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**REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING OF APRIL 27, 2007**



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

Honorable Members:

**BRIDGE DIVISION'S CHIEF ELECTRICIAN JAMES MCKNIGHT AWARDED
CERTIFICATION BY BUILDING OPERATOR CERTIFICATION**

The Building Operator Certification (BOC) is an energy efficiency training and certification program for building operators offering improved job skills for participants and more comfortable, efficient facilities for owners and occupants. Bridge Division's Chief Electrician James McKnight was recently awarded the BOC certification for his successful completion of the program, which includes 80 classroom hours of instruction and requires demonstrated competency in the energy efficient operation and maintenance of buildings and equipment. Mr. McKnight is the second District employee to earn this certification. Electrical Superintendent Gary Carver earned this certification in 2006. Completion of this program will benefit the District as we continue with our energy conservation efforts.

BOC is a growing national program recognized by employers in sixteen states. It is a statewide initiative sponsored by Pacific Gas & Electric, San Diego Gas & Electric, Southern California Edison, and Southern California Gas under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission. Operators earn certification by attending training and completing project assignments in their facilities. Training topics include facility electrical, HVAC and lighting systems, indoor air quality, environmental health and safety, and energy conservation.

SPECIAL EVENT/EXPRESSIVE ACTIVITY REQUESTS

Below are the dates, times and sponsoring agencies of special events and expressive activities for which permits have been sought. The following application was received since last reported to the Board in the April 13, 2007, Report of the General Manager:

<u>Event Date</u>	<u>Event Title</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Type*</u>	<u>Expected No. Participants</u>
April 28, 2007	AIDS LifeCycle	West Sidewalk	SE	400

The types of permits are as follows: EX – Expressive Activity and SE – Special Event

BRIDGE TRAFFIC FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2007

Bridge traffic for the month of March increased 4.14% to 3,381,982 vehicles as compared to the previous year's total of 3,247,634 vehicles during the month of March. Average daily traffic reflects an increase from 104,762 in March 2006, to 109,096 in March 2007. The highest traffic day recorded was Thursday, March 29 when 118,952 vehicles crossed the Bridge (Attachment 1).

VEHICLE TRAFFIC INCIDENTS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2007

Of the 3,381,982 vehicles that crossed the Golden Gate Bridge in March, there were 9 traffic incidents detailed as follows:

GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE AND TOLL PLAZA				
Vehicle Traffic Incident	Occurrences	Vehicles	Injuries	Fatalities
HB – Hit Barrier	1	2	0	0
RE - Rear Ender	2	5	1	0
O - Other	1	2	0	0
TOTAL	4	9	1	0

APPROACHES – (Waldo Grade, Alexander Ave., Doyle Drive & Park Presidio Blvd.)				
Vehicle Traffic Incident	Occurrences	Vehicles	Injuries	Fatalities
HB – Hit Barrier	3	3	0	0
RE - Rear Ender	1	2	0	0
RO – Roll Over	1	1	0	0
TOTAL	5	6	0	0

GOLDEN GATE TRANSIT BUS SYSTEM PERFORMANCE REPORT – MARCH 2007

Attached is the *Golden Gate Transit Bus System Performance Report* for the month of March 2007. This report provides a breakdown of monthly patronage by county bus services (Attachment 2).

FERRY STATISTICS – MARCH 2007

During the month of March Larkspur ferry service carried 113,245 passengers. Morning commute runs carried 35,597 passengers, and evening commute runs carried 47,198. A total of 989 crossings were scheduled and completed. Of the 989 crossings, 6 were AT&T Park service crossings. Averages were:

Daily	3,653
Weekdays	4,587
Sat., Sun., Hol.	1,370
AM Commute	1,618
PM Commute	2,145
Larkspur to AT&T Park (Weekday)	184
AT&T Park to Larkspur (Weekday)	242
Larkspur to AT&T Park (Sat, Sun, Hol.)	405
AT&T Park to Larkspur (Sat, Sun, Hol.)	413

FERRY STATISTICS – MARCH 2007 (continued)

Sausalito ferry service carried 43,058 passengers during the month of March. Morning commute runs carried 4,803 passengers, and evening commute runs carried 14,722. A total of 513 crossings were scheduled and. Averages were:

Daily	1,389
Weekdays	1,270
Sat., Sun., Hol.	1,681
AM Commute	218
PM Commute	669

Tables detailing March Larkspur and Sausalito Ferry patronage are attached (Attachments 3-4).

