16,114</b>	

19) **Update to the 2011 Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) Request for Proposals:** ICTC staff is developing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for release in early summer to complete an update to the 2011 Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP). This is a planning document that identifies transit services and capital improvements over the next three to five year period, with expected available resources. The project unfolds over an approximately 12 month period. The goal is to have an updated report with bilingual public participation. Special Planning Emphasis Areas anticipated in the report include but are not limited to: a review of transit service options on the West side of the Salton Sea, expansion of IVT RIDE into other member agencies' service areas and expansion of the IVT Blue, Green and Gold lines for Saturday and Sunday services. The project budget is established in the FY 2017-18 ICTC Overall Work Plan and Budget.

20) **Critical Rural Freight Corridors (CRFC) and Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFC):** The Southern California Association of Government (SCAG) requested a CRFC and CUFC project nomination list from all Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA). On January 10, 2017, ICTC reviewed the regional project list and submitted the following projects to SCAG:

<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Designation &amp; Cost</b>
<b>Widen bridge over the All American Canal at the Calexico East POE:</b> Widen of bridge over the All American Canal to six lanes at the Calexico East Port of Entry	CRFC (\$30M)
<b>Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Implementation at Calexico East POE:</b> Install border wait-time monitoring systems, radio frequency identification (RFID)/Bluetooth technology, and advanced traveler information systems	CRFC (\$3M)
<b>SR-98 widening from VV Williams Avenue to Rockwood Avenue:</b> Widen SR-98 from 4 to 6 lanes from VV Williams Avenue to Rockwood Avenue	CUFC (\$10M)
<b>Forrester Road Corridor:</b> Forrester Road bridge over the New River reconstruction, roadway realignment and operational improvements	CRFC (\$20M)

<b>Menvielle Road Widening:</b> Widen Menvielle Road from 2 to 4 lanes between Carr Road to SR-98	CRFC (\$4.4M)
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- 21) **Regional Mobility Hubs Strategy for Imperial and San Diego:** This project funded by Caltrans will develop a Regional Mobility Hubs Implementation Plan for San Diego County and Imperial Valley. This project is led by SANDAG in collaboration with ICTC. The focus of the plan will be to develop recommended improvements, conceptual designs, and implementation strategies for different mobility hub station place types for both regions. Mobility hubs can help maximize the capital investment in transit services and support the emphasis on smart growth and transit-oriented development.

The Consultant has completed draft Mobility Hub Concept Designs for the intermodal facilities in the City of Brawley, Imperial Valley College and the City of El Centro. The consultant team has completed the contract work and SANDAG project team will be submitting the final report to ICTC and Caltrans by June 30, 2017. SANDAG project team is working on design and catalog copy editing and will be posting the final document on September 2017. Virginia Mendoza, Project Manager

- 22) **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). Caltrans and ICTC are finalizing a preferred location and any improvements necessary for installation of the bench and shelter. Project is in design phase. Construction will begin and completed in late 2017.
- 23) **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 Account (LTA) funds for the project. Caltrans has served as the project lead; the first phase will begin in January and completed February 2017. Phase 2 is scheduled for completion in June/July 2017 and Phase 3 in October/November 2017. Community outreach will be necessary prior to initiating construction in Phase 2 and 3 as road closures and detours will be necessary.
- 24) **2016 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)/Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS), Amendment #1:** The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) has approved the regional 2016 RTP/SCS that has been accepted by the Air Resource Board. SCAG developed the RTP/SCS in collaboration with ICTC, other County Transportation Commissions, and local governments from the six county Southern California region through a bottoms-up, collaborative process. The RTP/SCS addresses many challenges including projected growth, changing demographics, climate change adaptation, housing needs, and transportation demands.

SCAG has opened Amendment 1 of the 2016 RTP/SCS for any changes to existing projects or adding new projects. Projects listed in the RTP/SCS must be of regional significance and increase the road capacity. ICTC has received a request to submit 3 projects as part of Amendment 1. The amendments are necessary to our ability to fund and complete these projects if funding is made available. At their January 5<sup>th</sup> meeting SCAG Regional Council approved the release of the draft amendment for 30 day public review.

Lead Agency	Project Description	Project Type
City of El Centro	Imperial Avenue Extension South – new roadway from I-8 to McCabe Road	New project
County of Imperial	Menvielle Road Widening, from 2 to 4 lanes between Carr Road to SR-98	New project
ICTC	Expansion of the Calexico East Port of Entry – increase Commercial Vehicle Lane inspection lanes and booths from existing 3 to 6 lanes and booths; and widen bridge over the All American Canal	Existing project – amending project timeline

- 25) **Funding for Phase II of the Calexico West Port of Entry Project in the President’s FY17 Budget – Press Release (Summary):** (February 9, 2016) – Rep. Juan Vargas (CA-51) announced the inclusion of \$248 million

*for the Calexico West Land Port of Entry (LPOE) reconfiguration and expansion project in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 budget released today. If approved, the funding would be sufficient to complete the project.”* 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 scheduled for March 2018. Phase II funding is pending Congressional approval.

As part of the POE Expansion project, traffic will be rerouted from the existing roadways to SR-98 and Cesar Chavez Boulevard which are not designed to handle the high volumes of traffic associated with the border travel. The City of Calexico is finalizing their right of way acquisition for widening Cesar Chavez Boulevard; however, the city has faced a challenged and will need to amend the project’s CEQA document that will result in a 3 to 4 month delay. Caltrans has initiated construction for widening SR-98 for more details on the project, refer to Caltrans report. Caltrans is currently scheduled for completion in March 2018 to coincide with GSA’s Phase 1 completion of the Port expansion.

26) **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 will be conducted. Extensive data collection and modeling work has been conducted on these areas by ICTC, SANDAG and other agencies, this project will build upon that work. The consultant team is completing the development of the survey instrument that will be used in all 6 POEs.

