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AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

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- SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TRIBAL CHAIRMEN’S ASSOCIATION (SCTCA) POLICY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION
- PROGRESS REPORT ON THE SAN YSIDRO PORT OF ENTRY EXPANSION PROJECT

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1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

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Members of the public will have the opportunity to address the Borders Committee on any issue within the jurisdiction of the Committee. Speakers are limited to three minutes each and shall reserve time by completing a “Request to Speak” form and giving it to the Clerk prior to speaking. Committee members also may provide information and announcements under this agenda item.

CONSENT ITEMS (#3 through #4)

3. STATUS REPORT ON INTERNATIONAL BORDER SEWAGE ISSUES (Ron Saenz, SANDAG)

The Borders Committee has requested periodic updates on border-related sewage issues. This report provides an update on these issues.

4. CITY OF TJUANA’S PROPOSAL FOR A FUTURE PORT OF ENTRY AT CAÑON MOCTEZUMA (Hector Vanegas, SANDAG)

In addition to current efforts to expand the San Ysidro Port of Entry (POE) and to open a new POE at Otay Mesa East, the City of Tijuana’s Mayor Kurt Honold presented at the Board meeting on July 27, 2007, the City of Tijuana’s concept for a new POE at Cañón Moctezuma (formerly known as Cañón del Matadero). This item was referred to the Borders Committee and, therefore, this report presents background information on this subject.

REPORT ITEMS (#5 through #8)

5. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TRIBAL CHAIRMEN’S ASSOCIATION (SCTCA) POLICY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION (Chris Devers, SCTCA)

At the June 22, 2007, Borders Committee meeting, staff briefed the Committee on work elements and priorities for FY 2008. The SCTCA representative presented this information to the SCTCA Board at its July 24, 2007, meeting. Chairman Devers will present a refined list of policy issues for consideration of the Borders Committee.
6. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008  
(Hector Vanegas, SANDAG)  

This report presents a calendar of meetings organized by topics as requested by this Committee at its June 22, 2007, meeting.

7. PROGRESS REPORT ON THE SAN YSIDRO PORT OF ENTRY EXPANSION PROJECT (Steve Baker, U.S. General Services Administration)  

The Borders Committee received a report on this project in April 2007. The U.S. General Services Administration will brief the Committee on the status and progress of the expansion project.

8. PERSPECTIVE ON BORDER ISSUES FROM EL COLEGIO DE LA FRONTERA NORTE (COLEF) (Dr. Tonatiuh Guillén, President of El Colegio De La Frontera Norte)  

Dr. Tonatiuh Guillén was recently appointed as President of COLEF, the Mexican research and academic institution specializing in United States-Mexico border studies. Dr. Guillén will share his perspective on important issues that impact our binational region.

9. UPCOMING MEETINGS  

The Borders Committee will join the SANDAG Board of Directors and the Tijuana City Council’s Joint meeting on Wednesday, October 31, 2007.

Please note that the meeting scheduled on October 26, 2007, is cancelled, and the next regular meeting of the Borders Committee will be on November 30, 2007, at 12:30 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT
BORDERS COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS
MEETING OF JUNE 22, 2007

The meeting of the Borders Committee was called to order by Chair Patricia McCoy (South County) at 12:34 p.m. See the attached attendance sheet for Borders Committee member attendance.

Chair McCoy welcomed Honorable Kurt Honold, Mayor of the City of Tijuana and introductions were made.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

   Action: Upon a motion by Vice Mayor John Minto (East County) and a second by Mayor Jim Desmond (North County Inland), the Borders Committee approved the minutes from the May 25, 2007 meeting.

   Chairman Christopher Devers (Southern California Tribal Chairmen’s Association) requested a correction to the May 25, 2007 sign-in sheet to reflect Chairman Mark Romero as representing Mesa Grande, not Pala.

   Chair McCoy stated the minutes would be accepted and then amended as suggested by Chairman Devers.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS

   Former Congressman Jim Bates introduced a scrap tire conversion project from Energy and Environmental Solutions LLC which would develop a new type of re-locatable plant that can convert scrap tires into useable commodities through a chemical process called “Catalytically Activated Pyrolysis” (CAP).

   Chair McCoy stated that the item would not be commented on at this time. However, should the Board like to bring it back as a future item, she would ask staff to give it consideration.

   Councilmember Ben Hueso (City of San Diego) recommended the Committee entertain this item and become more involved by working collaboratively with Tijuana, as it would benefit San Diego, Tijuana and the Tijuana River Valley. He also reported that there was a $20,000 EPA grant that is being used for a study on how to reuse disposed tires on the Mexican side of the border as it relates to the Tijuana River Valley.
Chair McCoy commented on the importance of this issue and asked staff to set this as an agenda item and include the grant as an information item.

Vice Chair Greg Cox, Supervisor (County of San Diego) informed that the two biggest problems involving trash and debris in San Diego County regarding the 11 major local river valleys are tires and shopping carts.

Councilmember Phil Monroe (South County) asked what, in particular, the group was seeking from SANDAG.

Mr. Bates stated they agreed that this item be referred to staff to review the possibilities.

