



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MARCH 25, 2011**

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 11-03-1B
ACTION REQUESTED - APPROVE**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS

FEBRUARY 25, 2011

Chair Jerome Stocks (Encinitas) called the meeting of the SANDAG Board of Directors to order at 9:03 a.m. The attendance sheet for the meeting is attached.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES (APPROVE)

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Mary Sessom (Lemon Grove), and a second by Mayor Mark Lewis (El Cajon), the SANDAG Board of Directors approved the minutes from the January 14, 2011, Board Policy meeting and the January 28, 2011, Board Business meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS

Mike Bullock, a member of the public, requested changes to the minutes of the November 5, 2010, and January 28, 2011, Board of Directors meetings. He also stated that we need a 35 percent reduction in per capita driving by 2035.

Chair Stocks stated that SANDAG is scheduled to begin construction next spring of the next Regional Beach Sand Replenishment Project. He noted that the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and Environmental Assessment for the project are currently available for public review. Members of the public have until March 14, 2011, to submit any written comments regarding the Draft EIR.

3. ACTIONS FROM POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEES (APPROVE)

This item summarized the actions taken by the Borders Committee on January 28, by the Executive and Regional Planning Committees on February 11, and the Transportation Committee on February 18, 2011.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Carrie Downey (Coronado) and second by Mayor Sessom, the Board of Directors approved the actions taken by the Policy Advisory Committees at the meetings noted above. Yes – 17 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – National City and Oceanside.

CONSENT ITEMS (4 through 10)

4. *TransNet* REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION CONGESTION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FEE ADJUSTMENT (APPROVE)

The *TransNet* Extension Ordinance requires that the Regional Transportation Congestion Improvement Program transportation mitigation fee charged by local jurisdictions be adjusted every year on July 1 in order to maintain the purchasing power of the program for improvements to the Regional Arterial System. The Board of Directors was asked to approve a 2 percent adjustment to the Regional Transportation Congestion Improvement Program, raising the minimum fee from \$2,081 to \$2,123 beginning July 1, 2011.

5. FY 2010 AUDITED COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (INFORMATION)

In accordance with SANDAG Bylaws, the FY 2010 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) audit has been completed and is presented for informational purposes. Additionally, the attached report summarizes the communications from the independent auditor to the governing body, in compliance with the Statement of Auditing Standards 114. Copies of the CAFR will be distributed to each member agency.

6. QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT - PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2010 (INFORMATION)

The SANDAG Investment Policy requires that the Board of Directors be provided a quarterly report of investments held by SANDAG. This report included all money under the direction or care of SANDAG as of December 31, 2010.

7. QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT ON TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS - OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2010 (INFORMATION)

This quarterly report summarized the current status of major highway, transit, arterial, traffic management, and transportation demand management projects in the SANDAG five-year Regional Transportation Improvement Program for the period October to December 2010.

8. REPORT SUMMARIZING DELEGATED ACTIONS TAKEN BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (INFORMATION)

In accordance with SANDAG Board Policy Nos. 003 (Investment Policy), 017 (Delegation of Authority), and 024 (Procurement and Contracting-Construction), this report summarizes certain delegated actions taken by the Executive Director since the last Board of Directors meeting.

9. REPORTS ON MEETINGS AND EVENTS ATTENDED ON BEHALF OF SANDAG (INFORMATION)

Board members provided brief reports orally or in writing on external meetings and events attended on behalf of SANDAG since the last Board of Directors meeting.

10. APPOINTMENT OF POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS (INFORMATION)

This item summarized the voting and advisory members appointed to the Executive, Transportation, Regional Planning, Borders, and Public Safety Committees, as well as the Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs appointed by the SANDAG Chair.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Jim Desmond (San Marcos), and a second by Mayor Lewis, the Board of Directors approved Consent Items Nos. 4 through 10. Yes - 17. No - 0. Abstain - 0. Absent – National City and Oceanside.

REPORTS (11 through 14)

11. FY 2011 *TransNet* AND TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT REVENUE REVISIONS AND FY 2012 TO FY 2016 TRANSIT REVENUE ESTIMATES (APPROVE)

First Vice Chair Jack Dale, Transportation Committee Chair, introduced this item.

Sookyung Kim, Financial Programming Manager, reported that by March 1 of each year, SANDAG provides revenue estimates for the upcoming fiscal year as well as a projection for the next four fiscal years to allow the transit and local agencies to plan for capital projects and to determine operating subsidies. The Transportation Committee recommended that the Board of Directors: (1) approve the revision to the FY 2011 *TransNet* revenue estimate; (2) accept the revision to the FY 2011 Transportation Development Act (TDA) revenue estimate while maintaining the current apportionment; (3) approve the FY 2012 allocations for *TransNet* and State Transit Assistance and the apportionments for TDA and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) programs; and (4) approve the transit revenue estimates for FY 2013 to FY 2016 for TDA, FTA, and *TransNet* programs.

