

SAN JOAQUIN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS: Leveraging Dollars, Improving Transportation
2007/2008 Measure K Annual Report

In January, 2008, the San Joaquin Council of Governments approved the first Measure K Renewal Strategic Plan and established an early action program to get projects moving. And move they did. With San Joaquin County's 30-year-renewal of Measure K, the local half-cent sales tax to fund transportation improvements, SJCOG was able to leverage hundreds of millions of state dollars to put needed local projects in overdrive.

Two things happened in 2006 to make that possible: San Joaquin County voters approved the Measure K renewal with a whopping 78 percent show of support and state voters passed the Proposition 1B Infrastructure Bond. That meant money was available to counties that could compete, that had plans in place and matching dollars for projects.



SJCOG's successful efforts to secure Proposition 1B funding in the face of stiff competition from the rest of the state was a milestone in transportation funding for San Joaquin County. To date SJCOG has secured \$407 million from the state bond program and has leveraged its Measure K Renewal funds to kick-start \$740 million in projects, some years ahead of schedule.

Projects included in the SJCOG Board's Early Action Program include: the I-205 auxiliary lane improvements, widening of SR 99 through south Stockton and Manteca, widening I-5 through north Stockton, safety improvements along SR 12 and improvements to SR 88 near Lockeford. These projects address safety, road conditions and congestion along the county's biggest arteries.

While 2007-08 was a big year for future transportation planning, a number of street and highway projects were completed, including the Hammer Lane overpass at Highway 99. This overpass, cited as a "Project of the Year" by the Sacramento chapter of the American Public Works Association, was the result of a terrific partnership with Caltrans, the City of Stockton and San Joaquin County.

Finally, the skyrocketing gas prices in the second half of the year led San Joaquin County commuters to, as we say, "share the ride," either by registering with our Commute Connection Rideshare program or taking the bus or train to work. Consider the numbers: Ridership on the Regional Transit District bus jumped 18.6 percent; ridership on Amtrak was up 21.9 percent; ridership on the ACE train climbed by more than 13% and registration with Commute Connection increased by 43%.

We want to thank the voters for their support for Measure K and the programs it funds. In this time of financial uncertainty and need for infrastructure improvements we will continue to work hard to put your transportation dollars to work effectively! Call us at **209-468-3913** or reach us at www.sjcog.org.

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PARK-AND-RIDE LOTS

Park-and-Ride lots provide a central location where commuters can meet their carpool, vanpool or transit and leave their vehicles for the day while they are at work. There are 10 Measure K funded park and ride lots in San Joaquin County. San Joaquin RTD leases six park-and-ride lots using Measure K funds. The leased lots are located in Lodi, Manteca and Stockton and are an integral part of the Interregional Bus Service.

COMMUTE CONNECTION

Commute Connection is a free one-stop transportation information and referral service that provides information on: **Carpooling; Vanpooling; Bicycling; Walking; Transit and Rail; Park and Ride Lots; and Guaranteed Ride Home Program**

Commuters can sign up for a free matchlist online at www.commuteconnection.com or by calling 1-800-527-4273. Commute Connection staff also work with employers to set up a jobsite ridesharing program. *Good Things Happen When You Share... The Ride*

FREEWAY SERVICE PATROL

The San Joaquin Freeway Service Patrol operates three trucks on a 16-mile stretch of Interstate 205 near Tracy. The goal of the program is to alleviate congestion by offering assistance to motorists such as help changing a tire or a gallon of gas. In 2007/08, 3,105

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motorists received FSP assistance on I-205. The FSP is a partnership between SJCOG, Caltrans, and the California Highway Patrol.

ALTAMONT COMMUTER EXPRESS

The Altamont Commuter Express (ACE) offers rail service from Stockton, Lathrop, Manteca and Tracy to Bay Area destinations such as Livermore, Fremont and San Jose. Annual ACE ridership for 2007/08 was approximately 805,224 averaging 3,195 passengers per day. The San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission continued work on their two-year \$11.5 million Signal Improvement program begun in 2006 to improve service reliability and on-time performance. (See cover photo.)

CABRAL STATION REVITALIZATION

The San Joaquin Rail Commission continues to work on the Cabral Station Revitalization project. Once constructed, the project will include a clock tower on the north side of the station, an entrance off of Aurora Street to allow for the re-routing of buses off Channel Street, additional parking, traffic calming improvements to Channel Street and a reconfiguration of bus parking.