PRESENTATION OF FIFTEEN YEAR SERVICE AWARD TO DIRECTOR MAUREEN MIDDLEBROOK

We are pleased to announce that Director Maureen Middlebrook celebrated fifteen years of service with the District on April 16, 2007.

Director Middlebrook was appointed by the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors and she took the oath of office, joining the District Board of Directors on April 16, 1992, as one of three Sonoma County representatives.

Director Middlebrook was elected as the 36th President of the Board of Directors and served a two-year term beginning in January 2005. Prior to being elected President, Director Middlebrook served as First Vice President for the years 2003 and 2004 and as Second Vice President for the years 2001 and 2002. Currently, Director Middlebrook serves as a member of the Building and Operating, the Finance-Auditing and the Transportation Committees. She formerly served as Chair of the Rules, Policy and Relations Committee. She also serves as a member of the Advisory Committee for Review of Officers of the District, the Advisory Committee for Labor Relations and the Bridge Barrier Projects Advisory Committee.

Director Middlebrook has been active in transportation issues over the years through her involvement as a former Board member of the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce, a participant in the 101 Corridor Committee and as a member of the Citizens' Advisory Committee of the Sonoma County Transportation Authority.

In addition to her many civic interests, Director Middlebrook is employed as the Community Affairs Officer for the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation & Open Space District. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Holy Names College and a Master of Arts degree from Sonoma State University.

PRESENTATION OF THIRTY-FIVE YEAR SERVICE AWARD TO MICHAEL WERTZ, PUSHER IRONWORKER, BRIDGE DIVISION

We are pleased to announce that Pusher Ironworker Michael Wertz celebrated thirty-five years of service with the District on April 24, 2007.

Mr. Wertz joined the District as an Ironworker on April 24, 1972, and was promoted to Pusher Ironworker on May 1, 1990. Mr. Wertz's co-worker's have noted that he is congenial and well-liked. Mr. Wertz received the honor of Employee of the Year in 1994, for his willingness to undertake any task assigned and his efforts to organize the District's annual employee picnic. Mr. Wertz was one of several ironworkers commended by the Secret Service Agency for his assistance and cooperation prior to and during a visit by the late Pope John Paul II.

Prior to District service, Mr. Wertz worked as an ironworker for various companies and as a resident inspector for Clark, Dietz and Associates in Illinois. In all, he has more than fifty years in the residential commercial construction field as a carpenter. He was born in Anderson, Indiana and attended both University of Illinois and Indiana University.

In his free time, he enjoys working with his hands doing gardening, cabinetry and woodwork and also watercolors and stained glass.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH – APRIL 2007

After reviewing nominations submitted by District employees, the Employee of the Month Committee selected Rodolfo Galang, Senior Civil Engineer, Bridge Division, as the Employee of the Month for April 2007.

Mr. Galang receives this prestigious award in recognition of his professionalism and his calm and friendly demeanor on difficult projects. In the face of adversity on his projects, Mr. Galang has continually been successful in yielding positive results solutions and maintaining amicable relations with all parties involved. Recently Mr. Galang displayed his diplomatic abilities as he was the senior project engineer in charge of the Merchant Road Improvements and Realignment project, which called for extensive coordination and cooperation with the Presidio Trust, National Park Service and our own District employees. Mr. Galang's co-workers have noted that he is always patient under the most time constrained projects and admired for his perseverance to excel in his trade by working diligently to pass the Professional Engineer Exam, a test that is quite difficult to pass.

Mr. Galang joined the District as a Junior Civil Engineer in January of 2000, promoted to Assistant Civil Engineer in May of 2001, promoted again to Associate Civil Engineer in March 2002 and to his current position in 2005. Prior to District employment, Mr. Galang was employed as a Civil Engineer for H.R. Lopez Co. in Quezon City, Philippines, and as a Construction Inspector for Signet Testing Labs in Hayward, CA.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH – APRIL 2007 (continued)

Mr. Galang was born in Nueva Ecija, Philippines and attended Cabiao High School, also in Nueva Ecija, and the University of Santo Tomas, Manila, Philippines where he earned a B.S. in Civil Engineering. Mr. Galang resides in Daly City with his wife, Helen, and their children, Stephanie and Stephen. Mr. Galang enjoys traveling, photography and watching his high school son play baseball. Mr. Galang is a registered Civil Engineer in the Philippines and in the State of California.

