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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA

Friday, June 10, 2016
9 to 10 a.m.
SANDAG, 7th Floor Conference Room
401 B Street
San Diego

AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

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

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Friday, June 10, 2016

ITEM NO.  RECOMMENDATION

+1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES
   The Executive Committee is asked to review and approve the minutes from its
   May 13, 2016, meeting.
   APPROVE

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS
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+3. REVIEW OF DRAFT BOARD AGENDAS (Victoria Stackwick)
   +3A. Draft Board Business Agenda - June 24, 2016
   +3B. Draft Board Policy Agenda - July 8, 2016
   APPROVE

+4. ANNUAL REVIEW OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS
   (Victoria Stackwick)
   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.
   DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

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

6. CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMENTS
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7. UPCOMING MEETINGS
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   at 9 a.m.
   INFORMATION

8. ADJOURNMENT

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS

MAY 13, 2016

Chair Ron Roberts (Chair, County of San Diego) called the meeting of the SANDAG Executive Committee to order at 9:06 a.m. The attendance sheet for the meeting is attached.

1. MEETING MINUTES (APPROVE)

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Steve Vaus (North County Inland) and a second by Mayor Ron Morrison (South County), the minutes of the April 8, 2016, Executive Committee meeting were approved. Yes – Chair Roberts, Mayor Jim Wood (North County Coastal), Mayor Morrison, Mayor Bill Wells (East County), Mayor Vaus, and Councilmember Todd Gloria (City of San Diego). No – None. Abstain – None. Absent – None.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS (INFORMATION)

There were no public or member comments.

REPORTS

3. REVIEW OF DRAFT BOARD AGENDAS (APPROVE)

The Executive Committee was asked to approve the draft agendas for the May 27, 2016, Board Business meeting, and the June 10, 2016, Board Policy meeting.

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

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Vaus and a second by Mayor Morrison, the Executive Committee approved the draft agendas for the May 27, 2016, Board Business meeting, as amended, and the June 10, 2016, Board Policy meeting. Yes – Chair Roberts, Mayor Wood, Mayor Morrison, Mayor Wells, Mayor Vaus, and Councilmember Gloria. No – None. Abstain – None. Absent – None.

4. PROPOSED FINAL FY 2017 PROGRAM BUDGET (RECOMMEND)

SANDAG Bylaws require the Board of Directors to adopt a final budget by June 30 of each year. The proposed FY 2017 Program Budget includes the Overall Work Program, Regional Operations, Capital Improvement Program, TransNet Program, and Administrative and Board budgets.

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

**Action**: Upon a motion by Mayor Vaus and a second by Mayor Wells, the Executive Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) Resolution No. RTC-2016-05, adopting the Final FY 2017 Program Budget. Yes – Chair Roberts, Mayor Wood, Mayor Morrison, Mayor Wells, Mayor Vaus, and Councilmember Gloria. No – None. Abstain – None. Absent – None.

5. **PROPOSED FY 2016 PROGRAM BUDGET AMENDMENT: FUNDING MEASURE PUBLIC EDUCATION (APPROVE)**

Rob Rundle, Principal Regional Planner, presented the item.

**Action**: Upon a motion by Mayor Morrison and a second by Mayor Wood, the Executive Committee approved an amendment to the FY 2016 Program Budget to transfer up to $100,000 from the Contingency Reserve Fund to the Regional Quality of Life Funding Strategies (Overall Work Program No. 3200000) in order to inform the public about the projects and programs in the potential funding measure. Yes – Chair Roberts, Mayor Wood, Mayor Morrison, Mayor Wells, Mayor Vaus, and Councilmember Gloria. No – None. Abstain – None. Absent – None.

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

Periodic status reports on legislative activities are reported to the Executive Committee throughout the year.

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

**Action**: Upon a motion by Mayor Morrison and a second by Mayor Vaus, the Executive Committee approved an oppose position for Senate Bill 885 (Wolk), and a support position for Assembly Bill 2289 (Frazier) and Assembly Bill 2170 (Frazier). Yes – Chair Roberts, Mayor Wood, Mayor Morrison, Mayor Wells, Mayor Vaus, and Councilmember Gloria. No – None. Abstain – None. Absent – None.

7. **CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no continued public comments.