The San Joaquin Regional Transit District's new downtown Stockton facility now has a new marquee look! Ridership, including service to Stockton high school students, was up last year.

SJRTD INTERCITY AND INTERREGIONAL SERVICE

The San Joaquin Regional Transit District's (RTD) interregional bus service provides residents of San Joaquin County with an alternative to driving to job locations outside the area. The Interregional Service is designed to meet the needs of commuters who travel distances greater than 50 miles one way and serves 20 destinations in Sacramento and the Bay Area counties. RTD's intercity bus service provides a link between the City of Stockton and the outlying jurisdictions of San Joaquin

County. Annual ridership for 2007/08 was approximately 328,476 passengers for the Interregional Service and 297,935 passengers for the Intercity Service.

SJRTD BUS RAPID TRANSIT SERVICE

The San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) began the first Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system in the San Joaquin Valley in January of 2007. RTD and the City of Stockton are working together to ensure



Measure K Renewal at Work

In November 2006, San Joaquin County voters approved the renewal of Measure K for an additional 30 years with a record 78% support. The Measure K Renewal is expected to generate \$3.1 billion for specified improvements that range from roadway safety to passenger rail and bus service. With the passage of the Proposition 1B State Infrastructure Bond concurrent to the Measure K Renewal in November 2006, Measure K Renewal revenues were immediately targeted to leverage funds from the competitive state transportation bond programs.

To date SJCOG has successfully secured \$407 million dollars out of the Proposition 1B bond programs, including:

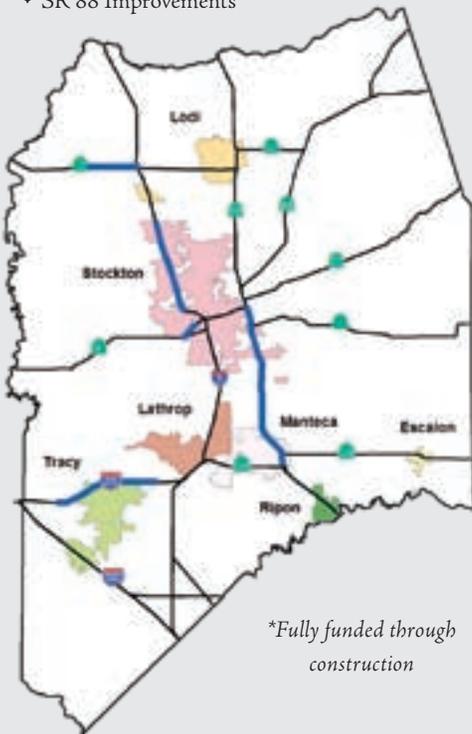
- \$25 million for two sets of auxiliary lanes between interchanges on I-205;
- \$286 million for the widening of State Route 99 from four to six lanes between State Route 4 (Crosstown Freeway) in Stockton to State Route 120 in Manteca; and
- \$96 million for the extension of SR 4 (Crosstown Freeway) west of I-5.

This incredible leveraging ability of the Measure K Renewal funds is delivering over \$740 million dollars of needed improvements years ahead of the original schedules.

Measure K Renewal Early Action Program

With the adoption of the first Measure K Renewal Strategic Plan in January 2008, the SJCOG Board established the *Measure K Renewal Early Action Program*. The Early Action Program includes high priority state highway projects that are being advanced for Measure K Renewal funding and for many of the projects, have been successful in leveraging hundreds of millions of dollars in other state funds. Those projects that have already leveraged state Proposition 1B bond funds are fully funded through construction. The projects in the Early Action Program are:

- I-205 Auxiliary Lanes*
- SR 99 South Stockton Widening*
- SR 99 Manteca Widening*
- I-5 North Stockton Widening
- SR 12 Improvements*
- SR 4 (Crosstown Freeway) Extension*
- SR 88 Improvements



that BRT service in Stockton is a success, using traffic signal priority technologies to maintain a 15-minute frequency on weekdays and a 30-minute frequency on weekends and holidays along Pacific Avenue. BRT service has synchronized connections with other Stockton routes. The service utilizes fare vending machines at the bus stops, allowing customers to purchase tickets prior to boarding. Approximate ridership for 2007/08 was 616,824 passengers.