**CHAIR’S REPORT**

3. **I-15 INTERREGIONAL PARTNERSHIP (I-15 IRP) JOINT POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (APPOINT)**

   The I-15 IRP Joint Policy Committee will meet at least twice in FY 2008. Two members of the Board of Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG), one from the Board of Riverside Transportation Authority (RTA), and one from the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) have been chosen.

   In an effort to update the I-15 IRP Joint Policy Committee membership for Phase III participation, Chair McCoy announced Councilmember Ed Gallo (North County Inland), Councilmember Dave Allan (East County), and Councilmember Jack Feller (North County Coastal) will be asked to become members of the I-15 IRP. Councilmember Crystal Crawford (North County Coastal) and Mayor Jim Desmond (North County Inland) volunteered to serve as alternates.

   **Action:** Upon a motion by Councilmember Hueso and a second by Vice Mayor Minto, the Borders Committee unanimously appointed Councilmember Ed Gallo, Councilmember Dave Allan, and Councilmember Jack Feller to serve as members, and Councilmember Crystal Crawford and Mayor Jim Desmond to serve as alternates on the I-15 IRP Joint Policy Committee for FY 2008, upon their approval of acceptance.

4. **DRAFT FINAL OTAY MESA-MESA DE OTAY BINATIONAL CORRIDOR STRATEGIC PLAN (APPROVE)**

   Elisa Arias, Principal Planner (SANDAG), presented the Draft Final Strategic Plan for the Otay Mesa-Mesa de Otay Binational Corridor focusing on an overview of the proposed initiatives, including Early Actions, and next steps.

   Tijuana Mayor Honold informed that Tijuana is expected to reach approximately 3 million residents by 2010. He invited members of the Committee to attend meetings on July 12 and
13 in which four Secretaries of State and others will discuss various border issues. Mayors from many U.S. cities, including those from the San Diego region will be invited to attend on July 13. Mayor Honold informed that Mexican President Calderon has been asked to add border issues to his binational agenda in order to expedite decisions regarding the existing ports of entry.

Mayor Honold also made a request to present a proposal before the Borders Committee at their next meeting for a new border crossing point to be located east of Playas de Tijuana. It would serve the tourist corridor which extends from Playas de Tijuana to Ensenada. He stated the new proposed ecological border crossing would not affect the environmental protection of the area and would include plans for funds to be dedicated to protecting adjacent sensitive habitat.

Mayor Honold stated that in order to improve infrastructure, the City of Tijuana will be increasing property taxes and construction permit fees. Also, 70% of the tax revenue received from the Mesa de Otay section of Tijuana will be dedicated to the reconstruction of all streets in the Mesa de Otay industrial area.

Councilmember Monroe asked if the San Diego County Airport Authority’s Impact Zone had been addressed in the Strategic Plan.

Councilmember Hueso stated that this issue, among others, is addressed in the Otay Mesa Community Plan Update and that they are presently working with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on the environmental analysis. Regarding the report, he recommended the development of a Comprehensive Transportation Plan for the area.

Vice Mayor Minto stated that it seems we have made a lot of progress in addressing issues that impact the Tijuana River Estuary. Since I am a new member on the Borders Committee, I would like to have a short sentence that describes how we have been able to move forward on some of these issues. How come we don’t tell people about all that has been done?

Patricia McCoy responded that a report by the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board touches on these issues and also that SANDAG staff could provide you with a summary of activities focused on managing the Tijuana River Valley.

Councilmember Hueso said he was a strong proponent for a crossborder plan and supported the crossing at East Otay Mesa and the possibility of a pedestrian terminal linking Otay Mesa with the Tijuana International Airport, as this would allow Brown Field to become a functional international airport for executive travel, small businesses and aviators. It would also promote infill development and growth in the area along with aeronautical manufacturing. Regarding the report, he recommended adding that even without intensive development, Bus Route 905 is the busiest in San Diego County. He recommended that a comprehensive transportation plan be developed for the area and making some recommendations as to how to achieve some of the goals with this Plan.

Bob Leiter, Director of Land Use and Transportation Planning (SANDAG), informed that staffs from SANDAG and Caltrans District 11 have been working directly with the staff from the City of San Diego Planning Department throughout the update of the Otay Mesa
Community Plan. SANDAG also attended the City of San Diego’s Planning Commission hearings in which the Draft Plan elements were discussed. SANDAG will continue to work with City staff to help formulate a final Draft Circulation Element. SANDAG’s goal is to assist with the creation of a circulation element which meets regional needs, provides access to the border, connects the highways and regional transit system, and ensures the people have a good transportation system. SANDAG is committed to working with the City of San Diego staff to develop a workable transportation plan which addresses the issues of residential land.

Councilmember Hueso stated that it would be helpful to have a reference to the Border Development Zone in the report as it is an important piece of legislation that should be implemented by the local agencies.

Mr. Leiter responded that SANDAG, City of San Diego Planning Directors, and Caltrans District 11, are working together to be responsive to the issues and will meet soon to discuss the final process for formulating the Draft Plan. The report takes a “regional view” on many issues and it is true that some of these issues will need to be addressed at the city plan level in which Councilmember Hueso could provide more specific direction.

