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JOINT MEETING OF THE

REGIONAL COUNCIL, COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEES

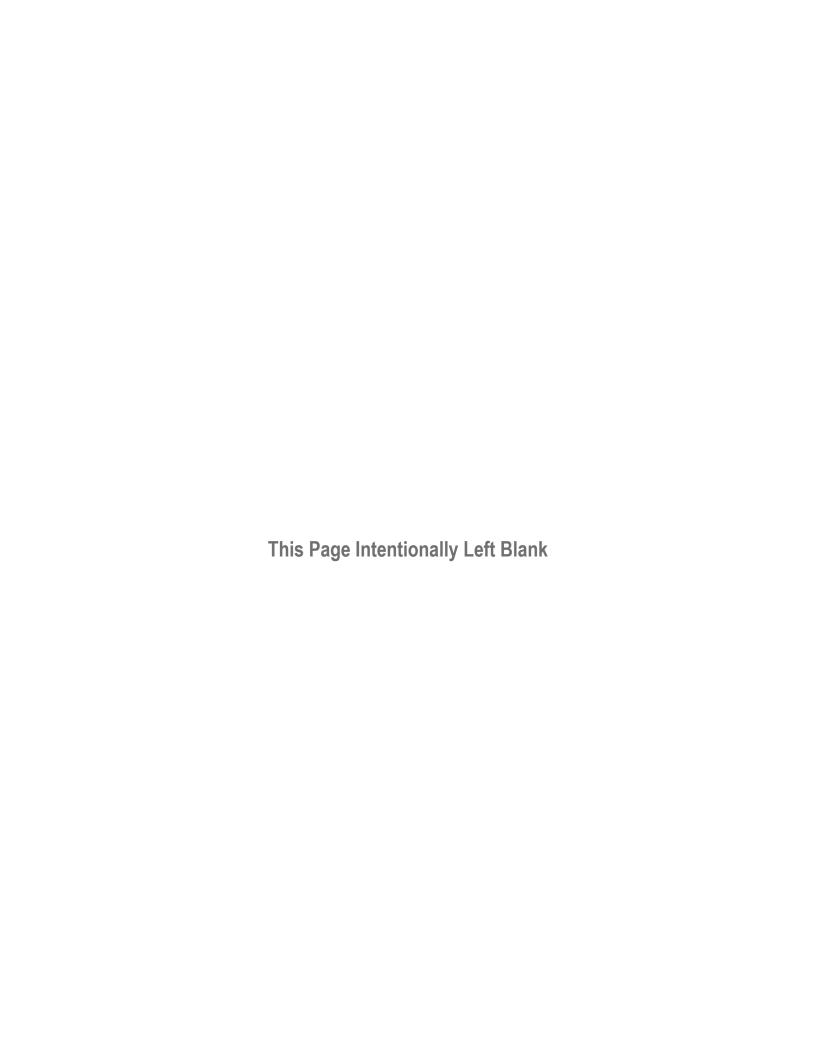
<u>PLEASE NOTE TIME</u> Friday, May 3, 2013 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

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JOINT MEETING AGENDA REGIONAL COUNCIL AND POLICY COMMITTEES

(COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE; ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE; TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE)

MAY 3, 2013

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(Hon. Greg Pettis, President)

