

## *RAP and CAPP*

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### **Rural Arterial Program**

The CRABoard, at its' October 29, 2009 meeting, declined a funding period for the 2011 – 2013 biennium due to numerous hits on the RATA in the last half year. Revenues are declining, project sizes are increasing, and the RATA spending authority is reduced by over 20%, down to \$51,000,000 for the 2009 – 2011 biennium. The result: no new projects until perhaps the 2013 – 2015 biennium, and no further funding of partially funded projects until that time.

The CRABoard also directed staff to reduce the payout from the RATA account to meet project demand over the long haul and meet the constraints of reduced spending authority. All counties are being impacted y these reductions.

### **County Arterial Preservation Program**

The funding for the County Arterial Preservation Program is in steady decline like everything else. Fortunately the annual transfer of \$1,500,000 from the Transportation Partnership Account have helped lessen the blow the last couple years. Counties have been increasing their use of CAPA funds to do seal coats and patching and decreasing CAPP funding for structural and thin overlay work

### **Call for Projects for CRAB's 2009 Annual Report**

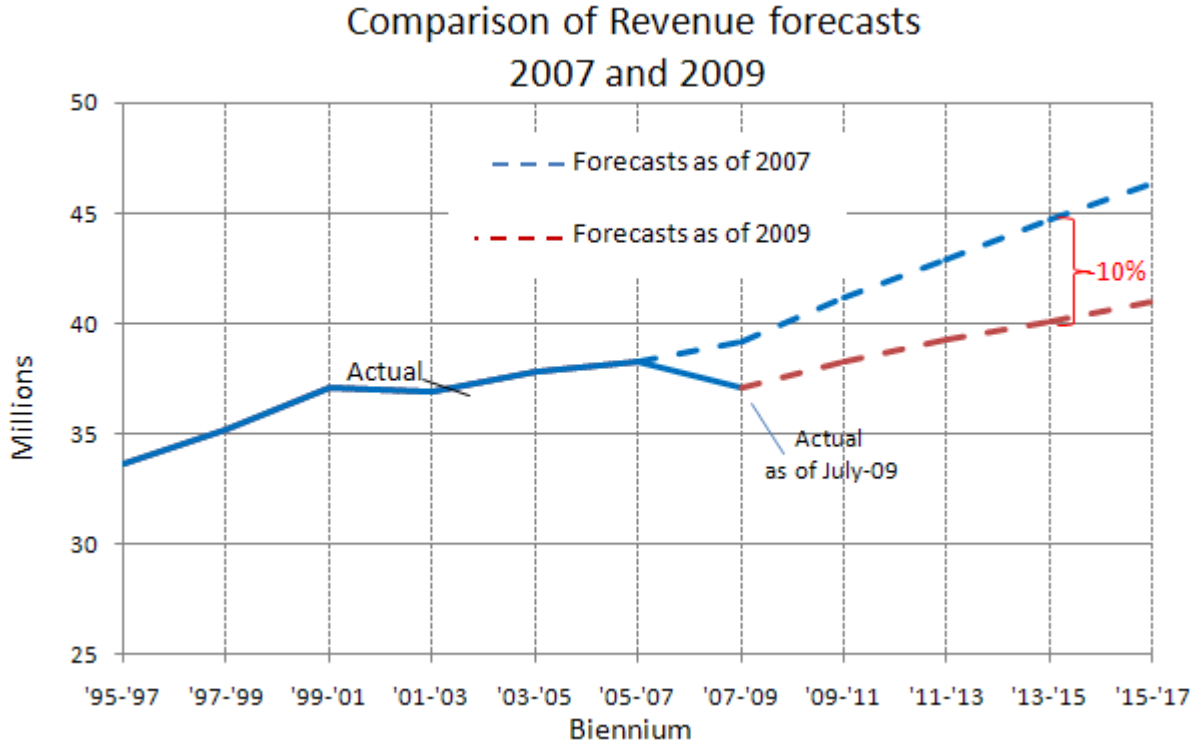
CRAB publishes an annual report, which showcases a number of the **RAP and CAPP** funded projects completed each year. If you have such a project, completed in 2008 or 2009 please forward via email to Randy Hart by November 30.