LODI GRAPELINE EXPRESS

The City of Lodi's Grapeline Express Routes 1, 2 and 6 provide residents with express routes within Lodi. The routes connect riders from Lodi's multimodal station to popular destinations such as Hutchins Street Square, several shopping locations, and Lodi schools. Riders can make connections with other transit services such as Amtrak, Greyhound, San Joaquin RTD's Intercity services and Sacramento South County Transit. Approximate ridership for 2007/08 for the Grapeline Express was 32,616 passengers.

LOWER SACRAMENTO ROAD – WOODBRIDGE MAIN STREET

The County of San Joaquin completed design and right-of-way acquisition for Phase 2 of the improvements on Lower Sacramento Road between Woodbridge Road and Turner Road. Phase 2 will widen Lower Sacramento Road to provide for one travel lane in each direction along with a continuous center turn lane between the Woodbridge Irrigation Canal and

the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) crossing. Construction is scheduled to begin in spring 2009. The portion of the project from the UPRR crossing to Turner Road was included in improvements to the intersection of Lower Sacramento Road and Turner Road that was completed by the City of Lodi in spring 2008.

LOWER SACRAMENTO ROAD / UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD CROSSING

The City of Stockton began final design of a new grade separation at Lower Sacramento Road and the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) between Bear Creek and Eight Mile Road. The proposed project will widen Lower Sacramento Road to eight lanes over Bear Creek and under the UPRR tracks, and include sidewalks on both sides of the road and a landscaped median. Construction is scheduled to begin in 2010.

LODI CENTRAL CITY RAILROAD CROSSING SAFETY PROJECT

The City of Lodi continued design work on Phase 3 of this project which will remove six grade crossings of the Kentucky House Branch along Lockeford Street. Construction is scheduled to begin in summer 2009. Phase 1 and Phase 2 of this project were completed in 2007. Phase 1 reconfigured the Lodi Avenue Interchange Yard and removed the existing tracks on Lodi Avenue from Cherokee Lane to Beckman Road. Phase 2 rehabilitated the Central California Traction Company mainline between Stockton and Lodi.

INDUSTRIAL PARK DRIVE EXTENSION

The City of Manteca completed construction on the Industrial Park Drive extension from its current terminus east of Main Street to the Moffat Boulevard / Spreckels Road intersection. Project improvements include the realignment of Spreckels Road, a new traffic signal, and a gap closure of the Class 1 bikeway along Industrial Park Drive.

EL DORADO STREET WIDENING, PHASE 2

The City of Stockton completed final design of Phase 2 of the El Dorado Street widening project. Phase 2 will widen El Dorado Street to three northbound and two southbound lanes with a continuous left turn lane from Mariposa Avenue to Bianchi Road. The project incorporates several public art features including decorative railing at the Calaveras River Bridge. Construction of Phase 2 is scheduled to begin in fall 2008.

HAMMER LANE WIDENING, PHASE 3

In June 2008 the City of Stockton completed construction of Phase 3 of the Hammer Lane widening project between Kelly Drive and Alexandria Place. Project improvements between Kelly Drive and Don Avenue include the replacement and re-landscaping of the existing median. Improvements between Don Avenue and Thornton Road include the widening of Hammer Lane to six lanes and the modification of the Hammer Lane/Pershing Avenue intersection. Construction between Alexandria Place and Thornton Road is scheduled to begin in 2010.

Early Action Program Delivery Underway

PERSHING AVENUE WIDENING

The County of San Joaquin continued preliminary engineering work on the widening of Pershing Avenue from the existing two lanes to a potential four lane roadway between Meadow Avenue and Thornton Road. The project also includes the expansion of the existing intersection and traffic signal at the Pershing Avenue intersections with Thornton Road and Hammer Lane.

ROUTE 99 / ROUTE 120 / YOSEMITE AVENUE INTERCHANGE

In September 2007 the City of Manteca completed construction on this new interchange. The project included improved on/off ramps and widened Route 120 to include additional through-lanes and turn lanes. The project also constructed several sound walls that included artistic designs to enhance the aesthetics of the project.

