



# Interagency Technical Working Group on Tribal Transportation Issues

## Meeting Notice and Agenda

Wednesday, October 5, 2022

10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Lunch will be Provided

Viejas Casino & Resort  
The Oak Ballroom  
5000 Willows Rd  
Alpine, CA 91901

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## Meeting location:

Viejas Casino & Resort  
The Oak Ballroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor (up the escalator)  
5000 Willows Road  
Alpine, CA 91901

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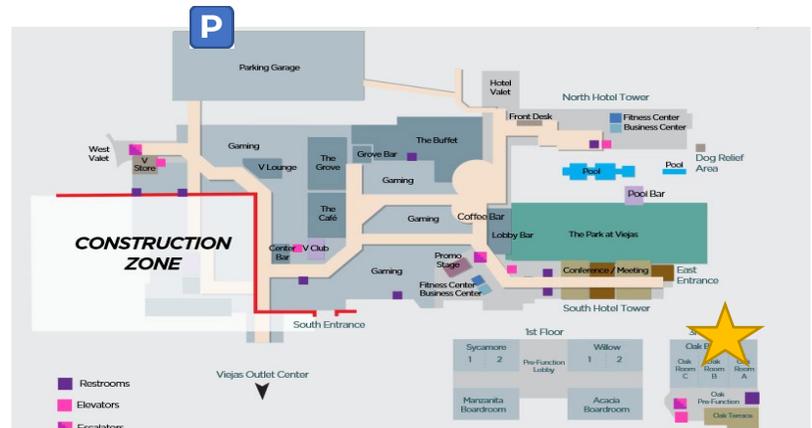
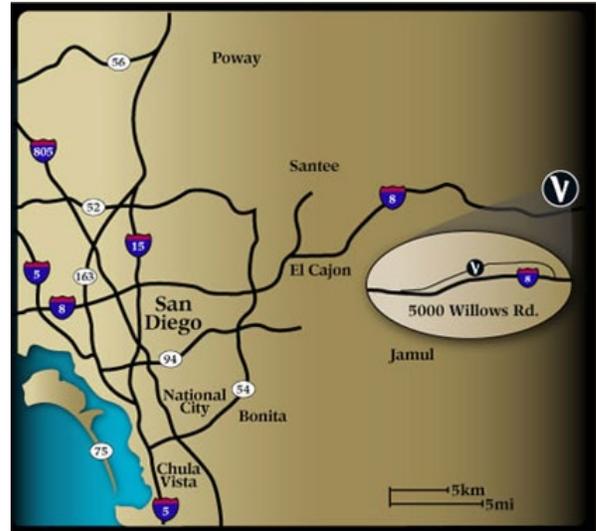
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## Agenda

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

*Chairwoman Erica M. Pinto, Tribal TWG Co-Chair, Jamul Indian Village of California*

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

*Chairwoman Erica M. Pinto, Tribal TWG Co-Chair, Jamul Indian Village of California*

Tribal TWG members may provide information and announcements under this agenda item.

### +3. Approval of Meeting Minutes (Approve)

*Chairwoman Erica M. Pinto, Tribal TWG Co-Chair, Jamul Indian Village of California*

The Tribal TWG is asked to review and approve the minutes from its June 29, 2022, meeting.

## Co-Chair's Report

### 4. Co-Chairs' Report

*Chairwoman Erica M. Pinto, Jamul Indian Village of California*

*Antoinette Meier, SANDAG*

Co-Chairs of the Tribal TWG will share updates from their respective agency's meetings relevant to the mission of the working group.

## Reports

### +5. REAP 2.0 Tribal Set-Aside (Discussion)

*Tuere Fa'aola, SANDAG*

SANDAG staff will provide an overview of the Regional Early Action Program 2.0 (REAP 2.0) application process and its funding set-aside for tribal entities.

### 6. Regional Safety Planning Update (Information)

*Marisa Mangan, SANDAG*

*Samual Sanford, SANDAG*

Staff will provide an update on regional safety planning efforts including a U.S. Department of Transportation grant application, safety data dashboard, and stakeholder engagement development.

