



San Diego Regional Military Working Group Agenda

**Monday, December 6, 2021
9 a.m.**

****Teleconference Meeting****

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We are committed to creating a San Diego region where every person who visits, works, and lives can thrive.

San Diego Regional Military Working Group

Monday, December 6, 2021

Item No.		Action
1.	Welcome and Introductions	
2.	Chair Recognition The San Diego Regional Military Working Group (MWG) will recognize the Chair, Garry Bonelli for his work with SANDAG.	Discussion
+3.	Approval of Meeting Minutes The San Diego Regional Military Working Group (MWG) is asked to approve the minutes from its October 25, 2021, meeting.	Approve
4.	Public Comments/Communications/Member Comments Members of the public shall have the opportunity to address the MWG on any issue within the jurisdiction of MWG that is not on this agenda. Public speakers are limited to three minutes or less per person. MWG members also may provide information and announcements under this agenda item. If the number of public comments under this agenda item exceeds five, additional public comments will be taken at the end of the agenda. Subjects of previous agenda items may not again be addressed under public comment.	
Chair's Report		
5.	Chair's Report <i>Garry Bonelli, MWG Chair</i> The Chair will update the MWG on SANDAG-related items of interest to the MWG.	Information
Consent		
6.	2021 Priorities Update Coleen Clementson, SANDAG The MWG will hear a presentation on SANDAG's five priority projects for the year 2021, as well as the agency's ongoing social equity efforts. The MWG members will have an opportunity to discuss how the projects affect their areas of interest and ask questions and provide feedback on the projects and equity statement.	Information
+7.	Update on Airport Transit Connectivity and the Central Mobility Hub Project <i>Ryan Kohut, SANDAG</i> An update on the transit connection to the San Diego International Airport and the Central Mobility Hub project will be provided.	Information
8.	2022 Calendar dates The MWG is asked to review the proposed meeting dates for 2022, including the meeting date and location for the public hearing.	Information

9. Upcoming Meetings

Information

The next MWG meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2022.

10. Adjournment

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December 6, 2021

Action: **Approve****October 25, 2021, Meeting Minutes**

Chair Garry Bonelli (Port of San Diego) called the meeting of the San Diego Regional Military Working Group (MWG) to order at 9:01 a.m.

1. **Welcome and Introductions**
2. **Approval of Meeting Minutes (Approve)**

Action: Upon a motion by Rich Whipple (San Diego County Primary Voting Member) and a second by John Gamelin (Marine Corps Installation West), the MWG approved the minutes from its April 12, 2021, meeting.

The motion passed.

Yes: Jeff Hunt (City of Oceanside), Tait Galloway (City of San Diego), Rodrigo Carrasco (Metropolitan Transit System), Andy Hall (City of Imperial Beach), Muska Laiq (Navy Region Southwest), Erika Cortez (City of Imperial Beach), Jim Gruny (Marine Corps Recruit Depot).

No: None.

Abstain: Tina Friend (City of Coronado).

Absent: None.

3. **Public Comments/Communications/Member Comments**

None.

Chair's Report

4. **Chair's Report (Information)**

Chair Bonelli informed the MWG of the following:

- Mid Coast Trolley opening on November 21, 2021, and the VA Center Station.
- Biden administration will lift the non-essential travel restrictions on the border region for fully vaccinated people.
- SANDAG working on a request for innovative concepts which will be released on November 1, 2021.
- SANDAG will need to update their capital budget as part of the regional plan which will be brought to the board in November.

Reports

5. **Central Mobility Hub and Navy Old Town Complex Revitalization (Information)**

Director of Senior Projects Ryan Kohut provided an update on the Department of the Navy's Old Town Campus seeking to revitalize and redevelop the Naval Information Warfare Systems Command facilities, SANDAG is exploring the concept of a Central Mobility Hub at the Old Town Campus property with supportive land use such as housing, retail, and office space. An update on the planning process was presented.

6. Update on the Central Mobility Hub and Connections Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan (Information)

Senior Regional Planner Danny Veeh did not present his slides since they were the same as Ryan Kohut. He helped answer questions with Ryan Kohut related to the Central Mobility Hub topic.

7. 2021 Priorities Update (Information)

Director of Regional Planning Coleen Clementson provided an update on the progress of the five priority projects in the San Diego region.

8. San Diego Region Military Installation Resilience Grant Update (Information)

Manager of Government Relations Anna Lowe, Regional Planner Zaccary Bradt, Public Communications Officer Gia Ballash, and Regional Planner Anna Van gave an update on the San Diego Region Military Installation Resilience Phase I project and gave an overview of Phase II, which was recently awarded.

9. Update on Social Equity Early Action Transit Pilot (Information)

Senior Regional Planner Brian Lane informed the Working Group of the Transit Equity Early Action Transit Pilot which was recently approved by the Board of Directors.

