March 23, 2006

TO: Transportation Committee

FROM: Diane Eidam, Chief Deputy Executive Director

SUBJECT: Cancellation of the April 7, 2006, Transportation Committee Meeting

The Transportation Committee meeting, originally scheduled for Friday, April 7, 2006, has been cancelled. The next scheduled meeting date is Friday, April 21, 2006.

We encourage you to attend one of the “Making Smart Growth Work in Our Region” workshops in April. SANDAG is seeking public input on key transportation and land use initiatives that will be used to finalize the Smart Growth Concept Map, refine the regional transit network, and provide input into the 2007 Regional Transportation Plan. Attached is the workshop announcement. If you have any questions about the workshops, please contact Carolina Gregor at (619) 699-1989.

If you have questions or a specific issue or topic that you would like to discuss at a future meeting, don’t hesitate to contact me at (619) 699-1920 or via e-mail at dei@sandag.org.

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Attachment
The 18 cities and the county working through SANDAG have an ambitious plan to better connect transportation to jobs and homes in the San Diego region. With broad support from residents, community and business leaders, and the region’s elected officials, the SANDAG Regional Comprehensive Plan focuses more of our growth and infrastructure investments in the urban areas to better connect residents to the region’s transportation system and to preserve thousands of acres of open space.

Already, neighborhoods are benefiting from smart growth investments. SANDAG has awarded $19 million to 14 smart growth projects. Another $1 million is being awarded this spring for habitat conservation.

SANDAG is now working with the cities and the county on a “Smart Growth Concept Map” to identify locations that can support smart growth and transportation investments. This map will serve as the foundation for refining the regional transit network and identifying other transportation needs in the long-range Regional Transportation Plan.

We need your help in making these important regional decisions. Join us at a public workshop near you in April.

Help make smart growth work!

Join your fellow residents, community leaders, and SANDAG officials at a workshop near where you live or work.

In these workshops participants will...
• consider locations where smart growth can work
• talk about what smart growth should look like now and in the future
• discuss transportation improvements needed to support smart growth
• identify resources to make smart growth work in our communities

Attend a workshop near where you live or work!

Monday, April 3, 6-8:30 p.m.
Escondido City Hall
Mitchell Room
201 North Broadway
Escondido, CA 92025

Tuesday, April 4, 6-8:30 p.m.
Powerhouse Community Center
1658 Coast Blvd.
Del Mar, CA 92014

Thursday, April 6, 6-8:30 p.m.
South County Regional Education Center
800 National City Blvd.
National City, CA 91950

Monday, April 10, 6-8:30 p.m.
San Ysidro Multicultural Center
4345 Otay Mesa Rd
San Ysidro, CA 92173

Tuesday, April 11, 6-8:30 p.m.
Kearny Mesa Recreation Center
3170 Armstrong Street
San Diego, CA 92111

Monday, April 17, 6-8:30 p.m.
La Mesa Community Center
4975 Memorial Drive
La Mesa, CA 91941

Wednesday, April 19, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Balboa Park Club
2150 Pan American Road
San Diego, CA 92101

Thursday, April 20, 6-8:30 p.m.
Oceanside Community Rooms
300 North Coast Highway
Oceanside, CA 92054

Registration will begin 30 minutes before each workshop. Workshops will begin on time.

For more information:
Please RSVP to attend a workshop at www.sandag.org/rcp, call (619) 515-4727, or e-mail rcp@sandag.org. Maps to each workshop are available on the workshop Web page or can be requested by phone or e-mail. Driving and transit information are included on each map.

If you can’t attend a workshop or want to give us your views, visit www.sandag.org/rcp and tell us how you think we can make smart growth work in the San Diego region. For more information, call Marisa Hampton at (619) 699-7336.

*These workshops will include English/Spanish translation services. Bilingual English/Spanish staff will participate in all workshops and materials will be available in Spanish.