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BOARD ACTIONS

May 28, 2010

INTERSTATE 5 MULTIMODAL CORRIDOR STUDY: RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE: Directors approved Alternative 2 of the I-5 South Multimodal Corridor Study for consideration in the development of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). SANDAG, in collaboration with the City of Chula Vista and Caltrans, is conducting the I-5 Multimodal Corridor Study to examine potential transportation improvements between State Route 54 and Main Street in the City of Chula Vista. Initiated in February 2009, this study will complement a larger effort by Caltrans to prepare a highway project study report for a longer segment of I-5 from SR 15 to the international border with Mexico. On September 18, 2009, the Transportation Committee recommended three alternatives for further study. At its May 7, 2010 meeting, the Transportation Committee was briefed on the analysis of these alternatives and recommended that the Board of Directors approve Alternative 2 for consideration in the 2050 RTP network development. *(Item #6 staff contact: Rachel Kennedy, (619) 699-1929 or rke@sandag.org)*

TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: Directors approved allocating \$834,000 in Transportation Enhancement funding for the Bayshore Bikeway. This action also approved Amendment No. 26 to the 2008 Regional Transportation Improvement Program and amended the FY 2010 SANDAG budget to increase the Bayshore Bikeway project funding to \$3.4 million. The Bayshore Bikeway is a planned 24-mile bicycle facility around the San Diego Bay in the cities of San Diego, National City, Chula Vista, Imperial Beach, and Coronado. Approximately 13 miles of the Bikeway have been completed. This funding will complete an additional 1.3 miles of the Bikeway. *(Item #7 staff contact: Stephan Vance, (619) 699-1924 or sva@sandag.org)*

QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT ON TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS – JANUARY TO MARCH 2010: *Highway Projects:* Caltrans continued to work on the draft environmental document for the I-5 HOV/Express Lanes project. The document should be available for public review by June 2010....The schedule for the completion of the SR 52 four lane freeway expansion from SR 125 to SR 67 has been revised due to unforeseen weather conditions. The freeway is estimated to be open to traffic by March 2011....The construction contract for the I-805 HOV lanes and Carroll Canyon Road extension project is expected to be awarded by July 2010, and the construction phase is scheduled for completion by spring 2013.

Transit and Bikeway Projects: The design phase for the Mid-City Rapid Bus is scheduled to be completed in June 2010. Once completed, the right-of-way phase is scheduled to begin with an estimated completion date of December 2010. This project will provide a rapid bus route from downtown San Diego to San Diego State University via Park and El Cajon boulevards. The project is scheduled to open for service in summer 2011.

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 - Chula Vista
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 - El Cajon
 - Encinitas
 - Escondido
 - Imperial Beach
 - La Mesa
 - Lemon Grove
 - National City
 - Oceanside
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 - San Diego
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 - Santee
 - Solana Beach
 - Vista
 - and
 - County of San Diego

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 - United States Department of Defense
 - San Diego Unified Port District
 - San Diego County Water Authority
 - Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association
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UPCOMING MEETINGS

*June 11, 2010
Policy Meeting*

- 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Overview
- Update on the Urban Area Transit Strategy
- Development of the 2050 RTP Initial Unconstrained Transportation Network
- 2050 RTP Draft Evaluation Criteria

*June 25, 2010
Business Meeting*

- Smart Growth Trip Generation Study
- FY 2011 Transportation Development Act Allocations
- Energy Roadmap Program

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Arterial and Freeway Interchange Projects: The final environmental document for the Friars Road/SR 163 Interchange project is scheduled to be completed by June 2010. This project will widen and improve Friars Road and the overcrossing over SR 163 and reconstruct the interchange. It also includes improving ramp intersections and new connector roadways as well as constructing auxiliary lanes along northbound and southbound 163. The first phase of this project is scheduled to open to traffic in spring 2016.

Traffic and Demand Management: Participation rate in the vanpool program increased from the last quarter, from 661 vanpools to 662. Average ridership per vanpool was approximately 8.1 passengers, with 5,368 passengers participating....The 511 call system received 241,000 calls, raising the cumulative call volume to more than 2.6 million calls. (Item #11 staff contact: Jose Nuncio, (619) 699-1908 or jnu@sandag.org)

NAVY TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT STUDY INITIATIVE: Directors approved the implementation of a proposed pilot program for a limited express transit service that will carry passengers from the Murphy Canyon military housing area to Naval Base San Diego for a period of one year beginning in fall 2010. The service will be operated by the Metropolitan Transit System (MTS). The United States Navy, as one of the largest employers in the San Diego region, partnered with the SANDAG iCommute regional commuter assistance program and MTS to conduct an analysis of commuter travel activity between three regional Navy housing clusters and the eight San Diego area naval bases/facilities. The purpose of the analysis was to identify demand-side strategies that the Navy could utilize for its service and civilian commuters. The pilot limited express transit service will be funded from the Navy's Transportation Incentive Program. (Item #13 staff contact: Dan Martin, (619) 699-6987 or dma@sandag.org)

