



VENTURA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

AGENDA

Thursday, January 13, 2011
5:00 p.m.
City of Camarillo
Council Chambers
601 Carmen Drive
Camarillo, CA 93010

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **FLAG SALUTE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **ELECTION OF CHAIR-ELECT**
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

At this time, members of the public may comment on any item not appearing on the agenda upon completion of a speaker card. Individual Board Members may briefly respond to Public Comments or ask questions for clarification.

6. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**
7. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. **November 4, 2010 Minutes** – Approve
- B. **Quarterly Budget Report** – Receive and File
- C. **FY 2009/10 Audited Financial Statements** – Receive and File

MEMBERS

<u>City of Camarillo</u> Michael Morgan, Member Kevin Kildee, <i>Alternate</i>	<u>City of Fillmore</u> Patti Walker, Member Gayle Washburn, <i>Alternate</i>	<u>City of Moorpark</u> Janice Parvin, Member Mark Van Dam, <i>Alternate</i>	<u>City of Ojai</u> Carol Smith, Member Steve Olson, <i>Alternate</i>
<u>City of Oxnard</u> Thomas Holden, Member Irene Pinkard, <i>Alternate</i>	<u>City of Port Hueneme</u> , Member Sylvia Munoz Schnoop, <i>Alternate</i>	<u>City of San Buenaventura</u> Carl Morehouse, Member Brian Brennan, <i>Alternate</i>	<u>City of Santa Paula</u> , Member Jim Tovias, <i>Alternate</i>
<u>City of Simi Valley</u> , Member Barbra Williamson, <i>Alternate</i>	<u>City of Thousand Oaks</u> Tom Glancy, Member Jaqui Irwin, <i>Alternate</i>	<u>County of Ventura</u> Linda Parks, Member John Zaragoza, <i>Alternate</i>	

8. ORDER OF BUSINESS

- A. **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE** - Support proposed Comprehensive Tax Swap Package
- B. **2011 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM** - Approve 2011 Legislative Program
- C. **COMPACT FOR A SUSTAINABLE VENTURA COUNTY PHASE II** –
Receive the Final Compact for a Sustainable Ventura County Phase II Report and draft compact language.

Acknowledge the Ventura County Civic Alliance will initiate a targeted outreach effort to build support from individual community and stakeholder leaders.

- D. **SB 375 UPDATE** – Receive and File

9. AGENCY REPORTS

- A. Southern California Association of Governments
- B. Ventura County Transportation Commission
- C. League of California Cities
- D. Other Agencies

10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

11. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Any Board Member may propose items for placement on a future agenda. Members may discuss whether or not the item should be agendized and the description of the agenda item.

12. ADJOURNMENT TO MARCH 10, 2011

Copies of staff reports or other written documentation relating to each item of business referred to on this agenda are on file at the Ventura County Transportation Commission and are available for public inspection. If you have any questions regarding any agenda item, contact the Executive Director at (805) 642-1591.

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**VENTURA COUNCIL
OF GOVERNMENTS**

MEMORANDUM

Item #4

TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Darren Kettle, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Election of Chair-Elect
DATE: January 13, 2011

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board of Directors elect a Chair-Elect for 2011.

Discussion: Under the VCOG Joint Powers Authority Agreement, the Chair-Elect automatically becomes Chair at the beginning of each calendar year and the Board elects a new Chair-Elect. Moorpark Mayor Janice Parvin was elected Chair-Elect in 2010 and automatically becomes Chair for 2011. Staff recommends that the Board elect a Chair-Elect for 2011. The newly elected Chair-Elect would become Chair in 2012.



Item #7A

MEETING SUMMARY

Thursday, November 4, 2010
5:00 p.m.