6. **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for Friday, June 10, 2016, at 9 a.m.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Roberts adjourned the meeting at 9:32 a.m.
# CONFIRMED ATTENDANCE

**SANDAG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**MAY 13, 2016**  

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REVIEW OF THE JUNE 24, 2016, DRAFT BOARD BUSINESS AGENDA

ITEM NO.  NO. RECOMMENDATION

+1. Approval of Meeting Minutes	APPROVE
+1A. May 13, 2016, Board Policy Meeting Minutes
+1B. May 27, 2016, Board Business Meeting Minutes

2. Public Comments/Communications/Member Comments

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+3. Actions from Policy Advisory Committees (Victoria Stackwick)

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 Contract Awards
(Laura Coté)

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
+5. TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT TRIENNIAL PERFORMANCE AUDIT (Lisa Madsen)  
   APPROVE

   As required by state law, the Transportation Development Act (TDA) triennial performance audits of the Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), North County Transit District (NCTD), and SANDAG have been completed. The Transportation Committee recommends that the Board of Directors authorize the Executive Director to: (1) transmit the SANDAG performance audit report to Caltrans; (2) certify in writing to Caltrans that the performance audits of MTS and NCTD have been completed; (3) implement the performance audit recommendations pertaining to SANDAG TDA activities; and (4) transmit the MTS and NCTD audit recommendations to the transit operators for implementation.

+6. FY 2017 CLAIMS FOR TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT AND STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE (Michelle Smith)  
   ADOPT

   The Transportation Committee recommends that the Board of Directors adopt: (1) Resolution Nos. 2016-XX through 2016-XX, approving the FY 2017 Transportation Development Act claims; and (2) the State Transit Assistance Act findings as certified by the North County Transit District.

+7. REGIONAL COMPLETE STREETS POLICY IMPLEMENTATION: STATUS REPORT (Carolina Illic)  
   INFORMATION

   This report provides an update on implementation of the Regional Complete Streets Policy adopted by the Board of Directors in December 2014.

+8. ANNUAL REVIEW OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS (Victoria Stackwick)  
   INFORMATION

   As required by SANDAG Board Policy No. 004: Rules of Procedure for Board of Directors and Committees, this item provides an annual report on the status of all standing and temporary committees and working groups.

+9. REPORT ON MEETINGS AND EVENTS ATTENDED ON BEHALF OF SANDAG (Victoria Stackwick)  
   INFORMATION

   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 Business meeting.

+10. REPORT SUMMARIZING DELEGATED ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (André Douzdjian)*  
     INFORMATION

   In accordance with various SANDAG Board Policies, this report summarizes certain delegated actions taken by the Executive Director since the last Board of Directors Business meeting.
+11. FIRST READING: REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION ORDINANCE NO. RTC-2016-XX: SAN DIEGO COUNTY ROAD REPAIR, TRANSIT, TRAFFIC RELIEF, SAFETY, AND WATER QUALITY ORDINANCE AND EXPENDITURE PLAN (Rob Rundle, Julie Wiley)*  

The Board of Directors is asked to: (1) waive a verbatim reading of Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) Ordinance No. RTC-2016-XX (Ordinance) for this and all future readings; (2) conduct the First Reading of the Ordinance; and (3) review and comment on the draft RTC Resolution No. RTC-2016-XX.

+12. HEARING OF NECESSITY: ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY INTERESTS LOCATED IN THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO FOR THE MID-COAST CORRIDOR TRANSIT PROJECT (Ryan Kohut, John Haggerty)  

The Board of Directors is asked to: (1) receive public testimony; (2) adopt Resolutions of Necessity Nos. 2016-XX through 2016-XX by a two-thirds vote pertaining to acquisition of property for the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project; and (3) authorize staff to proceed with all condemnation filings and proceedings necessary to acquire the partial interests in the subject parcels.

+13. AUTOMATED REGIONAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM ORGANIZATIONAL ASSESSMENT WORK PLAN (Poway Mayor Steve Vaus, Public Safety Committee Chair; Kurt Kroninger, Diane Eidam)  

The Public Safety Committee recommends that the Board of Directors approve the proposed Automated Regional Justice Information System (ARJIS) Organizational Assessment Work Plan to evaluate the current and alternative organizational structures for ARJIS.

+14. GILMAN DRIVE BRIDGE PROJECT: SUPPLEMENT 3 CONSTRUCTION MANAGER/GENERAL CONTRACTOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES AGREEMENT (San Diego Councilmember Todd Gloria, Transportation Committee Chair; John Haggerty)  

+14A. The Transportation Committee recommends that the Board of Directors: (1) authorize the Executive Director to execute a Cooperative Agreement with The Regents of the University of California and California Department of Transportation to fully fund the Gilman Drive Bridge Project (Project); and (2) approve an amendment to the FY 2017 Program Budget to accept $X million from the University of California, San Diego to fully fund the Project (Capital Improvement Program No. 1200508).

+14B. The Transportation Committee recommends that the Board of Directors: (1) approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price negotiated between Mid-Coast Transit Constructors and SANDAG for Supplement 3 of the Construction Manager/General Contractor Construction Services Agreement for the Gilman Drive Bridge Project in the amount of $15.3 million; and (2) authorize the Executive Director to execute Supplement 3.
15. DOWNTOWN MULTIUSE AND BUS STOPOVER FACILITY (Richard Chavez, Cheryle Hodge) ADOPT

The Board of Directors is asked to adopt California Environmental Quality Act findings in support of selecting a preferred site for development of a Downtown Multiuse and Bus Stopover Facility.