2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN: DRAFT EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR HIGHWAY CORRIDORS, CONNECTORS, TRANSIT SERVICES, AND FREIGHT PROJECTS: Directors voted to continue discussions on the proposed transportation project evaluation criteria at their June 11 Board Policy meeting. Once approved, the transportation project evaluation criteria for highway corridors, transit services, connectors, and freight projects will be instrumental in the development the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan. The criteria will be used to evaluate projects for each of those categories and to develop lists of ranked projects by category. These ranked project lists, in turn, will be used to develop multimodal transportation network alternatives. The network alternatives will be evaluated using proposed plan performance measures that will be presented to the Board of Directors at a future meeting. (Item #14 staff contacts: Scott Strelecki (619) 699-6954 or sstr@sandag.org and Christina Casgar (619) 699-1982 or cca@sandag.org)

PROPOSED FINAL FY 2011 BUDGET (INCLUDING THE OVERALL WORK PROGRAM): Directors approved Resolution No. 2010-12 adopting the FY 2011 Budget, including the Overall Work Program (OWP), Capital Improvement Program, *TransNet* Program, and Administration and Board budgets. The Final FY 2011 Budget is estimated to be \$993.2 million, including the OWP in the amount of \$64.7 million, and the annual portion of the Capital Program in the amount of \$676.7 million. (Item #15 staff contact: Tim Watson, (619) 699-1966 or twa@sandag.org)

SANDAG DRAFT PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION OVERALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GOAL-SETTING METHODOLOGY FOR FFY 2010-FFY 2012: Directors accepted a draft proposed amendment to the Federal Transit Administration Overall Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal-Setting Methodology for release to the public for a 45-day comment period. As a recipient of funds through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), SANDAG is required to comply with DBE regulations and develop an overall DBE Goal for its FTA-assisted projects. The purpose of the DBE goal-setting process is to level the playing field so that DBEs can compete fairly for U.S. Department of Transportation-assisted contracts. The proposed amendment, which is a draft document being released for public comment, proposes a methodology for setting DBE goals for FTA-assisted projects during the period from October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2012. *(Item #16 staff contact: Elaine Richardson, (619) 699-6956 or eri@sandag.org)*

SENATE BILL 375 IMPLEMENTATION: GREENHOUSE GAS TARGET-SETTING ANALYSIS-HYBRID SCENARIO TESTING: In accordance with the requirements of Senate Bill 375, Directors authorized staff to submit to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) a report describing greenhouse gas target-setting scenarios developed by SANDAG, the funding assumptions used in them, and their results for CARB's use in the greenhouse gas target-setting process. The scenarios demonstrate the effects various bundles of transportation and land-use measures associated with the recently adopted 2050 Regional Growth Forecast could have on greenhouse gas emissions. *(Item #17 staff contact: Rob Rundle, (619) 699-6949 or rru@sandag.org)*

INTERSTATE 805 CORRIDOR UPDATE AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT: Directors approved the allocation of \$16 million of *TransNet* funding for the design of the initial construction phase of the I-805 North Segment from SR 52 to the I-805/I-5 merge. SANDAG and Caltrans are jointly working on the corridor improvements that are included in the *TransNet* Early Action Program. *(Item #18 staff contact: Joel Haven, (619) 220-7377 or Joel_Haven@dot.ca.gov)*

RIDING TO 2050: SAN DIEGO REGIONAL BICYCLE PLAN - FINAL DRAFT: Directors adopted the Final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the San Diego Regional Bicycle Plan and approved the Final San Diego Regional Bicycle Plan. The plan was developed to support implementation of the SANDAG Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP) and Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The RCP calls for more transportation options and a balanced regional transportation system that supports smart growth and a more sustainable region. The RTP calls for a multimodal regional transportation system that includes a regional bicycle network. The Plan will provide that network for the 2050 RTP currently under development, as well as identify the programs that are necessary to support the bicycle component of the region's multimodal future. *(Item #19 staff contact: Chris Kluth, (619) 699-1952 or ckl@asndag.org)*

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UPDATE ON STATE ROUTE 11 AND OTAY MESA EAST PORT OF ENTRY PROJECT: Directors were updated on the progress of the SR 11 and Otay Mesa East Port of Entry project. In April the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) awarded SANDAG a \$1.3 million Pre-Deployment Study Grant to support the development of a plan for an electronic tolling system that can accommodate dynamic pricing at the border. Staff also reported that the USDOT is evaluating a SANDAG letter of interest that must be completed in advance of an application for a Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loan. Staff also updated the Directors on the procurement process to engage an investment banking firm to work with the SANDAG/Caltrans project team. Directors directed staff to discontinue negotiations with Goldman Sachs and to pursue negotiations with the second highest ranked firm from the list of proposers. *(Item #21 staff contact: Marney Cox, (619) 699-1930 or mco@sandag.org)*

OPTION FOR PROVIDING ADDITIONAL TRANSIT OPERATIONS FUNDING: *TransNet* I CARRYOVER FUNDS: SANDAG approved allocating \$10.1 million to the Metropolitan Transit System. This funding will be allocated to maintenance and mitigation liabilities related to *TransNet* 1 projects (\$2.2 million) with the remaining \$7.9 million available for transit operations. *(Item #22 staff contact: Dave Schumacher, (619) 699-6906 or dsc@sandag.org)*

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