City of Santa Paula
Council Chambers
970 East Ventura Street
Santa Paula, CA 93060

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **FLAG SALUTE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Chair Gabino Aguirre	City of Santa Paula
Vice Chair Janice Parvin	City of Moorpark
Member Michael Morgan	City of Camarillo
Member Thomas Holden	City of Oxnard
Member Patti Walker	City of Fillmore
Member Paul Miller	City of Simi Valley
Member Carl Morehouse	City of San Buenaventura
Member Linda Parks	County of Ventura

Absent: Cities of Port Hueneme, Thousand Oaks and Ojai.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Santa Paula Mayor Jim Tovias welcomed VCOG to Santa Paula and wished outgoing Chair Santa Paula Councilmember Aguirre well in his future endeavors/

Linda Braunschweiger, spoke on behalf of the Ventura County Housing Trust Fund, stating that their mission is to support more housing choices, by generating and leveraging financial resources, working in partnership with the public, private and non-profit sectors throughout Ventura County.

5. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

6. **APPROVAL OF THE FINAL AGENDA - *Approved***

7. **CONSENT CALENDAR- *Approved***

- A. **Minutes** – Adopt the Minutes of the September 9, 2010 Meeting
- B. **Quarterly Budget Report** – Receive and File.

8. **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

A. **INMATE RELEASE PROGRAM UPDATE –**

Tom Cady, President of TKC Enterprises presented the results of a feasibility study on a potential prison reentry program. ***Received and Filed***

B. **SB 375 PLANNING EFFORTS UPDATE –** *Received and Filed*

C. **LEGISLATIVE POSITION POLICY –** *Approved*

D. **PLASTIC GROCERY BAG DISCUSSION**

Staff was directed to take this issue to city managers and return to VCOG with a recommendation as to how VCOG should proceed with this matter.

9. **AGENCY REPORTS**

Southern California Association of Governments
Ventura County Transportation Commission
League of California Cities
Other Agencies

10. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

11. **CLOSED SESSION**

Annual Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Government Code § 54957. Title:
Executive Director

12. **REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

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13. **ADJOURNMENT TO JANUARY 13, 2011**



MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Sally DeGeorge, Finance Director
SUBJECT: Quarterly Budget Report
DATE: January 13, 2011

Recommendation: Receive and file.

Discussion:

The Ventura Council of Governments (VCOG) and the Ventura County Transportation Commission (VCTC) entered into a cooperative agreement on July 10, 2009 for the VCTC to administer the functions and activities of VCOG which included the financial reporting responsibilities.

The December , 2010 quarterly budget report indicates that revenues were approximately 100.0% of the adopted budget while expenditures were approximately 78.5% of the adopted budget. Although the percentage of the budget year completed is shown, be advised that neither the revenues nor the expenditures occur on a percentage or monthly basis.

**VENTURA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
BALANCE SHEET
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2010**

Assets:

Cash and Investments – Wells Fargo Bank	\$67,413
Receivables	<u>0</u>

Total Assets:	<u>\$67,413</u>
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Liabilities:

Accrued Expenses	\$ 0
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Total Liabilities:	<u>\$ 0</u>
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Fund Balance:

Fund Balance	<u>\$67,413</u>
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Total Liabilities and Fund Balance:	<u>\$67,413</u>
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**VENTURA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2010**

Revenues	Year to Date Actual	Budgeted	Variance Over/(Under)	% Year to Date
Local fees - Dues	\$64,994	\$64,994	\$ 0	100.0%
Other Revenues	0	0	0	0.0%
Interest	28	0	28	%
Total Revenues	<u>65,022</u>	<u>64,994</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
Expenditures				
Accounting Services	1,000	2,500	(1,500)	40.0%
Dinner Meeting Executive	0	3,000	(3,000)	0.0%
Administration	50,000	50,000	0	100.0%
Miscellaneous/Bank Fees	442	5,000	(4,558)	8.8%
Special Projects	0	5,000	(5,000)	0.0%
Total Expenditures	<u>51,442</u>	<u>65,500</u>	<u>(14,058)</u>	<u>78.5%</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>13,580</u>	<u>(506)</u>	<u>14,086</u>	
Beginning Fund Balance	<u>53,833</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>3,833</u>	
Ending Fund Balance	<u>\$67,413</u>	<u>\$49,494</u>	<u>\$17,919</u>	



**VENTURA COUNCIL
OF GOVERNMENTS**

Item #7C

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Sally DeGeorge, Finance Director
SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2009/2010 Audited Financial Statements
DATE: January 13, 2011

Recommendation: Receive and file.

