



BOARD ACTIONS

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REVISION TO THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO *TransNet* MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT AUDIT: Directors approved a revised City of San Diego *TransNet* Maintenance of Effort (MOE) base level to correct an error in the MOE as reported in a previously approved audit report. The revisions reflect an increase of approximately \$332,000 in the amount of local discretionary funds used for transit pass subsidies for fiscal years 2001, 2002, and 2003. *(Item #4: Staff contact: Lisa Kondrat-Dauphin, (619) 699-1942 or lko@sandag.org)*

FY 2010 BUDGET AND OVERALL WORK PROGRAM AMENDMENT ACCEPTING ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS: Directors approved an amendment to the FY 2010 Budget and Overall Work Program to accept \$118,760 in additional Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) funding from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ). Directors also authorized the Executive Director to accept future PSN program funding from the U.S. DOJ during FY 2010. Project Safe Neighborhoods is a national effort coordinated through the local U.S. Attorney's Office to target gun- and gang-related violence. SANDAG assumed the role of fiscal agent for this effort in June 2009. *(Item #5: Staff contact, Cynthia Burke, (619) 699-1910 or cbu@sandag.org)*

ELECTION OF 2010 SANDAG BOARD OFFICERS: SANDAG elected Escondido Mayor Lori Holt Pfeiler as Chair, Encinitas Councilmember Jerome Stocks as First Vice Chair, and Santee Councilmember Jack Dale as Second Vice Chair, for one-year terms, beginning January 1, 2010. *(Item #9: Staff contact, Kim Kawada, (619) 699-6994 or kka@sandag.org)*

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE *TransNet* INDEPENDENT TAXPAYER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (ITOC): Directors heard the fourth annual report from the ITOC, which covered activities through FY 2009 and showed in detail the involvement of the ITOC in carrying out the voters' mandate on the *TransNet* Extension, most notably this year the conduct and completion of the first Triennial Performance Audit. The role of the ITOC is to ensure that the voter-approved mandates of the new ordinance are carried out and to recommend improvements and enhancements to the financial integrity and performance of the *TransNet* program over time. *(Item #10: Staff contact, Muggs Stoll, (619) 699-6945 or mst@sandag.org)*

SANDAG PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN: Directors approved the final SANDAG Public Participation Plan (PPP), which guides SANDAG public outreach efforts for all agency initiatives and reflects the SANDAG commitment to public participation and involvement to include all residents and stakeholders in the regional planning and decision-making process. The development of the PPP was a six-month collaborative process from June to December 2009 that included development, input, and feedback from the SANDAG Policy Advisory Committees, Regional Planning Stakeholders Working Group, community and business groups, residents, and other stakeholders. The final SANDAG PPP includes revisions made in response to input received from residents and agencies during a 45-day public comment and review period, which ended November 30, 2009. *(Item #12: Staff contact, Anne Steinberger, (619) 699-1937 or ast@sandag.org)*

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

January 8, 2010
Policy Meeting

- Transit Funding Workshop

January 22, 2010
Business Meeting

- Southern California Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Disparity Study
- 2010 State Transportation Improvement Program: Revised Submittal
- Revision to FY 2010 Transportation Development Act and TransNet Revenue Estimates

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2010 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM: Directors approved the 2010 Legislative Program as recommended by the Executive Committee. Each year, the Executive Committee recommends a legislative program in priority order to the Board of Directors for the upcoming calendar year. Consistent with past programs, the 2010 Legislative Program includes policies and proposals for federal and state legislation as well as local activities. *(Item #13: Staff contact, Genevieve Morelos, (619) 699-1994 or gmo@sandag.org)*

SANDAG RECOMMENDS ALLOCATING SAVINGS TO I-15 PROJECT: Due to lower than expected bids, there is approximately \$69 million in Proposition 1B Corridor Mobility Improvement Account (CMIA) savings on the Interstate 15 Express Lanes project. The California Transportation Commission (CTC) has adopted a statewide policy that allows savings to be reprogrammed on other eligible projects. Directors approved submitting a request to the CTC to allocate \$50 million of these savings to the I-15 Direct Access Ramp (DAR) at Mira Mesa Boulevard. This action also approved removing the DAR from the 2010 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). And, a subsequent recommendation on the remaining CMIA savings will be developed and presented to the Transportation Committee and the Board of Directors in the next few months. *(Item #14: Staff contact, Jose Nuncio, (619) 699-1908 or orjnu@sandag.org)*

