NORTH COUNTY CORRIDOR EXPRESSWAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

ITEM: 6A

SUBJECT: NCC Route Adoption Strategy

Per Matt Machado's letter (attached), the North County Corridor Route Adoption strategy has significantly changed. At last months JPA Board meeting two strategies were discussed, Plan A and Plan B. Strategy direction was not given due to the fact that a strategy meeting was scheduled with Director of Caltrans, Will Kempton. At this meeting with Director Kempton, Caltrans provided clear direction on a revised strategy that resolved many of the constraints of the prior strategy, Plan A. The meeting was attended by the following:

Will Kempton, Department of Transportation Director Matt Machado, Authority Manager Kome Ajise, Acting Deputy Director of Planning Tony Tavares, Acting District 10 Director Richard Land, Chief Engineer Farrel Jackson, Mayor, City of Oakdale Steve Hallam, City Manager, City of Oakdale Vince Harris, Executive Director StanCOG Carlos Yamzon, Senior Planner, StanCOG Kris Balaji, Project Manager, Jacobs Engineering

As the letter states, the revised strategy would pursue the NCC as a state highway between McHenry Avenue (SR 108) to east of Oakdale at SR 120/108. It is intended that this revised strategy will meet eligibility requirements for the previously committed \$91 million of ITIP funds to the Oakdale Bypass project in 2004.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

By Motion, adopt the delivery strategy as follows: The NCC as a state highway between McHenry Avenue (SR 108) to east of Oakdale at SR 120/108. The portion of the NCC west of McHenry to SR 99 will be developed as a local expressway.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There will be no fiscal impact beyond the approved contract amount with Jacobs Engineering. Task Order #2 and Task Order #3 are developed and are a part of this Board Agenda.



February 19, 2009

Mr. Will Kempton Department of Transportation - Director PO Box 942873 Sacramento, CA 94273-0001

RE: NCC Route Adoption Strategy

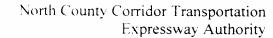
Dear Director Kempton.

Thank you for meeting with our NCC team yesterday to discuss our route adoption strategy for the North County Corridor (NCC) Project. We want to continue our partnership with Caltrans by having a shared understanding and commitment to this project development and eventual project delivery.

The NCC has made good progress in the areas of public outreach, preliminary engineering and environmental studies, traffic analysis, and field surveys. This progress has furthered our effort to develop the NCC as a replacement for the Oakdale Bypass project, therefore becoming eligible for up to \$91 million of ITIP funding as referenced in your February 19, 2008 letter of support.

Our strategy for the past seven months has been to develop the Route Adoption documentation for the corridor between SR99 and SR120 / SR108 east of Oakdale. The Route Adoption process requires all design standards to be met. As stated and discussed yesterday the western portion through the Salida Community area cannot meet freeway design standards. This constraint led our discussion into a revised strategy developed by you and your staff at yesterday's meeting and supported unanimously by those present. This strategy would be to pursue the NCC as a State Highway between McHenry Avenue (SR108) and east of Oakdale to SR120 SR108. This revised route adoption scope is intended to meet eligibility requirements for the previously committed \$91 million of ITIP funds to the Oakdale Bypass project in 2004.

At our next regularly scheduled JPA Board meeting I will present our revised route adoption strategy and accompanying consultant task order, for their approval to proceed in this direction.





Your continued support is greatly appreciated. I am confident that as a team we will be successful in the delivery of this regionally significant project.

Respectfully,

Matt Machado, PE

JPA Manager

Cc: JPA Board Members

Kome Ajise, Acting Deputy Director of Planning

Tony Tavares, Acting District 10 Director

Richard Land, Chief Engineer

Farrel Jackson, Mayor, City of Oakdale

Steve Hallam, City Manager, City of Oakdale

Vince Harris, Executive Director. Stan COG

Carlos Yamzon, Senior Planner, Stan COG

Kris Balaji, Project Manager, Jacobs Engineering