NORTH COUNTY CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY

MEETING MINUTES

July 20, 2011 4:30 P.M. TENTH STREET PLACE BOARD CHAMBERS 1010 10TH STREET, MODESTO CA www.stancounty.com/publicworks

Directors Present:

Michael Brennan (Oakdale), Brad Hawn (Modesto), William O'Brien, and Terry Withrow.

Also Present:

Ex-Officios: Carrie Bowen and Vince Harris

Authority Manager: Matt Machado Legal Counsel: Thomas Boze

Absent: Virginia Madueño

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman William O'Brien called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM June 15, 2011 MEETING

The meeting minutes approval will be carried over to the next meeting.

3. AGENDA ITEMS

a. **Project Updates (INFORMATION ONLY)**

- Kris Balaji from Jacobs provided the updates.
- Environmental Update Field work for the environmental analysis will continue over the next few months. There are approximately 30 parcels where owners have denied consent to Permission to Enter (PTE); however this is not interfering with the work.
- Design Update Comments regarding the layout of the access points to the proposed facility were received from Caltrans and the geometrics are being revised.
- Traffic Update The work for developing the traffic forecast for the proposed preliminary alignments is underway.
- Public Outreach Update A Community Focus Group (CFG) was held on June 8, 2011. Project alternatives were presented as well as a preview of the displays for the upcoming Public Information Meeting. A Public Information Meeting was held on June 16, 2011 at the Riverbank Community Center. There were 121 people from the public in attendance. The meeting went well and positive feedback was received. Copies of the Public Information Summary Report were provided.
- Matt Machado stated that there were 36 identified risks on the Risk Matrix. Several have been eliminated.
- Ouestions were asked and answered.

4. AUTHORITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- A project preview and review was presented to the City of Oakdale's City Council on July 5th by Kris Balaji and Matt Machado. It was well received.
- At last month's California Transportation Commission (CTC) meeting, Assembly Bill 286 was discussed. There is a concern by their staff that this legislation was too specific to our project and that it may set precedence for other large projects in the State. We have been working with their staff to amend the language.
- Matt is scheduling a presentation to the Farm Bureau, which will be a brief update to their board.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Mark Stone read an article about Kaiser and funding for Hammett Road interchange. He had questions about the Broadway/Kiernan design project funding. Matt Machado replied by saying the contract (in the article) is not for the full design, but for the environmental documentation and project approval (about 30% of the design). For our project, we want to go through the environmental phase and stop. We want to get the footprint settled and set through an entitlement type of document.
- Terry Withrow asked about the status of SR99 funds. Matt Machado stated that last month, CTC programmed the first project in Tulare. As savings are realized, the next project will be in Kern. After this, the next project will be Kiernan. Carrie Bowen said we are seeing increased costs. In addition, CMIA projects will go ahead of the 99 bond projects as funding becomes available.
- Gary Darpinian felt the public scoping meeting was well received. He is concerned with land use assumptions, general plan areas, and spheres of influence in terms of long term planning. He is urging to use the general plan areas to provide for local needs.
- Brad Hawn agrees with Gary Darpinian. We need to bear down and make Kiernan as close to a freeway as we can.

6. **DIRECTORS' REPORTS**

• William O'Brien stated that he liked the philosophical discussion in today's meeting. It is understood that we need to have a route to address the current and future traffic needs so we don't continue to build on that route.

7. EX-OFFICIO'S REPORTS

- Vince Harris stated that the State of California will have some additional resource funding (State Transportation Improvement Program).
- Regarding PTE, Carrie Bowen stated that legal pursuit is not a Caltrans practice. There are other ways to work through these situations.

8. ADJOURNMENT

• Chairman O'Brien advised that the next scheduled meeting would be on September 21, 2011 at Tenth Street Place. The meeting was adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

ATTESTED: MATT MACHADO, Authority Manager of the North County Corridor Transportation Expressway Authority

BY: KEIMI ESPINOZA, Confidential Assistant

(The above is a summary of the minutes. Complete minutes are available from the Authority Manager, Matt Machado. An audiotape of the entire meeting is available.)

Caltrans is the CEQA and NEPA lead agency for the North County Corridor State Route 99 to State Route 120 Project. Public comments collected at this meeting are not part of the CEQA or NEPA public review process and will not be made a part of the official public record.

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There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

ATTEST:

Matthew Machado, Authority Manager of the North County Corridor Transportation Authority

COUNTERSIGNED BY:

William O'Brien, Chairman of the North County Corridor Transportation Authority