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MEETING NO. 646

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Thursday, September 1, 2022
12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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REGIONAL COUNCIL AGENDA

Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017
Thursday, September 1, 2022
12:30 PM

The Regional Council may consider and act upon any of the items on the agenda regardless of whether they are listed as Information or Action items.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (The Honorable Jan Harnik, President)

PRESENTATION

(Recognition of First Vice President Carmen Ramirez, Ventura)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (Matters Not on the Agenda)

This is the time for persons to comment on any matter pertinent to SCAG's jurisdiction that is **not** listed on the agenda. Although the committee may briefly respond to statements or questions, under state law, matters presented under this item cannot be discussed or acted upon at this time. Public comment for items listed on the agenda will be taken separately as further described below.

General information for all public comments: Members of the public are encouraged, but not required, to submit written comments by sending an email to: ePublicComment@scag.ca.gov by 5pm on Wednesday, August 31, 2022. Such comments will be transmitted to members of the legislative body and posted on SCAG's website prior to the meeting. Any writings or documents provided to a majority of the Regional Council regarding any item on this agenda (other than writings legally exempt from public disclosure) are available at the Office of the Clerk, located at 900 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017 during normal business hours and/or by contacting the office by phone, (213) 630-1420, or email to aguilarm@scag.ca.gov. Written comments received after 5pm on Wednesday, August 31, 2022, will be announced and included as part of the official record of the meeting. Members of the public wishing to verbally address the Regional Council in real time during the meeting will be allowed up to a total of 3 minutes to speak on items on the agenda, with the presiding officer retaining discretion to adjust time limits as necessary to ensure efficient and orderly conduct of the meeting. The presiding officer has the discretion to equally reduce the time limit of all speakers based upon the number of comments received. If you desire to speak on an item listed on the agenda, please wait for the chair to call the item and then indicate your interest in offering public comment by either using the "raise hand" function on your computer or pressing *9 on your telephone. For purpose of providing public comment for items listed on the Consent Calendar (if there is a Consent Calendar), please indicate that you wish to speak when the Consent Calendar is called; items listed on the Consent Calendar will be acted upon with one motion and there will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the legislative body so requests, in which event, the item will be considered separately.



REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

ACTION ITEM

1. Findings to Continue Holding Virtual Regional Council and Committee Meetings Under AB 361 (Ruben, Duran, BB&K Board Counsel)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Regional Council (RC): (1) ratify the prior actions of the Executive/Administration Committee taken at its August 3, 2022 and August 31, 2022 meetings relating to findings made pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3); (2) make the following findings required by Government Code Section 54953(e)(3) on the basis of the staff report, which is incorporated by this reference, that (i) a proclaimed state of emergency remains active in connection with the COVID-19 public health crisis, (ii) the RC has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and (iii) state and local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing in relation to the COVID-19 public health crisis and, further, (3) authorize all legislative bodies of the Southern California Association of Government (SCAG), including the RC, EAC and all committees and task forces established by the RC or SCAG's Bylaws, to utilize remote teleconference meetings pursuant to and in compliance with Brown Act provisions contained in Government Code Section 54953(e).

2. Digital Equity Call to Action to Increase Access to Affordable Broadband (Hannah Brunelle, Senior Regional Planner, SCAG; Sunne McPeak, CEO and President, California Emerging Technology Fund, Marissa Canche, Broadband Adoption Manager, California Emerging Technology Fund, Young Yu, Senior Vice President, SAESHE Inc.)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Resolution No. 22-646-2 to set forth a digital equity Call for Action to increase access to affordable broadband throughout Southern California and invite cities and counties within the SCAG region to partner with SCAG to support regional engagement.

3. REAP 2021 Subregional Partnership 2.0 Program Guidelines (Jacob Noonan, Housing Program Manager)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Regional Council:

- 1) Approve and adopt the REAP 2021 Subregional Partnership 2.0 Program Guidelines; and
- 2) Authorize the SCAG Executive Director or his designee to revise the Guidelines as needed for compliance with the state REAP 2.0 program and/or feedback from the State's REAP 2.0 program team, and to enter into agreements with the designated subregional partners under this program and execute all documents incident to the agreements, including issuance of conditional award letters.



CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

- 4. Minutes of the Meeting July 7, 2022
- 5. Amend Previous Approval of Participation in the Vienna Social Housing Field Study, Occurring Sept 11-17, 2022 to Confirm and Identify SCAG Delegates for Attendance
- 6. SCAG Staff Participation in the 69th Annual North American Regional Science Conference
- 7. Resolution No. 22-646-1 Approving Amendment 1 to the FY 2022-23 Overall Work Program (OWP)
- 8. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-57-C01, Regional Data Platform Phase 2
- 9. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-052-C01, Connect SoCal 2024 Public and Stakeholder Engagement
- 10. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-055-C01 through 22-055-C09, Economic Advisory and Analysis Services Supporting Annual Economic Summit and SCAG Quarterly Indicators Dashboard (SQID)
- 11. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-061-C01, Streamlining Services for SCAG's Broadband Program
- 12. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-062-C01, Strategic Services for SCAG's Broadband Program
- 13. Contract Amendment Greater than \$75,000 and 30% of the Contract's Original Value: Contract No. 22-064-C01, Amendment No. 1, Computing and Storage Services (On-Demand Availability of Scalable Computing Resources and Storage Over the Internet) Provided by Amazon Web Services (AWS)
- 14. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-066-C01, Industry Forum: Tribal Engagement and General Outreach
- 15. SCAG Memberships and Sponsorships

Receive and File

16. September 2022 State and Federal Legislative Update



- 17. 2022 Federal Certification Review
- 18. CEQA Initiation for the Connect SoCal 2024 Program Environmental Impact Report
- 19. Connect SoCal CEQA Addendum No. 3 to Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse No. 2019011061)
- 20. Equity Analysis Update (formerly Environmental Justice Analysis) Performance Measures
- 21. Purchase Orders \$5,000 \$199,999; Contracts \$25,000 \$199,999 and Amendments \$5,000 \$74,999
- 22. CFO Monthly Report

BUSINESS REPORT

(Lucy Dunn, Ex-Officio Member; Business Representative)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(The Honorable Jan Harnik, President)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

(Kome Ajise, Executive Director)

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSED SESSION

Public Employment

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)

Public Employee Performance Evaluation

Title: Executive Director

Public Employment

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957.6

Conference with Labor Negotiators

Agency designated representatives: Ruben Duran, Board Counsel

Unrepresented employee: Executive Director

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

ADJOURNMENT



AGENDA ITEM 1 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation) 900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room Los Angeles, CA 90017 September 1, 2022

To: Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL

Regional Council (RC)

From: Michael Houston, Director of Legal Services/Chief Counsel

(213) 630-1467, houston@scag.ca.gov

Subject: Findings to Continue Holding Virtual Regional Council and Committee

Meetings Under AB 361

RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR EAC:

That the Executive/Administration Committee (EAC): (1) make the following findings required by Government Code Section 54953(e)(3) on the basis of the staff report, which is incorporated by this reference, that (i) a proclaimed state of emergency remains active in connection with the COVID-19 public health crisis, (ii) the EAC has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and (iii) state and local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing in relation to the COVID-19 public health crisis and, further, (2) authorize all legislative bodies of the Southern California Association of Government (SCAG), including the EAC, RC and all committees and task forces established by the RC or SCAG's Bylaws, to utilize remote teleconference meetings pursuant to and in compliance with Brown Act provisions contained in Government Code Section 54953(e).

RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR RC:

That the Regional Council (RC): (1) ratify the prior actions of the Executive/Administration Committee taken at its August 3, 2022 and August 31, 2022 meetings relating to findings made pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3); (2) make the following findings required by Government Code Section 54953(e)(3) on the basis of the staff report, which is incorporated by this reference, that (i) a proclaimed state of emergency remains active in connection with the COVID-19 public health crisis, (ii) the RC has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and (iii) state and local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing in relation to the COVID-19 public health crisis and, further, (3) authorize all legislative bodies of the Southern California Association of Government (SCAG), including the RC, EAC and all committees and task forces established by the RC or SCAG's Bylaws, to utilize remote teleconference meetings pursuant to and in compliance with Brown Act provisions contained in Government Code Section 54953(e).



STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom issued a Proclamation of State of Emergency pursuant to Government Code Section 8625 in relation to the COVID-19 public health crisis. Notwithstanding significant declines in COVID-19-related cases and hospitalizations from the winter of 2021-22 and the relaxing of COVID-19-related mandates, this State of Emergency is still in force. Additionally, recent variants (such as variant b.a.5) have increased positivity in test results and hospitalizations in the region, though the recent increase has been leveling or falling in certain areas. Social distancing measures are also still being recommended, as further discussed below. Further, while recent increases in positive COVID-19 test results did not result in a public health order mandating masks (as was contemplated and reported in many press outlets), the Los Angeles Public Health Officer continues to monitor case numbers, and has not ruled out mandatory masking in the future should circumstances change. Amendments to the Brown Act in Government Code section 54953(e) (hereafter, "Section 54953(e)") allow *legislative* bodies conduct remote/teleconferenced meetings without posting the location of teleconferenced meeting sites or making such sites available to the public (as is required by Section 54953(b)(3)), provided that certain conditions facilitating "real time" public participation and other requirements are satisfied. SCAG's Regional Council Policy Manual permits the holding of remote and teleconferenced meetings in the manner permitted by Section 54953(e). Teleconference meetings include meetings that are held in a "hybrid" manner (that is, with both remote and "in-person" participation, and where the public is not permitted to attend in-person).