Councilmember Hueso stated that he was very pleased with the report and suggested further discussions in order to add supplemental items.

Chairman Devers inquired about the process to invite the local tribal governments along the border to the meeting in Tijuana on July 13. Although they have not participated in the past regarding border issues, they have important knowledge regarding environmental issues on tribal lands. He asked if cultural studies had been performed within the area that may have significant impacts to the San Diego County tribal history.

Ms. Arias responded Caltrans follows the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), which require cultural resources studies to be conducted in connection with planned infrastructure projects like the SR 11 and the future East Otay Mesa Port of Entry.

Chairman Devers asked if this would be separate from the report presented at this meeting.

Ms. Arias said it would.

Chairman Devers asked if, as part of that process, the tribes within that area will have an opportunity to provide information to Caltrans

Pedro Orso-Delgado, District Director Caltrans, informed that they are currently working on the environmental documents for SR 11. At some point in time, the draft document will be released for public review. It is at this point that the public has the opportunity to provide feedback and comments.

Vice Chair Cox expressed his appreciation to Mayor Honold for attending as his presence represents his commitment to a joint planning effort with the City of San Diego and County of San Diego in East Otay Mesa. He informed that on August 1, 2007, an Amendment to the
East Otay Mesa Specific Plan will be presented and that there are many opportunities in regards to the border crossing and infrastructure issues with positive working meetings between the County of San Diego and City of San Diego staff.

Councilmember Monroe reiterated that the Border Development Zone should be brought into the Plan.

Ms. Arias responded that an action to collaborate with the City of San Diego in the development of the Public Facilities Financing Plan for the Otay Mesa Community Plan Update is described on page 53 of the Report. One of the potential funding mechanisms that was identified, which has also been discussed with City staff, is the evaluation of the formation of an Infrastructure Financing District under SB 209.

Councilmember Crawford commended staff and recognized the work by COBRO. She stated the report provides the essential data and information for the funding of the next steps.

Alfonso Bustamante, City of Tijuana Office of Binational Affairs, spoke of the positive communication and interactions over the years which have been mutually beneficial to the United States and Mexico.

Angelika Villagrana (COBRO) advised that in addition to COBRO’s support, the San Diego Chamber’s International Committee and Mexico Business Center also took a position in support of the Plan. She thanked Mayor Honold for inviting the Chamber of Commerce to visit their security center in Tijuana.

**Action:** Upon a motion by Councilmember Hueso and a second by Vice Chair Cox, the Borders Committee unanimously recommended approval of the Final Otay Mesa-Mesa de Otay Binational Corridor Strategic Plan to the SANDAG Board of Directors.

5. **UPDATE ON OTAY MESA-MESA DE OTAY BINATIONAL CORRIDOR STRATEGIC PLAN’S EARLY ACTION: ENVIRONMENTAL BASELINE ASSESSMENT ON POTENTIAL MITIGATION OF IMPACTS FROM STATE ROUTE 11 AND EAST OTAY MESA PORT OF ENTRY IN MEXICO (DISCUSSION)**

Ron Saenz, Associate Planner (SANDAG), stated that the Environmental Baseline Assessment originates as a follow up to the Otay Mesa-Mesa de Otay Binational Corridor Strategic Plan environmental early action that calls for SANDAG and IMPlan to “Explore the feasibility of a binational land use/open space conservation study for SR 11, the future East Otay Mesa-Otay II POE, and proposed connection from the POE to the Tijuana-Tecate Toll Road (Route 2D), including consideration of binational environmental mitigation strategies” and also would serve as a supporting document to an expanded study that if awarded could be funded by a Caltrans Partnership Planning Grant.

Keith Greer, Senior Planner (SANDAG), reported that the Las Californias Binational Conservation Initiative (LCBI) aided staff to refine a focus planning area for the mitigation strategy and develop a binational approach towards conservation designed to protect natural resources and the investment of already preserved lands in the U.S. The LCBI which focuses on a 60 – 80 mile area along the San Diego/Imperial County border with Mexico,
identifies areas critical for long-term biological conservation, both north and south of the border. This assessment includes baseline data on existing legal, biological, digital, and land use information and a defined study area. It also identifies gaps in data and next steps that could be conducted in future efforts. The information collected would be necessary to develop future strategies to implement a mitigation effort.

Mr. Saenz stated data will continue to be collected during the 60-day comment period and would provide a progress report at a future Borders Committee meeting. Also, this fall SANDAG staff will report to the Committee on whether the Caltrans Partnership Planning grant for phase 2 of this study was funded.

Chair McCoy remarked that this item is important to development, as the quality of life is adversely affected when open space and ecological values are not preserved. She appreciated the mention of a conservation easement.

Mr. Orso-Delgado (Caltrans) reported on his most recent conversation with Dinah Bear, Council on Environmental Quality, regarding the potential implementation of the Binational Mitigation Strategy and the importance of securing mitigation credits for impacts created by SR 11. He stated that Ms. Bear was exploring this possibility with executives at the United States Fish & Wildlife Service.

Action: This item was presented for discussion only.

