



**CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION FINANCING AUTHORITY**  
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**DATE: March 28, 2012**

**TO: CTFA Board Members**

**FR: Rohimah Moly, Acting Executive Director**

**RE: April 2, 2012 Board Meeting: Staff Report for Agenda Items IV and V**

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#### **Agenda Item IV. Discussion Item**

**Consideration:**

Staff requests the Board's support to conduct due diligence for a potential application from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for the Bay Area Express Lanes Project.

**Background:**

The State Treasurer's Office was approached by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) about obtaining toll and bond issuance authority from CTFA for the Bay Area Express Lanes, a 285-mile of high occupancy toll lanes project encompassing five counties.

MTC received approval from the California Transportation Commission under AB1467 to build, maintain and operate the Bay Area Express Lanes. MTC has been advised by their counsel and bankers that tolling and issuance authority from the CTFA would strengthen their credit rating for bonds issued to finance the express lanes. In order for staff to do the work necessary in carrying out CTFA's duties under the California Transportation Financing Authority Act ("Act") – as it relates to the Bay Area Express Lanes project and any other future projects – a consultant is needed to assist staff in developing evaluation criteria including appropriate information to be required from project applicants. Additionally, the consultant will be needed to assist with project evaluation including financial feasibility and any additional work that may be required. Staff would like support from the Board before proceeding any further on this project.

#### **Agenda Item V. Request to approve resolution authorizing the Executive Director to execute contracts and interagency agreements**

**Consideration and Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the Board approve Resolution No. 2012-01 to delegate authority to the Executive Director to enter into contracts and interagency agreements of up to \$250,000.

**Background:**

Government Code section 64107 authorizes CTFA to enter into any and all agreements or contracts necessary to carry out the functions and responsibilities of CTFA. Further, Section 64103(f) of the Act authorizes the CTFA Board to delegate to its Executive Director the power to enter into contracts on behalf of CTFA.

In order for staff to do the work necessary in carrying out CTFA's duties under the Act – as it relates to the Bay Area Express Lanes project and any other future project – a consultant is needed to assist staff in developing evaluation criteria including appropriate information to be required from project applicants. Additionally, the consultant is needed to assist with project evaluation including financial feasibility and any additional work that may be required.

From time to time, CTFA may also need to execute contracts with other consultants or firms and enter into interagency agreements with State agencies, such as the State Treasurer's Office, to conduct the work necessary to implement the Act. The maximum amount of each contract executed by the Executive Director will not exceed \$250,000, which is at or below the threshold amount approved by several other Authorities/Boards/Commissions chaired by the State Treasurer. The Executive Director will report to the Board the contracts and interagency agreements executed by the Executive Director under delegated authority.