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

**July 26, 2016
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:

Abrishami, Lori	LA Metro
Kulkarni, Anup	OCTA
Nord, Greg	OCTA
Smolke, Brian	OCTA
Morris, Michael	FHWA
Park, Dave	Alta Environmental
Sherwood, Arnie	UC Berkeley
Walecka, Carla	TCA

SCAG:

Asuncion, John
Au, Anita
Luo, Rongsheng
Tran, Daniel

Via Teleconference:

Aurasteh, Reza	Caltrans, District 12
Berry, Laura	EPA, Office of Transportation and Air Quality
Brugger, Ron	LSA Associates
Cacatian, Ben	VCAPCD
Castro, Fernando	Caltrans, District 7
Cheng, Jack	SCAQMD
Chu, Wayne	Caltrans, District 12
Cooper, Keith	ICF
El Harake, Maureen	Caltrans, District 12
Hubbard, Don	Parsons Brinkerhoff
Lee, Jeannie	OCTA
Leon, Belen	ICAPCD
Levenson, David	AECOM
Louka, Tony	Caltrans, District 8
Malisos, Achilles	Michael Baker International

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Mejia, James	SANBAG
Moe-Luna, Lorelle	RCTC
O'Conner, Karina	EPA, Region 9
Pereira, Melina	Caltrans, District 11
Sayler, Dennis	SANBAG
Sheehy, Erin	OCTA
Silverman, Sam	Terry A. Hayes Associates
Soucier, Monica	ICAPCD
Tax, Wienke	EPA, Region 9
Tavitas, Rodney	Caltran Headquarters
Vaughn, Joseph	FHWA
Wade, Dennis	ARB
Yoon, Andrew	Caltrans, District 7
Yoshizumi, Steven	AECOM

1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND SELF-INTRODUCTION

Greg Nord, OCTA, called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

- 3.1 March 22, 2016 TCWG Meeting Minutes
The meeting minutes were approved.

4.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

- 4.1 Review of PM Hot Spot Interagency Review Forms

1) **ORA130302**

It was determined that this is not a POAQC.

2) **20159901**

It was determined that this is not a POAQC (EPA, Caltrans, and FHWA concurrences were received via email after the meeting).

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4.2 Draft SR-241 TCM Substitution Emission Analysis

Anup Kulkarni, OCTA, reported the following:

- OCTA initiated TCM substitution for SR-241 extension project with SR-241/SR-91 connector project in December 2015.
- OCTA staff had modeled three alternatives using Orange County Transportation Analysis Model (OCTAM): No Build, SR-241 extension project, and SR-241/SR-91 connector project.
- EMFAC2014 was used to calculate summer emissions for ROG and NO_x, winter emissions for NO₂ and CO, and annual emissions for ROG, NO_x, PM₁₀, and PM_{2.5} for three milestone years 2021, 2031, and 2040.
- Draft analysis demonstrated that SR-241/SR-91 connector project provided equivalent emission reduction benefits as SR-241 extension TCM.
- Final emissions analysis will be presented to TCWG when available.

In response to a question, Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, confirmed that TCWG would have two weeks after today's TCWG meeting to comment on Draft SR-241 TCM Substitution Emission Analysis as indicated in his email to TCWG on July 25, 2016.

4.3 FTIP Update

John Asuncion, SCAG, reported the following:

- All 2015 FTIP Amendments had been approved.
- Draft 2017 FTIP was approved by SCAG's Transportation Committee on July 7, 2016 and subsequently released for a 30-day public review from July 8, 2016 through August 8, 2016.

4.4 RTP Update

Daniel Tran, SCAG, reported the following:

- California Transportation Commission had released Draft 2016 MPO Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines for a 30-day public review from July 6 through August 5, 2016.
- SCAG staff was reviewing the Draft Guidelines and would provide comments if needed.

4.5 EPA Update

Wienke Tax, EPA Region 9, reported that South Coast Final Clean Data Determination for 1997 PM_{2.5} NAAQS was published in Federal Register on July 25, 2016

4.6 ARB Update

None.

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4.7 Air Districts Update

Jack Cheng, SCAQMD, reported that Draft 2016 South Coast AQMP was released on June 30, 2016 for public review and anticipated to be finalized in late November or early December 2016.

Ben Cacatian, VCAPCD, reported that Draft 2016 Ventura County AQMP was anticipated to be released in September 2016.

Monica Soucier, ICAPCD, reported the following:

- ICAPCD had been working with ARB on 2012 annual PM_{2.5} standard SIP which will be due to U.S. EPA in October 2016.
- ICAPCD had also been in collaboration with ARB in evaluating different options for Imperial County to demonstrate attainment with 2008 8-hour ozone standard. Imperial County Ozone SIP tentatively will be due to U.S. EPA in January 2017.
- ICAPCD had been working on a revision to its 2009 PM₁₀ SIP based on 2013 and 2015 PM₁₀ data and planned to submit SIP revision by end of 2016.

5.0 INFORMATION SHARING

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, acknowledged Greg Nord, OCTA, for his effective leadership and significant contribution as TCWG Chair over last twelve months.

6.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 am.

The next Transportation Conformity Working Group meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 23, 2016 at the SCAG office in downtown Los Angeles.