Discussion:

The Ventura Council of Governments (VCOG) and the Ventura County Transportation Council (VCTC) entered into a cooperative agreement on July 10, 2009 for the VCTC to administer the functions and activities of VCOG which included the financial reporting responsibilities.

Attached in a separate report is the Fiscal Year 2009/2010 audited financial statements presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) and are audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by independent certified public accountants. The auditors, Vavrinek, Trine, Day and Company, LLP, issued an unqualified opinion on the Ventura Council of Government's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2010. The independent auditor's report is included at the beginning of the attached audited financial statements. Also included as a separate attachment are the SAS 114 and GAS Opinion reports.

Management assumes full responsibility for the completeness and reliability of all of the information presented in this report, based upon the Commission's comprehensive framework of internal controls established for this purpose. Because the cost of internal control should not exceed anticipated benefits, the objective is to provide reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance that the financial statements are free of any material misstatements.

The Ventura Council of Governments ended Fiscal Year 2009/2010 with an unreserved ending fund balance of \$53,833.



**VENTURA COUNCIL
OF GOVERNMENTS**

MEMORANDUM

Item #8A

TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Peter De Haan, VCTC Programming Director
SUBJECT: Legislative Update
DATE: January 13, 2011

Recommendation: Support proposed Comprehensive Tax Swap Package.

Discussion:

The passage of Proposition 26 in the November 2010 election has created significant uncertainty regarding transportation funds. An analysis by the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) committee of County Counsels has raised concern that Proposition 26 could repeal the fuel tax increase portion of the fuel tax swap which the Legislature approved in 2010, without restoring the Proposition 42 sales tax that was eliminated, unless there is a two-thirds vote of the Legislature. As a result, there could be a significant loss of transportation revenues, including the elimination of the "Proposition 42 Replacement" funds for local streets and roads, equal to \$13.8 million for agencies in Ventura County, as well as the elimination of virtually all State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds available for the Ventura County Transportation Commission (VCTC) to program for state highway improvements. The Legislative Analysis Office, on the other hand, has suggested that both parts of the swap could be undone without further Legislative action, resulting in no revenue reduction. The CSAC analysis recommended the Legislature eliminate the uncertainty by re-approving the fuel tax swap by a two-thirds vote.

A coalition is now being developed to press for a legislative "fix" to address Proposition 26's effect on the fuel tax swap. The coalition is expected to include CSAC, the League of California Cities, Transportation California, the California Alliance for Jobs, and regional agencies. The centerpiece of the comprehensive strategy is the re-approval of the swap by a two-thirds vote of the Legislature, thus eliminating the grounds for a legal challenge based on Proposition 26. The proposed "fix" would also include legislative changes to use 75% of the Public Transportation Account for transit operations through the State Transit Assistance program, more than the 50% guaranteed by Proposition 22. In addition, the proposal would reinstate the General Fund relief which the swap would have provided were it not for Proposition 22, through use of truck weight fees for transportation bond debt service, which Proposition 22 does not preclude. Attached is a draft summary of the coalition proposal to address the impact of Proposition 26 and transportation revenues. Staff recommends that VCOG support this proposal.

VCTC's adopted 2011 Legislative Program includes a provision to support the protection of transportation revenues threatened by Proposition 26, and the proposal in Attachment A appears to provide the protection that VCTC seeks, so based on VCTC's Legislative Program the Commission is in support of the coalition proposal and would support any other proposal that would provide similar protection for

transportation revenues. However, the proposed Tax Swap Package is considered to have the best chance of two-thirds Legislative approval given that it preserves most of the General Fund savings which had been generated by the swap.