27) **Meetings attended on behalf of ICTC:**

- June 26, 2017 – SB 1 Planning Grant and Transit Investment Workshops (attended by staff)
- June 27, 2017 – CalCOG Board of Directors and RTPA Meetings in Sacramento
- June 28-29, 2017 – CTC Meeting in Sacramento (attended by staff)
- June 28, 2017 – ICTC Commission Meeting
- July 6, 2017 – SCAG Regional Council Meeting in Los Angeles
- July 12, 2017 – ICTC Management Committee meeting in Calipatria
- July 13, 2017 – Imperial/Mexicali Binational Alliance in El Centro
- July 21, 2017 – Mobility 21 Board Meeting (Joint Advisory Board Meeting) in Los Angeles
- July 21, 2017 – County Transportation / SCAG CEO’s Meeting in Los Angeles



California HERO Activity Report  
**Imperial County Transportation Commission**  
 Launch Date through June 30, 2017

**Program Activity through June 30, 2017**

Member	Launch Date	Eligible Housing Units *	Total Applications Received	Applications Approved	Approved Amount	Funded Projects	Funded Amount	Jobs Created and/or Retained***	Type of Projects			Solar kW Installed	Annual kWh Saved	Annual CO2 Reduced (Tons)
									Energy	Water	Renewable			
Brawley	5/23/2014	5,590	253	161	\$4,444,850	82	\$1,113,125	9	91	0	31	75	864,948	224
Calexico	3/24/2015	7,374	557	329	\$10,664,052	186	\$2,357,101	20	171	2	78	207	2,128,441	549
Calipatria	3/24/2015	758	9	4	\$102,074	4	\$49,711	0	4	0	0	0	36,617	9
El Centro	5/23/2014	9,250	422	285	\$8,578,812	141	\$1,920,091	16	139	8	46	129	1,507,621	388
Holtville	3/24/2015	1,248	54	39	\$1,030,736	20	\$231,548	2	18	0	8	14	193,825	50
Imperial	6/10/2015	4,622	192	147	\$4,885,075	79	\$1,215,742	10	66	13	39	116	828,605	219
Westmoreland		596							Has not adopted Resolution of Participation					
Imperial County Unincorporated	11/14/2014	9,506	217	134	\$4,306,112	67	\$983,204	8	72	3	16	44	691,036	176
<b>Total</b>		<b>38,944</b>	<b>1,704</b>	<b>1,099</b>	<b>\$ 34,011,711</b>	<b>579</b>	<b>\$ 7,870,523</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>561</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>6,251,092</b>	<b>1,615</b>

\*\* Participation rate based off of funded projects

\*\*\* 1 job for every \$117,000 invested.



## Memorandum

**Date:** July 20, 2017  
**To:** ICTC Commission Meeting  
**From:** David Salgado, Regional Affairs Officer (RAO)  
**Re:** **Southern California Association of Government's (SCAG) Report**

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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 Management Meeting July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

- 1. SCAG 2017 Active Transportation Program (ATP) Supplemental Call for Projects:** The Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account established through the adoption of Senate Bill 1(SB1) provides an additional \$100 million a year, starting in fiscal year 2017-18, for the California Active Transportation Program (ATP). On June 26, 2017, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) is expected to approve the 2017 ATP Augmentation Guidelines to provide direction on the allocation and programming of fiscal year (FY) 17-18, FY 18-19 funds, for a total of \$200 million. The guidelines maintain the program's traditional funding structure of awarding grants through three competitive components: Statewide Component, Small Urban & Rural Component and Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Component. SCAG's share of the MPO Component is \$40 million. The majority of new awards across all three components will be directed to the augmentation of the 2017 ATP, either through advancement of projects previously recommended for funding or to support projects that were submitted and scored, but not funded, as part of the 2017 ATP. SCAG will also reissue the regional 2017 supplemental call for projects for planning and non-infrastructure projects to fund new project proposals that are aimed at building local capacity for future ATP funding cycles. A minimum of five (5) percent, or \$2 million, will be awarded for planning and non-infrastructure projects. The supplemental call for projects will be released today, July 6, 2017, as the Sustainability Planning Grants: 2017 Active Transportation Call for Proposals. ***An informational workshop for potential applicants will be hosted at SCAG on July 20, 2017 and will be available in webinar format.*** Questions can be directed to Stephen Patchan, Senior Planner, Active Transportation & Special Programs, (213) 236-1936, [patchan@scag.ca.gov](mailto:patchan@scag.ca.gov).
- 2. 2017 SCAG Housing and Economic Summit:** SCAG has set the date of November 9<sup>th</sup> for a joint Economic and Housing Summit. The event will be held in downtown Los Angeles at the L.A. Hotel. Further details will be made available as they are confirmed.
- 3. SCAG "Go-Human" Campaign:** A second round of "GO-Human" advertising will be released



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throughout the SCAG region in May 2017. The “GO-Human” Campaign is an ATP Cycle 1 Grant funded program designed and developed to be utilized by all stakeholders and partners in the region to bring heightened awareness to pedestrian and bicycle safety as well as driver safety through a robust marketing and advertising campaign. ICTC has collaborated to include “Go-Human” advertising on their transit buses in order to promote safe walking and bicycling. Please feel free to contact David Salgado to participate.

4. **SCAG Cap and Trade Regional Equity Legislative Effort:** Governor Brown is actively pushing for an extension of the state’s Cap and Trade program. As a part of the push for renewal SCAG is actively advocating for language in the extension to include “regional equity” in order to ensure the SCAG region receives an equal share of the program funds moving forward. Under previous cycles SCAG has received approximately 30% of funds while representing over 50% of the state’s population and many urban population centers where funding can be best utilized and is in dire need. Cap and Trade funds are vital in the achievement of GHG reduction goals at a time when the state is actively pushing for increases in required reductions in the SCAG region.
5. **SB 1 Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017:** The bill passed by a vote of 27-11. The bill provides \$52.4 billion over 10 years for transportation by raising California’s gas excise tax 12 cents to 30 cents a gallon, with annual adjustments for inflation. The diesel excise tax will also go up 20 cents to 36 cents a gallon. Funds will also be raised by fee increases on vehicle registrations which will be proportionate to the vehicle model year and will range from \$25 to \$175 a year annually. Zero emission vehicles will incur a \$100 annual fee. There will be a constitutional amendment put on the 2018 ballot to allow a vote to ensure the funds will be provided for road projects.
6. **SCAG 2017 Local Profiles:** 2017 Final Local Profiles are posted on the SCAG website and readily available. Hard copies may be provided upon request. Questions can be directed to Ping Chang or Mike Gainor at SCAG.
7. **2017 SCAG Presidents Strategic Plan (PSP) Update:** SCAG has convened a strategic planning committee composed of executive management, leadership, and staff in order to develop and update SCAG’s Strategic Planning Document. The Strategic Plan has not been updated since 2009 and provides a framework for the agencies Work Plan and continued success. A Staff Strategic Planning (SSP) Committee has been composed to support the work of the PSP. Imperial County RAO David Salgado is participating on the PSP Committee.
8. **SCAG Regional Council and Policy Committees:** SCAG’s Regional Council and policy committee meetings will take place Thursday September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at SCAG’s main offices in Los Angeles. **SCAG will be dark the month of August.**
9. **CalEPA-Cal Enviro Screen Tool 3.0 UPDATE:** The revised CalEnviro Screen Tool has been



