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**CALTRANS DIRECTOR TO ADDRESS LOCAL LEADERS ABOUT STATE TRANSPORTATION
PRIORITIES AT SCAG LUNCHEON**

**WHO: Will Kempton, Caltrans Director
Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)**

WHAT: Southern California's gridlock crisis and the recent string of shootings on our freeways make transportation a top issue. Caltrans Director Will Kempton will address SCAG's Regional Council about the state's current and future transportation program as SCAG concludes its 40th Anniversary celebration with a "Cinco de Mayo" luncheon.

Appointed by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger in 2004, Will Kempton is responsible for managing the day-to-day operations of California's state transportation system, including more than 50,000 lane miles of state highways stretching from Mexico to Oregon and from the Pacific Ocean to Nevada and Arizona. As Caltrans Director, Kempton oversees an annual operating budget of more than \$9 billion, 22,000 employees, and \$7 billion worth of transportation improvements currently under construction.

WHEN: Thursday, May 5th
12:30 p.m. – 2 p.m.

WHERE: The Historic Los Angeles Athletic Club
431 West Seventh Street
Los Angeles, CA 90014
(Thomas Guide: pg. 634, E5)

[EDITOR'S NOTE: For more information about this event, please call Jeff Lustgarten of Cerrell Associates at 323/466-3445.]