Respectfully submitted,

Celia G. Kupersmith
General Manager

Attachments

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GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

**Cumulative Record of Traffic for the Month, Fiscal Year to Date, Last 12 Months,
and Since the Bridge's Opening Day, May 27, 1937**

REVENUE VEHICLES	MONTH OF:		2007		FISCAL YEAR TO DATE		12 MONTHS ENDING:		March		TOTAL SINCE 1937 INCEPTION
	2007	2006	%	%	06/07	05/06	2007	2006	%	%	
2-Axle Vehicles	3,259,532	3,126,490	4.26%	0%	28,234,766	27,866,458	1.32%	37,804,122	37,420,398	1.03%	1,648,322,346
Auto Trailers (1)	-	-	0%	0%	-	-	0%	-	-	0.00%	4,057,611
Buses (1)	-	-	0%	0%	-	-	0%	-	-	0.00%	7,873,075
Multi-Axle Vehicles (1)	17,088	15,892	7.53%	0%	176,232	165,468	6.51%	235,608	223,146	5.58%	42,648,807
Disabled Patron Vehicles	4,030	4,404	-8.49%	0%	35,446	37,888	-6.45%	47,724	51,318	-7.00%	707,806
Revenue Vehicles Subtotal	3,280,650	3,146,786	4.25%	0%	28,446,444	28,069,814	1.34%	38,087,454	37,694,862	1.04%	1,703,609,645

NON-REVENUE VEHICLES

Federal (2)	1,478	1,758	-15.93%	0%	12,416	14,682	-15.43%	17,192	20,050	-14.25%	24,444,158
CHP/GGBHTD (3)	18,902	20,680	-8.60%	0%	165,640	173,586	-4.58%	222,930	229,138	-2.71%	7,402,938
Golden Gate Transit Buses (3)	11,680	11,686	-0.05%	0%	101,292	101,442	-0.15%	134,882	133,040	1.38%	6,676,858
Free Vehicles (4)	-	-	0.00%	0%	-	-	0.00%	-	-	0.00%	380,322
Commute Period Carpool (4)	69,272	66,724	3.82%	0%	617,456	636,072	-2.93%	837,572	857,044	-2.27%	27,065,512
Non-Rev. Vehicles Subtotal:	101,332	100,848	0.48%	0%	896,804	925,782	-3.13%	1,212,576	1,239,272	-2.15%	65,969,788

TOTAL VEHICLES (5)

TOTAL REVENUE	3,381,982	3,247,634	4.14%	0%	29,343,248	28,995,596	1.20%	39,300,030	38,934,134	0.94%	1,769,579,433
AVG DAILY REVENUE	\$ 7,337,980	\$ 7,084,412	3.58%	0%	\$ 63,223,095	\$ 63,300,657	-0.12%	\$ 62,146,957	\$ 61,060,217	1.78%	\$ 1,191,082,611
AVG TOLL / REV. VEHICLE	\$ 236,709	\$ 228,529	3.58%	0%	\$ 230,741	\$ 231,024	-0.12%	\$ 170,266	\$ 167,288	1.78%	\$ 49,525
AVERAGE DAILY VEHICLES	\$ 2,2367	\$ 2,2513	-0.65%	0%	\$ 2,2225	\$ 2,2551	-1.44%	\$ 1,6317	\$ 1,6199	0.73%	\$ 0,6992
	109,096	104,762	4.14%	0%	107,092	105,823	1.20%	107,671	106,669	0.94%	73,579

This Month's Traffic Record

High: Thursday, March 29, 2007	118,952
Low: Sunday, March 4, 2007	91,258

All Time Traffic Record

High: Friday, October 27, 1989	162,414
Low: Thursday, December 9, 1937	3,878

This Month's Weather

Number of days with <u>no</u> rain	29
Number of days with <u>rain</u>	2

(1) Autos with Trailers, 3-Axle Buses, and Trucks are now categorized as Multi-Axle Vehicles; 2-Axle Buses and Trucks are now under 2-Axle Vehicles, as of January 1, 2000.

