EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA

Friday, June 12, 2015
9 to 10 a.m.
SANDAG, 7th Floor Conference Room
401 B Street
San Diego

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AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

- ANNUAL REVIEW OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS
- LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORT

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Friday, June 12, 2015

ITEM NO.  RECOMMENDATION

+1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES  APPROVE
The Executive Committee is asked to review and approve the minutes from its May 8, 2015, meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS
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REPORTS

+3. REVIEW OF DRAFT BOARD AGENDAS (Kim Kawada)  APPROVE
The Executive Committee is asked to approve the draft agenda for the June 26, 2015, Board Business meeting. Staff also will provide a verbal update on the July 10, 2015, Board Policy meeting agenda.

+4. ANNUAL REVIEW OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS (Robyn Wapner)  DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION
As required by Board Policy, an annual review of all existing SANDAG committees and working groups has been conducted to determine whether they should continue and/or if any of their responsibilities need to be modified. The Executive Committee is asked to discuss whether certain committees and working groups described in the report should continue.

+5. LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORT (Robyn Wapner)  DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION
Periodic status reports on legislative activities are reported to the Executive Committee throughout the year. This report provides a summary of the various state and federal activities.

6. CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMENTS
If the five speaker limit for public comments was exceeded at the beginning of this agenda, other public comments will be taken at this time. Subjects of previous agenda items may not again be addressed under public comment.

7. UPCOMING MEETINGS  INFORMATION
The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for Friday, July 10, 2015, at 9 a.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS

MAY 8, 2015

Vice Chair Ron Roberts (County of San Diego) called the meeting of the SANDAG Executive Committee to order at 9:03 a.m. The attendance sheet for the meeting is attached.

1. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 10, 2015, MEETING MINUTES

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Chris Orlando (North County Inland) and a second by Councilmember Lorie Zapf (City of San Diego), the minutes of the April 10, 2015, Executive Committee meeting were approved. Yes – Vice Chair Roberts, Mayor Bill Wells (East County), Councilmember Orlando, Mayor Matt Hall (North County Coastal), Councilmember Zapf. No - None. Abstain – None. Absent – South County.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no public/member comments.

REPORTS

3. REVIEW OF DRAFT BOARD AGENDAS (APPROVE)

The Executive Committee was asked to approve the draft agendas for the May 22, 2015, Board Business and the June 12, 2015, Board Policy meetings.

Kim Kawada, Chief Deputy Executive Director, presented the item.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Zapf and a second by Mayor Jim Wood (North County Coastal), the Executive Committee approved the agenda for the May 22, 2015, Board Business meeting, as amended, and the June 12, 2015, Board Policy meeting. Yes – Vice Chair Roberts, Mayor Wells, Councilmember Orlando, Mayor Wood, and Councilmember Zapf. No - None. Abstain - None. Absent – South County.

4. PROPOSED FINAL FY 2016 PROGRAM BUDGET (RECOMMEND)

SANDAG Bylaws require the Board of Directors to adopt a final budget by June 30 of each year. The Executive Committee was asked to recommend that the Board of Directors approve Resolution No. RTC-2015-05, adopting the Final FY 2016 Program Budget, and Resolution No. 2015-27,
adopting a change to the existing policy on employer paid contributions to the California Public Employees Retirement System.

André Douzdjian, Director of Finance, and Tim Watson, Budget Program Manager, presented the item.

**Action:** Upon a motion by Mayor Wood and a second by Mayor Wells, the Executive Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve Resolution No. RTC-2015-05, adopting the Final FY 2016 Program Budget, and Resolution No. 2015-27, adopting a change to the existing policy on employer paid contributions to the California Public Employees Retirement System. Yes – Vice Chair Roberts, Mayor Wells, Councilmember Orlando, Mayor Wood, Mayor Ron Morrison (South County), and Councilmember Zapf. No - None. Abstain - None. Absent – None.

5. **LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORT (DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION)**

Periodic status reports on legislative activities are reported to the Executive Committee throughout the year. This report provided a summary of the various state and federal activities. The Executive Committee was asked to discuss and take possible action on various state legislative proposals regarding transportation funding.

Robyn Wapner, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided an update on state legislation for action by the Executive Committee.

**Action:** Upon a motion by Mayor Wells and a second by Mayor Morrison, the Executive Committee approved a support position on Senate Bill 321 (Beall). Yes – Vice Chair Roberts, Mayor Wells, Councilmember Orlando, Mayor Morrison, and Councilmember Zapf. No - None. Abstain – Mayor Wood. Absent – None.

6. **INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN FOCUS TEAM REQUEST FOR SUPPORT (DISCUSSION)**

The Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Focus Team presented an update on its activities to the Public Safety Committee. At its March 20, 2015, meeting the Public Safety Committee recommended that SANDAG continue to support legislation advocating tougher penalties for ICAC.

Kurt Kroninger, Technical Services Director, presented the item.

**Action:** This item was presented for discussion.

7. **CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no continued public comments.

8. **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for Friday, June 12, 2015, at 9 a.m.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Chair Roberts adjourned the meeting at 9:54 a.m.
# CONFIRMED ATTENDANCE

## SANDAG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

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REVIEW OF THE JUNE 26, 2015, DRAFT BOARD BUSINESS AGENDA

ITEM NO.  NO. RECOMMENDATION

+1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES APPROVE
+1A. May 8, 2015, Board Policy Meeting Minutes
+1B. May 22, 2015, Board Business Meeting Minutes

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS
Public comments under this agenda item will be limited to five public speakers. Members of the public shall have the opportunity to address the Board on any issue within the jurisdiction of SANDAG that is not on this agenda. Other public comments will be heard during the items under the heading “Reports.” Anyone desiring to speak shall reserve time by completing a “Request to Speak” form and giving it to the Clerk of the Board prior to speaking. Public speakers should notify the Clerk of the Board if they have a handout for distribution to Board members. Public speakers are limited to three minutes or less per person. Board members also may provide information and announcements under this agenda item.