## 7. San Diego and Imperial Counties Sustainable Freight Implementation Strategy (Discussion)

*Mariela Rodriguez, SANDAG*

*Tim Garrett, SANDAG*

The San Diego and Imperial Counties Sustainable Freight Implementation Strategy will develop an implementation plan for actions that can be taken regionally to meet climate, air quality, and public health goals through the deployment of innovative and multimodal technologies, projects, programs, policies, and funding schemes.

## +8. Kumeyaay Corridor Presentation (Discussion)

*April DeJesus, SANDAG*

*Melina Pereira, Caltrans*

SANDAG and Caltrans District 11 are developing a Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan (CMCP) for the Kumeyaay Corridor. The Kumeyaay Corridor CMCP aims to guide the development of innovative transportation network, transforming the way people and goods move through the central San Diego region. This CMCP evaluates all travel modes and transportation facilities in the study area using real-time travel data and incorporating public input. Completing the CMCPs will help the San Diego region compete for local, state, and federal funds, including Senate Bill (SB)1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. The Kumeyaay Corridor CMCP is anticipated to be completed in late 2023.

## 9. Topics for Next Meeting and Adjournment (Discussion)

*Chairwoman Erica M. Pinto, Tribal TWG Co-Chair, Jamul Indian Village of California*

The Working Group is asked to discuss potential topics for the next meeting. As the Working Group meetings are quarterly the next meeting should take place in December 2022. This meeting will be in-person and hosted by one of the Tribal Nations.

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Action: **Approve**

## **June 29, 2022, Meeting Minutes**

Chair Erica Pinto (Jamul) called the meeting of the Interagency Technical Working Group on Tribal Transportation Issues Special Tribal Broadband Workshop to order at 10:02 a.m.

### **1. Welcoming Remarks**

Chair Pinto welcomed Working Group members to the meeting. Chair Pinto announced resources available for improving internet connectivity. Vice Chair Antoinette Meier congratulated Chairwoman Pinto on her recent appointment to the Secretary's Advisory Committee and provided some additional opening remarks. Chair Pinto facilitated self-introductions by encouraging members to add their Tribal Affiliation in the chat and started the meeting with a blessing.

### **2. Introductions**

Krystal Ayala, Chris Schmidt, and Pricila Roldan facilitated introductions through an ice-breaker activity.

Tribal Nations represented were Jamul, Rincon, Manzanita Band of the Kumeyaay Nation, Chemehuevi Indian Tribe, Cahuilla Band of Indians, Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians, Lipay Nation of Santa Ysabel, Morongo, Pala Band of Mission Indians, Fort Yuma Quechan Indian Tribe, Barona Band of Mission Indians, La Posta Band of the Kumeyaay Nation, Pala Band of Mission Indians, San Pasqual Band of Diegueño Indians, and Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Nation, and Barona Band of Mission Indians.

Absent: Campo Kumeyaay Nation, La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians, Pauma Band of Luiseño Indians, Mesa Grande Band of Mission Indians, Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation, Barona Band of Mission Indians, La Posta Band of the Kumeyaay Nation, and San Pasqual Band of Diegueño Indians.

### **3. Broadband 101 and Overview of Available Funding**

Krystal Ayala gave an overview of available funding opportunities through Federal and State programs.

### **4. Broadband on Tribal Lands: Group Discussion**

Chris Schmidt led a group discussion on Broadband on Tribal Lands on Broadband access, adoption, and service quality. Funding opportunities and awarded projects were discussed. Ran Teran, Viejas Tribal Government Resource Management Director, gave a presentation about their tribe's successful experience in applying for a NTIA grant. The item concluded with a discussion about how to apply.

### **5. Next Tribal Working Group Meeting**

Chair Pinto concluded the meeting and announced that the next Working Group Meeting could be on September 28<sup>th</sup> and that it is TBD if the meeting will be virtual or in-person.

