

San Diego Association of Governments

# BORDERS COMMITTEE

June 25, 2010

AGENDA ITEM NO.: **1**

**Action Requested: APPROVE**

## BORDERS COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS MEETING OF APRIL 23, 2010

The meeting of the Borders Committee was called to order by Chair Patricia McCoy (South County) at 12:35 p.m. See the attached attendance sheet for Borders Committee member attendance.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Action: Upon a motion by Vice Chair Greg Cox (County of San Diego) and a second by Councilmember John Minto (East County), the Borders Committee approved the minutes from the March 26, 2010 meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Jim Dahl (Orange County) and Councilmember Crystal Crawford (North County Coastal) abstained.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS

Chair McCoy thanked Supervisor Pam Slater-Price (County of San Diego), Councilmember Minto, Councilmember Sam Abed (North County Inland), Chairman Chris Devers, Pauma Band of Mission Indians (Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association), and Chairman Mark Romero, Mesa Grande Band of Mission Indians (Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association), for their efforts in bringing about the successful Tribal Summit.

Councilmember Crawford recommended viewing the video regarding tribal sovereignty and asked if it was available for viewing by others.

Chairman Devers responded that the video is not currently available as the tribes are still reviewing it.

Supervisor Slater-Price reported there will be tribal representation on the Unified Disaster Council (UDC).

Councilmember Abed expressed his gratitude to all participants; stating there is a better understanding of the issues, and that coordination is necessary to improve emergency response.

Chair McCoy recognized Councilmember Crawford and Jane Clough-Riquelme, Senior Planner (SANDAG), for organizing and leading the Tribal Summit; and, informed on the honors bestowed upon Ms. Clough-Riquelme by the tribes and the American Planning Association (APA).

### **CONSENT ITEMS (#3 THROUGH #4)**

3. STATUS REPORT ON SANDAG, ORANGE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (OCTA), AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG) COLLABORATION ON LONG-RANGE PLANNING (INFORMATION)

Staff members from OCTA, SCAG, and SANDAG have met periodically to collaborate on long-range planning efforts including Senate Bill (SB) 375 implementation, updates to long-range transportation plans, and rail and corridor planning. This status report provided information on recent collaboration activities.

4. 2010 SANDAG ANNUAL BINATIONAL EVENT UPDATE (INFORMATION)

The Save the Date announcement for the 2010 binational seminar to be held on June 1, 2010, was provided.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Minto and a second by Councilmember Crawford, the Borders Committee approved Consent Items 3 and 4.

### **REPORT ITEMS (#5 through #7)**

5. FINAL REPORT OF PHASE III OF THE INTERSTATE 15 INTERREGIONAL PARTNERSHIP (I-15 IRP) (APPROVE)

In 2008, the I-15 IRP between San Diego and southwestern Riverside received funding to continue implementing interregional strategies in transportation, housing, and economic development to improve the quality of life for residents in both Regions.

Jane Clough-Riquelme, Senior Regional Planner, presented the item; and, Kevin Viera, Program Manager, Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG), provided additional details.

Action: Upon a motion by Council President Ben Hueso (City of San Diego) and a second by Councilmember Minto, the Borders Committee unanimously accepted the final report for Phase III of the I-15 IRP (Attachment 1).

6. SOUTH AND EAST SAN DIEGO COUNTY/IMPERIAL COUNTY 2009 COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS) (INFORMATION)

In October 2008, the South County Economic Development Council (South County EDC) received a grant to create a CEDS, which is required to qualify for Economic Development

Administration (EDA) assistance for public works and planning efforts, and a prerequisite for being designated by EDA as an economic development district. The CEDS was recently completed and Cindy Gompper-Graves, Executive Director (South County EDC), summarized its findings; and, Jo Marie Diamond, Vice President (South County EDC), presented additional information.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

7. PERSPECTIVES ON WATER SUPPLY IN THE BINATIONAL BORDER REGION

a) PERSPECTIVES ON WATER USAGE ASSOCIATED WITH CLIMATE CHANGE IN BAJA CALIFORNIA (INFORMATION)

Alberto Pombo, PhD, Department of Urban and Environmental Studies, El Colegio de la Frontera Norte, reported on the Mexican perspective regarding future impacts that climate change could have on water usage and availability in Baja California.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

b) OVERVIEW OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY (SDCWA) CROSSBORDER ACTIVITIES (INFORMATION)

At the 2009 joint meeting of the Borders Committee and the City of Tijuana, Mayor Jorge Ramos raised the issue of water supply and the concept of a desalination plant in the border region. Halla Razak, Colorado River Programs Director (SDCWA), provided an overview on SDCWA's work on crossborder water issues, including outcomes from a preliminary study on a proposed desalination plant in Baja California.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

8. UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Borders Committee is scheduled for Friday, May 28, 2010, at 12:30 p.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair McCoy adjourned the meeting at 2:31 p.m.

Attachment: Attendance Sheet

**CONFIRMED ATTENDANCE  
BORDERS COMMITTEE MEETING  
APRIL 23, 2010  
12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

GEOGRAPHICAL AREA	JURISDICTION	NAME	MEMBER/ ALTERNATE	ATTENDING	
				Yes	No
South County	City of Imperial Beach	Patricia McCoy (Chair)	Member	✓	
	City of Chula Vista	Rudy Ramirez	Alternate	✓	
North County Coastal	City of Del Mar	Crystal Crawford	Member	✓	
	City of Oceanside	Jim Wood	Alternate		✓
North County Inland	City of Escondido	Sam Abed	Member	✓	
	City of Poway	Carl Kruse	Alternate		✓
East County	City of Santee	John Minto	Member	✓	
	City of La Mesa	David Allan	Alternate		✓
City of San Diego	----	Ben Hueso	Member	✓	
	----	Sherri Lightner	Alternate		✓
County of San Diego	----	Greg Cox (Vice Chair)	Member	✓	
	----	Pam Slater-Price	Alternate	✓	
Imperial County	County of Imperial	Wally Leimgruber	Member		✓
	City of Calexico	David Ouzan	Alternate		✓
COBRO	-----	Dr. Paul Ganster	Member		✓
	-----	Cindy Gompper-Graves	Alternate	✓	
	—	Angelika Villagrana	Alternate	✓	
County of Riverside	City of Lake Elsinore	Thomas Buckley	Member	✓	
Republic of Mexico	Consul General of Mexico	Remedios Gomez-Arnau	Member		✓
	Deputy Consul General of Mexico	Martha Rosas	Alternate	✓	
	Consul	Lydia Antonio	Alternate		✓
	Consular Officer	Elvira Felix	Alternate		✓

Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association	Pauma	Chris Devers	Member	✓	
	Mesa Grande	Mark Romero	Member		✓
	SCTCA	Denis Turner	Alternate		✓
Caltrans		Laurie Berman	Member		✓
		Bill Figge	Alternate	✓	
San Diego County Water Authority		Elsa Saxod	Member	✓	
		Howard Williams	Alternate		✓
SCAG		Rich Macias	Member		✓
		Mathew Gleason	Alternate	✓	
County of Orange	City of San Clemente	Jim Dahl	Member	✓	
		Bill Campbell	Alternate		✓