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# Board of Directors Agenda

Friday, November 8, 2019

10 a.m. to 12 noon

SANDAG Board Room

401 B Street, 7th Floor

San Diego

## Agenda Highlights

- **TransNet Program Update**
- **Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 8 Review**

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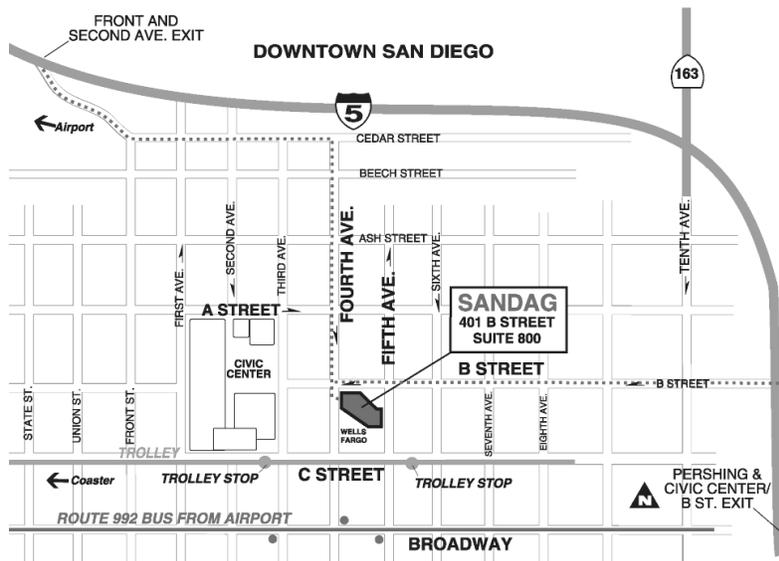
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# Board of Directors

Friday, November 8, 2019

Item No.		Action
1.	<b>Public Comments/Communications/Member Comments</b>  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.	
2.	<b>Policy Advisory Committee Chairs' Report</b>  Policy Advisory Committee Chairs will provide updates on key Committee activities.	Information
3.	<b>Executive Director's Report</b> <i>Hasan Ikhmeta, SANDAG</i>  An update on key programs, projects, and agency initiatives, including San Diego Forward: The 2021 Regional Plan, will be presented.	Discussion
<b>Reports</b>		
+4.	<b>TransNet Program Update*</b> <i>Ray Major, André Douzajian, Linda Culp, and José Nuncio; SANDAG</i>  Staff will present an overview of current capacity and projections for each of the <i>TransNet</i> funding programs and an update on implementation of the <i>TransNet</i> Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Neighborhood Safety Program. This item will be presented for information only; no action will be taken.	Information
+5.	<b>Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 8 Review</b> <i>John Kirk, SANDAG</i>  Staff will present its findings on the impact of Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 8 on SANDAG's ability to comply with state law, including Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy requirements. Staff also will review how Executive Order N-19-19, issued by Governor Newsom on September 20, 2019, could impact future funding of Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 8 activities. This item will be presented for information only; no action will be taken.	Information
6.	<b>Continued Public Comments</b>  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 Board meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 22, 2019, at 9 a.m.

**8. Adjournment**

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## **TransNet Program Update**

### **Overview**

*TransNet* is the county-wide, half-cent sales tax for transportation programs. Initially approved by voters in 1987 for 20 years, it was extended by more than two-thirds of voters in 2004 for another 40 years.

The *TransNet* Program provides funding for a variety of transportation programs, including transit, highway, bikeway, and pedestrian capital projects. The *TransNet* Program also supports transit system operations and maintenance and congestion relief projects along the local streets and roads network managed by the cities and the county.

*TransNet* grant and formula funds support a variety of more focused programs, including environmental mitigation, smart growth incentives, senior mini-grant and specialized services for seniors.

Lastly, the *TransNet* Program provides funding to the Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee to carry out independent fiscal and performance audits and other services required to ensure the financial integrity and performance of the Program.

### **Key Considerations**

Staff will present an overview of the *TransNet* Program, with a focus on collections to date and a discussion on the changing tax base potentially affecting the long-term *TransNet* revenue forecast; the status of remaining funding capacity for the *TransNet* Program as a whole, and for individual programs (Major Corridors; Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Neighborhood Safety; etc.); debt service and pay-as-you-go capacity; and the proposed bond issuance for the Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Neighborhood Safety Program. Related to this proposed bond issuance, staff will present an overview of the Regional Bikeway program, including a brief history, status, and upcoming work.

### **Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director**

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### Action: **Information**

Staff will present an overview of current capacity and projections for each of the *TransNet* funding programs and an update on implementation of the *TransNet* Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Neighborhood Safety Program.

## Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 8 Review

### Overview

At its October 25, 2019, meeting, the Board of Directors approved Amendment No. 8 to the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP). In the course of the discussion on that item, Board Chair Vaus directed SANDAG legal and technical staff to analyze the effect of this amendment on SANDAG's ability to comply with state law, including the expected availability of matching funds that were identified for the projects in the RTIP amendment.

### Key Considerations

The 2018 RTIP was initially approved by the Board of Directors on September 28, 2018, and identifies schedules and funding sources for the Regional Transportation Plan / Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) projects that will be implemented between FY 2019 and FY 2023. Any transportation projects funded with federal or state funds, or by the *TransNet* Ordinance, must be included in an approved RTIP. The RTIP is generally amended on a quarterly basis to reflect updates to project schedules, funding sources, or project scopes. The RTIP is required to be fiscally constrained, meaning that sufficient revenue is committed or reasonably assumed to be available from local, state, and/or federal sources for each phase of the projects included in the RTIP. RTIP Amendment No. 8 included the programming of the FY 2020 Program Budget amendment approved by the Board of Directors on September 27, 2019, and identified the anticipated funding sources for each of the identified projects.

In its discussion prior to approval of RTIP Amendment No. 8, the Board questioned how Executive Order N-19-19, issued by Governor Newsom on September 20, 2019, might affect funding for the projects included in Amendment No. 8. The Executive Order calls for discretionary state funding to be directed to projects that reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and support housing production near jobs in accordance with smart growth principles.

The Board will be briefed on the full scope of this Executive Order, including its potential impact on projects included in RTIP Amendment No. 8. Additionally, staff will discuss how broader state efforts to reduce GHG impacts, including the Executive Order, SB 375's (Steinberg, 2008) aggressive greenhouse gas reduction targets, and SB 743's (Steinberg, 2013) addition of vehicle miles travelled to the transportation impact analysis of California Environmental Quality Act documents, will impact the Board's efforts in the coming months to develop a comprehensive RTP/SCS update that conforms with all applicable federal and state laws, including state greenhouse gas targets.

### Next Steps

On October 28, 2019, the California Department of Transportation approved RTIP Amendment No. 8, and recommended that the Federal Transit Administration and Federal Highway Administration also approve the RTIP Amendment. The Board of Directors is scheduled to adopt a comprehensive update to its RTP / SCS in late 2021.

### **Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director**

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### Action: **Information**

Staff will present its findings on the impact of Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 8 on SANDAG's ability to comply with state law, including Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy requirements. Staff also will review how Executive Order N-19-19, issued by Governor Newsom on September 20, 2019, could impact future funding of Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 8 activities.