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revised. Version 3.0 has been released and is improved from the 2.0 version. CalEPA previously held a workshop in Imperial County to gather feedback from stakeholders regarding issues which may not be considered when establishing the disadvantage communities and environmental justice criteria for grant awards. Border air quality impacts were considered in the new tool amongst a whole host of other new criteria for implementation. A summary of the revisions can be found on the CalEPA website.

**10. 2016 RTP/SCS FINAL APPROVAL:** On April 7, 2016, SCAG’s Regional Council adopted the 2016 RTP/SCS, a long range visioning plan that balances future mobility and housing needs with economic, environmental and public health goals. The Plan charts a course for closely integrating land use and transportation – so that the region can grow smartly and sustainably. It outlines more than \$556.5 billion in transportation system investments through 2040. The Plan was prepared through a collaborative, continuous, and comprehensive process with input from local governments, county transportation commissions, tribal governments, non-profit organizations, businesses and local stakeholders within the counties of Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura.

The 2016 RTP/SCS is available for download by chapter or as one file. Please note that some files are large and may take longer to download depending on individual connection speeds. We strongly recommend that you first download it onto your computer before opening the file. All files are in Adobe Acrobat PDF format. The executive summary is available upon request.

## **SCAG LEADERSHIP DISCUSS PRIORITIES FOR NEXT YEAR**

On June 8-9, President Margaret Finlay convened an Executive Administration Committee Retreat at the UCLA Lake Arrowhead Center. The two-day retreat was focused on outlining President Finlay's priorities and initiatives, which include: Goods movement; open data/big data resources and partnerships; regional earthquake preparedness and building resilience; water access and resources; and promoting active transportation in the region. The EAC members also discussed the update to SCAG's Strategic Plan, including new draft agency vision, goals and mission statement, as well as improving SCAG's branding and communications.

## **SCAG DEMOGRAPHIC WORKSHOP ADDRESSED DECLINING BIRTH RATES, AGING LABOR POOL**

On June 26, more than 150 people from over 70 different organizations attended SCAG's 28th annual Demographic Workshop held at the University of Southern California. The event, jointly produced with the USC Sol Price School of Public Policy, addressed declining birth rates, population shifts and rapidly advancing technology that are transforming Southern California's labor force and creating new long-term challenges and opportunities. Highlights from the conference included a suite of presentations on how robotics may integrate into our future workforce while also providing meaningful services. Audience members also heard from researcher Elizabeth Rhodes on a pilot project testing the efficacy of the concept of universal basic income. The panels and roundtables provided new data and fresh insights on our changing region to help local leaders make better policy and business decisions. Conference presentations and photos are available on the SCAG website: [www.scag.ca.gov/demographics](http://www.scag.ca.gov/demographics). Archived videos of panel discussions will be available soon.

## **REGIONAL EARTHQUAKE INITIATIVE GIVES LOCAL LEADERS TOOLS FOR RESILIENCE**

On June 14, SCAG held a third Regional Earthquake Preparedness Initiative workshop to help local jurisdictions strengthen their infrastructure, safety codes and economic resilience. The workshop, which was held in Ventura, was led by world-renown seismologist Dr. Lucy Jones and brought together over 40 local city and county leaders from the area for a hands-on experience developing tools to assess, mitigate and prepare for the disruption of a large-scale earthquake. Building on an initial series of informational seminars held in the Fall of 2016, SCAG is completing the second phase of its Regional Earthquake Preparedness Initiative and will continue to provide technical assistance for member cities this year. To view the presentation and materials from the workshop, visit: [www.scag.ca.gov/earthquakepreparedness](http://www.scag.ca.gov/earthquakepreparedness).

## **SCAG LAUNCHES OPEN DATA/BIG DATA COMMITTEE FOR A SMART AND CONNECTED REGION**

On June 13, SCAG convened the inaugural meeting of its new committee, Open Data/Big Data - Smart and Connected SCAG Region. The committee will examine how SCAG can help local cities harness the power of data, and its members include elected officials, information experts from partner agencies and academic institutions and regional technology stakeholders from the private sector. The first meeting introduced the topics of big/open data, data analytics and smart community technology. Future meetings will begin to address city-level challenges and opportunities presented by big/open data, private sector engagement and how to conduct effective data-driven decision making. SCAG will be distributing a survey to local jurisdictions to identify information needs and collaboration opportunities. More information on the committee is available on the SCAG website: [www.scag.ca.gov/committees/Pages/CommitteeL2/SingleCommittee.aspx?CID=40](http://www.scag.ca.gov/committees/Pages/CommitteeL2/SingleCommittee.aspx?CID=40).



## CALL FOR PROPOSALS: NEW FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLANS AND PROJECTS

SCAG is now accepting applications for new planning and non-infrastructure proposals as part of the Regional Active Transportation Program. The program received additional resources as a result of the adoption of Senate Bill 1, and SCAG's 2017 Active Transportation Call for Proposals will provide approximately \$2 million in grant awards of up to \$200,000 each. The funding is intended to support planning and non-infrastructure projects that promote safety and encourage people to walk and bicycle, such as SCAG's Go Human demonstration events, and to seed active transportation concepts that provide a preliminary step for future applicants. Public agencies that have not been previously awarded a California Active Transportation Program Grant are eligible for funding. Applications will be accepted through August 31. Forms and related resources are available on SCAG's Sustainability Planning Grant webpage <http://sustain.scag.ca.gov>. SCAG staff will host a webinar for potential applicants on July 20, at 1:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Rye Baerg at [baerg@scag.ca.gov](mailto:baerg@scag.ca.gov). To discuss opportunities for participating in SCAG's Go Human campaign, contact Alek Bartosouf, [bartosouf@scag.ca.gov](mailto:bartosouf@scag.ca.gov).