6. FY 2008 WORK ELEMENTS AND PRIORITIES FOR BORDERS COMMITTEE (DISCUSSION)

Hector Vanegas, Borders Program Manager (SANDAG), reviewed the Borders Committee responsibilities and informed that the Borders Committee is now responsible for recommending border infrastructure financing strategies to the Board and reviewing and commenting on significant regional projects in adjoining counties. He provided an overview of the FY 07 accomplishments, along with a description of main planning activities that are part of the FY 08 work program. He asked for the Committee’s input to prepare a calendar of meetings and activities along with their opinion as to whether they would like to continue receiving informational reports. He also advised the Committee that they will need to appoint representatives to joint policy committees.

Chair McCoy suggested directing staff to add an element to the priorities to educate members on the progress of issues in order to provide them a quick reference to refer to when new members are added. She asked that, as part of the initiative, Orange County be incorporated more and the possibility of creating a policy group that travels to various counties be considered. She also recommended Members attend the ADESU tour in Ensenada and reiterated the importance of the Borders Committee to the structure of the SANDAG network of policy committees.

Supervisor Slater-Price expressed concern that only three items on the agenda were for recommendation and the others were either informational or for discussion and asked if direction will be given to staff to review, revise, and return with a more succinct package of items.
Mr. Leiter offered that the Committee could return with some restructuring of the activities in a way in which the Committee would make recommendations and take actions that would move items forward.

Councilmember Monroe agreed that action items are necessary and cited the Borders and Transportation Committee Joint Policy meeting with Orange County. He suggested the Committee should work to get the SANDAG Board to adopt a policy about the new highway proposed in Orange County.

Chair McCoy stated that one of the problems with this is that some cities have actually taken a position against it.

Councilmember Crawford expressed her support for an action item related to Orange County.

Chair McCoy reiterated the importance of the liaison with the Board.

Mayor Desmond added that in the case of Orange County, the Committee should not tell Orange County what to do; it should be a collaborative effort.

Chair McCoy suggested the item return to staff and any further Committee comments/suggestions be relayed by phone.

Vice Chair Cox concurred with Councilmember Monroe and Supervisor Slater-Price and suggested adding an update from the County of San Diego in regards to the East Otay Mesa Specific Plan to the matrix.

Mr. Leiter suggested that staff return with items they think of as “actionable” types of items. He also suggested the Committee consider having staff organizing future agendas along the three categories: binational, interregional, and tribal, in order to ensure proper representation from stakeholders. He offered a change could be made regarding meeting dates and the transmittal of information via email in order to ensure the Committee’s time is utilized effectively.

Chair McCoy proposed longer meetings every couple of months and her preference to have more tribal issue positions incorporated into what the Committee does.

Chairman Devers said he would like to review the matrix with the Southern California Tribal Chairmen’s Association (SCTCA) in order to receive their input.

Vice Mayor Minto asked for information regarding tribal governance, how tribal governments work, and the role of the SCTCA.

Chair McCoy reported the Borders Committee received an award from the San Diego Chapter of the American Planning Association for the MOU with the SCTCA on tribal representation in SANDAG.
Councilmember Monroe suggested a future meeting devoted to receiving information on tribal issues hosted by one of the tribal governments.

**Action:** This item was presented for discussion.

7. **Perspective On Border Issues From El Colegio De La Frontera Norte (COLEF) (Information)**

**Action:** This item was not presented at this time.

8. **Upcoming Meetings**

As Chair McCoy and Vice Chair Cox will not be available for the September meeting, Chair McCoy asked for concurrence from the Committee to have Councilmember Crawford chair the September meeting.

Councilmember Crawford questioned the process to have her named as Chair Pro Tem for the September meeting.

John Kirk, Deputy General Counsel (SANDAG), stated that the Chair has the authority, under SANDAG’s rules, to unilaterally assign a Chair Pro tem for a future meeting when both the regular Chair and Vice Chair would be absent. No vote is needed on the matter.

Councilmember Crawford said she would be happy to chair the September meeting.

Chair McCoy asked for the rescheduling of agenda item 7, Perspective On Border Issues From El Colegio De La Frontera Norte (COLEF) by Dr. Tonatiuh Guillen, and that it be placed on the agenda as soon as possible.

The next meeting of the Borders Committee is scheduled for Friday, September 28, 2007, at 12:30 p.m.

9. **Adjournment**

Chair McCoy adjourned the meeting at 2:29 p.m.

Attachment: Attendance Sheet
## CONFIRMED ATTENDANCE
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**June 22, 2007**
**12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

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*Tribal representation correction from June 22, 2007 meeting*
Introduction

Following a presentation by the International Boundary Water Commission (IBWC) in July 2005, the Borders Committee requested that SANDAG staff provide periodic updates on border sewage issues. Pursuant to this request, staff has prepared this status report.

Discussion

Since last reported to the Committee on March 23, 2007, the IBWC has suspended all activities related to the proposed Bajagua Project, LLC sewage treatment facility. According to IBWC, in May 2007 Bajagua Project was unable to meet major project milestones that were critical for compliance with the September 30, 2008, court ordered U.S. Clean Water Act standards compliance deadline.

