

## STAFF REPORT

**SUBJECT:** Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District Report

**MEETING DATE:** February 19, 2004

**AGENDA ITEM:** 15

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive presentation by Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District on South Coast Transit Priorities project.

**DISCUSSION:**

The SBMTD board has requested an opportunity to present a monthly informational report to the SBCAG board on the status of the district's current transit operations and planned improvement projects. The District staff and boardmembers have been meeting with city, county and SBCAG staff and elected officials to discuss proposed changes in the South Coast Transit Priorities project. The revisions are necessitated by the unavailability of affordable production electric buses and challenging budget conditions for MTD and the local agency partners who are sponsoring the SCTP project. The MTD's interim General Manager, Sherrie Fisher, will be attending the SBCAG board meeting to review the proposed changes in this project.

**COMMITTEE REVIEW:**

SBMTD reviewed proposed changes in the SCTP project with the South Coast Sugregional Planning Committee at its February 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. No action was taken by the committee.

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