

**FOOTHILL/EASTERN TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES**

**January 12, 2006
9:30 a.m.**

Adjourned Regular Meeting

**Mission Viejo City Hall
200 Civic Center
Mission Viejo, CA 92691**

I. CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(Chairman Ryan)

INVOCATION

(Director Campbell)

ROLL CALL

Chairman Ken Ryan	City of Yorba Linda
Director Agran and Alternate Krom*	City of Irvine
Director Jerry Amante	City of Tustin
Director Lara Anderson	City of Dana Point
Director Lisa Bist	City of Santa Ana
Director Bill Campbell	County of Orange, 3 rd District
Director Jim Dahl	City of San Clemente
Director Lorri Galloway	City of Anaheim
Director Peter Herzog	City of Lake Forest
Director Lance MacLean	City of Mission Viejo
Director Mark Murphy	City of Orange (left at 2:00 p.m.)
Director Chris. Norby and Alternate E. Norby**	County of Orange, 4 th District
Director David Swerdlin	City of San Juan Capistrano
Vice Chairman Jim Thor	City of Rancho Santa Margarita
Director Tom Wilson	County of Orange, 5 th District
Cindy Quon, Ex Officio Member	Caltrans

*Alternate Krom was present at the meeting for the first half. Director Agran was present for the second half.

**Director Chris Norby was present at the meeting for the first half. Alternate Eric Norby was present for the second half.

II. BOARD BUSINESS

1. SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (SOCTIIP)
FINAL SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (SEIR)
(Macie Cleary-Milan, Deputy Director, Environmental Planning)
(Maria Levario, Principal Environmental Analyst)

REPORT NO. 7: (2006F-004)

TCA Staff recommendation for the Locally Preferred Alternative is the A7C-FEC-M (Green) Alternative with a maximum of six lanes. The Preferred Alternative is the product of twenty years of analysis of the southern extension of State Route 241 by local and state transportation planning agencies and six years of extensive discussions and analysis by state and federal transportation and environmental agencies including U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Caltrans and the TCA. All of the above agencies participated in a rigorous six year evaluation of the South Orange County Transportation Infrastructure Improvement Project (SOCTIIP) alternatives. Selection of the Preferred Alternative represents a coordinated balanced approach to minimizing harm to both the natural and built environments.

The EPA and Army Corps of Engineers have preliminarily determined that the Preferred Alternative is the Least Environmentally Damaging Practicable Alternative (LEDPA). The USFWS has preliminarily indicated that the Preferred Alternative will comply with applicable requirements of the Endangered Species Act. The Army Corps of Engineers will make the final decision on the LEDPA and a determination of compliance with the Clean Water Act requirements.

- ACTION:
1. Staff Presentation.
 2. Open Public Comment.
 3. Close Public Comment.
 4. Adopt Resolution No. F2006-01 entitled "A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Foothill/Eastern Transportation Corridor Agency Certifying Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report TCA SEIR 4 for the South Orange County Transportation Infrastructure Improvement Project Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act."
 5. Adopt Resolution No. F2006-02 entitled "A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Foothill/Eastern Transportation Corridor Agency Selecting the Preferred Alternative for the South Orange County Transportation Infrastructure Improvement Project."

Discussion:

Chairman Ryan opened the meeting by explaining the process.

- Meeting started at 9:30.
- Presentation of staff report.
- Public comments.
- No action would be taken until the January 19th meeting.
- Meeting would adjourn at 3:30 p.m. to Thursday, January 19th, 9:30 a.m. at the Mission Viejo City Council Chambers.

Approximately five hours of public comments were heard by the Board. There was a total of 221 speaker slips turned in. Of this number, 145 indicated support for the toll road, 69 indicated opposition and 7 indicated they were neutral. The speakers are identified below. All individuals who requested to speak were given an opportunity to do so by the Chairman.

Speakers

Arms, Paul	Bahadori, Hamid	Bates, Patricia
Beek, Alan	Bergeson, Marian	Birkelund, James
Breeding, Guinevere	Brennan, Terry	Buff, Peggy Ann
Butterfield, Sherri	Chandran, Yoca	Collamer, Jerry
Crawford, Mike	Crumley, Mai	David, Dana
DeYoung, Catherine	Dudzinski, Ted	Dunn, Lucy
Dunn-Ross, Linda	Eidt, Jack	Evans, Mike
Fitts, Michael	Fraser, Robert	Gardner, Richard
Gaughan, Mark	Glaab, Paul	Gleason, Traci
Guptill, Paul	Henry, Eleanor	Herson, Gail
Holmes, Bill	Huff, Estee	Hunt, Nancy
Ikhata, Hasan	Irby, Drew	Iseman, Toni
Jeisy, Sally Benedict	Kelley, Trish	Kelley III, William J.
Kesler, Michael	Kleindienst, Brian	Kolysko, Matthew
Krogius, Trish	Kutcher, Celia	Lambe, Elizabeth
Lehman, Jerry	Lehman, Ruth	Lochrie, Patricia
Lochrie, Bill	Mackin, Shari	Magda, Marni
Makarechi, Houman	McConville, Ted	McElhaney, Tanya
McKee, Brittany	Meredith, Gary S.	Merrill, Kelly
Metcalfe, Richard	Miller, Ron	Ming, Robert
Ochoa, Ignacio	Phelps, Karen	Porter, Larry
Reavis, Gail	Robinson, Mike	Rose, Eddie
Schraeder, Robert	Schwartz, Steve	Sprague, Eben
Starr, Bryan	Steiner, Bill	Steiner, Eddie
Stracker, Bill	Sweeney, Mike	Szymborski, Scott
Talley, Vickie	Taylor, Paul	Timmons, Brad
Tritz, Irene	Varner, Donna	Vasquez, Jason
Vernon, Mel	Walters, Mimi	Waltman, Sue
Warkowski, Karl	Waters, Meg	Wetzel, Grant
White, Alan	Whitlock, Paul W.	Williams, Allan
Withrow, Susan	Wood, Carolyn	Young, Steve

Final comments by Directors included:

Director Campbell asked staff to provide information on five issues.

- (1) The Sierra Club suggested they had done an alternative analysis of the I-5 widening impact. Director Campbell asked for a review of that analysis by staff.
- (2) How confident is staff of the water run-off techniques planned for the toll road, vis-a-vis experience with the 73?
- (3) What, if any, Native American sacred sites are impacted?
- (4) What is the expected impact of the "non-compete" provision of the Caltrans Cooperative Agreement on the widening or choke-point improvements on I-5?
- (5) What is the impact of adding 4-6 lanes of traffic at the confluence of the 241 and I-5?

Director Swerdlin asked that staff look at aesthetic and visual treatments of soundwalls in the infrastructure where it connects with Trestles at I-5.

Directors Amante and Norby agreed on the disparate numbers regarding the impact of the I-5 widening alternative on homes and businesses along the route.

Director MacLean requested that staff discuss mitigation at the next meeting.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Ryan asked if anyone wanted to speak on any "off-agenda" item. There were no requests to speak.

4. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT (William Woollett, Jr., Chief Executive Officer)

There was no CEO report.

5. DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND NEW BUSINESS (Ken Ryan, Chairman)

There was no new business.

IV. CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

V. ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: Adjourn the meeting until January 19th, at 9:30 a.m., Mission Viejo City Council Chambers.

MOTION: Swerdlin
SECOND: Thor
VOTE: Unanimous