+3. ACTIONS FROM POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEES (Robyn Wapner) APPROVE
This item summarizes the actions taken by the Policy Advisory Committees since the last Board Business Meeting. The Board of Directors is asked to ratify these actions.

CONSENT

+4. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED SOLICITATIONS AND CONTRACTS (Laura Coté) APPROVE
The Board of Directors is asked to review and approve the proposed solicitations and contract awards summarized in the attached reports:
+4A. Solicitations
+4B. Contract Awards
CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT EXEMPTION: PALM STREET PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS (Lauren Washington)

Improvements on Palm Street would enhance the pedestrian connection between the Middletown Trolley Station and a planned airport shuttle stop on the corner of Palm Street and Pacific Coast Highway. Proposed improvements consist of widened sidewalks, an Americans with Disabilities Act-accessible ramp, and a new pedestrian crosswalk. The Board of Directors is asked to approve the California Environmental Quality Act exemption for Palm Street pedestrian improvements in the City of San Diego.

FY 2016 CLAIMS FOR TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT AND STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE (Sookyung Kim)

SANDAG, as the designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency, is responsible for the allocation of Transportation Development Act funds to the region’s 18 cities, the County of San Diego, and transit operators. The Transportation Committee recommends that the Board of Directors:

1. approve Resolution Nos. 2015-XX through 2015-XX, approving the FY 2016 claims; and
2. adopt the State Transit Assistance Act findings as certified by the North County Transit District.

REPORT SUMMARIZING DELEGATED ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (André Douzdjian)*

In accordance with various SANDAG Board Policies, this report summarizes certain delegated actions taken by the Executive Director since the last Board of Directors meeting.

REPORT ON MEETINGS AND EVENTS ATTENDED ON BEHALF OF SANDAG (Robyn Wapner)

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

ANNUAL REVIEW OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS (Robyn Wapner)

As required by SANDAG Board Policy No. 004, Rules of Procedure for Board of Directors, Policy Advisory Committees, and Other Legislative Bodies, this item provides an annual report on the status of all standing and temporary committees and working groups.
10. CONSTRUCTION MANAGER/GENERAL CONTRACTOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES CONTRACT: MID-COAST CORRIDOR TRANSIT AND ELVIRA TO MORENA DOUBLE TRACK PROJECTS (San Diego Councilmember Todd Gloria, Transportation Committee Chair; John Haggerty)*

The Transportation Committee recommends that the Board of Directors authorize the Executive Director to execute a Construction Services Contract for the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit and Elvira to Morena Double Track projects with the Construction Manager/General Contractor, Mid-Coast Transit Constructors, a joint venture firm of Stacy & Witbeck, Inc., Skanska USA, and Herzog Contracting Corporation, for construction of water and sewer lines and the installation of Control Point Rose.

11. QUALITY OF LIFE FUNDING STRATEGY PUBLIC INFORMATION SURVEY RESULTS (Vice Chair Ron Roberts; Rob Rundle)*

In accordance with the TransNet Extension Ordinance, the Board of Directors is required to act on an additional funding measure by November 2016. In anticipation of a potential measure, SANDAG conducted a survey to gauge the public sentiment for funding important regional Quality of Life needs. Staff will present key results of the survey.

12. ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE TransNet INDEPENDENT TAXPAYER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (Kai Ramer, Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee Chair; Ariana zur Nieden)*

In accordance with the TransNet Extension Ordinance, Kai Ramer, Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee Chair, will provide the Committee's annual report for FY 2015 and the results of the annual fiscal and compliance audit and the triennial performance audit.

13. CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMENTS

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14. UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next Board Policy meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 10, 2015, at 10 a.m. The next Board Business meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 24, 2015, at 9 a.m.

15. ADJOURNMENT

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ANNUAL REVIEW OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

Introduction

In accordance with Board Policy No. 001: Operations Policy, the Executive Committee is responsible for annually reviewing a list of all SANDAG lower-level committees and working groups to determine the need to maintain the committee or working group and to approve any revisions in functions or membership. This item summarizes the various groups that advise the SANDAG Policy Advisory Committees (PACs) and staff on the variety of programs and projects included in the SANDAG Program Budget.

Discussion

Obtaining meaningful public and technical input is important to all of our functional areas and is consistent with Board Policy No. 025: Public Participation/Plan Policy. SANDAG supports 22 different committees and working groups that provide input and recommendations either to a PAC (Transportation, Regional Planning, Borders, and Public Safety) or to staff. Attachment 1 depicts the relationship between each PAC and its related working groups. Attachment 2 lists the membership, responsibilities, year established, frequency of meetings, and status for each of the groups.

Working Group Changes

Public Health Stakeholder Group

The Public Health Stakeholders Group (PHSG) is an advisory group to SANDAG staff created to facilitate collaboration and solicit input and recommendations in implementing Healthy Works projects. This group serves as a unique opportunity for SANDAG to engage a range of professionals from diverse sectors, including public health, design, land use and transportation planners, engineers, and community stakeholders.

The PHSG was established in 2012, in partnership with the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency, under a Communities Putting Prevention to Work grant. It subsequently was continued through a U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Community Transformation Grant, which ended September 2014. The FY 2015 Program Budget approved by the Board of Directors allowed the PHSG to continue through the completion of San Diego Forward: The Regional Plan (Regional Plan).
The Regional Plan is anticipated to be adopted in fall 2015. As such, the PHSG is proposed to dissolve automatically on December 31, 2015, upon completion of the Regional Plan update.

**Next Steps**

Section 6.6 of SANDAG Board Policy No. 004: Rules of Procedure for Board of Directors, Policy Advisory Committees, and Other Legislative Bodies, requires that an informational report be provided to the Board of Directors on an annual basis concerning the status of all standing and ad hoc committees and working groups. Pending Executive Committee determination of the need to maintain the committees and working groups listed in Attachment 2, the annual report on the status of SANDAG committees and working groups is scheduled for the June 26, 2015, Board of Directors meeting.

