



MEMORANDUM

December 21, 2007

To: Director Patricia Bates
From: Arthur T. Leahy^{ATL}, Chief Executive Officer
Subject: **Trade Corridor Improvement Fund Project Map**

This memorandum is in response to your request at the December 10, 2007, Board of Directors (Board) meeting for a map depicting locations of the candidate Trade Corridor Improvement Fund (TCIF) projects. The attached map shows all of the eligible TCIF candidate projects (colored in red) discussed by the Board. These projects include eleven grade separations along the Alameda Corridor East (ACE) and three key freeway projects (two on State Route 91 and one on State Route 57). The projects colored in red and outlined in blue are the projects which Orange County Transportation Authority is specifically seeking funding. These projects were selected primarily based on readiness and their ability to compete well for TCIF funding.

Grade separations along the Los Angeles to San Diego (LOSSAN) corridor were originally considered for inclusion in this program. However, both the California Transportation Commission and the California Legislature have strongly emphasized the importance of goods movement capacity. The grade separations along the LOSSAN corridor do not carry the volume of freight, compared to ACE, that would enable them to compete well for TCIF funds. Specifically, LOSSAN carries approximately six freight trains a day and the ACE carries approximately 75 freight trains per day. Staff will continue to seek alternate funding sources for the grade separations along this corridor.

For additional information and questions regarding this information, please contact Jennifer Bergener, Manager of Capital and Local Programs, at (714) 560-5462.

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Attachment

c: Board of Directors
Executive Staff