MEETING OF THE
MODELING TASK FORCE

Wednesday, January 27, 2020
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

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AGENDA

“Any item listed on the agenda (action or information) may be acted upon at the discretion of the Committee”.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS  Ginger Koblasz
   @ SBCTA
   Chairperson

   1.1 Modeling Task Force Chairperson

   The Chair of the Modeling Task Force rotates annually between the modeling leads of the County Transportation Commissions and Caltrans. SCAG staff asks the Committee to affirm the appointment of Ginger Koblasz at SBCTA, as the new Modeling Task Force Chair for Year 2021. The Modeling Task Force extends its appreciation to Cameron Brown at WRCOG for his service as Chair over the past year.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

   Members of the public desiring to speak on an agenda item or items not on the agenda, but within the purview of this Task Force, must fill out and present a speaker’s card to the Assistant prior to speaking. A speaker’s card must be turned in before the meeting is called to order. Comments will be limited to three minutes. The Chair may limit the total time for comments to twenty (20) minutes.

3.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

   3.1 Quantifying the Potential Employment Accessibility Benefits of Shared Automated Mobility Services: SCAG Region Case Study  Michael Hyland
   @ UC, Irvine
   40 minutes

   Workers in Southern California currently face transportation-related challenges accessing employment opportunities related to parking costs, long commute distances, and transit service quality. The advent of automated vehicles and potential for Shared Autonomous Mobility Services (SAMS) may help address employment accessibility challenges. SAMS are similar to existing mobility services provided by companies such as Uber and Lyft, except SAMS vehicles are driverless, thus significantly decreasing their operational costs. The goal of this study is to assess and quantify the potential employment
accessibility benefits of SAMS modes across the SCAG region considering heterogeneity in the working population. To meet this goal, this study proposes employing a welfare-based (i.e. logsum-based) measure of accessibility, obtained via estimating a hierarchical work destination-commute mode choice model. The accessibility analysis results in Southern California indicate: (i) workers living in lower density areas benefit more than workers living in high-density areas; (ii) nearly all the commute benefits come from the SAMS-only mode as opposed to the SAMS+Transit intermodal option; and (iii) the SAMS cost per mile assumption significantly impacts the magnitude of the overall employment accessibility benefits.

3.2 Updates on Sub-Regional Modeling Programs

Discussion by MTF members – an opportunity for agencies to share the status of their current modeling projects and upcoming modeling priorities.

3.3 SCAG Modeling Update

Status update to SCAG Modeling projects.

4.0 CHAIR’S REPORT

5.0 STAFF REPORT(S)

6.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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7.0 ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Modeling Task Force is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on March 31, 2021 via Zoom meeting.