Since the enactment of Section 54953(e), the EAC, SCAG's Policy Committees, its other committees and the RC have met pursuant to Section 54953(e), subdivision (1)(A). SCAG's legislative bodies may continue meeting pursuant to Section 54953(e) provided that certain findings are made to continue doing so. Further, to continue meeting in such manner, the meetings must be held pursuant to the requirements of subdivision (e) of Section 54953.

This staff report includes findings that the EAC and RC can make to continue meeting remotely. Action by the EAC and RC will facilitate and authorize all of SCAG's legislative bodies (the RC, EAC, Policy Committees, other committees and task forces) to continue utilizing teleconference/videoconference meetings for a thirty-day period. Further continuation of this practice would require the EAC and/or RC to reconsider the then-current circumstances and make findings accordingly.

BACKGROUND:

The United States Secretary of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency based on the threat cause by COVID-19 on January 31, 2020. The President of the United States





issued a Proclamation Declaring a National State of Emergency Concerning COVID-19 beginning March 1, 2020. Thereafter, the Governor of California issued a Proclamation of State of Emergency pursuant to Government Code Section 8625 in relation to the COVID-19 public health crisis on March 4, 2020. This proclamation has not yet been repealed or rescinded and is currently in force, notwithstanding declines in in COVID-19-related cases and hospitalizations from rates in the 2021-22 wintertime and the general relaxing of COVID-19-related mandates. As a result, a state of emergency continues to be declared in California with respect to COVID-19. Additionally, COVID-19 variants, including the b.a.5 variant, have recently demonstrated that the virus continues to transmit in public places, as evidenced by increase positivity in test results and an increase in COVID-related hospitalizations in the region, though recently these numbers have flattened or declined in certain areas. Recent increases in positive COVID-19 test results have led to significant discussion in late July as to whether a public health order mandating masks may be issued. While no mandatory masking policy was ordered by the Los Angeles Public Health Officer in July, Los Angeles County continues to monitor case numbers and the Public Health Officer has not ruled out mandatory masking in the future, should circumstances warrant.

Pursuant to Assembly Bill (AB) 361, which amended the Brown Act's teleconferencing provisions, Section 54953(e) allows legislative bodies to meet virtually without posting the remote meeting locations and without providing public access at such locations (as is generally required by section 54953(b)(3)), provided there is a state of emergency, and either (1) state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing or (2) the legislative body determines by majority vote that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees. Additionally, Section 54953(e) imposes transparency requirements to the management of remote and teleconference public meetings held under this section. Specifically, Section 54953(e) imposes two requirements for remote public meetings:

- Public agencies hosting teleconference meetings pursuant to Section 54953(e) in lieu of traditional in-person or teleconferenced meetings must permit direct "real time" public comment during the teleconference and must leave open the opportunity for public comment until the comment period is closed during the ordinary course of the meeting. The opportunity to make public comment must be of a sufficient duration to allow actual public participation.
- 2. Any action by the governing body during a public teleconference meeting held under Section 54953(e) must occur while the agency is actively and successfully broadcasting to members of the public through a call-in option or an internet-based service option. If a technical disruption within the agency's control prevents members of the public from either viewing the meeting of the public agency or prevents members of the public from offering public comment, the agency must cease all action on the meeting agenda until the disruption ends and the broadcast is restored.



SCAG has implemented the requirements for conducting public meetings in compliance with the prior executive orders and Section 54953(e). Teleconference accessibility via call-in option or an internet-based service option (via the Zoom Webinars platform) is listed on the published agenda for each meeting of SCAG legislative bodies, and on SCAG's website. Further, SCAG provides access for public comment opportunities in real time at the time noted on the agenda. The holding of remote meetings in compliance with Section 54953(e) promotes the public interests of facilitating robust public participation on a remote platform and, further, protecting the public, SCAG's members and its employees when congregating indoors and against recent variants (including variants b.a.4, b.a.5 and emerging variants) that pose health risks. Providing remote meetings also allows for the fully participation of SCAG's governing board members and staff who otherwise have tested positive, are mildly ill, and would be unable to personally attend meetings at SCAG's offices but for the accommodations in Section 54953(e). Recent SCAG meetings have included remote participation of either staff or committee members who have been ill with COVID-19 and, but for remote participation, would not have attended in person due to communicable illness.

Since the enactment of Section 54953(e), the EAC, SCAG's Policy Committees, its other committees and the RC have met pursuant to provisions in Government Code section 54953(e)(1)(A) because a declared state of emergency exists and County of Los Angeles Public Health Department and the City of Los Angeles currently recommends a variety of social distancing measures (including recommended masking, recommending avoidance of crowded indoor spaces and to maintain six feet of social distancing, especially in cases where, as is the case here, the vaccination status of persons outside your household is unknown).¹ The continued importance of social distancing measures is exemplified by current local health order recommendations to continue adhering to public health measures and recognition that local agencies and businesses may desire to adhere to more stringent health protocols than formally mandated.²

SCAG's legislative bodies may continue meeting pursuant to Section 54953(e) if certain findings are periodically made and provided, further, that such meetings continue to be held pursuant to the requirements of subdivision (e) of Section 54953. The required findings include: (1) the legislative

https://www.lamayor.org/sites/g/files/wph1781/files/page/file/20220304%20SAFER%20LA%20ORDER%202020.0 3.19%20%28REV%202022.03.04%29.pdf (City of Los Angeles Mayoral Order), noting "All persons living and working within the City of Los Angeles should continue to always practice required and recommended COVID-19 infection control measures at all times and when among other persons when in community, work, social, or school settings, especially when multiple unvaccinated persons from different households may be present and in close contact with each other, especially when in indoor or crowded outdoor settings." Also, noting "Consistent and correct mask use (covering nose and mouth) is especially important indoors when in close contact with others (less than six feet from) who are not fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or whose vaccination status is unknown."

¹ See https://coronavirus.lacity.org/ (visited March 9, 2022) Los Angeles County Public Health Department notation that social distancing is still a recommended practice.

² See



body has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and (2) that either (i) state or local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing or (ii) an in-person meeting would constitute an imminent risk to the safety of attendees.

SCAG's Regional Policy Manual permits holding teleconference/videoconference meetings and permits the President to waive certain requirements in the Policy Manual where state law permits such waiver. Likewise, SCAG's Bylaws authorize the EAC to make decisions and take actions binding on SCAG if such decisions or actions are necessary prior to the next regular meeting of the Regional Council. (Art. V.C(3)(a).) Given the Regional Council did not meet in August, the EAC made finding acting on behalf of the RC at the EAC's August 3, 2022 special meeting. Today's action will ratify this August 3, 2022 action of the EAC. Further, given the RC's regular meeting on September 1st will occur following the meeting of the EAC on August 31st and Policy Committee meetings held earlier on July 1st, SCAG's Bylaws authorize the EAC to make the findings contained in this staff report.

If the findings below are made, all SCAG legislative bodies (i.e., the RC, EAC, Policy Committees and other SCAG committees and task forces) are authorized to meet pursuant to Section 54953(e) for thirty days. Further continuation beyond this period would require the EAC and/or RC to reconsider the then-current circumstances.

FINDINGS:

The recommendations in this staff report are based on the following facts and findings, made pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3), which are incorporated into the recommended action taken by the EAC and RC, as noted above:

1. The EAC and RC have reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency initially declared by the Governor on March 4, 2020, pursuant to section 8625 of the California Emergency Services Act, relating to the COVID-19 public health crisis and find that the declaration remains in effect. The continuation of virtual meetings will allow for full participation by members of the public, consistent with continued social distancing recommendations, and will facilitate the purposes of such social distancing recommendations by preventing large crowds from congregating at in indoor facilities for extended periods of time. Given that the vaccination status of meeting participants (including members of the public) is not known, it is prudent to use caution in protecting the health of the public, SCAG's employees and its membership where, as here, adequate virtual means exist to permit the meeting to occur by teleconference/videoconference with the public being afforded the ability to comment in real time. ³ Additionally, continuing

https://www.lamayor.org/sites/g/files/wph1781/files/page/file/20220304%20SAFER%20LA%20ORDER%202020.0 3.19%20%28REV%202022.03.04%29.pdf, noting "People at risk for severe illness or death from COVID-19–such as

³ See



virtual meetings allows for the fully participation of SCAG's governing board members and staff who otherwise have tested positive, are mildly ill, and would be unable to personally attend meetings at SCAG's offices but for the accommodations in Section 54953(e). Allowing the continued participation of mildly ill persons by remote means while they isolate promotes the public interest and, in fact, has permitted staff and governing board members to fully participate in prior meetings.

2. The EAC and RC find that state and local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing as exemplified by the discussion and footnoted provisions above. Further the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health and City of Los Angeles continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing, including recommendations to avoid crowded indoor spaces and to maintain six feet of social distancing, especially in cases where the vaccination status of persons outside a person's household is unknown. The continued importance of social distancing measures is exemplified by recent health order recommending the need to continued adherence to public health measures and recognition that local agencies and businesses may desire to adhere to more stringent health protocols than formally mandated. Finally, SCAG's primary offices and its regional offices remain closed to the public in relation to the COVID-19 emergency declaration.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends the actions described above be taken based on the findings contained in this staff report. Should further remote meetings pursuant to Section 54953(e) be warranted, the EAC and/or RC are required to reconsider the circumstances and make findings to continue holding meetings in this manner.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

unvaccinated older adults and unvaccinated individuals with underlying medical conditions associated with higher risk for severe COVID-19—and members of their household, should defer participating in activities with other people outside their household where taking protective measures, including wearing face masks and social distancing, may not occur or will be difficult, especially indoors or in crowded spaces. For those who are not yet fully vaccinated, staying home or choosing outdoor activities as much as possible with physical distancing from other households whose vaccination status is unknown is the best way to prevent the risk of COVID-19 transmission."