## SCAG OFFERS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

Los Angeles County Metro has initiated the fifth round of its Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Planning Grant Program, which will provide up to \$3,100,000 in local grants for municipalities in Los Angeles County who adopt transit-supportive regulatory plans. SCAG will be providing technical assistance for the new grant cycle's Transit Oriented Communities Tax Increment Financing (TOC TIF) Pilot Program, which will fund feasibility studies for eligible cities and/or the County to consider tax increment financing districts around transit stations. The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors will also soon adopt guidelines for the establishment of TIF districts, which will be a key factor in the award and allocation of Metro's grants. The grant application deadline is July 31 at 5:00 p.m. Additional information is available on Metro's website at <https://www.metro.net/projects/tod/>. If you would like to quickly assess whether or not an area is eligible to be considered as a financing district, visit SCAG's EIFD/CRIA online app: <http://arcg.is/2mMKdnK>.

## TOOLBOX TUESDAY WORKSHOP TEACHES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCING STRATEGIES

On June 27, SCAG held an installment of the popular Toolbox Tuesday workshop series to provide an overview and technical training on new criteria for Enhanced Infrastructure Finance Districts (EIFDs) and Community Revitalization and Investment Authorities (CRIAs). Guest speakers from Kosmont Companies and Metro shared information about grant opportunities and digital tools for new development efforts in local jurisdictions, and SCAG staff demonstrated a new technical assistance application. The Toolbox Tuesday series provides free classes for local governments and other partners in the SCAG region, offering a range of practical skills and useful planning knowledge. For information on past workshops and upcoming events, visit <http://sustain.scag.ca.gov/Pages/ToolboxTuesdayTraining.aspx>. Contact India Brookover at [brookover@scag.ca.gov](mailto:brookover@scag.ca.gov) to be added to the mailing list.

## SCAG'S ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE WORK RECOGNIZED BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AS BEST PRACTICE

In developing the 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), SCAG worked diligently to analyze environmental justice impacts by engaging stakeholders and conducting intensive research. Guided by a portion of the national Civil Rights Act that establishes the need for transportation agencies to identify and mitigate adverse impacts of proposed projects on disadvantaged populations, SCAG drafted a comprehensive Environmental Justice Appendix to the 2016 RTP/SCS. This appendix has been recognized by the Federal Highway Administration as an instance of best practices, and excerpted in a federal web course on the fundamentals of environmental justice.

## **MORONGO RECEIVES FEDERAL GRANT TO REDUCE AIR POLLUTION**

SCAG member jurisdiction The Morongo Band of Mission Indians was recently awarded a federal grant of more than \$167,000 to update a fleet of heavy-duty vehicles with emission-reducing particulate filter technologies. The Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) grant is administered by the U.S. EPA's West Coast Collaborative, a clean air public-private partnership that works to reduce harmful emissions by funding engine replacements and retrofits to clean up a variety of older diesel engines, particularly in economically disadvantaged communities with high rates of asthma, heart and lung disease. Congratulations to Morongo. More information about DERA-funded projects is available at [www.westcoastcollaborative.org](http://www.westcoastcollaborative.org).



**Date:** July 21, 2017  
**To:** ICTC Commissioner's  
**From:** Laurie Berman, 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 July 26, 2017:

**1. Project Updates:**

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

**2. Construction:**

**Interstate 8 (I-8) Continuously Reinforced Concrete Pavement Project**

The first three segments of the *Interstate 8 Continuously Reinforced Concrete Pavement Project (CRCP)* are under construction. Completion of the entire project is scheduled for 2019.

- Segment 1, is near El Centro from 0.6 mile west of Anderholt Road overcrossing to 0.5 mile east of the East Highline Canal Bridge. It was awarded to Coffman Specialties, Inc. on November 18, 2015. Construction began the first week of February 2016. Both westbound and eastbound I-8 traffic are using the newly constructed freeway. This project will be completed by August, approximately six months ahead of schedule.
- Segment 2, which is located 26 miles east of El Centro from west of SR-98/I-8 separation to east of the All American Canal, was awarded to Coffman Specialties, Inc., on December 15, 2015. Construction began in early March 2016. Both westbound and eastbound I-8 traffic are using the newly constructed freeway except for a small portion on westbound I-8 near the All American Canal. This project will be completed by the end of August, approximately one year ahead of schedule.

### **Construction (continued):**

- Segment 3, near Winterhaven from west of the SR-186/I-8 separation to east of Fourth Avenue overcrossing, was awarded to Security Paving Company, Inc., on December 22, 2015. Construction began mid-March 2016 and is scheduled to be completed in early 2018. Traffic is reduced to one lane in each direction from the Agricultural Checkpoint to the Arizona state line.

The remaining two segments have been awarded and are scheduled to begin construction in summer 2017. These two segments are:

- Segment 4, is divided into two sections located near El Centro from west of I-8/SR-111 separation to just west of Anderholt Road overcrossing and from east of the East Highline Canal Bridge to west of the I-8/SR-98 separation. This segment began construction on July 10, 2017. Traffic was reduced to one lane in each direction on the five-mile section of I-8 from west of SR-111 to just east of Barbara Worth Drive beginning July 20, 2017.
- Segment 5, is located near Winterhaven from west of Ogilby Road overcrossing west of the I-8/SR-186 separation. This seven-mile segment began construction the week of June 12, 2017. Traffic is reduced to one lane in each direction.

### **I-8/Dogwood Road**

The I-8/Dogwood Road interchange project is completed and all lanes are open to traffic. Decorative fencing will be installed in fall 2017.

### **I-8/Dogwood Road Landscape Project**

The follow-up landscape project has started and will be completed in summer of 2017.

### **Caltrans El Centro Maintenance Station**

Phase 1 construction of the Caltrans El Centro Maintenance Station is complete.

Phase 2 is scheduled to be complete in summer 2017.

### **SR-98 / Cesar Chavez Widening Project**

Contract approval was received in January 2017, with construction on the \$12.9 million project beginning in April 2017 and ending in spring 2018. Utility relocation work is complete. Construction on Stage 1 from Eady Avenue to VV Williams is complete. Stage 2 work from VV Williams to Cesar Chavez is currently under construction.

