

Alameda CTC *Executive Director's Report*



March 2012

Executive Director's Message



At the end of February, Chair Green, Vice Chair Haggerty, Tess Lengyel and I traveled to Washington, D.C. to meet with U.S. senators and representatives, as well as key transportation agencies — the Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration, Federal Highway Administration, Environmental Protection Agency Office of Sustainable Communities, and the Office of Management and Budget — to share our 2012 Legislative Program and to garner support for Alameda County's new mobility plan for the 21st century: the 2012 Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP). I am pleased to report that the TEP was well-received and many members offered letters of support.

Staff has also been actively engaging city councils throughout the county to request approval of the [Transportation Expenditure Plan](#) approved by the Commission in January, and to get their endorsement of the plan for placement on the November 2012 ballot. As of mid-March, seven cities have fully endorsed the plan.

The [Countywide Transportation Plan \(CWTP\)](#) has been updated to align with the TEP to reflect funding changes by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and comments made by jurisdictions.

Other planning milestones: Updates to the [Alameda Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans](#) are still progressing, and Alameda CTC recently began its

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Transportation Planning Updates

Evaluating traffic conditions in Alameda County:

To assess how Alameda County's Congestion Management Program (CMP) roadways are performing, Alameda CTC biennially monitors Level of Service (LOS) on over 300 miles of county roadways by collecting travel-time survey data during the morning and evening commute periods. This year, travel-time surveys take place from February through June on 326 miles of roadways, an increase of 94 miles over the 2010 monitoring period.

Service levels on CMP roadways are measured using a "Floating Car Technique," in which a test car is driven six times in each direction during the morning (7 to 9 a.m.) and evening (3 to 6 p.m.) to determine the travel time and speed. The test car runs follow guidelines, such as spanning a range of days and time of day, to qualify as representative data.

Roadway service levels are represented by letter designations ranging from A to F, with

Program Updates

Compliance reporting: In February, staff submitted requests for clarification on audits and compliance reports submitted by Measure B fund recipients. Based on the additional information received, staff prepared and presented a draft compliance summary report on March 12 to the CWC. Staff will present the full report on programmatic allocations and expenditures to the Commission in May 2012.

Committee vacancies filled: The 11-member Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) recently filled two committee vacancies. Just in time for spring, the committee soon will have full membership: Alameda CTC is currently in the process of filling the last vacancy with a transit agency representative.

Mobility Matters! Mobility for seniors and people with disabilities is core to quality of life. The expanded [Mobility Matters Program](#)

LOS A representing the best operating conditions and LOS F the worst. State legislation requires the CMP roadways to perform at a minimum LOS E, except where the roadway was designated as LOS F in 1991, the first year surveys were conducted. If adopted standards are not maintained, a deficiency plan may be required that identifies local or areawide measures to improve the deficient roadway segment and improve air quality.

Alameda CTC will release the 2012 LOS monitoring results in summer 2012. LOS monitoring results help guide where to invest transportation dollars to improve travel time for people and goods and provide an understanding of travel trends and levels of congestion in Alameda County. [Past LOS monitoring results](#) are available on the web.

increases their transportation options, including travel training for disabled youth and their families, community forums and training on using mobility devices. Funded through a Measure B Paratransit Gap Grant, this program is a collaboration between Alameda CTC, the Center for Independent Living and United Seniors of Oakland and Alameda County.

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biennial Level of Service monitoring to assess how Alameda County's Congestion Management Program roadways (326 miles) are performing during peak commute times (read more in "Transportation Planning Updates").

Programming news: The MTC recently approved its fiscal year 2012-2013 fund estimate, and over \$82 million is available in Alameda County for transit and paratransit operations and bicycle and pedestrian programs. Read more about this and the following capital projects in "Programming and Project Updates":

- Route 84 Expressway
- Trade Corridors Improvement Fund projects

Staff continues to develop plans and programs that will support efforts included in the TEP and CWTP:

- Student Transit Pass Program (staff are meeting in March and April with community members, transit planners, school district representatives and other interested parties)
- Complete Streets policy and guidelines
- Transit oriented development policy

Significant efforts are underway with regard to Measure B programs compliance review and reports, as well as ensuring that our community advisory committees are fully appointed (see "Program Updates").

