



Transportation Seminar Series

*Friday, February 20, 2009
4 - 5 p.m., 240 Bechtel Engineering Center*

Quentin L. Kopp

Judge, San Mateo County Superior Court
Chairman, California High Speed Rail Authority

The 21st Century Comes to California Transportation



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Abstract: Judge Kopp will provide current figures and facts respecting the CA High Speed rail project. He will discuss the rationale of the project, the nature of high speed rail, the first-phase route, the economic and environmental benefits, estimated fares and revenues, financing the system, building the system and mitigating financial and other risks, including public private partnerships.

Bio: On June 13, 2006, the State Senate appointed San Mateo County Superior Court Judge Quentin L. Kopp to the California High Speed Rail Authority, charged with implementing high rail service from Los Angeles to San Francisco at 200 miles per hour. He was elected chairman of the Authority on August 9, 2006. Prior to judicial appointment, Judge Kopp practiced trial law in San Francisco and Northern California. He served in the California State Senate from December 1, 1986 until December 7, 1998, sharing the Senate Committee on Transportation for 11 of those 12 years and as a member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to which he was first elected in November 1971 and re-elected four times thereafter. He was President of such Board in 1976, 1977, 1978 and 1982.



A casual reception to follow in the ITS Library at 412 McLaughlin Hall, 5:00p.m.