16. UPTOWN BIKEWAYS PROJECT: CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT EXEMPTION (Chris Kluth) APPROVE

The Uptown Bikeways Project (Project) will provide on-street connections from Old Town and Mission Valley through Uptown to Downtown San Diego, North Park, and Balboa Park. The Board of Directors is asked to approve the California Environmental Quality Act exemption for the Project.

17. CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMENTS

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18. UPCOMING MEETINGS INFORMATION

The next Board Policy meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 8, 2016, at 10 a.m. The next Board Business meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 22, 2016, at 9 a.m.

19. ADJOURNMENT

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REVIEW OF THE JULY 8, 2016, DRAFT BOARD POLICY AGENDA

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+2. SECOND READING: REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION ORDINANCE NO. RTC-2016-XX: SAN DIEGO COUNTY ROAD REPAIR, TRANSIT, TRAFFIC RELIEF, SAFETY, AND WATER QUALITY ORDINANCE AND EXPENDITURE PLAN (Rob Rundle, Julie Wiley)*

APPROVE

At its June 24, 2016, meeting, the Board of Directors conducted the First Reading of Regional Transportation Commission Ordinance (RTC) No. RTC-2016-XX (Ordinance). The Board of Directors is asked to: (1) conduct the Second Reading of the Ordinance; (2) adopt RTC Resolution No. RTC-2016-XX; and (3) approve the Ordinance and ballot measure language for submission to the County Board of Supervisors.

+3. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8 (Chip Willett, Bender Rosenthal; Brad Kuhn, Nossaman; Ryan Kohut)

The Board of Directors will be briefed by the SANDAG real property negotiator team on the status of negotiations with the Regency Centers, L.P. regarding the price and terms of payment of a potential settlement to acquire real property at 8610 Genesee Avenue and 4282 Esplanade Court, San Diego, California (Assessor Parcel Nos.: 345-210-13 and 345-210-14) needed to construct the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project.
4. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8 (Chip Willett, Bender Rosenthal; Bruce Beach, Best Best & Krieger; Ryan Kohut)

The Board of Directors will be briefed by the SANDAG real property negotiator team on the price and terms of a potential purchase of real property owned by the City of San Diego located at 5965 and 5975 Santa Fe Street, San Diego, California (Assessor Parcel Nos.: 359-010-40 and 359-010-41) for use by SANDAG to construct the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project.

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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. In FY 2016, SANDAG supported 21 different committees and working groups that provided 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

I-805/47th Street Trolley Station Area Planning Project Working Group

The I-805/47th Street Trolley Station Area Planning Project Working Group is an advisory group composed of stakeholders from Southeastern San Diego, including residents from community planning groups, community-based organizations, local business owners, and other stakeholders. It was created to provide input on the development and evaluation of alternative station design concepts to access the proposed Interstate 805 (I-805) Rapid service at the 47th Street Trolley Station. This work is anticipated to be completed in FY 2016, and the Working Group is scheduled to sunset at the end of the fiscal year.

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 24, 2016, Board of Directors meeting.

VICTORIA STACKWICK
Principal Legislative Analyst

Attachments: 1. FY 2016 Policy Advisory Committees and Related Working Groups Diagram
            2. FY 2016 List of Committees and Working Groups

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FY 2016 Policy Advisory Committees and Related Working Groups Diagram

Board of Directors

Transportation Committee

- 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

Standing

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
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Regional Planning Committee

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

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Public Safety Committee

• Chiefs'/Sheriff’s Management Committee
• ARJIS Business Working Group
• ARJIS Technical Working Group
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Borders Committee

