

**To:** Marketing, Planning & Legislative Committee

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**Reviewed by:**



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**SUBJECT: Transportation Expenditure Plan Update**

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**Background:**

The County Connection Board of Directors conducted a Board Workshop on February 21, 2019 to review the current state of County Connection and discuss future direction. One of the outcomes of that workshop, was Board direction to pursue the development of transit projects for an upcoming Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP) under a 2020 countywide tax measure. Some of the projects discussed at the Board Workshop included: fixed route productivity, fleet electrification, new mobility initiatives, Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), and the Concord Naval Weapons Station (CNWS).

**TEP Update:**

At the April 17, 2019 Contra Costa Transpiration Authority (CCTA) Board meeting, the commissioners directed staff to conduct a poll during the month of May to begin the development of a modified TEP, for Board adoption in the summer. Based on the comments from the Commissioners, it appears that the ad hoc committee being created to lead the TEP development will not include transit operators.

Since the February County Connection Board meeting, staff has not been contacted regarding the potential role of transit operators and transit projects as part of the modified TEP. Per CCTA staff, the bus operators are to be involved via the Bus Transit Coordinating Committee (BTCC). To date, this Committee has not been given the opportunity to provide input in the development of the TEP. Given the relatively short timeline between now and the summer, when the CCTA intends to approve the final TEP, County Connection staff is concerned transit improvements may be limited over the life of a new measure.

**Recommendation:**

None at this time. This memo is intended to provide an update on the TEP process.

**Financial Implications:**

None at this time.