Attachments

Attached for information is the following item for the Board's consideration:

Attachment: Summary of Proposed Comprehensive Tax Swap Package

Comprehensive Transportation Tax Swap Package

December 9, 2010

Comprehensive Transportation Tax Swap Proposal**The Solution**

In order to address issues with the Transportation Tax Swap enacted in March 2010 (AB 8X 6: Tax Provisions and AB 8X 9: Allocation Formulas) resulting from the passage of Proposition 22 and Proposition 26, the Legislature should pass a comprehensive solution that addresses state general fund, state and local transportation, and transit concerns. The comprehensive package should:

1. Validate the tax provisions as contained in AB 8X 6 with a 2/3rds vote of the Legislature;
2. Approve the transfer of Transportation Weight Fees from the State Highway Account to the General Fund; and
3. Reenact a revised AB 8X 9 (Allocations Formulas) that allows the new 17.3-cent gas excise tax and 1.75 percent sales tax rate increase on diesel to be allocated for its intended uses and achieves the same fiscal results anticipated in March. This includes:
 - a) Language to allocate the new Section 2103 Highway User Tax Account (HUTA) funds for the STIP, SHOPP, and Local Streets and Roads; and
 - b) Language to achieve something closer to the originally-intended split of Public Transportation Account revenues that recognized the importance of funding local transit operations.

The Problem

The Transportation Tax Swap did the following:

1. Eliminated the sales tax on gas and replaced it with a 17.3-cent excise tax increase on gasoline, indexed to keep pace with what the sales tax on gasoline would have generated in a given fiscal year to ensure true revenue neutrality.
2. Increased the sales tax rate on diesel by 1.75 percent, reduced the excise tax on diesel to 13.6 cents, and provided an exemption to hold harmless entities that would be impacted from the change (SB 70).

A primary reason for enacting the swap was to remove transportation funding from the general fund and the annual budget debate. Equally important is the State General Fund savings realized under the deal - \$761.1 million in revenue from the new 17.3-cent excise tax increase in FY 2010-11 is dedicated to transportation bond debt service and even greater amounts into the future.

However, Prop 22 limits the use of HUTA for bond debt only under certain circumstances and makes invalid the allocation provisions and formula for the new 17.3-cent excise tax that provides general fund relief. Proposition 26 invalidates the tax provisions contained in AB 8X 6 within 12-months of its passage and is self-executing in November 2011.

The Imperative

The loss of \$2.5 billion in revenue jeopardizes transportation projects across California, threatens thousands of jobs, and negatively impacts the overall economic wellbeing of the State given the multiplier effects from infrastructure investment.

The most effective path to provide certainty and avoid the risk of losing these transportation funds and provide the State this much needed and promised general fund relief is to pass a comprehensive package to fix the issues with the transportation tax swap from Propositions 22 and 26.



**VENTURA COUNCIL
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Item #8B

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Peter De Haan, VCTC Programming Director
SUBJECT: 2011 Legislative Program
DATE: January 13, 2011

Recommendation: Approve 2011 Legislative Program

Discussion:

Each year VCOG adopts a Legislative Program for the upcoming year, setting in general terms the Association's overall priorities. As the year progresses, staff will return to the Board to request positions on specific legislative issues as they arise. The VCOG Legislative Committee, consisting of legislative staff of member agencies, met on October 28, 2010, and reviewed the proposed 2011 Legislative Program. The program, incorporating changes discussed by the Legislative Committee, is attached for the Board's consideration.

The recommended 2011 Program is largely the same as approved for 2010. However, some of the items have been revised in recognition of the passage of Proposition 22, which has significantly addressed the issue of state raids on local funding.