AGENDA ITEM 2 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017

September 1, 2022

To: Transportation Committee (TC)

Regional Council (RC)

From: Hannah Brunelle, Senior Planner

(213) 236-1907, brunelle@scag.ca.gov

Subject: Digital Equity Call for Action to Increase Access to Affordable Broadband

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

APPROVAL

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RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR RC:

Approve Resolution No. 22-646-2 to set forth a digital equity Call for Action to increase access to affordable broadband throughout Southern California and invite cities and counties within the SCAG region to partner with SCAG to support regional engagement.

RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR TC:

Receive and File

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On July 7, 2022, the California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF) provided an overview of their marketing campaign for the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) to SCAG's Transportation Committee.¹ As stated in the previous staff report and presentation; to provide access to affordable internet to unserved and underserved areas across the region, SCAG is partnering with CETF for a Digital Equity Call for Action to leverage and bolster the existing campaign for the ACP. SCAG seeks to explore opportunities to support the promotion of the ACP in alignment with SCAG's Vehicles Miles Traveled (VMT) reduction goals and equity commitments, as established in SCAG's commitment to racial equity in the July 2020 Resolution and the adopted Racial Equity Early Action Plan. This pilot is also in support of SCAG's "Go Human Evolution" project. The "Go Human Evolution" project provides a framework for leveraging Go Human's successful community engagement strategies across a variety of programmatic areas, extending beyond active transportation and mobility justice and into areas related to housing, broadband, and other key planning areas.

¹ Regional Campaign Efforts for the Affordable Connectivity Program. Accessible at: https://scag.ca.gov/sites/main/files/file-attachments/tc070722fullpacket.pdf?1656643349 (Agenda Item 9, Packet Page. 127).



For this presentation, the California Emerging Technology Fund (Sunne McPeak and Marissa Canche) and SAESHE, Inc. will provide an overview regarding an overview of the state of broadband, funding sources, and their ACP Campaign. SCAG Staff will provide an overview of SCAG's role in promoting the ACP campaign and its linkage to SCAG's Go Human Program.

BACKGROUND:

On November 15, 2021, Congress approved \$14.2 Billion for the ACP as part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).² ACP is the FCC successor program to the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program (EBB) which began on May 12, 2021 and ended on December 30, 2021. The ACP is a longer-term solution to the EBB and the benefit is expected to last for 4 to 5 years.

ACP helps ensure that households can afford the broadband they need for work, school, healthcare and more. ACP provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month per households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop, computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 towards the purchase price. The ACP is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household.

The enrollment process requires two steps: (1) apply for approval to the FCC; and (2) choose and contact a participating Internet Service Provider (ISP) to select an eligible plan and have the discount applied to the monthly bill.

ACP Eligibility Criteria:

A household is eligible for the ACP if the household income is at or below \$200 of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, or if a member of the household meets at least one of the criteria below:

- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income internet program
- Participates in one of these assistance programs:
 - The National School Lunch Program or the School Breakfast Program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision
 - o SNAP
 - Medicaid
 - Federal Public Housing Assistance
 - Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
 - WIC
 - Veterans Pension or Survivor Benefits or Lifeline

² Affordable Connectivity Program available at: https://www.affordableconnectivity.gov/



- Participates in one of these assistance programs and lives on Qualifying Tribal Lands:
 - o Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
 - Tribal TANF
 - o Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations
 - Tribal Head Start (income based)

The ACP Program allows for ISPs to provide both wireline (Fiber/Cable) and wireless (5G) services.³

Work Efforts and Partnership with CETF:

The California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF) a non-profit organization established in 2005 and pursuant to the orders from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).⁴ CETF has been working through bridging the digital divide through the catalyzing of five (5) overall strategies: (1) Civic Leader Engagement; (2) Venture Philanthropy Grantmaking; (3) Public Policy Initiatives; (4) Public Awareness and Education; and (5) Strategic Partnerships. These overall strategies have resulted in technical studies, policy initiatives and seed capital to grants for non-profit and governmental organizations.

On March 2, 2022, CETF President and CEO (Sunne McPeak) and Senior Vice President (Susan Walters) provided an overview of ACP to the California Broadband Council (CBC) with a "Call to Action." CBC embraced the Call to Action and officially recognized that over 5 million Households in California are eligible for ACP and adopted a Goal 90% Enrollment in ACP (4.5 million Households) by 2024 and 95% (4.75M) by 2027 which are consistent with goals in the Affordable Internet and Net Equality Act of 2022 (AB2751).

Since the enactment of ACP, CETF in partnership with SAESHE Inc.⁵, have been meeting with county, city, public health, education and community-based organizations (CBO) leaders to discuss how they can accelerate ACP sign ups. CETF has been providing toolkits at a pro-bono basis to those that will need financial and strategic support and have coordinated with said agencies and organizations to bolster a public awareness advertisement campaign via flyers, pamphlets, and videos (See Attachment 1 – Sample Ad Campaign).

While local jurisdictions have expressed concern over the cost of an advertising campaign, CETF along with SAESHE Inc. have provided education and a work model to conduct a campaign in a cost-effective and timely manner. For example, the Los Angeles County has spent approximately \$255,000 on advertisement and CETF have provided additional support and spent approximately \$100,000 to manage a call center, with assistance from CBOs. As a result, enrollment have increased by 44% in December 2021.

³ A list of qualifying providers can be found at: https://www.fcc.gov/affordable-connectivity-program-providers#California

⁴ For more information regarding CETF, please visit: https://www.cetfund.org/

⁵ For more information regarding Saeshe Inc., please visit: https://saeshe.com/



Critical tools provided to the County are content for community television, radio, and social media; collateral that includes flyers, banners, and brochures; management of the ad mix and management of a distributed call center. In the CETF-LA County partnership, SAESHE Inc. assists by reviewing the call volume daily and coordinates with media outlets. CBO Partners and CETF reviews the numbers on a weekly basis to track adoption metrics.

About Go Human

Go Human is a nationally recognized, award winning community engagement program with the goals of reducing traffic collisions and encouraging people to walk and bike more in the SCAG region. The Go Human campaign is a collaboration between SCAG and the health departments, transportation commissions, and other local partners from six counties in the region – Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura. The Go Human campaign was originally launched in 2015 to reduce traffic collisions and encourage people to walk and bike more.

Since its inception, *Go Human* activities have expanded the conversation beyond vehicular violence into a variety of programs that mainly fall into co-branded safety advertising and messaging, tactical demonstrations, and local champion engagement. The program has successfully engaged local partners across a variety of engagement efforts, including awarding over \$880,000 to 106 CBOs across four funding rounds of the *Go Human* Mini-Grant Program. Through co-branded advertising efforts, *Go Human* has engaged over 126 partners and achieved 1.3 billion impressions. The program has partnered with over 60 jurisdictions to demonstrate safety improvements, resulting in over 1/3 of local projects implemented. Additionally, the program engaged 49 local safety champions through the Community Ambassador Program, leading safety initiatives in their communities. For the next phase of *Go Human*, the program looks to build on successes and leverage the strengths of equitable engagement strategies to expand toward supporting broader agency-wide planning and equity goals.

Pilot Program Overview:

Given the timeliness of this issue and potential overlapping partners through *Go Human* (transit providers, cities, schools, housing developers, CBOs), these pilot efforts allow SCAG to operationalize *Go Human* tactics, such as co-branded advertisements, tactical demonstrations, community ambassadors, etc., to other planning and policy issues. This program will incorporate a direct planning element in the engagement in addition to general outreach for the ACP, including collecting survey data to inform regional broadband planning and support digital equity and accessibility.

While the goal of the ACP is to provide underserved communities access to the internet, signing up for the ACP program requires a household to apply via the internet. This presents a challenge as those without access do not have the ability to sign up. Further, ISP outreach has been challenging



as there are not adequate resources available to assist households. Additionally, language barriers present a challenge as outreach is not accessible in multiple languages. This program aims to close these gaps and support digital equity and accessibility through local engagement and providing strategic resources to communities to bolster the ACP.

This program scope includes four main components, including the following:

- The development of an outreach plan utilizing effective best practices established through *Go Human* including strategies to effectively reach target communities, especially hard to reach communities including communities of color, historically disinvested communities, and Tribal Governments.
- The creation of a *Go Human* ACP Local Toolkit as a resource for local governments and CBOs.
- The development of a "Digital Navigator" cohort program to lead community engagement efforts in local agencies across the region.
- The development of a sponsorship program and outreach to participating Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to bolster the program.

The program will develop a Toolkit and provide direct support to communities in the SCAG region to implement the Toolkit strategies. The Toolkit will also serve as a resource to eligible areas more broadly, promoted through targeted outreach and partner engagement. The program will also develop cohorts of "Digital Navigators" in counties across the region to lead ACP enrollment in their communities and implement strategies outlined in the Toolkit. Lastly, this pilot will include a sponsorship program to bolster the campaign and local engagement efforts. In coordination with CETF, SCAG will conduct outreach to ISPs and members of the Business Community to raise funding to increase support for the campaign initiatives and awareness of the ACP.

Program Benefits

This effort aligns with directives set forth in Resolution 21-629-2⁶, which pledges SCAG to assist in bridging the digital divide as well as equity commitments, as established in Resolution 20-62-2⁷ which establishes SCAG's commitment to racial equity. This pilot program includes a variety of cobenefits, including reducing Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) and Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHG) through access to services via affordable broadband, and bridging the digital divide and supporting digital equity and accessibility.

