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

**March 28, 2017  
Minutes**

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**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:**

Castro, Fernando	Caltrans, District 7
Chiou, Wayne	Caltrans, District 12
Huddleston, Lori	Metro
Melton, Wilford	Caltrans, District 7
Morris, Michael	FHWA
Sherwood, Arnie	UC Berkeley
Walecka, Carla	TCA

**SCAG:**

Asuncion, John  
Au, Anita  
Barajas, Agustin  
Kaufman, Matt  
Tran, Daniel

**Via Teleconference:**

Alvarez, Grace	RCTC
Burick, Bo	OCTA
Cacatian, Ben	Ventura County APCD
Chang, Paul	Caltrans, District 12
Cooper, Keith	ICF (Representing RCTD)
Gallo, Ilene	Caltrans, District 11
Pereira, Melina	Caltrans, District 11
Hudson, Kerrie	Caltrans, District 8
Lee, Jeanie	OCTA
Masters, Martha	RCTC
Malisos, Achilles	Michael Baker International
O'Connor, Karina	EPA, Region 9
Sheehy, Erin	OCTA
Sun, Lijin	SCAQMD
Tavitas, Rodney	Caltrans, Headquarters
Tax, Wienke	EPA, Region 9

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Varipapa, Mike	Caltrans, District 12
Vaugh, Joseph	FHWA
Vidaure, Louis	SBCTA
Wade, Dennis	ARB
Yoon, Andrew	Caltrans, District 7

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER AND SELF-INTRODUCTION**

Wayne Chiou, TCWG Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

2.0 **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

None.

3.0 **CONSENT CALENDAR**

3.1 February 28, 2017 TCWG Meeting Minutes  
The meeting minutes were approved.

4.0 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

4.1 Review of PM Hot Spot Interagency Review Forms

1) **LALS06 (Signalization)**

It was determined that this is not a POAQC.

2) **LALS06 (Truck Station)**

It was determined that this is not a POAQC.

3) **ORA170005**

It was determined that this is not a POAQC.

4) **RIV090903**

This item was deferred. Project lead will address TCWG comments/questions and submit revised PM hot spot interagency review form.

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4.2 FTIP Update

John Asuncion, SCAG, reported the following:

- All 2017 FTIP Amendments had been approved except two 2017 FTIP Consistency Amendments #17-03 and 17-07.
- County project submittal for 2017 FTIP Amendment #17-08 was due to SCAG on April 4, 2017.

4.3 RTP Update

Daniel Tran, SCAG, reported the following:

- SCAG staff would presented Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS Amendment #1 to SCAG's Regional Council for adoption on April 6, 2017.
- Federal approval of the Amendment #1 was anticipated for June 2017.
- SCAG staff was working on 2016 RTP/SCS Amendment #2 and would seek approval from SCAG's Transportation Committee on April 6, 2017 to release Draft Amendment #2 for a 30-day public comment period. A public hearing was scheduled to be held at SCAG's downtown LA office on April 25, 2017 at 3:00 PM.
- Federal approval of the Amendment #2 was anticipated for August or September 2017.

4.4 EPA Update

Wienke Tax, EPA Region 9, reported the following:

- EPA and SCAQMD staff were still working together to resolve sanctions clock related to EPA's partial disapproval of 2012 South Coast Air Quality Management Plan/PM<sub>2.5</sub> State Implementation Plan (SIP).
- If underlying deficiencies not resolved in time, stationary offset sanction would begin in November 2017, followed by highways sanctions in May 2018.

Karina O'Connor, EPA Region 9, reported that EPA staff was still reviewing OCTA/SR-241 TCM substitution data and anticipated further progress by April TCWG meeting.

4.5 ARB Update

Dennis Wade, ARB, reported the following:

- ARB staff was also reviewing OCTA/SR-241 TCM substitution data alongside EPA staff.
- ARB approved Coachella Valley ozone SIP, South Coast ozone and PM<sub>2.5</sub> SIPs, and Ventura County ozone SIP on March 24, 2017. These SIPs would be submitted to EPA for review and approval within next few months.

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4.6 Air Districts Update

Ben Cacatian, VCAPCD, reported that ARB approved 2016 Ventura County AQMP in March 2017.

Lijin Sun, SCAQMD, reported that both SCAQMD and ARB approved 2016 South Coast AQMP in March 2017.

5.0 **INFORMATION SHARING**

Anita Au, SCAG, announced that the one-day transportation conformity training class, to be taught by Dr. Arnold Sherwood, would be held on March 29, 2017 in Board Conference Room at SCAG's downtown office; The class is free and open to both public and private employees and can be participated via webinar, videoconference, and teleconference; An email with location/conference room, direction, parking, and webinar info was sent to TCWG on March 26; And final course material would be emailed to TCWG March 28 afternoon.

Fernando Castro, Caltrans District 7, announced that he would be retiring from Caltrans and his last day would be April 3, 2017; and Wilford Melton, Caltrans District 7, would be substituting until a permanent appointment can be made. Mr. Castro wished to thank all members of TCWG for their involvement and support.

6.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 am.

The next Transportation Conformity Working Group meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at the SCAG office in downtown Los Angeles.