

DATE: October 6, 2009

MEMO TO: North County Corridor TAC, Matt Machado, Authority Manager

FROM: Laurie Barton, Deputy Director Engineering and Operations

SUBJECT: North County Corridor Technical Advisory Committee (NCC TAC)

Meeting Minutes for October 6, 2009

In Attendance:

Dave Myers, City of Oakdale Jeff Barnes, City of Modesto Carlos Yamzon, StanCOG Laurie Barton, Stanislaus County

The NCC TAC met at 1:00 p.m. on October 6, 2009 in the Stanislaus County Conference Room 3555/3772, 3rd floor, 1010 Tenth St. Modesto, CA.

The meeting was called to order. The August 4, 2009 minutes were not approved and will be held over to the November meeting.

Laurie Barton gave a brief overview of the written report regarding project updates. There was no additional comment from the TAC members.

Several members of the public attended the meeting. They had specific questions on the DEIR that is out for public comment. It was explained that the process for taking public comment was to provide written comments to Gail Miller at Caltrans to be certain they would be properly entered into the record. Some of the specific information requested is listed below:

- What was the basis for the traffic numbers?
- The DEIR seems to present traffic analysis based on old information not updated as promised and does not reflect the financial crisis. The increase in Modesto's population is not realistic.
- How was the delay calculated?
- The purpose and need are not defined well enough.
- The project does not seem to be justified per the DEIR traffic analysis.
- Will each and every written question or testimony for the DEIR be part of the public record with responses?

- Will the public comment period at the Public Hearing be limited as to time per person?
- Release of the Notice of Determination is scheduled for 1/4/10. This is done purposely so that the public does not have time to respond before the final.

The TAC members did explain that the public hearings will contain a question/answer period, however, it is only 15 to 20 minutes long. We also explained that once the public hearing is open, Caltrans would only be taking testimony that they would not be responding to comments.

It was suggested that the Jacobs team be available at the next Board meeting to discuss the traffic technical studies.

Adjournment at 2:00 p.m.