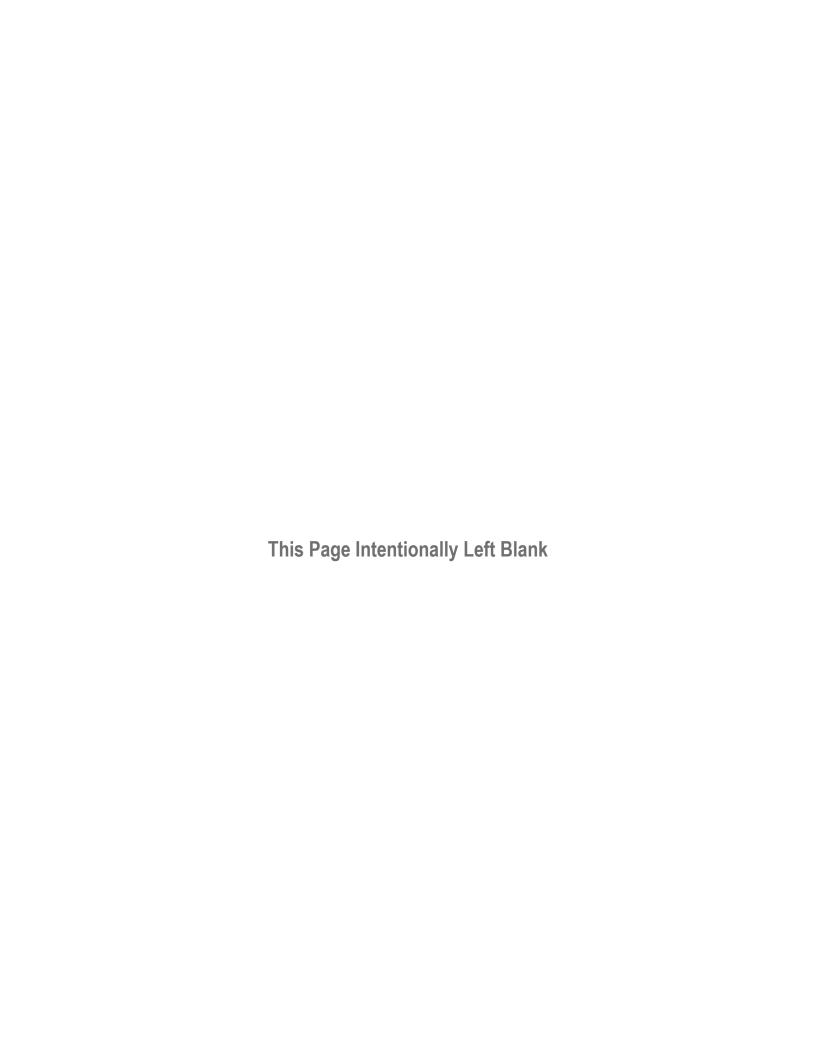
<u>PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD</u> – Members of the public desiring to speak on items on the agenda, or items not on the agenda, but within the purview of the Council, must fill out and present a Public Comment Card to the Assistant prior to speaking. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. The President has the discretion to reduce the time limit based upon the number of speakers. The President may limit the total time for all public comments to twenty (20) minutes.

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ADJOURNMENT





AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CEHD) COMMITTEE; ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE (EEC); AND THE

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC) OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS FEBRUARY 7, 2013

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS AND/OR DISCUSSIONS THAT OCCURRED AT THE JOINT MEETING. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT www.scag.ca.gov/scagtv.

EEC Members Present:

Representing

Chair* 1.	Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker	El Centro	District 1
Vice-Chair* 2.	Hon. James Johnson	Long Beach	District 30
* 3.	Hon. Sylvia Ballin	San Fernando	District 67
* 4.	Hon. Margaret Clark	Rosemead	District 32
5.	Hon. Larry Forester	Signal Hill	GCCOG
* 6.	Hon. Ed Graham	Chino Hills	District 10
* 7.	Hon. Keith Hanks	Azusa	District 33
* 8.	Hon. Lupe Ramos Watson	Indio	District 66
9.	Hon. Steven Hernandez		

CEHD Members Present

Representing

Vice-Chair* 1.	Hon. Margaret Finlay	Duarte	District 35
* 2.	Hon. Steven Choi	Irvine	District 14
*3.	Hon. James Gazeley	Lomita	District 39
* 4.	Hon. Bill Jahn	Big Bear Lake	District 11
* 5.	Hon. Kathryn McCullough	Lake Forest	District 13
* 6.	Hon. Carl Morehouse	San Buenaventura	District 47
* 7.	Hon. Kris Murray	Anaheim	District 19
* 8.	Hon. Bob Ring	Laguna Woods	OCCOG
9.	Hon. Deborah Robertson	Rialto	District 8

TC Members Present:

Representing

Chair *	1.	Hon. Keith Millhouse	Moorpark	VCTC	
*	2.	Hon. Michael D. Antonovich		Los Angeles County	
*	3.	Hon. Bruce Barrows	Cerritos	District 23	
*	4.	Hon. Lisa Bartlett		TCA	
*	5.	Hon. Glen. T. Becerra	Simi Valley	District 46	
*	6.	Hon. Bob Botts	Banning	RCTC	
*	7.	Hon. Art Brown	Buena Park	District 21	
*	8.	Hon. Stan Carroll	La Habra Heights	District 31	
*	9.	Hon. Jeff DeGrandpre	Eastvale	District 4	
*	10.	Hon. Frank Gurulé	Cudahy	District 27	
	11.	Hon. Bert Hack	Laguna Woods	OCCOG	
*	12.	Hon. Carol Herrera	Diamond Bar	District 37	
*	13.	Hon. Jim Hyatt	Calimesa	District 3	
	14.	Hon. Trish Kelley	Mission Viejo	OCCOG	
	15.	Hon. Marsha McLean	Santa Clarita	North L. A. County	
*	16.	Hon. Barbara Messina	Alhambra	District 34	
*	17.	Hon. Leroy Mills	Cypress	District 18	
*	18.	Hon. Brett Murdock	Brea	District 22	
*	19.	Hon. Steven Neal	Long Beach	District 29	
*	20.	Hon. Pam O'Connor	Santa Monica	District 41	
	21.	Hon. Micheal O'Leary	Culver City	WSCCOG	
*	22.	Hon. Gary Ovitt		San Bernardino County	
*	23.	Hon. Gregory Pettis	Cathedral City	District 2	
*	24.	Hon. Frank Quintero	Glendale	District 42	
*	25.	Hon. Ronald Roberts	Temecula	District 5	
	26.	Hon. David Spence	La Cañada/Flintridge	Arroyo-Verdugo Cities	
*	27.	Hon. Karen Spiegel	Corona	WRCOG	
	28.	Hon. Tim Spohn	City of Industry	SGVCOG	
*	29.	Hon. Jeff Stone		Riverside County	
*	30.	Hon. Donald Voss	La Cañada/Flintridge	District 36	

