ARRA, Authorization, STA 2009 – Where We Are Going and When Are We Going to Get There?

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# **Trends To Watch:**

Goods Movement Equates to Jobs and **Competitiveness** Lack of Funding Focus on Private Sector Environmental Awareness Greenhouse Gas Emissions

**Goods Movement -Growing in Importance** ISTEA to ARRA Changes in Eligibility Increase in Earmarks Greater Planning Focus

# Formula Eligibility

### ISTEA - \$25.2 billion

- Interstate Completion \$7.2 billion
- National Highway System \$18 billion
- TEA 21
  - National Highway System \$28.5 billion
- SAFETEA LU \$31.3 billion
  - National Highway System \$30.5 billion
  - Coordinated Border Infrastructure \$0.8 billion
- Recovery Act
  - Formula \$27.5 billion
- Surface Transportation Act 2009 (Proposed)
  - National Goods Movement Unknown Amount

# Planning

#### ISTEA

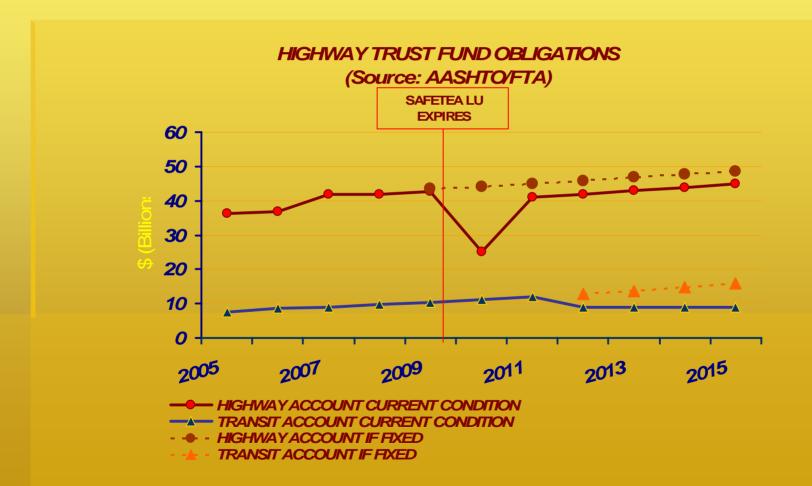
- Definition of NHS program includes access to ports
- Planning requirements acknowledge goods movement (lumps in with national parks, recreation areas etc.
- TEA 21
  - No major changes in emphasis
- SAFETEA LU
  - Planning requirements now include freight integration and global competitiveness
  - MPOs and State must consult with freight industry and port officials
- STA 2009 (Proposed)
  - National Freight Program
  - Freight Advisory Committee
  - Performance Measures
  - Corridor Coalitions
  - Office of Intermodalism
  - State Freight Plan
  - BUT: Coordinated Border Infrastructure Program goes away and freight program has a general highway focus

# **Discretionary**

### ISTEA

- 500 Projects, \$6.5 billion
- TEA 21
  - 1840 Projects, \$9.4 billion
- SAFETEA LU
  - 6373 Projects, \$24.2 billion
- ARRA
  - TIGER Program, \$1.5 billion
- STA 2009
  - Unknown PNRS/NCIIP

# It's Always About Money...



# **OPM – Another Arrow in the Quiver**

- ISTEA Not much except it acknowledges P3's as a potential source
- NHS Act TIFIA and SIB's
- TEA 21 Value Pricing Program
- SAFETEA LU Continues VPP, Improves TIFIA
- ARRA TIGER Program supports P3's
- STA 2009 (Proposed) Takes a regulatory approach to P3's
- PIAC

# **Other Winds of Change...**

Climate Change Market Based or Regulatory? Land Use Energy ZEV and Alternative Fuel Vehicles VMT Reduction

# Authorization – What Can We Expect?



## **General Consensus:**

- 2 National Commissions Recommend
  - Fewer programs with more flexibility
  - Streamlining of project delivery
  - Greater funding levels
  - Goods Movement
  - Accountability
- California Concurs

## California's Consensus – Seven Principles for Congress to Live By...

- 1. Ensure the Integrity of the HTF
- 2. Rebuild and Maintain Existing System
- 3. Goods Movement is a National Priority
- 4. Enhance Mobility In and Between Urban Areas
- 5. Safety
- 6. Comprehensive Stewardship
- 7. Streamline Project Delivery

# So, When Are They Going to Get Serious About This?

### House

- Could have a bill out of T&I by December
- But, will it get past the Ways and Means Committee?
- Rescissions and Extensions Unintended Consequences
- Senate
  - Health and Climate Change are in front of the line
- When Do We See an Uptick in the Economy?
  - May change the Administration's position on an extension.

# **Another Recovery Act?**

## Administration

- Looking to reverse job loss trends
- Will they admit that Oberstar may hold the key?
- Very wary of more deficit spending

# Keys to Success

### National Goods Movement Program

- Stable funding source needed
- Needs to float all boats (or Container Ships)
- Puts money where it is needed

### Public Private Partnerships

- Recognize that it can take many forms
- Goods Movement area is a target rich environment
- Federal guidance is great regulation and oversight is not

### Environment

- Climate Change is a major driver (If you are worried about the Panama Canal 3<sup>rd</sup> Lock – what would a Northwest Passage do to California?)
- We are already a leader in this area Cold Ironing, Clean Diesel – we might as well get federal money for it.

# **Thank You**

