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**REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING OF AUGUST 26, 2005**

The Honorable Board of Directors
Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District



Honorable Members:

DISTRICT'S NEW WHALE BUS TO BE UNVEILED

The Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District) will officially unveil the new "Whale Bus" at the August 26, 2005, Board of Directors meeting. World-renowned artist George Sumner offered to paint a new whale-themed bus for the District, as the original bus was sold in 2004. Over the past few months, Mr. Sumner has donated his time to recreate an educational and eye-catching bus for the District's fleet.

For over 10 years, the Whale Bus program has been used as an educational tool with local schools to educate students on importance of using public transit to preserve the environment. During these events, students are also educated on how to ride the bus, from depositing fares to proper behavior on the bus. Photographs of the new bus will be available at the Board of Directors meeting of August 26, 2005.

SPECIAL EVENT/EXPRESSIVE ACTIVITY REQUESTS

There have been no special event or expressive activity requests since last reported to the Board in the August 12, 2005, Report of the General Manager.

FERRY STATISTICS – JULY 2005

During the month of July, Larkspur ferry service carried 131,467 passengers. Morning commute runs carried 31,163 passengers, and evening commute runs carried 48,273. A total of 945 crossings were scheduled and 944 were completed. Two crossings were cancelled due to a security investigation on July 10th, and one additional crossing was added on July 26th, a "Spare the Air Day". Of the 944 crossings, 26 were SBC Park service crossings. Averages were:

Daily	4,240
Weekdays	5,423
Sat., Sun., Hol.	2,090
AM Commute	1,558
PM Commute	2,413
Larkspur to SBC Park (Weekday)	431
SBC Park to Larkspur (Weekday)	508
Larkspur to SBC Park (Sat, Sun, Hol.)	586
SBC Park to Larkspur (Sat, Sun, Hol.)	650

FERRY STATISTICS – JULY 2005 (continued)

Sausalito ferry service carried 55,918 passengers during the month of July. Morning commute runs carried 3,969 passengers, and evening commute runs carried 16,658. A total of 503 crossings were scheduled and completed. Averages were:

Daily	1,803
Weekdays	1,628
Sat., Sun., Hol.	2,122
AM Commute	198
PM Commute	832

Tables detailing July Larkspur and Sausalito Ferry patronage are attached (Attachments 1-2).

PRESENTATION OF THIRTY FIVE YEAR SERVICE AWARD TO JAMES E. GARRISON, LEAD DECKHAND, FERRY DIVISION

We are pleased to announce that Lead Deckhand James Garrison celebrated thirty five years of service with the District on August 7, 2005.

Mr. Garrison joined the District as a Deckhand in 1970 and was promoted to Lead Deckhand on March 1, 1977.

Prior to District employment, he worked for twenty-two years on the decks of Bay and River Navigation boats hauling sugar for east bay refineries. He also worked as a Lift Operator loading boats and as a Super Cargoman loading ships.

Respectfully submitted,

Celia G. Kupersmith
General Manager

Attachments

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LARKSPUR FERRY TOTAL PATRONAGE

ACTUAL						MONTHLY COMPARISONS		
	04/05 MONTHLY PAX	CUMUL 04/05 TOTAL	2005/06 MONTHLY PAX	CUMUL 2005/06 TOTAL	2005/06 TO 04/05 +/-	CUMUL 2005/06 TO 04/05 +/-	CUMUL 2005/06	
							CUMUL 2005/06 WEIGHT ESTIMATE	ACTUAL TO WEIGHT ESTIMATE +/-
JULY	133,446	133,446	131,467	131,467	(1) %	(1) %	156,178	(16) %
AUGUST	137,899	271,345					299,157	
SEPTEMBER	124,248	395,593					433,415	
OCTOBER	98,776	494,369					547,018	
NOVEMBER	98,702	593,071					632,122	
DECEMBER	104,954	698,025					727,277	
JANUARY	87,549	785,574					814,049	
FEBRUARY	83,318	868,892					882,265	
MARCH	106,883	975,775					982,918	
APRIL	114,099	1,089,874					1,104,458	
MAY	121,887	1,211,761					1,224,678	
JUNE	125,322	1,337,083					1,363,421	

LARKSPUR FERRY COMMUTE PATRONAGE

ACTUAL						MONTHLY COMPARISONS	
	04/05 COMMUTE PAX	CUMUL 04/05 TOTAL	2005/06 COMMUTE PAX	CUMUL 2005/06 TOTAL	2005/06 TO 04/05 +/-	CUMUL 2005/06 TO 04/05 +/-	
JULY	79,478	79,478	79,436	79,436	(0) %	(0) %	
AUGUST	84,372	163,850					
SEPTEMBER	76,989	240,839					
OCTOBER	72,842	313,681					
NOVEMBER	70,070	383,751					
DECEMBER	73,135	456,886					
JANUARY	68,667	525,553					
FEBRUARY	63,778	589,331					
MARCH	80,927	670,258					
APRIL	75,219	745,477					
MAY	75,680	821,157					
JUNE	85,082	906,239					

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SAUSALITO FERRY TOTAL PATRONAGE

ACTUAL						MONTHLY COMPARISONS		
	04/05 MONTHLY PAX	CUMUL 04/05 TOTAL	2005/06 MONTHLY PAX	CUMUL 2005/06 TOTAL	2005/06 TO 04/05 +/-	CUMUL 2005/06 TO 04/05 +/-	CUMUL 2005/06	
							CUMUL 2005/06 WEIGHT ESTIMATE	ACTUAL TO WEIGHT ESTIMATE +/-
JULY	47,169	47,169	55,918	55,918	19 %	19 %	51,869	8 %
AUGUST	49,275	96,444					104,321	
SEPTEMBER	45,261	141,705					153,968	
OCTOBER	34,508	176,213					190,812	
NOVEMBER	27,161	203,374					213,388	
DECEMBER	23,037	226,411					232,635	
JANUARY	19,171	245,582					251,340	
FEBRUARY	21,337	266,919					273,345	
MARCH	33,795	300,714					305,571	
APRIL	33,342	334,056					340,593	
MAY	40,216	374,272					380,549	
JUNE	40,590	414,862					423,264	

SAUSALITO FERRY COMMUTE PATRONAGE

ACTUAL						MONTHLY COMPARISONS
	04/05 COMMUTE PAX	CUMUL 04/05 TOTAL	2005/06 COMMUTE PAX	CUMUL 2005/06 TOTAL	2005/06 TO 04/05 +/-	CUMUL 2005/06 TO 04/05 +/-
JULY	15,700	15,700	20,627	20,627	31 %	31 %
AUGUST	17,672	33,372				
SEPTEMBER	14,212	47,584				
OCTOBER	12,827	60,411				
NOVEMBER	10,835	71,246				
DECEMBER	10,774	82,020				
JANUARY	9,220	91,240				
FEBRUARY	9,715	100,955				
MARCH	14,338	115,293				
APRIL	12,663	127,956				
MAY	13,476	128,769				
JUNE	15,344	143,300				