10. Upcoming Meetings (Information)

The next MWG meeting is scheduled for December 6, 2021 at 9 a.m.

11. Adjournment

Chair Bonelli adjourned the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

Confirmed Attendance at SANDAG San Diego Regional Military Working Group Meeting

October 25, 2021

Jurisdiction	Name	Attended
City of Coronado	Tina Friend, Primary	Yes
	VACANT, Alternate	N/A
City of Imperial Beach	Andy Hall, Primary	Yes
	Erika Cortez-Martinez, Alternate	Yes
City of National City	Brad Raulston, Primary	No
	Tony Winney	No
City of Oceanside	Jeff Hunt, Primary	Yes
	Russ Cunningham, Alternate	N/A
City of San Diego	Tait Galloway, Primary	Yes
	VACANT, Alternate	N/A
Coast Guard San Diego Sector	CDR Kristin Driscoll	No
	Kevin, Winters	No
County of San Diego	Rich Whipple, Primary	Yes
	VACANT, Alternate	N/A
Marine Corps Installation West	John Gamelin, Primary	Yes
	Sam Jammal, Alternate	No
	Kristin Camper, Alternate	No
Marine Corps Recruit Depot	Jim Gruny	Yes
	Col. William Bruce Pitman, Alternate	No
	Thomas Fahy, Alternate	No
Metropolitan Transit System	Rodrigo Carrasco	Yes
	Julia Tuer, Alternate	N/A
	Denis Desmond, Alternate	N/A
Navy – Southwest Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command	Steve Chung	No
	Muska Laiq, Alternate	Yes
North County Transit District	Katie Persons	No
	Cameron Olsen, Alternate	N/A
Port of San Diego	Garry Bonelli, Chair	Yes
	Aimee Heim, Alternate	No

Other Attendees

Anna Shepherd	Sharon Stephenson	Mike Donovan	Michael Woiwode
Ya-chi Huang	CAPT Ted Carlson	NBPL CO CAPT Franklin	Nicole Burgess
Kimberly Dodson	Savannah (Caltrans)		

SANDAG Staff

Jennifer Williamson	Rachel Kennedy	Rachel Cortes	Ashley Wiley
Anna Lowe	Coleen Clementson	Tuere Fa'aola	Arthur-Production
Gia Ballish	Ryan Kohut	Anna Van	(SANDAG Production)
Danny Veeh	Zaccary Bradt	Brian Lane	

Update on Airport Transit Connectivity and the Central Mobility Hub Project

Overview

SANDAG is working collaboratively with many stakeholders and agency partners to advance the Regional Plan—the region’s blueprint for land use and transportation planning—and to advance the Airport Transit Connectivity and Central Mobility Hub (CMH) projects as a core element of that Plan.

Airport Transit Connectivity Progress

In late 2018, SANDAG began collaborating with other stakeholders to develop concepts for a much needed and long-awaited direct transit connection to the San Diego International Airport (Airport). In 2019, the SANDAG Airport Subcommittee was formed to identify and build consensus surrounding a range of concepts that would enhance passenger and visitor experience through a high-quality transit connection to the Airport. On July 2, 2019, the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority (Airport Authority) announced a future funding pledge of up to \$515 million for eligible airport-related public transportation projects, and on September 27, 2019, the SANDAG Board of Directors appropriated \$40 million toward environmental study and preliminary engineering of the Central Mobility Hub with transit and transportation connections between the Airport and regional rail.

In March 2020, SANDAG, the City of San Diego, the Airport Authority, and San Diego Unified Port District (Port) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the mutual advancement of transportation projects at and near the Airport. The MOU signifies the signatories’ commitment to collaborate in the development and implementation of a regional transportation plan that includes a transit connection to the Airport, improves mobility and roadway access in and around the Airport and Port, supports multimodal circulation, and reduces regional greenhouse gas emissions and vehicle miles travelled.

Since signing the MOU, SANDAG has also worked collaboratively with the Airport Authority to incorporate a potential future Airport transit connector into the Airport Authority’s development and entry roadway plans, as well as future multi-use pedestrian and bike plans, and has advanced high quality transit concepts that would connect the designated transit-ready area at the Airport terminal area to the Port, regional rail, and Rental Car Center.

Central Mobility Hub Project Progress

In April 2021, SANDAG initiated preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the CMH project by issuing a Notice of Preparation (NOP). The NOP included three primary alternatives for the Project:

- Alternative 1 and the Proposed Project: CMH at the Naval Base Point Loma Old Town Campus (OTC) site with high-speed, fixed-guideway transit connection to the Airport.
- Alternative 2: CMH at the Intermodal Transit Center (ITC) site, which is on the northeastern edge of the Airport, with high-speed, fixed-guideway transit connection to the Airport.
- Alternative 3: Trolley Extension from Downtown San Diego to the Airport.