JOSÉ A. NUNCIO  
*TransNet* Department Director

Attachments: 1. Policy Advisory Committees and Related Working Groups Diagram  
2. List of Committees and Working Groups

Key Staff Contact: Robyn Wapner, (619) 699-1994, robyn.wapner@sandag.org
Standing
- Active Transportation Working Group
- Cities/County Transportation Advisory Committee
- Coordinated Transit and Human Services Transportation Plan Working Group
- Regional Short-Range Transit Planning Task Force
- San Diego Region Conformity Working Group
- San Diego Regional Traffic Engineers Council
- Social Services Transportation Advisory Council

Temporary
- Bayshore Bikeway Working Group*
- Freight Stakeholders Working Group
- I-805/47th Street Trolley Station Area Planning Project Working Group
- Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project Working Group*

*Chaired by elected official
Standing

- Environmental Mitigation Program Working Group*
- San Diego Regional Military Working Group*
- Shoreline Preservation Working Group*
- Regional Energy Working Group*
- Regional Planning Technical Working Group

Temporary

- Public Health Stakeholder Working Group

*Chaired by elected official

*Italic – proposed to sunset*
Board of Directors

Borders Committee

- Committee on Binational Regional Opportunities
- Interagency Technical Working Group on Tribal Transportation Issues
Board of Directors

Public Safety Committee

- Chiefs'/Sheriff’s Management Committee

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- ARJIS Business Working Group
- ARJIS Technical Working Group
## LIST OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

