As we work together to provide value to our local communities through transportation programs and projects, it's important to recognize significant milestones. I want to congratulate Measure B pass-through fund recipient, Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority, on the 25th Anniversary of WHEELS and on “Keeping the Tri-Valley Moving.”

Services like this are becoming even more important as Alameda County relies on multiple modes of transportation.

I would also like to recognize the vast amount of activity happening in support of the Countywide Transportation Plan (CWTP) update and development of a Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP) development under the joint management of Beth Walukas and Tess Lengyel. In September, Tess and I had met with the following local nonprofit organizations and received positive input from East Bay Bicycle Coalition, Genesis, League of Women Voters, the Sierra Club, TransForm and Urban Habit.

In October, the Community Advisory Working Group and the CWTP-TEP Steering Committee had a roundtable discussion on the CWTP-TEP Other technical and advisory committees also had the opportunity to review the draft CWTP, and Alameda CTC invited the public to get involved and provide their opinions at five public workshops around the county. (For a full schedule, see “Outreach and Events.”) For more information, see the “Transportation Planning Updates” and visit the Alameda CTC transportation planning page.

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In 2011, the Steering Committee for the Alameda Countywide Transportation Plan (CWTP) update and development of a Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP) approved the release of an administrative draft CWTP and TEP parameters to guide the development of a draft TEP. The administrative draft CWTP is available online.

To gain public input on the administrative draft CWTP and the upcoming TEP, Alameda CTC is hosting five public meetings throughout the County in October and November 2011. In addition, Alameda CTC has performed outreach at several community festivals and will continue this outreach through meetings at chambers of commerce and other public venues throughout the county. The public will also have opportunities to comment on the CWTP and TEP online at www.AlamedaCTC.org.

In November 2011, the CWTP-TEP Steering Committee will review the first draft TEP and in December, will review the second draft CWTP.

In spring 2011, Alameda CTC conducted its first poll and conducted a second public poll in October to learn opinions on a mixture of transportation projects and programs to include in the TEP for the November 2012 ballot. The poll asked whether to include an extension of the current sales tax beyond its current expiration in 2022 and whether to augment it to meet the county’s transportation needs. Poll results will be presented to the Steering Committee on October 27, 2011.

Work has begun on signal improvements, electrical system upgrades, video detection equipment, controller upgrades, transit upgrades and pedestrian signal enhancements for the San Pablo Corridor Arterial and Transit Improvement Project. Alameda CTC awarded the construction contract as part of the I-80 Integrated Corridor Mobility Project in June 2011. The contractor has 20 months to complete all improvements.

Environmental Revalidation to Caltrans for review in September.

Environmental studies to convert the I-580 eastbound high occupancy vehicle lane to an express lane facility from Hacienda Drive to Greenville Road are underway. Alameda CTC staff expects to circulate a draft initial study/environmental assessment for public comment in November 2011. Staff also anticipates that the eastbound auxiliary lanes and the eastbound express lanes will open as an express lane in summer of 2014.

Environmental studies and preliminary design to construct eastbound auxiliary lanes from Isabel Avenue to North Livermore Avenue and from North Livermore Avenue to First Street are underway. Alameda CTC has prepared a draft Amended Biological Assessment, which is undergoing final review, and submitted a draft
Programming Updates

**2012 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP):** The final fund estimate adopted by the California Transportation Commission includes about $29.5 million of programming capacity in the 2012 STIP for the Alameda CTC to program projects. Alameda CTC released the 2012 STIP call for projects on June 15, 2011 and applications were due on July 13, 2011.

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In response to the call, Alameda CTC received requests for about $275 million for 19 projects.

In September 2011, the Commission approved the draft project list for the 2012 STIP, which appears below. The Commission will consider adopting the final project list in October 2011.

Program Updates

**Compliance reporting:** The compliance report form and instructions are now available on the website for agencies and jurisdictions that receive Measure B funds. An audit is due to Alameda CTC on December 27, 2011 and the compliance report form is due on December 31, 2011. Staff recently held a well-attended compliance workshop regarding the submittal requirements for fiscal year 2010-2011.

**Iron Horse Trail feasibility study:** A recently completed bicycle and pedestrian grant project of note, the East Bay Regional Parks District’s Iron Horse Trail Feasibility Study enabled the project sponsor to receive TIGER II grant funding for project construction to close the approximately 1.5 mile gap in the Iron Horse Trail in Pleasanton, between Dublin/Pleasanton BART and Santa Rita Road. The project engaged the community and will greatly improve bicycle and pedestrian access between the BART station, the Hacienda Business Park and local residents.

City of Albany senior shuttle bus: The City of Albany’s Senior Center Community Shuttle Bus began providing new and expanded services in 2009 thanks to a paratransit gap grant. The popular program provides a

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Over the past few months, finance staff has been working toward finalizing the 2010-2011 fiscal year-end financial data and preparing for and going through the process of two separate financial audits. ACTIA auditors have finalized their field work and are currently preparing financial statements for presentation. ACCMA auditors are in the process of finalizing field work. Staff expects audited financial statements to be available for presentation at the December Commission meeting.