Standing

- Committee on Binational Regional Opportunities
- Interagency Technical Working Group on Tribal Transportation Issues
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| 3 Cities/County Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) | Public works directors from local jurisdictions and staff from Caltrans, MTS, and NCTD | 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. | 1993 | Standing  
Meeting Schedule: Monthly  
No. of Mtgs. in FY 2016: 11 |
| 4 Coordinated Transit and Human Services Transportation Plan Working Group | Voluntary members making up less than a quorum of the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (representatives of transit users who are 60 years or older, disabled, and/or with limited means) | Provides input to the development of the Coordinated Plan. | 2008 | Standing  
Meeting Schedule: As needed  
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### TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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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, Environmental Health Coalition (EHC), and others interested in efficient goods movement in the San Diego region</td>
<td>Provided 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.</td>
<td>2012</td>
<td>Temporary - In FY 2017, will participate in the California Sustainable Freight Strategy process, completion of the Freight Gateway Study Update and development of the Truck Visualization Tool. Meeting Schedule: As needed No. of Mtgs. in FY 2016: 1</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>
<td>Temporary&lt;br&gt;Meeting Schedule: As needed&lt;br&gt;No. of Mtgs. in FY 2016: 0 (Expected to reconvene ahead of project construction.)</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>
<td>2003</td>
<td>Standing&lt;br&gt;Meeting Schedule: Quarterly&lt;br&gt;No. of Mtgs. in FY 2016: 4</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>
<td>1994</td>
<td>Standing&lt;br&gt;Meeting Schedule: Monthly&lt;br&gt;No. of Mtgs. in FY 2016: 6</td>
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<td>9 San Diego Regional Traffic Engineers Council</td>
<td>Membership consists of one representative from each local agency in the San Diego region including the 18 cities, County of San Diego, Caltrans, MTS, NCTD, and SANDAG</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>10 Social Services Transportation Advisory Council</td>
<td>Citizen representatives of transit users who are seniors (aged 60 years or older), disabled, and/or 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>
<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>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>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>
<td>Standing Meeting Schedule: Bimonthly No. of Mtgs. in FY 2016: 4</td>
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<td>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>Regional Energy Working Group</td>
<td>San Marcos Councilmember Chris Orlando, (Chair), San Diego County Supervisor Dave Roberts, San Diego Councilmember Sherri Lightner, Coronado Councilmember Carrie Downey, 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, 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 Regional 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>
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<td>15 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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<td>16 Shoreline Preservation</td>
<td>Imperial Beach Mayor Serge Dedina (Chair), San Diego Councilmember Lorie Zapf (Vice Chair), Carlsbad Councilmember Michael Schumacher, Coronado Councilmember Bill Sandke, County of San Diego Supervisor Dave Roberts, Del Mar Councilmember Dwight Worden, Encinitas Deputy Mayor Lisa Shaffer, 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, California Division of Boating and Waterways, California 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 Chairmen’s Association (Vacant), and Surfrider Foundation</td>
<td>Advises on the implementation of the Shoreline Preservation Strategy, the Coastal Regional Sediment Management Plan, and San Diego Forward: The Regional Plan.</td>
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<td>17 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>18 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>19 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>20 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>(Individual meetings held in FY 2016 to solicit detailed input for ARJIS Technical Strategic Plan; regular meetings expected to resume in FY 2017.)</td>
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<td>21 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.

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Principal Legislative Analyst

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

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SUBJECT: SANDAG LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY REPORT – MAY 2016

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

2016 Legislative Overview

The first house fiscal committee deadline for all bills was May 27 per Joint Rule 61(b)(8). All bills must pass out of their house of origin by June 3 per Joint Rule 61(b)(11). The Budget Bill must be passed by the Legislature by June 15 per Article IV, Section 12(c)(3) of the California Constitution.

SANDAG-supported Bills

SANDAG is in support of Assembly Bill 1746 (AB 1746) by Assembly Member Mark Stone, which would authorize SANDAG, North County Transit District, San Diego Metropolitan Transit System, Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority, Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, Central Contra Costa Transit Authority, and Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority to operate transit buses on the shoulders of the state highway system, subject to the approval of Caltrans and the California Highway Patrol. In April, the bill was passed unanimously off the Assembly Floor, 76-0. The bill will be heard next by the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.

SANDAG is in support of Assembly Bill 2170 (AB 2170) by Assembly Member Jim Frazier, which would require that federal funding for freight-related infrastructure projects appropriated to California from the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act be deposited into the Trade Corridor Improvement Fund. The bill is being supported by a long list of regional transportation planning entities, as well as the Automobile Club of Southern California and the California Transportation Commission, with no opposition. AB 2170 was passed by the Assembly Appropriations Committee on May 27 and passed unanimously off the Assembly Floor on May 31. It will head now to the Senate.

SANDAG is in support of Assembly Bill 516 (AB 516) by Assembly Member Kevin Mullin, which would require the Department of Motor Vehicles to create a process to issue temporary license...
plates by January 1, 2018, and would require dealers to attach temporary license plates to all unplated vehicles when they are sold beginning January 1, 2018. Introduced in 2015, AB 516 was ultimately held by the author in order to address the Administration’s concerns about costs on consumers. These discussions are ongoing. The bill will be heard next on the Senate Floor.

SANDAG is in support of Assembly Bill 2289 by Assembly Member Jim Frazier, which would clarify that capital improvement projects relative to operations on the state highway system are eligible for inclusion in the State Highway Operation and Protection Program. In addition to SANDAG, the bill is being supported by the California Transportation Commission and Automobile Club of Southern California and has no opposition. In April, the bill was passed unanimously off the Assembly Floor, 76-0, and will be heard next by the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.

SANDAG is opposed to Senate Bill 885 (SB 885) by Senator Wolk, which would eliminate the right of a public agency to contract with design professionals for up-front legal defense against claims related to their work on a project. While it is supported by a number of engineering firms, the bill also is being opposed by a wide range of public agencies, including the League of California Cities, the California Special Districts Association, Self Help Counties Coalition, and the California State Association of Counties, as well as private entities like the Associated General Contractors of California. The bill advanced out of the Senate Judiciary Committee on May 3 and passed off the Senate Floor on June 1. It will head now to the Assembly.