(2) Army, Navy, and Air Force vehicles and personnel required to use the Golden Gate Bridge are entitled to toll-free passage under Federal law.

(3) Statistics for CHP and District vehicles were not compiled prior to July 7, 1970; Compilation of Golden Gate Transit Buses began January 1, 1992.

(4) Free passage for carpools commenced April 12, 1976. Free vehicles occurred in October of 1989, due to heavy traffic after the Loma-Prieta earthquake.

(5) This figure is DOUBLE the Monthly Total of ALL SOUTHBOUND vehicles to determine an estimate of total Vehicles for BOTH Northbound AND Southbound traffic.

Golden Gate Transit Bus System Performance Report for March 2007

Rider Breakdown by County O/D for March-07

As of March-07

All Routes

	March-07	Feb-07	% Chg	March-06	% Chg	Marin	Sonoma	SF	M/5F	S/SF	S/M	EB	M/EB	S/EB	SF/EB
Total Patrons:	606,076	519,260	16.7%	641,311	-5.5%	342,752	6,139	4,158	174,661	40,799	18,583	180	18,329	296	179
Avg /WD	23,510	22,965	2.4%	24,750	-5.0%	12,787	210	161	7,200	1,724	705	8	700	9	6
Avg / Sat	11,100	9,886	12.3%	10,246	8.3%	7,719	205	58	2,021	342	396	1	336	18	4
Avg / Sun/Hol	8,341	8,652	-3.6%	7,740	7.8%	5,709	125	71	1,534	298	288	1	306	4	5

Passenger Revenue	Bus Service			Service			Total			Serv.			Total		
	Trips	Hours	Hours	Trips	Hours	Hours	Hours	Hours	Hours	Trips	Miles	Miles	Miles	Miles	Days
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Cash	\$570,063			Total	25,580	28,514	3,362	31,876	44	11	439,783	73,449	513,232	31	
Tickets	136,364			Avg WD	989	1,116	145	1,261	44	11	17,401	3,127	20,528	22	
Ticket \$	\$470,353			Avg Sat	457	480	27	507	44	0	6,657	582	7,239	5	
Transfers	122,012			Avg Sun/Hol	384	424	21	445	43	0	5,925	434	6,359	4	
Free	10,098														
TransLink (memo)	23,152														

Operating Expenses		Route Performance		Data Input Quality	
Expense	\$5,874,203	Riders per Trip	24	Substituted Trips	2,132
Audit Expense	\$5,347,813	Load Factor	53.8%	Substitution Percent	8.3%
Adjustment	91.0%	Riders per Hour	21		
		Fare Recovery	27.2%		
		Deficit/Passenger	\$6.42		
		Cancellation Rate	0.0%		

TransLink	eCash	\$88,013
	Transfers	713
	Passengers	24,078
Total Revenue	\$1,128,429	
Audit Revenue	\$1,453,991	
Adjustment	128.9%	

LARKSPUR FERRY TOTAL PATRONAGE

ACTUAL						MONTHLY COMPARISONS		
	2005/06 MONTHLY PAX	CUMUL 2005/06 TOTAL	2006/07 MONTHLY PAX	CUMUL 2006/07 TOTAL	2006/07 TO 2005/06 +/-	CUMUL 2006/07 TO 2005/06 +/-	CUMUL 2006/07	
							CUMUL 2006/07 WEIGHT ESTIMATE	ACTUAL TO WEIGHT ESTIMATE +/-
JULY	131,467	131,467	156,466	156,466	19 %	19 %	127,531	23 %
AUGUST	144,095	275,562	151,966	308,432	5 %	12 %	267,277	15 %
SEPTEMBER	119,580	395,142	120,908	429,340	1 %	9 %	383,221	12 %
OCTOBER	109,574	504,716	122,423	551,763	12 %	9 %	489,216	13 %
NOVEMBER	103,290	608,006	108,118	659,881	5 %	9 %	548,476	20 %
DECEMBER	105,256	713,262	106,522	766,403	1 %	7 %	650,224	18 %
JANUARY	97,501	810,763	104,670	871,073	7 %	7 %	744,476	17 %
FEBRUARY	91,078	901,841	95,460	966,533	5 %	7 %	832,518	16 %
MARCH	103,086	1,004,927	113,245	1,079,778	10 %	7 %	972,767	11 %
APRIL	111,603	1,116,530					1,080,966	
MAY	133,589	1,250,119					1,210,587	
JUNE	152,549	1,402,668					1,358,580	