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<td>1 Active Transportation Working Group</td>
<td>Staff members from local jurisdictions and representatives from Caltrans, Civic San Diego, San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (APCD), Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), North County Transit District (NCTD), Bike San Diego, San Diego County Bicycle Coalition, WalkSanDiego, Public Health Stakeholders Working Group, San Diego Safe Routes to School Coalition, Move San Diego, San Diego County Department of Education, Post-Secondary Education</td>
<td>Provides input on regional active transportation policy, planning and implementation activities.</td>
<td>2013</td>
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<td>2 Bayshore Bikeway Working Group</td>
<td>San Diego County Supervisor Greg Cox (Chair), San Diego Councilmember David Alvarez, Chula Vista Councilmember Patricia Aguilar, Coronado Councilmember Mike Woiwode, Imperial Beach Councilmember Ed Spriggs (Councilmember Robert Patton – Alternate), National City Councilmember Jerry Cano, Board of Port Commissioners Rafael Castellanos, and Andy Hanshaw, San Diego County Bicycle Coalition</td>
<td>Reviews and supports improvements to the Bayshore Bikeway.</td>
<td>1989</td>
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<td><strong>3 Cities/County Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC)</strong></td>
<td>Public works directors from local jurisdictions and staff from Caltrans, MTS, and NCTD</td>
<td>Provides recommendations to the Transportation Committee regarding: (1) local street projects and programs, including local freeway interchanges; and (2) highway, transit, rail, bicycle, and pedestrian issues and policies that affect local street and road projects and programs.</td>
<td>1993</td>
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<td><strong>4 Coordinated Transit and Human Services Transportation Plan Working Group</strong></td>
<td>Voluntary members of the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (representatives of transit users who are 60 years or older, and representatives of transit users who are persons with a disability)</td>
<td>Provides input to the development of the Coordinated Plan.</td>
<td>2008</td>
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<td>5 Freight Stakeholders Working Group</td>
<td>Members include one representative from CTAC, and the Regional Planning Technical Working Group, and members from Caltrans, Port of San Diego and Port users, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), California Trucking Association, American Trucking Association, San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, shippers and carriers using the airport, San Diego and Arizona Eastern Railway, Burlington North Santa Fe Railroad, Union Pacific Railroad, regional truckers, warehouse operators, San Diego Regional and Otay Mesa Chambers of Commerce, San Diego World Trade Center, ADMICARGA Baja California short line rail operator, Imperial County Transportation Commission, Southern California Association of Governments, Waste Management, Environmental Health Coalition (EHC), and others interested in efficient goods movement in the San Diego region</td>
<td>Provides input and feedback to SANDAG staff and the Transportation Committee regarding the Freight Gateway Study Update and Goods Movement Strategy portion of San Diego Forward: The Regional Plan (Regional Plan).</td>
<td>2012</td>
<td>Temporary- will sunset upon completion of the Freight Gateway Study Update and Goods Movement Strategy portion of the Regional Plan</td>
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<td>6 Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project Working Group</td>
<td>Twenty-five members distributed over several categories, including access advocate, business community, community representatives, community services, employers, environmental, retail, student representative, taxpayers advocate, transportation advocate, transit rider representative, and at-large members</td>
<td>Provides a forum to update key stakeholders and the public on the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project and project review processes; present technical information for review during the scoping period; reach consensus in support of a Locally Preferred Alternative; and review the draft environmental documents and provide comments.</td>
<td>2009</td>
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<td>7 Regional Short-Range Transit Planning Task Force</td>
<td>NCTD, MTS, other transit operator planning staffs, and Full Access and Coordinated Transportation (FACT) staff</td>
<td>Assists in developing annual Regional Short-Range Transit Plan and Productivity Improvement Program; fulfills Transportation Development Act requirement for a Productivity Improvement Committee.</td>
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<td>8 San Diego Region Conformity Working Group</td>
<td>Staff from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, FHWA, Federal Transit Administration (FTA), California Air Resources Board, Caltrans, and San Diego County APCD</td>
<td>Reviews and comments on Regional Transportation Plan and Regional Transportation Improvement Program, transportation conformity and State Implementation Plan development or updates, and fulfills federal and state requirements for interagency consultation.</td>
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### TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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<td>San Diego Regional Traffic Engineers Council</td>
<td>Membership consists of one representative from each local agency in the San Diego region including; the cities, County of San Diego, Caltrans, MTS, NCTD, and SANDAG</td>
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<td>Staff Lead: Peter Thompson</td>
<td>Discusses, reviews, and/or recommends items associated with regional transportation goals and policies; provides technical review and input on CTAC recommendations for the Transportation Committee.</td>
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<td>Social Services Transportation Advisory Council</td>
<td>Representatives of transit users who are 60 years or older; representatives of transit users who are persons with a disability; representatives of transit users who are persons with limited means; staff from social service providers serving seniors, persons with disabilities, and persons of limited means; representatives from the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency; and representatives from MTS and NCTD</td>
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<td>Staff Lead: Audrey Porcella</td>
<td>Designated as the Local Review Committee for FTA Section 5310 grant applications, holds required unmet needs hearings, and advises on regional issues of accessible transportation provided by the public and private sector; fulfills state Public Utilities Code requirement; fulfills federal requirements for Coordinated Plan development; also reviews and advises on transit capital improvement projects for Americans with Disabilities Act compliance.</td>
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<td>11 I-805/47th Street Trolley Station Area Planning Working Group</td>
<td>Stakeholders from Southeastern San Diego, including residents, and representatives from community planning groups, community-based organizations, local business owners, and other stakeholders</td>
<td>Provides input on the development and evaluation of alternative station design concepts to provide access to the planned Interstate 805 Bus Rapid Transit service at the 47th Street Trolley Station.</td>
<td>2012</td>
<td>Temporary - will meet until the construction contract for the project is awarded. Meeting Schedule: As Needed. No. of Mtgs. in FY 2015: 0 (Will reconvene once project study report is completed.)</td>
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<td>12 Environmental Mitigation Program (EMP) Working Group</td>
<td>Del Mar Councilmember Terry Sinnott (Chair), Carlsbad staff member Mike Grim (Vice Chair); and staff representatives from City of San Diego, County of San Diego, North County Coastal, North County Inland, East County, and South County; representatives from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, California Wildlife Conservation Board, Caltrans, the Nature Conservancy, Conservation Resource Network, U.S. Geological Survey, Endangered Habitats League, Building Industry Association, San Diego Foundation, California Coastal Conservancy, and Alliance for Habitat Conservation</td>
<td>Advises on issues related to the coordination and implementation of the TransNet EMP.</td>
<td>2005</td>
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<td>13 San Diego Regional Military Working Group</td>
<td>Five representatives from the armed forces: Navy Region Southwest; Navy Facilities Engineering Command; Marine Corps Installation West; Marine Corps Recruitment Depot; and U.S. Coast Guard San Diego Sector; and one representative each from the following jurisdictions: City of Coronado, City of Imperial Beach, City of Oceanside, City of National City, City of San Diego, County of San Diego, and the Port of San Diego</td>
<td>Provides a collaborative forum for the various branches of the military and SANDAG to address areas of mutual interest, including growth management, habitat, transportation, regional growth, housing, water, energy, and other related topics.</td>
<td>2012</td>
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<td><strong>14</strong> Public Health Stakeholder Working Group (PHSG)</td>
<td>Representatives from the following organizations: American Planning Association, Casa Familiar, City of San Diego and County of San Diego Planning and Engineering Departments, Lemon Grove School District, local law enforcement, San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency, County of San Diego Land Use Environmental Group, San Diego County Department of Environmental Health, San Diego County APCD, California Molina Healthcare of California, CTAC, San Diego Foundation, Caltrans, UC San Diego, San Diego State University/School of Public Affairs, San Diego State University/Graduate School of Public Health, Public Health Institute, Active Living Research, American Heart Association, American Cancer Society, American Lung Association, EHC, Childhood Obesity Initiative, Center for Policy Initiatives, San Diego County Bicycle Coalition, WalkSanDiego, Circulate San Diego, Kaiser Permanente, Sharp Healthcare, Rady Children’s Hospital, SANDAG Social Service Transportation Advisory Council, Children’s Physicians Medical Group, Urban Design Subcommittee of the American Institute of Architects/Council of Design Professionals, and American Society of Landscape Architects</td>
<td>Supports SANDAG in the development of the Regional Plan and provides input to SANDAG on various tasks.</td>
<td>2012</td>
<td>The grant-funded activities were completed at the end of September 2014; however, the Board of Directors allocated funding to continue the PHSG through adoption of the Regional Plan.</td>
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<td>15 Regional Energy Working Group</td>
<td>San Marcos Councilmember Chris Orlando, (Chair), San Diego County Supervisor Dave Roberts, San Diego Councilmember Sherri Lightner, Chula Vista Deputy Mayor Pamela Bensoussan, Del Mar Councilmember Don Mosier, Santee Councilmember Rob McNelis; and representatives from San Diego Gas &amp; Electric, Port of San Diego, San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, California Center for Sustainable Energy, Energy Policy Initiatives Center at University of San Diego School of Law, San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce, regional economic development councils (North County and South County), San Diego Clean Cities Coalition, EHC, Sierra Club, San Diego State University, UC San Diego, MTS, and CleanTECH San Diego</td>
<td>Advises on the implementation of the Regional Energy Strategy and serves as a forum for discussion of regional energy issues.</td>
<td>2004</td>
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## REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

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<td>16 Regional Planning Technical Working Group</td>
<td>Planning directors from local jurisdictions and staff from other agencies, including Port of San Diego, MTS, NCTD, Caltrans, San Diego County Water Authority, San Diego County APCD, San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, U.S. Department of Defense, and Local Agency Formation Commission</td>
<td>Advises on key regional planning and implementation activities, including preparation of the Regional Plan, the development/update of the Smart Growth Concept Map, Smart Growth Incentive Program, land use and transportation performance indicators and targets, Regional Housing Needs Assessment, and other related items; assists with public outreach activities; focuses on land use and environmental planning activities of regional significance.</td>
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## Regional Planning Committee

