

San Diego Association of Governments
BORDERS COMMITTEE

July 23, 2010

AGENDA ITEM NO.: **1**

Action Requested: APPROVE

**BORDERS COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS
MEETING OF JUNE 25, 2010**

The meeting of the Borders Committee was called to order by Chair Patricia McCoy (South County) at 12:32 p.m. See the attached attendance sheet for Borders Committee member attendance.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Action: Upon a motion by Council President Ben Hueso (City of San Diego) and a second by Supervisor Pam Slater-Price (County of San Diego), the Borders Committee unanimously approved the minutes from the April 23, 2010, meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS

Action: There were no comments/communications.

CONSENT ITEMS (#3 through #5)

3. BORDERS COMMITTEE WORK ELEMENTS AND CALENDAR OF MEETINGS FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2011 (INFORMATION)

This report outlined the work elements and tasks included in the FY 2011 Overall Work Program that are related to the responsibilities of the Borders Committee, as well as a draft calendar of meetings for FY 2011.

4. PROGRESS REPORT ON THE SAN DIEGO – IMPERIAL COUNTY INTERSTATE 8 (I-8) CORRIDOR STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE (INFORMATION)

The Imperial Valley Association of Governments (IVAG), in partnership with Caltrans, District 11 and SANDAG completed the Final San Diego-Imperial County I-8 Corridor Strategic Plan in February 2009. This report described progress made since last reported at the October 2009 Borders Committee meeting.

5. PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE 2010 BINTIONAL SEMINAR "CROSSBORDER CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGIES: RAISING AWARENESS OF ADAPTATION" (INFORMATION)

Since 1997, SANDAG has organized an annual event to address binational topics. This year the event focused on Crossborder Climate Change Adaptation Strategies.

Chair Patricia McCoy (South County) informed Dr. Paul Ganster was unable to attend and the final report will be presented at a future date.

Elsa Saxod (San Diego County Water Authority) said a full report will be presented with recommendations on these issues. She also acknowledged and thanked participants from Caltrans, the California Environmental Protection Agency, the City of Tijuana, IMPlan, the State of Baja California, the Consulate General of Mexico, and El Colegio de la Frontera Norte (COLEF).

Action: Upon a motion by Council President Ben Hueso (City of San Diego) and a second by Supervisor Pam Slater-Price (County of San Diego), the Borders Committee unanimously approved Consent Items #3 through #5.

REPORT ITEMS (#6 through #9)

6. 2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP): URBAN AREA TRANSIT STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT OF INITIAL UNCONSTRAINED TRANSPORTATION NETWORK (DISCUSSION)

SANDAG is currently preparing the 2050 RTP. The Urban Area Transit Strategy will serve as the basis of the transit strategy to be included in the RTP. The transit networks, combined with highway improvements and other management strategies will form the basis for the initial 2050 Unconstrained Transportation Network. Elisa Arias, Principal Planner, and Carolina Gregor, Senior Planner, presented an overview of the key elements of the 2050 RTP; a status report on the Urban Area Transit Strategy; and, initiated discussion on the 2050 Unconstrained Transportation Network.

Action: This item was presented for discussion only.

7. REPORT FROM THE CONSUL GENERAL OF MEXICO (INFORMATION)

The Consul General of Mexico in San Diego, Hon. Remedios Gómez-Arnau, reported on highlights from President Felipe Calderón and President Barack Obama's Joint Statement, signed on May 19, 2010, during the visit to Washington D.C. of Mexico's President Felipe Calderón.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

8. REPORT FROM THE CONSUL GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES: PERSPECTIVES AND UPDATES ON BORDER ISSUES (INFORMATION)

Hon. Steven B. Kashkett, Consul General of the United States in Tijuana, Mexico, briefed the Committee on the Consulate's changing role and its three primary priorities: security, the border, and economic integration.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

Israel Adato, representing the San Ysidro Chamber of Commerce, commented on Item #6; and, expressed the desire to have high speed rail extended into San Ysidro.

9. PROGRESS REPORT ON THE SAN YSIDRO LAND PORT OF ENTRY RECONFIGURATION AND EXPANSION PROJECT (INFORMATION)

In December 2009, the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) initiated the construction of Phase 1A of the San Ysidro Land Port of Entry Reconfiguration and Expansion Project. Anthony Kleppe, Senior Asset Manager, and Damon Yee, Project Manager, of the U.S. GSA, provided an update on the project and its construction schedule.

Thomas Currie, representing the San Ysidro Chamber of Commerce, requested that GSA allow the community an opportunity to review and comment on the changes to the recent rendition, and meet with them in July, if possible, to receive input and answer questions.

Israel Adato, representing the San Ysidro Chamber of Commerce, commented on the positive relationship with GSA; and, requested SANDAG's assistance in mitigation once demolition is completed and construction begins.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

10. UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Borders Committee is scheduled for Friday, July 23, 2010, at 12:30 p.m.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chair McCoy adjourned the meeting at 2:21 p.m.

Attachment: Attendance Sheet

**CONFIRMED ATTENDANCE
BORDERS COMMITTEE MEETING
JUNE 25, 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	Pauma	Chris Devers	Member		✓

California Tribal Chairmen's Association	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		✓