TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY WORKING GROUP of the SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

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THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF THE MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY WORKING GROUP. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Meeting of the Transportation Conformity Working Group was held at the SCAG office in Los Angeles.

In Attendance:

Chiou, Wayne Caltrans, District 12 Melton, Wilford Caltrans, District 7

Morris, Michael FHWA Sherwood, Arnie UC Berkeley

SCAG:

Asuncion, John Au, Anita

Barajas, Agustin Luo, Rongsheng Tran, Daniel

Via Teleconference:

Brugger, Ron LSA Associates
Cacatian, Ben VC APCD
Chu, Philip SBCTA

Gallo, Ilene Caltrans, District 11 Hudson, Kerrie Caltrans, District 8

Huddleston, Lori Metro Tisopulos, Tara OCTA

Pereira, Melina Caltrans, District 11

Sun, Lijin SCAQMD

Tavitas, Rodney Caltrans, Headquarters

Tax, Wienke EPA, Region 9

Wade, Dennis ARB

Walecka, Carla Transportation Corridor Agencies

Yoon, Andrew Caltrans, District 7

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1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND SELF-INTRODUCTION

Wayne Chiou, TCWG Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

2.0 **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

None.

3.0 **CONSENT CALENDAR**

3.1 <u>March 28, 2017 TCWG Meeting Minutes</u> The meeting minutes were approved.

4.0 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

4.1 FTIP Update

John Asuncion, SCAG, reported that SCAG staff was working on analysis and review of projects for 2017 FTIP Amendment #17-08, and the Amendment was expected to be released for public review by early May 2017.

4.2 RTP Update

Daniel Tran, SCAG, reported the following:

- 2016 RTPS/SCS Amendment #1 was adopted by SCAG Regional Council in early April and subsequently submitted to FHWA/FTA for approval.
- FHWA/FTA final conformity determination letter for Amendment #1 was expected by mid-May.
- Approved by SCAG Transportation Committee for public release in early April, 2016 RTP/SCS Amendment #2 was undergoing a 30-day comment period, scheduled to end on May 8th.
- Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS Amendment #2 was planned to be presented to Transportation Committee in June 2017 and Regional Council in July.
- FHWA/FTA approval of Amendment #2 was anticipated by late summer.
- PEIR Addendum had been prepared as CEQA document for Amendment #2.

4.3 EPA Update

Wienke Tax, EPA Region 9, reported that EPA continued to work with SCAQMD and ARB to address previously discussed South Coast sanction clocks and she would continue to provide status update to TCWG.

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4.4 ARB Update

Dennis Wade, ARB, reported the following:

- 2016 Ventura County Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) was adopted by ARB in March and subsequently submitted to U.S. EPA.
- 2016 South Coast AQMP was also adopted by ARB in March and expected to be submitted to U.S. EPA shortly.

4.5 <u>Air Districts Update</u>

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, reported the following on behalf of Alan De Salvio, Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District (AQMD):

- Western Mojave Desert Federal 75 ppb Ozone Attainment Plan was adopted by Mojave Desert and Antelope Valley AQMDs in February and March 2017 respectively.
- The Plan addresses 2008 8-hour ozone national ambient air quality standards and had been subsequently submitted to ARB for review.

5.0 **INFORMATION SHARING**

Rodney Tavitas, Caltrans Headquarters, announced that next Statewide Conformity Working Group meeting would be held on May 17, 2017, 9 am to 12 pm; meeting agenda and materials would be posted on Statewide Conformity Working Group website shortly (http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/env/air/state_cwg/CWGindex.htm); and teleconference would be available.

6.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 am.

The next Transportation Conformity Working Group meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at the SCAG office in downtown Los Angeles.