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<td>Shoreline Preservation Working Group</td>
<td>San Diego County Supervisor Dave Roberts (Chair), San Diego Councilmember Lorie Zapf (Vice Chair), Carlsbad Councilmember Lorraine Wood, Coronado Councilmember Bill Sandke, Del Mar Councilmember Dwight Worden, Encinitas Councilmember Lisa Shaffer, Imperial Beach Mayor Pro Tem Brian Bilbray, Oceanside Councilmember Esther Sanchez, Solana Beach Councilmember Mike Nichols, Unified Port of San Diego Commissioner Garry Bonelli, and Mitch Perdue, U.S. Navy; and technical advisors from: California Coastal Commission, National Marine Fisheries Service, State Department of Boating and Waterways, State Department of Fish and Wildlife, State Department of Parks and Recreation, State Lands Commission, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and community advisors from: California Coastal Coalition, California Lobster and Trap Fisherman Association, Coastal Environmental Rights Foundation, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, Southern California Tribal Chairman’s Association (Vacant), and Surfrider Foundation</td>
<td>Advises on the implementation of the Shoreline Preservation Strategy, the Regional Comprehensive Plan, and the Coastal Regional Sediment Management Plan.</td>
<td>1980s</td>
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### BORDERS COMMITTEE

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<td>18 Committee on Binational Regional Opportunities</td>
<td>Stakeholders from both sides of the United States/Mexico border, including representatives from local jurisdictions, businesses, and academia</td>
<td>Provides input on binational-related planning and project development issues.</td>
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<td>19 Interagency Technical Working Group on Tribal Transportation Issues</td>
<td>Representatives from each of the 17 federally recognized tribal governments and California tribes in San Diego County</td>
<td>Discusses and coordinates tribal transportation issues of mutual concern with the various public planning agencies in the region, including SANDAG, Caltrans, the County of San Diego, and the transit operators.</td>
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<td>20 ARJIS Business Working Group</td>
<td>Appointed staff members from each agency represented on the Chiefs'/Sheriff's Management Committee (CSMC)</td>
<td>Provides input to the CSMC on ARJIS matters relating to criminal justice information-sharing, business practices, crime statistics, data quality, and budget.</td>
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<td>21 ARJIS Technical Working Group</td>
<td>Appointed staff members from each agency represented on the CSMC</td>
<td>Provides input to the CSMC on ARJIS matters relating to state-of-the-art information technology that enhances both officer and public safety.</td>
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<td>22 Chiefs'/Sheriff's Management Committee</td>
<td>Sheriff and police chiefs from around the region</td>
<td>Reviews, evaluates, and provides recommendations and input to the PSC on issues relating to the SANDAG ARJIS and Criminal Justice work programs and budgets; and evaluates and recommends regional public safety initiatives.</td>
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LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORT

Introduction

Monthly status reports on legislative activities are provided to the Executive Committee. Attachments 1 and 2 respectively include summaries from Ellison Wilson Advocacy, LLC on state legislative activity and from Peyser Associates LLC on federal legislative activity related to SANDAG.

JOSÉ A. NUNCIO
TransNet Department Director

Attachments: 1. Report from Ellison Wilson Advocacy, LLC
2. Report from Peyser Associates LLC

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FROM: ELLISON WILSON ADVOCACY, LLC
SUBJECT: SANDAG LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY REPORT – MAY 2015

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

2015 Legislation

May 29, 2015, was the deadline for all fiscal committees to hear and report to the Floor all bills introduced in their house (Joint Rule 61 (a)(6)). The next deadline is June 5, 2015, which is the last day for all bills to be passed out of the house of origin (Joint Rule (a)(8)). Meanwhile, the budget process continues to march on towards the June 15, 2015, deadline for the Legislature to pass a balanced budget (or risk having its pay cut).

SANDAG-supported bills have continued to be passed successfully by the Legislature.

Senate Bill 249 (SB 249) (Hueso), which would authorize the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue enhanced driver’s licenses, successfully advanced off the Senate Appropriations Committee’s suspense file on May 28, 2015, 7-0. In addition to support by SANDAG, the bill is being supported by a wide range of stakeholders, including those from the San Diego business and governmental communities. The bill was advanced off the Senate Floor on June 1, 2015, and will now head to the Assembly.

Senate Bill 321 (SB 321) (Beall), which would amend the method used to adjust the excise tax on fuel by requiring the Board of Equalization to adjust the excise tax rate based on a five-year average, advanced out of the Senate Appropriations Committee via Rule 28.8 on May 5, 2015. In addition to support by SANDAG, the bill is being supported by a wide range of stakeholders, including the California Transportation Commission, California Association of Council of Governments, California State Association of Counties, and Self-Help Counties Coalition. The bill was advanced off the Senate Floor on June 1, 2015, and will now head to the Assembly.

Assembly Bill 516 (AB 516) (Mullin), which requires vehicles sold or leased without a permanent license plate to be affixed with a temporary license plate, successfully advanced off the Assembly Appropriations Committee’s suspense file on May 28, 2015, 12-0. In addition to support by SANDAG, the bill is being supported by the law enforcement community, transportation agencies, and the
California New Car Dealers Association. The bill will now head to the Assembly Floor, where it must be passed by the June 5, 2015, deadline.

**Assembly Bill 914** (AB 914) (Brown), which grants the San Bernardino County Transportation Commission authority to develop High Occupancy Toll Lanes and other facilities under certain conditions, was passed off the Assembly Floor, 69-7. No one spoke in opposition, although Assemblymembers Shirley Weber and Lorena Gonzalez were included in those that voted “no.” The bill will now head to the Senate.

**Transportation Funding Plans**

The Legislature and Administration have continued to debate strategies to fund the purported $59 billion backlog in maintenance needs for California’s state highway system. Senate Bill 16 (SB 16) (Beall) is the Senate Democrats’ plan, and is known as the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program. SB 16 would impose a $0.10 per gallon excise tax on gasoline, a $0.12 per gallon excise tax on diesel fuel, and increase vehicle license fees and registration fees for 5 years. In May, the bill was heard by several committees. The Senate Governance and Finance Committee heard the bill on May 6, 2015, and it received a long list of support from labor, local governments, and the construction industry, with the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers in opposition. It ultimately was passed 5-1, with Republican Senator John Moorlach as the sole “no” vote. On May 26, 2015, the bill was heard by the Senate Appropriations Committee and was sent unanimously to its suspense file. On May 28, 2015, the bill successfully advanced off the suspense file, 5-2.