In addition, the finance department has prepared a detailed update to the fiscal year 2011-2012 budget and has continued to work toward the consolidated agency financial statement (refer to "Finance Updates" for more information).

I also look forward to seeing more staff perform outreach and represent the Commission at public events and meetings (see "Outreach & Events" for upcoming events). Over 30 staff recently attended a lively training session to hone their presentation and outreach skills. I'm proud of the talent at this agency.

I look forward to working together on many activities this spring will bring.

Sincerely,

Arthur L. Dao
Executive Director, Alameda CTC

Programming and Projects Update

MTC 2012-13 Fund Estimate: The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) approved its fiscal year 2012-2013 Fund Estimate comprised of Transportation Development Act (TDA), State Transit Assistance (STA), Assembly Bill 1107 (AB 1107) and transit-related bridge toll funds on February 22, 2012. The funds

provide operating assistance for transit, paratransit, bicycle and pedestrian programs.

Below is a summary of the estimated funds available in Alameda County. BART and AC Transit have an estimated additional \$67 million of STA and AB 1107 funds available, which are not specific to Alameda County.

Apportionment Jurisdiction/Claimant	Total	TDA	STA (Revenue)	STA (Population)	STA Spillover
AC Transit (Alameda County)	\$3,794,292	\$2,641,435		\$1,152,857	
District 1	\$35,616,458	35,616,458			
District 2	\$9,397,635	\$9,397,635			
Alameda CMA - Corresponding to ACE	\$421,407		\$421,407		
BART to Warm Springs	\$3,015,890			\$324,414	\$2,691,476
LAVTA	\$13,087,15	\$10,265,715	\$857,712	\$1,963,731	
Pleasanton	\$53,470	\$53,470			
Union City	\$6,265,640	\$5,829,614	\$58,131	\$377,895	
Lifeline Program	\$8,346,601			\$8,346,601	
Article 3 (Bicycle and Pedestrian)	\$2,096,432	\$2,096,432			
TOTAL	\$82,094,983	\$65,900,759	\$1,337,250	\$12,165,498	\$2,691,476

Route 84 Expressway: This project will widen a 4.6-mile section of State Route 84 (Isabel Avenue) from Ruby Hill Drive to Jack London Boulevard. The project will be delivered via two construction contracts. The northern segment, from Concannon Boulevard to Jack London Boulevard, has \$20 million of Proposition 1B Corridor Mobility Improvement Account funding. Caltrans advertised the contract on December 12, 2011, bids opened on February 22, 2012, and the contract award is anticipated within 30 days. The southern segment, from Ruby Hills Drive to Concannon Boulevard, will start construction next year.



State Route 84 at Jack London Boulevard - Livermore, CA

Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF) Projects in Alameda County: Proposition 1B also included a \$2 billion TCIF program, which was augmented with \$500 million of State Highway Operation Protection Program funding. Alameda County received \$137 million for the following two TCIF projects.

The **I-580 Truck Climbing Lane project** will construct over 3 miles of a truck climbing lane in the eastbound direction from the Greenville Road interchange in the City of Livermore to approximately one mile east of the North Flynn Road interchange in unincorporated Alameda County. Caltrans is implementing this project and advertised the construction contract on March 5, 2012.

Alameda CTC is designing the **I-880 Reconstruction project (29th and 23rd Avenues)**, which will provide operational and safety improvements on I-880 in Oakland, including replacement of the freeway overcrossing structures and improvements to the mainline and on-and off-ramps in the northbound direction. The target construction start date is in spring 2013.



Finance Updates

The Commission approved the official termination of the ACCMA and ACTIA in late-February. The termination of these agencies marks a major milestone in merging the agencies into the Alameda CTC.

While the Alameda CTC has focused on producing a well-balanced Transportation Expenditure Plan and a Countywide Transportation Plan for future transportation needs within Alameda County, many staff members have continued to work toward the culmination of ACCMA and ACTIA as a consolidated agency. This comes after completing several mandatory tasks such as adopting a consolidated budget, combining financial systems and data, entering into a contract with CalPERS for

one pension plan, moving all employees onto one benefits package and payroll system and combining and redistributing many of the tasks and responsibilities of the consolidated agency.

