



## Transportation Committee

Meeting Date: September 5, 2024

Agenda Item No. 9

### Capital Area Tolling Authority Board Meeting Recap

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**Attachments:** No

**Referring Committee:** Transportation

**Issue:**

This item recaps the actions of the Capital Area Regional Tolling Authority (CARTA) at its August 1, 2024, meeting.

**Request:**

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**Recommendation for Board:**

None; this item is for information only.

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None; this item is for information only.

**Background:**

At its January 2024, meeting, the SACOG board approved a Joint Powers Authority Agreement creating CARTA to serve as the tolling authority for the Sacramento region. Although CARTA is an independent agency, the information it receives and the actions it takes directly impact SACOG's current and future work. Staff have developed this staff report to keep SACOG Directors informed of CARTA's activities and will prepare similar staff reports following each CARTA board meeting. More information on CARTA, including board meeting agendas, minutes, and recordings, is available at [captollauthority.org](http://captollauthority.org).

**Discussion/Analysis:**

The CARTA board held its third meeting of the year on Thursday, August 1, 2024, in the SACOG board room. The agenda included three substantive items: two for action and one for information. As part of the first action item, the CARTA board adopted a \$100 stipend for directors to attend board meetings. This mirrors both SACOG's and Yolo Transportation District's (YoloTD) board compensation policies. Public employees, including Caltrans District 3 Director Sergio Aceves, are not eligible for the stipend. Ex-officio board members are also not compensated.

The second action item requested approval of the Caltrans Services Memorandum, which codified many of the verbal agreements Caltrans made during the formation of CARTA in January. After discussion, the CARTA

board deferred action on this item to the October CARTA meeting and directed staff to clarify more of the specific cost savings associated with Caltrans' commitments. As required in the joint powers authority (JPA) agreement, this Caltrans Services Memorandum must be approved by both the SACOG and YoloTD boards. If the CARTA board approves the Caltrans Services Memorandum at their October meeting, it will come before the SACOG Transportation Committee and Board in November or December.

Finally, SACOG staff presented an information item on the managed lanes-related assumptions in the 2025 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy, or the 2025 Blueprint. The CARTA board was supportive of SACOG staff's approach. The 2025 Blueprint managed lanes assumptions are part of the regional transportation network the SACOG board will consider in September and October.

The next CARTA board meeting is scheduled for October 17, 2024.

**Fiscal Impact/Grant Information:**

There is no fiscal impact.

**List of Attachments:**

Not applicable