MEMBERS PRESENT:
Chair Emerson, Vice-Chair Botelho, Director De La Cruz, Director Gomez, and Alternate Director Moore

STAFF PRESENT:
Deputy County Counsel, Shirley Murphy; Executive Director, Lisa Rheinheimer; Transportation Planning Manager, Mary Gilbert; Administrative Services Specialist, Kathy Postigo; Transportation Planner, Veronica Lezama, Secretary, Monica Gomez

OTHERS PRESENT:
Aileen Loe, Caltrans District 5

CALL TO ORDER:
Chair Emerson called the meeting to order at 2:02 P.M.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

Upon a motion duly made by Director Botelho, and seconded by Director De La Cruz, the Directors unanimously approved the Certificate of Posting.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

Fiscal Year 2012/2013 Draft Budgets – Rheinheimer/Postigo

1. RECEIVE Presentation on FY 2012/2013 Council of Governments, Local Transportation Authority, Measure A Authority, and Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways Draft Budgets

2. HOLD Public Hearing and RECEIVE Comments on Draft Budgets

Ms. Postigo provided a Power-Point presentation on the Draft Budgets and answered questions from the Board.

Chair Emerson inquired about the increase in revenue from last year to this year.

Ms. Postigo stated that some of the RSTP funds had not been allocated to the Cities. In addition, this year COG received additional State Transit Assistance funds.
Director Botelho inquired about the presumed decrease in expenditures from last year’s expenditures.

Ms. Postigo stated that last year’s budget included funding for a new bus in its expenditures.

Ms. Postigo stated that the Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways (SAFE) Draft Budget is slightly lower the FY 2011/12 Budget due to the purchase of call boxes in FY 2011/12.

Director De La Cruz directed staff to report back on the number of people who have used the call boxes.

Chair Emerson asked if SAFE funds are at risk of being lost if they are not used.

Ms. Postigo stated that SAFE receives its funding from the Department of Motor Vehicles from vehicle registration fees and are not at risk of being lost. The funds may also be used to repair or replace a call box that is out of service or destroyed.

Director De La Cruz asked what happens to any remaining Measure A funds.

Ms. Postigo stated that the funds would be apportioned back to the City and County.

Director Botelho noted that the Budget Revenue Summary shows a Revenue increase of 18%. He asked how much of the funds will be going to maintenance of local streets and roads.

Ms. Rheinheimer noted that under the Local Transportation Fund, staff set aside $700,000 to Local Streets and Roads, as well as under the Transportation Planning State Subvention, RSTP from Previous years of a little over $1.3 million, plus RSTP Exchange of $551,000, which all together adds up to about $2.5 million set aside specifically for Local Streets and Roads. Ms. Rheinheimer stated that this information is communicated to the Public Works Directors and the City of San Juan Bautista City Manager on a yearly basis to help in their budgeting and capital improvement programs.

Chair Emerson opened the Public Hearing at 2:18 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

Chair Emerson closed the public hearing at 2:18 p.m.

Staff will bring this item back to the Board for approval in June. Ms. Postigo noted that there may be some changes in the final Budget due to salary adjustments and changes in cost plan figures, as well as changes in the Workman’s Compensation.

*Upon a motion made by Director Gomez, and seconded by Director De La Cruz, the Directors voted to adjourn the Special Joint meeting.*

**ADJOURN TO REGULAR COG MEETING MAY 17, 2012.**