These milestones include: obtaining all rights necessary to purchase property needed for the project in Mexico; obtaining all rights-of-way; obtaining all permits necessary to construct the project in the U.S. and Mexico; obtaining permission from the Mexican government to send sewage back to Mexico for treatment; awarding, executing, and delivering a contract to construct the Bajagua Project, LLC facilities; and securing all debt and equity financing to execute the project. On August 8, 2007, Bajagua Project announced that it met one of the milestones when it received a concession from Mexico’s National Water Commission (Comisión Nacional del Agua or CONAGUA), to use federal land for the construction of the Bajagua sewage treatment facility.

Since most of these milestones were not met, the IBWC did not grant Bajagua Project’s request for five additional months to comply. Consequently, the IBWC stated in a letter to the California Regional Water Quality Control Board that the proposed Fiscal Year 2008 federal budget includes $66 million, which was originally intended for the Bajagua Project, to fund upgrades to the existing South Bay International Wastewater Treatment Plant (SBIWTP) in San Ysidro.

Currently, the SBIWTP only treats sewage to the advanced primary level. The proposed funds would upgrade the Plant to meet the federal Clean Water Act requirements that would allow it to treat sewage at the secondary level, which removes more solids and toxins than advanced primary level.
On September 14, 2007, a U.S. District judge left in place the September 2008 deadline for the IBWC to comply with U.S. Clean Water Act standards. The judge scheduled another hearing for January 2008 to assess IBWC’s progress. The decision did not settle the question of whether IBWC should enhance the SBIWTP or support the Bajagua Project. Upcoming decisions at another federal court hearing could make the Bajagua Project viable again. However, the Bajagua Project would still have to meet the remaining milestones.

In a separate development, on May 14, 2007, a report titled “Toward a Long Term Solution for the San Diego – Tijuana Sewage Crisis: Reviving the Process and Moving beyond the Bajagua Debate” was released. The report was prepared by Briggs Law Corporation for the San Diego Foundation in an effort to settle disputes among leaders of the region’s environmental community. The report describes the Bajagua project as a partial remedy for the complex sewage problem and offers recommendations for moving past the Bajagua Project controversy to achieve a more comprehensive solution to the border region’s sewer crisis. It recommends reviving two previously rejected alternative sewage treatment technologies which are activated sludge technology and use of aerated ponds. The report proposes that these alternatives be assessed on whether they could be constructed at a price and timeline comparable to the Bajagua Project.

Staff will continue to provide periodic updates to the Borders Committee on international border sewage issues.

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CITY OF TIJUANA’S PROPOSAL FOR A FUTURE PORT OF ENTRY AT CANON MOCTEZUMA

Introduction

At the SANDAG Board of Directors’ meeting on July 27, 2007, Mayor Kurt Honold, City of Tijuana, presented a proposal for a new port of entry that would be located at Cañón Moctezuma (formerly known as Cañón del Matadero in Tijuana). This is in an area located west of the San Ysidro Port of Entry (POE), as shown in Attachment 1. The Board of Directors directed staff to inform the Borders Committee on this proposal.

Discussion

At the July 27, 2007, Board of Directors’ meeting, Mayor Kurt Honold presented the City of Tijuana’s perspective on border crossings. Mayor Honold referred to the San Ysidro POE as the busiest land border crossing in the world and to the Otay Mesa POE as Mexico’s commercial gateway to and from California. As such, Mayor Honold stated that the City of Tijuana’s priorities are to work and collaborate with the federal government of Mexico and other binational stakeholders in the efforts to build a third border crossing in the San Diego-Tijuana region at Mesa de Otay (Otay Mesa East - Otay II POE), and to support current efforts to expand the San Ysidro POE.

Mayor Honold supports existing efforts but believes they may not be sufficient to meet future needs. His concern is that the economy of the San Diego-Tijuana region will continue to be affected by increases in wait times at border crossings, as reported in SANDAG’s Estimating Economic Impacts of Border Wait Times study. This problem would be exacerbated by the growing number of United States citizens living or owning a second home along the coastal corridor between Tijuana and Ensenada, and the continued population and economic growth in Tijuana.

In response to these concerns, Mayor Honold announced that his administration is exploring alternatives for a potential future border crossing at Cañón Moctezuma. Mayor Honold stated that plans for the proposed border crossing would take into consideration potential impacts to the Tijuana River Estuary. This project is still in an early conceptual stage; nevertheless, Mayor Honold will be actively promoting this project at the State and Federal level in Mexico.
SANDAG staff will keep the Borders Committee informed as the City of Tijuana continues to
develop this proposal.

BOB LEITER
Director of Land Use and Transportation Planning

Attachment: 1. Proposed Coastal Zone POE and Proposed Coastal Zone POE Between San Ysidro
and Playas de Tijuana Maps

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Proposed Coastal Zone Port of Entry
Proposed Coastal Zone POE between San Ysidro and Playas de Tijuana

- 80% of Baja California's tourism travels through this corridor
- In 2002, the Tijuana-Ensenada toll road tallied 11 million trips on the same corridor
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TRIBAL CHAIRMEN’S ASSOCIATION (SCTCA)  
POLICY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

Introduction

At its June 22, 2007, meeting, the Borders Committee received from staff a suggested schedule of meetings and topics to be considered during FY 2008. At that meeting, Chairman Chris Devers (Pauma), Representative of the Southern California Tribal Chairmen’s Association (SCTCA), stated that he would take the suggested topics for tribal issues back to the SCTCA Board for review and consideration.