The key program benefits include the following:

- VMT + GHG Reduction
 - Telework

⁶ Resolution 21-629-2. Available at: https://scag.ca.gov/sites/main/files/file-attachments/resolution no. 21-629-2 - _support to increase broadband access.pdf?1646942018

Resolution 20-623-2. Available at: https://scag.ca.gov/sites/main/files/file-attachments/rcresolution206232.pdf?1604640361



- Tele-health
- o Tele-education
- E-Commerce
- Access to financial services

Access to government resources

- Other subsidy programs
 - WIC
 - SNAP
 - EBT
 - Medicare/MediCal

• Public Health & Health Equity

- o Reduction of VMT can lead to less particulate matter (PM) dispersed within the underserved communities
- Access to a range of opportunities through telework, small businesses, better education
- Underserved communities can reinvest in their communities and contribute to the tax revenue
- Access to essential public health information, guidance, testing and vaccination resources

Disability Justice

 Access to the internet is a strategic resource for disabled community members, providing access to inclusion, education, employment opportunities and more.

Next Steps:

For next steps, the project team will collaborate with partners promoting the ACP campaign to finalize a scope of work and hire a consultant to support this effort. In collaboration with partners, SCAG seeks to confirm areas of opportunity and approaches to supporting and expanding ACP promotion efforts through *Go Human* engagement strategies. The program will leverage engagement with *Go Human* partners and expand ACP promotion efforts.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Staff work on this program is funded through the approved OWP numbers, 050.4920.01 - Go Human Evolution and 100.4901.01 - Broadband Planning. \$150,000 is available in the approved FY23 OWP number 050.4920.01 - Go Human Evolution for a consultant.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Resolution No. 22-646-2 Digital Equity Call for Action Increase Access to Affordable Broadband
- 2. PowerPoint Presentation Digital Equity Call for Action to Increase Access to Affordable Broadband 2spp



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RESOLUTION NO. 22-646-6

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS SETTING FORTH A DIGITAL EQUITY CALL FOR ACTION TO INCREASE ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE BROADBAND THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) is a Joint Powers Agency established pursuant to California Government Code Section 6502 et seq.;

WHEREAS, SCAG is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the counties of Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, Ventura, Orange and Imperial, pursuant to Title 23, United States Code Section 134(d);

WHEREAS, SCAG is responsible for bringing Southern California's diverse residents and local partners together with unifying regional plans, policies, and programs that result in healthy, sustainable, and economically resilient communities;

WHEREAS, on July 2, 2020, the Regional Council adopted Resolution Number 20-623-2, which recognizes SCAG's role in understanding and communicating the impacts of planning decisions on low-income families, communities of color, and other disadvantaged communities;

WHEREAS, approximately 15 percent of all households within the SCAG region do not have access to adequate internet speeds or have no internet access¹;

WHEREAS, these households are disproportionately located in underserved urban communities and rural communities;

WHEREAS, on February 2, 2021, the Regional Council adopted Resolution Number 21-629-2, which recognizes the need to close the digital divide and provide long-term community benefits that include the ability to fully engage in the digital economy, access existing and emerging services, expands economic opportunities, and is a viable strategy which assists in reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and reduction in vehicle miles traveled (VMT);

WHEREAS, the United States Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has established the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) to help ensure households can afford the broadband needed for work, school, healthcare, and more;

¹ U.S. Census ACS Survey Data, Household Income in the Last 12 months by Presence and Type of Internet Subscriptions by Household (SCAG Region).

WHEREAS, the ACP provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands;

WHEREAS, the ACP also provides eligible households a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price;

WHEREAS, the California Broadband Council (CBC) initiated a "Call for Action" which recognized that over 5 million households in California are eligible for ACP and set a goal to reach a 90% enrollment rate (4.5 million) of eligible households by 2024 and 95% (4.75 million) of eligible households by 2027, which are consistent with the goals of the Affordable Internet and Net Equality Act of 2022 (AB 2751);

WHEREAS, to date, approximately 25% (1.5 million) of eligible households have signed up for ACP and further support is needed to bolster the ACP campaign;

WHEREAS, SCAG's *Go Human* Program is a proven and successful engagement model to reduce traffic collisions and encourage people to walk and bike more through a variety of local planning and partnership strategies;

WHEREAS, leveraging successful *Go Human* engagement strategies for supporting access to broadband would bolster the ACP campaign and provide support to cities, counties, and other partners currently implementing the ACP campaign;

WHEREAS, SCAG, in partnership with the California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF), would accelerate enrollment in the ACP and fill in existing gaps in the current reach of the campaign through local engagement;

WHEREAS, supporting and expanding the ACP campaign would help bridge the digital divide and support digital equity and accessibility, and support SCAG's commitment to address racial, social, and economic equity throughout the SCAG region (Resolution 20-623-2);

WHEREAS, increasing access to affordable broadband via the ACP, thereby increasing digital equity and accessibility, would assist in VMT reduction, consistent with the goals and strategies set forth in the 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategies (Connect SoCal); and

WHEREAS, bolstering the ACP to bridge the digital divide and support digital equity and accessibility would assist in the development of future Regional Transportation Plans/Sustainable Communities Strategies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments:

- 1. Joins with the CBC and CETF in a "Call for Action" to achieve 90% enrollment rate (4.5 million) of eligible households in ACP by 2024 and 95% (4.75 million) of eligible households by 2027 to provide access to affordable broadband to help bridge the digital divide and support digital equity and accessibility;
- 2. Calls on Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to work with SCAG, local jurisdictions, and other partners to contribute to the ACP campaign and assist in bridging the digital divide;
- 3. Supports and commits to playing an active leadership role in fostering collaboration with local jurisdictions within the SCAG region, broadband providers, school districts (K-12), community college districts, universities, community-based organizations, business partners, CETF, MPOs, the State of California, and other federal and regional organizations to expand support for the ACP;
- 4. Invites and encourages cities and counties within the SCAG region to partner with SCAG to support outreach for the ACP and increase enrollment in the program;
- 5. Hereby directs staff to pilot *Go Human* engagement strategies to expand support for the ACP and issue a "Call for Action" to local agencies, which may include but are not limited to the following:
 - a. Leverage and form partnerships with entities conducting ACP outreach efforts, including existing partners through CETF;
 - b. Issue strategic communications and a "Call for Action" inviting local agencies and CBOs to partner and participate with SCAG on the campaign;
 - c. Develop an outreach plan to leverage successful *Go Human* strategies to reach eligible communities;
 - d. Develop a multi-lingual local government toolkit with tangible strategies, creative, and other resources to support outreach for the ACP;
 - e. Pilot a Digital Navigator cohort program to lead the implementation of the toolkit strategies in target communities across the SCAG region;
 - f. Conduct outreach to ISPs to pilot a sponsorship program to bolster the campaign;
 - g. Conduct a survey to participants using the toolkit resources to measure success and track outcomes;
 - h. Based on SCAG's findings, utilize the data for upcoming and future Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategies.
 - i. Provide periodic updates and metrics regarding ACP sign-ups within the SCAG region to the Regional Council.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments at its regular meetings this 1st day of September 2022.

Jan C. Harnik
President, SCAG
Riverside County Transportation Commission
Attested by:
Kome Ajise
Executive Director
Approved as to Form:
Michael R.W. Houston Chief Counsel



Southern California Association of Governments California Emerging Technology Fund



- Statewide Non-Profit Organization
- Member of California Broadband Council
- Annual Report to Legislature for Accountability

Terminology

Digital Divide: Challenge
Digital Inclusion: Process
Digital Equity: Result



What is the Digital Divide?

- The gap between those with Internet access and those without it.
- There is not one Divide but multiple Divides!
- Availability: Lack of infrastructure or internet service provider (ISP) service, diverse pool of internet service providers and/or devices.
- > Affordability: Unaffordable subscription rates.
- > Quality of Service: Insufficient upload and download speeds.
- Digital Literacy: Lack of skills to use devices, navigate the Internet, understand jargon, and troubleshoot issues.



Impacts of Digital Inequities

Those without are at a disadvantage and cannot access:

- > Telehealth
- > Tele-Education
- Financial Services
- Remote Work
- Emergency Services

Divide is ever-apparent because of the COVID-19 Pandemic



Ubiquitous Deployment – Universal Adoption SCAG Is Leading the Way!



- Deployment: RFQPP Process
 - State Middle-Mile Network: 10,000 Miles
 - Priority Last-Mile Projects: Target >3 Priority Last-Mile Projects in SCAG Region
 - California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) California Advanced Services Fund (CASF)
 Federal Funding Account (FFA)
 - > CPUC CASF Infrastructure Grants Account
 - CPUC Local Agency Technical Assistance Grants
- Adoption: Go Human Initiative and ACP
 6M HHs in SCAG Region: 2.88M HHs Eligible (48%); 30% Enrolled
 - CPUC CASF Adoption
 - CPUC CASF Public Housing Accounts
 - > Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Funding for ACP Outreach

Proposed Partnership between SCAG and CETF SCAG Is Leading the Way!



- CETF has met with County, City, Public Health, CBOs, and ISPs to discuss ways to accelerate ACP sign-ups.
- CETF has provided Tool Kits, services, and strategies to those that need financial and strategic support.
- Challenges remain with raising funds and securing commitment from ISPs, and there is lack of awareness and capacity among Local Governments.
- > SCAG can lead local engagement and sponsorship of initiatives.



