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BIDS OPENED FOR YERBA BUENA ISLAND TRANSITION STRUCTURE OF NEW BAY BRIDGE

SACRAMENTO, December 15, 2009 – The Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee (TBPOC) opened bids today for the Yerba Buena Island Transition Structure (YBITS) Contract #1 of the new East Span of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge. The YBITS will transition vehicles from the parallel decks of the new East Span to the double deck configuration of the Yerba Buena Island (YBI) tunnel.

The YBITS contract involves building the superstructure including the road decks. Currently, crews are demolishing the original approach to the YBI tunnel to make way for the YBITS. Demolition of this original section is scheduled to be completed by spring 2010. Construction of the YBITS is anticipated to begin in the summer of 2010.

The low bidder is MCM Construction, Inc. with a bid of \$80,775,457. MCM is the lead contractor on the first phase of the Oakland Touchdown project of the Bay Bridge. The other two bidders are CC Myers, Inc. at \$85,555,555 and Flatiron West, Inc. at \$86,645,490. CC Myers was the lead contractor on the Yerba Buena Island Detour and is currently erecting YBITS foundations. Flatiron West was part of a joint venture that built the Skyway for the new East Span, as well as the foundations for the Self-Anchored Suspension Span. All three bids are under the engineers cost estimate of \$135,000,000.

The review process will begin immediately. The contract award is anticipated to occur within the next 60 days. The current approved completion schedule for this contract is September 2013.

Time-sensitive foundation and column work was transferred from the YBITS contract before it went to bid in order to streamline construction and eliminate potential delays. This work is being performed by the contractor that built the Yerba Buena Island Detour, which opened to traffic after the Labor Day weekend bridge closure.

The TBPOC consists of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA) and the California Transportation Commission (CTC).

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