In addition, staff has been developing report formats within the new consolidated financial system, which staff will use to report budget versus actual revenue and expense information on a quarterly basis for Commission review and approval. Staff also has established and documented new, consolidated invoice payment processes to ensure efficient payment and internal controls.

The finance team has been working toward consolidating the benefit structure for the Alameda CTC. To that end, an Other Post Employment Benefit actuarial study is underway to assess funding status before moving funds to a consolidated trust; staff will bring a report to the Commission in October to recommend adoption of a resolution of intention to enter into a contract with CalPERS for the pension plan; and staff has been working with legal counsel to finalize Health Reimbursement Arrangement and Cafeteria plan documents.

Committee Activities

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

- **October 4** – The Alameda County Technical Advisory Committee approved the final list of projects to be programmed in the Regional Improvement Program of the 2012 State Transportation Improvement Program.

- **October 6** – The Community Advisory Working Group (CAWG) discussed and provided input on the preliminary Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP) outline and program allocations formulas.

- **October 7** – CAWG and the Countywide Transportation Plan and Transportation Expenditure Plan Steering Committee (CWTP-TEP) had a roundtable discussion on CWTP-TEP development.

- **October 11** – The Paratransit Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) discussed the draft Paratransit Program Implementation Guidelines that provide program eligibility and funding guidelines.

- **October 13** – The Technical Advisory Working Group (TAWG) provided input on the same items as CAWG.

- **October 13** – The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee provided input on the Alameda County Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan for Unincorporated Areas, the Complete Streets Checklist and Implementation Guidelines.

- **October 20** – The Citizens Advisory Committee approved the CAC Bylaws and fiscal year 2011-2012 calendar, and discussed outreach goals and objectives.

- **October 24** – At the Joint TAC and Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee meeting, attendees received outreach training to support development of the CWTP-TEP.

- **October 27** – The CWTP-TEP Steering Committee discussed the CAWG and TAWG items, as well as received an update on the fall 2011 public outreach, and received a presentation on October poll results.

North County Transportation Forum

On October 20, the Alameda CTC and its CAC hosted the North County Transportation Forum at the Alameda CTC offices. Presentations included: Regional and Countywide Transportation Planning Activities Update, Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Program Update, Free Shuttle Programs, I-80 Integrated Mobility Corridor Project Update, East Bay Rapid Bus Transit Update, I-880 High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lanes Update, BART Oakland Airport Connector. The next forum is on January 19, 2012 in Central County. For more information, see the meetings calendar.
In October, the Alameda CTC is hosting or participating in these outreach events:

- **October 1** – Senior Fit Fair in Dublin
- **October 5** – Hayward Chamber of Commerce’s Hayward Business Expo
- **October 13** – St. Regis Retirement Center Annual Health Fair in Hayward
- **October 19** – Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals Webinar: Multimodal Level of Service at the Alameda CTC
- **October 20** – North County Transportation Forum at the Alameda CTC
- **October 25** – 12th Annual Health and Resource Fair for Seniors in Newark

**Public outreach:** In October and November, the Alameda CTC is conducting outreach throughout the county through polling and a series of public workshops to educate Alameda County residents, business members and elected officials about the Countywide Transportation Plan and Transportation Expenditure Plan development:

- **October 18** , Berkeley, 6:30-8:30 p.m. South Berkeley Senior Center, Multipurpose Room (2939 Ellis Street)
- **October 19** , San Leandro, 6:30-8:30 p.m. San Leandro Senior Community Center, Main Hall (13909 East 14th Street)
- **October 24** , Oakland, 6:30-8:30 p.m. East Oakland Senior Center, Multipurpose Room (9255 Edes Avenue)
- **October 27** , Union City, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Union City Sports Center, Classrooms B & C (31224 Union City Boulevard)
- **November 2** , Dublin, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Dublin Public Library, Community Room (200 Civic Plaza)

Visit the website to find out more about the Alameda CTC’s planning efforts.

**Other News**

**Center to Center System (C2C) Project:** This project provides communication connectivity between the Tri-Valley cities and the rest of the Bay Area cities. The traffic data exchange and information between the cities and the major traffic management centers in the Bay Area will help commuters traveling between cities. The Metropolitan Transportation Commission initiated the C2C system and provided Alameda CTC the necessary funding to implement the interface between the cities. In September 2011, the Commission approved a funding agreement expiration date extension to June 2013 to finish implementing and to close out the C2C Programs Communications Hub for the Tri-Valley Smart Corridor.

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door-to-door shopping program, transportation for a walking group that goes on scenic walks in the Bay Area and takes seniors on recreational day trips that provide lifelong learning and socialization. During the last six-month reporting period, the shuttle provided 2,348 trips and served 210 people.

**Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan updates:** Alameda CTC is working on developing the final draft implementation chapters of the Alameda Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans and will bring them to the Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee and the Bicycle Pedestrian Plans Working Group for their review and input in November. To find out more about the updates process, visit the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans update page.