Marney Cox, Chief Economist, provided information on recent economic trends.

Chair Stocks noted there was one request to speak on this item.

Michael Bullock, a member of the public, asked the Board to reconsider the apportionment of *TransNet* funds with more emphasis on transit and less on freeways. He said we can reduce our greenhouse gas emissions with good transit, and by adopting equitable and environmentally sound road and parking use policies.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Lewis and second by Councilmember Downey, the Board of Directors: (1) approved the revision to the FY 2011 *TransNet* revenue estimate; (2) accepted the revision to the FY 2011 TDA revenue estimate while maintaining the current apportionment; (3) approved the FY 2012 allocations for *TransNet* and State Transit Assistance and the apportionments for TDA and FTA programs; and (4) approved the transit revenue estimates for FY 2013 to FY 2016 for TDA, FTA, and *TransNet* programs. Yes – 18 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – National City.

12. FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FEDERAL FY 2010 FOR JOB ACCESS AND REVERSE COMMUTE AND NEW FREEDOM PROGRAMS AND FY 2012 AND FY 2013 *TransNet* SENIOR MINI-GRANT PROJECTS (APPROVE)

First Vice Chair Dale introduced this item.

Danielle Kochman, Associate Planner, reported that SANDAG is responsible for administering the federal Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom programs, including the distribution of funds through a competitive selection process. Similarly, SANDAG also is responsible for distributing Senior Mini-Grant funds through a competitive process as required by the *TransNet* Extension Ordinance. The Transportation Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve the JARC, New Freedom, and *TransNet* Senior Mini-Grant Projects proposed for selection.

Action: Upon a motion by First Vice Chair Dale and second by Councilmember Downey, the Board of Directors approved the JARC, New Freedom, and *TransNet* Senior Mini-Grant Projects proposed for selection. Yes – 18 (weighted vote, 80%). No – 1 (City of San Diego, Seat 2 (weighted vote, 20%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – National City.

13. SAN DIEGO REGION AGGREGATE SUPPLY STUDY (INFORMATION)

Laurie Berman, Caltrans District 11 Director, introduced this item.

Richard Chavez, Principal Engineer, and Cheryl Mason, Senior Research Analyst, provided the staff report. In collaboration with Caltrans, SANDAG received a Transportation Planning Special Studies grant to explore construction aggregate supply in the San Diego region. SANDAG prepared a report identifying issues surrounding aggregate and developed Geographic Information System and other tools that policymakers could use to help identify potential aggregate sources. Staff presented the highlights and major findings from this study for Board of Directors information.

Chair Stocks indicated there were several requests to speak on this item.

Carmen Sandoval, representing the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce, stated that aggregate is the critical link in all infrastructure projects, and we need to keep this issue at the forefront. She suggested that this information be used to identify local marketability.

Jon Cloud, CAL-CIMA, stated that by 2030 his family will own only one of seven operating aggregate mines in San Diego County. The county is behind the times when it comes to developing its aggregate resources. This industry supplies materials for all types of infrastructure, including schools, hospitals, roads, bridges, buildings, and houses.

Marcela Escobar-Eck, Otay Valley Rock, stated that they have a vested mine in Chula Vista, but they still do not have a conditional use permit. She called attention to Chapter 6 of the report where it lists two recommendations: streamline the permitting process and reduce mitigation costs. She emphasized the importance of protecting aggregate sites, and asked that these issues be taken into consideration during the update of local general plans. The supply and cost of aggregate significantly impacts the cost of area housing.

Debbie Day, Engineering and General Contractors Association, noted that it takes 2,000 tons of aggregate to construct one mile of freeway. A ton of aggregate doubles in cost when it is transported more than 25 miles. She asked policymakers to consider ways to allow aggregate supplies to be developed in a way that will not harm the San Diego environment. She said it would be better for emissions control to have aggregate sources within the San Diego region.

Crystal Howard, representing EnviroMINE, stated that there are benefits to having local sources of aggregate. She said that this study report is not a policy document, but it gives us tools to begin to resolve the problem, and we need to take action. She proposed that the County develop a mineral resource management plan. There are areas where we can use mineral extraction for multiple purposes.

Brad Barnum, Associated General Contractors, said that the local aggregate shortage is real, and higher costs for construction fees as well as higher emissions are the result. The need for local aggregate is clear. Land use decision makers must develop and permit additional aggregate sites.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

15. CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Stocks introduced and welcomed Tijuana Mayor Carlos Bustamante.