RC Members (not appointed to Policy Committees) Present: Representing

1.	Hon. James Morton	Lynwood	District 26
2.	Hon. Mike Munzing	Aliso Vieio	District 12

Staff Present

Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director
Sharon Neely, Chief Deputy Executive Director
Debbie Dillon, Deputy Executive Director, Administration
Joe Silvey, General Counsel
Joann Africa, Chief Counsel
Basil Panas, Acting Chief Financial Officer
Rich Macias, Director of Transportation Planning
Huasha Liu, Director of Land Use & Environmental Planning
Darin Chidsey, Director of Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs
Lillian Harris-Neal, Clerk of the Board
Tess Rey-Chaput, Office of Regional Council Support

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Glen Becerra, Simi Valley, District 46, called the meeting to order at approximately 11:10 a.m. Councilmember Karen Spiegel, Corona, WRCOG, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

As an employee of Southern California Edison, President Becerra announced that he was recusing himself and that First Vice President Greg Pettis would be presiding over the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

First Vice President Greg Pettis opened the Public Comment Period.

Arnold Sachs, resident of Lennox, commented regarding energy, power plants, and transportation issues as it relates to Measures R and J and commented regarding the half-cent sales tax increase.

First Vice President Greg Pettis closed the Public Comment Period.

DISCUSSION ITEM

Regional Energy Workshop – What is the Plan for Summer 2013 and Beyond?

First Vice President Greg Pettis, stated that as a follow-up to the July 5, 2012 Regional Council and Policy Committees' meeting regarding energy issues prompted by the closure of the San Onofre Nuclear Generation Station (SONGS), SCAG invited a panel of speakers to provide an update on current issues related to energy supply and demand, the near-term ability to meet peak demands during the upcoming summer months and the long-term perspective on the region's energy capacity and infrastructure. First Vice President Pettis explained that the purpose of today's joint meeting is to provide information to the members and no action is expected to be taken at today's meeting.

First Vice President Pettis welcomed and introduced Mark Nelson, Director of Generation Planning & Strategy, Southern California Edison (SCE). Mr. Nelson provided information on the timeline since the SONGS shut-down; its planned restart; and that SCE is collaboratively working with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). He stated that very specific transmission issues that provide voltage support are critical as it relates to energy reliability for the summer and beyond. He discussed energy conservation, measures, alternatives, challenges and potential solutions.

Mr. Nelson introduced Keith Casey, Vice President, Market and Infrastructure Development, California Independent Systems Operator (Cal-ISO). Mr. Casey provided information regarding Cal-ISO and its plan to meet summer demands while focusing on non-generation alternatives to mitigate the energy load for multiple contingency events. He discussed the SONGS mitigation plan; reported on the next steps for summer 2013 and beyond; and the continued focus on long-term plans.

Mr. Casey introduced Barry R. Wallerstein, Executive Officer, South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD). Mr. Wallerstein provided information on air quality as it relates to energy. He stated that traditional regional planning has been in silos instead of appropriate integration of energy reliability and security; transportation and mobility; air quality improvement needs; and climate change. In recognizing the need for integration, Mr. Wallerstein reported that AQMD adopted the Energy/Air Quality Policy which is currently reflected in the 2012 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP). Mr. Nelson described the continued need for fossil fuel plants in the region as well as the need for public education and community mitigation. Mr. Wallerstein stated that AQMD is working with various agencies on the energy issue and emphasized to maximize the co-benefits in developing solutions, reducing energy reliability while addressing local air pollution burden and energy costs.