2016-2017 Budget May Revise

On May 13, Governor Brown released his May Revision of the FY 2016-2017 State Budget. He noted that because the state’s tax revenue forecast has been reduced by $1.9 billion since January, he only included minor adjustments to his January spending proposals and no new major General Fund spending. Overall, the Governor’s revised FY 2016-2017 budget is $173.1 billion, which is a 1.8 percent increase over FY 2015-2016. Of that total, $122.2 billion is General Fund, which is an increase of 5.7 percent over the current budget year.

In regard to transportation matters, the Governor’s transportation funding proposal remains the same as his budget release in January. The proposal would provide additional funding for transportation by $3.6 billion annually and is discussed further below.

The May Revision also reflected the availability of federal funds that would provide additional funding for trade corridor improvements over the next five years and included the following summary:

Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act - The new Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act provides a five year federal authorization of highway, transit, safety, and rail programs. The FAST Act allocates $582 million over the five years to California through the new National Highway Freight Program funding formula. Additionally, California is eligible to receive a portion of $900 million annually for Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation of the Long-Term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE) competitive grants. FASTLANE grants can be applied to up to 60 percent of Nationally Significant Freight and Highway Projects program costs, with the remaining funds from state, local, or other federal funding sources. The May Revision includes provisional language, which makes other state and federal funding available as a
match for the remaining 40 percent. Caltrans proposes expending the formula funding pursuant to the Trade Corridor Improvement Fund Guidelines. The California Transportation Commission will allocate half of the funding to corridor-based projects proposed by local agencies and half to projects of statewide significance proposed by Caltrans.

The respective Budget subcommittees in both houses took up the matter, and both ultimately agreed to approve the FASTLANE competitive grant match budget bill language, but rejected the Governor’s proposed new trade corridor program for the federal funds so that the issue can be fully vetted by the Legislature through the policy process. In particular, Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 3 specifically noted AB 2170, which would allocate the entirety of the formula funding to corridor-based projects under the Trade Corridor Improvement Fund program.

**Ongoing Transportation Funding Discussions**

In a continued effort to address California’s projected transportation infrastructure shortfall – $59 billion for the state and $78 billion for cities and counties over the next ten years – discussions amongst leadership in both houses and the Governor’s Office have been ongoing, but no deal has yet been reached. There currently are a number of proposals on the table, all of which would require a two-thirds vote of the Legislature:

- The Governor’s budget proposal – which was maintained in the May Revise – would provide an annual amount of funding of $3.6 billion through an increase in excise taxes ($0.06 on gas and $0.11 on diesel, both indexed to the Consumer Price Index [CPI]), a $65 annual Highway User Fee, $500 million in cap-and-trade revenues, and $100 million in Caltrans efficiencies, amongst a host of other proposed changes. Half of the funding would go to cities and counties for street maintenance, complete street projects, public transit, and state-local partnership funding projects.

- Senator Beall’s Senate Bill First Extraordinary Session 1 (SBX 1-1) would provide an annual amount of funding of $6.5 billion through an increase in excise taxes ($0.12 on gas and $0.22 on diesel, indexed to CPI), an increase on diesel fuel sales tax (from 1.75% to 5.25%), $35/year Vehicle Registration Fee indexed to CPI, $100/year Zero Emissions Vehicle Fee, $35/year Road User Charge indexed to CPI, $300 million in cap-and-trade revenues, and $100 million in Caltrans efficiencies, amongst a host of other potential changes. SBX 1-1 recently was amended to incorporate a number of additional transportation funding concepts introduced by Republican and Democrat members, including increasing the sales and use tax on diesel fuel and dedicating the increase to transit. The bill will be heard next by the Senate Appropriations Committee, but no hearing date has been set.

- Assembly Member Frazier’s Assembly Bill 1591 would provide an annual amount of funding of $7.89 billion through a $0.225 increase in the gas excise tax indexed to CPI, $0.25 increase in the diesel tax indexed to CPI, a $38/year vehicle license fee, $165/year Zero Emissions Vehicle Fee, and increases to the amount of cap-and-trade revenues available for transportation by 30 percent, amongst a host of other potential changes. The bill has not yet been heard by a policy committee.

- On May 19, the Fix Our Roads Coalition (Coalition) hosted a rally at the Capitol that was attended by roughly 500 people from local government, labor, and business communities
urging all parties to come together to solve the transportation funding crisis. At the rally, the Coalition released its Roadmap to Consensus proposal, which combines ideas from the Republican reform proposals, the Governor’s budget plan, and from the Beall and Frazier legislation. The proposal would provide an annual amount of funding of $4.9 billion in the first year, increasing to $6.9 billion by the fifth year through a $0.12 cent gas excise tax increase indexed to CPI, $0.11 diesel excise tax increase indexed to CPI, an increase in the diesel sales tax rate from 1.75 percent to 5.25 percent, a $65/year road access fee, $100/year Zero Emissions Vehicle Fee, and $500 million in cap-and-trade revenues.