During the month of February, finance staff has worked to prepare a detailed update to the fiscal year 2011-12 budget, which staff expects to go before the Commission in March for approval to carry the Alameda CTC successfully through the end of the fiscal year. This update will reflect changes in capital projects projections and operating needs and activities that have come to light subsequent to the adoption in June 2011 of the current budget.

Committee Activities



In March, several community advisory committees met. Highlights include:

- **March 6** – The [Alameda County Technical Advisory Committee](#) approved the Transportation for Clean Air Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Expenditure Plan Application, County Program Manager Fund Guidelines and Program At Risk Report, as well as the Proposition 1B Transit Projects for the Cycle 3 Lifeline Transportation Program.
- **March 8** – The [Community Advisory Working Group \(CAWG\)](#) and the [Technical Advisory Working Group \(TAWG\)](#) had a joint meeting and discussed the draft polling questions, outreach efforts and the draft Countywide Transportation Plan (CWTP).
- **March 12** – The [Citizens Watchdog Committee \(CWC\)](#) discussed the Measure B compliance summary report, reviewed the outline for their 10th Annual Report to the Public and established an annual report subcommittee.
- **March 22** – [CWTP-TEP Steering Committee](#) discussed the same items as the CAWG and TAWG.
- **March 26** – The [Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee](#) discussed conflicts of interests and ethics, and established finance and program plan review subcommittees.

Join Us at the East County Transportation Forum

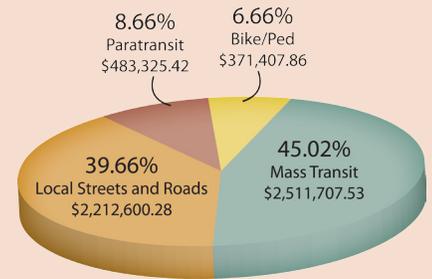
On Thursday, April 19, the Alameda CTC and its Citizens Advisory Committee will host the East County Transportation Forum, *Planning for the Future*, at Dublin City Hall. Attendees will meet project sponsors and hear an overview of Alameda CTC projects and programs, receive an update on countywide transportation planning activities for over \$10 billion in investments, as well as receive updates on key projects and programs in East County including Senior Support Programs of the Tri-Valley, WHEELS Rapid Transit and Senior Mobility, I-580 Corridor Construction and the Route 84 Expressway Project.

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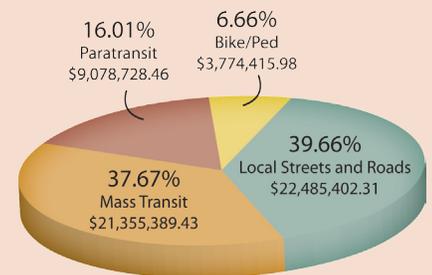
Pass-through Funding

One Month of Distributions



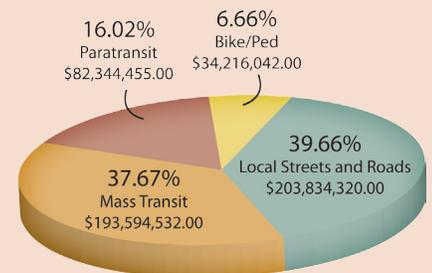
Alameda CTC allocated \$5,579,041.09 in Measure B funds for four programs in December 2012.

One Year of Allocations



During fiscal year 2010-2011, Alameda CTC allocated just under \$56.7 million in Measure B pass-through funds.

Summary of Overall Allocations



Alameda CTC has allocated almost \$514 million in Measure B pass-through funds through June 30, 2011.

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Outreach & Events

In March and April, the Alameda CTC is hosting or participating in these outreach events:

- **March 2** – Oakland Chamber of Commerce's Oakland Business Expo
- **March 10** – The Developmental Disabilities Council Transition Information Fair at the College of Alameda
- **March 16** – Senior Transit Fair at Pleasanton Senior Center
- **March 17-18** – St. Patrick's Day Festival in the City of Dublin
- **March 21** – Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals (APBP) Webinar at Alameda CTC: Best Practices for Maintenance Programs
- **March 23** – Breakfast of Champions at Alameda County Public Works Department
- **March 24** – Oakland Running Festival
- **March 31** – Valley Spokesman Bicycle Touring Club's Cinderella Classic at Alameda County Fairgrounds
- **April 18** – APBP Webinar at Alameda CTC: Nonmotorized Transportation Pilot Program Update: A Bold Experiment in Four Communities
- **April 19** – East County Transportation Forum at Dublin City Hall

Public outreach: Alameda CTC is preparing another poll that the agency will conduct in May to receive further input from likely Alameda County voters to gauge their support for the Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP), which will appear on the November 2012 ballot. Visit the website to find out more about Alameda CTC's [planning efforts](#).