Get Connected California! Program

Progress to Date:

- Completed 14 State Partners Weekly Calls
- Completed 12 Information Sessions
- Completed 15 ACP Training Sessions
- Collected 200 Responses from Interest Form

Notable Accomplishments:

- Completed CDE Letter to School Districts
- Confirmed NSLP/CEP Verification Letter
- Coordinated CBO's and Volunteers to Staff Enrollment Sites throughout California

August 27 Enrollment Events – 24 Sites in 12 Counties

- Alameda Newark
- Fresno Firebaugh, Huron, Kerman, and Parlier
- Imperial Calipatria and Heber
- Los Angeles Los Angeles and Palmdale
- Napa Napa
- Nevada Nevada City
- San Bernardino Fontana and Hesperia
- San Diego San Diego and San Marcos
- San Luis Obispo San Miguel
- Santa Barbara Santa Barbara, Carpinteria, Lompoc, Santa Maria, New Cuyama
- Santa Clara San Jose
- Yuba Wheatland



How Can Cities Get Involved?

Cities in Los Angeles County:

Share ACP information with the community via available City communication channels (Materials are already developed and printed by Los Angeles County):

- Post on social media, e-newsletter, website (web banners, text messages, social press kit).
- Distribute flyers (local library, senior centers, clinics, parks and recreation centers).
- Enlist school districts, utilities, other entities that serve the eligible population to help spread the word.
- Host ACP Enrollment Events.



How Can Cities Get Involved?

Cities in other Counties:

Encourage your County to join *Get Connected California!* and collaborate with CETF. You can start within your City by doing the following:

- Post on social media, e-newsletter, website (web banners, text messages, social press kit).
- Distribute flyers (local library, senior centers, clinics, and community centers).
- Enlist school districts, utilities, other entities that serve the eligible population to help spread the word.
- Host ACP Enrollment Events.



How Can Counties Get Involved?

Join Get Connected California!

CETF has a turnkey program that can be implemented in any County to promote ACP cost-effectively:

- Distribution Call Center (Multiple languages)
- Statewide Grantee Network / Digital Navigators
- ACP Training
- Broadband Research and Policy Updates
- ACP Enrollment Data
- Creative Assets: TV, Radio, Social Media, Print, Outdoor, Collateral, and More
- Customization of the existing CETF ACP campaign materials.
- Explore cost sharing opportunity with neighboring Counties/Cities in the media DMA.

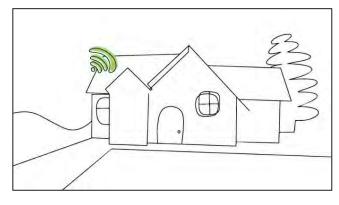


Website and Fliers Available In:

- English
- Spanish
- Vietnamese
- Chinese
- Korean









<u>TV</u> Outdoor

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Promote Get Connected California!

Four Things you Can Do to Get Households Enrolled

- 1. Distribute ACP Enrollment Fliers
- 2. Distribute Household Information Packets
- 3. Help Households Enroll
- 4. Promote an ACP Enrollment Site Near You
 - a. Confirmed Sites are **Here**

Other Promotional Tools are Available





Promote Get Connected California!

Everything You Need in Two Places

- 1. Dropbox
 - a. Host Site Planning Manual
 - b. Household Information Packets
 - c. Promotional Materials
- 2. Internet For All Now Website





Next ACP Mobilization

Fall: October 2022 - Saturday, October 8, 2022

Spring: February / March 2023

Get Connected CA Interest Form:

https://forms.gle/c1zN21hGWZ4xBWBM9



Go Human Pilots Strategies to Expand Support for the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP)

WWW.SCAG.CA.GOV

Pilot Program Overview

- To bolster the existing campaign for the ACP, SCAG will leverage the partnership with the California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF) to support ACP outreach.
- SCAG seeks to partner with cities, counties, and community-based organizations (CBOs) to expand ACP outreach and increase signups in unserved and underserved areas.
- SCAG will utilize *Go Human* engagement strategies and build on *Go Human* partnerships to expand outreach.

SCAG's Commitment to Equity & Engagement

- July 2020: SCAG Board adopted <u>resolution</u> on Equity & Social Justice
- May 2021: SCAG
 Board adopted <u>Racial Equity</u>

 <u>Early Action Plan</u>
- SCAG Public Participation
 Plan





About *Go Human*

- Go Human was originally launched in 2015 to reduce traffic collisions and encourage people to walk and bike more.
- Since then, Go Human has expanded the conversation into a variety of initiatives.
- For the next phase of Go Human, the program looks to leverage successful engagement strategies to expand toward agency-wide planning goals.

Local Engagement & Partnerships



Go Human-Leverage & Build on Successes

Go Human Mini Grants

- 106 awardees across 4 funding rounds
- \$880k+ distributed

Co-Branded Advertising

- 126+ partners
- 1.3 billion impressions

Local Demonstrations

- 60+ partners
- 1/3 projects implemented

Local Champion Engagement

- 49 local leaders across 3 counties through Ambassadors Program
- 130 Safety Pledge signatories

Pilot Program Goals

Leverage successful Go Human local engagement strategies

Provide underserved/unserved areas access to affordable internet

Support health equity and disability justice by increasing access to affordable broadband

Expand existing partnerships and build new partners across the region

Support VMT and GHG reduction by increasing access to e-commerce, tele-education, etc.

Implement policy direction of SCAGs adopted Racial Equity Early Action Plan

Pilot Program Objectives

Target unserved and underserved areas based on ACP eligibility

Leverage existing partnerships and build new partners to reach eligible households

Pilot a sponsorship program to bolster the campaign

Develop a toolkit with tangible resources and strategies

Conduct local engagement through Digital Navigators program

Proposed Scope of Work

Local Engagement Throughout Process

Visioning & Strategy

- Partner identification
- Strategy development

Outreach Implementation

- Partnership development
- Targeted engagement
- Digital Navigators Cohort

Local Government Toolkit

- Co-branded messaging
- Strategies & engagement practices

Sponsorship Program

 Engage ISPs to provide sponsorships to bolster campaign

Evaluation & Final Report

- Survey collection & analysis
- Summary report & next steps

Timeline & Next Steps

Refine Scope of Work

September 2022

Collaborate with CETF and partners promoting the ACP

September 2022

Release RFP

• October 2022

Initiate Sponsorship Strategy & Outreach

October 2022

Kick-Off Pilot Program

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AGENDA ITEM 3 REPORT

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To: Regional Council (RC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

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Subject: REAP 2021 Subregional Partnership 2.0 Program Guidelines

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Regional Council:

1) Approve and adopt the REAP 2021 Subregional Partnership 2.0 Program Guidelines; and

2) Authorize the SCAG Executive Director or his designee to revise the Guidelines as needed for compliance with the state REAP 2.0 program and/or feedback from the State's REAP 2.0 program team, and to enter into agreements with the designated subregional partners under this program and execute all documents incident to the agreements, including issuance of conditional award letters.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians. 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy. 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration. 7: Secure funding to support agency priorities to effectively and efficiently deliver work products.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Staff is seeking Regional Council approval of the Subregional Partnership (SRP) 2.0 program guidelines, included as Attachment 1, as well as actions that will all Staff to implement the program. Since the CEHD Committee reviewed and recommended adoption on July 7, 2022, the guidelines have been revised to comply with the final REAP 2.0 Program Guidelines which were published on July 26, 2022. A summary of the changes is provided in this report.

The guidelines have been developed with input from the Subregional Councils of Government to align with the adopted SCAG REAP 2021 (REAP 2.0) Program Framework and the state's final REAP 2.0 Program Guidelines. The SRP 2.0 program, geographic eligibility, definition for infill, and suballocation amount and methodology, however, are still under review by the state, and therefore remain subject to change. SCAG staff is meeting regularly with representatives from the



REAP 2.0 state partner agencies and will update the SRP 2.0 guidelines as needed to conform with REAP 2.0 funding requirements. Any adjustments will be reported to the Regional Council.

The SRP 2.0 application period will open on September 16, 2022, and will close at midnight on February 10, 2023, contingent on staff securing final direction from the state on the outstanding items noted above. To receive funding from SRP 2.0 applicants must submit an application or Intent to Apply for Program Funding by 5:00 p.m. on September 30, 2022. SCAG staff will meet regularly with subregional partners to provide guidance on the application submittal. Conditional award letters shall be distributed within 60 days of a complete application received from an applicant for a suballocation (not inclusive of encumbrance or an executed Standard Agreement).

BACKGROUND:

The state's Regional Early Action Program (REAP) 2.0 grant supports accelerating housing production, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and aiding historically underserved communities and areas of concentrated poverty through the following program objectives:

- 1. Accelerating Infill Development that Facilitates Housing Supply, Choice, and Affordability;
- 2. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing; and
- 3. Reducing Vehicle Miles Traveled.

REAP 2.0 (REAP 2021) is a grant program established by AB 140 (July 2021) in the mid-year budget revise for the State's FY 21-22 budget. Funding comes from the state general fund, and approximately \$600 million is available statewide. The program is available to regional entities, primarily metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), through a combination of formula and competitive-based programs. The SCAG region formula share is \$246,024,084.

The California Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) is the state's administrative lead for the program and worked in collaboration with the Strategic Growth Council (SGC), Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR), and State Air Resources Board (CARB) to develop detailed guidelines for implementation. All REAP 2021 funds are to be obligated by June 30, 2024 and expended with a final closeout report due by June 30, 2026.

On July 7, 2022, the Regional Council approved SCAG's REAP 2021 Program Development Framework, which outlines the core objectives, guiding principles, programmatic areas, major milestones, and schedule for suballocating funds SCAG will receive through the state REAP 2.0 grant program. The Framework includes three major funding programs: the Early Program Initiatives, the County Transportation Commission (CTC) Partnership Program, and the Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program (HSIP). The SRP 2.0 program is one of the early program initiatives, which also includes expansion of the Sustainable Communities Program, Go Human Initiative, and Regional Data Platform.