Discussion ensued with comments provided by several members (Viegas-Walker, Neal, Messina, Morton, Betts, Robertson, Botts, Hack, Stone, Choi, and Hernandez).

On behalf of the Regional Council and Policy Committee members, Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director, thanked the panel of speakers and presented each of them with a token of appreciation.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Joint Meeting of the Regional Council and Policy Committees adjourned at 12:36 p.m.

DATE: May 3, 2013

TO: Regional Council (RC)

Transportation Committee (TC)

Community, Economic and Human Development (CEHD) Committee

Energy and Environment Committee (EEC)

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SUBJECT: Subcommittee Recommendations and Next Steps

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

For Information Only - No Action Required.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At its April 5, 2012 meeting, the Regional Council (RC) approved the formation of six (6) subcommittees to implement the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and develop a policy framework for the development of the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS. The Active Transportation Subcommittee, Goods Movement Subcommittee, High-Speed Rail and Transit Subcommittee, and Transportation Finance Subcommittee reported to the Transportation Committee (TC). The Public Health Subcommittee reported to the Energy and Environment Committee (EEC). The Sustainability Subcommittee reported to the Community, Economic and Human Development Committee (CEHD). Over the course of six (6) months, each of the subcommittees developed a set of recommendations that were subsequently approved by the respective policy committees, with modifications in some cases.

These recommendations will serve as a starting point in development of the 2016 RTP/SCS. The Draft Preliminary Schedule for Development of the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS (attached) was originally distributed to the Regional Council and all policy committees in the Fall of 2012. As part of the 2013 Regional Conference and General Assembly, this meeting will provide an opportunity for dialogue between policy committees as well as additional stakeholder input. All attendees of the 2013 Regional Conference and General Assembly are encouraged to attend and participate. To review past Subcommittee meeting agendas, presentations, and materials, please visit http://scag.ca.gov/committees.htm. Following the May 3, 2013 discussion, these recommendations will also be provided to the Regional Council for consideration at the June 6, 2013 meeting.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan, Goal 1: Improve regional decision-making providing leadership and consensus building on key plans and policies.

BACKGROUND:

At its April 5, 2012 meeting, the RC approved the formation of six (6) subcommittees to implement the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and develop a policy framework for the development of the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS. Charters for each subcommittee were approved by the RC at its July 5, 2012 meeting. SCAG President Glen



Becerra appointed to each of the subcommittees both RC and Policy Committee members, representing the six (6) SCAG counties, as Subcommittee members. President Becerra also appointed representatives from the private sector (including non-profit organizations) and stakeholder groups as ex-officio members.

The Subcommittees began meeting in the fall of 2012 and held a total of six (6) meetings each. Presentations by SCAG staff, industry professionals, and other stakeholders provided background information and input on issues facing the region relevant to each Subcommittee's area of focus to facilitate implementation of the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and develop policy recommendations for the next RTP/SCS.

In early 2013, each Subcommittee approved a set of recommendations and took action to forward the recommendations to its governing policy committee for review and recommended approval by the Regional Council. On April 4, 2013, the policy committees approved their respective Subcommittees' recommendations, in some cases with minor modifications. The recommendations are summarized below for discussion.

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Active Transportation Subcommittee

Recommendations and Next Steps

- 1. Develop a definition of "Active Transportation" which recognizes the varying types and needs of active transportation users.
 - Existing: Active Transportation refers to transportation such as: walking or using a bicycle, tricycle, velomobile, wheelchair, scooter, skates, skateboard, push scooter, trailer, hand cart, shopping car, or similar low-speed electrical devices. (Source: 2012-2035 RTP/SCS)
 - <u>Proposed</u>: Active Transportation refers to human-powered transportation and low-speed electronic assist devices for elderly and disabled. Examples include bicycle, electric assist bicycle, tricycle, wheelchair, scooter and skateboard. Excluded devices include mopeds, motorized skateboards, neighborhood electric vehicles and segways.

Next Steps:

Disseminate local definition throughout the organization, and its deliberative bodies. Pending further discussion and action by TC and Regional Council, include language in drafting the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS.



2. Consider and refine the availability of data and information to evaluate the RTP/SCS and its alternatives relative to active transportation policy.

- Provide the technical foundation for any potential improvements to performance measures
 and indicators by conducting research and identifying best methods for RTP/SCS alternatives
 evaluation and monitoring.
- Strengthen performance indicators to facilitate measuring the benefits of active transportation development.
- Expand data collection efforts by working with counties, cities, and stakeholders.

Next Steps:

Identify and assist local agencies that are adopting Active Transportation plans and programs. Train local planners through SCAG Programs.