Beginning on Tuesday, July 18, 2017 - the SR-98 closure from VV William Avenue to Cesar Chavez Boulevard in Calexico will extend through the intersection for four months for Stage 3 work.

### **Construction (continued):**

The Caltrans Public Information Office issued a News Release with Detour Map on July 13, 2017. The project team conducted outreach in advance to some businesses, agencies and schools.

#### **SR-86/Heber Pedestrian Improvements**

This project will sidewalks and a bus shelter. Construction has begun on this project, however; Phase 1 has halted on this project due to the summer heat. Design will be complete for the remaining phases in fall 2017. This project is a coordinated effort between Caltrans and ICTC.

#### **SR-111/Main Street in Niland**

This project will install a bus stop and shelter in an existing parking lot on the east side of SR-111. Efforts have begun and a Cooperative Agreement has been drafted and is in the process of completion between ICTC and Caltrans.

### **3. Traffic Operations:**

#### **SR-86/Customs & Border Protection Checkpoint Expansion**

Caltrans continues to work on interim improvement alternative for this project, which meets the safety and operational needs of CBP and reduces delay for the traveling public. CBP has requested federal funds for the construction of an “ultimate” facility, although they are competing with 20 other sectors in the United States.

#### **SR-86/Keystone Road**

The project will install roadside signs at SR-86 and Keystone Road and relocate flashing beacons. This project should be out to construction summer 2017.

### **4. Maintenance:**

The El Centro travel-way crew is removing brush from the shoulders on SR-111 south of Brawley. This will continue on all routes along with mowing activities and chemical spray to control extensive growth.



## 5. **Planning:**

### Senate Bill 1 – New Grant Opportunities:

The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Division of Transportation Planning is on a fast track to develop grant guides and launch the new Senate Bill 1, The Road Repair & Accountability Act of 2017, planning grant funds. Caltrans encourages input from all stakeholders in the development of the grant guides. Caltrans anticipates that the final grant guide for the Senate Bill 1 Transportation Planning Grants will be released with the call for grant applications in September 2017. There will be \$25 million available statewide.

The Senate Bill 1 Adaptation Planning Grants call for grant applications is anticipated to be in January 2018. The Senate Bill 1 planning grant funds are in addition to the FY 2018/2019 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants which are also expected to have a call for applications in January 2018. This category will have \$20 million over three years available statewide.

### Grants Underway:

#### *A Fresh Look at Impacts of Border Delays at CA/BC POEs*

In May 2016, the San Diego Association of Governments received two Caltrans grants for a total of \$670,000 to study the Effects of Border Wait Times on the Economy and Air Quality/Climate Change Emissions. This is a cooperative effort between SANDAG, ICTC and Caltrans under contract with HDR.

- a. The Economic Impacts of Border Delays will update and enhance previous studies to estimate the effects of delays at the San Diego and Imperial Counties Ports of Entry (POEs) on the regional, statewide, and national economies of the United States and Mexico.
- b. The Air Quality and Climate effects of Border Wait Times will develop a methodology to estimate air quality pollution and greenhouse gas emissions due to vehicular delays to cross the San Diego and Imperial Counties POEs.
- c. The consultant will be modeling the economic delay for 2025 and the air quality for 2025 and 2035 respectively.

#### *Imperial County Transportation Model Update*

The ICTM Update Project Team members from Caltrans, SCAG, and Cambridge Systematics are progressing in the following areas:

- a. The team held a Monthly Coordination Meeting on May 17, and discussed a work plan which compliments the scope of work in the project's Request for Proposal. The work plan includes details related to each task and subtasks, outlines timing for each task,

## **Planning (continued):**

defines responsibilities for SCAG, Caltrans, and Cambridge Systematics, respectively, and identifies specific calibration targets and sensitivity tests to be performed after development of a prototype base-year model.

- b. SCAG provided a sub-regional base-year highway network together with a TAZ (traffic analysis zone) system for Imperial County as a prototype model for the team to move forward. SCAG is currently developing a new social economic and demographic dataset for the new TAZ system within the county.
- c. Caltrans modeling staff reviewed the base-year highway network and the TAZ system of the latest version ICTM, and shared comments, concerns, and suggestions with the team to build a new version of the ICTM base-year highway network and TAZ system based on the prototype model.
- d. Cambridge Systematics with its sub-contractor began data collection and survey for base-year model calibration and validation. The effort at this stage is primarily focused on counting traffic volumes at 50 locations within the county. Other data such as transit routes and ridership, border crossing activities, are also in the process of survey or collection.

## **Upcoming Grant Projects**

### **Imperial County Active Transportation Plan**

Caltrans Planning recently met with the County of Imperial Public Works Department and held a kick-off meeting for this \$200,000 Planning Grant.

The plan will cover the unincorporated areas of Imperial County, specifically the Communities and Townsites; and areas near schools. The plan will be based on needs assessment through data gathering and analysis, public feedback, and consultation with local agencies.

The Plan will address issues such as safety and security, liability, environmental concerns, convenience, accessibility, usage, connections and linkages for bicycle users, as well as associated pedestrians and safe routes to school planning efforts.

It is expected to be out to contract by the end of 2017, with the Plan being complete by early 2019.

## **6. Local Assistance:**

### **Inactive Projects**

The City of Brawley and the County of Imperial have projects that were flagged for inactivity. If you have not submitted an invoice, please send to Joseph Chua in District 11 by August 21, 2017.

### **Local Assistance (continued):**

Also, the County of Imperial and the cities of Brawley, El Centro, and Holtville have projects that will soon to be flagged for inactivity. Please transmit invoices to Joseph Chua in District 11 by November 20, 2017.

#### **September 15: Southern California Local Assistance Management Meeting (SCLAMM)**

Caltrans welcomes the FHWA, as well as Local Public Agency staff in regions represented by SCAG and SANDAG, to attend SCLAMM.

More information will be provided prior to the meeting (see attached reminder).

Location: Caltrans District 12, 1750 East 4th Street, San Clemente Room, Santa Ana, CA 92705 Contact: Monroe Johnston, Caltrans District 12, at [Monroe.Johnston@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Monroe.Johnston@dot.ca.gov) or 657-328-6274.

#### **Revised: "Transportation Conformity, A Basic Guide for State & Local Officials"**

FHWA recently updated this guide to help State and local officials understand transportation conformity and how conformity requirements relate to community transportation investments. This February 2017 revision can be found at the link provided below.