The Community, Economic and Human Development Committee reviewed and recommended that the Regional Council approve the SRP 2.0 program guidelines on July 7, 2022. The guidelines outline program requirements, eligible projects and applicants, and the application process. The guidelines also reflect the staff recommendation that \$23 million of SCAG's REAP 2.0 funding be set-aside to support this program consistent with the guiding principles established in the REAP 2021 Program Development Framework. Similar to the Subregional Partnership 1.0 program developed for REAP 1.0 funding, SRP 2.0 allocates funding to each subregional partner based on the 6th Cycle RHNA allocation. REAP 2.0 supports both planning and implementation, and eligible projects and activities will focus on implementing the programs identified in 6th cycle Housing Elements.

SCAG staff has continued to engage the subregional partners in developing and refining the SRP 2.0 program, while also conducting stakeholder engagement for the Housing Supportive Infrastructure program, CTC Partnership program, and the other Early Program Initiatives to develop guidelines, which will be brought forward as each is developed.

OUTREACH

The Subregional Partnership 2.0 program was developed in the SCAG REAP 2.0 Draft Program Framework following feedback from Subregional Councils of Government (COGs). A working draft SRP 2.0 program framework paper was developed for discussion purposes and during June 2022 SCAG staff met one on one with interested subregional COGs to identify interest in pursuing additional projects and to receive input in advance of developing draft SRP 2.0 program guidelines. Staff has met with the following Subregions and other eligible City/County staff: SBCTA, Westside Cities Council of Government, Coachella Valley Association of Government, Gateway Cities Council of Governments, San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments, South Bay Cities Council of Governments, Ventura Council of Governments, Imperial County Transportation Commission, Orange County Council of Governments, San Fernando Valley Council of Governments, Western Riverside Council of Governments, City of Los Angeles and County of Los Angeles. Based on these discussions and lessons learned from the administration of REAP 1.0 and SRP 1.0, SCAG developed the SRP 2.0 Program guidelines to provide context and requirements for sub-allocation projects.

SRP 2.0 GUIDELINES OVERVIEW

The SRP 2.0 guidelines provided as Attachment 1 to this report have been revised since the CEHD Committee reviewed and recommended adoption by the Regional Council on July 7, 2022. The revisions included in the guidelines do the following:

1) Comply with the final state REAP 2.0 guidelines. The state released the final Guidelines on July 26, 2022. REAP 2.0 funding no longer includes Federal dollars, and all funding will come from the state general fund. With this change, the State removed the coronavirus economic relief program objective. The REAP 2.0 program objectives have been reduced from four to three, which are: Accelerate infill development facilitating housing supply, choice, and





affordability; affirmatively further fair housing; and reduce vehicle miles traveled. The guidelines have been updated to reflect the change.

- 2) Extend the application window to February 10, 2023, allowing subregional partners additional time to submit a complete application. The time extension has been provided based on feedback from subregional partners that jurisdictions are still in the process of certifying housing elements and could use additional time to identify appropriate projects and file the SRP 2.0 application. The date to notify SCAG of intent to apply remains 5:00 p.m. on September 30, 2022;
- 3) Include activities eligible under the REAP 2.0 Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program as eligible activities under SRP 2.0, as long as it results in Housing Element implementation. Any funding that is not allocated in SRP 2.0 will be available through other programs in the Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program (HSIP). Including the eligible HSIP activities as eligible in SRP 2.0 provides additional connectivity and flexibility between the two programs;
- 4) Note that staff is coordinating review of the SRP 2.0 program, geographic eligibility, definition for infill, and suballocation amount and methodology with the state, and therefore the SRP 2.0 program guidelines remain subject to change based on feedback from the State funding partners. SCAG staff is meeting with representatives from the state partner agencies regularly on the REAP 2.0 funding application and will update the SRP 2.0 guidelines as needed to conform with REAP 2.0 funding requirements. Any adjustments will be reported to the subregional COGs and the Regional Council.

The Subregional Partnership (SRP) 2.0 program will allocate \$23 million on a non-competitive basis to subregional councils of governments (COGs) for REAP 2.0 eligible activities supporting cities and counties to implement projects and programs identified in their draft and/or final compliant Housing Element work plans. The proposed allocation is included in the SRP 2.0 Guidelines, on page 10, but may change if subregional partners do not submit an Intent to Apply by September 30th, 2022.

The SRP 2.0 program focuses on implementation of the region's housing elements as a means of investing in actions to accelerate infill development that facilities housing supply, choice, and affordability, affirmatively furthers fair housing and reduces vehicle miles traveled across the region. Additionally, the focus on Housing Element implementation recognizes these documents represent the local plans for realizing the RHNA and housing goals, and that it is SCAG's intent to support locally identified and approved planning tools and programs. SCAG has developed program guidelines, provided as Attachment 1, that outline program requirements, eligible projects and applicants, and the application process. The final REAP 2.0 program guidelines published by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) July 26, 2022, outline





contractual delegation for interpretation and accountability to SCAG from HCD to administer this type of program.

Based on the final REAP 2.0 Program Guidelines and aligning with the upcoming HCD-issued REAP 2021 notice of funding availability, and reflecting feedback from one-on-one meetings with the subregional COGs, the SRP 2.0 program guidelines include the following eligible activities and uses:

- Land use planning, related studies and/or programs that result in implementable/adoptable programs and policies (meaning subject to adoption or approval of the legislative body) required to meet the programs, projects and commitments in draft, adopted and/or compliant 6th cycle Housing Elements;
- Outreach supporting programs, projects or plans required in draft, adopted and/or compliant 6th cycle Housing Elements and are consistent with SCAG's adopted Racial Equity Early Action Plan;
- Housing strategies for increasing supply and lasting affordability including strategic planning and seed funding for subregional housing trust funds and community land trusts;
- Technical assistance to implement the eligible activities and uses listed above, including temporary staffing and consultant costs. The SRP 2.0 program can fund existing or temporary staff support to manage and implement eligible REAP 2.0 activities. Costs incurred by existing staff must clearly delineate and differentiate work that is funded by existing sources and is limited to work on REAP 2.0-eligible activities; and
- Eligible activities in the **Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program**, so long as the activities result in Housing Element implementation.

Qualifying projects will be authorized by SCAG after a consultation and application process. Funds are available on a reimbursement basis, requiring completed contractual deliverables. For the most part, approved projects and activities will be reimbursed directly by SCAG. To meet the reimbursement deadlines of REAP 2.0, all SRP funded projects must conclude by January 30, 2026. Expenditure reimbursement requires prior authorization of eligible projects and activities. SCAG may be subject to repayment of REAP 2.0 funds to HCD if it is found in breach of its agreement with HCD, which can occur if funds are used for ineligible activities. SCAG will require reimbursement from the subregional partner if REAP 2.0 funds must be returned to the state related to ineligible work in a subregional partnership agreement.

Eligible applicants for Subregional Partnership Program funding are limited to agencies designated as subregions under this program. While most of SCAG's fifteen defined subregional entities are





considered as subregions for this program, several jurisdictions have membership in more than one subregion. Additionally, several jurisdictions span more than one subregion. For these reasons, the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, and County of Riverside are considered as individual subregional partners under this program. (See the SRP 2.0 Program Guidelines Attachments for a complete list of eligible subregional partners).

If a subregional partner elects not to participate in the program by not submitting an application or notice of intent to apply for funding by 5:00 p.m. September 30, 2022, or if any subregional partnership funds remain unencumbered after the application deadline, these funds will be made available for projects in that subregion through the Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program. Applications will be reviewed by SCAG staff on an ongoing basis and will be assessed on eligibility, nexus to the REAP 2.0 program objectives and guidelines and SCAG regional priorities.

The SRP 2.0 application period will open once state concurrence is received on the program and suballocation methodology and will close at midnight on February 10, 2023, contingent on staff securing final direction from the state on the outstanding items noted above. Once an application is approved, SCAG will provide the subregional partner with a conditional award letter. Given the schedule requirements of the REAP 2.0 Guidelines to award suballocations, a conditional award letter shall be distributed within 60 days of receiving a complete application (not inclusive of encumbrance or an executed Standard Agreement). The final funding award will be approved by the Regional Council. For subregions electing to procure and/or manage the project, the subregional partner must enter into an agreement with SCAG. All projects and activities funded by this program must conclude by January 30, 2026.

NEXT STEPS

SCAG staff will continue to coordinate with the state to reach resolution on the overall SRP 2.0 program, geographic eligibility, definition for infill, and suballocation methodology and will update the SRP2 guidelines accordingly. Any adjustments will be reported to the Regional Council.

Based on lessons learned from the REAP 1 Program, SCAG staff is pursuing an aggressive timeline to assure subregional partners have sufficient time to complete projects within the grant directed timeframes, and to allow subregional partners to hire staff that can develop and administer the subregional projects. Through the end of this year, SCAG staff will survey subregional partners about proposed projects and encourage subregional partners to reach out to their respective jurisdictions. SCAG staff will also hold information consultation meetings with subregional representatives to discuss project eligibility and provide feedback as proposed project lists evolve.