On May 14, 2015, the Governor released his May Revise budget proposal, which was devoid of any specific transportation funding plan, but contained the following in its summary:

> The California Transportation Infrastructure Priorities workgroup, convened by the Transportation Agency, continues to meet to prioritize transportation investments and explore pay as you go funding alternatives to address the state’s infrastructure needs. The Administration is also working with the Legislature on its proposals in an effort to develop a funding package by year end.

In considering new funding sources, the state must focus on the priorities that are the state’s core responsibility—maintaining and operating the state’s network of highways and interstates, and improving the highest priority freight corridors. Funding should come from pay as you go transportation user fees, and be sustainable as gasoline consumption falls. Any solution for addressing the long term needs of the state’s highway system must reflect the state’s economic development and environmental objectives, focus on repair and maintenance, invest in trade corridors, and complement local efforts that generate revenues for roads. Any new funding generated should also have performance objectives measured by the percentage of pavement, bridges, and culverts in good condition.

On May 28, 2015, Senate Republicans released their transportation funding proposal, which called for increasing funding for transportation infrastructure by $2.9 billion per year, with an additional $2.4 billion in one-time funds. The funding would come from the following methods:

- End the diversion of more than $1 billion in transportation taxes every year. Spend this money on roads, highways, and bridges.
- Repay all outstanding transportation loans to the General Fund and direct that money to transportation improvements.

- Make significant efficiency improvements at the California Department of Transportation.

- Direct money from cap-and-trade funds that are related to fuel – about $1.9 billion this year – to fixing roads.

The Assembly has not yet released text for its transportation funding plan.

**ACTIVITY REPORT**

5/1: Reviewed and analyzed amendments to SB 249; reviewed transportation funding draft language; reviewed update on Assembly Bill 2 (AB 2) (Alejo) regarding redevelopment; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.

5/5: Weekly teleconference with SANDAG staff; provided committee updates to SANDAG staff on Senate Bill 321 (Beall), the Fuel Tax Rate Adjustment bill, and Senate Bill 34 (SB 34) (Hill), the Automated License Plate Reader bill.

5/6: Reviewed and analyzed Assembly Constitutional Resolution 63 (Maienschein), which would designate the portion of Interstate 15 from Pomerado Road to Scripps Poway Parkway/Mercy Road in the County of San Diego as the Tony Gwynn Memorial Highway; attended/monitored Senate Governance and Finance Committee hearing on SB 16; pursuant to request from SANDAG staff analyzed all active legislative for impacts on prevailing wage/public works law; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.

5/7: Reviewed and analyzed the Department of Finance analysis of SB 321; met with Select Committee on Passenger Rail regarding upcoming hearing; reviewed and analyzed Assembly Bill 67 (Gonzalez), the Double Pay on Holidays Act; AB 164 (Gomez), claims against the state; SB 581 (Cannella), public contracts; and AB 219 (Daly), public works; reviewed SANDAG staff updates on toll legislation; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.

5/8: Attended/monitored Senate Floor passage of SB 34; contacted City of San Diego lobbyist regarding transportation funding; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.

5/11: Reviewed and analyzed the Caltrans 2015 10-year State Highway Operation and Protection Program Plan; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff, including a media report on cap-and-trade legislation.

5/12: Weekly teleconference with SANDAG staff; attended/monitored Assembly Floor passage of AB 2; reviewed updates from SANDAG staff on San Diego Forward: The Regional Plan; contacted City of San Diego lobbyist regarding transportation funding; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.

5/13: Pursuant to SANDAG staff request, contacted offices of the San Diego delegation to arrange in-person meetings on May 14, 2015, for SANDAG staff.
5/14: Attended meetings with offices of the San Diego delegation with SANDAG staff to discuss transportation funding; reviewed and analyzed Governor’s May Revise, including cap-and-trade and transportation funding; reviewed and analyzed amendments to SB 16; provided subsequent update to SANDAG staff.

5/15: Provided updates to SANDAG staff on AB 914; Assembly Bill 464 (Mullin), which would increase the maximum combined rate of all transactions and use taxes from 2 percent to 3 percent; and Assembly Bill 1059 (Garcia), which would require the addition of border environmental health data to the CalEnviroScreen 2.0.

5/18: Weekly teleconference with SANDAG staff; reviewed update from SANDAG staff on SANDAG submittals under the Cap-and-Trade programs.

5/19: Teleconference with SANDAG staff; met with City of San Diego lobbyist regarding transportation funding and provided with information; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.

5/20: Provided update to SANDAG staff on Glazer election victory and impact on two-thirds vote requirements; pursuant to SANDAG staff request, provided a legislative report detailing all SANDAG active bills.

5/21: Attended/monitored Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 3 hearing regarding Assembly’s cap-and-trade proposal; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff, including committee update on AB 516.

5/22: Attended/monitored Senate Budget Committee hearing regarding Senate’s cap-and-trade proposal; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff, including Floor update on AB 914.

5/26: Provided update to SANDAG staff on Senate Appropriations Committee hearing on SB 16.

5/28: Reviewed and analyzed amendments to SB 321; attended/monitored Assembly Floor on AB 914; attended/monitored respective appropriations committees’ suspense hearings; reviewed and analyzed Senate Republican Transportation Funding Proposal; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff, including suspense hearing activity on SB 16, AB 516, SB 249, Assembly Bill 194 (Frazier), Senate Bill 32 (Pavley), and Senate Bill 9 (Beall).
April 30, 2015

FY 2016 Appropriations

The House Appropriations Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development (THUD) subcommittee reported out the FY 2016 THUD bill on April 29, 2015. The House bill largely sticks to level funding in the areas of transportation, though there are differences to be noted. The House funds the Transportation Investments Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant Program at $100 million, which is a large cut from this year’s $500 million allotment. However, in the past, the Republican House has used the opportunity of an appropriations markup to eliminate TIGER completely or to severely limit eligibility for the program, two tactics they did not try this year. (For example, transit projects were not considered as an eligible project in last year’s House bill.) The House did include some truck-safety provisions and Cuba travel-related policy riders in the FY 2016 THUD bill, which Democrats are opposing actively. The bill also contains a policy rider directing the Surface Transportation Board not to expend resources to consider any approvals needed by the California High Speed Rail Authority.

