



AGENDA ITEM 1

REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
November 6, 2025

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC)
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2025**

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES IS A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC). A VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT: <http://scag.igfm2.com/Citizens/>

The Transportation Committee (TC) of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its regular meeting in person and virtually (telephonically and electronically). A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Hon. Mike T. Judge (Chair)		VCTC
Hon. Thomas Wong (Vice Chair)	Monterey Park	SGVCOG
Hon. Javier Amezcua	<i>Calipatria</i>	ICTC
Hon. Phil Bacerra	<i>Orange County</i>	CoC
Hon. Ryan Balius	<i>Anaheim</i>	
Hon. Brian Berkson	<i>Jurupa Valley, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Jeanette Burns		Morongo Band of Mission Indians
Hon. Denise Delgado	<i>Coachella, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. John Dutrey	<i>Montclair</i>	SBCTA
Hon. Bryan Fish	<i>Culver City</i>	WSCCOG
Hon. John Gabbard	<i>Dana Point</i>	District 12
Hon. Jason Gibbs	<i>Santa Clarita</i>	NCTC
Hon. William Go	<i>Irvine</i>	District 14
Hon. Curt Hagman		San Bernardino County
Hon. Jan Harnik		RCTC
Hon. Laura Hernandez	<i>Port Hueneme</i>	District 45
Hon. Lauren Hughes-Leslie	<i>Lancaster</i>	NCTC JPA
Hon. Fred Jung	<i>Fullerton</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Trish Kelley		TCA
Hon. Lauren Kleinman	<i>Newport Beach</i>	District 15
Hon. Linda Krupa	<i>Hemet</i>	District 3
Hon. Clint Lorimore	<i>Eastvale</i>	District 4
Hon. Steve Manos	<i>Lake Elsinore</i>	District 63
Hon. Ray Marquez	<i>Chino Hills</i>	District 10

Hon. Larry McCallon		Air District Representative
Hon. Marsha McLean	<i>Santa Clarita, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Linda Molina	<i>Calimesa, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Carol Moore	<i>Laguna Woods</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Zizette Mullins	<i>Burbank</i>	AVCJPA
Hon. Juan Munoz-Guevara	<i>Lynwood</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Ara Najarian	<i>Glendale</i>	SFVCOG
Hon. Frank Navarro	<i>Colton</i>	District 6
Hon. Nikki Perez	<i>Burbank</i>	District 42
Hon. David Ready	<i>Palm Springs</i>	CVAG
Hon. Gil Rebollar	<i>Brawley</i>	District 1
Hon. Ed Reece	<i>Claremont</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Gabriel Reyes	<i>San Bernardino County</i>	CoC
Hon. Crystal Ruiz	<i>San Jacinto</i>	WRCOG
Hon. Ali Saleh	<i>Bell</i>	District 27
Hon. Steve Sanchez	<i>La Quinta</i>	District 66
Hon. Tim Sandoval	<i>Pomona</i>	District 38
Hon. Zak Schwank	<i>Temecula</i>	District 5
Hon. Emma Sharif	<i>Compton</i>	District 26
Hon. Marty Simonoff	<i>Brea</i>	District 22
Hon. Jeremy Smith	<i>Canyon Lake, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Ward Smith	<i>Placentia</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Wes Speake	<i>Corona</i>	WRCOG
Hon. Karen Spiegel		Riverside County
Hon. Cynthia Sternquist	<i>Temple City</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Edward Twining	<i>Huntington Beach</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Steve Tye	<i>Diamond Bar</i>	District 37
Hon. William Uphoff	<i>Lomita</i>	SBCCOG
Hon. Michael Vargas	<i>Perris</i>	Pres Apt
Hon. Don Wagner		Orange County
Hon. Colleen Wallace	<i>Banning</i>	WRCOG
Hon. Alan Wapner		SBCTA

Members Not Present:

Hon. Zeel Ahir	<i>Artesia</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Andrade-Stadler, Adele	<i>Alhambra</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Kathryn Barger		Los Angeles County
Hon. Jonathan Dumitru	<i>Orange</i>	District 17
Hon. Heather Hutt	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 57
Hon. Andrew Lara	<i>Pico Rivera</i>	District 31

