February 14, 2007

TO: San Diego Region Conformity Working Group

FROM: Rachel Kennedy

SUBJECT: Cancellation of the February 21, 2007, Meeting

The San Diego Region Conformity Working Group (CWG) meeting scheduled for February 21, 2007, has been cancelled.

The next meeting of the San Diego Region CWG is scheduled for March 21, 2007, at 10:30 a.m., at the SANDAG offices.

Please contact me at (619) 699-1929 or by e-mail at rke@sandag.org if you have any questions.

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Endorse: January 17, 2007, Meeting Minutes
SUMMARY OF JANUARY 17, 2007, MEETING  

**Item #1: Introductions**

Self-introductions were made. See attached attendance list.

**Item #2: Summary of November 29, 2006, Meeting**

Carl Selnick provided minor edits to the meeting notes. The corrections were noted and made.

**Item #3: Public Comments/Communications**

There were none.

**Item #4: 2006 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) Amendment No. 2**

Rachel Kennedy, SANDAG, noted that Caltrans and local jurisdictions have requested that SANDAG amend the 2006 RTIP to include several project changes. A list of exempt projects was distributed to the CWG on December 1, 2006, for interagency consultation. No significant comments were received. The Transportation Committee is scheduled to take action on Amendment No. 2 at their January 19, 2007, meeting.

**Item #5: 2007 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Status Report**

Ms. Kennedy provided the CWG with an update on the development of the 2007 RTP. The SANDAG Public Involvement Program (PIP) was approved by the SANDAG Board in October 2006. One element of the PIP is the mini-grant program which has provided small grants to community organizations to conduct outreach. SANDAG staff will provide an update of the outreach efforts at the next CWG meeting.

Ms. Kennedy also noted that an update of the Regional Arterial System (RAS) is currently underway. A letter soliciting modifications to the RAS was distributed to the cities and county in December 2006. Staff has received a number of proposed modifications and is evaluating them for concurrence with the Transportation Committee adopted RAS screening criteria. It is anticipated the revised RAS will go to the Transportation Committee and Board of Directors for approval in April 2007. The revised network will be included in the 2007 RTP.

Staff has been working on developing the 2007 RTP transportation networks. On January 19, 2006, SANDAG staff will provide the Transportation Committee with a report on the 2007 RTP fiscally unconstrained network. The CWG was informed that the Transportation Committee report is available on the SANDAG Website. The 2007 unconstrained network is based on the MOBILITY 2030
unconstrained network and incorporates recommendations from Caltrans, MTS, NCTD, and the Independent Transit Peer Review, which was conducted in 2006. This network is anticipated to cost $80 billion. The Board will discuss revenue sources to be considered in the reasonably expected RTP scenario at their February retreat.

It is anticipated that draft revenue constrained and reasonably expected 2007 RTP scenarios will be brought to the Transportation Committee and Board in March for discussion and for adoption in April. Jean Mazur, FHWA noted the need to discuss the way in which projects are listed in the 2007 RTP.

**Item #6: EMFAC 2007 Update Release**

Dennis Wade, ARB, did not have an update on the release date for the revised version of EMFAC 2007. Mike Brady inquired if the letter from FHWA meant that the 6-month grace period for using EMFAC 2002 would start upon the release of the revised EMFAC 2007. Jean Mazur, FHWA, stated that was correct.

**Item #7: Status Report on the Development of the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for 8 Hour Ozone**

Carl Selnick, APCD, noted that the draft SIP had not been released in December. The draft may be released by the end of January 2007. The current schedule is for the SIP to go to both the APCD Board and ARB in May for adoption. APCD anticipates a workshop at the end of February 2007 and having a revised draft in late March. Mr. Selnick hopes that the revised EMFAC 2007 will be available in time for APCD to include the final budget numbers in the workshop draft SIP.

**Item #8: Recent District of Columbia Circuit Court Decisions Regarding 8-Hour Ozone**

The CWG discussed two recent court decisions and their effects on air quality conformity.

**Item #9: Transportation Improvement Program Amendments On and After July 1, 2007**

Jean Mazur, FHWA, provided information on the letter sent by FHWA regarding Transportation Improvement Program amendments on and after July 1, 2007. Ms. Mazur confirmed that MPOs with SAFETEA-LU compliant TIPs who are making progress on their SAFETEA-LU compliant RTPs can make amendments to their TIP after July 1, 2007. Ms. Mazur noted that the amendments must conform to the RTP and not affect the regional emissions analysis.

Ms. Mazur also noted that start date of the six-month grace period for using EMFAC2002 for conformity analysis had been delayed to coincide with the future release of the updated EMFAC2007 model.

**Item #10: Other Business**

The next meeting of the CWG is scheduled for February 21, 2007, from 10:30 a.m. to noon at SANDAG.
### San Diego Region Conformity Working Group
#### Meeting Attendance
January 17, 2007

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