

# Memorandum

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Subject: Next Federal Authorization Recommendations

The purpose of this memorandum is to convey the City-County-State-Federal Cooperative Committee's (CCSFCC) specific recommendations for the next Federal Authorization Bill. The CCSFCC is made up of six city and six county public works officials and representatives from the Federal Highway Administration, League of California Cities, California State Association of Counties, Rural Counties Task Force, and the Regional Transportation Planning Agencies Moderator.

The specific recommendations are:

- Drop the "cognizant agency audit of indirect cost rate" requirement
- Make stand-alone "bridge rail" replacement eligible for funding under the bridge program
- Require other federal agencies (such as the Federal Transit Administration) to follow Federal Highway Administration rules when transportation funds are transferred to another Federal Agency
- Establish a reasonable timeframe or threshold for the revalidation of National Environmental Policy Act documents requirement
- Allow local agencies to advertise (but not award) projects prior to federal obligation

Please let me know if you have questions.