

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jim Cullem	Harris & Associates	Claudia Espino	Caltrans District 5
Kristen Forsberg	County RDA	Christine Kahn	Caltrans District 5
Bhupendra Patel	AMBAG	Walter Grant	Mark Thomas

Chairman Clif Price, City of Soledad, called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Todd Muck announced Transportation Agency for Monterey County would host an APWA Click-Listen-and-Learn regarding green transportation and smart growth on January 15th. Mr. Muck also distributed road segments from the Regional Development Fee program and requested sponsor agencies complete and return to Mike Zeller.

3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C Dawson /Lopez/unanimous
Approved consent item 3.1

3.1 Approved minutes of the Technical Advisory Committee meeting of November 6, 2008.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. 2009 COMMITTEE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

M/S/C Price/Hudson/unanimous

The Committee elected Rich Deal, City of Monterey, to serve as the 2009 Chair and recognized outgoing Chair Clif Price, City of Soledad, for his service during 2008.

M/S/C Price/Deal/unanimous

The Committee elected Patricia Lopez, Monterey County Public Works, as Vice-Chair for 2009.

Todd Muck, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that the Technical Advisory Committee chairmanship changes each calendar year. The Committee elected the 2009 Chair and Vice-Chair to begin at the January Committee meeting.

5. PROJECT INITIATION DOCUMENTS FOR FY 08/09 SHOPP

The Committee received an update on the Project Initiation Documents for FY 08/09 SHOPP.

Claudia Espino and Christine Kahn, Caltrans District 5, gave an update on the candidate SHOPP projects in Monterey County. Ms. Espino reported safety and mandates are the only project types that will move forward in the 2010 SHOPP. Ms. Espino asked jurisdictions to contact her if they would like to request Caltrans consider a potential SHOPP project.

6. **FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE STIMULUS PACKAGE UPDATE**

The Committee received an update on federal infrastructure stimulus package.

Todd Muck, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that Transportation Agency for Monterey County has been working with Caltrans, other transportation agencies in the State, Monterey-Salinas Transit, and local jurisdictions to promote a federal transportation infrastructure stimulus package that benefits Monterey County. He noted that the list of short term transportation infrastructure needs in Monterey County will help document the need and benefit of a large federal infrastructure stimulus package. Whether a federal stimulus package will be approved, and what Monterey County's share of it will be, is yet to be seen. Transportation Agency staff has been working with each jurisdiction to put together a list of short term transportation infrastructure projects that will help stimulate the local economy.

7. **INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS (ITS) EDUCATION/MARKETING**

The Committee received a presentation from Randy Deshazo, AMBAG, on ITS education and marketing.

Mr. Deshazo presented the Central Coast Intelligent Transportation Systems framework involving the use of advanced computer, electronic, and communication technologies to increase safety and efficiency of the entire surface transportation system. He reported as transportation funds become more limited and travel demands increase, we need to find ways of maximizing the use of our existing transportation system. ITS technologies will help us to more efficiently use our initial transportation investment. A multi-Agency ITS Coordinating Group continues to provide oversight for ITS implementation in the Central Coast.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**

Mark McCumsey, Caltrans, announced applications for federal planning grants are due April 1, 2009.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Rich Deal adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.