

San Diego Association of Governments
SAN DIEGO REGION CONFORMITY WORKING GROUP

August 1, 2018

AGENDA ITEM NO.: **2**

Action Requested: INFORMATION

JUNE 6, 2018, MEETING MINUTES

File Number 3100600

Rachel Kennedy, Senior Regional Planner, called the meeting of the San Diego Region Conformity Working Group (CWG) to order at 10:35 a.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Self-introductions were made. An attendance list is included.

2. MEETING MINUTES (INFORMATION)

Ms. Kennedy asked the CWG to review the minutes from its April 4, 2018, meeting. No comments or corrections were made.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS (DISCUSSION)

No public comments were made.

REPORTS

4. DRAFT 2018 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: REGIONAL EMISSIONS ANALYSIS AND MODELING (DISCUSSION)

4A. Ms. Kennedy reviewed the non-capacity-increasing projects that are included in the Draft 2018 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP). The initial list of non-capacity-increasing projects was distributed for CWG interagency consultation on March 29, 2018. Since then, additional projects were added and reviewed under this item. Project PORT03 is included in the Draft 2018 RTIP for programming purposes only, and was not included in the transportation air quality conformity analysis.

4B. Ms. Kennedy provided a detailed summary with key dates on the Regional Emissions Analysis and Modeling Procedures for the Draft 2018 RTIP. On May 18, 2018, SANDAG distributed the Draft 2018 RTIP Regional Emissions and Modeling Procedures for a 30-day review period ending June 18. An updated draft will be released for public review and comment in July 2018.

5. DESIGNATIONS FOR THE 2015 NATIONAL AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS OZONE STANDARDS (DISCUSSION)

John Kelly, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA), provided a summary of the designations published on June 4, 2018, for non-attaining areas. The effective date of these designations will be August 3, 2018. The San Diego region has been designated as moderate. Previously, the region was designated as marginal. A moderate designation provides six years to reach attainment.

6. EMFAC2017 DEVELOPMENT (INFORMATION)

Shannon Hatcher provided information on 2017 Emissions Factors (EMFAC2017) developments. Version 1.02 of EMFAC2017 was publicly released on March 1, 2018. EMFAC2014 currently is the only version approved for use in conformity determinations.

7. DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT COURT RULING: SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT V U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (INFORMATION)

On February 16, 2018, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit Court decided the case. Multiple items were included in the decision, including the revocation of the 1997 Ozone Standard and associated conformity requirements. The U.S. EPA and South Coast Air Quality Management District have both applied for a rehearing. The Federal Highway Administration has released interim guidance for conformity requirements. This current ruling does not impact transportation conformity processes for the San Diego region.

8. OTHER BUSINESS (INFORMATION)

No items were presented.

9. NEXT MEETING (INFORMATION)

The next CWG meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 1, 2018, at 10:30 a.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Kennedy adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

**SAN DIEGO REGION CONFORMITY WORKING GROUP
MEETING ATTENDANCE FOR JUNE 6, 2018**

NAME	AGENCY
Shannon Hatcher (phone)	Air Resources Board
Stephanie Parent (phone)	Air Resources Board
Lucas Sanchez (phone)	Caltrans
Tyler Ho (phone)	Caltrans District 11
John Kelly (phone)	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Michael Morris (phone)	Federal Highway Administration
Stephen Shafer (phone)	Port of San Diego
Nick Cormier (phone)	San Diego Air Pollution Control District
Sue Alpert	SANDAG
Elisa Arias	SANDAG
Rachel Kennedy	SANDAG
Sam Sanford	SANDAG
Carla Walecka (phone)	TCA

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