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November 9, 2005

TO: San Diego Region Conformity Working Group
FROM: Elisa Arias
SUBJECT: Cancellation of November 16, 2005 meeting

MEMBER AGENCIES

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- Carlsbad
- Chula Vista
- Coronado
- Del Mar
- El Cajon
- Encinitas
- Escondido
- Imperial Beach
- La Mesa
- Lemon Grove
- National City
- Oceanside
- Poway
- San Diego
- San Marcos
- Santee
- Solana Beach
- Vista
- and
- County of San Diego

The San Diego Region Conformity Working Group (CWG) meeting scheduled for November 16, 2005 has been cancelled.

The next meeting of the San Diego Region CWG is tentatively scheduled on December 14, 2005 at 10 a.m. at the SANDAG offices. Please note that this date is one week earlier than our regularly scheduled meeting.

Please contact me at (619) 699-1936 or by e-mail at ear@sandag.org if you have any questions.

Attachment: October 19, 2005 meeting notes

ADVISORY MEMBERS

- Imperial County
- California Department of Transportation
- Metropolitan Transit System
- North San Diego County Transit Development Board
- United States Department of Defense
- San Diego Unified Port District
- San Diego County Water Authority
- Mexico

November 8, 2005

File Number 3001300

TO: San Diego Region Conformity Working Group
FROM: SANDAG Staff
SUBJECT: Summary of October 19, 2005 Meeting
ACTION: INFORMATION

Item #1: Introductions

Self-introductions were made. See attached attendance list.

Item #2: Summary of September 21, 2005 Meeting

There were no comments or corrections.

Item #3: Public Comments/Communications

There were none.

Item #4: Draft Air Quality Conformity Determination for the 2006 Revenue Constrained Scenario of the 2030 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)

Elisa Arias, SANDAG, provided the CWG with a summary of the Draft Air Quality Conformity Determination for the 2006 Revenue Constrained Scenario of the 2030 RTP, which was sent to CWG members on October 5, 2005 for review and comment. All CWG written comments should be submitted prior to November 4, 2005. Ms. Arias stated that the Transportation Committee will be asked to release the draft 2006 RTP and its air quality analysis for public review on December 9, 2005. There will be a public hearing at the January 26, 2006 SANDAG Board meeting and the Board will be asked to make a conformity finding and adopt the RTP on February 26, 2006.

Ms. Arias noted a correction in the Orange Line Trolley service's frequency on Table 4.2 and highlighted that the model was run with the correct information.

Item #5: Status of the 8-Hour Ozone Implementation Rule

John Kelly, U.S. EPA, stated that the Phase II 8-Hour Ozone rule is still at the Office of Management and Budget. Once it is released back to headquarters, it will take a month to be signed and then another month to be published. A release in early November and signature in December, 2006 is anticipated.

Item #6: Status of the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for 8-Hour Ozone Standard and EMFAC 2007 Update

ARB staff was unable to participate at the meeting. Jean Mazur, FHWA, asked whether work had begun on the 8-Hour SIP, or if work had not started because the Phase II Implementation Rule has not been released. Carl Selnick, APCD, stated that some groundwork is currently being done, including preparation for the modeling, but they have been looking forward to the Phase II rule, to begin drafting documents. John Kelly stated that he was planning to attend the Southern California Working Group meeting. December 6, 2005 has been tentatively chosen as the date, most likely at the South Coast AQMD offices. Ms. Arias will follow up with Dennis Wade regarding the date for the meeting.

Elisa Arias stated she hasn't received any new information regarding the EMFAC 2007 update. Ms. Arias stated that she will contact ARB to find out the schedule to submit the travel activity data related to the 2006 RTP.

Item 7: Other Business

Carl Selnick asked for the latest update on the negotiations between FHWA and ARB regarding the latest planning assumptions. Jean Mazur, FHWA, stated that ARB had provided a proposal and FHWA has provided comments. Vehicle registration data is the main issue under discussion.

Ms. Arias asked if FHWA still expects Conformity guidance related to SAFETEA-LU to come out at the end of October. Jean Mazur replied that it was more likely that the guidance would come out in mid-November. Jean Mazur inquired if SANDAG's 2007 RTP would adhere to the new SAFETEA-LU requirements. Elisa Arias stated that it would, but that SANDAG still needed guidance and further clarification on a number of SAFETEA-LU requirements.

Carl Selnick asked which RTP would contain information regarding a new San Diego airport location. Ms. Arias stated that an advisory vote on airport siting will take place in November 2006. SANDAG will continue to remain current with airport siting decisions and include them in the appropriate RTP update.

The next meeting of the San Diego Conformity Working Group Meeting is tentatively scheduled on November 16, 2005.

San Diego Region Conformity Working Group

Meeting Attendance

October 19, 2005

Name	Agency
Carl Selnick	San Diego Air Pollution Control District
Jacque Clayton	Caltrans District 11
Sandy Johnson	Caltrans District 11
Mike Brady (phone)	Caltrans Headquarters
Jean Mazur (phone)	FHWA
Wade Hobbs (phone)	FHWA
John Kelly (phone)	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
Elisa Arias	SANDAG
Mike Hix	SANDAG
Rachel Kennedy	SANDAG