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My comments on the Motion.

1. There has been concern expressed that a model to project capital costs is only one piece of a long term financial forecast. Discussions by the Committee during the development of the work plan clearly focused on a financial model. I believe that most Committee members have been expecting that the adopted work plan included a financial model. It is recognized that such an effort will take time, and that the capital component is a critical element of a financial model. To that end I believe the Committee will want to be assured that a long term financial model is still an expectation. To that end I would suggest some changes in the Motion for the WHEREAS section starting on line 56.

"WHEREAS, developing a method to forecast future financial investments for the capital improvements program beyond the next ten years will inform **the next step in developing a longer term Financial Model which will be the basis for forecasting** long term rates, and **such Financial Model will also provide helpful information for decisionmakers to better assess the effect of policy choices and,**"

2. Terminology. WTD uses the term "asset management" for different purposes, and generally differently than other agencies. In the context of a capital program and as relates to this Motion a more commonly used term is "replacement and rehabilitation" (R&R). The International Infrastructure Management Manual (IIMM) defines Asset Management as "*The combination of management, financial, economic, engineering and other practices applied to physical assets with the objective of providing the required level of service in the most cost-effective manner.*" I would suggest that term "asset management" used in line 73 be changed to replacement and rehabilitation.

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