November 2016 Ballot Measures

There currently are four qualified statewide ballot measures and five initiatives eligible for the November 2016 General Election. One of these initiatives, entitled the “No Blank Checks Initiative,” may have an impact on SANDAG bonding activities. If passed, the California Constitution would be amended to require that all revenue bonds issued or sold by the State in an amount either singly or in the aggregate over $2 billion for any single project financed, owned, operated, or managed by the State must first be approved by the voters at a statewide election. "State" is defined as the State of California, any agency or department thereof, and any joint powers agency or similar body created by the State or in which the State is a member. This initiative was submitted to the Attorney General by Dean Cortopassi and is opposed by the Citizens to Protect California Infrastructure coalition, which is co-chaired by the Presidents of the California Chamber of Commerce and California State Building and Construction Trades Council.

ACTIVITY REPORT

5/2: Met with Senator Anderson’s office regarding SB 885 (Wolk); provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.

5/3: Attended/monitored Senate Judiciary Committee hearing on SB 885; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.

5/4: Reviewed/analyzed amendments to Senate Bill 1190 (Jackson), which prohibits ex parte communication with a California Coastal Commission member or interested person “concerning an adjudicative or enforcement proceeding before the commission” and establishes procedures should such a communication occur; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.

5/10: Met with Senate Clerk’s office on procedural status of SB 885; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.

5/11: Met with Senator Wolk’s office on SB 885; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.

5/13: Reviewed/analyzed Governor’s Budget May Revise; met with Assembly Budget Staff on Governor’s FAST Act proposal; met with Senator Anderson’s staff on SB 885; attended/monitored Assembly Floor vote on Assembly Bill 2620 (Dababneh), which authorizes the California Transportation Commission to reallocate funds from the Proposition 116 (1990) program that are not encumbered or expended by July 1, 2020, for other existing passenger rail projects with existing rail service; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.
5/16: Met with SANDAG staff on Governor’s FAST Act budget proposal; delivered SANDAG SB 885 letter to Senator Wolk’s office.

5/17: Attended/monitored Senate Budget Subcommittee No. 2 hearing on Governor’s FAST Act budget proposal; reviewed/analyzed Department of Finance’s position letter on AB 2170; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff including communication with San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce on the budget item.

5/18: Attended/monitored Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 3 hearing on Governor’s FAST Act budget proposal.

5/19: Attended/monitored Fix Our Roads Coalition Capitol rally; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff, including the Roadmap to Consensus proposal.

5/23: Teleconference with SANDAG staff regarding San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce lobby day.

5/24: Reviewed/analyzed Governor and Senate Budget Committee’s Cap-and-Trade Expenditure Plan; attended/monitored Senate Budget Committee hearing on Cap-and-Trade Expenditure Plan; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.

5/25: Reviewed/analyzed amendments to AB 1746 (Stone); attended San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce transportation discussion with Senator Beall and Assemblymember Frazier; provided subsequent updates to Assembly Bill 1886 (McCarty), which modifies the definition of transit priority projects for the purposes of California Environmental Quality Act streamlining.

5/26: Reviewed feedback from SANDAG staff on Senate Bill 1066 (Beall) regarding federal funds received by the state under the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act of 2015, and Assembly Bill 2292 (Gordon) regarding CalEnviroScreen.

5/27: Teleconference with SANDAG staff on Assembly Bill 2075 (Atkins), which would have authorized the relinquishment of specified portions of State Highway Route 75; attended/monitored suspense file hearings in both houses; provided subsequent updates to SANDAG staff.
FY 2017 Transportation Appropriations Advances in the House

The House Committee on Appropriations approved a FY 2017 spending bill for the Departments of Transportation and Housing and Urban Development.

The full committee turned aside an effort by Democrats to remove from the bill controversial policy riders such as a moratorium on the new truck safety rules issued by the Obama Administration and the blocking of funds for California High-Speed Rail. The Obama Administration threatened a veto last week over the truck safety provisions in the Senate version of the Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development (THUD) bill.

House floor action is likely shortly after the Memorial Day recess.

Outlook for Spending Bills Clouded by Defeat in House of Energy and Water Bill

The House on Thursday voted down the Energy and Water Appropriations bill because of a dispute over amendments on lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) rights and the Iran Nuclear deal. The defeat of the measure bodes ill for House and Senate leaders meeting their goal of enacting appropriations bills on the traditional one-by-one basis.

