

Transportation Committee  
of the  
Southern California Association of Governments  
July 2, 2015  
*Minutes*

**THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.**

The Transportation Committee (TC) met at SCAG's office in downtown Los Angeles. The meeting was called to order by Chair Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario. A quorum was present.

**Members Present:**

Hon. Mike Antonovich	Los Angeles County
Hon. Sean Ashton, Downey	District 25
Hon. Rusty Bailey, Riverside	District 68
Hon. Ben Benoit, Wildomar	WRCOG
Hon. Russell Betts, Desert Hot Springs	CVAG
Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park	District 21
Hon. Don Campbell, Brawley	ICTC
Hon. Diana Lee Carey, Westminster	OCCOG
Hon. Gene Daniels, Paramount	District 24
Hon. Paul Eaton, Montclair	District 9
Hon. Felipe Fuentes, Los Angeles	District 54
Hon. Jeffrey, Giba	District 69
Hon. Bert Hack, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon. Curt Hagman	San Bernardino County
Hon. Jan Harnik, Palm Desert	RCTC
Hon. Dave Harrington, Aliso Viejo	OCCOG
Hon. Carol Herrera, Diamond Bar	District 37
Hon. Jim Hyatt, Calimesa	District 3
Hon. Jim Katapodis, Huntington Beach	District 64
Hon. Linda Krupa, Hemet	WRCOG
Hon. Randon Lane, Murrieta	Murrieta
Hon. Severo Lara, Ojai	VCOG
Hon. James C. Ledford	Palmdale
Hon. Antonio Lopez	District 67
Hon. Clint Lorimore, Eastvale	District 4
Hon. Ray Marquez, Chino Hills	District 10
Hon. Michele Martinez, Santa Ana	District 16
Hon. Ryan McEachron, Victorville	District 65
Hon. Marsha McLean, Santa Clarita	District 67
Hon. Dan Medina, Gardena	District 28
Hon. Barbara Messina, Alhambra ( <b>Vice-Chair</b> )	District 34
Hon. Keith Millhouse, Moorpark	VCTC
Hon. Carol Moore, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon. Gene Murabito	District 33
Hon. Kris Murray, Anaheim	District 19

Hon. Frank Navarro, City of Colton	District 6
Hon. Micheál O’Leary, Culver City	WCCOG
Hon. Sam Pedroza, Claremont	District 38
Hon. Dwight Robinson, Lake Forest	OCCOG
Hon. Marty Simonoff, Brea	District 22
Hon. David Spence, La Canada-Flintridge	Arroyo Verdugo Cities
Hon. Karen Spiegel, Corona	District 63
Hon. Barb Stanton, Apple Valley	SANBAG
Hon. Olivia Valentine, Hawthorne	SBCCOG
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro	District 1
Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario ( <i>Chair</i> )	SANBAG
Hon. Chuck Washington, Temecula	District 5

**Members Not Present:**

Hon. John Addleman, Rolling Hills Estates	SBCCOG
Hon. Glen Becerra, Simi Valley	District 46
Hon. Jonathan Curtis, La Cañada-Flintridge	District 36
Hon. Steven Hofbauer, Palmdale	District 43
Hon. Jose Huizar, Los Angeles	District 61
Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.	Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians
Hon. Pam O’Connor, Santa Monica	District 41
Hon. Bernard C. Parks, Los Angeles	District 55
Hon. Teresa Real Sebastian, Monterey Park	SGVCOG
Hon. Ali Saleh, Bell	GCCOG
Hon. Damon Sandoval	Morongo Band of Mission Indians
Hon. Zareh Sinanyan	Glendale
Hon. José Luis Solache, Lynwood	District 26
Hon. Michelle Steel	County of Orange
Hon. Jess Talamantes, Burbank	District 42
Hon. Brent Tercero, Pico Rivera	GCCOG
Hon. Michael Wilson, Indio	District 66
Mr. Gary Slater	Caltrans District 7

**CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario, called the meeting to order at 10:13 a.m. Hon. Barbara Messina, Alhambra, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Iddo Benzeevi requested to comment during discussion of agenda item 5.

