MEMO

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TO: Transportation and Communications Committee (TCC)

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RE: Presentation by State Office of Emergency Services

Background:

SAFETEALU, the new Federal Transportation Bill, identifies new areas of planning responsibility regarding such things as Transit Security and Emergency response to natural and man-made disasters which SCAG needs to address. SCAG is in the process of identifying appropriate ways to include these new elements in our various planning activities. In order to assist us in identifying critical issues that need to be addressed on this subject and to identify lessons learned from recent events (e.g. London Underground Attacks and Hurricane Katrina), staff has invited representatives from the State Office of Emergency Services to give an overview of current and emerging priorities.