Hon. Carlos Leon		OCTA
Hon. Bridgett Lewis	<i>Torrance, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Richard Loa	<i>Palmdale</i>	NCTC
Hon. Tim McOsker	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 62
Hon. Asam Sheikh	<i>Torrance</i>	SBCCOG
Hon. Hilda Solis		Los Angeles County
Hon. Scott Voigts	<i>Lake Forest</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Zhen Wu	<i>San Clemente</i>	OCCOG
Mr. Marlon Regisford	<i>Caltrans District 7</i>	Ex-Officio Member

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Mike Judge, VCTC, called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. Hon. Ray Marquez, Chino Hills, led the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was present. Committee legal counsel, Mike Maurer, announced that member Hon. Nikki Perez, Burbank, District 42, was attending the meeting under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) exemption and was reminded to keep video active during the entire meeting. Hon. Frank Navarro, Colton, SBCTA/SBCOG, also stated his attendance in accordance with ADA accommodations.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Judge opened the Public Comment Period and outlined instructions for public comments. He noted this was the time for comments on any matter pertinent to SCAG's jurisdiction that were not listed on the agenda. He reminded the public to submit comments via email to TCPublicComment@scag.ca.gov.

There were no public comments.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests to prioritize agenda items.

CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no public comments on the Consent Calendar.

Approval Items

1. Minutes of the Meeting – June 5, 2025
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Receive and File

2. Status Update on Transportation Conformity Challenges in SCAG Region
3. Release of 2025 Draft Transportation Regional Existing Conditions Report
4. Connect SoCal 2050: Subregional Sustainable Communities Strategy Framework and Guidelines
5. Innovative Clean Transit Regional Assessment Study Introduction
6. Transportation Trends Update
7. CalSTA Transit Transformation Task Force Update

A MOTION was made (Hernandez) to approve Consent Calendar item 1; and Receive and File items 2 through 7. The motion was SECONDED (Dutrey) and passed by the following roll call votes.

AYES: Amezcua, Bacerra, Balius, Burns, Dutrey, Gabbard, Go, Hagman, Harnik, Hernandez, Hughes-Leslie, Judge, Jung, Kelley, Kleiman, Krupa, Marquez, McCallon, Molina, Moore, Mullins, Najarian, Navarro, Perez, Rebollar, Ruiz, Saleh, Sandoval, Schwank, Sharif, Smith J., Smith W., Speake, Sternquist, Uphoff, Vargas, Wagner, and Wallace (38)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

ACTION ITEMS

8. Acceptance of the 2024 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) Grant Award and Next Steps for the Metrolink Sustainable Locomotive Replacement Project

There were no public comments on Item No. 8.

Mariana Pulido, SCAG staff, reported on the 2024 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) grant award. Ms. Pulido reported the SCCP was established under Senate Bill 1 to fund projects designated to achieve a balanced set of transportation, environment, and community access improvements to reduce congestion throughout the state. Projects must make specific performance improvements, be included in a corridor plan and demonstrate cost-effectiveness. She stated California Transportation Commission (CTC) had awarded \$52.6 million in 2024 SCCP funds to SCAG, serving as the implementing agency. This amount represents the full amount requested in the grant

application. The Sustainable Locomotive Replacement Project will replace twelve Tier 2 diesel locomotives with Tier 4 locomotives, the cleanest diesel technology currently available, with the capability to transition to hybrid operations. These replacements will improve service reliability, reduce criteria pollutant emissions, and support long-term regional mobility, air quality and sustainability goals.

Lisa Colicchio, Director of Sustainability, Metrolink, continued the presentation by reviewing the current fleet and climate action plan. She noted current locomotives operate on natural oils which help reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Next, she reviewed plans to replace older fleet engines with Tier 4 technology and the procurement timeline.

Hon. Jan Harnik, RCTC, asked for additional information about natural oils. Ms. Colicchio responded that while the fuel is diesel it is comprised of natural fats and oils rather than petroleum-based products emitting fewer emissions.