**ACTION ITEMS**

1. Minutes of the June 4, 2015 Meeting

A MOTION was made (McEachron) and SECONDED (Navarro) to approve the Minutes. The Motion passed by the following votes:

AYES: Bailey, Benoit, Betts, Brown, Campbell, Carey, Daniels, Eaton, Hack, Herrera, Fuentes, Giba, Hagman, Harnik, Hyatt, Katapodis, Lane, Lara, Ledford, Lorimore, Martinez, McEachron, Medina, Messina, Moore,

Murabito, Navarro, O’Leary, Pedroza, Spence, Spiegel, Stanton,  
Viegas-Walker, Washington  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: Ashton, Harrington, Lopez, Marquez, Robinson, Simonoff, Valentine,  
Wapner

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **Receive and File**

2. 2015 Regional Council and Policy Committees Meeting Schedule
3. SCAG Sustainability Planning Grants Program – Monthly Update
4. Cap-and-Trade Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program and State Expenditure Plan Update

A MOTION was made (Harnik) and SECONDED (Hack) to approve the Consent Calendar. The Motion passed by the following votes:

AYES: Ashton, Bailey, Benoit, Betts, Brown, Campbell, Carey, Daniels, Eaton, Fuentes, Giba, Hack, Hagman, Harnik, Harrington, Herrera, Hyatt, Katapodis, Lane, Lara, Ledford, Lopez, Lorimore, Marquez, McEachron, Martinez, Medina, Messina, Moore, Murabito, Navarro, O’Leary, Pedroza, Robinson, Simonoff, Spence, Spiegel, Stanton, Viegas-Walker, Wapner, Washington  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: Valentine

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

5. 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016 RTP/SCS) – Highways and Arterials Update

Naresh Amatya, SCAG staff, provided an overview of the Highways and Arterials strategies in the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and current planning for the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS. Mr. Amatya noted challenges include closing critical highway network gaps and addressing congestion chokepoints. Additionally, the aging highway infrastructure will face accelerated preservation costs if deferred maintenance persists. Guiding principles for the 2016 RTP/SCS include protecting and preserving the current network and adding capacity only to close gaps in the system and improve access where needed.

Investments in the 2012 RTP/SCS include \$56.7 billion for operations and maintenance of roadways and bridges, \$4.5 billion for Transportation Demand Management to reduce vehicular demand and congestion and \$7.6 billion for Transportation Systems Management to increase productivity of the existing transportation system such as traffic signal synchronization and advanced ramp metering. Mr. Amatya noted 2012 RTP/SCS HOV/HOT lane projects started or completed include I-405 Sepulveda Pass improvements; I-110 and I-10 HOT lanes adopted as permanent facilities and I-605 to I-405/SR-22 HOV connector. Important elements in the 2016 RTP/SCS include continued emphasis on system preservation, investments that will improve system productivity as well as new projects that will close gaps in the system where it is currently inadequate.

Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario, stated that maintenance and preservation of existing infrastructure remain a challenge and noted he is supportive of legislation that directs counties to build in a funding source for operations and maintenance when a facility is constructed.

Hon. Karen Spiegel, Corona, urged caution in accepting responsibility for facility maintenance and requested a master list of projects by county. Mr. Amatya responded each member would be provided a link to access the list online.

Mr. Iddo Benzeevi, Highland Fairview Developers, spoke in favor of expansion of SR-60 to support the growing logistics industries in the area.

6. Update of SCAG's Regional Express Lane Network Study

Annie Nam, SCAG staff, introduced Darren Henderson, Vice President and Managed Lanes Project Director, Parsons Brinkerhoff, who provided an update on SCAG's Regional Express Lane Network Study. Mr. Henderson stated the study is funded by FHWA as well as local match from the county transportation commissions. It will contribute to the 2016 RTP/SCS by providing a more definitive express lane network plan. Mr. Henderson noted express lanes are dedicated lanes proactively managed in some way to help preserve capacity and provide mobility. The study will establish guidance on a consistent policy for operating both HOV and express lanes as they become connected between counties.

Mr. Henderson noted express lanes can be created by converting existing HOV lanes or building new capacity. Further, there are nearly 1000 miles of HOV lanes in Southern California although many are now experiencing degradation of traffic flows with increased use. Additionally, the goals of a regional express lane network include improved mobility, reliability, safety, enhanced financial sustainability as well as generating public and political support.

Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario, stated the first goal ought to be educating the public and generating political support as it is a critical first step before pursuing other goals.

Hon. Kris Murray, Anaheim, asked that the next presentation include an example of an express lane that is operating at a high level and generating revenue that is reinvested in the facility. Mr. Henderson responded that SR-91 is an example of a facility that provides mobility benefits to its users and its revenue has been leveraged for improvements in the corridor.

