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# BOARD ACTIONS

November 9, 2007

**2007 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP):** Directors accepted staff proposed modifications to the Draft 2007 RTP, including:

- Working with North County jurisdictions to explore the scope and funding of a new SR 78 Corridor Study;
- Widening SR 56 to six lanes between I-5 and I-15;
- Deleting the widening of SR 76 east of Couser Canyon and SR 94 east of Melody Lane in the Unconstrained Network, each of which was shown to be inconsistent with the County of San Diego's ongoing General Plan 2020 planning efforts;
- Examining potential future revenue sources, including regional development impact fees, to help pay for the Reasonably Expected Revenue scenario;
- Removing I-15 through Mid-City from the identified Goods Movement Network and while not diverting trucks on the facility, evaluating other options for regional freight movements; and
- Adding language to indicate that detailed project-specific environmental work and alternatives analysis will be completed for areas along the coastal rail corridor where a preferred alignment has not been chosen.

More than 500 public comments were received from 109 different contributors on the Draft 2007 RTP via public workshops, agency and stakeholder meetings, e-mail, and letters. Based on this input, staff worked with Caltrans, local jurisdictions, Metropolitan Transit System, and North County Transit District to refine the original scenarios. Updated every four years, the RTP contains an integrated set of public policies, strategies, and investments to maintain, manage, and improve the surface transportation system, and better coordinate land use and transportation planning. The SANDAG Board of Directors will be asked to adopt the Draft 2007 Regional Transportation Plan at its Friday, November 30, 2007, meeting. *(Item #9B: Staff contact, Mike Hix, (619) 699-1977; mhi@sandag.org)*

**SECOND ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE *TransNet* INDEPENDENT TAXPAYERS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (ITOC):** John Meyer, ITOC Chair, presented Directors with the Committee's annual FY 2007 report. As mandated by the *TransNet* Ordinance (Ordinance), ITOC provides an increased level of accountability for the allocation of *TransNet* revenues. ITOC also provides guidance and oversight on the development of the *TransNet* Early Action Program (EAP) and the implementation of other key components of the new measure.

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS

*November 30  
Business Meeting*

- 2030 San Diego Regional Transportation Plan
- 2008 Annual SANDAG Board Retreat

*December 21  
Business Meeting*

- 2008 SANDAG Legislative Program
- Regional Comprehensive Plan: 2007 Annual Performance Monitoring Report
- Election of 2008 SANDAG Board Officers

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FY 2007 actions included:

- Recommending support of a revised SPRINTER financial plan that also involved an amendment to the Ordinance and EAP to include additional funding for the Environmental Mitigation Program and Trolley Blue and Orange Line capital improvements;
- Supporting completion of SR 52 to SR 67 as originally proposed, with additional funding required to cover a cost increase coming from the future SR 52 managed lanes project; and
- Recommending that \$1.8 million in funding from the FY 2009 new *TransNet* Extension be used to fully fund the Lake Hodges bicycle and pedestrian bridge.

In FY 2008, ITOC will continue to raise concerns about the trend toward significant cost increases on all major projects and urge staff to initiate the Plan of Finance update process as soon as possible so that the impacts to the overall program can be assessed. ITOC also will assume responsibility for the *TransNet* independent fiscal audits beginning in July 2008. (*Item #7: Staff contact, Muggs Stoll, (619) 699-6945; mst@sandag.org*)

**PRESENTATION ON CONSTRUCTION AGGREGATE RESOURCES:** Crystal Howard of EnviroMINE, Inc. presented information to Directors regarding the availability of aggregate resources in the San Diego region. Aggregate materials are used in construction and include sand, gravel, crushed stone, slag, or recycled crushed concrete. Her presentation showed that while demand for aggregate is increasing, the number of aggregate quarries in the region is decreasing. To realize the region's needs, aggregate currently is imported from Imperial County and Mexico. By producing more aggregate locally, truck trips to the region will be reduced. After a lengthy discussion, the Board of Directors recommended this issue be brought to the SANDAG Regional Planning Committee for further review and possible action.

**FY 2008 BUDGET AMENDMENT: I-805 CORRIDOR SYSTEM MANAGEMENT PLAN:** Directors unanimously approved accepting up to \$1 million in state planning funds, and an amendment to the FY 2008 Budget and Overall Work Program to complete the Interstate 805 Corridor System Management Plan (CSMP). The purpose of the CSMP is to provide a unified system management concept for managing, operating, improving, and preserving corridor mobility across all modes. (*Item #10: Staff contact, Joel Haven, I-5 Corridor Director, (619) 220-7377; Joel\_Haven@dot.ca.gov*)

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