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:

Huddleston, Lori Metro Morris, Michael FHWA

SCAG:

Asuncion, John Luo, Rongsheng Ng, Emily

Via Teleconference:

Barajas, Agustin SCAG

Brugger, Ron LSA Associates
Phan, Paul Caltrans District 8
Gallo, Ilene Caltrans District 11

Gomez, Virginia TCA

Lau, Charles

Caltrans District 7

Lay, Keith

HDR Engineering

O'Connor, Karina

Odufalu, Olufemi

Sanchez, Lucas

Caltrans District 8

Caltrans Headquarters

Sherwood, Arnold UCB Vaughn, Joseph FHWA

Yoon, Andrew Caltrans District 7

1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND SELF-INTRODUCTION

Lori Huddleston, TCWG Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

2.0 **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no public comments.

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3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

3.1. <u>June 26, 2018 TCWG Meeting Minutes</u> The meeting minutes were approved.

4.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

4.1 Review of PM Hot Spot Interagency Review Form

1) LA0G830

It was determined that this is not a POAQC.

4.2 FTIP Update

John Asuncion, SCAG, reported the following:

- On July 9, 2018, SCAG Executive Administration Committee approved release of Draft 2019 FTIP and 2016 RTP/SCS Consistency Amendment #3 for a 30-day public review and comment period beginning on July 10, 2018 and concluding on August 8, 2018.
- 2019 FTIP was a six-year funding program with \$34.6 billion and over 2,000 projects. The document was accessible online at SCAG's website.
- One public hearing was held on July 17th, and second public hearing would be held on July 26, 2018 at SCAG's downtown Los Angeles office with video conferencing at SCAG regional offices in addition to Palmdale and South Bay.
- Public comments would be accepted through the hearings and online. All public comments received would be compiled and responded to.
- Draft 2019 FTIP and 2016 RTP/SCS Amendment #3 would be presented to SCAG's Energy and Environment Committee and Transportation Committee for recommendation to Regional Council for adoption in September 2018, with state approval anticipated in November and federal approval in mid-December.
- 2017 FTIP Amendment #17-22 was just completed.
- There would be only one more 2017 FTIP amendment, Administrative Modification #17-23, and for emergency-type projects only.

4.3 RTP Update

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, reported the following on behalf of Daniel Tran, SCAG:

 Concurrent to Draft 2019 FTIP, staff had also prepared 2016 RTP/SCS Consistency Amendment #3 allowing for changes to long-range RTP/SCS

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projects in addition to modeling changes to local and state highway and transit projects that would be carried forward as part of 2019 FTIP.

• Draft 2016 RTP/SCS Amendment #3 was available for public review and comment, and could be accessed online at www.scagrtpscs.net. Public comment period would close on August 8, 2018, and comments related to 2016 RTP/SCS Amendment #3 should be directed to Daniel Tran via email at tran@scag.ca.gov.

4.4 EPA Update

There was no new EPA update.

In response to a question, Karina O'Connor, EPA, confirmed that upcoming proposed EPA SIP approval would be for South Coast 2006 PM_{2.5} standard SIP, not 2012 PM_{2.5} standard SIP.

4.5 ARB Update

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, reported the following on behalf of Nesamani Kalandiyur, ARB staff:

- EMFAC2017 submittal letter was sent out to U.S. EPA on July 23, 2018.
- EPA was expected to receive the letter this week and start evaluation process soon.

4.6 Air Districts Update

There were no new air district updates.

5.0 <u>INFORMATION SHARING</u>

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, announced that Amina Karwa and Emily Ng, two SCAG air quality and conformity program interns, would complete their internship soon to focus on their studies in upcoming school year. Mr. Luo thanked them for their wonderful work and wished them all the best in their academic pursuit.

6.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am. The next Transportation Conformity Working Group meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at the SCAG main office in downtown Los Angeles.