Your project submittal should include:

1. Before and after construction/paving pictures, preferably from the same perspective.
2. Project statistics such as: contractor, total funding, overall improvements etc.
3. A project narrative outlining the road's history and importance, the need for improvement, public input or support, special engineering features, and construction techniques. This should involve two, maybe three paragraphs. Be creative and add any additional points of interest regarding the project. Please contact Randy at 360-664-3299 extension 232 or [randy@crab.wa.gov](mailto:randy@crab.wa.gov) if you have questions, or check out the project website: <http://www.crab.wa.gov/funding/grants/rap/projects.cfm> if you need some good examples.

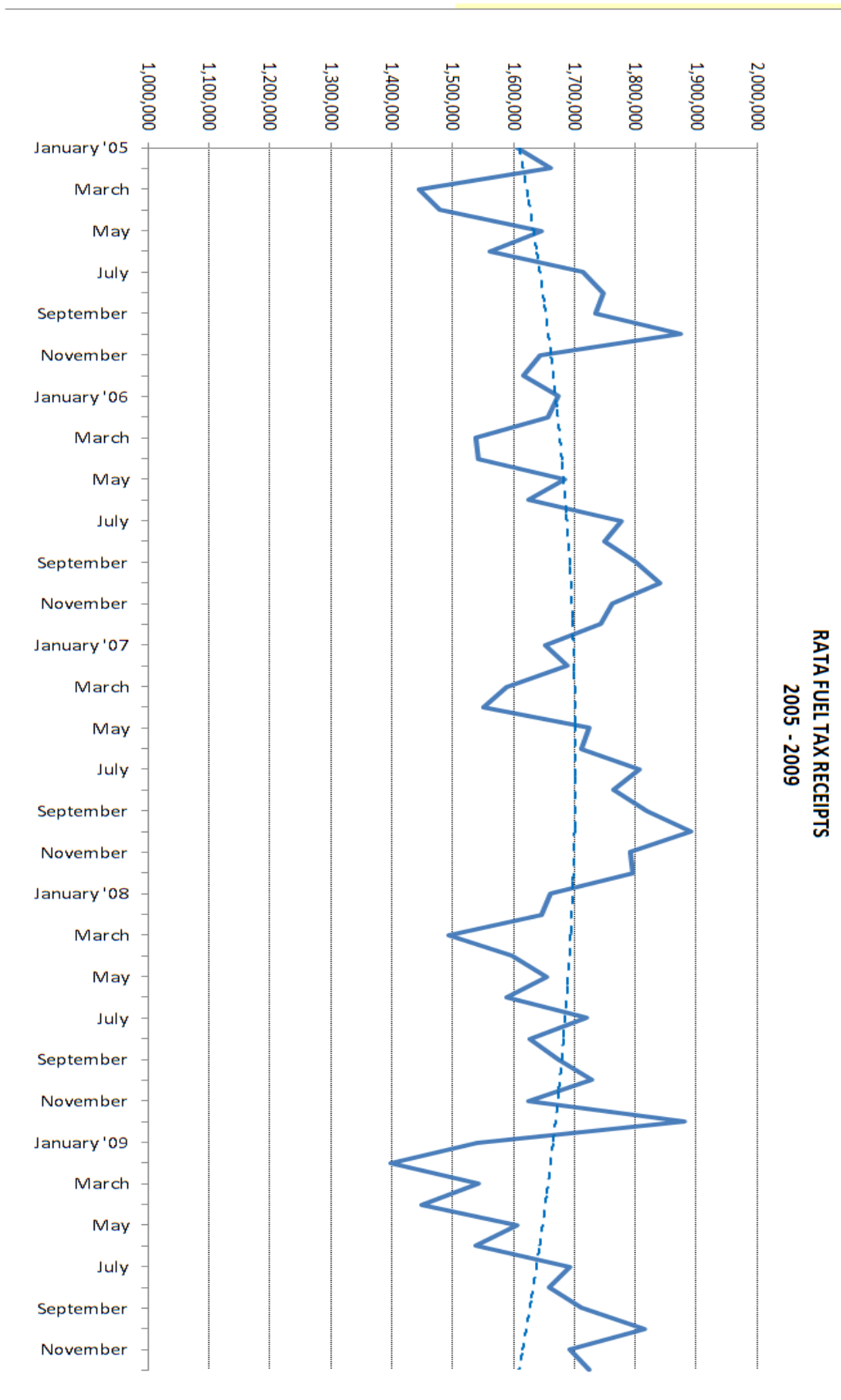
1. Declining revenue estimates:

The gas tax revenue estimate for the 2013 – 2015 biennium, which would fund 2011-2013 projects, is \$40,027,671. This is a drop of ~10% from the estimate of \$44,676,574 two years ago.