Mayor Bustamante provided comments on how Tijuana and San Diego are interrelated. He mentioned the beginning of construction for a new border crossing on both sides of the border. Tijuana citizens spend more than \$6 billion in San Diego each year. He mentioned the money lost due to long waits at the border, and said together we are working on a program to make the crossing easier. He stated that he also will be focused on changing the face of Tijuana. Tijuana has decreased its crime rate, and wants to promote tourism. He acknowledged issues with security but said there have been no security issues with tourists. He invited Board members to Tijuana to meet with the local business community.

14. QUALITY OF LIFE FUNDING STRATEGY UPDATE (INFORMATION)

Rob Rundle, Principal Planner, reported that the Quality of Life Stakeholders Working Group has been meeting monthly and provided feedback to Ad Hoc Steering Committee on funding priorities and cost estimates for each of the four Quality of Life areas being discussed for regional funding: habitat conservation, water quality enhancement, shoreline preservation, and public transit. At the Board Summit, Board members indicated a desire for staff to conduct public information research to better understand the public's priorities and whether these Quality of Life funding needs are important to the region's residents. The Board also indicated concern about the timing of a November 2012 ballot measure and the feasibility of such a measure passing during the economic downturn. Staff will be working with a consultant to develop a telephone survey to be conducted in the spring. The Stakeholders Working Group and Ad Hoc Steering Committee have expressed interest in reviewing the research tool before the survey is conducted.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

Chair Stocks convened the meeting into a closed session at 10:35 a.m. for the following two items:

16. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b)
Three potential claims regarding Interstate 15 (Julie Wiley)
17. CLOSED SESSION – CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT
CODE SECTIONS 54956.9(b) AND 54956.8

One Potential Case - In regard to South Bay Expressway, L.P., and California Transportation Ventures, Inc., Case No. 10-04516 (Claims by debtor in bankruptcy) (Julie Wiley)

Property: State Route 125 Toll Road

SANDAG Negotiators: Gary L. Gallegos, Julie Wiley, Marney Cox

Property Owner Negotiators: South Bay Expressway, L.P.

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment for subject property

Chair Stocks reconvened the meeting into open session at 12:02 p.m.

Julie Wiley, General Counsel, reported the following out of closed session: the Board held a closed session on two items; neither item had reportable actions.

18. UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next Board Policy meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 11, 2011, at 10 a.m. The next Board Business meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 25, 2011, at 9 a.m.

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

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**ATTENDANCE
SANDAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2011**

JURISDICTION/ ORGANIZATION	NAME	ATTENDING
City of Carlsbad	Matt Hall (Member)	Yes
City of Chula Vista	Cheryl Cox (Primary)	Yes
City of Coronado	Carrie Downey (Primary)	Yes
City of Del Mar	Carl Hilliard (Primary.)	Yes
City of El Cajon	Mark Lewis (Primary)	Yes
City of Encinitas	Jerome Stocks, Chair (Primary)	Yes
City of Escondido	Sam Abed (Primary)	Yes
City of Imperial Beach	Jim Janney, 2nd Vice Chair (Primary)	Yes
City of La Mesa	Art Madrid (Member)	Yes
City of Lemon Grove	Mary Sessom (Primary)	Yes
City of National City	Ron Morrison (Member)	Yes
City of Oceanside	Gary Felien (2nd. Alt.)	Yes
City of Poway	Don Higginson (Primary)	Yes
City of San Diego – A	Lorie Zapf (1st Alt.)	Yes
City of San Diego - B	Tony Young (Primary)	Yes
City of San Marcos	Jim Desmond (Primary)	Yes
City of Santee	Jack Dale (1st Vice Chair)	Yes
City of Solana Beach	Lesa Heebner (Primary)	Yes
City of Vista	Judy Ritter (Primary)	Yes
County of San Diego - A	Bill Horn (Primary, Seat A)	Yes
County of San Diego - B	Ron Roberts (Primary, Seat B)	Yes
Caltrans	Laurie Berman (1st. Alt.)	Yes
MTS	Harry Mathis (Primary)	No
NCTD	Chris Orlando (1st Alt.)	Yes
Imperial County	Sup. John Renison (Primary)	No
US Dept. of Defense	CAPT James M. Wink (Alternate)	Yes
SD Unified Port District	Scott Peters (Member)	No
SD County Water Authority	Mark Muir (Primary)	No
Baja California/Mexico	Alvira Felix (Alternate)	Yes
Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association	Allen Lawson (Member)	No
	Edwin Romero (Member)	Yes