Discussion

Chairman Devers presented the schedule of meetings and topics to the SCTCA Board at its July meeting. The Board directed SCTCA representatives to SANDAG to meet and discuss relevant issues/topics. The group met on August 17, and brought back their recommendations to the SCTCA at its August 21, Board meeting. The attached report submitted by the SCTCA outlines suggestions and recommendations for tribal policy issues to be developed through SANDAG’s Policy Advisory Committees.

The recommendations of the SCTCA pertaining to the Borders Committee have been included in the proposed Borders Committee calendar of meetings for FY 2008 (Agenda Item No. 6). The proposed calendar can be revised as needed based on the Borders Committee’s discussion of the SCTCA’s suggestions.

BOB LEITER  
Director of Land Use and Transportation Planning

Attachment: 1. SCTCA Policy Issue Report

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Chairman Chris Devers, our representative to the Borders Committee, presented the proposed agenda schedule for FY08 for the Borders Committee at our July Board meeting. In the interest of developing a set of tribal policy issues our representatives can pursue through SANDAG, the Board directed SCTCA representatives to SANDAG to meet and develop potential areas that could be pursued.

The outcome of their brainstorming meeting, in which SANDAG’s tribal liaison participated, was presented to the SCTCA Board at its August meeting. On behalf of the SCTCA Board, Chairman Devers will present the following suggested tribal policy areas and topics for consideration to the Borders and other Policy Advisory Committees:

**Borders Committee**

- *Native American Communities of San Diego*: The SCTCA would like to facilitate the education of the SANDAG Board and Committees on the history, culture, and governance of Native American communities in the San Diego region. As new elected officials join SANDAG it will be necessary to brief new members periodically.

- *Visit to indigenous communities in Baja California*: The indigenous organization called ADESU visited the Borders Committee several months ago. SCTCA would like to coordinate with SANDAG to visit their communities and participate in their ecotour program.

**Executive Committee**

- *Collaboration on the Transportation Reauthorization Bill*: There is a national tribal effort to strategize for the next transportation reauthorization bill. The SCTCA would like to work with SANDAG through the Tribal Transportation Working Group to develop a mutually beneficial strategy to bring additional funding to the region and strengthen the tribal components.

- *Information Sharing Protocols/Agreements*: Tribal governments have developed protocols for information sharing with various types of public agencies. As the tribes work more closely with SANDAG it seems prudent to discuss how to share data/information. In addition, the SCTCA is aware that SANDAG offers services to its member jurisdictions for conducting surveys, GIS work, etc. The SCTCA would like to discuss ways in which tribal governments could access these services.

**Transportation Committee**

- *Tribal Transit Program – Interagency Technical Working Group on Tribal Transportation Issues (Working Group)* has been working for the last several months with a SANDAG consultant on the Tribal Transit Feasibility Study. The results of this study provided the basis for a tribal transit grant
application to the FTA submitted by the Reservation Transportation Authority (RTA) on behalf of the San Diego tribes for a four year program with a $2.68 million budget. The SCTCA would like to see the Working Group continue refining this proposal, working with the transit agencies, and report back to the Borders and Transportation Committees, when appropriate.

- **Tribal TDM Outreach Project**: The Reservation Transportation Authority (RTA) and SANDAG received an Environmental Justice grant from Caltrans to increase tribal involvement in Transportation Demand Management (TDM) programs, such as vanpools. This project is centered on strengthening the institutional capacity of RTA to expand its services to include TDM for tribes in Southern California. The SCTCA recommends that the RTA bring periodic updates on this project to the Borders and Transportation Committees.

- **IRR Inventory – SAFETEA LU** allows tribes to identify and include regional arterials/county roads in their inventory to increase access to Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) funding. The tribes in San Diego are currently updating their inventories and would like to report on their progress, as well as some challenges they are facing with the inventory process.

**Public Safety Committee**

- **SANDAG’s Annual Report on Crime in San Diego** – Our representative on the Public Safety Committee informed the SCTCA Board that crime on reservations is not reported in this report. The SCTCA would like to work with SANDAG to ensure that tribal crime statistics are included in the future.

- **Tribal Participation in the Adam Walsh Act**: The Act expands the National Sex Offender Registry. It now requires that all states and tribes that decided to “opt in” participate in an integrated, uniform registry system. This may be an area in which SANDAG and the SCTCA could collaborate to provide assistance to those tribes who will need to comply with the requirements.

- **Public Law 280** - SCTCA representatives recommend that SANDAG’s legal counsel and the legal departments of the cities be trained in P.L.280 and understanding its implications for law enforcement and jurisdictional issues. California is one of five states for which this law applies.

- **Emergency Preparedness Interoperability**: There is concern that in the development of the countywide fire department tribes are included in the jurisdictions considered in the planning. Related to this is the interoperability for police. SCTCA suggests the need to make sure that the Southern California Tribal Fire Chiefs Association is involved in the work of the Public Safety Committee and any interoperability initiatives.

