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Staff requests Transportation Commission input on how to proceed. Questions to consider include:

1. *Matching Funds* - To what extent does the Transportation Commission want to commit to matching funds for FASTLANE projects? Is there a maximum dollar amount the Transportation Commission is comfortable committing?
2. *Number of Projects to Submit* - Should CDOT focus on one or two highest priorities or support the maximum allowable proposals?
3. *Transportation Commission Approval Process* - What type of approval action is the Transportation Commission comfortable with? Does the Transportation Commission want to approve specific projects and match commitment, or provide general input on projects and match commitment and allow staff discretion on what is ultimately submitted? Approval via resolution would need to occur at the December 14 meeting and applications would be due the next day.
4. *Additional Guidance* - What additional guidance does the Transportation Commission want to provide staff in selecting projects for submittal?

## Advisory Committee Input

### *State Transportation Advisory Committee (STAC)*

The second round of FASTLANE was announced the afternoon following the October Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee (STAC) meeting. As such, STAC has not had the opportunity to weigh in. However, as discussed in the Development Program memo included in your packet, STAC did review and discuss SB 09-228 and National Highway Freight Program criteria, which has been adapted for potential application for FASTLANE. STAC does not meet again until December 2. Staff has notified STAC of the next round of funding, and will discuss further at the next meeting.

### *Freight Advisory Committee (FAC)*

Similarly, the most recent Freight Advisory Council (FAC) meeting was held prior to the announcement, although the full FAC has previously provided input on criteria and priorities for the National Highway Freight Program. The FAC was very interested in the first round of FASTLANE funding, and provided letters of support for the three applications submitted by CDOT. They declined to support the US 550 application, recognizing it as an important project but a lower priority for freight as compared to other projects. At the meeting of the FAC Steering Committee on November 8, members committed to work with CDOT to provide letters of support for this round of CDOT FASTLANE applications. The Steering Committee reiterated its priorities for truck parking projects such as TPIMS and safety projects. They also stated their preference that large corridor projects submitted for FASTLANE should have a specific freight element as part of the project.

## Next Steps

- Identification of projects for second round of FASTLANE, development/update of applications and submittal to USDOT by December 15.
- Transportation Commission action on December 14 resolution committing support for project applications.

## Attachment

- Attachment A: Summary of FASTLANE Program
- Attachment B: Draft Eligibility and Evaluation Criteria
- Attachment C: Potential FASTLANE Grant Match









