

# REFERRALS TO THE TRANSPORTATION WATER AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE FOR 2009

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| 1. Review legislative matters on transportation, water, and infrastructure.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recommended positions on various bills on transportation, water and flood control, and recommended communication of concerns to our legislative delegation.</li> <li>Recommended to ADOPT transportation goals for the 2010 legislative session. (10/19)</li> <li>APPROVED the proposed transportation component of the County Administrator's federal legislative platform to recommend to the Board of Supervisors. (10/19)</li> <li>ACCEPTED various staff reports and recommended to AUTHORIZE the Chair to sign a letter to the Joint Policy Committee commenting on draft policies to implement Senate Bill 375. (5/5)</li> <li>See Referral #8.</li> </ul> |
| 2. Review applications for transportation, water and infrastructure-related grants to be prepared by the Public Works and Community Development Departments.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RECEIVED reports and provided direction on transportation projects to be funded by various funding sources.</li> <li>ACCEPTED report on the East County Regional Area of Benefit and directed Public Works staff to inform the municipal advisory councils in the affected areas before reporting to the Board of Supervisors (9/21)</li> </ul>   |
| 3. Oversee the activities of the Ad Hoc Intercity Rail Advisory Committee, including their review of the Regional Rail Plan, San Joaquin service increases.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recommended to DISCONTINUE the Ad Hoc Intercity Rail Advisory Committee and AUTHORIZE the Chair to sign letters thanking the committee's members for their service to the County. (3/17)</li> </ul>   |
| 4. Monitor implementation of Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ACCEPTED report on the Draft Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan (8/17)</li> </ul>   |
| 5. Monitor the Contra Costa Transportation Authority including efforts to implement Measure J.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ACCEPTED several status reports on the Measure J Growth Management Program and concurred with staff actions. (3/16 and 6/22)</li> <li>Reports on Growth Management Program, Strategic Plan and TRAFFIX scheduled (12/14)</li> </ul>   |
| 6. Monitor EBMUD, Freeport Water Project, other ongoing improvement programs and recycled water projects.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recommended to ACCEPT report on EBMUD Water Supply Management Program 2040. (8/13)</li> </ul>   |
| 7. Monitor the East County Water Management Association's programs/projects.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No action taken since 12/31/05.</li> </ul>  |
| 8. Review issues associated with the health of the San Francisco Bay and Delta, including but not limited to Delta levees and the Contra Costa Water District's Stage Conveyance Plan and establish goals to accomplish in 2009. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recommended to ACCEPT status report on Delta legislative activity; SUPPORT the concepts of Delta Conservancy, Delta Stewardship, "Delta as a Place," and "full mitigation of impacts"; and CONSIDER providing direction to staff to advocate on legislation consistent with the Board's adopted Delta Water Platform. (5/5)</li> <li>Recommended to ACCEPT report on legislative activities; and SUPPORT the principles contained in the Delta Counties Coalition's draft legislation on Governance structures, including the establishment of a Conservancy, a Delta Stewardship Council, and a (revised) Delta Protection Commission. (6/23)</li> </ul>         |

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACCEPTED report on the Delta Protection Commission's Resources Management Plan (RMP) and REQUESTED County staff to report to the Board of Supervisors on the comments prepared by the Delta Counties Coalition on the draft RMP Update. (7/20)</li> <li>• ACCEPTED report on 2-Gates Fish Protection Demonstration Project and DIRECTED County staff to obtain additional information on the project and prepare a letter of concern for signature by the Board Chair. (9/21)</li> </ul>  |
| 9. Monitor drinking water quality, water supply, reliability, drought and conservation issues.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See Referral #6.</li> </ul>   |
| 10. Monitor the Baldwin Ship Channel/Southampton Shoal, and upland disposal of dredge material.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No action taken since 2008.</li> </ul>  |
| 11. Review dredging and dredge disposal issues, such as Long Term Management Strategy (LTMS) and environmental windows and related levee issues. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See Referral #8</li> </ul>  |
| 12. Monitor the San Luis Drain, Grasslands Bypass and other projects related to agricultural drainage in the Central Valley.                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No action taken since 2007.</li> </ul>  |
| 13. Monitor creek and watershed issues and seek funding for improvement projects related to these issues.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recommended to ACCEPT the report on the Municipal Regional Permit (MRP); AUTHORIZE the Chair sign comment letters; AUTHORIZE a Board member to testify before the Water Board at its May 13 hearing to describe the impacts of the MRP on County government and the Flood Control District (FCD); and DIRECT FCD staff to work with affected departments to determine the impacts on their budget, and to seek appropriate revenue sources to offset the additional costs of compliance. (3/31)</li> <li>• Recommended to ACCEPT report on the FCD 50 Year Plan; APPROVE the FCD's long-range planning process for replacing aging infrastructure with natural systems as outlined in the report; DIRECT FCD staff to work with the Department of Conservation and Development in the planning and implementation of the 50 year plan in the unincorporated communities; and DIRECT the FCD staff to report to the TWI Committee on the implementation and development of the 50 year plan as part of the FCD's Capital Improvement Program review process. (3/31)</li> <li>• Recommended to APPROVE &amp; AUTHORIZE the Chair to execute a letter to the White House Council on Floodplain Management. (11/6).</li> <li>• Recommended to ACCEPT report and take related actions, and to prepare a press release on the issuance of the new MRP. (11/16)</li> </ul> |

