

## **2011-120 AUDIT SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES—CalTrans, Managing State Property—710 Freeway Extension Corridor**

The audit by the Bureau of State Audits will provide independently developed and verified information related to the proposed State Route 710 extension project (extension project) and will include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Review and evaluate the laws, rules, and regulations significant to the audit objectives.
2. Identify the number of state-owned parcels that the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) currently maintains along the extension project right-of-way.
3. Determine the roles and responsibilities of the entities involved in the maintenance of the state-owned parcels along the extension project right-of-way.
4. Review and evaluate Caltrans' policies and procedures for maintaining the properties along the extension project right-of-way and determine whether they are consistent with applicable laws and regulations.
5. For the most recent three-year period, identify the expenditures related to maintaining the extension project right-of-way, including the expenditures for the repair and maintenance of the state-owned properties. For a sample of those expenditures, determine whether they are appropriate and reasonable.
6. For a sample of expenditures identified in Objective 5, to the extent possible, compare the costs Caltrans paid to the cost that private entities in the local area charge to perform similar work, particularly the costs to repair and replace roofs.
7. Review and assess the fees the Department of General Services (General Services) charges for services it provides to maintain and repair state-owned properties along the extension project right-of-way. Further, determine if Caltrans has explored alternatives to General Services providing services for the repair and maintenance of these properties.
8. Determine what actions have been taken to assess the feasibility of completing the extension project since the decision by the Federal Highway Administration in 2003 to rescind its Record of Decision.
9. To the extent possible, determine the amount of property tax revenue that would have been collected in the past five years and the amount that could be collected in the next five years if the state-owned properties along the extension project right-of-way were privately owned.
10. Identify whether there are any restrictions on the use of proceeds from the sale of the state-owned properties along the extension project right-of-way.

11. To the extent possible, determine the approximate current market value of the state-owned properties along the extension project right-of-way.
12. Identify whether there are any alternatives to state ownership as a means of preserving the State's access to the right-of-way needed for the extension project.
13. Review and assess any other issues that are significant to the extension project.