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) receives $10.7 billion in the House bill, which is $161 million below FY 2015 levels. The difference comes from the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) being given $75 million instead of the annual appropriation of $150 million. In addition, Capital Investment Grants (New Starts, Small Starts, and Core Capacity) are funded at $1.9 billion, which is below last year’s number. However, all current Full Funding Grant Agreements (FFGAs) are fully funded, as are all expected FY 2016 FFGAs. Formula funding at FTA is $8.6 billion, which is consistent with the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21).

The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) and Amtrak also take some cuts in the bill. Amtrak is funded at $850 million for capital grants, a decrease from the $1.14 billion provided in FY 2015. No funding is provided for High-Speed Rail.

Reauthorization Watch

It appears that all parties, including House Transportation and Infrastructure (T&I) Committee Chairman Bill Shuster (R-PA), have come around to the fact that a short-term extension will be necessary once MAP-21 expires at the end of May. The debate right now is over how long such an extension should last. The Administration is asking for one final short extension, potentially just through the summer, with a continued focus on a long-term bill. However, Shuster has floated running an extension through the end of the calendar year. A potential offset proposal for the infusion of money that will be needed by the Highway Trust Fund (HTF) with an extension is expected to be presented by House leaders in mid-May. We expect this number to be around $10 billion, depending on exactly how long of an extension is being funded.
Shuster spoke about what he plans to focus on in a long-term surface transportation reauthorization once the funding issues are resolved. Shuster mentioned three specific areas, starting with a focus on freight movement. He also wants to expand and improve upon MAP-21 provisions relating to project expediting and giving states more control to move ahead when appropriate. Finally, he mentioned that he plans to include a technology title to address new technologies that are coming in the not-so-distant future, such as driverless cars. Adding a technology title raises interesting questions about giving jurisdiction to other committees that have typically not had to act on a transportation bill. This might include issues related to privacy having to be brought before the Judiciary Committee.

May 7, 2015

Reauthorization Watch

The debate over how long any MAP-21 extension should run has split into two camps. One side is pushing for an extension to run until December 31. Others, such as Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee Chair Jim Inhofe (R-OK) and Ranking Member Barbara Boxer (D-CA), support an extension through the end of July. The Obama Administration has pleaded for a short-term extension that only is enough time for Congress to act on a long-term bill. Groups such as the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations fall into this camp as well and continue to express a strong desire to see Congress move a five- or six-year bill.

However, Senate Finance Committee Chair Orrin Hatch (R-UT) and House Ways and Means Committee Chair Paul Ryan (R-WI) are both crafting extensions (with offsets for whatever dollar amount needs to be transferred to the HTF) that run through the end of 2015. As the chairmen of the committees with jurisdiction over the HTF, Hatch and Ryan will have the final say as to what length of extension gets brought up before the committee.

Passenger Rail Legislation

On May 4, 2015, the Senate Commerce Committee held a field hearing in Newark, New Jersey, looking at passenger rail reauthorization and focused on the “future of the Northeast Corridor.” Acting FRA Administrator Sarah Feinberg and Chairman of the Amtrak Board, Tony Coscia, were among the witnesses. All of the witnesses stressed the importance of the Northeast Corridor (NEC), but also more generally, the importance of giving passenger rail the certainty of a long-term authorization.

Senate staff is hard at work crafting a bill and making progress daily. However, there probably will not be a public release of the legislation or Commerce Committee action until June. The House has reported out rail reauthorization through the T&I Committee for the past two years. While many stakeholders believe the House bill is far from perfect and that it does not authorize enough funding, most believe it is more important to have Congress finally take action and provide current authorization for rail programs that have been expired since 2013.

FY 2016 Appropriations

The House was in recess this week but action on the FY 2016 THUD bill is expected to occur at the full committee level when House members return next week. Over in the Senate, Senate
Appropriations Chair Thad Cochran (R-MS) issued a statement in connection with Senate passage of the FY 2016 budget (which has now been agreed to by both chambers) that he will now move forward with the individual appropriation bills.

May 14, 2015

Reauthorization Watch

The timing of Infrastructure Week this year provided plenty of opportunity and multiple press events for stakeholders to comment on the upcoming May 31, 2015, expiration of the MAP-21 authorization. Though outside groups continue to push for a very brief extension (around two months), lawmakers who support the same idea are coming around to the idea that the extension will likely run through the end of the calendar year. EPW Chairman Inhofe and others have been pushing for a short extension as a means to keep the pressure on Congress to act on a long-term five or six year bill. In fact, in a joint statement released on May 13, 2015, Inhofe and Ranking Member Boxer announced that they will markup a six year bill in June. However, the committees in each chamber with jurisdiction over HTF revenue issues have made clear that they are crafting bills that provide HTF revenue ($10-$11 billion) through the end of 2015. As of this writing, both the Senate Finance Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee have indicated that they have not settled on exactly what will be used as an offset for the HTF monies needed. In addition, U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Secretary Foxx and FTA Acting Administrator Therese McMillan put out letters to state transportation departments and transit agencies explaining that DOT and its modal agencies will lose contract authority and the ability to reimburse expenses occurring after May 31, 2015, unless Congress provides an authorization extension. FTA clarified in its letter that the agency “would continue to have the ability to reimburse grantees for costs obligated prior to the authorization lapsing subject to the availability of funds in the Mass Transit Account.” Recent data shows that the HTF (and related Mass Transit Account) will have funding into July.

FY 2016 Appropriations

The full House Appropriations Committee reported out the FY 2016 THUD bill on May 13, 2015, by a party-line vote of 30-21. The timing of the mark-up was striking with Amtrak’s derailment on the NEC near Philadelphia coming the night before. Democrats spoke out against the cuts both to Amtrak and other safety transportation needs contained in the bill. Republicans fought back against allegations that such funding cuts could be tied directly to the accident and other recent catastrophes. An amendment to add $825 million to Positive Train Control (PTC) implementation failed.

