

Information & Discussion Items

Regional Advance Mitigation Planning – Advisory Task Group – Meeting #2

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Today's Agenda



- **Recap**
- **RAMP Research and Draft Outline**
- **Regional Partners**
 - *Orange County Transportation Authority – Freeway Environmental Mitigation Program*
 - *Riverside Conservation Authority – Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan*
- **Feedback Summary**
 - *Interviews with CTCs and other stakeholders*

Website Information

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REGIONAL ADVANCE MITIGATION PLANNING – ADVISORY TASK GROUP

The purpose of the Regional Advance Mitigation Planning – Advisory Task Group is to establish a policy framework for advance mitigation in the SCAG region, and to ensure the SoCal Greenprint is aligned with related policy objectives. This would be accomplished during the current pause on SoCal Greenprint implementation. In addition to establishing a policy framework, the group will advise on a white paper on Regional Advance Mitigation Planning (RAMP). The group will disband upon reporting to the Regional Council and Energy & Environment Committee meetings, which is expected to occur in April 2022.

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[Meeting Calendar](#)

Displaying 2 meetings from 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022 for Regional Advance Mitigation Planning - Advisory Task Group

Date: 2022, 2021, All

Group: RAMP-ATG - Regional Advance Mitigation Planning - Advisory Task Group

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JANUARY, 2022

Jan 28, 2022 3:00 PM
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REGIONAL ADVANCE MITIGATION PLANNING – ADVISORY TASK GROUP MEMBERS LIST

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SOCAL GREENPRINT

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What to Expect

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STAFF REPORTS, PRESENTATIONS AND DOCUMENTS

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DOCUMENT GUIDE

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April 19, 2018	First presentation of Greenprint idea to the Natural and Farm Lands Conservation Working Group.	Working Group Presentation - 04/19/18
June 6, 2019	Regional Council meeting Consent Calendar item for the Regional Council.	Consent Calendar Report 06-06-19
December 11, 2019	The Nature Conservancy's first presentation of Greenprint project to Natural and Farm Lands Conservation Working Group.	Working Group Presentation - 12/11/19
February 6, 2020	Staff report for SCAG Staff's first presentation to the Energy and Environment and Community, Economic and Human Development Committees.	CEHD-EEC Staff Report 02-06-20
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May 27, 2020	The Nature Conservancy provided a Greenprint project update to the Natural and Farm Lands Conservation Working Group.	Working Group Presentation 05-27-20
October 15, 2020	The Nature Conservancy provided a Greenprint project update to the Natural and Farm Lands Conservation Working Group.	Working Group Presentation 10-15-20
February 4, 2021	Staff report for project update to the Energy and Environment and Community, Economic and Human Development Committees.	CEHD-EEC Staff Report 02-04-21
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July 1, 2021	SCAG Staff presented a project update to the Regional Council. Regional Council votes to pause the implementation of the project.	RC Staff Report 07-01-21
July 1, 2021	Presentation to Regional Council.	RC Presentation 07-01-21
July 1, 2021	Meeting Minutes from Regional Council Meeting	RC Meeting Minutes 07-01-21
July 15, 2021	SCAG Staff presented a project update to the Technical Working Group.	TWG Presentation 07-15-21
July 15, 2021	Technical Working Group Meeting Minutes	TWG Meeting Minutes 07-15-21
August 24, 2021	SCAG Staff held a Public Hearing to engage with stakeholders.	Public Hearing Presentation 08-24-21
September 30, 2021	SCAG Staff presented a project update to the Technical Working Group.	TWG Presentation 09-30-21
October 7, 2021	Staff report to the Regional Council and Energy & Environmental Committee. Regional Council votes to continue the pause on implementation of the project.	RC-EEC Staff Report 10-07-21
October 7, 2021	Supplemental staff report that refines and clarifies the recommended action in the original staff report.	RC-EEC Supplemental Staff Report 10-07-21
October 7, 2021	SCAG Staff presentation to the Regional Council and Energy & Environmental Committee.	RC-EEC Presentation 10-07-21
October 7, 2021	Minutes from the Public Hearing/Regional Council Meeting	RC Meeting Minutes 10-07-21

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CURRENT STATUS
Click here for updates on Regional Council action on the Social Greenprint.

