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COMMUNITY MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS TO LA CIENEGA BOULEVARD

LOS ANGELES – March 23, 2010 – The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), in coordination with Los Angeles County and the cities of Culver City, Inglewood and Los Angeles, has scheduled the first round of community meetings to discuss potential improvements on La Cienega Boulevard. The meetings will take place on Monday, March 29, 2010, at 6 p.m. at Inglewood City Hall in the Community Room, One Manchester Boulevard in Inglewood, and Tuesday, March 30, 2010, at 6 p.m. at the Baha'i Center, 5755 Rodeo Road in Los Angeles. The same information will be presented at each meeting.

SCAG has initiated a study identifying ways to improve traffic flow on La Cienega Boulevard and lessen the impact of regional traffic on local residents. The project study area includes the La Cienega Boulevard corridor between the San Diego (I-405) and Santa Monica (I-10) Freeways, and includes Fairfax Avenue from Venice to La Cienega Boulevards.

Both the City of Inglewood and the City of Los Angeles have cooperatively made many attempts to manage the extraordinary traffic volume through their communities. Although the initial traffic and signal management measures helped, La Cienega Boulevard continues to be one of the most congested surface routes in Los Angeles County.

The purpose of the study is to identify locations for potential improvements, such as medians, additional turn lanes, and enhanced traffic signal coordination. The study will also look at potential intersections that could benefit from the construction of an overpass or underpass for through traffic on La Cienega Boulevard.

The study is expected to conclude in June 2010.

For more information, please visit the study website at <u>www.scag.ca.gov/corridor/lacienega.htm</u> or contact Philip Law, Project Manager, Southern California Association of Governments at 213.236.1841 or law@scag.ca.gov.

About SCAG

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