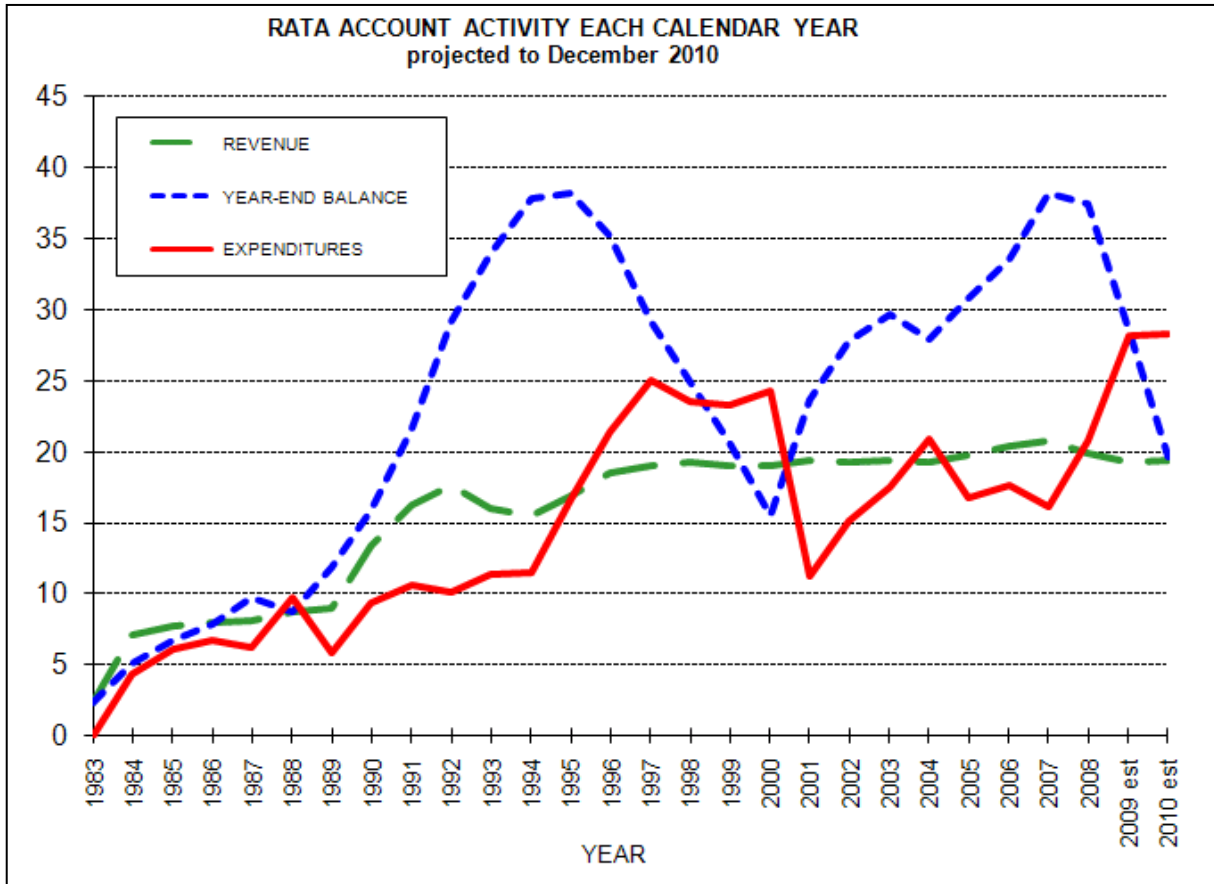
Revenue prior to the '07-'09 biennium had increased consistently with a slight drop in '01-'03. A major reduction in revenue occurred in the 2007-2009 biennium.