The Legislative Committee raised a timing issue regarding the next Administrative Committee meeting. Based on the newly-approved Policy for Consideration of Legislative Positions, the analysis of bills will be considered first by the Legislative Committee, then the Administrative Committee, and then the VCOG Board. However, given that January 21st is the deadline for submittal of bills for the 2011 session of the State Legislature, the Legislative Committee cannot do an adequate analysis of bills in time to be considered by the Administrative Committee in early February. Therefore, the Legislative Committee recommends the February Administrative Committee not occur until late February. Another alternative would be to not bring to the Board positions on state bills until the May VCOG meeting, but a significant amount of legislative activity could have already occurred by that date.

Attachments

Attached for information is the following item for the Committee's consideration:
Attachment: 2011 Legislative Program

VENTURA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 2011 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

- A. **SB 375** – Work with other agencies and stakeholders as appropriate to support guidance, follow-up actions, or legislation to utilize the SB 375 regional plan environmental analysis to reduce the analytical requirements for individual transportation projects.
- Support legislation to extend CEQA streamlining provisions to transportation projects.
 - Support legislation to better synchronize the timing of the Regional Transportation Plans (RTP) and Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA).
 - Advocate for local authority and flexibility in climate change legislation and State agency policies.
 - Seek adequate funding to fulfill the requirements of SB 375 through dedicated State funding sources such as Proposition 84.
 - Seek to restore public transit operations funding in State budgets, and ensure that any future funding for SB 375 implementation include funding for public transit operations, as public transit is critical to implementation of SB 375.
- B. **LOCAL AGENCY FUNDING** – Support stable state and federal funding for local agencies including cities and counties, special districts, and countywide agencies.
- Support legislation requiring the state and federal governments to provide full cost reimbursement to agencies for all unfunded and underfunded mandated programs and for all programs resulting in revenue losses.
 - Maintain the State Constitutional protections that are provided in Proposition 1A and Proposition 22 to protect local revenues from seizure by the State, opposing any further raids to fund the State General Fund shortfall.
- C. **ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES** - Address areas of common concern regarding economic and environmental issues, including environmental streamlining where processes can be shortened without negatively impacting the environment.
- Support legislation that streamlines the environmental review process for mixed-use infill development without compromising environmental quality standards.
 - Support legislation that streamlines the State's environmental review process and maintains public participation without compromising environmental quality standards.
 - Work to ensure that any climate change legislation that establishes a “cap and trade” program includes a substantial set aside for transit, as transit is critical to achievement of greenhouse gas emission reduction.

- Support state and federal funding legislation for local storm water and NPDES programs as well as incentives for the re-use of reclaimed water. Support regulations and full reimbursement for local agencies to carry out the NPDES mission that are practical and capable of being implemented including taking into account economic considerations.
 - Support funding legislation for the designation and preservation of open space and preservation, restoration and enhancement of natural resources.
 - Support legislation and/or programs that provide money to local governments for energy efficiency and conservation programs.
 - Support the retention of Naval Base Ventura County.
- D. **TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING** – Support stable, adequate, and long-term funding for transportation infrastructure, including highways, transit, rail, local roads, and transportation demand management, to meet increased population, capacity, safety, and goods movement needs.
- Support full protection of transportation funds from State General Fund raids as intended by voter-approved initiatives.
 - Work with Caltrans, SCAG, VCTC and other appropriate parties to advocate for California Consensus Principles and Priorities and the Southern California Transportation Authorization Policy Priorities in the next federal surface transportation authorization. Include the preservation of long-range transportation planning and adequate funding to maintain the existing system and expand and improve transportation systems consistent with regional plans.
- E. **SOLID WASTE** - Support legislation pertaining to VCOG's responsibility for approval of the regional solid waste plan update.
- Oppose legislation that would restrict or limit local government's ability to franchise refuse and recycling collection services, to direct municipal or county solid waste flow (flow control), to contractually require haulers to guarantee achievement of AB 939 goals, or to local government's ability to protect landfill capacity.
 - Initiate legislation that streamlines AB 939 tracking and reporting requirements.
- F. **OTHER ISSUES** - Based on Board direction, consider other legislation as it affects regional needs, particularly issues raised by the California Association of Councils of Governments, the League of California Cities, and the California State Association of Counties.



