
**TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY WORKING GROUP
of the
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS**

**March 25, 2014
Minutes**

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:

Abrishami, Lori	Metro
Chandan, Meenu	Caltrans, District 8
Chen, Herman	Metro
Jaffery, Edison	Caltrans, District 8
Louka, Tony	Caltrans, District 8
Morris, Michael	FHWA
Pham, Hoang	Caltrans, District 8
Sherwood, Arnie	TCA

SCAG

Asuncion, John
Lee, Maria
Liu, Jeff
Lopez, Maria
Luo, Rongsheng
Mann, Betty

Via Teleconference:

Anderson, Cari	ARB
Tavitas, Rodney	Caltrans Headquarters
Fernando, Castro	Caltrans, District 7
DeHate, Eric	RCTC
Fagan, Paul	Caltrans, District 8
Garcia, Dan	SCAQMD
Gallo, Ilene	Caltrans, District 11
Lay, Keith	LSA Associates
Sheehy, Erin	OCTA
Sonnenberg, Stew	FHWA
Wienke, Tax	EPA, Region 9
Yoon, Andrew	Caltrans, District 7
Zamora, Cherry	Dokken Engineering

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1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND SELF-INTRODUCTION

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, thanked Fernando Castro, Caltrans District 7, for his leadership, service, and contribution as TCWG Chair over the last 12 months.

Mr. Luo welcomed Tony Louka, Caltrans District 8, as new TCWG Chair for the next 12 months.

Mr. Louka called the meeting to order at 10:07 am.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

3.1 TCWG January 28, 2014 Meeting Minutes
The minutes were approved.

3.2 TCWG February 25, 2014 Meeting Minutes
The minutes were approved.

4.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

4.1 Review of PM Hot Spot Interagency Review Forms

1) 20130101/200815/20110603

It was determined that this is not a POAQC (EPA's concurrence received via email before the meeting).

2) 200866

It was determined that this is not a POAQC (EPA's concurrence received via email before the meeting).

3) LAE2906

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4.2 Review of PM Hot Spot Qualitative/Quantitative Analyses

1) ORA100511 Memo

It was determined that no additional PM analysis is required (EPA and FHWA's concurrence received via email after the meeting).

2) 1C0404/LA962212/LA0G665/SB20061702

Andrew Yoon, Caltrans District 7, presented and TCWG discussed the quantitative analysis. Mr. Yoon requested TCWG concurrence by April TCWG meeting in order to meet the schedule of planned draft circulation in June 2014.

4.3 Conformity Category Clarification for Stand-Alone HOV Metered Ramps

It was determined that an individual project with three or fewer stand-alone HOV ramps is a non-reportable TCM if not bundled with other project(s) with stand-alone HOV ramps (EPA and FHWA's concurrence received via email after the meeting).

4.4 FTIP Update

John Asuncion, SCAG, reported the following:

- SCAG staff continued review and analysis of 2015 FTIP.
- Public review of 2013 FTIP Amendment #13-17 would end March, 31, 2014.
- SCAG staff would start review and analysis of 2013 FTIP Administrative Modification #13-18 on April 1, 2014.

4.5 RTP Update

There was no new update.

4.6 EPA updates

Wienke Tax, EPA Region 9, reported the following:

- EPA staff was working on proposed actions on South Coast 1-hour and 8-hour ozone VMT offset demonstrations as well as South Coast 1-hour ozone attainment demonstration. Per settlement agreement, EPA must finalize these actions by August 13, 2014 and EPA staff did not anticipate any issues turning off South Coast sanction clocks associated with disapproval of previously submitted VMT offset demonstrations before stationary sanctions would be imposed in South Coast in October 2014.
- EPA staff was providing comments to Imperial County Air Pollution Control District and ARB regarding Preliminary Imperial County PM 2.5 SIP. SIP submittal due date is December 2014.

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4.7 ARB UPDATE

Cari Anderson, ARB, reported the following:

- Amendments to Western Mojave Desert and Coachella Valley 1997 8-hour ozone SIPs were under development and scheduled to go to ARB Board in September 2014. ARB staff will share draft budgets once prepared.
- Internal EMFAC2013 development schedule was still pending.

4.8 Air Districts Update

There was no new update.

5.0 INFORMATION SHARING

There was no information sharing

6.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 am.

The next Transportation Conformity Working Group meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 22, 2014 at the SCAG office in downtown Los Angeles.