## Confirmed Attendance at SANDAG Interagency Technical Working Group on Tribal Transportation Issues Meeting

June 29, 2022

Tribal Nation/Government Agency	Name	Attended	Vote-Minutes
Jamul Indian Village	Erica Pinto, Chair	Yes	
	Michael Hunter, Alternate	No	
Barona Band of Mission Indians		No	
	Chairman Raymond Welch	No	
	Sheilla Alvarez, Alternate Kathryn Clenney	Yes	
Campo Kumeyaay Nation	Gary Connolly	No	
	Chairman Marcus Cuero, Alternate	No	
Ewiiapaayp Band of the Kumeyaay Nation	William Micklin	No	
Iipay Nation of Santa Ysabel	Bernice Paipa	No	
	Trish Pizzano Miraglia	Yes	
Inaja-Cosmit Band of Indians	N/A	N/A	
Kwaaymii Laguna Band of Mission Indians	N/A	N/A	
La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians	Norma Contreras	No	
	John Beresford, Alternate	No	
La Posta Band of the Kumeyaay Nation	James Hill	No	
	N/A	N/A	
Los Coyotes Band of Cahuilla/Cupeño Indians	Ray Chapparosa	No	
	Alvinia Fletcher, Alternate	No	
Manzanita Band of the Kumeyaay Nation	Angela Elliott Santos	N/A	
	Lisa Haws, Alternate	No	
	Johnny EagleSpirit	Yes	
Mesa Grande Band of Mission Indians	Mike Linton	No	
	Jesse Morales	No	
Pala Band of Mission Indians	Robert Smith	No	
	Shasta Gaughen, Alternate	No	
	Chris Nejo, Alternate	No	
	Rachel Graham	Yes	
Pauma Band of Luiseño Indians	Temet Aguilar	No	
	Venessa Brown	No	
Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians	Bo Mazzetti	No	
	John Constantino	Yes	
	Joseph Linton	Yes	
San Luis Rey Band of Mission Indians	N/A	N/A	
San Pasqual Band of Diegueño Mission Indians	Steven Cope	No	
Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation	Cody Martinez	No	
	Adam Day	No	
	Anna Rzepko	No	
Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Nation	John Christman	No	
	Victor Woods	No	
	Ray Teran, Alternate	Yes	
	<b>Advisory Members</b>		
Southern California Tribal Chairman's Association (SCTCA)	Denis Turner	No	
	Mike-Connolly-Miskwish	Yes	
	Chris Devers	No	
Bureau of Indian Affairs, Southern California (BIA)	Steve Wilkie	No	
	Leonard Gilmore	Yes	
Caltrans (District 11)	Rafael Reyes	Yes	
	Anne Fox	No	

<b>Tribal Nation/Government Agency</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Attended</b>	<b>Vote-Minutes</b>
County of San Diego	Scott Christman	Yes	
	Richard Chin	No	
Metropolitan Transit System	Beverly Neff	No	
	Denis Desmond, Alternate	No	
North County Transit District	Ioni Tcholakova	Yes	
SANDAG	Antoinette Meir, Co-Chair	Yes	
	Krystal Ayala, Tribal Liaison, Working Group Coordinator	Yes	
<b>Other Attendees</b>			
Aaron Brown, Fort Yuma Quechan Indian Tribe			
Brian McDonald, Chemehuevi Indian Tribe			
Glenn Lodge, Chemehuevi Indian Tribe			
Steven Escobar, Chemehuevi Indian Tribe			
Mark D. Webb, Cahuilla Band of Indians			
Matthew Rantanen, SCTCA/GSN			
Daniel Salgado, SCAG			
Tom Bellino, SCAG			
Roland Ok, SCAG			
Robert Weaver			
Kerry Patterson			
Rana Jordan			
Will Micklin			
<b>SANDAG Staff</b>			
Paul La Farga			
Pricila Roldan			
Chris Schmidt			
Danielle Kochman			
Daria Ortiz Beltran			
Catherine Matel			
Kendall Reynolds			
Krystal Ayala			
Tuere Fa'aola			

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## REAP 2.0 Tribal Set-Aside

### Introduction

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) established the Regional Early Action Planning 2.0 Grant (REAP 2.0) as part of the 2021 California Comeback Plan under AB 140.

The Notice of Funding Availability and Final Guidelines for Tribal and Rural Allocation of the Regional Early Action Planning Grant Program (REAP 2.0) was released in July 2022. Federally Recognized Tribes and California Heritage Commission Recognized Tribes are eligible to apply for funding to support transformative and innovative projects that accomplish both housing and climate goals: reducing VMT, increasing housing supply and affordability, and advancing equity. \$7.5 million is being set aside to be awarded through a competitive process.

#### Action: **Discussion**

Tribal Working Group members are asked to provide input on the REAP 2.0 tribal grant application process.

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

None.

#### **Schedule/Scope Impact:**

Application deadline December 31, 2022.