Declining Fuel Tax Receipts in the RATA (continued):



## 2. Aggressive project spending.

The chart below shows the RATA balance dropping sharply in 2009 and 2010 due to aggressive spending.



3. Adjustments to county spending plans on current projects:

Summary of spending scenarios:

<u>CURRENT SPENDING PLAN AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2009:</u>				CURRENT BALANCE = \$ 33,000,000
<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PLAN</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>END BALANCE</u>	
2009	16,752,274	4,650,000	\$ 20,897,726	<b>CURRENT SPENDING PLAN</b>  ←
2010	43,934,860	19,000,000	\$ (4,037,134)	
2011	52,736,028	19,500,000	\$ (37,273,162)	
2012	38,300,346	19,500,000	\$ (56,073,508)	
2013	10,184,770	20,000,000	\$ (46,258,278)	
2014	4,447,700	20,000,000	\$ (30,705,978)	
2015	1,296,000	20,500,000	\$ (11,501,978)	
2016	900,000	21,000,000	\$ 8,598,022	
168,551,978 obligated to full funding projects				140,370,485 Currently obligated

<u>REVISED SPENDING DUE TO NO CALL NOR 10% ALLOCATION IN 2010</u>					<u>Taken out:</u>	<u>Back in:</u>
<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PLAN</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>END BALANCE</u>			
2009	16,752,274	4,650,000	\$ 20,897,726			
2010	40,206,060	19,000,000	\$ (308,334)	No 10% allocation	\$3,728,800	
2011	41,386,028	19,500,000	\$ (22,194,362)	No biennial allocation	\$11,350,000	
2012	26,950,346	19,500,000	\$ (29,644,708)		\$11,350,000	
2013	5,613,570	20,000,000	\$ (15,258,278)	Fund 10% and new call	\$9,100,000	\$3,728,800
2014	15,797,700	20,000,000	\$ (11,055,978)			\$11,350,000
2015	12,646,000	20,500,000	\$ (3,201,978)			\$11,350,000
2016	9,200,000	21,000,000	\$ 8,598,022			\$9,100,000
168,551,978					\$35,528,800	\$35,528,800

<u>ABOVE SCENARIO WITH CRABoard DELAYS</u>				
<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PLAN</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>END BALANCE</u>	
2009	16,752,274	4,650,000	\$ 20,897,726	
2010	23,981,602	19,000,000	\$ 15,916,124	No 10% allocation
2011	30,362,532	19,500,000	\$ 5,053,593	No biennial allocation
2012	25,187,429	19,500,000	\$ (633,836)	
2013	37,725,443	20,000,000	\$ (18,359,279)	Fund 10% and new call
2014	18,073,970	20,000,000	\$ (16,433,248)	
2015	9,905,224	20,500,000	\$ (5,838,472)	
2016	6,563,506	21,000,000	\$ 8,598,022	
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Notes:

Interest is 0 - 85,000 a month and is not included

**WAC 136-161-020**

**RAP program cycle — General.**

The RAP biennial program cycle consists of the following basic steps:

- (1) The CRABoard establishes a funding period if it determines that sufficient future RATA funds are available to provide for new RAP projects. This determination takes place during the CRABoard's regularly scheduled fall meeting in odd-numbered years.
- (2) Each county prepares and submits a preliminary prospectus to the county road administration board;
- (3) County road administration board staff conducts a field review of each preliminary prospectus and provides to each submitting county an evaluation and scoring of all priority elements which are based on a visual examination, using that region's priority rating process;
- (4) Each county prepares and submits a final prospectus to the county road administration board;
- (5) For each final prospectus submitted, county road administration board staff computes the total priority rating score and assembles all projects into rank-ordered arrays by region; and
- (6) The county road administration board reviews the rank-ordered arrays in each region and, based upon the RATA funds projected to be allocable for the next project program period (see WAC [136-161-070](#)), selects and approves specific projects for RATA funding.

**WAC 136-167-040**

**Lapsing of RATA allocation for approved projects.**

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**“(5) The CRABoard may at any time place a moratorium on lapsing of projects that are delayed due to CRAB initiated rescheduling and establish a new lapsing date to fit the CRABoard's programming needs. For those projects given a lapsing moratorium, section four shall be held in abeyance until the new lapsing date.”**