LARKSPUR FERRY COMMUTE PATRONAGE

ACTUAL						MONTHLY COMPARISONS
	2005/06 COMMUTE PAX	CUMUL 2005/06 TOTAL	2006/07 COMMUTE PAX	CUMUL 2006/07 TOTAL	2006/07 TO 2005/06 +/-	CUMUL 2006/07 TO 2005/06 +/-
JULY	79,436	79,436	93,497	93,497	18 %	18 %
AUGUST	91,987	171,423	95,376	188,873	4 %	10 %
SEPTEMBER	79,091	250,514	80,215	269,088	1 %	7 %
OCTOBER	77,204	327,718	88,799	357,887	15 %	9 %
NOVEMBER	73,720	401,438	79,216	437,103	7 %	9 %
DECEMBER	74,129	475,567	73,790	510,893	(0) %	7 %
JANUARY	76,964	552,531	81,744	592,637	6 %	7 %
FEBRUARY	69,807	622,338	73,634	666,271	5 %	7 %
MARCH	81,925	704,263	82,795	749,066	1 %	6 %
APRIL	76,370	780,633				
MAY	84,763	865,396				
JUNE	97,613	963,009				

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SAUSALITO FERRY TOTAL PATRONAGE

ACTUAL						MONTHLY COMPARISONS		
	2005/06 MONTHLY PAX	CUMUL 2005/06 TOTAL	2006/07 MONTHLY PAX	CUMUL 2006/07 TOTAL	2006/07 TO 2005/06 +/-	CUMUL 2006/07 TO 2005/06 +/-	CUMUL 2006/07	
							CUMUL 2006/07 WEIGHT ESTIMATE	ACTUAL TO WEIGHT ESTIMATE +/-
JULY	55,918	55,918	86,142	86,142	54 %	54 %	54,054	59 %
AUGUST	55,384	111,302	61,147	147,289	10 %	32 %	107,593	37 %
SEPTEMBER	45,237	156,539	50,617	197,906	12 %	26 %	151,322	31 %
OCTOBER	39,508	196,047	46,530	244,436	18 %	25 %	189,513	29 %
NOVEMBER	31,062	227,109	32,703	277,139	5 %	22 %	219,540	26 %
DECEMBER	22,218	249,327	28,194	305,333	27 %	22 %	241,017	27 %
JANUARY	22,634	271,961	27,483	332,816	21 %	22 %	262,897	27 %
FEBRUARY	26,219	298,180	29,361	362,177	12 %	21 %	288,242	26 %
MARCH	28,904	327,084	43,058	405,235	49 %	24 %	316,183	28 %
APRIL	35,488	362,572					350,488	
MAY	45,337	407,909					394,314	
JUNE	59,592	467,501					451,920	

SAUSALITO FERRY COMMUTE PATRONAGE

ACTUAL						MONTHLY COMPARISONS	
	2005/06 COMMUTE PAX	CUMUL 2005/06 TOTAL	2006/07 COMMUTE PAX	CUMUL 2006/07 TOTAL	2006/07 TO 2005/06 +/-	CUMUL 2006/07 TO 2005/06 +/-	
JULY	20,627	20,627	36,497	36,497	77 %	77 %	
AUGUST	26,899	47,526	26,943	63,440	0 %	33 %	
SEPTEMBER	17,523	65,049	18,932	82,372	8 %	27 %	
OCTOBER	16,600	81,649	19,402	101,774	17 %	25 %	
NOVEMBER	13,319	94,968	14,739	116,513	11 %	23 %	
DECEMBER	11,199	106,167	12,794	129,307	14 %	22 %	
JANUARY	11,832	117,999	14,209	143,516	20 %	22 %	
FEBRUARY	11,816	129,815	12,757	156,273	8 %	20 %	
MARCH	13,699	143,514	19,525	175,798	43 %	22 %	
APRIL	15,904	159,418					
MAY	18,357	161,871					
JUNE	28,588	188,006					