3. Develop, with partner agencies, a methodology for selecting and prioritizing regionally supported active transportation projects.

- Continue to work with local jurisdictions in coordinating and integrating active transportation data and plans.
- Support the development of cost-effectiveness data and methodology to determine which projects may have the greatest benefit/cost.
- Work with partner stakeholders in Public Health, Land-Use Planning, Environmental Quality and Habitat Conservation to further enhance active transportation options.
- Support implementation of active transportation infrastructure, including bike racks, signals, wayfinding signage, and bikeshare, as appropriate.

Next Steps:

Continue to work with partners to develop methodologies that may determine active transportation demand (e.g. walkscore/bikescore) and benefits of projects.

4. Seek opportunities to promote and support transportation investments with an active transportation component.

- Support regulatory framework that considers active transportation an integral part of all transportation planning and development.
- Support regulatory framework that considers active transportation an integral part of land-use planning and development.
- Support and promote the consideration and accommodation of active transportation users, particularly in underserved communities, in all transportation projects, where applicable.
- Support goals and principles of Complete Streets recognizing context of local land-uses.
- Support and seek opportunities to promote and implement safety in active transportation.
- Continue to support research and/or development of best practices to justify investment in active transportation.



- Support and seek opportunities to increase active transportation funding (including, but not limited to Safe Routes to School, Cap and Trade, River Parkway Grants, regional trails, legislative strategies and other public and private grant opportunities).
- Seek opportunities to streamline environmental review of active transportation projects.

Next Steps:

Develop cost-effective investments and strategies that promote active transportation as part of 2016 RTP/SCS development process, subject to further stakeholder input and technical review, and work with transportation finance division to quantify costs and identify funding.

Goods Movement Subcommittee

Recommendations and Next Steps

- 1. Facilitate implementation of MAP-21 freight provisions—including participation in national freight network designation, state freight plan and national freight plan development.
 - Collaborate with regional, state and federal partners on development of state and national freight plans, including providing analyses and recommendations pertaining to the national freight network designation and sharing data and findings relevant to preparation of the California Freight Mobility Plan.
- 2. Facilitate implementation of freight initiatives identified in the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS—including monitoring of emerging supply chain trends to adapt key infrastructure strategies as needed.
 - Continue to analyze and understand goods movement trends and operations including international land border crossing freight distribution patterns, and domestic trade flows and local distribution activities.
 - Collaborate with regional partners to pursue further feasibility work on the East/West Freight Corridor.
- 3. Continue to promote and seek ongoing partnerships with regional partners to further advance deployment of near-zero and zero-emission goods movement strategies.
 - Continue to engage with regional partners, including the Los Angeles County Zero-Emission Collaborative, to identify opportunities for further research, development, demonstration, and deployment of zero-emission technologies that are emission reducing, cost-effective and safe.

Next Steps:

Focus on supporting the planning and implementation of adopted 2012 RTP/SCS projects and strategies, and identifying the tasks and resources needed in future Overall Work Programs (OWPs) to carry out the subcommittee recommendations.

 Continue to meet and collaborate with industry stakeholders and other regional partners to implement, monitor and refine as needed, the regional goods movement initiatives identified in the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS.



- Continue feasibility assessments and preliminary design with regional partners for an East/West Freight Corridor.
- Continue to participate in regional partnerships and pursue environmental action plan steps identified in the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS

High-Speed Rail and Transit Subcommittee

Recommendations and Next Steps

- 1. **Develop and refine a coordinated regional rail vision element for inclusion in the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS update.** The regional rail vision will build upon current and future statewide and regional efforts, including the California State Rail Plan, California High Speed Rail Authority's 2014
 Business Plan update, and freight rail strategies in SCAG's recently completed Comprehensive Regional Goods Movement Plan and Implementation Strategy.
- 2. **Identify, evaluate, and refine potential transit best practices and strategies for inclusion in the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS update.** This includes strategies to facilitate seamless travel on the region's transit system, improve transit service frequency and reliability, improve fare policy and pricing strategies, address transit and rail emergency preparedness, and provide transit and rail system performance data to support the RTP/SCS analysis.
- 3. Pursue strategies and recommendations identified by the Transportation Finance Subcommittee regarding funding opportunities affecting multiple modes, including transit and high-speed rail.

Next Steps:

Focus on supporting the planning and implementation of adopted 2012 RTP/SCS projects and strategies, and identifying the tasks and resources needed in future OWPs to carry out the subcommittee recommendations.