ROUTE 99 WIDENING AND HAMMER LANE / ROUTE 99 INTERCHANGE

Construction of the Route 99 Widening and the Hammer Lane/Route 99 Interchange was completed in December 2007. The full project improvements included the reconstruction of the Hammer Lane/Route 99 Interchange, the widening of Route 99 from 4 to 6 lanes between the Crosstown Freeway and Hammer Lane, and the improvement of the interchange ramps. Caltrans, the City of Stockton, San Joaquin County, and SJCOG had been working in partnership to deliver these improvements to Route 99 in Stockton since the early 1990's. The success of this partnership was highlighted with the receipt of the "Project



(Photo above) Two new auxiliary lanes are nearly completed along Interstate 205 and the project is expected to be completed this winter!

(Photos right) Public Participation Matters! The community participated in planning for Measure K renewal projects, such as the SMART Growth initiative, where volunteer citizens are meeting regularly to help communities plan for more efficient growth. Also featured, the public meetings for the State Route 99 widening and improvements to State Route 12.

of the Year" award by the Sacramento Chapter of the American Public Works Association.

INTERSTATE 205 WIDENING, PHASE 2

Construction continued on the I-205 Phase 2 widening project, from Eleventh Street in Tracy east to Interstate 5. The project will

widen I-205 from four to six lanes. The full project includes the widening of 23 bridge structures along with the construction of soundwalls. Significant project work has been completed on the bridge structures, median barrier, and soundwalls. Construction completion is scheduled for spring 2009.

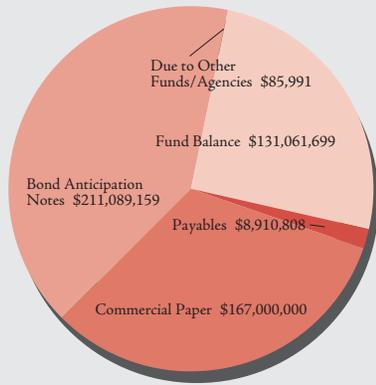
As quickly as the Measure K Renewal Early Action Program was established, project delivery activities were underway. Over the last year almost every Early Action Program project was steadily moving through preliminary engineering and environmental studies. Highlights of project development also include successful public meetings for the SR 99 South Stockton Widening, SR 99 Manteca Widening, I-5 North Stockton Widening and SR 12 Improvements. These public outreach meetings were attended by hundreds of San Joaquin County residents that have helped shape the project improvements to better serve the public.



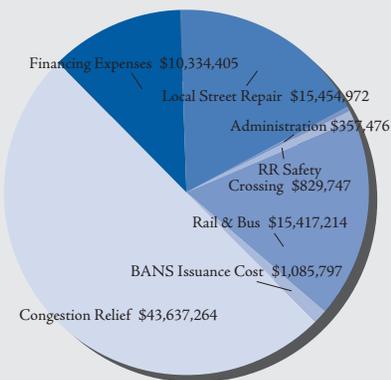
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LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE



EXPENDITURES



Measure K Expendable Trust Fund

Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

For the Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2008

ASSETS

Cash	\$	6,027,302
Receivables		4,669,562
Due From Other Funds/Agencies		4,040,018
Investments		329,755,166
Notes Receivable		5,992,542
Commercial Paper Proceeds		167,000,000
ROW Deposits		653,900
Prepaid Expenditures		9,167
	\$	518,147,657

LIABILITIES

Payables	\$	8,910,808
Commercial Paper		167,000,000
Bond Anticipation Notes		211,089,159
Due to Other Funds/Agencies		85,991
Fund Balance		131,061,699
	\$	518,147,657

REVENUES

Sales Tax	\$	45,580,925
Earnings on Investments		10,493,706
Total Revenues	\$	56,074,631

EXPENDITURES

Local Street Repair		
City of Escalon	\$	3,558
City of Lodi		918,267
City of Manteca		942,616
City of Ripon		211,117
City of Stockton		4,197,552
City of Tracy		1,166,103
City of Lathrop		238,696
County of San Joaquin		7,777,063
MK Administration		357,476
Railroad Safety Crossing		829,747
Passenger Rail & Bus		15,417,214
Congestion Relief		43,637,264
Financing Expenses		10,334,405
BANS Issuance Costs		1,085,797
Total Expenditures	\$	87,116,876

Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$	(31,042,245)
Net Change in Fund Balances		(31,042,245)
Fund Balance, Beginning		162,103,944
Fund Balance, End of Period	\$	131,061,699

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