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**SUBJECT: ORIENTATION AND CONTEXT MODULE FRAMEWORK
FOR THE LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN
UPDATE**

ACTION: RECEIVE AND FILE

RECOMMENDATION

RECEIVE AND FILE the Orientation and Context Module Framework for the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update (Attachment A).

ISSUE

Orientation and Context is the introductory module to the LRTP. It provides the background needed to understand Metro and its LRTP, what it does and the approach to it. This contextual framework will also explain the relationship between the various modules that will combine into an updated LRTP as Metro's plan on how to best fund, build, and operate a world class transportation system. This module sets the stage for the LRTP's purpose, need, guiding themes, and introduces the influential forces affecting how Metro will deliver transportation services.

DISCUSSION

Background

At the September 2017 Board meeting, the LRTP Update Work Plan was introduced; it included a modular framework outline, scope of work and timeline for key deliverables to the Board. The framework contained descriptions of seven distinct modules, which fit within four major groups: 1) Baseline Understanding; 2) Values Framework; 3) Transportation Network and Management Plan; and 4) Implementing and Evaluating the Plan.

The Orientation and Context module, part of the Baseline Understanding group, is designed to introduce or address the following aspects of the LRTP:

- Explain Metro's agency roles, responsibilities, partnerships, Strategic Plan and regulatory framework for providing the transportation needs of Los Angeles County;
- Introduce the guiding themes and process;
- Preview the public engagement and outreach process for stakeholder input;
- Explain the purpose of each module and integration relationships;
- Identify existing plans, programs and policies that will be part of the LRTP;

- Identify needed updates and other policy refinements in process; and
- Discuss the decision-making process leading to the creation of the LRTP Update.

The Orientation and Context module serves as a user guide to the LRTP, including a roadmap for how the other modules connect together to form and update the plan, to address Metro's challenges, needs, and opportunities for the regional multi-modal transportation system. It also describes the relationship between the LRTP and Metro's Strategic Plan, as well as key elements of other plans, policies and commitments, such as Measure M.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This item is informational. The Orientation and Context module development will have no financial impact to the agency.

Impact to Budget

There is no impact to the current fiscal year budget, nor any anticipated impact to future budgets related to this item. The current fiscal year budget does have funding for other elements of the update to the LRTP.

NEXT STEPS

Attachment A is a framework for this module, to be completed and updated throughout the LRTP's development. As such, it will be drafted and adapted to be responsive, consistent and continuously reinforcing, during the continuum of LRTP development and other ongoing Metro efforts. Staff will rely heavily on stakeholder input for all aspects of LRTP development, including input from Metro internal working groups, external partners and the Policy Advisory Council.

As deliverables are completed, coinciding with milestones in the update process, staff will return to the Board for updates and direction. This approach is intended to keep the Board informed and active in the process, while also ensuring that the LRTP Update remains in alignment with Board priorities as the Update is completed.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Long Range Transportation Plan Draft Orientation and Context Module Framework

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