### Discussion

#### *REAP 2.0 Tribal Set-Aside and Application Overview*

REAP 2.0 Objectives include 1) Accelerating Infill Development that Facilitates Housing Supply Choice, and Affordability 2) Affirmatively Further Fair Housing and 3) Reducing Vehicles Miles Traveled. HCD proposes a flexible definition of infill for tribal entities and offers technical assistance, office hours, and an over-the-counter approach for all REAP 2.0 applications. Both planning and infrastructure investments are eligible projects in accordance with the REAP 2.0 objectives.

Staff will provide an overview of the REAP 2.0 application process and the various considerations and implications of this program for tribal nations. Staff has reviewed projects listed in the [Intraregional Tribal Transportation Strategy \(ITTS\)](#) and the individual tribal Long-Range Transportation Plans for potential eligible uses and project examples for the REAP 2.0 application.

Tribal TWG members are asked to provide input on this program specifically in designating interest, identifying potential projects that meet the REAP 2.0 objectives, and other helpful information if considering SANDAG's support in submitting a REAP 2.0 grant application.

### Next Steps

SANDAG can provide technical assistance in the REAP 2.0 Tribal and Rural application to include grant writing services, administration services, and additional support. SANDAG

wants to gauge tribal interest in this program and offer support if needed. The REAP 2.0 Tribal and Rural application is due December 31, 2022. All program funds must be expended by December 31, 2025.

**Antoinette Meier, Senior Director of Regional Planning**

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### Update on the Kumeyaay Corridor Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan

#### Overview

On September 27, 2019, the Board of Directors allocated funding to complete [Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plans \(CMCP\)](#) for 11 corridors throughout the region. CMCPs aim to inform decision-makers by providing a framework for an integrated transportation system by working with community partners and incorporating local, state and federal policy considerations. Additionally, CMCPs enable regions to compete for state funding under the Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act and the Congested Corridors Program.

The Kumeyaay Corridor Study area (Attachment 1) runs along Interstate 8 and is located on traditional, ancestral, and unceded lands of the Kumeyaay people. The project study area has connections with Interstates 5, 805, 15 and State Routes 163, 125 and 67 in the cities of San Diego, Santee, La Mesa, Lemon Grove and El Cajon, as well as the County of San Diego. The Kumeyaay Corridor study area also includes the Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) Green and Orange Line Trolleys and multiple bus routes, local roadways, bike and pedestrian facilities.

#### Key Considerations

Caltrans and SANDAG are developing the [Kumeyaay Corridor CMCP](#) in collaboration with the Cities of San Diego, Santee, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, El Cajon, the County of San Diego, tribal nations, San Diego State University, Port of San Diego, San Diego Gas & Electric, San Diego Airport Authority, and MTS. Representatives from each organization make up the Agency Coordination Team.

Throughout its development, the CMCP will focus on transportation solutions that foster community livability, trip reliability and efficiency, greenhouse gas emissions reduction strategies, protecting natural resources, environmental resilience, and an equitable distribution of transportation improvements.

Research on the corridor's existing conditions has been completed and the project team, in collaboration with community partners, has initiated public outreach. A virtual public meeting was held on Thursday, September 15, 2022. In addition to ongoing direct outreach, the team is also gathering community input through a virtual engagement hub.

#### Mission Valley Mobility Study

#### Action: **Discussion**

An overview of the Kumeyaay Corridor Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan and Mission Valley Mobility Study will be presented.

#### Fiscal Impact:

Completion of the Corridor Plan will allow SANDAG and Caltrans to compete for state funds.

#### Schedule/Scope Impact:

The Kumeyaay Corridor Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan is scheduled to be completed in Fall 2023.

SANDAG, Caltrans, MTS, and the City of San Diego also are developing the Mission Valley Mobility Study. This study is funded by the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program and will identify and prioritize near-term mobility needs and focus on transportation services and access options that decrease congestion and improve travel times for all transportation modes in the area including SDSU Mission Valley and Riverwalk.