[https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/air\\_quality/conformity/2017\\_guide/](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/air_quality/conformity/2017_guide/)

#### **FHWA Freight Intermodal Connectors Study**

FHWA has conducted a study that provides a comprehensive understanding of the condition and performance of a representative sample of National Highway System (NHS) freight intermodal connectors.

Freight intermodal connectors are roads that provide the "last mile" connection between major intermodal freight facilities (ports, airports, intermodal rail yards, etc.) and the NHS.

For more information, please contact Tiffany Julien at the FHWA Office of Freight Management and Operations: [Tiffany.Julien@dot.gov](mailto:Tiffany.Julien@dot.gov) or 202-366-9241.

This April 2017 study can be found at the link provided below. This study is an example that can be used by the Imperial County Region for freight fund opportunities.

<https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/publications/fhwahop16057/fhwahop16057.pdf>



## **Local Assistance (continued):**

### **Reminder: Subsidized Classes for Local Agencies**

The California Local Technical Assistance Program is a jointly funded effort between FHWA and Caltrans to provide local governments with training, information, technology and direct assistance to help improve transportation infrastructure. Upcoming courses are listed at this link:

[registration.techtransfer.berkeley.edu/wconnect/ShowSchedule.awp?&Mode=GROUP&Group=:FULL&Title=Complete+Listing](http://registration.techtransfer.berkeley.edu/wconnect/ShowSchedule.awp?&Mode=GROUP&Group=:FULL&Title=Complete+Listing)

### **Federal Aid Series**

District 11 plans to host this series in the 2017-18 fiscal year again. Please check for updates through the online registration link below:

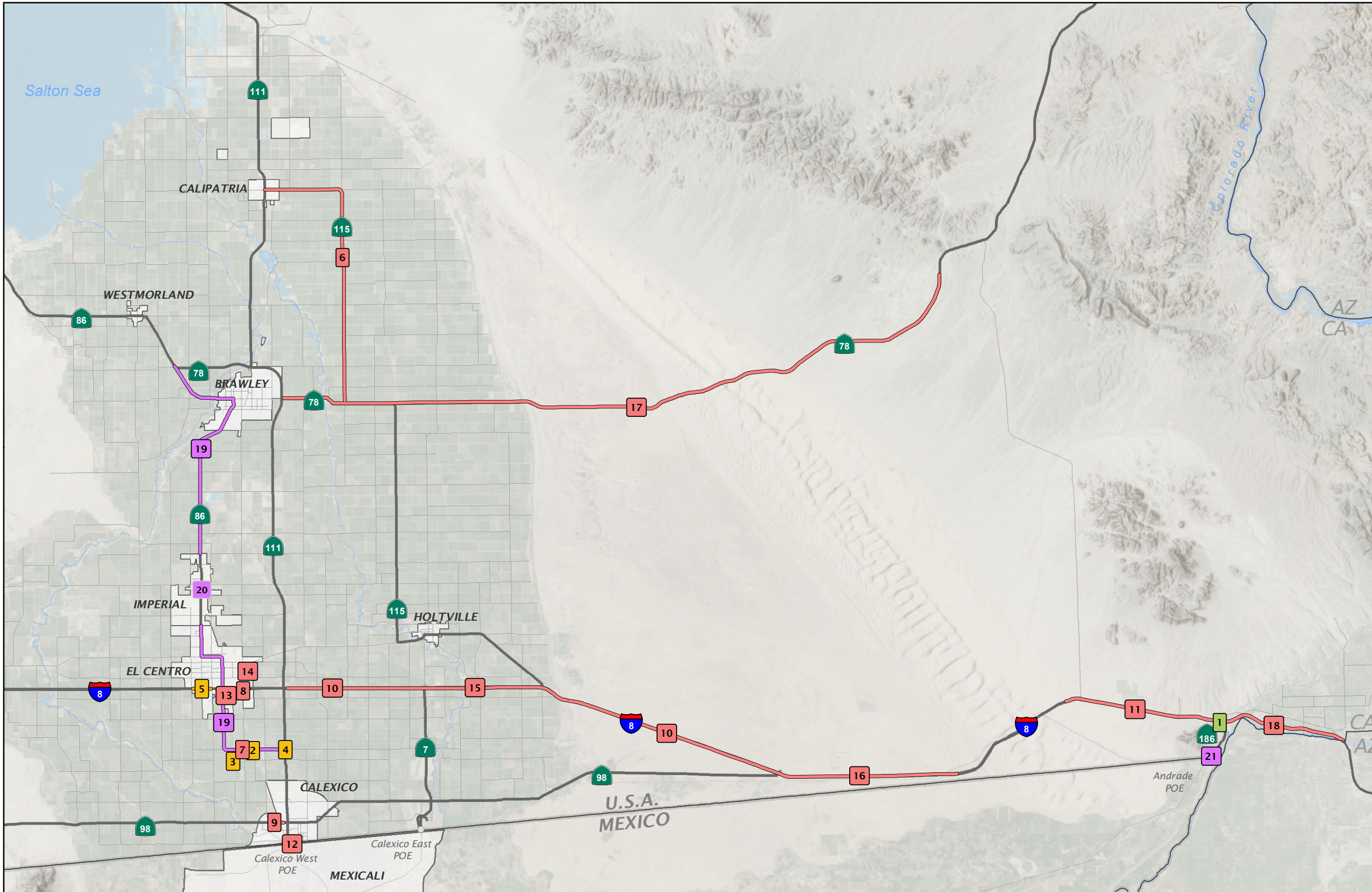
<http://www.californiatap.org/index.cfm?pid=1077>

### **Resident Engineers Academy**

This course "is a practical, interactive academy that provides core training for resident engineers. The subject matter experts and instructors use a real-life approach to deliver information utilizing examples, problem-solving activities, and exercises. The Resident Engineers Academy also provides a unique learning environment designed to promote networking."

It is expected that the RE Academy registration fee will continue to be \$50 for local agencies. Dates and fees for this FY have yet to be announced; but it is expected that District 11 will be one of the host locations in 2018.

Contact Debora Ledesma-Ribera at [Debora.Ledesma-Ribera@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Debora.Ledesma-Ribera@dot.ca.gov) to be considered for priority registration in future academies.