Hon. Donald Wagner, County of Orange, questioned adding capital expenditure to an agency that was not generating significant revenue to justify considerable spending.

Hon. Larry McCallon, Air District Representative, noted the pandemic affected ridership which was now recovering and growing. Farebox recovery was high compared to other transit options and new locomotives would reduce harmful emissions around the system.

A MOTION was made (Dutrey) to recommend that the Regional Council approve receipt of the 2024 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) Grant Award and authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, to execute all necessary agreements and other documents related to supporting the Metrolink Sustainable Locomotive Replacement Project. The motion was SECONDED (Sandoval) and passed by the following roll call votes.

AYES: Bacerra, Balius, Berkson, Burns, Delgado, Dutrey, Fish, Gibbs, Go, Hagman, Harnik, Hernandez, Hughes-Leslie, Judge, Kelley, Krupa, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, McCallon, McClean, Molina, Moore, Mullins, Munoz-Guevara, Najarian, Navarro, Perez, Ready, Rebollar, Reece, Reyes, Ruiz, Saleh, Sanchez, Sandoval, Schwank, Sharif, Simonoff, Smith J., Smith W., Speake, Spiegel, Sternquist, Twining, Tye, Uphoff, Vargas, Wallace, and Wong (50)

NOES: Gabbard, Jung, Kleiman, and Wagner (4)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

9. 2027 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Guidelines

There were no public comments on Item No. 9.

Chair Judge announced that voting for items 9 and 10 would be taken with a single roll call of members.

Stephanie Chin, SCAG staff, reported on the 2027 FTIP Guidelines. Ms. Chin stated the FTIP was a federally mandated list of transportation investment priorities in the region that would receive federal funding or are subject to federally required action. It was noted that the FTIP is dynamic, and changes occur frequently to accommodate changes in funding, project schedules, and county transportation commission (CTC) priorities. These include investments in highways, complete streets, transit, rail signal synchronization, bicycle, and pedestrian. As the region's MPO, SCAG was charged with developing the FTIP in partnership with CTCs. She reviewed the 2027 FTIP timeline and critical milestones and noted a draft of the FTIP would be brought before the committee in summer 2026 with final approval in fall 2027. Ms. Chin reviewed the FTIP Guidelines and updates for the current development cycles.

Hon. Karen Spiegel, Riverside County, noted the FTIP amendment cost threshold ought to be modified to be more practical and streamline the process.

10. INVEST CLEAN (Measure 2.2) LMFP Rebate Program Announcement

There were no public comments on Item No. 10.

Ryan Laws, SCAG staff, reported on the INVEST CLEAN LMFP Rebate Program. He noted the rebate program was part of South Coast AQMD's INVEST CLEAN. He noted \$50 million would be available for rebates as part of the effort. The rebate specifically targets class 4 and 5 trucks to move toward less emitting technology. He reviewed the rebate components noting eligibility includes private and public fleet owners operating in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties. Rebates are not to exceed \$67,000 and at least 51% must replace existing vehicles.

A MOTION was made (McCallon) to recommend that the Regional Council approve the 2027 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Guidelines and approve the Last Mile Freight Program Measure 2.2 INVEST CLEAN Rebate Program Announcement and Application Checklist, allowing SCAG to proceed with releasing the Program Announcement, including collection of applications and selection of participants for the program, pending the execution of an agreement with the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD). The motion was SECONDED (Hagman) and passed by the following roll call votes.

AYES: Bacerra, Burns, Delgado, Dutrey, Fish, Gabbard, Gibbs, Go, Hagman, Harnik, Hernandez, Hughes-Leslie, Judge, Jung, Kelley, Kleiman, Krupa, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, McCallon, McClean, Molina, Moore, Mullins, Munoz-Guevara, Najarian, Navarro, Perez, Ready, Rebollar, Reece, Reyes, Saleh, Sanchez, Sandoval, Schwank, Sharif, Simonoff, Smith J., Smith W., Speake, Spiegel, Sternquist, Twining, Tye, Uphoff, Vargas, Wagner, Wallace, Wapner, and Wong (52)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

INFORMATION ITEMS

11. Transportation Committee Outlook and Future Agenda Items

There were no public comments on Item No. 11.

