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BOARD MEMORANDUM

TO: Technical Advisory Committee
 Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority
 Board of Directors

THROUGH: Michael T. Burns
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SUBJECT: Exemption from Annual Monitoring of Intersections

RECOMMENDATION:

Review and recommend that the VTA Board of Directors approve the exemption of Congestion Management Program intersections undergoing construction from Level of Service (LOS) monitoring during the 2006 monitoring period. These intersections include:

- Sunnyvale-Saratoga Road/Remington Avenue (Sunnyvale)
- Sunnyvale-Saratoga Road/Fremont Avenue (Sunnyvale)

BACKGROUND:

Congestion Management Program (CMP) statutes require that all elements of the CMP be monitored annually and that Member Agencies conform to the CMP requirements. Member Agencies are required to monitor the traffic LOS at all CMP intersections within their jurisdiction.

DISCUSSION:

The Technical Guidelines for Traffic LOS Analysis provide that Member Agencies may obtain waivers for not monitoring the traffic LOS at specific locations due to special conditions, such as construction. The following intersections will be affected by construction activity during the LOS monitoring period:

- Sunnyvale-Saratoga Road/Remington Avenue (Sunnyvale)
- Sunnyvale-Saratoga Road/Fremont Avenue (Sunnyvale)

The construction activity at these intersections impacts traffic operations and data collected during monitoring would not accurately reflect operations under normal conditions. The jurisdiction responsible for the monitoring for each of these intersections has requested an exemption and staff concurs with the exemption request.

ALTERNATIVES:

Disallow the exemption and require monitoring at all or some of the intersections.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There are no fiscal impacts to the Congestion Management Program.

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