Overview of the San Diego Region’s Planning Efforts

June 26, 2012
SANDAG Board of Directors

- Mayors, Councilmembers, and Supervisors
- Appointed by council/board to SANDAG
- Meet in public meetings; twice/month
Advisory Members

- Imperial County
- Caltrans
- U.S. Department of Defense
- San Diego Unified Port District
- San Diego County Water Authority
- Metropolitan Transit System (MTS)
- North County Transit District (NCTD)
- Southern California Tribal Chairmen’s Association
- Republic of Mexico
Regional Work

- Population growth
- Transportation
- Transit construction
- Habitat planning
- Housing
- Census

- Energy
- Economic prosperity
- Public safety
- Binational planning
- Shoreline preservation
- Interregional planning
San Diego Regional Growth Forecast:
Population, Jobs, Housing

Population, Jobs, Housing (in millions)

- Population: 1.14, 1.41, 1.90, 4.38
- Housing: 1.14, 1.53
- Jobs: 1.41

Two Major Regional Plans

- Regional Comprehensive Plan – adopted in 2004
- 2050 Regional Transportation Plan / Sustainable Communities Strategy – adopted in 2011
Regional Comprehensive Plan

- Urban Form
- Transportation
- Housing
- Healthy Environment
- Economic Prosperity
- Public Facilities
- Borders
- Social Equity

Adopted by SANDAG in 2004
Our Vision for a Better Future

“To preserve and enhance the San Diego region's unique features – its vibrant and culturally – diverse communities, its beaches, deserts, mountains, lagoons, bluffs, and canyons, and its international setting – and promote sustainability, economic prosperity, and an outstanding quality of life for everyone.”
The RCP Approach

- Connect transportation and land use plans
- Guide infrastructure investments
- Provide incentives and collaboration
Smart Growth Concept Map

Smart Growth Areas

- Existing/Planned Potential
  - Metropolitan Center
  - Urban Center
  - Town Center
  - Community Center
  - Rural Village
  - Special Use Center
  - Mixed Use Transit Corridor

Legend:
- Habitat Planning Preserve Areas
- Existing Major Employment Areas
- Urban Area Transit Strategy Boundary
Smart Growth Tool Box

- Planning Tools
- Financing Tools
Visual Simulation – Chula Vista, CA
Visual Simulation – Chula Vista, CA

Existing

Conceptual
Design Guidelines: Creating Great Places in the San Diego Region

- Site and building design
- Multimodal streets
- Transit stations
- Civic buildings
- Parks
- Civic Space
- Sustainability
- Smart Growth Scorecard
Smart Growth Incentive Program

Capital Improvements:
- Sidewalks, plazas
- Streetscape enhancements
- Improvements to transit stations
- Other community initiatives

Planning Grants:
- General plan updates
- Specific plans
- Zoning regulations
RCP Accomplishments

- Smart growth policy framework
- Binational, tribal, and interregional partnerships
  - Borders Committee and COBRO meetings
  - Annual binational seminars
  - Otay Mesa – Mesa de Otay Binational Corridor Strategic Plan
- Collaboration with member agencies
- Funding from state and federal agencies
- Guidance for the 2050 RTP/SCS
2050 Regional Transportation Plan / Sustainable Communities Strategy
Reduce greenhouse gas emissions (Senate Bill 375)

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Per Capita Reductions from 2005 (26 lbs/person)
Offering More Travel Choices
Reducing Demand
Paying for the Plan

- Based on current and reasonably available funding sources
- $213.8 billion in total revenues phased through 2050 (in year of expenditure)
2050 RTP/SCS...

- Meets state greenhouse gas reduction targets
- $214 billion in planned transportation investments
- Preserves half of our land as open space
- Provides 156 miles of new trolley service including a new downtown trolley tunnel
- Doubles transit miles with increased frequencies
- Creates 35,600 jobs per year in the San Diego region
- $3.8 billion for regional and local bicycle and pedestrian projects and programs
- Accommodates housing to meet projected growth
Next Steps

- Merge the RCP and RTP/SCS
  - Address emerging areas
  - Public outreach and stakeholder participation
  - Draft and adopt the new Regional Plan by July 2015
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