March 23, 2006

TO: Regional Planning Committee Members

FROM: Diane Eidam, Chief Deputy Executive Director

SUBJECT: Cancellation of the April 7, 2006, Regional Planning Committee Meeting

In light of the Smart Growth Workshops planned in the month of April, the Regional Planning Committee meeting, originally scheduled for Friday, April 7, 2006, has been cancelled. The next meeting will be held at 12 noon on Friday, May 5, 2006.

Regional Planning Committee Members are encouraged to attend and participate in the workshops. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

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