The LGBT rights issue has been brewing in the weeks since North Carolina enacted its “bathroom bill.” House Democrats have been looking for a way to expose the divisions in the Republican caucus on this issue and found it when Representative Sean Patrick Maloney (D-NY) offered an amendment to the Energy and Water bill which essentially affirmed President Obama’s Executive Order requiring contractors doing business with the federal government to not discriminate against the LGBT community in employment. Forty-three Republican Members joined all 180 Democrats voting to pass the Maloney Amendment.

When the bill came up for final passage, a significant number of Republican Members rebelled. The Republican caucus voted against the appropriations bill 130-106. That is an extraordinary occurrence on an appropriation bill with leadership support.

This is the second consecutive year the appropriations process has been upended by a social issue. Last year, the controversy of the flying of the confederate battle flag made it impossible to proceed with individual spending bills. This year’s process may now be headed for a similar outcome as last year’s – a large omnibus spending package late in the session.

The Memorial Day recess will give leadership an opportunity to re-assess its strategy for moving appropriations bills forward. The next spending bill up when they return on June 7 appears to be the THUD measure.
FASTLANE Applications Total Nearly $9.8 Billion

U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Secretary Anthony Foxx announced last Friday that the Department had received 212 applications, totaling nearly $9.8 billion for the new FASTLANE Grant Program for freight-related highway projects. This dollar total is 13 times the available funding.

Secretary Foxx, in his statement, indicated the volume of applications is an indicator of the pent-up demand for infrastructure investment. Awards are expected late summer/early fall.

U.S. Department of Transportation Ratchets Up Safety Oversight of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

Secretary Foxx further augmented federal oversight of safety on the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) system this week when he appointed a special advisor in his office focused exclusively on overseeing WMATA’s program to address safety issues.

In recent weeks, U.S. DOT scrutiny over WMATA has intensified. This week’s move is further evidence of Secretary Foxx’s lack of confidence in WMATA’s Board and management to perform the tasks they have laid out for themselves. The new Special Advisor is Katie Thompson, who recently left her position as General Counsel of the U.S. DOT.

Clinton Announces Intent to Offer Infrastructure Bill in First 100 Days

In observance of Infrastructure Week, the Clinton campaign sent out an email earlier this week to reporters and supporters indicating Secretary Clinton’s plan to send to Congress in her first 100 days as President a major infrastructure investment program. To date, the only other early action item her campaign has identified is immigration reform.

The Clinton campaign’s infrastructure proposal released last fall calls for a $275 billion boost to current federal infrastructure spending over a five-year period. The bulk of that would be for infrastructure spending, but $25 billion would be reserved for an “infrastructure bank.”

It should be noted that both Donald Trump and Senator Bernie Sanders also have indicated their support for infrastructure investment. Neither has made a commitment to advance legislation in their first 100 days, however.

May 23, 2016

Special Update: Draft House Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development Report Shows Transit Project Allocations for FY 2017

The draft House Appropriations Committee report on the FY 2017 THUD Appropriations is circulating and it shows the following breakdown for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Capital Investment Grants for FY 2017. Please note that this list is based on a draft, which is subject to change at the full committee mark-up. That mark-up in not yet scheduled:

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Federal Railroad Administration Extends Comment Period on Two-Person Train Crew Rule

The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) extended for an additional 60 days the comment period on its proposed rule to require a two-person train crew on all passenger and freight trains. The deadline for comments is now August 16.
As reported when the proposed rule came out in March, the FRA is proposing to require a two-
person crew and to specify the roles of each crew member. The proposed rule does contemplate the
issuance of waivers upon request in limited circumstances. The rules are opposed by the railroad
industry and supported by labor.

The extension of time and the announcement that they plan to schedule a public hearing on the
rule are signs that FRA is paying attention to the controversy over this proposal.

**FY 2017 Transportation Appropriations Advances**

This week saw progress in both the House and the Senate on appropriations for the Department of
Transportation for FY 2017. However, policy differences with the White House may make for a
difficult path forward for the spending bills.

In the Senate, the combined Transportation-Housing and Urban Development/Military Construction-
Veterans Affairs (THUD/MilCon-VA) bill passed on Thursday evening. The Senate bill tracks Fixing
America’s Surface Transportation Act spending levels for transit, continues Amtrak funding at
roughly current levels, and provides funding for new intercity rail programs and for TIGER. The bill
also contains a controversial provision which changes the Administration’s hours of service rules for
truckers – allowing for a 73-hour work week instead of the 70-hour week in the Administration’s
rule. The Administration wrote to the Senate earlier in the week to threaten a veto of the bill over
that provision.

On the House side, the Subcommittee on THUD approved its version of the FY 2017 appropriation.
The bill contains slightly more funding for transit than the Senate, the same for Amtrak, and slightly
less than the Senate for intercity passenger rail grants. The bill contains a provision to delay
implementation of the truckers hours-of-service rule. This language also triggers objections from
the Administration. The House bill also contains language intended to prevent the California High-
Speed Rail Authority from receiving the remainder of its federal funds under its current grant of
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and FY 2010 funds.