**VENTURA COUNCIL
OF GOVERNMENTS**

Item #8C

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Steve DeGeorge, Planning Director

SUBJECT: Compact for a Sustainable Ventura County Phase II

DATE: January 13, 2011

Recommendation:

- Receive the Final Compact for a Sustainable Ventura County Phase II Report and draft compact language.
 - Acknowledge the Ventura County Civic Alliance will initiate a targeted outreach effort to build support from individual community and stakeholder leaders.
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Discussion: In September 2010 the draft Compact for a Sustainable Ventura County Phase II Report and draft Compact language were released for comment and brought to both this Board and the Ventura County Transportation Commission (VCTC). The Draft Report had been made available through email/hardcopy distribution and on the Compact's website through mid-November 2010. Only one comment was received during the review period and the Report remains virtually unchanged from its distribution in September. The Final Compact for a Sustainable Ventura County Phase II Report and associated draft compact language have been included under separate cover.

On December 13, 2010 the Compact Steering Committee met to endorse the Phase II Report and formulate recommendations for continued efforts on the Compact. At that meeting, the Steering Committee endorsed the Phase II report and the findings contained therein but recognized the need for additional outreach and refinement of the Compact language before a formal Compact might be signed by the cities and the County.

In discussing the limited resources available to continue additional outreach, the Ventura County Civic Alliance (VCCA) agreed to continue its leadership in the Compact development process and to staff the continuing effort and maintain the current steering committee membership to ensure broad based guidance. The Steering Committee supported the VCCA's offer and further suggested that the outreach should target specific community leaders, organizations and cities that did not participate in the outreach efforts during the spring and fall of 2010. A specific outreach list was not developed at that meeting.

The Compact Steering Committee also expressed gratitude for the staff participation from VCOG and VCTC. VCOG/VCTC staff advised the steering committee that we would remain active in the steering committee as much of the work that is currently underway at the two agencies, such as supporting SCAG's SB 375 Sustainable Community Strategy efforts, the Comprehensive Transportation Plan,

Transit Organizational Study and the upcoming Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) has direct ties to the Compact effort and that open communication with both agencies remains critical.

Staff is recommending that the Board receive The Final Compact for a Sustainable Ventura County Phase II Report and associated draft Compact language and acknowledge the Ventura County Civic Alliance will initiate a targeted outreach effort to build support from individual community and stakeholder leaders. This action does not obligate the Board to any funding of the activities associated the ongoing Compact efforts except minor amounts of staff time.



MEMORANDUM

Item #8D

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Steve DeGeorge, Planning Director

SUBJECT: SB 375 Update

DATE: January 13, 2011

Recommendation:

- Receive SB 375 Update

Discussion: With the California Air Resources Board (CARB) action of setting green house gas (GHG) reduction targets in September, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) began to develop a work plan for the creation of an integrated Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) and Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). SCAG delivered a draft work plan for this effort the first week of January and the Draft RTP/SCS Work Plan - Schedule and Highlights is attached for your review.

SCAG's preliminary schedule is very aggressive condensing most of the development work into the next eight months and includes multiple public outreach meetings for elected officials and the general public as well as data gathering workshops aimed at local planning staffs. Although no firm dates for outreach efforts have been established at this point, staff thought it was prudent to provide notice to this Board that they will be invited to participate in these meeting and that their planning staffs would be called upon to provide input to SCAG's effort. To that end, SCAG has already sent out a substantial request for information to the County's City Managers and Planning Directors.

Staff will continue to work closely with SCAG to provide advanced warning to this Board and planning staffs concerning SCAG's SCS/RTP work effort and requests for participation.