Annie Nam, SCAG staff, provided a committee agenda outlook. She noted the agenda outlook reflects outcomes of the 2025 Executive Administration Committee Retreat as well as discussion with the committee Chair and Vice Chair.

12. Planning for Main Streets

There were no public comments on Item No. 12.

Rachel Om, SCAG staff, reported that in October 2023, Caltrans published the fourth edition of Main Streets, California, a guide that highlights the unique role of state highways that serve as community main streets. It was noted that the guide outlines five principles: fostering people-centered streets, improving safety and public health, elevating equity and livability, advancing sustainability and climate action, and strengthening partnerships and engagement. She noted the effort involves the Planning for Main Streets Study which is funded through a 2024-2025 Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning grant which focusses on enhancing multimodal mobility and safety along four key corridors across the region. The corridors include SR 1 (Lomita to Long Beach), SR 18 (San Bernardino), SR 86 (Brawley), and SR 39 (Stanton to Westminster). The project launched in 2025 and will conclude with a final report by June 2027, with the goal of setting up Caltrans and local jurisdictions for implementation via grants and workplans. Updates will be provided to the committee as planning, design, and engagement efforts progress.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Judge welcomed new member Zizette Mullins, Burbank, AVCJPA. Additionally, he announced that registration was open for the 2025 SCAG Demographic Workshop on October 1, 2025.

METROLINK REPORT

Hon. Marty Simonoff, Brea, District 22, announced the Moreno Valley March Field station had a ribbon cutting event celebrating the completion of station improvements with the new platform going into service July 7, 2025. He also reported that September was rail safety month and Metrolink was partnering with other agencies and leading the marketing effort.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hon. Larry McCallon asked for the meeting to be adjourned in memory of Deborah Ikhata, wife of former Executive Director, Hasan Ikhata.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Judge adjourned the meeting of the Transportation Committee at 11:09 a.m.

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MEMBERS	Representing	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Ahir, Zeel	Artesia, GCCOG	1						
Amezcuca, Javier	Calipatria, ICTC				1			
Andrade-Stadler, Adele	Alhambra, SGVCOG							
Bacerra, Phil	Orange County, CoC	1			1			
Balius, Ryan	Anaheim, District 19	1			1			
Barger, Kathryn	Los Angeles County							
Berkson, Brian	Jurupa Valley, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)	1			1			
Burns, Jeanette	Morongo Band of Mission Indians				1			
Delgado, Denise	Coachella, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)	1			1			
Dumitru, Jonathan	Orange, RC District 17							
Dutrey, J. John	Montclair, SBCTA	1			1			
Brian, Fish	Culver City, WCCOG	1			1			
Gabbard, John	Dana Point, District 12	1			1			
Gibbs, Jason	Santa Clarita, NCTC	1			1			
Go, William	Irvine, District 14				1			
Hagman, Curt	San Bernardino County	1			1			
Harnik, Jan	RCTC	1			1			
Hernandez, Laura	Port Hueneme, RC District 45	1			1			
Hughes-Leslie, Lauren	Lancaster, NCTC JPA	1			1			
Hutt, Heather	Los Angeles, RC District 57							
Judge, Mike	VCTC	1			1			
Jung, Fred	Fullerton, OCCOG	1			1			
Kelley, Trish	TCA Representative	1			1			
Kleiman, Lauren	Newport Beach, District 15	1			1			
Krupa, Linda	Hemet, RC District 3	1			1			
Lara, Andrew	Pico Rivera, Dist 31	1						
Leon, Carlos	OCTA	1						
Lewis, Bridgett	Torrance, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)							
Loa, Richard	Palmdale, NCTC	1						
Lorimore, Clint	Eastvale, RC District 4	1			1			
Manos, Steve	Lake Elsinore, RC District 63	1			1			
Marquez, Ray	Chino Hills, RC District 10	1			1			
McCallon, Larry	Air District Representative	1			1			
McLean, Marsha	Santa Clarita, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)	1			1			

