Plan Bay Area Transportation Project Performance Assessment

Action/Decision	Transportation Project Performance Assessment
Purpose	To help identify which transportation projects and programs should be considered for inclusion in the Draft Financially Constrained Plan Bay Area, MTC conducts a performance assessment of transportation projects and programs submitted through the "call for projects."
	 Project performance assessment is designed to identify projects and programs that advance the Plan Bay Area targets, support the land use strategy, and are cost-effective. To the extent practical and possible, the results of the assessment will allow us to quantitatively and qualitatively compare the merits of various transportation projects throughout the Bay Area. The analysis will aim to identify outliers that perform either very well or very poorly relative to other potential transportation investments. The results of the analysis will help inform the Commission's discussions of the trade-offs of various transportation investment strategies when selecting a set of projects for inclusion in the financially-constrained Draft Plan Bay Area. This information will be supplemented by the Detailed Scenario Assessment results, which will capture the interactions among projects and between transportation projects and land use, as well as the Commission's policy discretion.
Key Activities	 MTC will conduct the assessment based on quantitative and qualitative methodologies developed with advice from partner agencies, local government, and other stakeholders. MTC will issue a call for projects in which county Congestion Management Agencies (CMAs) will submit projects on behalf of local jurisdictions, other transportation agencies and the public. Projects Subject to Analysis All non-committed projects are subject to a targets assessment; this assessment will gauge the project's level of support for adopted Plan Bay Area performance targets. Due to technical and resource considerations, benefit-cost assessment will be limited to larger projects that fall within certain criteria. In certain situations, the synergistic benefits of a set of projects that would be implemented together and/or that would be too small to evaluate individually will be considered.
Scheduled Opportunities for Public Involvement	 MTC staff will seek input on the general approach at regular meetings of the Partnership Technical Advisory Committee, the Regional Advisory Working Group, MTC's Policy Advisory Council, and MTC's Equity Working Group. For more in-depth advice, a Project Performance Assessment Technical Group will be formed. January to May 2011 – Define methodology January 31, 2011 – Information item for Partnership Technical Advisory Committee February 1, 2011 – Information item for Regional Advisory Working Group
	 February 9, 2011 – Information item for MTC Policy Advisory Council April 18, 2011 – Information item for Partnership Technical Advisory Committee

	April 30, 2011 – Deadline for submitting transportation projects
	May 3, 2011 – Information item for Regional Advisory Working Group
	May to October 2011 – Conduct project performance assessment
	November 2011 – Present draft project performance assessment results to
	MTC Planning Committee
	January 2012 – Release final project performance assessment results
	• June & July 2011 – Define Detailed Scenarios
	August to December 2011 – Conduct performance assessment on Detailed
	Scenarios
	December 2011 to March 2012 – Discuss Detailed Scenario results, discuss
	trade-offs, define draft Plan Bay Area investments and land use
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