## Local Agency Programs Review

Why?

\*Believe it or not, we are already half way through the Local Agency Programs calendar for FY 2015!

## What is Obligation? What is letting?

 Having funds listed in the TIP is not a guarantee. It's guaranteed to your project when it's obligated.

Obligation- funds attached to project (final plans are submitted)

Letting- Funds are released for project.
Contract signed shortly thereafter.

### Local Agency Programs Timeline

More than 18 weeks prior to "bid letting"

- Submit Project application to Local Agency Programs (LAP)
- This is where environmental review takes place.

18 weeks prior to "bid letting"

- Submit grade inspection (GI) material to LAP.
- •Do you have necessary clearances from SHPO, DNR, DEQ and railroad companies?
- ROW concerns
- •Plans must be 80% complete.

## Local Agency Programs Timeline ctd.

#### 14 weeks prior to bid letting

- Have GI meeting to discuss package
- Look at cost estimates, utility concerns and any special provisions.
- This is where things can really get tied up.

#### 9 weeks prior to bid letting

 Final plans submitted- any remaining issues with SHPO or environmental clearances must be sorted out.

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8 weeks prior to bid letting

- Obligation takes place . . . or not.
- Any final corrections to package before letting

5 weeks prior to bid letting

Project advertised

## What can still go wrong after letting?

- Project comes in more than 10% overbid—you can either change scope of project and rebid—or you need to go back to local board or MPO to make up the difference in funding
- Takes up to 30 days before contract is signed
- Pre-construction meetings need to be scheduled