



# TRANSPORTATION & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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## Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

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### MAJOR ACTIONS

- ◆ **Repayment of Transportation Loans.** Provides repayment of various transportation loans, including:
  - ◆ \$243.0 million from the General Fund to the Traffic Congestion Relief Fund (TCRF).
  - ◆ \$140.0 million from estimated 2004-05 “spillover” revenues to the TCRF.
  - ◆ \$184.0 million to the State Highway Account (SHA) from the TCRF toward the outstanding \$374.0 million loan.
  - ◆ \$36.0 million to the PTA from the TCRF toward the outstanding \$275.0 million loan.
  - ◆ Allocation of all one-time revenues resulting from the re-negotiation of tribal gaming compacts toward repayment of remaining outstanding loans.
- ◆ **Proposition 42.** Suspends Proposition 42 for 2004-05 as proposed by the Governor to provide General Fund relief of \$1.2 billion. This amount is to be repaid by 2007-08.
- ◆ **Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP).** Provides full funding of \$572 million for the TCRP, an increase of \$335 million above the Governor's proposal. This amount consists of \$74 million of existing funds, \$163 million funds resulting from the repayment of loans to the General Fund, and \$335 million from additional one-time Tribal Gaming Revenues. Contingent upon the receipt of one-time Tribal Gaming Revenues, the Assembly's version of the budget meets all cash needs for TCRP, including projects with existing allocations, reimbursement of local governments for funds forwarded for TCRP projects, and projects that will receive their first allocations in the budget year.

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- ◆ **Use of One-Time Tribal Gaming Revenues for Transportation.** Provides allocation of all one-time Tribal Gaming Revenues resulting from the re-negotiation of gaming compacts to transportation, according to the following:
  - ◆ Fifty percent of the first \$670 million (split on a dollar for dollar basis) for the TCRP.
  - ◆ All other revenues according to the following priorities:
    - A. Repayment of outstanding SHA loans from the TCRF, including interest.
    - B. Repayment of outstanding PTA loans from the TCRF.
    - C. Advanced repayment of local streets and roads funding due for repayment in 2008-09.
    - D. Advanced repayment of State Transit Assistance loans due for repayment in 2008-09.
    - E. Traffic Congestion Relief Program projects.
- ◆ **Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program (EEMP).** Allocates the proposed \$10 million for the EEMP program for projects in the current year (\$5 million) and projects in the budget year (\$5 million).
- ◆ **Aeronautics Account.** Rejects of the Governor's proposal to transfer \$750,000 from the Aeronautics Account to the General Fund.
- ◆ **GARVEE Bonds.** Removes the specific appropriation of GARVEE bond proceeds from the budget, instead leaving the specific amount to the consideration of the California Transportation Commission in accordance with existing law. It is anticipated that the CTC will approve approximately \$800 million in GARVEE bonds, which will provide significant funding for projects throughout California. Prior to approving amounts larger than \$800 million requires consultation with the Business, Transportation, and Housing Agency and the Department of Finance.
- ◆ **Capital Outlay Support.** Approves of approximately 1,350 new capital outlay support positions for the transportation projects as proposed by the Governor, though the allocation of the increase between state staff and contract staff was adjusted to correspond to the current ratio between the two.
- ◆ **Accounting Change of Local Transportation Projects.** Approves the Governor's proposed shift from accrual accounting to cash accounting for the management of local transportation projects, which is estimated to generate an additions \$200 million in federal funds for the budget year.

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## Special Transportation Programs

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### ■ MAJOR ACTIONS

- ◆ **Increased Funding.** Approves funding increase of \$15.9 million for total funding of \$117.4 million for Special Transportation Programs line of the budget, as proposed by the Governor. This funding supports the State Transit Assistance program for local transit agencies.

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## California Highway Patrol

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### ■ MAJOR ACTIONS

- ◆ **Increased Uniformed Officers.** Approves funding increase of \$25 million above the amount proposed by the Governor to hire an additional 250 uniformed officers to fill existing positions. According to information provided by the CHP, the roads are less safe staffing has declined over the years including since the terrorist attacks of September 11<sup>th</sup>, which has resulted in a significant workload increase.

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## Department of Motor Vehicles

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### ■ MAJOR ACTIONS

- ◆ **Reimbursement for Increased Identification Card Fees.** Augments by \$2 million to reimburse non-profit agencies for the increased cost of California Identification Cards (IDs) that they purchase on behalf of indigent Californians. As part of the Budget Act of 2003, the fee for IDs increased from \$6 to \$20. This \$14 increased has strained non-profits that assist Californians obtain IDs.

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## Stephen P. Teale Data Center

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### ■ MAJOR ACTIONS

- ◆ **Consolidation of Data Centers.** Rejects the proposed Control Section to authorized the consolidation Stephen P. Teale Data Center and the Health and Welfare Agency Data Center due to no specific proposal being complete.