7. 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016 RTP/SCS) – Update – Regional Aviation Forecasts

Item deferred to a future meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Alan Wapner adjourned the meeting at 12:03 p.m. The next meeting of the Transportation Committee will be a Special Transportation Committee meeting Thursday,

July 23, 2015 at the SCAG Los Angeles office with videoconferencing to SCAG regional offices.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'AL', enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

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Alison Linder, Regional Planner  
Transportation Planning

**Transportation Committee Attendance Report**

**2015**

Member (including Ex-Officio) Last Name, First Name	Representing	X = County Represented						X = Attended				= No Meeting				NM = New Member			
		IC	LA	OC	RC	SB	VC	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	GA May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
1	Addleman, John	Rolling Hills Estates		X							X	X			X				
2	Antonovich, Michael*	Los Angeles County		X							X								
3	Ashton, Sean*	Downey																	NM
4	Bailey, Rusty*	Riverside, WRCOG				X					X	X							X
5	Becerra, Glen*	Simi Valley		X							X								
6	Benoit, Ben	Wildomar, WRCOG				X					X	X							X
7	Betts, Russell	Desert Hot Springs, CVAG				X					X	X			X	X			
8	Brown, Art*	Buena Park			X						X	X			X	X			
9	Campbell, Don	ICTC	X								X								X
10	Carey, Diana Lee	Westminster, OCCOG			X						X	X							X
11	Curtis, Jonathan*	La Cañada Flintridge		X							X	X			X				
12	Daniels, Gene*	Paramount		X							X	X			X	X			
13	Eaton, Paul*	Montclair					X				X				X	X			
14	Fuentes, Felipe*	Los Angeles		X											NM	X			
15	Giba, Jeffrey*	Moreno Valley				X									NM	X			
16	Hack, Bert	Laguna Woods			X						X	X							X
17	Hagman, Curt*	San Bernardino County					X				X				X	X			
18	Hamik, Jan*	Palm Desert, RCTC				X					X	X			X	X			
19	Harrington, Dave	Aliso Viejo, OCCOG			X							NM							X
20	Herrera, Carol	Diamond Bar		X								X							X
21	Hofbauer, Steven*	Palmdale/No. LA County		X							X	X			X				
22	Huizar, Jose*	Los Angeles		X															
23	Hyatt, Jim*	Calimesa				X					X	X			X	X			
24	Katapodis, Jim*	Huntington Beach			X						X	X			X	X			
25	Krupa, Linda	Hemet, WRCOG				X					X	X			X	X			
26	Lane, Randon*	Murrieta				X									X	X			
27	Lara, Severo	Ojai, VCTC						X				NM			X	X			
28	Ledford, James C.	Palmdale/No. LA County		X															X
29	Lopez, Antonio*	San Fernando		X											NM	X			
30	Lorimore, Clint*	Eastvale				X					X	X			X	X			
31	Marquez, Ray*	Chino Hills					X					X							X
32	Martinez, Michele*	Santa Ana			X						X	X			X	X			
33	Masiel Sr., Andrew*	Pechanga Luiseño Indians																	
34	McEachron, Ryan*	Victorville					X				X				X	X			
35	McLean, Marsha	Santa Clarita		X							X	X			X	X			
36	Medina, Dan*	Gardena		X							X	X			X	X			
37	Messina, Barbara* (Vice-Chair)	Alhambra		X							X	X			X	X			
38	Millhouse, Keith*	Moorpark						X			X	X							X
39	Moore, Carol	Laguna Woods, OCCOG			X							NM			X	X			
40	Murabito, Gene*	Glendora		X											NM	X			
41	Murray, Kns*	Anaheim			X						X	X			X	X			
42	Navarro, Frank*	Colton					X				X	X			X	X			
43	O'Connor, Pam*	Santa Monica		X								X							
44	O'Leary, Micheál	Culver City/WCCOG		X							X				X	X			
45	Parks, Bernard*	Los Angeles		X															
46	Pedroza, Sam*	Claremont		X							X	X			X	X			
47	Real Sebastian, Teresa	Monterey Park/SGVCOG		X							X	X			X				
48	Robinson, Dwight	Lake Forest, OCCOG			X							X							X
49	Saleh, Ali*	City of Bell, GCCOG		X															
50	Sandoval, Damon	Morongo Band of Mission Indians																	
51	Simonoff, Marty*	Brea			X							X							X
52	Sinanyan, Zareh	Glendale		X											NM				
53	Slater, Gary	Caltrans District 7										NM							
54	Solache, José Luis*	Lynwood		X															
55	Spence, David	Flintridge/Arroyo Verdugo Cities		X							X	X			X	X			
56	Spiegel, Karen*	Corona/WRCOG				X					X	X			X	X			
57	Stanton, Barb	Apple Valley					X								X	X			
58	Steel, Michelle*	Orange County			X						X	X			X				
59	Talamantes, Jess*	Burbank/SFVCOG		X							X	X							
60	Tercero, Brent	Pico Rivera		X							X	X							
62	Valentine, Olivia	Hawthorne, SBCOG		X															NM
61	Viegas-Walker, Cheryl*	El Centro	X								X	X			X	X			
63	Wapner, Alan* (Chair)	Ontario, SANBAG					X				X	X							X
64	Washington, Chuck*	Temecula, WRCOG				X						X							X
65	Wilson, Michael*	Indio, CVAG				X					X	X			X				
		<b>Totals</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>											

\* Regional Council Member