## ENVIRONMENTAL

1. SR-186/I-8 Interchange Improvements

## DESIGN

2. SR-86/"Heber Ave" Sidewalk, Transit, & ADA Improvements Phases 2 & 3\*  
Design Complete Fall 2017
3. SR-86/Dogwood Road Intersection Improvements\*  
Design Complete Fall 2017
4. SR-86/SR-111 Intersection Improvements\*  
Design Complete Fall 2017
5. I-8/Imperial Ave Interchange Improvements  
Design Complete Spring 2019

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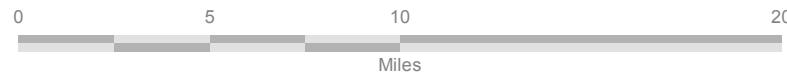
6. SR-115 Pavement Rehabilitation  
Construction Complete Fall 2017
7. SR-86/"Heber Ave" Sidewalk, Transit, & ADA Improvements Phase 1\*  
Construction Start Fall 2017
8. Dogwood Road Landscape  
Construction Start Fall 2016
9. SR-98 West Widening Phase 1 B  
Eady Ave to Ollie Ave  
Construction Complete Spring 2018
10. I-8 Pavement Rehabilitation at Various Locations  
Construction Start Summer 2017
11. I-8 Pavement Rehabilitation at Ogilby Rd to SR-186  
Construction Start Summer 2017
12. SR-111 Calexico West - GSA POE Reconfiguration\*  
Construction Complete Spring 2018
13. I-8/Dogwood Rd Interchange Improvements  
Construction Complete Fall 2017
14. El Centro Maintenance Station  
Phase 2 – Construction Complete Summer 2017
15. I-8 Pavement Rehabilitation  
Construction Complete Summer 2017
16. I-8 Pavement Rehabilitation  
Construction Complete Summer 2017
17. SR-78 Pavement Rehabilitation  
Construction Complete Fall 2017
18. I-8 Pavement Rehabilitation  
Construction Complete Spring 2018

## RELINQUISHMENT

19. SR-86 Relinquishment From SR-78 to SR-111  
Senate Bill 788 Approved Fall 2013
20. SR-86 Relinquishment for City of Imperial  
Completed January 2017
21. SR-186 Relinquishment 500 Feet  
from Border to GSA\*  
Complete Summer 2017

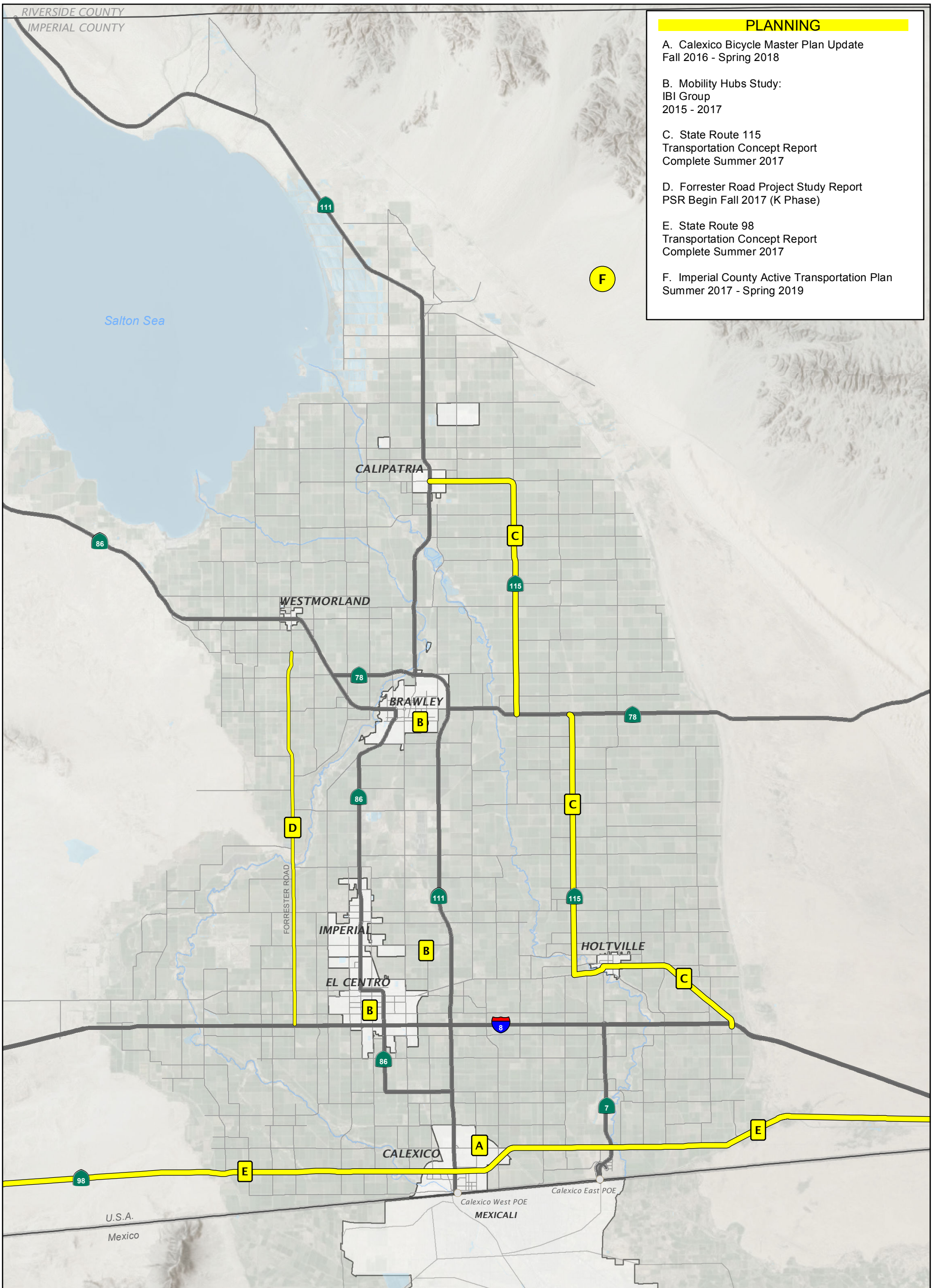


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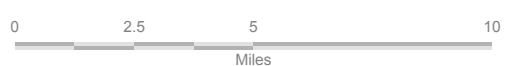
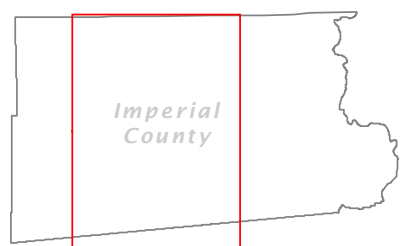




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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**State Route 98/Cesar Chavez Boulevard  
Calexico Closure Begins Tuesday**

EL CENTRO, Calif. — The closure on SR-98 from V V Williams Avenue to Cesar Chavez Boulevard in Calexico will be extended through the Cesar Chavez Boulevard/SR-98 intersection beginning Tuesday at 5 a.m., according to Caltrans.

