



# BOARD ACTIONS

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**DRAFT 2007 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP):** Directors accepted the Draft 2007 RTP for distribution and public comment. Required by state and federal regulations, the RTP is the public policy component of the SANDAG Regional Comprehensive Plan for how people and goods will move around the region through the year 2030. The draft 2007 RTP Environmental Impact Report also was authorized for distribution as soon as it is available. Workshops to solicit public comment and participation on the 2007 Draft RTP and EIR are scheduled throughout the region in July on the following days:

- July 17, 6 to 8 p.m. – Encinitas Community Center
- July 19, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. – Balboa Park, War Memorial Building
- July 23, 6 to 8 p.m. – Chula Vista City Hall
- July 25, 6 to 8 p.m. – San Marcos Community Center
- July 26, 6 to 8 p.m. – Ronald Reagan Community Center, El Cajon

A public hearing on the Draft RTP and EIR is scheduled for Friday, September 14, 2007, at SANDAG, with final public comments due by Monday, September 17, 2007. The Final 2007 RTP and EIR are scheduled to come to the Board for adoption in November 2007. More information on the 2007 RTP and the upcoming workshops are available at [www.sandag.org/2007rtp](http://www.sandag.org/2007rtp). (Item #11: Staff contact: Mike Hix, (619) 699-1977; [mhi@sandag.org](mailto:mhi@sandag.org))

**FY 2008 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) ALLOCATIONS AND PRODUCTIVITY IMPROVEMENT GOALS:** Directors approved FY 2008 TDA allocations totaling approximately \$1.2 million and FY 2008 performance productivity improvement goals for the region's transit operators. The TDA provides one-quarter percent of the state sales tax for operation and capital support of public transportation systems and nonmotorized transportation projects. As the designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency for the San Diego region, SANDAG is responsible for the annual allocation of TDA funds to the region's jurisdictions and transit operators. SANDAG also is responsible for approving the performance productivity improvement goals for the next fiscal year. (Item #15: Staff contact: Sookyung Kim, (619) 699-6909; [ski@sandag.org](mailto:ski@sandag.org))

**REGIONAL BEACH REPLENISHMENT FEASIBILITY STUDY:** Directors approved a resolution that will allow SANDAG staff to move forward on the preparation of a feasibility study for regional beach replenishment. The feasibility study must include a resolution of fiscal support from the local agency's governing body to compete for funding from the California Department of Boating and Waterways. At the April 6, 2007, Regional Planning Committee (RPC) meeting, SANDAG staff gave a presentation on the Shoreline Preservation Working Group's current activities. SANDAG staff informed the RPC of the preparation of the feasibility study and the requirements to compete for funding, and the RPC made a recommendation that the Board approve the resolution of support at the RPC's June 1, 2007 meeting. SANDAG staff is preparing the final study for submission to the state in July. (Item #4: Staff contact: Shelby Tucker, (619) 699-1916; [stu@sandag.org](mailto:stu@sandag.org))

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS

*July 13, 2007  
Policy Meeting*

- Regional Habitat Preservation

*July 27, 2007  
Business Meeting*

- Regional Economic Prosperity Strategy
- Goods Movement Infrastructure Bond Priorities
- Visit by Tijuana Mayor Kurt Honold

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### **rEgion**

The latest issue of the SANDAG electronic newsletter is available by visiting [www.sandag.org/region](http://www.sandag.org/region).

**I-15 MANAGED LANES CORRIDOR UPDATE:** Directors approved a \$37.7 million increase to the I-15 Managed Lanes corridor project budget. The total estimated cost of this *TransNet* Early Action Program project is \$1.29 billion. Once completed, the I-15 Managed Lanes corridor project will create a four-lane 20-mile Managed Lanes facility in the median of I-15 between SR 163 and SR 78. It will feature a movable barrier system similar to the one used on the Coronado Bridge. The project also includes multiple access points to regular highway lanes, operational improvements, and an expanded FasTrak® system. A high-frequency express bus system, known as Bus Rapid Transit, also will operate in these Managed Lanes. The middle segment of this project stretches from SR 56 to Centre City Parkway and is scheduled to open to traffic by December 2008. The final segment is scheduled to open in 2012. *(Item #13: Staff contact: Richard Chavez, (619) 699-6989; rch@sandag.org)*

**SR 125 GAP AND CONNECTOR PROJECT BUDGET AUGMENTATION:** Directors approved a budget augmentation for cost increases related to right-of-way acquisitions for the SR 125 Gap and Connector projects currently under construction in the South Bay. The projects are being constructed by California Transportation Ventures (CTV), a private sector corporation, on behalf of SANDAG and Caltrans as part of the SR 125 South Bay Expressway project. The Transportation Committee recommended that SANDAG Directors approve the transfer of \$15 million from unallocated prior year Regional Surface Transportation Program funds to the SR 125 Gap and Connector projects in order to fund right-of-way costs in excess of current project budget.

The South Bay Expressway toll road will be built to state standards and provide a needed road for people to travel and do business in Chula Vista and the border area. The South Bay Expressway might not have been built for many more years without the public and private sectors seizing the unique opportunity to work together. CTV's estimate of completion is late summer 2007. *(Item #14: Staff contact: Muggs Stoll, (619) 699-6945; mst@sandag.org)*

**FY 2008 PROGRAM BUDGET & OVERALL WORK PROGRAM:** Directors unanimously approved a \$359 million program budget, including the \$50.6 million overall work program, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007. This approval follows a progressive review by the SANDAG Executive Committee, which included discussions on the process objectives, strategic goals, input on balancing the budget, revenue projections, funding of the contingency reserve, work element proposals, and other budget components. *(Item #10: Staff contact: Tim Watson, (619) 699-1966; twa@sandag.org)*

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