RTP/SCS WORK PLAN

SCHEDULE & HIGHLIGHTS

- I. GROWTH FORECAST AND INITIAL OUTREACH → SUMMER 2010**
Introduce SCS development process, make revisions/corrections to forecast data as needed from local jurisdictions, and develop RTP/SCS website.
- II. NEEDS ASSESSMENT → NOV 2010 – JULY 2011**
Identify the current state of our system and what its future (2035) state would be if the region “did nothing,” for the purposes of identifying the future needs that the RTP needs to address in order to comply with State/Federal requirements.
- III. DEVELOP FINANCIAL PLAN → NOV 2010 – JULY 2011**
Develop realistic revenue forecasts and recommend innovative sources of funding and associated action steps necessary to meet our transportation needs.
- IV. DATA GATHERING WORKSHOPS/MEETINGS → JAN 2011 – FEB 2011**
Develop and conduct data gathering workshops/meetings throughout the region, including sample scenarios for presentation at workshops.
- V. ONGOING DATA GATHERING AND REVISIONS → JAN 2011 – MARCH 2011**
Conduct ongoing outreach and training to local jurisdictions, gather data and input from local jurisdictions and update SCAG Regional Model based on data and input.
- VI. ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT AND SELECTION → JAN 2011 – AUG 2011**
Refine alternatives based on input received from stakeholders as well as the results of technical analysis supported by regional model runs, and perform associated analyses, including transportation conformity.
- VII. PEIR SCOPING PROCESS → FEB 2011 – MAY 2011**
Carry out the scoping for the PEIR, including the issuance of the Notice of Preparation (NOP).
- VIII. INCORPORATION OF SUB-REGIONAL SCS → FEB 2011 – MAY 2011**
Review adopted sub-regional SCS for consistency with Framework and Guidelines and MOU (Gateway and Orange County COGs). Merge into regional data sets. Seek clarification or correction from subregion, as necessary.
- IX. POLICY COMMITTEE AND/OR REGIONAL WORKSHOPS → MAY 2011**
Conduct policy committee and/or regional workshops, prepare transportation alternatives for presentation and workshop materials.
- X. PUBLIC OUTREACH RTP/SCS SUB-REGIONAL WORKSHOPS → MAY 2011 – JUNE 2011**
Conduct required RTP/SCS workshops (minimum of 3 per county) throughout region, including revised “preliminary” scenario with local input for presentation at workshops.

- XI. DATA GATHERING AND REVISIONS → MAY 2011 – JULY 2011**
Ensure local jurisdictions provide input on the disaggregation of data, schedule meetings with jurisdictions unable to attend workshops, conduct follow-up phone calls and meetings to continue outreach effort, update “preliminary” scenario to reflect input, and update SCAG Regional Model.
- XII. DEVELOP DRAFT RTP/SCS AND PEIR → JUNE 2011 – SEPTEMBER 2011**
Determine format of RTP/SCS, including how the SCS will be incorporated into the RTP, gather and review all input from workshops, follow-up meetings, conversations and public interest for incorporation into the Draft RTP/SCS, and develop Draft RTP/SCS and PEIR.
- XIII. WORKSHOPS WITH ELECTED OFFICIALS → AUGUST 2011**
Conduct required informational workshops (minimum 2 per county) for local elected officials regarding RTP/SCS development process and region’s status on GHG target reductions.
- XIV. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND COMMENT PREPARATION AND PROCESS → AUGUST 2011 – JANUARY 2012**
Conduct a minimum of three public hearings on the 2012 RTP/SCS and prepare for comment period.
- XV. DRAFTING OF FINAL RTP/SCS AND PEIR → NOVEMBER 2011 – MARCH 2012**
Gather and review all input from workshops with local elected officials, and public comments received, and develop Final RTP/SCS and PEIR.
- XVI. 2012 RTP/SCS REGIONAL COUNCIL ADOPTION AND PEIR CERTIFICATION → APRIL 2012**

