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

**October 23, 2012  
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:**

Kulkarni, Anup	OCTA
McFall, Valarie	TCA
Nord, Greg	OCTA
Sherwood, Arnie	OCTA/SCAG
Walecka, Carla	TCA

**SCAG**

Asuncion, John  
Kuo, Ryan  
Luo, Rongsheng  
Nadler, Jonathan

**Via Teleconference:**

Behtash, Arman	Caltrans District 12
Caddell, Melissa	Caltrans District 8
Castro, Fernando	Caltrans District 7
Chang, Paul	Caltrans District 12
Crow, Jason	ARB
Drummonds, Eyvonne	SCAQMD
Fagan, Paul	Caltrans District 8
Gallo, Ilene	Caltrans District 11
Goodson, Jeff	AECOM
Higgins, Kathryn	SCAQMD
Jeffery, Edison	Caltrans District 8
Lay, Keith	LSA Associates
Louka, Tony	Caltrans District 8
Malisos, Achilles	RBF Consulting
O'Connor, Karina	EPA Region 9
Reynolds, Jason	AECOM
Smith, Amanda	AECOM
Smolke, Brian	OCTA
Tavitas, Rodney	Caltrans Headquarters

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Tax, Wienke  
Torres, Eddie  
Yoon, Andrew

EPA Region 9  
RBF Consulting  
Caltrans District 7

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER**

Greg Nord, OCTA, called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

2.0 **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no comments.

3.0 **CONSENT CALENDAR**

3.1 **TCWG September 25, 2012 Meeting Minutes**

This item was pulled from the agenda at the meeting because the September 25, 2012 TCWG meeting minutes were not ready.

4.0 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

4.1 **Review of PM Hot Spot Interagency Review Forms**

1) 2H0703\_Revised

It was determined that this is not a POAQC via email after the meeting on October 30, 2012.

2) ORA052

It was determined that this is not a POAQC.  
(Caltrans and FWHA concurrence received via email after the meeting)

3) SBD355560 (revised)

It is reaffirmed that this is not a POAQC.  
(Caltrans and FWHA concurrence received via email after the meeting)

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4.2 TCM Substitution Request

Anup Kulkarni, OCTA, stated that the report was revised to add additional years (i.e., 2014 and 2023) as part of the analysis as requested from last meeting. In addition, the data tables were revised in response to TCWG comments.

In response to a question, Mr. Kulkarni, OCTA, confirmed that the reported emissions results are output of EMFAC model runs.

In response to a question, Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, clarified that the Draft TCM Substitution Report would be released for public review; after the conclusion of the public review, the report would be presented to SCAG's Energy and Environment Committee for approval and for recommendation to SCAG's Regional Council for adoption.

4.3 FTIP Update

John Asuncion, SCAG, reported the following:

- 2011 FTIP Amendment #30 was still pending approval. All Amendments to the 2011 FTIP would be fully approved upon approval of Amendment #30.
- 2013 FTIP was under the Caltrans' public review and the final federal approval was anticipated to be around mid-December
- SCAG staff began review and analysis of 2013 FTIP Amendment #1.

4.4 RTP Update

Ryan Kuo, SCAG, reported the following:

- The six Subcommittees formed by the Regional Council to guide the implementation of 2012-2035 RTP/SCS had started meetings to discuss the roles and deliverables of these Subcommittees.
- SCAG had received requests from several county transportation commissions to amend 2012-2035 RTP/SCS to reflect project updates since its adoption in April. The solicitation period for project amendment requests was anticipated to open in mid-November with a deadline of mid-December for project submittals. The Draft Amendment was expected to be released for public review in March or April 2013 and for adoption in May or June 2013.

4.5 EPA Update

Wienke Tax, EPA, reported the following:

- Imperial County Highway Sanctions: Imperial County Air Pollution Control District (ICAPCD) had adopted its revised dust regulations.

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- South Coast Sanctions Clock: EPA received an extra PM2.5 SIP submittal last fall and was working on reviewing and acting on the submittal.
- EPA Proposed VMT Emissions Offset Requirements: Public comment period ended on October 19<sup>th</sup> and two comments were received from ARB and South Coast AQMD respectively.
- EPA Proposed 1-hour Ozone SIP Call: Public comment period was supposed to end on October 19, 2012 but EPA received a request to extend the public comment period. As a result, the public comment period would be reopen for another two weeks until November 8<sup>th</sup>.

In response to a question, Ms. Tax, EPA, stated that SCAQMD would have one year to submit the 1-hour ozone SIP after the SIP call is finalized.

Jonathan Nadler, SCAG, expressed concerns on the South Coast Sanctions Clock and requested clarification from EPA regarding its near-term actions. Ms. Tax, EPA, responded that EPA is aware of the sanctions clock and does not anticipate having to go through the same process as done for the Imperial County Highway Sanctions.

In response to a question, Ms. Tax confirmed that the adopted revisions to the ICAPCD dust regulations are consistent with EPA expectations.

Karina O’Conner, EPA, reminded that the conformity determination for the new 2008 Ozone Standard is due by July 2013.

4.6 ARB Update

Jason Crow, ARB, reported that ARB was continuing discussion with Caltrans and EPA regarding EMFAC 2011 approval.

4.7 Air Districts Update

Eyvonne Drummonds, SCAQMD, reported the following:

- 2012 AQMP Socio-economic Report and CEQA analysis have been released for public review; public comment period for the CEQA document ends October 23<sup>rd</sup> with public hearings throughout November.
- Final 2012 AQMP was anticipated to be adopted by SCAQMD Governing Board at its regular meeting in December 2012.

5.0 **INFORMATION SHARING**

There were no comments.

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6.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50.

The next Transportation Conformity Working Group meeting will be held on Tuesday November 27, 2012 at the SCAG office in downtown Los Angeles.