

**Revised Agenda Item No. 2**  
**Legislative Policy Committee Meeting**

**March 10, 2021**  
**10:00 a.m.**

**MEETING ACCESSIBLE VIA ZOOM AT: <https://gosbcta.zoom.us/j/98154735255>**

**Teleconference**  
Dial: 1-669-900-6833  
Meeting ID: 981 5473 5255

**Discussion – Legislative/Public Outreach**

**2. Federal Legislative Update**

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*The recommendation in the agenda item has been revised.*

## ***Minute Action***

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***Subject:***

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***Recommendation:***

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***Background:***

**FEDERAL UPDATE**

1. Update on COVID-19 relief bill/Budget Reconciliation & Transit Funding in the Bill
2. Fiscal Year 2022 Appropriations Process update. The president's budget is now expected in May.
  - a. Preliminary requests for programmatic funding and language
    - i. Rep. Aguilar – Deadline moved to March 17, 2021
    - ii. Rep. Torres – Deadline February 24, 2021
    - iii. Rep. Obernolte – Deadline March 12, 2021
    - iv. Rep. Chu – No Deadline (Committee Deadline, not announced)
    - v. Rep. Kim – No Deadline (Committee Deadline, not announced)
3. Status of Congressional Initiatives (Earmarks) – Pending
4. Highway Bill and Infrastructure package update timing for markups and floor action spring/early summer
  - a. Sen. Padilla (newest member of EPW committee) request for input by March 9, 2021
5. United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) Updates
  - a. Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) Grant Release
    - i. The USDOT has opened the application process for the INFRA Grant Program with a total availability of \$889 million
    - ii. Application due March 19, 2021
    - iii. Potential focus on disadvantaged communities, equity, and climate
  - b. Newest USDOT appointees and Senate confirmation
6. Recent Federal Legislation introduced
  - a. Rep. Costa High-Speed Rail Bill (HR 867). Authorization of \$32 billion for High Speed Rail

***Financial Impact:***

This item has no impact on the Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Budget.

*Entity: San Bernardino Council of Governments, San Bernardino County Transportation Authority*

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***Reviewed By:***

This item is not scheduled for review by any other policy committee or technical advisory committee.

***Responsible Staff:***

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Approved  
Legislative Policy Committee  
Date: March 10, 2021

Witnessed By:

San Bernardino Council of Governments  
San Bernardino County Transportation Authority