



ALAMEDA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

I-680 Express Lanes Toll Enforcement Ordinance (Introduction)



TOLLING
VEHICLES



TRANSIT

I-680 Sunol Smart Carpool Lane Joint Powers Authority (Sunol JPA)
Liz Rutman, Director of Express Lanes Implementation and Operations
July 13, 2020

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Authority waive reading and introduce an ordinance for the administration of tolls and enforcement of toll violations for the I-680 Sunol Express Lanes and incorporation of Article 4, Chapter 1, Division 17 of the Vehicle Code by reference.



Purpose of the Toll Ordinance

- To establish usage requirements for the I-680 Sunol Express Lanes
- To establish civil penalties for the evasion of those tolls or noncompliance with other policies set forth the Ordinance.

This ordinance is needed prior to opening of the new I-680 Sunol Express Lanes.



Key Elements of the Toll Ordinance

- Mandates user requirement of either valid FasTrak® toll tag or a license plate registered to a valid FasTrak or License Plate account to avoid a violation
- Mandates user rules related to obtaining toll discounts
 - Toll-free use
 - Discount for single-occupant Clean Air Vehicles identified as 50%
- Sets the stage for scaled tolls for different occupancies and toll surcharge for use of License Plate account in the future

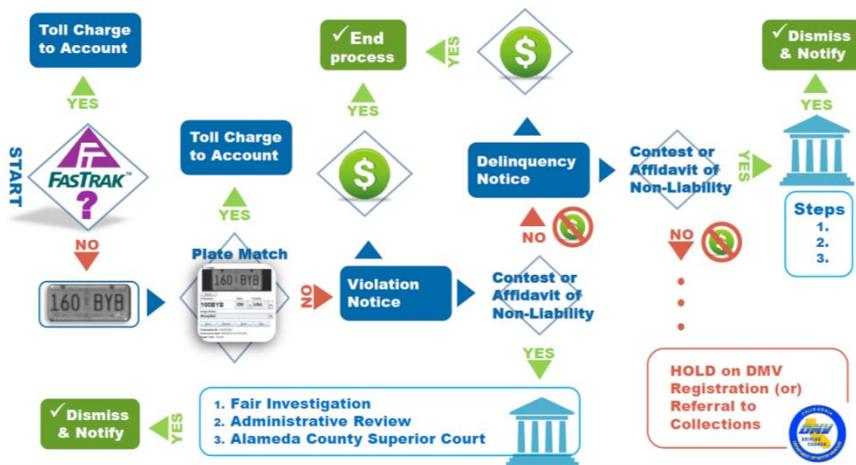


Key Elements of the Toll Ordinance (con't)

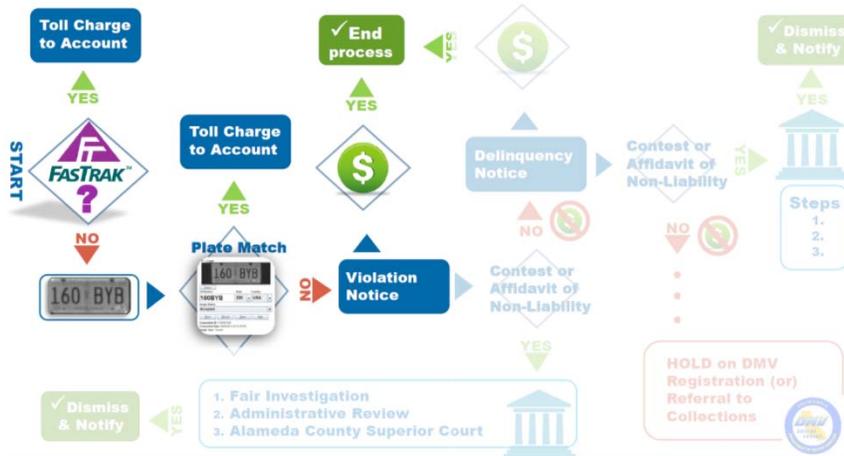
- Specifies BATA as the Processing Agency, as designated by law
- Incorporates by reference the statutory requirements and administrative procedures provided in Article 4, Chapter 1 of Division 17 of the Vehicle Code and the procedures and penalties adopted by BATA
 - Eliminates need to amend if these procedures change



Toll Evasion Violation Enforcement Procedure



Part 1: Issuance of Violation Notice



Part 2: Violation notice process



Toll Violation Penalties/Fees

- First Violation Notice = Toll + \$25 Penalty (maximum)
- Second Violation Notice = Toll + \$25 Penalty + \$45 Late Fee (maximum)
- Next Steps: DMV Hold or Collections

Consistent with BATA and other regional Toll Operators



Next Steps

- Introduction and adoption of the ordinance must take place at two separate meetings.
- A public hearing will be held at the second meeting on September 14, 2020.
- Prior to the second meeting, a notice of public hearing will be published along with a summary of the toll ordinance.
- The ordinance would be put forth for adoption subsequent to the public hearing.



Communication to the Public

Prior to the public hearing

- Notice of Public Hearing and Summary of the Ordinance will be published in area newspapers for Alameda and Santa Clara counties
- Notice and Summary will be posted on I-680 Sunol Express Lanes website
 - Link to full ordinance will be provided
- Notice and Summary will be posted at Alameda CTC and VTA offices
- Full ordinance will be available upon request



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Questions?

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