



For Agenda Of:

July 27, 2006

ITEM # 8

To: Sacramento Transportation Authority

Subj: Request for Proposals for Motorist Assistance Services on Beats 1 and 2 of the Sacramento Metropolitan Freeway Service Patrol

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize staff to distribute a Request for Proposals (RFP) for motorist assistance services on Beats 1 & 2 of the Sacramento Metropolitan Freeway Service Patrol (FSP) Program.

DISCUSSION

Contracts for Beats 1 and 2 of our Freeway Service Patrol program are set to expire on November 30, 2006. Beat 1 is Highway 51/99 from Exposition Blvd. south to Grant Line Road. Beat 2 is Highway 51/Interstate 80 from Exposition Blvd. north to the Placer County Line (Riverside Avenue).

The attached Request for Proposals is similar to the RFP we issued for FSP services in 2005 with the exception of a new provision that provides for an adjustment in compensation rates should the price of diesel fuel fluctuate outside of a specified range.

Interested companies may bid on each beat separately and/or both beats together. Bid proposals will be evaluated according to cost, prior performance (e.g., on FSP, CHP's rotation tow, and on other contracts as applicable), familiarity with the FSP program, and company financial and administrative stability. The bids will be reviewed by a team of representatives from the STA, CHP and Caltrans. Recommendations for contract awards will be made to your Board on October 12, 2006, with the contracts becoming effective December 1, 2006.

With your Board's approval of this item, letters of invitation (sample attached) will be sent to tow companies throughout the Sacramento area. We will also advertise this contracting opportunity in a general circulation newspaper, two newspapers oriented toward minority communities, as well as featuring it on the STA website. RFP packages will be sent via the U.S. mail upon request.

Respectfully Submitted,

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