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## MEETING OF THE

# MODELING TASK FORCE

*Wednesday, January 24, 2024*  
*10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.*

**\*\*\*ZOOM AND TELECONFERENCE ONLY\*\*\***

**Please see Page 2 for information on How to Participate.** For other information or questions, please contact Cheryl Leising at (213) 236-1926 or via email at [leising@scag.ca.gov](mailto:leising@scag.ca.gov)

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# AGENDA

*“Any item listed on the agenda (action or information) may be acted upon at the discretion of the Committee”.*

## **1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**Ginger Koblasz**  
**@SBCTA**  
Chairperson

### **1.1 Modeling Task Force Chairperson**

The Chair of the Modeling Task Force rotates annually between the modeling leads of the County Transportation Commissions and Caltrans. SCAG staff asks the Committee to affirm the appointment of **Ginger Koblasz** at SBCTA, as the new Modeling Task Force Chair for Year 2024. The Modeling Task Force extends its appreciation to **Archie Tan** at OCTA for his service as Chair over the past year.

## **2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Members of the public desiring to speak on an agenda item or items not on the agenda, but within the purview of this Task Force, send an email to the Assistant prior to speaking (Cheryl Leising; leising@scag.ca.gov). Comments will be limited to three minutes. The Chair may limit the total time for comments to ten (10) minutes.

## **3.0 INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **3.1 Update on Regional and Subregional Modeling Programs**

**Group Discussion**  
15 minutes

Discussion by MTF members – an opportunity for agencies to share the status of their current modeling projects and upcoming modeling priorities.

### **3.2 More Homes, Less Traffic: GreenTRIP Connect Fast, Free, VMT, Parking Analysis for All**

**Ann Cheng**  
**@Ann Cheng**  
**Consulting, LLC**  
40 minutes

For over 6 years, Connect has supported community members, transportation and planning officials, affordable housing developers and decision makers with making well informed decisions around shaping and supporting well designed and well placed low-traffic and affordable housing. This presentation will include case studies on how Connect has supported local housing projects by-pass costly

VMT and parking analysis. Connect was first presented at a SCAG Toolbox Tuesday by Ann Cheng in 2017. Since 2017, Connect has been recommended by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research for General Plan Updates as part of the Tools and Resources section of the Guidelines. The academic peer review of the methodology was conducted by the Strategic Growth Council and published here. Connect was also reviewed by the California Air Resources Board and the Southern California Association of Governments in their assessment of potential VMT sketch model tools to recommend to cities to ease the implementation of SB743 locally.

### **3.3 SCAG Heavy Duty Truck (HDT) Model Update**

The Last major update for SCAG Heavy Duty Truck (HDT) Model was for 2012 RTP/SCS. Given the change in supply chain operation, new trends in warehousing and e-commerce the model needed a comprehensive update for 2024 RTP/SCS. To improve the model calibration and validation, SCAG collected significant amount of data from various vendors and data sources. This presentation will provide an overview of HDT model, data analysis and effort for improving the internal truck module, summarize calibration and validation results. We will also share findings, lesson learned and next steps.

**Fatemeh Ranaiefar,  
Ethan Yue Sun  
@Fehr and Peers,  
Kaveh Shabani  
@Cambridge  
Systematics  
40 minutes**

## **4.0 CHAIR'S REPORT**

## **5.0 STAFF REPORT(S)**

## **6.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- California Vehicle Survey Analysis
- Household survey methodology (the joint project with other MPOs)
- TNC Survey Analysis
- SCAG Study on the Zero Emission Truck Infrastructure (ZETI)

## **7.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting of the Modeling Task Force is scheduled for Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at 10:00 am (PT) via Zoom meeting.