2009-2013 COORDINATED PUBLIC TRANSIT AND HUMAN SERVICE TRANSPORTATION PLAN: Directors approved Resolution No. 2010-06, approving the 2009-2013 Coordinated Public Transit and Human Services Transportation Plan (Coordinated Plan) for San Diego County, as recommended by the Transportation Committee. SANDAG was designated by the State of California as the agency responsible for preparation of the Coordinated Plan that also incorporates the Regional Short Range Transit Plan required by SANDAG Board of Directors Policy No. 018 (Transit Service Planning) and service monitoring data required by the State of California Transportation Development Act. The Coordinated Plan provides a five-year blueprint for the implementation of the public transit and human service transportation concepts described in the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The Coordinated Plan was prepared in collaboration with staff members from Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), North County Transit District (NCTD), Caltrans District 11, the SANDAG Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC), and the Coordinated Transportation Services Agency for San Diego County (CTSA). *(Item #15: Staff contact, Phil Trom, (619) 699-7330 or ptr@sandag.org)*

LOS ANGELES-SAN DIEGO-SAN LUIS OBISPO (LOSSAN) CORRIDOR MEMBER AGENCY MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR RAIL SERVICE INTEGRATION: Directors authorized the SANDAG Executive Director to sign an interagency memorandum of understanding that outlines the roles and responsibilities for better integrating the LOSSAN corridor's three passenger rail services: the Amtrak Pacific Surfliner, the North County Transit District COASTER, and the Southern California Regional Rail Authority's Metrolink. An analysis of the corridor's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats, combined with public opinion research and input from the LOSSAN member agencies, assisted the LOSSAN Board of Directors to develop a shared corridor vision that outlines a corridorwide approach to planning and implementing service improvements for current and underserved markets. The LOSSAN rail corridor is the second busiest intercity passenger rail corridor nationwide and runs from San Diego to Los Angeles to San Luis Obispo. *(Item #16: Staff contact, Linda Culp, (619) 699-6957 or lcu@sandag.org)*

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FINAL REGIONAL ENERGY STRATEGY UPDATE: Directors approved an update to the Regional Energy Strategy (RES). The RES Update serves as the SANDAG energy policy guide through 2030 to support decision-making as the region strives to meet the energy needs of a growing population and economy while enhancing our quality of life. The update to the 2030 RES was undertaken in response to increasing scientific and policy focus on global climate change and in light of the significant policy changes and implementation programs affecting the electricity, natural gas, and transportation sectors. The updated RES focuses on opportunities that SANDAG and its member agencies could take advantage of to address energy issues in areas such as land-use planning, transportation planning and funding, and the building entitlement process. The RES Update does not make recommendations for specific energy projects, but does assess the regional need for energy resources and infrastructure. The RES also does not replace the long-term electricity plan that SDG&E develops for the California Public Utility Commission, but can inform their decision making. The RES Update will be a component of the SANDAG Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP), which provides a long-term strategic planning framework for the region to address issues affecting our quality of life, including energy. The energy policy guidance fits within the larger regional vision and strategic planning framework of the adopted RCP, including the Regional Transportation Plan. *(Item #17: Staff contact, Andrew Martin, (619) 699-7319 or ama@sandag.org)*

COMPASS CARD STATUS: Progress continues on the implementation of Compass Card. SANDAG, MTS, and NCTD have increased the total distribution of Compass Cards to approximately 27,000 monthly pass holders. Ticket Vending Machines at all rail stations now sell or reload Compass Cards. Another seven outlets will be added in December bringing the total to 27 outlets selling Compass Cards regionwide. *(Item #18: Staff contact: James Dreisbach-Towle, (619) 699-1914 or jdr@sandag.org)*

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