



**May 10, 2021**

**To:** Members of the Board of Directors

**From:** Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

**Subject:** 2021 Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer Initiatives and Action Plan – First Quarter Progress Report

On January 25, 2021, the Board of Directors (Board) approved the 2021 Board and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Initiatives (Attachment A) and Action Plan (Attachment B). The Action Plan consists of three Board initiatives and nine CEO initiatives monitored through 96 milestones throughout the calendar year. Reports detailing the progress on these milestones are provided on a quarterly basis for Board review. This report provides a summary of progress on first quarter (Q1) milestones from January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021. At the conclusion of Q1, 12 of the 96 milestones have been completed. Highlights of these accomplishments are provided below.

### Q1 Progress Report

During Q1 of the calendar year 2021, 12 milestones were scheduled for completion. At the end of Q1, all 12 milestones have been completed. Some of the highlights include:

- Continued progress on the Interstate 5 Widening Project (between State Route 73 and El Toro Road),
- Completed the Orange County Rail Infrastructure Defense Against Climate Change Study,
- Expanded the College Bus Pass Program to include students at Cypress College,
- Updated the Board on the South Orange County Multimodal Study,
- Selected a new enterprise asset management system,
- Submitted the formal request and required documentation for the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan interest rate reset, and
- Celebrated the graduation of the second Early Career Academy cohort.

In addition, the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) has confirmed that one milestone planned for the third quarter will be carried over and reconsidered in the future:

- Originally rescheduled from 2020, OCTA was to lead efforts to host the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) Expo at the Anaheim Convention Center in September 2021. However, due to mass gathering restrictions in California, APTA has decided to relocate the 2021 Expo to Orlando, Florida. APTA and OCTA intend to work with the Anaheim Convention Center staff to host the event in Orange County in the near future, currently scheduled for 2023.

The Q1 progress report is complete and included for your review. I am pleased with the progress OCTA has made to start the year off strong, especially adjusting to the impacts of the unprecedented coronavirus pandemic. I look forward to more progress on the 2021 Board and CEO initiatives as OCTA continues to address the immediate needs of the public, our customers, and our employees to keep Orange County moving. Please contact me at (714) 560-5343 with any questions or suggestions.

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