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BORDERS COMMITTEE AGENDA

Friday, July 25, 2008
12:30 to 2:30 p.m.
SANDAG Board Room
401 B Street, 7th Floor
San Diego

AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

- SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY MAJOR INVESTMENT STUDY UPDATE
- REPORT ON I-8 IRP WITH IMPERIAL COUNTY
- UPDATE ON THE SAN YSIDRO POE RECONFIGURATION AND EXPANSION PROJECT
- TRANSPORTATION BORDER CONGESTION RELIEF PROGRAM
- UPDATE ON THE FTA TRIBAL TRANSIT GRANT

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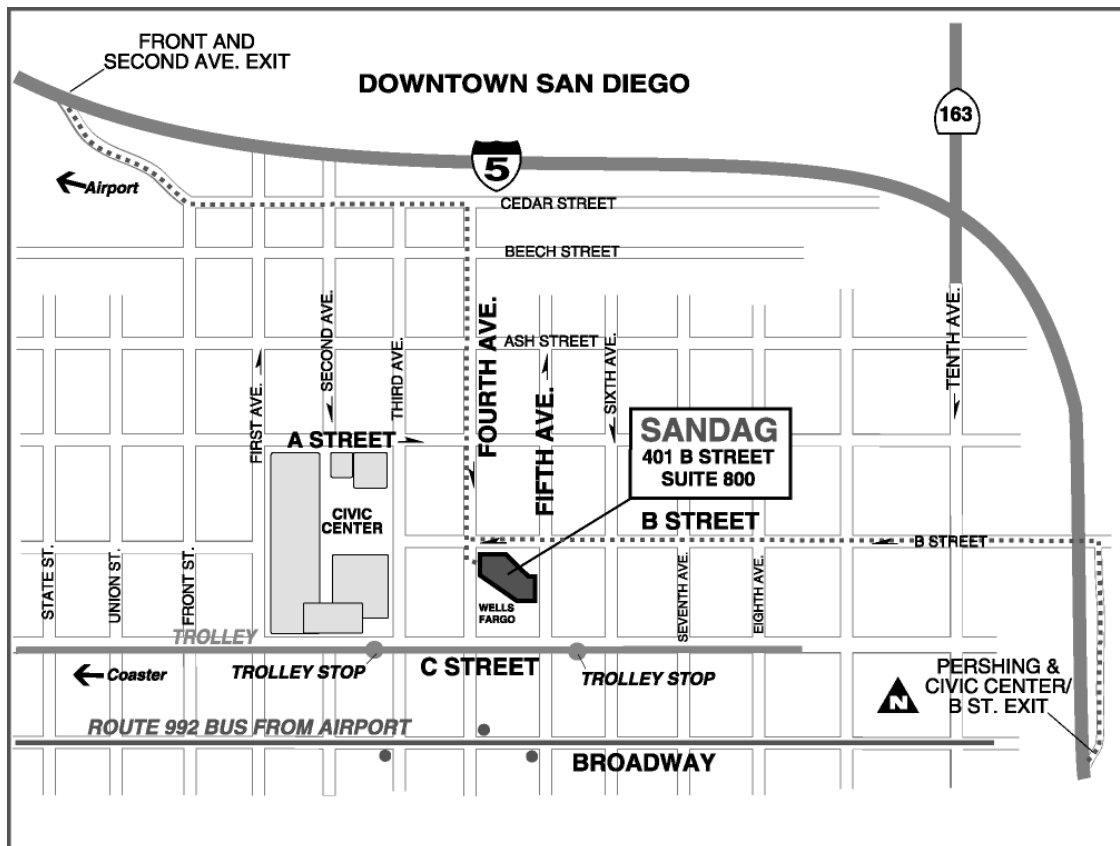


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BORDERS COMMITTEE

Friday, July 25, 2008

ITEM # **RECOMMENDATION**

+1. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 13, 2008, MEETING MINUTES APPROVE

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS

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.

CHAIR'S REPORT (#3)

3. UPCOMING INTERSTATE 15 (I-15) INTERREGIONAL PARTNERSHIP (IRP) JOINT POLICY MEETING INFORMATION

The I-15 IRP Joint Policy Committee will be meeting at the Escondido Chamber of Commerce on September 17, 2008, to kick off Phase III of the partnership. The primary goal of the I-15 IRP is to foster collaborative strategies in transportation, housing, and economic development that will improve the quality of life for residents in both counties. This meeting will kick off the third phase of this partnership with funding from Caltrans, District 8, to focus on developing a strategic implementation plan for the I-15 corridor at the county line, engaging cluster industries in a strategic action plan for economic development, and collaborating on transit-oriented development in southern Riverside and northern San Diego.

REPORT ITEMS (#3 through #7)

+4. SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY MAJOR INVESTMENT STUDY UPDATE (Heather Werdick, SANDAG; and Charlie Larwood, Orange County Transportation Authority) DISCUSSION

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) is currently conducting a South Orange County Major Investment Study (SOCMIS). SANDAG participates in this study on the Policy and Technical Advisory Committees. OCTA staff will provide an update on the study progress to date including the recommended locally preferred strategy.

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- +5. REPORT ON INTERSTATE 8 (I-8) INTERREGIONAL PARTNERSHIP (IRP) WITH IMPERIAL COUNTY (Rosa Lopez, Imperial Valley Association of Governments (IVAG); and Warren Whiteaker, PMC)

DISCUSSION/APPOINT

IVAG, in partnership with Caltrans, District 11, and SANDAG, has initiated the development of the I-8 Corridor Strategic Plan. A progress report on advances made on this study will be provided.

- +6. UPDATE ON THE SAN YSIDRO PORT OF ENTRY (POE) RECONFIGURATION AND EXPANSION PROJECT (Keith Lew, U.S. General Services Administration)

DISCUSSION

The U. S. General Services Administration (GSA) presented the conceptual master plan for the San Ysidro POE Reconfiguration and Expansion project to the Borders Committee at its September 2007 meeting, and in January 2008 the Committee reviewed SANDAG comments on the project. This report will provide updates on this project.

- +7. TRANSPORTATION BORDER CONGESTION RELIEF PROGRAM (Pedro Orso-Delgado, Caltrans; and Christina Casgar, SANDAG)

INFORMATION

On May 30, 2008, the U.S. Department of Transportation requested applications to participate in the Transportation Border Congestion Relief (TBCR) Program. Caltrans, District 11, submitted applications for four border projects in San Diego and Imperial Counties. The attached report describes the TBCR Program and the proposed projects.

- +8. UPDATE ON THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) TRIBAL TRANSIT GRANT (Boxie Phoenix, Chair, Tribal Transportation Working Group; and Jane Clough-Riquelme, SANDAG)

INFORMATION

The Reservation Transportation Authority (RTA) recently received a \$425,000 grant from FTA's Tribal Transit Program (5311c) for year one of a four-year program to improve transit connections between the tribal reservations and the urban transit system through enhancements to existing routes, as well as the addition of tribally-operated connector routes. The grant program was intended to cover 100 percent of program costs; however, the FTA awarded slightly less than 50 percent of the requested funding. Work is now underway to re-scope the year one activities to coordinate with the transit agencies. Boxie Phoenix, Chair of the Tribal Transportation Working Group, will brief the Borders Committee on the re-scoping process and share the recommendations made by the Working Group and the Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association. The RTA has prepared the attached status report for the Committee's information.

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9. UPCOMING MEETINGS

INFORMATION

The next meeting of the Borders Committee is scheduled for Friday, September 26, 2008, at 12:30 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

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