Action: Information

An update on the transit connection to the San Diego International Airport and the Central Mobility Hub project will be provided.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Schedule/Scope Impact:

N/A

A scoping meeting was held on May 11, 2021, where SANDAG sought and received robust input on the project alternatives. Stakeholder and community feedback included multiple requests for SANDAG to consider locating the CMH in Downtown San Diego. Commenters requested further information on the potential transportation efficiencies and community benefits of a Downtown CMH. Additionally, as part of DEIR scoping and in the spirit of mutual collaboration, the Port requested SANDAG consider their Middletown headquarters (Port HQ) site as a potential location for CMH and/or related Automated Transit System infrastructure.

In response to comments received on the NOP and to assist SANDAG in defining the scope and content of the DEIR, SANDAG has conducted initial feasibility studies for purposes of developing high-level concepts for a CMH at the Port HQ and in Downtown San Diego. Key progress on the development of alternatives in the NOP and additional concepts are outlined below.

Navy Old Town Campus Site

The Navy has proposed to construct new, mission-capable modern facilities for Naval Information Warfare System's Command, which is currently situated on the Navy's OTC site. On January 24, 2020, the Navy issued a Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Navy OTC Revitalization Project under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Among the revitalization alternatives currently being analyzed by the Navy as part of the NEPA environmental review process are two alternatives that contemplate a mixed-use private development and a transit center on the OTC site. The Navy is currently preparing the Final EIS for the OTC Revitalization Project.

The OTC site was identified as a potential site for a transit connection to the Airport in the SANDAG Airport Subcommittee's final report and recommendation and in the Draft 2021 Regional Plan. While the Navy's proposed OTC Revitalization Project is potentially synergistic with possible future Regional Plan implementation efforts, including SANDAG's advancement of CMH and Airport Connectivity concepts, the Navy's OTC Revitalization Project and SANDAG's potential implementation of the Draft 2021 Regional Plan have independent utility and each agency will proceed on independent but parallel tracks.

Starting in 2018, SANDAG began exploring options for collaboration with the Navy on revitalization of the OTC site. In June 2019, the Navy and SANDAG entered into an MOU followed by a series of two agreements executed by SANDAG and Navy leadership in September 2019 and January 2020 respectively, that laid the groundwork for further collaboration between the parties. In June 2021, SANDAG submitted a proposal to the Navy to help advance negotiations. The proposal was followed by SANDAG's presentation to the Navy of key terms for potential future redevelopment of the OTC site. SANDAG and the Navy are committed to continued collaboration while each agency independently pursues attainment of its primary planning and policy objectives and undertakes related environmental reviews.

Intermodal Transit Center and Port Headquarters Sites

The ITC was identified as a potential site for a transit connection to the Airport in the 2015 Regional Plan, the SANDAG Airport Subcommittee's final report and recommendation, and the Draft 2021 Regional Plan. SANDAG analysis to date on the Port HQ site, however, demonstrates that it offers a proximate, potentially superior alternative to the ITC site for a transit connection to the Airport due to the larger size of the available land and the closer location to Airport terminals. SANDAG is actively exploring the Port HQ site in close collaboration with the Port and is taking into account potential Port needs, such as a low-cost accommodation hotel, as well as the Airport needs to connect to the Rental Car Center.

Trolley Extension

The Trolley Extension was identified as a potential concept in the SANDAG Airport Subcommittee's final report and recommendation and is part of ongoing analysis performed by SANDAG. Extending the Trolley to the Airport would wye off the existing Trolley line near Grape and Hawthorne Streets, and could consist of a mix of at-grade, underground, and above-grade configurations. Under this alternative, new stations at the Airport and at Harbor Island would be constructed, but no central mobility hub would be included.

Downtown Site

In response to public comments on the CMH Project NOP, and in collaboration with the City of San Diego, SANDAG is now studying the viability of locating the CMH in Downtown San Diego. A Downtown CMH could provide improved transit connections, including a direct and fast connection from the Airport, and an integration with the broader transportation network, including the Trolley, the Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo corridor commuter rail routes, bus lines and active transportation modes, and future Transit Leap services that will provide a complete network of fast, high-capacity, high-frequency transit that connect major residential areas with employment centers and attractions throughout the San Diego region. The Downtown CMH concept could also relieve pressure and passenger demand on the Santa Fe Depot, helping to preserve this historic building and encourage the redevelopment of other underutilized properties in the Downtown San Diego area.

Next Steps

SANDAG will continue its technical, financial, and legal diligence across concepts, including development of ridership analyses to assess comparative performance of the various concepts. While SANDAG continues to study potential options for the CMH as described above, SANDAG has advanced the Airport Connectivity segment from the Airport to the Rental Car Center consistent with the goals of the Airport Connectivity Subcommittee and in concert with the MOU. SANDAG will continue its robust community outreach and interagency collaboration as it further develops the project definition and proceeds through the California Environmental Quality Act process.

Ryan Kohut, Director of Strategic Projects

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