Pending Regional Council adoption of the guidelines, the first date to file applications for SRP 2.0 projects will be the date that state concurrence is received on the program and the suballocation methodology. All applicants must submit an application or Intent to Apply for Program Funding by





5:00 p.m. on September 30, 2022, in order to receive funding from this program. All applications will be due to SCAG by midnight on February 10, 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Work associated with this item will be included in the FY22-23 OWP, once REAP 2.0 funding is received, with no fiscal impact on the existing budget.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. 2021 Subregional Partnership (SRP) 2.0 Program Guidelines
- 2. PowerPoint Presentation Regional Early Action Program (REAP) 2021



Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2021: Subregional Partnership 2.0 Program Guidelines

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Section 1 - Overview

These guidelines have been developed with input from the Subregional Councils of Government to align with the adopted SCAG Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2021 Program Framework and the state final REAP 2.0 Program Guidelines. The Subregional Partnership (SRP) 2.0 Program Guidelines ("Guidelines") implement the SRP 2.0 funding program in the SCAG Program Framework. The state REAP 2.0 grant supports accelerating housing production, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and aiding historically underserved communities and areas of concentrated poverty. *The SRP 2.0 program, geographic eligibility, infill definition, and suballocation methodology are under review by the state partners. Therefore, the SRP 2.0 program guidelines remain subject to change.* These guidelines are consistent with, and when necessary, defer to, the state REAP 2.0 Program Guidelines for establishing terms, conditions, forms, procedures, and other mechanisms necessary to effectuate the program. The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) released REAP 2.0 final program guidelines on July 26, 2022. The SCAG REAP 2.0 program application is based on inclusive and broad engagement. These guidelines and program will be adjusted as necessary to comply with the state program.

In the REAP 2.0 Guidelines, the state reserves the right, at their sole discretion, to suspend, amend, or modify the provisions of the REAP 2.0 Guidelines at any time, including, without limitation, the amount of funds available hereunder. If such an action occurs, the Department will notify all interested parties. As such, SCAG reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to suspend or amend the provisions of the SRP 2.0 guidelines in collaboration with the State, including but not limited to, grant award amounts.

Background

REAP 2.0 (REAP 2021) was established through AB 140 (July 2021) as part of the mid-year budget revise for the State's FY 21-22 budget for transformative and innovative projects that implement a region's Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) and help achieve the objectives of more housing and transportation options that reduce reliance on cars. REAP 2.0 builds on actions completed through the 2019 REAP grant program but expands the focus by integrating housing and climate goals, and by allowing for broader planning and implementation investments, including infrastructure investments supporting housing development. All REAP 2.0 funds are to be obligated by June of 2024 and expended by June 2026, with a final closeout report due June 2026.

On July 7, 2022, the Regional Council adopted SCAG's REAP 2021 Program Development Framework, which outlines the core objectives, guiding principles, programmatic areas, major milestones, and schedule for allocating funds available to SCAG through the REAP 2.0 state grant program. The Framework includes three major funding programs: the Early Program Initiatives, the County Transportation Commission (CTC) Partnership Program, and the Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program (HSIP). The SRP 2.0 program is one of the early program initiatives, which also includes expansion of SCAG's Sustainable Communities Program, Go Human Initiative, and Regional Data Platform. Actions completed through SRP 2.0, and in coordination with other early initiatives and REAP 2.0 funding programs, will accelerate foundational transformative changes in local development potential and processes to achieve the 6th Cycle RHNA and the infill development and VMT reduction goals in the Connect SoCal plan in line with the state planning goals. Further, as envisioned, the three funding areas in the program framework work together to help achieve the state REAP 2.0 program goals through the core program objectives in the Framework.



The Core Program Objectives in the SCAG REAP 2.0 Framework are as follows:

- Support **transformative** planning and **implementation** activities that realize Connect SoCal objectives
- Leverage and augment the **Connect SoCal Implementation Strategy** to support activities that can be implemented quickly and in line with community-driven, **pandemic recovery** priorities
- Build regional capacity to deliver housing that realizes 6th cycle RHNA goals
- Represent best practices in vehicle miles traveled (VMT) reduction
- Demonstrate consistency with the Racial Equity Early Action Plan
- Promote infill development in Connect SoCal identified Priority Growth Areas

SRP 2.0 builds off the work achieved through SRP 1.0. In 2020, SCAG set aside approximately \$23 million of REAP 1.0 funding for a Subregional Partnership (SRP) 1.0 program to fund subregional planning activities that accelerate housing production and facilitate compliance implementing a jurisdiction's 6th cycle RHNA, including developing 6th cycle Housing Elements. Funding was non-competitively awarded based on each subregion's final Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) with a minimum allocation of \$100,000. SRP 1.0 was developed to augment resources available through locally received SB 2 and LEAP grants and to foster subregional collaboration to take advantage of economies of scale in meeting housing goals.

REAP 2.0 Program Objectives

Based on feedback from Subregional Councils of Government (COGs), the SRP 2.0 program has been developed within the SCAG REAP 2.0 Draft Program Framework. SRP 2.0 supports implementation of the region's housing element work plans as a means of investing in actions identified at the local level that support housing production throughout the region, achieve the Connect SoCal plan, and achieve the state REAP 2.0 Program Objectives, which are:

- 1. Accelerating Infill* Development that Facilitates Housing Supply, Choice, and Affordability; and
- 2. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing; and
- 3. Reducing Vehicle Miles Traveled

"Infill", for the purposes of the REAP 2.0 Program, means areas where all the following apply: (1) the area consists of unused or underutilized lands (2) within existing development patterns (3) that is or will be accessible to destinations and daily services by transit, walking, or bicycling and located in either:

- a. An urban center, urban corridor, or area with transit-supportive densities, or
- b. An established community that meets all the following criteria:
 - i. The area consists or previously consisted of qualified urban uses
 - ii. The area is predominantly surrounded (approximately 75 percent of the perimeter) by parcels that are developed or previously developed with qualified urban uses. In counting this, perimeters bordering navigable bodies of water and improved parks shall not be included, and
 - iii. No parcel within or adjoining the area is classified as agricultural or natural and working lands.

^{*}The REAP 2.0 Infill definition pursuant to State guidelines provides that:



c. Under unique circumstances, applicants may propose an alternative definition of "Infill" subject to approval by the Department and State Collaborative Partners.

SCAG staff is engaging the state partners on the infill definition to more clearly inform geographic and program eligibility in the SCAG region. A more specific infill definition for the SCAG region will be provided upon State approval.

Section 2 - Eligibility

SRP 2.0 funding will be available on a non-competitive basis for eligible activities to subregional councils of governments (COG) and other listed eligible applicants ("subregional partners") to implement the Programs in draft, adopted and/or compliant housing elements.

As referred to in these guidelines "Programs" are defined as those programs included in a jurisdiction's housing element for compliance with HCD requirements. HCD requires each jurisdiction to identify specific programs in its housing element that will allow it to implement the stated policies and achieve the stated goals and objectives. Programs include specific action steps the locality will take to implement its policies and achieve its goals and objectives. Housing element programs include a specific timeframe for implementation, identify the agencies or officials responsible for implementation, describe the jurisdiction's specific role, and (whenever possible) identify specific measurable outcomes.

2a. Allocation Methodology and Eligible Applicants

Contingent on approval from the state and subject to change, up to \$23 million of SCAG's REAP 2 funding allocation shall be available for SRP 2.0. Funding shall be shared between subregional partners proportionally with each subregion's total share of regional housing need (total units assigned) in the 6th Cycle RHNA. All subregions will be eligible to receive at least the minimum funding level of \$100,000.

Eligible applicants are agencies designated as subregional partners under this program. While most of SCAG's fifteen defined subregional entities are considered eligible for the program, several jurisdictions have membership in more than one subregion. Additionally, several jurisdictions geographically span more than one subregion.

To address unique circumstances, the eligible program applicants are:

Coachella Valley Association of Governments	Orange County COG
Gateway Cities Council of Governments (COG)	San Bernardino COG
Imperial County Transportation Commission	San Fernando Valley COG
Las Virgenes-Malibu COG	San Gabriel Valley COG
City of Los Angeles	South Bay Cities COG
County of Los Angeles (unincorporated)	Ventura COG
County of Riverside (unincorporated)	Westside Cities COG
North Los Angeles County	Western Riverside COG

Except for the jurisdictions listed above, funding will not be available directly to local jurisdictions for this program. The subregional assignments by jurisdiction for this program is included in Attachment 2.



2b. Eligible Partnerships

Eligible partners include, but are not limited to, other local governments, regional governments, housing authorities, school districts, special districts, community-based organizations, or any duly constituted governing body of an Indian Reservation or Rancheria. An eligible applicant may partner with other eligible entities to fulfill one or more projects included in the subregional application. Subregional partners may elect to partner with other subregional partners for projects and activities that cross subregional boundaries. One or more eligible applicants may form a partnership to expend part, or all, of a subregion's SRP 2.0 funding. Partnerships are encouraged when aggregating funds creates an opportunity for leveraging additional outside funding, and for cost-efficiency addressing common needs and actions.

Applicants forming partnerships must provide a legally binding agreement between all partners. A template agreement will be made available. Applicants that are considering this are encouraged to discuss their proposals with SCAG staff prior to applying to ensure projects are eligible and the work can be completed prior to the end of the expenditure period.

2c. Eligible uses and activities

REAP 2.0 funds are focused on **implementation of policies, programs and projects**, rather than the planning processes that were the focus of REAP 1.0. The subregional partnership approach supports housing element implementation and creates a means for local efforts to align with SCAG's regional plans, implement the infill and VMT reduction goals of the Connect SoCal Plan, and support state planning goals.