The fact that both bills contain language that would potentially trigger a Presidential veto of the
legislation could delay ultimate passage of a THUD appropriations bill this year. If the House and
Senate are not willing to accommodate the Administration’s concerns on these provisions, it is likely
that the THUD bill will be folded into a larger omnibus spending package later in the year.

**Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Adopts U.S. Department of
Transportation “Suggestion” on its Safety Related Maintenance Program**

Washington Metro this week revised its “SafeTrack” rail maintenance program to accommodate last
week’s order from the FTA that it re-prioritize its efforts to address certain sections of track earlier
than originally planned. WMATA’s reaction last week that it was not ready to adopt the U.S. DOT’s
“suggestion” triggered considerable concern in the office of Secretary Anthony Foxx and stirred
fears of a showdown.

The WMATA program will take place between now and the end of the year. Metro service hours
are being cut back to allow more time for maintenance work and five major line segments will be
shut down for periods of time during the program.
Federal Transit Administration Proposes Buy America Waiver for Minivans

The FTA published a proposed waiver of Buy America rules for minivans used in van pooling services. The action comes after a request from the suburban Chicago PACE bus system to waive both the 60 percent domestic content requirement and the requirement that final assembly take place in the United States on its proposed purchase of Dodge Caravan minivans.

The FTA is proposing to waive only the domestic content requirement. The Federal Register notice says they are aware of final assembly options in the United States. The proposed waiver is open for comment until May 31.

May 13, 2016

Transportation Appropriations for FY 2017 Still On-Deck in Senate

The Senate is slated to take up a THUD/MilCon-VA “minibus” appropriations bill for FY 2017 next week. Leadership decided to combine these two bills for the sake of scheduling convenience since both were deemed to be ready to go.

Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) had hoped to bring the THUD/MilCon-VA bill up this week as the Senate returned from its one-week recess. That schedule was upended by the lengthy debate on the Energy and Water Appropriations bill. The hold-up was over an effort to include in the bill an amendment designed to thwart the Iran Nuclear deal by preventing the Energy Department from purchasing heavy water from Iran. That purchase was part of the deal because it removes from Iran material that can be used to develop nuclear weapons. A cloture vote was held on the amendment on Wednesday and failed to receive the 60 votes needed for cloture. At that point, the amendment was pulled and the bill move forward – eventually passing on Thursday by a vote of 90-8.

When the Senate takes up the “minibus” next week, another controversy will erupt over the Administration’s request for $1.9 billion in emergency funding to combat the Zika virus. Three proposals will be on the table and lengthy discussion is possible. This may mean Senate passage of the bill will be delayed until the following week.

On the House side, Appropriations Committee leaders are indicating a THUD appropriation bill could emerge from the THUD Subcommittee in the next three weeks. The House has not yet said if it will follow the Senate’s lead and combine the THUD measure with the MilCon-VA bill.

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority and U.S. Department of Transportation in Dispute over Safety Repairs

The dispute between WMATA and the U.S. DOT continued this week. After yet another incident involving a track fire last Thursday, the FTA issued a directive to WMATA to change its plan for safety repairs throughout the system by raising the priority level of repairs to electrical systems in the stretch of track where last week’s incident occurred.

While the media and U.S. DOT officials considered this directive from FTA to be an order from the system’s safety regulator, WMATA General Manager Paul Wiedefeld and Board Chair Jack Evans
indicated they are treating it as a “suggestion.” They said they will take the matter under advisement and decide soon on their course of action.

All of this discussion takes place in the context of Secretary Anthony Foxx’s statement earlier this week that he contemplated shutting down the Metro system after last week’s incident. In conversations this week with a top U.S. DOT official it became clear that Secretary Foxx believes he indeed has the authority to shut down the system and that he intends to use it if he deems necessary.

**Potential Partnerships between Ridesharing Firms and Transit Hit a Speedbump**

As transit properties all over the country explore ways to partner with ridesharing firms like Uber and Lyft, the business and political practices of those companies may make such partnerships more challenging.

National attention was focused this week on Austin, Texas where voters turned down an Uber-sponsored referendum intended to prevent the City of Austin from imposing on ridesharing services the same fingerprint-based background check required for local taxi drivers. The referendum failed on a vote of 56 to 44 percent.

In an escalation of the political tactics that have become an Uber trademark, the firm spent $8.6 million on the referendum campaign. The previous high water mark for a local campaign of any kind in Austin was $1.2 million. Opponents spent only $200,000.

Uber’s reaction to the defeat was to announce they would leave Austin. The Uber app almost immediately shut down for locations within the city limits. Lyft followed suit. Thousands of drivers were left on the sidelines by these moves. A local ridesharing firm vowed it would step into the vacuum. It is worth noting that in New York City, Uber drivers do go through a fingerprint background check.

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**Activity Report for SANDAG**

**May 2016**

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