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| 14. Monitor the activities of the Integrated Pest Management Task Force.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ACCEPTED various progress reports on Integrated Pest Management activities and provided direction to County staff, including preparation of an outreach program on bed bug infestations.</li> </ul>   |
| 15. Monitor CCWD projects, such as the proposed Los Vaqueros Reservoir expansion, cover/lining of the Contra Costa Canal, the Alternative Intake Project, and other ongoing programs.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See referral #8.</li> </ul>   |
| 16. Review park issues and oversee the interdepartmental work of the Parks, Creeks and Trails Committee to improve the County's park function, report in 2008 on county park maintenance issues, and actions to ensure compliance with the County's growth management standard for parks. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No action taken on park maintenance issue since requested in 2008.</li> </ul>   |
| 17. Monitor the East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservation Plan.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No action taken since 2006</li> </ul>   |
| 18. Review the ability to revise the County design standards for residential streets to address traffic calming and neighborhood livability issues when these roads are built.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ACCEPTED report on the County's efforts to revise street standards to address clean water, traffic calming, emergency response, public health, and complete streets policy issues; DIRECTED staff to work with the County Fire Chief's Association and the City-County Engineers Advisory Committee to monitor the proposals for modifying the International Fire Code under review by the International Code Council, and report back to the Committee on whether there is potential application to Contra Costa County jurisdictions. (8/17)</li> <li>ACCEPTED status report and REQUESTED the next report occur after the Fire Chiefs have been engaged in the process. (10/19)</li> </ul> |
| 19. Review the Underground Utilities Program.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No action taken since 2008.</li> </ul>  |
| 20. Monitor implementation of Letter of Understanding with PG&E for maintenance of PG&E streetlights.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ACCEPTED report and REQUESTED County staff to provide another update to the end of the year. (4/29)</li> <li>Recommended to ACCEPT report &amp; DIRECT staff to report to the Committee by June 2010.</li> </ul>  |
| 21. Freight transportation issues, including potential increases in rail traffic by the Port of Oakland and other possible service increases, safety of freight trains that transport hazardous materials, and the truck route for North Richmond.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recommended to ACCEPT report on the Central I-80 Rail Corridor Study. (11/24)</li> </ul>  |

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| 22. Monitor the Iron Horse Corridor Management Program.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No action taken since 2008.</li> </ul>  |
| 23. Monitor the eBART Project.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No action taken since 2008.</li> </ul>  |
| 24. Review transportation plans and services for specific populations, e.g. <i>County Low Income Transportation Action Plan, Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan for the Bay Area, Priorities for Senior Mobility, Bay Point Community Based Transportation Plan</i> and work of Contra Costans for Every Generation. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No action taken since 2007.</li> </ul>  |
| 25. Monitor the statewide infrastructure bond programs.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recommended to APPROVE the Proposition 1B revised project list identifying the projects for funding. (9/22)</li> </ul>  |
| 26. Seek opportunities to obtain grants from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District for use on County projects.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No action taken since 12/31/05.</li> </ul>  |
| 27. Monitor the progress of the Pacheco Transit Hub.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No action taken since referred in 2007.</li> </ul>  |
| 28. Monitor Airport issues.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No action taken since 2008.</li> </ul>  |
| 29. Report on response to the Grand Jury Report on Aquatic Junkyards   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recommended to SUPPORT the efforts of the Sheriff's Office to form partnerships with other agencies to help abate abandoned marine vessels and navigational hazards; REQUEST our State legislative delegation and boating organizations to support appropriation of \$1 million annually from the Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund to the Abandoned Watercraft Abatement Fund (AWAF) in the budget of the Department of Boating and Waterways (DBW) as authorized by state statute; SUPPORT the efforts of the Sheriff's Office to work with other stakeholders to encourage the DBW to allow use of AWAF grants for abatement of abandoned commercial vessels; and REQUEST the Sheriff to amend the department fee schedule to establish charges for County services for the recovery, movement, impounding, and storage of vessels pursuant to Chapter 410-2 of the County Code with the assistance of County Counsel and to schedule the amended department fee schedule for adoption by the Board of Supervisors.</li> <li>• REQUESTED to receive courtesy copies of correspondence from the Sheriff's Office to the Integrated Waste Management Board regarding assistance in abatement of abandoned vessels; and REQUESTED the Sheriff's Office provide the Board with a copy of any correspondence from the Sheriff's Association to the State Lands Commission on SB 459.</li> </ul> |