- **Homeland Security**: The SCTCA would like to have a clearer understanding of the degree of tribal involvement in the County/City disaster planning network. It is not clear how this is being done.

**Regional Planning Committee**

- **Regional Energy Strategy**: The SCTCA is aware that a regional energy strategy is being developed. SCTCA has a business plan for becoming an energy cooperative. Various tribes are pursuing alternative energy initiatives that could be instructive to the process. The SCTCA would like to see that tribal governments have an opportunity to contribute to the development of this strategy.

- **Environmental Mitigation Program**: Transnet Extension has a program for Environmental Mitigation at a regional level with funding to identify, acquire, and manage conservation units. As SB18 authorizes tribes to do the same, tribal conservation initiatives should be taken into consideration. Tribal governments should be involved in the development of the policies associated with this regional program.
• Water Rights/Groundwater Issues/Sustainable Yield: Several tribes have raised the issue of fair policies related to rights to groundwater. Although the Water Authority is the lead agency, there are regional discussions beginning regarding groundwater that may take place at SANDAG. Tribes should be involved in these discussions.

The SCTCA Board would also like to request that it continue to receive presentations on major SANDAG initiatives, such as the draft 2007 Regional Transportation Plan. We have received timely reports from various SANDAG staff on the Coordinated Plan, the 2007 Regional Transportation Plan, among others. This has facilitated our understanding of issues being discussed at SANDAG and allowed our Board to provide feedback, both to SANDAG staff and our representatives on the Policy Advisory Committees. Our Board has directed the SCTCA representatives to SANDAG to meet on a regular basis to monitor tribal-related issues and coordinate with SANDAG staff on the development of reports to each of the committees. We are also discussing with the University of California at San Diego, the possibility of participating in their urban planning program and having policy interns assist our representatives to the Policy Advisory Committees.

The SCTCA looks forward to working on specific issues with the Borders Committee and other Policy Advisory Committees to ensure that tribal-related issues are discussed in the regional planning process.

Robert Smith
Chairman of the Board of SCTCA
September 14, 2007
Introduction

At its June 22, 2007, meeting the Borders Committee received a report on work elements and tasks included in the FY 2008 Overall Work Program (OWP) that are related to its responsibilities. At the same meeting, the Committee requested a calendar of meetings organized by themes for FY 2008. Pursuant to this request staff has prepared the attached matrix of tentative topics and action items for FY 2008.

Discussion

The FY 2008 Borders Committee calendar of meetings organizes future meeting agendas into three themes (binational, interregional, and tribal) in order to encourage proper representation by stakeholders. Regularly scheduled Committee meetings as well as off-site and special meetings are listed chronologically by month with a list of proposed meeting topics, activities, and actionable items. The Southern California Tribal Chairmen’s Association (SCTCA) Board also has reviewed this schedule and will report separately on its specific recommendations for tribal policy issues to be considered by SANDAG’s Policy Advisory Committees, including the Borders Committee (see Agenda Item No. 5). The recommendations of the SCTCA pertaining to the Borders Committee have been incorporated into the attached matrix.

BOB LEITER
Director of Land Use and Transportation Planning

Attachment: 1. Borders Committee Calendar of Meetings for Fiscal Year 2008

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PROGRESS REPORT ON THE SAN YSIDRO PORT OF ENTRY File Number 3003200
EXPANSION PROJECT

The Borders Committee received a report on this project in April 2007. The U.S. General Services Administration will brief the Committee on the status and progress of the expansion project.

BOB LEITER
Director of Land Use and Transportation Planning

Attachment: 1. Fact Sheet: San Ysidro Port of Entry, Reconfiguration and Expansion of the Existing Port of Entry, September 2007

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San Ysidro Port of Entry
Fact Sheet: Reconfiguration and Expansion of the Existing Port of Entry
September 2007

Goals of the Project
The San Ysidro Port of Entry (POE) is the busiest land port in the hemisphere. The existing outdated 30-year-old facility can no longer support CBP facilitation and enforcement missions. This POE will be replaced by a new port incorporating the latest in security and antiterrorism enhancements to improve passenger and vehicular processing, increase operational efficiency, provide greater officer and public safety, decrease operations and maintenance costs, and improve the traveler experience.

Regional Needs
The POE currently processes an average of 50,000 northbound vehicles and 25,000 northbound pedestrians per day. The San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) predicts an increase in vehicle traffic at San Ysidro of up to 70% by 2030. SANDAG’s recent study indicates substantial economic impacts to the region as a result of increasing wait times at the border. Given the delays at current traffic volumes, capacity of the POE must be increased to accommodate regional growth.

Project Scope
This project consists of the demolition and new construction of most of the POE, including primary and secondary inspection areas, administration building, pedestrian building, and other support structures. In addition, a new southbound roadway with inspection facilities will be constructed to connect with Mexico’s El Chaparral facility. The expanded facility will consist of 225,000 square feet of building space, 29 inbound vehicle lanes, two bus lanes, and six outbound vehicle lanes.