### **Next Steps**

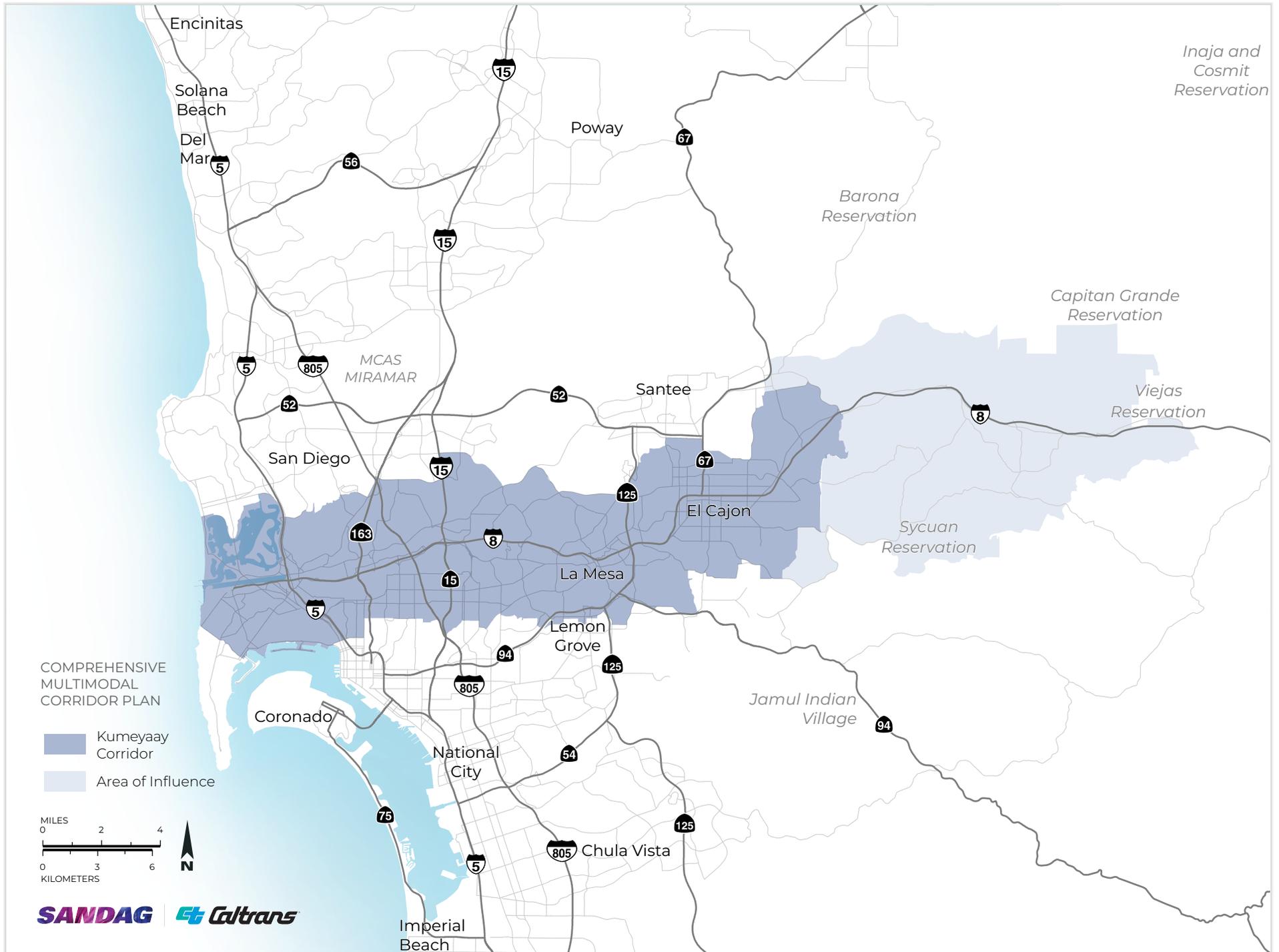
The project team will continue gathering feedback through the public engagement site survey which closes on October 14, 2022, and interactive map which closes on November 4, 2022. Utilizing existing conditions information, data analysis and public input, the team will begin developing transportation solutions for consideration in Spring 2023.

Caltrans and SANDAG staff will provide periodic updates on this project at future meetings.

### ***Antoinette Meier, Senior Director of Regional Planning***

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Attachment(s): 1. Kumeyaay Corridor CMCP Study Area Map



COMPREHENSIVE  
MULTIMODAL  
CORRIDOR PLAN

- Kumeyaay Corridor
- Area of Influence

