

May 5, 2021

Action: **Information**

### **April 7, 2021, Meeting Minutes**

Sam Sanford (San Diego Association of Governments [SANDAG]), called the meeting of the San Diego Conformity Working Group (CWG) to order at 10:33 a.m.

#### **1. Introductions**

#### **2. Public Comments/Communications/Member Comments**

Sam Sanford announced that the 2021 Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 1 exempt project list was out for comment to the CWG following conformity consultation procedures. Comments are requested by April 9, 2021.

Sam Sanford also thanked Caltrans staff for convening the annual statewide CWG in February 2021.

#### **Reports**

#### **3. Meeting Minutes (Information)**

Sam Sanford asked the CWG to review the minutes from its January 6, 2021, meeting. No comments or corrections were made.

#### **4. San Diego Forward: The 2021 Regional Plan (Discussion)**

##### **A. Update: Revenue Constrained Financial Assumptions**

Susan Huntington (SANDAG) reviewed the revenue assumptions and updates for the San Diego Forward: The 2021 Regional Plan (2021 Regional Plan). Local, state, and federal sources are included and listed as either existing or new revenue sources. Existing revenues include assumptions on the continuation of funding sources and are expected to grow at reasonable rates over time. New revenue sources include those that were contained in the 2015 Regional Plan; assumptions for these sources have been updated for the 2021 Regional Plan.

##### **B. Update: 2050 Regional Growth Forecast, Sustainable Community Strategies Land Use Pattern**

Rachel Cortes (SANDAG) provided an update on the development and assumptions included in the Regional Growth Forecast, Sustainable Community Strategies (SCS) Land Use Pattern. This included developing housing capacity. SCS Land Use Pattern concentrates future growth in the proposed Regional Mobility Hub network in the 2021 Regional Plan.

##### **C. Preliminary Draft Air Quality Planning and Transportation Conformity documentation, including draft project tables and exempt projects**

Sam Sanford reviewed the Preliminary Draft Air Quality Planning and Transportation Conformity document and provided an overview of the document's structure and contents including conformity demonstration for the 2016 and 2020 State Implementation Plan (SIP), air quality budgets, analysis years, modelled emissions, exempt projects, and project tables.

## **5. 2020 Ozone State Implementation Plan Update (Information)**

Nick Cormier (San Diego Air Pollution Control District), and John Kelly (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency [U.S. EPA]) provided updates on the approval process for the 2020 SIP. The 2020 SIP was submitted to U.S. EPA on January 8, 2021. U.S. EPA is moving forward on the voluntary reclassification request for the San Diego Region for the 2008 and 2015 ozone standards. The effective date for the reclassification is expected prior to July 20, 2021. U.S. EPA is expected to review the 2020 SIP budgets to determine adequacy for transportation conformity purposes. California Air Resources Board will continue to coordinate on the withdrawn of the 2016 SIP after the 2020 SIP budgets are found adequate.

## **6. EMFAC 2021 Update.**

Nesamani Kalandiyur (California Air Resources Board [CARB]) provided an update on the development and approval process for EMFAC 2021. The model has been released for public use; however, it has not been approved for conformity purposes. The new model reflects new regulations such as advanced clean trucks and low NOx standards. Current work is on the technical documentation; CARB expects to submit the model to U.S. EPA in the coming months.

## **7. Upcoming Meetings**

The next CWG meeting is scheduled for May 5, 2021, at 10:30 a.m.

## **8. Adjournment**

Sam Sanford adjourned meeting at 11:37 a.m.

## Confirmed Attendance at SANDAG San Diego Region Conformity Working Group Meeting

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Jurisdiction	Name	Attended	Comments
California Air Resources Board	Kevin Hendrawan	Yes	
	Nesamani Kalandiyur	Yes	
	Stephanie Parent	Yes	
Caltrans	Lexie Arellano	Yes	
	Jacqueline Kahrs	Yes	
	Lucas Sanchez	Yes	
	Rodney Tavitias		
Caltrans District 11	Maurice Eaton	Yes	
	Diane Vermeulen	Yes	
Federal Highway Administration	Joseph Vaughn	Yes	
Federal Transit Administration			
U.S. EPA	John Kelly	Yes	
San Diego County Air Pollution Control District	Nick Cormier	Yes	
<b>Other Attendees</b>			
<b>SANDAG Staff</b>			
	Sue Alpert	Yes	
	Elisa Arias	Yes	
	Zaccary Bradt	Yes	
	Rachel Cortes	Yes	
	Susan Huntington	Yes	
	Phil Trom	Yes	
	Richard Radcliff	Yes	
	Kendall Reynolds	Yes	
	Sam Sanford	Yes	