Project Status
Master planning is nearly complete and three site schemes have been developed. The scheme preferred by CBP is the “Island” scheme, which will now be developed from concepts through construction documents. Architectural and engineering design will begin in September, leading to the development of preliminary concepts of the new POE. This project will be implemented in three phases, as follows: Phase 1 – Northbound Capacity, including the acquisition of all required property; Phase 2 – Northbound Buildings; Phase 3 – Southbound Roadway and Facility, and renovation of the historic Old Port. Public workshops are planned for this fall.

Environmental Studies
GSA and CBP are collaborating with Caltrans/FHWA on a combined EIS/EIR for the project. Completion of the environmental document is expected in Fall 2008.

Funding
The project is estimated to cost approximately $577 million. Funding in the amount of $34 million was approved in FY2004 for site acquisition and design; additional funding of approximately $38 million is included in the proposed federal budget for FY2008.

Schedule
Complete Master Planning – Fall 2007
Complete EIR/EIS – Fall 2008
Begin Construction of Phase I – Summer 2009
Complete Construction of Final Phase – Fall 2014

Partners
U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), U.S. General Services Administration (GSA), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), City of San Diego.
San Ysidro Port of Entry
Reconfiguration and Expansion Project

SANDAG Borders Committee Meeting

September 28, 2007

San Ysidro Project History

- Original Project Budget
  - July 2002
  - ($168.8 million)
- FY04 Appropriation – Site/Design
  - February 2004
  - ($34.2 million)
- Design Start
  - October 2004
- Supplemental Planning
  - July 2005
- FY08 Request - Site/Design
  - July 2006
  - ($37.7 million)
- Master Planning / Site Schemes
  - September 2007
- Revised Budget ($576.7 million)
**Project Approach: Achieving Multiple Needs**

- **National Needs:** Secure the border and facilitate crossings (CBP, national economy)
- **Regional Needs:** Increase capacity and decrease wait times (travelers, commerce)
- **Local Needs:** Integrate POE into San Ysidro community and enhance surrounding neighborhood (neighbors, businesses)

**Proposed San Ysidro POE**

- Improves operations, capacity and security
- 29 inbound vehicle lanes, 2 bus lanes, 6 outbound vehicle lanes
- 225,000 sf of building space
- Use of tandem vehicle booths to increase throughput
- Accommodates future CBP technologies and programs
- Incorporates input from outside stakeholders
Master Planning: Island Scheme

Implementation: Three Project Phases

- Each “Implementation Phase” must be independent and fully functional:
  - Phase 1: Northbound Capacity – Increase throughput and reduce wait times
  - Phase 2: Northbound Buildings – Improve CBP facilities
  - Phase 3: Southbound Facility – Connect southbound roadway to Mexico’s El Chaparral facility

- Separate funding to be requested for each proposed project phase
Island Scheme – Phase 1

Island Scheme – Phase 2
Island Scheme – Phase 3

Proposed Timeline

- **Master Planning**  
  September 2007

- **Environmental Studies**  
  September 2008

- **Design / Site Acquisition**  
  March 2009

- **Construction (Three Phases)**
  - Phase 1:  
    June 2009 – May 2012
  - Phase 2:  
    August 2011 – July 2014
  - Phase 3:  
    February 2012 – January 2014
Conceptual Design

Community Opportunities
Coordination with Mexico

Next Steps

- Complete Master Planning / Start Design
- Funding – FY09 / Phase 1 Construction, Southbound Roadway Funds
- Environmental Process – Traffic Study, Draft EIS/EIR
- Site Acquisition – Finalize Appraisals, Meet with Property Owners
- Stakeholder Outreach – CRC, Public Workshop, Project Partners
San Ysidro – Concept Aerial
As a result of the discussion at the September 26th workshop, a new RTP Workshop has been scheduled for October 3. SCAG staff will present the major Goods Movement issues being considered for the RTP and there will be a discussion on the issues.

SCAG is currently seeking to involve and engage elected officials and the general public in developing the Draft 2008 RTP. Please join us where we will discuss the critical issues surrounding the development of the RTP. SCAG is scheduled to release a draft of the RTP in early November. After the release of the draft, SCAG will continue to seek input and comments until the final plan is adopted in early spring 2008.

For more information, please visit our website at www.scag.ca.gov/rtp2008, e-mail at RTPinfo@scag.ca.gov, or call our RTP hotline at 213.236.1960.
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UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Thursday, September 20, 2007, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Banning’s Landing Community Center
100 E. Water Street, Wilmington, CA 90744
Topics: Goods Movement Strategies, Ports

Thursday, October 4, 2007, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
SCAG Main Office
818 W. 7th Street, 12th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017
Topics: Corridors, Regional Comprehensive Plan

Thursday, October 11, 2007, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
SCAG Main Office
818 W. 7th Street, 12th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017
Topic: Transportation Finance

Thursday, October 18, 2007, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Ontario Convention Center (Room 103ABCD)
2000 E. Convention Center Way, Ontario, CA 91764
Topics: Aviation, High-Speed Regional Transport: Transit and Land Use

Thursday, October 25, 2007, 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Orange County Transportation Authority Office
530 S. Main Street, Orange, CA 92864
Topic: Final Wrap-Up