The closure is needed to accommodate widening the intersection, installing traffic signals and providing railroad improvements as part of the SR-98 Widening Project.

The following detours will be in place for four months:

- **Eastbound SR-98:** Traffic will be detoured to Kloke Road south to Grant Street east to Imperial Avenue (State Route 111) north.
- **Westbound SR-98:** Traffic will be detoured to Ollie Avenue south to McKinley Street east, to Harold Avenue south, to Grant Street west, to Kloke Road north.

Motorists on eastbound SR-98 may also use V V Williams Avenue north to Cole Boulevard east, to southbound State Route 111 (SR-111) to westbound SR-98.

Caltrans is widening SR 98 from two to four lanes from Dogwood Road to west of Ollie Avenue, and from four to six lanes from Ollie Avenue to SR-111. Construction will include widening and signalizing six intersections. The estimated total cost of the project is \$73.1 million.

Motorists are reminded to Be Work Zone Alert and to move over a lane or slow when driving through highway work zones.

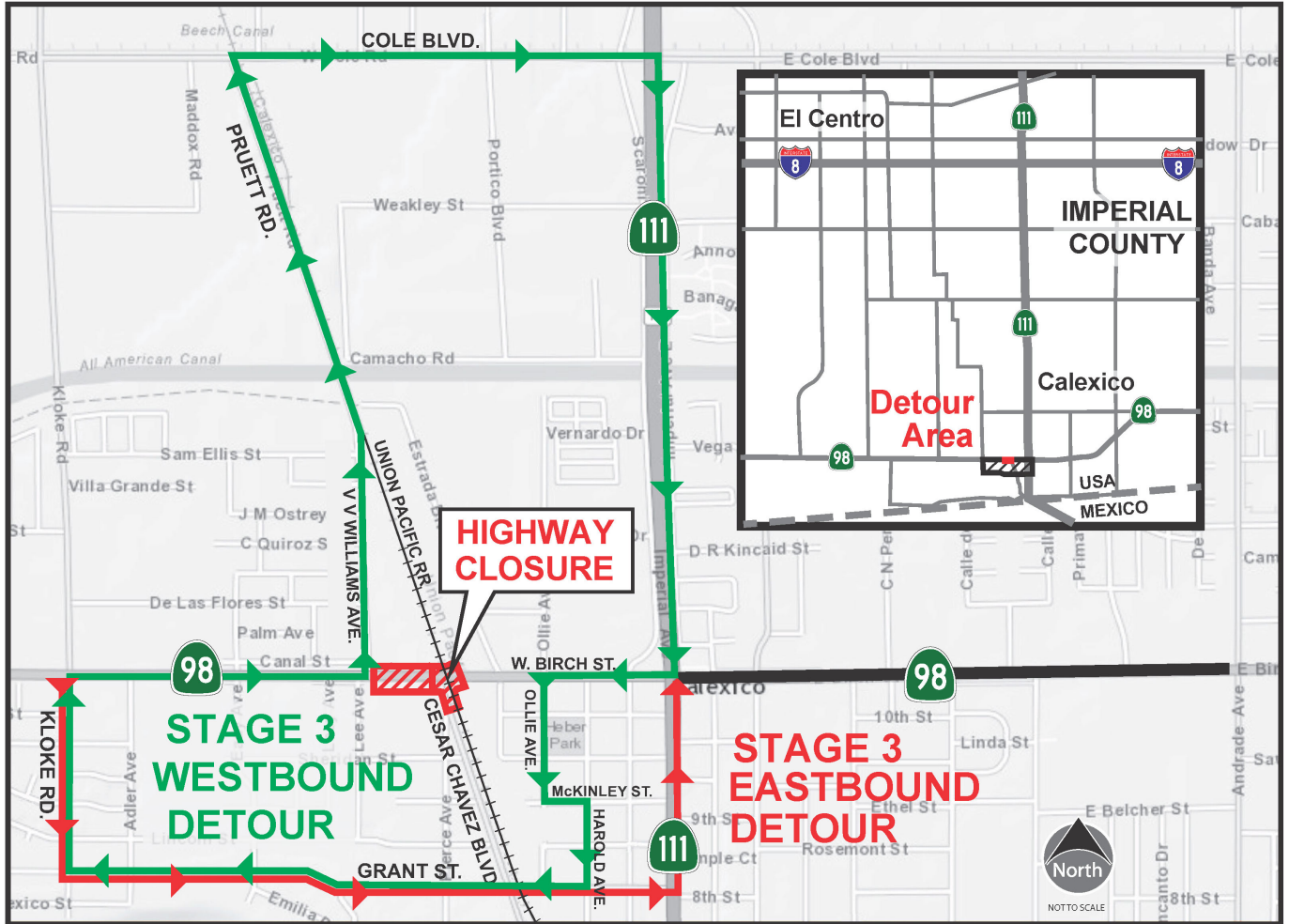
Visit [www.dot.ca.gov/d11/](http://www.dot.ca.gov/d11/) and [CaltransDistrict11](#) on Facebook and follow @SDCaltrans on Twitter for current transportation information, construction, closures, and major traffic incidents on state highways in San Diego and Imperial counties.

See detour map on page 2.

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1750 East 4 <sup>th</sup> Street Santa Ana, CA 92705	September 15, 2017  <b>MARK YOUR CALENDARS!</b>	Ground Floor San Clemente Room

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**SCLAMM, Presented by Caltrans Staff for Local Public Agencies.**

**Who is invited:**

**Southern California Local Agencies; Districts 7, 8, 11, and 12; FHWA**