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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:**

Chung, Jeeseong Nord, Greg Morris, Michael

# SCAG:

Asuncion, John Au, Anita Luo, Rongsheng Luo, Yunsheng Tran, Daniel

#### **<u>Via Teleconference</u>**:

Alvarez, Grace Aurastech. Reza Betash. Arman Cacatian, Ben Castro, Fernando DeHate. Eric Gallo, Ilene Hudson, Kerrie Lee, Jeannie Malisos. Achilles Pereira, Melina Sheehey, Erin Sheffer, Melissa Tavitas, Rodney Vaughn, Joseph Walecka, Carla Wade, Dennis Yoon, Andrew

LA Metro OCTA FHWA

RCTC Caltrans. District 12 Caltrans, District 12 VCAPCD Caltrans, District 7 RCTC Caltrans, District 11 Caltrans, District 8 **OCTA** Michael Baker International Caltrans, District 11 OCTA **SCAQMD** Caltrans Headquarters FHWA TCA ARB Caltrans, District 7

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# 1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND SELF-INTRODUCTION

Greg Nord, OCTA, called the meeting to order at 10:07 am.

# 2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

# 3.0 <u>CONSENT CALENDAR</u>

3.1 <u>April 26, 2016 Meeting Minutes</u> The meeting minutes were approved.

#### 4.0 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

4.1 <u>Review of PM Hot Spot Interagency Review Forms</u>

#### 1) **LA0D29**

It was reaffirmed that this is not a POAQC (EPA concurrence was received via email prior to the meeting).

#### 2) LA0G1047

An Exempt project and was withdrawn by Metro on July 25, 2016.

#### 3) ORA130302

It was determined that this is not a POAQC (TCWG concurrence was received via email after the meeting).

#### 4) **RIV110825**

It was determined that this is not a POAQC (EPA concurrence was received via email prior to the meeting).

#### 4.2 <u>FTIP Update</u>

John Asuncion, SCAG, reported the following:

- Including Congestion Management Process (CMP) as a new element, Draft 2017 FTIP was scheduled to be presented to SCAG's Transportation Committee on July 7, 2016 for public release.
- Two public hearings would be held on July 14 and July 21, 2016 respectively.
- 2017 FTIP was scheduled to be presented to SCAG's Regional Council for adoption in September 2016.

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• State and federal approvals of 2017 FTIP were anticipated in November and December 2016, respectively.

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, reported the following:

- Draft 2017 FTIP conformity analysis was included as three Sections of Draft 2017 FTIP Technical Appendix Volume II:
  - Section I is a summary of conformity requirements and findings.
  - Section II includes detailed results of regional emissions analysis.
  - Section III is TCM Timely Implementation Report.
- Draft Conformity Analysis demonstrated that Draft 2017 FTIP met all conformity requirements.
- Draft 2017 FTIP Conformity Analysis was scheduled to be presented to SCAG's Energy and Environmental Committee as an information item on July 7, 2016 and go through a 30 day public review period as part of Draft 2017 FTIP.
- 2017 FTIP Conformity Analysis was scheduled to be presented to Energy and Environmental Committee for recommendation to Regional Council for adoption in September 2016.
- Federal approval of conformity determination for 2017 FTIP would need to be received by December 15, 2016.
- 4.3 <u>RTP Update</u>

Daniel Tran, SCAG, reported the following:

- SCAG received joint conformity determination letters from FHWA and FTA on June 1 and June 2, 2016 respectively, indicating that all federal transportation conformity requirements for 2016 RTP/SCS and associated 2015 FTIP consistency amendment have been met.
- FHWA/FTA conformity determinations will remain in effect for four years.
- 4.4 <u>EPA Update</u> None.

# 4.5 <u>ARB Update</u>

Dennis Wade, ARB, reported the following:

- Draft conformity budgets for Coachella Valley and South Coast region had been released for interagency consultation for 2008 8-hour ozone, 2012 annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> and 2006 24-hour PM<sub>2.5</sub> standards.
- Draft conformity budgets for West Mojave Desert region for 2008 8-hour ozone standards would be developed in August or September 2016.
- Draft conformity budgets for Ventura County were anticipated to be released for interagency consultation today or tomorrow.

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- Draft conformity budgets for Imperial County would be developed in July 2016 for 2012 annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> standards, August or September 2016 for PM<sub>10</sub> standards, and November 2016 for 2008 8-hour ozone standards.
- 4.6 <u>Air Districts Update</u> Melissa Sheffer, SCAQMD, reported that Draft 2016 South Coast AQMP was scheduled to be released for public review by June 30, 2016.

Ben Cacatian, VCAPCD, reported the following:

- Draft 2016 Ventura County AQMP/SIP for 2008 8-hour Ozone Standard was anticipated to be released in September 2016 for a 30-day review and adopted by VCAPCD Board in November 2016.
- Ventura County AQMP/SIP was anticipated to be submitted to ARB in December 2016 for transmittal to EPA as Ventura County portion of South Central Coast Air Basin SIP.

# 5.0 INFORMATION SHARING

None.

# 6.0 <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am.

The next Transportation Conformity Working Group meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 26, 2016 at the SCAG office in downtown Los Angeles.