In February, Tess Lengyel, Alameda CTC's Deputy Director of Policy, Public Affairs and Legislation, held an all-staff training on outreach methods. Extensive outreach on the TEP is ongoing, and all staff will assist in these efforts.



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ACCMA Projects

ACTIA Capital Projects

Fact sheets are updated as projects progress or, at a minimum, quarterly.

- [APN 501.0 - I-880/Mission Boulevard \(Route 262\) Interchange Reconstruction](#)
- [APN 505.0 - I-880 to Mission Boulevard East-West Connector](#)
- [APN 506.0 - Route 238/Mission-Foothill-Jackson-Corridor Improvements](#)
- [APN 509.0 - Central Alameda County Freeway System Operational Analysis](#)
- [APN 512.0 - Castro Valley Local Area Traffic Circulation Improvement](#)
- [APN 601.0 - Altamont Commuter Express Rail](#)
- [APN 602.0 - BART Warm Springs Extension](#)
- [APN 603.0 - BART Oakland Airport Connector](#)
- [APN 604.0 - Downtown Oakland Streetscape Improvement](#)
- [APN 606.0 - Union City Intermodal Station](#)
- [APN 607.0 - Telegraph Avenue Corridor Bus Rapid Transit](#)
- [APN 609.0 - Iron Horse Transit Route](#)
- [APN 610.0 - I-880/Broadway Jackson Interchange Improvements](#)

- [APN 612.0 - I-580/Castro Valley Interchange Improvements](#)
- [APN 613.0 - Lewelling/ East Lewelling Boulevard Widening](#)
- [APN 614.2 - I-580 WB Auxiliary Lane \(Airway Boulevard to Fallon Road\)](#)
- [APN 614.3 - I-580 EB Auxiliary Lane \(El Charro Road to Airway Boulevard\)](#)
- [APN 615.0 - Route 92/Clawiter-Whitesell Interchange and Reliever Route](#)
- [APN 617.1 - Hesperian Boulevard/Lewelling Boulevard Intersection Improvement](#)
- [APN 618.1 - Westgate Parkway Extension](#)
- [APN 619.0 - E. 14th Street/Hesperian Boulevard/150th Street Intersection Improvements](#)
- [APN 621.0 - I-238 Widening](#)
- [APN 623.0 - Route 84/I-580 Interchange](#)
- [APN 624.0 - Route 84 Expressway](#)
- [APN 625.0 - Dumbarton Rail Corridor](#)
- [APN 626.0 - I-580 Corridor/BART to Livermore Studies](#)
- [APN 710.4A - I-680 Sunol Express Lanes - Southbound](#)
- [APN 710.4B - I-680 Sunol Express Lanes - Northbound](#)
- [APN 717.0 - I-880 North Safety and Operational Improvements at 23rd and 29th Avenues](#)
- [APN 720.3 - I-580 Corridor Environmental Mitigation](#)
- [APN 720.4 - I-580 Eastbound Express \(HOT\) Lane](#)
- [APN 720.5 - I-580 Eastbound Auxiliary \(AUX\) Lane](#)
- [APN 723.0 - I-580 Corridor Right of Way Preservation](#)
- [APN 724.0 - I-580 Westbound HOV Lane](#)
- [APN 724.1 - I-580 Westbound Express \(HOT\) Lane](#)
- [APN 730.0 - I-880 Southbound HOV Lane](#)
- [APN 740.2 - Webster Street SMART Corridor](#)
- [APN 764.0 - I-580 Landscape Project - San Leandro](#)
- [APN 765.0 - I-80/Gilman Interchange \(Study\)](#)
- [APN 770.0 - I-680/I-880 Cross Connector Studies](#)
- [APN 791.0 - I-80 Integrated Corridor Mobility \(ICM\)](#)
- [APN 945.0 - Smart Corridors Operation and Management](#)



Interstate 80 Integrated Corridor Mobility Project