- Continue coordination with the county transportation commissions (CTC), Caltrans, and local jurisdictions on planning and programming of 2012 RTP/SCS projects and strategies, as appropriate, and continue to provide regular updates to the Transportation Committee.
- Identify potential research areas and resource needs for inclusion in a future OWP.

Transportation Finance Subcommittee

Recommendations and Next Steps

- 1. Continue to investigate cost-efficiency measures for transportation investments. SCAG will continue to analyze system preservation and full life-cycle costs for major transportation initiatives in the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS, track the economic benefits of expedited project delivery and support and seek opportunities to promote expedited project delivery, and support and promote Public-Private Partnership (P3) opportunities for viable transportation initiatives throughout the region.
- 2. Continue to monitor and analyze emerging transportation funding options for multimodal investments. SCAG will collaborate with regional partners to pursue opportunities to support transportation investments; including: Cap-and-Trade auction proceeds, and federal transportation



revenues, including adjustments to fuel excise taxes, sales taxes on transportation fuels, and vehicle registration fees.

- 3. Promote and seek ongoing partnerships with regional partners, business leaders, and other stakeholders to further SCAG's 2012-2035 RTP/SCS financial plan strategies. SCAG will continue to finalize a concept of operations plan for a regional network of express lanes; engage regional partners, in research, development, and demonstration efforts for a mileage-based user fee system; and support and promote a dedicated funding source for goods movement.
- 4. Continue to investigate and recommend strategies to mitigate cost to taxpayers (including mitigation measures that are not strictly transportation related) over the course of subsequent RTP cycles.

Next Steps:

Focus on supporting the planning and implementation of adopted 2012 RTP/SCS projects and strategies, and identifying the tasks and resources needed in future OWPs to carry out the subcommittee recommendations.

- Develop framework for a regional asset management system to better gauge system preservation and state of good repair needs as a part of the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS financial plan development process, consistent with SCAG's FY2013 OWP.
- Develop a white paper analyzing a comprehensive set of multimodal funding options—including near-term options to supplement strategies already adopted for the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS—for consideration as part of the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS financial plan development process.
- Staff participation in partnerships and continue to pursue foundational efforts for new revenue strategies.

Public Health Subcommittee

Recommendations and Next Steps

- 1. Seek opportunities to promote transportation options with an active component/physical activity.
 - Support goals and principles of Active Transportation Work Plan, as it pertains to public health for all communities, particularly sensitive communities.
 - Promote active transportation as a means to encourage active and healthy lifestyles, and as a means to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) and reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT).
 - Support and seek opportunities to further promote safety (related to crime and violence; and collision and injury) in active transportation.

Next Steps:

Develop cost-effective investments and strategies that promote an active life style as part of 2016-2040 RTP/SCS development process, subject to further stakeholder input and technical review, and work with transportation finance division to quantify costs and identify funding.



2. Provide robust public health data and information, as feasible, to better inform regional policy, the development of the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS, and support public health stakeholder participation.

- To the extent feasible, include information in the following emphasis areas:
 - o Monetary and health impacts of different plan alternatives
 - Physical activity
 - o Emissions and exposure
 - □ Consider implementation of zero- and/or near-zero emissions vehicles
 - o Safety
 - o Health outcomes (for example, incidence of chronic disease) (Note: SCAG currently does not possess data or technical capacity to produce health outcomes).
- Pursue feasible enhancements in data and analysis with regards to Environmental Justice report of RTP/SCS (for example, exposures and likely health issues).
- Coordinate and provide data and technical foundation for potential regional public health policy and expanded performance measures, as feasible.

Next Steps:

Pursue scenario planning tool enhancements to include increased and dynamic public health data. Solicit technical review through technical working groups and other forums. Prepare final recommendations on plan methodologies, data and performance measures in advance of release of draft plan in late 2015.

- 3. Promote and seek ongoing partnerships with regional partners, local public health departments and other stakeholders.
 - Participate, gather information and provide information in the So Cal Collaborative Active Transportation Team (run by the Southern California Chronic Disease Collaborative Public Health Institute), includes County Public Health Departments and San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG).
 - Reach out to non-traditional stakeholders (for example: school districts).
 - Engage regional partners, including transportation agencies, on how to include health considerations in planning and project delivery.
 - Seek collaboration and partnership on data sharing to assist in planning efforts.
 - Promote public health best practices through webinars, Toolbox Tuesday Workshops, or other forums.

Next Steps:

Staff participation in partnerships and continue reaching out to non-traditional stakeholders. Ongoing report out to partners (for example: Regional CEOs Sustainability Working Group and technical working groups) and policy committees.



