

# HOV Ramp Connection at L101 and Maryland Avenue

MAG Management Committee

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# Project Overview



- Improved traffic flow during for major regional events, i.e. Super Bowl
- Provides direct access to Loop 101 HOV lanes
- Loop 101 already widened to accommodate ramps.
- Estimated cost is \$14.5 million.
  - Design – build project
  - Likely to be lower cost.

# Project Financing

- \$8.0 million of remaining available STAN funds for MAG Region
  - Statewide Transportation Needs Account (STAN)
  - Established in 2006 with State general funds
  - Legislature swept available funds in 2009 (\$94 million from the MAG region)
  - Research by Glendale found remaining unobligated balance of \$8.0 million to \$8.5 million in October.
  - Must be used on the State Highway System
  - Need to Obligate quickly
- Balance of project from Freeway Program funds
  - \$6.5 million plus \$1.0 contingency = \$7.5 million
  - Substantial savings on L101 HOV project

# Requested Action

Recommend the approval of a new project to add HOV direct connection ramps at the L101 and Maryland Avenue for an estimated cost of \$14.5 million, that the remaining uncommitted funds in the Statewide Transportation Acceleration Needs Account (STAN) for the MAG region, estimated to be approximately \$8 million, be allocated to this project with the MAG Freeway/Highway program paying for the balance of the costs up to \$7.5 million, and that the FY 2010-2014 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and the Regional Transportation Plan 2010 Update be amended, pending a finding of air quality conformity.