STAFF REPORTS, PRESENTATIONS AND DOCUMENTS

SOCIAL GREENPRINT PROPOSED DATA LAYER LIST
Learn about the proposed data layer list.

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SOCIAL GREENPRINT NEWSLETTER

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Learn about the proposed data layer list.

Proposed Data Layer List

Once developed, the Social Greenprint is an online mapping tool to help stakeholders prioritize lands for growth and conservation based on the best available scientific data. The Social Greenprint will compile more than one hundred existing data sources into interactive maps that help stakeholders visualize how to better integrate nature into future growth and development. The Greenprint is not a "done" tool; it is intended to produce any new data, either it will aggregate data from existing public resources to support local jurisdictions, transportation agencies, developers, nonprofits and other stakeholders in advancing the policies adopted in Connect SoCal.

Social Greenprint Proposed Data Layer List

The Social Greenprint is being developed with five user groups in mind who are shaping the future of the region: developers, local planners, infrastructure agencies, community-based organizations, and conservation professionals. One of the project goals is to make it simpler for interested users to easily access information about natural resources so that planning and mitigation measures can be identified early, saving project costs, expediting timelines, and making it possible to proactively address issues that can help avoid risk to projects.

Data and Stakeholder Outreach

This data being currently provides background information on the proposed individual data layers that draw from diverse sources, including public agencies, universities, non-profit organizations, amongst others. Data is broken into six themes: Agricultural & Working Lands, Built Environment, Watersheds & Resilience, Environmental Justice, Equity & Inclusion, Habitat & Biodiversity, and Water Resources.

The six themes and datasets were developed with robust stakeholder engagement to ensure that the tool is crafted to address the information needs of developers, local planners, infrastructure agencies, community-based organizations, and conservation professionals. The Social Greenprint team has conducted regular engagement with over 100 stakeholders from those key user groups and other stakeholders through meetings with the project's Steering, Advisory, and Scientific Committees, and from also completed interviews with 20 partners. Further, "rapid assessment" sessions have been conducted with a diverse array of organizations to identify their priorities and with individual stakeholders through personal data requests for inclusion in the Social Greenprint.

Feedback Opportunity

SCAG has created this plan for the public review from members of SCAG's Technical Working Group and other stakeholders. Please visit the link below to provide feedback.



SOCIAL GREENPRINT NEWSLETTER

The Social Greenprint Newsletter provides information and resources on the development of an innovative online regional mapping tool that will highlight the benefits of natural lands, waters, and agricultural lands.

- 09/16/2022 - Social Greenprint, January 2022 Update [5]
 - 09/16/2022 - Social Greenprint, January 2022 [5]
 - 09/09/2021 - Social Greenprint, May Update [5]
 - 08/23/2020 - Social Greenprint [5]
- For more information about the Social Greenprint, please contact Ina Bookwala at bookwala@scag.ca.gov.

RAMP – Advisory Task Group Schedule

MEETING #1 – DECEMBER 2021

- One hour kickoff meeting.
- Introductions of ATG members and SCAG staff.
- Discuss purpose of ATG and structure.
- Review of the anticipated agendas and dates for the next three meetings.

MEETING #2 – JANUARY 2022

- Presentation on existing regional advance mitigation programs from agencies such as Caltrans, Orange County Transportation Authority, and Riverside County Transportation Commission.
- Review feedback shared from interviews with county transportation commissions.
- Review Connect SoCal's strategies, goals, and Programmatic Environmental Impact Report mitigation measures.
- Provide feedback on the draft outline of the RAMP white paper.

MEETING #3 – FEBRUARY 2022

- Presentation on existing regional advance mitigation programs from agencies such as Caltrans, Orange County Transportation Authority, and Riverside County Transportation Commission.
- Develop recommendations on establishing a policy framework for advanced mitigation including guidance for aligning the SoCal Greenprint and its data layers with related policy objectives.

MEETING #4 – MARCH 2022

- Review the RAMP draft white paper and provide feedback.
- Finalize recommendations on a policy framework for advanced mitigation (for consideration at the April 2022 Regional Council and Energy & Environment Committee meetings).

Thank you!

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