

91 Express Lanes Update and Temporary Measures



- Traffic volumes and toll revenues have decreased significantly as a result of the coronavirus pandemic (70 and 60 percent respectively)
- Call volumes to the customer service center have declined by 40 percent
- Core functions continue to operate:
 - Traffic operations center
 - Customer assistance patrols
 - Customer call center

Recent Traffic Volumes



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Traffic Volume Comparison to March 2019



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Temporary Measures Taken to Date

- Closed customer walk-in center in Corona until further notice
- Stopped the transmittal of violation files to the third-party collection's agency
- Paused outbound collection calls
- Stopped sending collection notices

Temporary Board Authorizations Requested

- Waiving monthly customer account maintenance fees
 - Also contingent upon Riverside County Transportation Commission approval

• Modification to the 91 Express Lanes Toll Policy to allow for the removal of the cost of living adjustment for July 1, 2020, if needed

Outstanding Debt

- Current outstanding balance totals \$91.7 million in fixed-rate debt with a final maturity in 2030
- Annual debt service is approximately \$10.8 million per year for the next 10 years
- Next debt service payment totals \$8.7 million and is on August 15, 2020
- Bond Indenture requirements
 - Interest and principal payments made every February 15th and August 15th
 - Maintain a 1.3 times debt service coverage ratio each fiscal year

Reserves in Place as of February 29, 2020

- Indenture-required reserves are fully funded
 - Debt service reserve fund (\$11.4 million)
 - Operating reserve fund (\$3.1 million)
 - Major maintenance reserve fund (\$10.5 million)
- Non-restricted reserves
 - Internal capital fund (\$24.9 million)
 - Measure M2 project fund (\$57.2 million)
 - Excess toll revenue fund (\$97.7 million)

Board Recommendations

- Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to temporarily waive for a period of up to 90 days, 91 Express Lanes monthly account fees, contingent upon a similar approval from the Riverside County Transportation Commission
- Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to temporarily modify for a period of up to 90 days the 91 Express Lanes Toll Policy to allow for the ability to remove automatic toll rates increases, if necessary

- Seek Board of Directors and Riverside County Transportation Commission approval to temporarily waive monthly account maintenance fees effective April 1, 2020
- Evaluate the need to impose the cost of living adjustment scheduled for July 1, 2020
- Pay \$8.7 million in debt service on August 15, 2020
- Continue to provide updates to the Board of Directors