Sustainability Subcommittee

Recommendations and Next Steps

- 1. Adopt the following as a definition of "Sustainability" which recognizes the importance of local decision-making, yet fosters regionally significant sustainability.
 - **Sustainability** We work with our partners, local governments, and stakeholders to achieve a quality of life, inclusive of economic well-being, that provides resources for today's generation while preserving an improved quality of life for future generations.

Next Steps:

Disseminate local definition throughout the organization, and its deliberative bodies. Pending further discussion and action by CEHD and Regional Council, include language in drafting the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS.

- 2. Consider and refine the availability of data and information to evaluate the RTP/SCS and its alternatives relative to sustainability, as defined.
 - Provide technical foundation for any potential improvements to performance measures and indicators by conducting research and identifying best methods for RTP/SCS alternatives evaluation and monitoring.
 - o Focus on strengthening the location efficiency indicator to guide sustainable development including, for example, jobs / housing fit and active transportation accessibility to neighborhood services.
 - Collect and refine data on fleet transformation from internal combustion engines to alternative fuels vehicles.
 - o Build off of ongoing research including state and other efforts.
 - Develop performance monitoring program for tracking the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS implementation.

Next Steps:

In consultation with technical working groups; modeling expert; and other partners, determine performance monitoring and measurement best practices for consideration. Continue improving the performance monitoring and assessment program.

- 3. Support regulatory framework and project delivery financing that allows for sustainable development.
 - Provide local examples of workable CEQA practices to statewide entities engaged in CEQA modernization discussions.
 - Provide support to local jurisdictions in local approval processes for TOD, in-fill and other types of sustainable development.
 - Engage in the development of replacement local investment tools for Community Redevelopment Agencies (CRA).



- Continue to encourage and facilitate Public Private Partnerships (PPP) as a local community development strategy.
- Continue to support research, and/or dissemination of best practices (e.g. through Sustainability Program grants) of dynamic local regulation of Parking, Multi-Modal Level of Service, and Complete Street best management practices.
- Should jurisdictions consider adopting or revising a local Climate Action Plan (CAP), encourage and assist them to do so in connection with General Plan updates, to ensure regulatory consistency.

Next Steps:

Report to Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC). Identify and assist local agencies that are adopting available CEQA amendments and local jurisdictions implementing alternative financing. Train local planners through SCAG Programs. Develop model ordinances and sample policy language through relevant Compass Blueprint Demonstration Projects. Promote the California Infrastructure Funding & Financing website that SCAG developed through the Compass Blueprint Program.

In addition to these three (3) areas the Sustainability Committee found common ground with the Active Transportation and Public Health Subcommittees in supporting and promoting Active Transportation.

4. Seek opportunities to promote transportation options with an active component/physical activity.

- Support goals and principles of Active Transportation Work Plan, as it pertains to sustainability.
- Promote active transportation as a means to encourage active and healthy lifestyles.
- Support and seek opportunities to promote safety in Active Transportation.
- Identify and assist jurisdictions planning for transit, Active Transportation, and transitoriented development (TOD) by providing regional case studies, and economic development data.
- Support deployment of zero- or near-zero emissions vehicle technology.

Next Steps:

Develop cost effective investments and strategies that promote active lifestyle as part of 2016 RTP/SCS development process, subject to further stakeholder input and technical review, and work with transportation finance division to quantify costs and identify funding.

Moving Forward

As part of the recommendations, each Subcommittee has identified next steps towards implementing the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and incorporating the policy framework into the development of the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS. Specific "next steps" for each of the Subcommittees are noted at the end of the policy



recommendations. For discussion purposes, the following are some of the broader "Next Steps" that may be applicable to all of the six (6) Subcommittees.

- Continue working collaboratively with public and private sector partners to implement the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and identify new challenges and opportunities associated with the development of the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS.
- Continue building on the success of the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS by working with our partners on those
 elements of the plan that are ready for implementation and modify those that need additional work or
 should be reconsidered altogether within the framework provided by the Subcommittees.
- Identify and align resources in SCAG's OWP to translate the Subcommittees' recommendations into specific action steps towards the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS.
- Develop and refine tools and data to quantify the impacts and benefits of the policies and strategies under consideration or which will be considered for the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds related to the work of the subcommittees are included in the FY 2012-2013 budget.

ATTACHMENT:

Draft Preliminary Schedule for Development of the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS



SCAG's DRAFT Preliminary Schedule for Development of the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS as of January 2013

This schedule provides a preliminary summary of development and phasing for the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS. Both the technical framework and timeline for collaboration with regional stakeholders are presented in detail. It is important to note that as development of the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS solidifies, changes may be made to account for input from our governing bodies and our partner agencies.