THUD Subcommittee Ranking Member David Price (D-NC) offered an amendment to increase funding to both the transportation and housing areas of the bill that were less than previous years, including programs such as TIGER, WMATA, and Amtrak. Price did not include any offsets in his amendment and it failed by a vote of 21-29. However, a later amendment to add $25 million back into WMATA’s account – for a total of $100 million for FY 2016 – was approved. The offset for that addition included $3 million from FTA’s administrative funding.

In advance of the markup, Office of Management and Budget Director Shaun Donovan sent a letter to Appropriations Committee Chairman Hal Rogers (R-KY) expressing concerns with the
underfunding of the important accounts as well as the policy riders included in the bill. Democrats tried to strike policy riders dealing with issues such as Cuba, truck weights, and insurance regulations for truckers, but were unsuccessful.

**Positive Train Control**

The tragic accident on Amtrak’s NEC in Philadelphia has once again brought the issue of PTC to the fore. Numerous news outlets and public officials have pointed out that PTC may have prevented – or at least made less disastrous – the high-speed derailment that led to eight fatalities. The potential that Congress will approve a five-year extension of the deadline, as approved by the Senate Commerce Committee earlier this spring, is now further diminished. Whether or not this accident will spur Congress on to consider funding for PTC implementation remains to be seen.

**May 21, 2015**

**Reauthorization Watch**

When an agreement on offsets to provide revenue to the HTF could not be found, lawmakers had to shift to a simple two-month extension of MAP-21 (through July 31) that provides the contract authority for DOT to spend down the money in the HTF. The House passed the legislation (H.R. 2353) on May 19, 2015, by a vote of 387-35 and the Senate is expected to act on the House bill before the end of the week. Because the Senate is tied up with a number of other issues and scrambling to get out of town for Memorial Day, it is likely that the two-month extension legislation will move quickly via consent without having a recorded vote taken.

While leaders in both chambers claim that the next two months will be spent looking at funding options for a long-term bill, few believe something will be ready to move in July, so another extension seems likely. The White House, which did not oppose the extension, said in its Statement of Administration Policy that it “expects that the Congress will use this two-month extension to make meaningful and demonstrable progress towards a significant bill in 2015.” The Ways and Means Committee plans to hold a hearing on long-term surface transportation funding in early June.

Finally, it is worth noting that Congressman Peter DeFazio (D-OR) introduced Obama’s GROW America Act on May 19, 2015. Nineteen fellow Democrats joined him on the bill (H.R. 2410), which provides $478 billion over six years and is funded through a one-time, mandatory 14 percent tax on repatriated offshore earnings. Members of the Administration have continually pushed the GROW America Act as the solution to the current stalemate, but it would be unlikely to see movement on the bill in Congress.

**Passenger Rail Legislation**

The tragic Amtrak crash caused the Senate Commerce Committee to delay consideration of a passenger rail reauthorization bill. Instead, introduction of the measure has been delayed until June, when Senator Cory Booker (D-NJ) and Roger Wicker (R-MS) will put forth a bipartisan rail reauthorization bill with a strong focus on safety.

Implementation of PTC has been widely discussed. Opponents of an extension for the year-end PTC implementation deadline have vowed to fight even harder against an extension, such as the
legislation that moved through the Senate Commerce Committee in March to extend the deadline from 2015 to 2020. Senator Bill Nelson (D-FL) said he plans to introduce legislation to offer only a one-year extension to the deadline. The crash also has brought up the debate over adequate funding for PTC and rail infrastructure in general. The Senate has yet to move its FY 2016 appropriations for transportation and THUD Subcommittee Chair Susan Collins (R-ME) has indicated that the subcommittee is looking at rearranging funding within the bill to provide additional safety dollars for rail.

**High-Speed Rail in America – All Aboard Florida**

Construction for All Aboard Florida to add a second track to the 66 miles between Miami and West Palm Beach will begin in June. Work also will start on the upgrades to the 185 crossings to turn the entire corridor into a quiet zone, with enough safety features to allow trains to pass without sounding their horns. Construction of stations in Miami, Fort Lauderdale, and West Palm Beach has been underway for a number of months and service between Miami and West Palm Beach still has an expected start date of early 2017.

**High-Speed Rail in America – Texas Central Railway**

Opponents of Texas Central Railway and its High-Speed Rail line between Houston and Dallas are using the state budget bill to try to kill the project. Opponents have added a legislative rider to the bill, which limits the involvement of the Texas Department of Transportation in the project and would make it almost impossible to move forward.

**May 28, 2015**

**Reauthorization Watch**

The Senate moved the two-month MAP-21 extension by voice vote, and will now run through July 31, 2015. The extension provides the contract authority for DOT to spend down the money in the HTF. Any additional extension beyond July 31, 2015, will require both parties to reach agreement on finding offsets to put additional revenue into the HTF.

As the Senate finished its work before leaving for recess, EPW Chair Inhofe and Ranking Member Boxer announced a target date of Wednesday, June 24, 2015, as their goal to mark-up a six-year authorization.

**FY 2016 Appropriations**

The Senate Appropriations Committee plans to release its THUD FY 2016 bill, with subcommittee action and potentially full committee action expected. Unlike the House version, the Senate bill will likely take the recent Amtrak accident into account and provide more money for safety and PTC.

**Upcoming Hearings**

The House T&I Committee will hold an oversight hearing of the NEC Amtrak derailment on June 2, 2015. A witness list is not yet available.
High-Speed Rail in America – Texas Central Railway

Opponents of Texas Central Railway and its High-Speed Rail line between Houston and Dallas inserted a legislative rider into the state budget bill to try to kill the project. The language would have limited the involvement of the Texas Department of Transportation in the project and essentially stopped the project from moving forward. Texas state legislators voted in committee to remove the provision.

Activity Report for SANDAG  
May, 2015  
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