
**TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY WORKING GROUP
of the
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS**

**September 26, 2017
Minutes**

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF THE MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY WORKING GROUP. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Meeting of the Transportation Conformity Working Group was held at the SCAG office in Los Angeles.

In Attendance:

Huddleston, Lori	Metro
Melton, Wilford	Caltrans District 7
Morris, Michael	FHWA
Sherwood, Arnie	UC Berkeley

SCAG:

Asuncion, John
Barajas, Agustin
Kaufman, Matt
Luo, Rongsheng
Tran, Daniel

Via Teleconference:

Alvarez, Grace	RCTC
Brugger, Ron	LSA Associates
Cacatian, Ben	VCAPCD
Gallo, Ilene	Caltrans, District 11
Masters, Martha	RCTC
Mejia, James	SBCTA
O'Connor, Karina	EPA, Region 9
Pereira, Melina	Caltrans, District 11
Sun, Lijin	SCAQMD
Tavitas, Rodney	Caltrans Headquarters
Tax, Wienke	EPA, Region 9
Vaughn, Joseph	FHWA
Wade, Dennis	ARB
Yoon, Andrew	Caltrans District 7

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1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND SELF-INTRODUCTION

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, introduced and welcomed Lori Huddleston, Metro, as new TCWG Chair for next twelve months.

Ms. Huddleston, TCWG Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

- 3.1. August 22, 2017 TCWG Meeting Minutes
The meeting minutes were approved.

4.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

4.1 FTIP Update

John Asuncion, SCAG, reported the following:

- 2019 FTIP Guidelines received approval from SCAG Transportation Committee and Regional Council on September 7, 2017.
- Project submittals for 2019 FTIP would be due to SCAG by January 2018, and federal approval of 2019 FTIP was anticipated in December 2018.
- All 2017 FTIP Amendments had received federal approval.
- Next 2017 FTIP Administrative Modification #17-14 was anticipated in October 2017.

4.2 RTP Update

Daniel Tran, SCAG, reported that SCAG staff planned to undertake 2016 RTP/SCS Amendment #3 in conjunction with 2019 FTIP and would inform County Transportation Commissions in SCAG region by October 2017.

4.3 EPA Update

Karina O'Connor, EPA Region 9, reported the following:

- EPA Region 9 staff continued to work on clarification on exempt projects and POAQC streamlining process.
- Exempt project guidance was anticipated to be released soon, followed by POAQC streamlining process.

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4.4 ARB Update

Dennis Wade, ARB, reported the following:

- ARB Board would consider adopting Imperial County 2017 State Implementation Plan for 2008 8-hour Ozone Standard on October 26, 2017.
- EMFAC2017 had been released for alpha testing by a small user group for functionality, installation, and run speed etc.
- EMFAC2017 development team would continue to develop model input data and anticipated to host a workshop in late October or early November of 2017.

In response to a question, Mr. Wade, ARB, stated that there is no structural change to EMFAC2017 model compared with EMFAC2014 model although DMV data, emissions rates, and travel activity data will be updated.

4.5 Air Districts Update

Lijin Sun, SCAQMD, reported that SCAQMD CEQA team had launched a sign-up page for receiving CEQA related notices and updates from SCAQMD.

5.0 INFORMATION SHARING

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, acknowledged Grace Alvarez, RCTC, for her participation, service, and contributions as a TCWG member and wished her a happy retirement. Mr. Luo also thanked Matt Kaufman, SCAG Intern, for providing staff support and wished him the best of luck in his new full-time job.

6.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 am.

The next Transportation Conformity Working Group meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 24, 2017 at the SCAG office in downtown Los Angeles.