2012 Basic Approach/Framework and Program Set up

2013

Establishing Technical Bases and Data Collection

2014

Focus on Major Policy Directions

2015

Establishing the Plan and Engaging the Public

2016

Finalizing the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS



SEPTEMBER 2012-MARCH 2013

New SCAG Subcommittees to begin policy development around their respective emphasis areas and identify regional priorities



JANUARY 2013-MARCH 2014
Work with local jurisdictions to collect, review, and approve data, GIS forecast for 2016-2040
RTP/SCS



MARCH 2015
Delegated Subregions complete their Sustainable Communities Strategies and submit their plans to SCAG

Development of alternatives for achieving SCAG's regional GHG reduction targets, as set

by ARB, and conformity emission budgets set

in applicable State Implementation Plans

JANUARY-MARCH 2015

MARCH 2015
Final input on planned projects from the CTCs for the Draft 2016-2040 RTP/SCS

APRIL-JUNE 2015

Conduct county-specific Draft 2016-2040 RTP/SCS Planning Workshops to fulfill SB 375 outreach requirements (16 workshops minimum, including extensive outreach for public participation)

MAY 2015

SCAG's General Assembly & Regional Council

SEPTEMBER 2015

Joint Policy Committees recommend Regional Council to release the Draft PEIR and Draft 2016-2040 RTP/SCS for public review and comment

OCTOBER 2015

RC approves the release of the Draft PEIR and Draft 2016-2040 RTP/SCS for public review and comment

OCTOBER 2015

Conduct extensive outreach to cities, counties, stakeholders, and the public on the Draft 2016-2040 RTP/SCS and PEIR to fulfill State & Federal requirements. Start of public input on the Draft RTP/SCS document

FEBRUARY 2016

Conclude and finalize Economic & Job Creation Analysis Component of the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS

MARCH 2016

Joint Policy Committees recommend approval to Regional Council of proposed Final PEIR, conformity determination, and 2016-2040 RTP/SCS

APRIL 2016

Regional Council certifies Final PEIR and approves conformity determination and 2016-2040 RTP/SCS

JULY-DECEMBER 2012

- Determine the basics: What will be the base year/horizon year? How will this match up with available data from national and state-wide resources?
- Development of Draft Framework and Approach/Methodology: How will we get there?
- Data/GIS, Model/Tool Development: What will be the tools used to quantify outcomes?
- Identify uncertainties: What factors are outside our control? (e.g. ARB GHG Target revisions, planning for jurisdictions that require 4 year housing element cycle?)

Public Outreach and Input from Local Jurisdictions

Staff Actions in Relation to Policy/Plan Development

Regional Council Policy Committees/Subcommittees

SCS Development for Delegated Subregions

Milestones

JANUARY-MARCH 2013

Discuss the framework and methodology for development of the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS

JANUARY-MAY 2013

Collect and review general plan, existing land use, zoning and SB 375 planning considerations

MARCH-MAY 2013

Findings from the Subcommittees will be presented at SCAG's Regional Council, Policy Committees, and General Assembly

APRIL-JUNE 2013

Communicate with jurisdictions and stakeholders about the implementation of SCAG's work plan for the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS

JULY-SEPTEMBER 2013

Revise/update regional county level growth forecast of population, household, and employment

OCTOBER 2013

Roll out growth forecast (base year 2012 and all projection years), and review process

DECEMBER 2013

Complete preliminary calibrations to SCAG's technical models

JANUARY-SEPTEMBER 2014

Obtain input from cities and counties for SCAG's Growth Forecast and develop list of local scenario planning options, through one-on-one meetings and subregional workshops, as applicable

JANUARY 2014

Subregions sign letter of intent to accept SCS delegation and submit this document to SCAG

APRIL-MAY 2014

SCAG submits its regional GHG reduction methodology and GHG Reduction Targets to ARB (pending further discussion)

MAY 2014

SCAG's General Assembly & Regional Council

SEPTEMBER 2014

Deadlines for input from local jurisdictions on SCAG's Growth Forecast, and for County Transportation Commissions (CTCs) to provide preliminary input on all planned projects to SCAG for the RTP/SCS

OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2014

Seek policy input/direction from Policy Committees and Regional Council on: the Scope of the Program Environmental Impact Report and RTP/SCS Strategies

DECEMBER 2014

Growth Forecast, Land Use Patterns, and Preliminary Financial Assumptions for the RTP/SCS to be completed Page 15

OCTOBER 2015-MARCH 2016

Conduct workshops with Elected Officials and other appropriate outreach to fulfill State & Federal outreach requirements



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