Attachment: TCArrivalance Sheet September 4, 2025 (Minutes of the Meeting - September 4, 2025)

McOsker, Tim	Los Angeles, RC District 62					
Molina, Linda	Calimesa, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)	1		1		
Moore, Carol	Laguna Woods, OCCOG	1		1		
Mullins, Zizette	Burbank, AVCJPA			1		
Munoz-Guevara, Juan	Lynwood, GCCOG	1		1		
Najarian, Ara	Glendale, SFVCOG	1		1		
Navarro, Frank	Colton, RC District 6	1		1		
Perez,Nikki	Burbank, District 42			1		
Ready, David	Palm Springs, CVAG	1		1		
Rebollar, Gil	Brawley, RC District 1	1		1		
Reece, Ed	Claremont, SGVCOG	1		1		
Regisford, Marlon	Caltrans, District 7, Ex-Officio Member	1				
Reyes, Gabriel	San Bernardino County CoC			1		
Ruiz, Crystal	Sna Jacinto, WRCOG	1		1		
Saleh, Ali	Bell, RC District 27	1		1		
Sanchez, Steve	La Quinta, District 66	1		1		
Sandoval, Tim	Pomona, RC District 38			1		
Schwank, Zak	Temecula, RC District 5			1		
Sharif, Emma	Compton, District 26			1		
Sheikh, Asam	Torrance, SBCCOG	1				
Simonoff, Marty	Brea, RC District 22	1		1		
Smith, Jeremy	Canyon Lake, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)			1		
Smith, Ward	Placentia, OCCOG	1		1		
Solis, Hilda	Los Angeles County					
Speake, Wes	Corona, WRCOG	1		1		
Spiegel, Karen	Riverside County	1		1		
Sternquist, Cynthia	Temple City, SGVCOG	1		1		
Twining, Butch	Huntington Beach, District 64	1		1		
Tye, Steve	Diamond Bar, RC District 37	1		1		
Uphoff, William	Lomita, SBCCOG	1		1		
Vargas, Michael	Perris, Pres Apt			1		
Voigts, Scott	Lake Forest, OCCOG					
Wagner, Don	Orange County	1		1		
Wallace, Colleen	Banning, WRCOG	1		1		
Wapner, Alan	SBCTA	1		1		
Wong, Thomas	Monterey Park, SGVCOG	1		1		
Wu, Zhen	San Clemente, OCCOG	1				



AGENDA ITEM 2

REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
November 6, 2025

To: Transportation Committee (TC)
Regional Council (RC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S
APPROVAL

From: Courtney Aguirre, Department Manager
(213) 236-1990, aguirre@scag.ca.gov

Kome Ajise

Subject: 2024 Sustainable Communities Program Active Transportation and Safety
Amended Guidelines

RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR TC:

Recommend the Regional Council approve the Connect SoCal 2024 Sustainable Communities Program Active Transportation and Safety Amended Guidelines.

RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR RC:

Approve the Connect SoCal 2024 Sustainable Communities Program Active Transportation and Safety Amended Guidelines.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

This item supports the following Strategic Priority 5: Secure and optimize diverse funding sources to support regional priorities.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The 2024 Sustainable Communities Program (SCP) Active Transportation and Safety project awards were adopted by Regional Council on December 5, 2024. Due to funding limitations, the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) was awarded partial funding for their plan, OC Move: A Vibrant Path to Active Transportation. OCTA leveraged their SCP award to secure a state grant from the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program and requested to directly implement their SCP award. The 2024 SCP Active Transportation and Safety Guidelines have been amended to reflect a one-time exception for OCTA to assume responsibility for implementing their project in full.

BACKGROUND:

The 2024 SCP Active Transportation and Safety Guidelines were adopted by Regional Council on June 6, 2024. Following budget cuts to the Cycle 7 Active Transportation Program, which is one of the SCP funding sources, the 2024 SCP Active Transportation and Safety Revised Guidelines were adopted by Regional Council on September 5, 2024. The 2024 SCP Active Transportation and Safety project awards were subsequently adopted by the Regional Council on December 5, 2024.