To receive funding, applicants must:

- 1. Assemble a portfolio of proposed projects and identify the implementing agencies to complete the work. Applicants are not required to directly implement projects and may contract for services following state requirements, and when applicable federal requirements. Applicants are not required to apply for all funds available.
- 2. Demonstrate a nexus to all three REAP 2.0 Program Objectives for each project proposed:
 - Accelerating Infill Development that Facilitates Housing Supply, Choice, and Affordability; and
 - Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing; and
 - Reducing Vehicle Miles Traveled
- 3. Demonstrate project is eligible for funding. Based on the final REAP 2.0 Program Guidelines (dated July 26, 2022) the SRP 2.0 program has the following eligible activities and uses:
 - Land use planning, related studies and/or programs that result in implementable/adoptable programs and policies (meaning subject to adoption or approval of the legislative body) required to meet the programs, projects, and commitments in draft, adopted and/or compliant 6th cycle Housing Elements;
 - Outreach supporting programs, projects or plans required in draft, adopted and/or compliant 6th cycle Housing Elements and consistent with SCAG's adopted Racial Equity Action Plan;
 - Housing strategies for increasing supply and lasting affordability including strategic planning and/or seed funding for subregional housing trust funds and community land trusts in compliance with the Guidelines;



- Technical assistance to implement the eligible activities and uses listed above, including temporary staffing and consultant costs. The SRP 2.0 program can fund existing or temporary staff support to manage and implement eligible REAP 2.0 activities. Costs incurred by existing staff must clearly delineate and differentiate work that is funded by existing sources and is limited to work on REAP-eligible activities; and
- Eligible activities in the **Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program**.
- 4. Submit a complete application along with all required supporting documents within the application period. See Section 3 for information on applying for funding.

Consultants or other external resources may be used for work on eligible activities but are not required. Applicants will indicate in their funding application whether they intend to use existing staff, temporary staff, consultants, or other resources for each activity.

2d. Ineligible Activities

- Activities where a clear nexus to the Program Objectives listed in Section 1 is not demonstrated.
- Activities that obstruct or hinder housing production, e.g., moratoriums, downzoning, planning documents with conditional use permits that significantly impact approval certainty and timing, planned development, or other similarly constraining processes.
- Administrative costs of persons employed by the grantee for activities not directly related to the preparation and adoption of the proposed Activity or Activities.

SCAG will not accept applications for, nor reimburse for, ineligible activities or projects. Expenditure reimbursement requires prior authorization in writing from SCAG for the eligible projects and activities. SCAG may be subject to repayment of REAP 2.0 funds to HCD if it is found in breach of its agreement with HCD, which can occur if REAP 2.0 funds are used for ineligible activities. If SCAG is required to repay funds to HCD, SCAG will require reimbursement from the subregional partner.

Section 3 – Application Process

Funding will be made available for projects and activities after SCAG receives approval and funding for its full REAP application from HCD, which is anticipated to occur in February or March 2023. Funding allocated for each subregion is non-competitive, however a funding application, or a notice of intent to apply for funding and a funding application, is required. All activities proposed must meet the requirements established in these guidelines and the state's REAP 2.0 Program Guidelines.

Once an application or an intent to apply for funding form is submitted, subregional partners will meet with SCAG staff monthly to review proposed project eligibility and receive feedback from SCAG staff until a program application is submitted and approved.

3a. Applying for Funding

Process and Timing: To apply for project funding, subregional partners must submit a Subregional Partnership 2.0 Application (Attachment 3). A subregional partner may submit multiple applications through the final due date for eligible projects and activities until it has reached its funding maximum.

The application period will be opened after concurrence has been secured from the state on the items noted above and will close on midnight on February 10, 2023.



Regardless of when the full application is prepared, each subregional partner must submit an Intent to Apply for Funding Form (Attachment 4) by **5:00pm on September 30, 2022.** This form does not require approval from the subregional partner's decision-making body for submission to SCAG. Information submitted with the notice may differ from the information submitted with the completed application.

Application Submittal and Review: The application must include information on proposed projects and activities, key tasks and deliverables, estimated costs, and identification of the implementing agency for each project and activity, among other requirements provided in the application template.

Prior to submitting the application to SCAG, the applicant must receive approval to apply for funding from the applicant's decision-making body or authorized signatory and agree to the reporting requirements. To the extent feasible, if the application proposes partnerships or further suballocation to jurisdictions, approval or authorization from the related decision-making bodies is encouraged. Applications will be reviewed by SCAG staff on an ongoing basis and will be assessed for eligibility, nexus to the REAP 2.0 program objectives, and alignment with the SRP 2.0 and the State REAP 2.0 Guidelines.

SCAG will provide an award letter to the subregional partner indicating the submitted projects are approved for funding, or a letter indicating how the application needs to be revised to be accepted. Projects that do not meet the funding criteria cannot be funded through SRP 2.0. A subregional partner may revise its application or project scope to meet the funding criteria and resubmit the application up until the final due date.

Applications for ineligible activities or projects that do not meet the funding criteria in Section 4 will not be accepted. Applicants may resubmit revised projects that address the reasons the original submittal was rejected.

Applications will be accepted until the final date to apply, which is by midnight on February 10, 2023.

Given the schedule requirements of the REAP 2.0 Guidelines to award suballocations, conditional award letters shall be distributed within 60 days of a complete application received from an applicant for a suballocation (not inclusive of encumbrance or an executed Standard Agreement).

3b. Unallocated Funds

Remaining funds that are: 1) due to the lack of participation by a subregional partner (not submitting an application or notice of intent to apply for funding by 5:00pm on September 30, 2022), or 2) remaining unencumbered by a subregional partner after the application deadline will be available for projects in the subregion area through the Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program.

By December 1, 2023, all SRP 2.0 funds must be fully encumbered.

3c. Funding Criteria

Funding applications are required to meet all three REAP 2.0 Project Objectives (Section 1 of the Guidelines) and shall be evaluated for funding based on the following criteria:

Projects proposed are eligible uses and activities (Section 2c.)



- Includes a clear statement demonstrating a nexus between each proposed project (or activity) and all three of the following state program objectives:
 - o Accelerating Infill Development that Facilitates Housing Supply, Choice, and Affordability; and
 - o Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing; and
 - o Reducing Vehicle Miles Traveled
- Demonstrates how each project is an eligible activity.
- Includes a clear deliverable for each proposed project that can be acted upon by the legislative body or designee.
- Includes metrics measuring effectiveness.

Section 4 – Contract Administration

4a. Implementing Agencies

Subregional partners are not required to serve as the implementing agency of the projects and activities applied for. Subregional partners may elect to serve as the implementing agency but agencies such as local housing authorities may also serve as an implementing agency. Implementing agencies must be entities eligible to enter into intergovernmental agreements and must demonstrate capacity to implement government grant administration tasks in a timely manner, including applications, contract execution and monitoring, funds management and transfer, and accounting and reporting, including any competitive subcontracting if applicable. The implementing agency cannot have any unresolved audit findings from prior government contracts and cannot be party to pending land use, housing, or environmental litigation which could impact the proposed activities.

The implementing agency will be responsible for developing the scope of work for the project or activity and leading the procurement process for obtaining consultants and/or resources. The implementing agency may also elect to manage and administer the project, which includes tasks such as monitoring activity progress, reviewing tasks and deliverables, and reviewing and processing invoices. If the implementing agency does not elect to manage and administer the project, SCAG can take on this implementation role.

4b. Administrative fee

Up to five percent (5%) of a subregional partner's allocation may be charged as administrative activities by the subregional partner. Tasks such as reviewing and processing project invoices, processing contract amendments, and preparing reports and metrics of project progress and completion are considered administrative activities. Activities such as developing scopes of work and requests for proposals (RFP), reviewing tasks and deliverables, and outreach with jurisdictions related to the project are considered programmatic and can be charged as a program activity. For projects and activities administered by SCAG, SCAG reserves the right to use the 5% administrative fee for costs related to project administration.

4c. Expenditure Period

Per the requirements of AB 140 all funds distributed under REAP must be obligated by June 30, 2024 and expended by June 30, 2026. To meet this deadline and receive reimbursement in alignment with REAP 2.0 guidelines, SCAG will require all funds to be obligated by December 1, 2023, and all invoices associated with



SRP 2.0 submitted to SCAG no later than January 30, 2026. Invoices received by SCAG after this date cannot be guaranteed for reimbursement.

4d. Reimbursement

All projects must submit invoices to SCAG monthly and a status report quarterly to receive reimbursement. Invoices must follow the requirements set forth in the Subregional Partnership contract and SCAG's regular invoicing procedures and must comply with applicable state and/or federal requirements. SCAG may consider advance payments or alternative arrangements to reimbursement and payment methods based on demonstrated need of the subregional partner. These arrangements will be included in the agreements between SCAG and the subregional partner. After the agreement is signed, the subregional partner or consultant may submit invoices for reimbursement for eligible activities as specified in the signed agreement. Expenditure reimbursement requires prior authorization of the eligible projects and activities, and SCAG may be subject to repayment of REAP funds to HCD if it is found in breach of its agreement with HCD, which can occur if REAP funds are used for ineligible activities. If SCAG must repay REAP 2.0 funds to the state, SCAG will require reimbursement from the subregional partner.

SCAG will provide reimbursement only for costs as specified in the signed agreement(s) with the subregional partner or partner's designee. Costs incurred prior to the date which is to be determined in consultation with HCD will not be reimbursed. SCAG will provide the date as soon as possible. For costs incurred in between this date and before an agreement for projects is signed between SCAG and the subregional partner, SCAG will only reimburse costs beginning on the date of Regional Council approval of the SRP 2.0 guidelines that are specifically associated with program development, such as preparation of the program application, outreach to the subregional partners' jurisdictions, development of guidelines and other related documents, and development of scopes of work and contracts. Subregional partners are encouraged to discuss with SCAG planned costs during this time to ensure that activities receive appropriate reimbursement.

4e. Reporting Requirements

Consistent with SCAG's Overall Work Program reporting procedures, each subregional partner will be required to provide a quarterly progress report and monthly invoices to track and measure activity progress. Project progress will be measured according to the tasks, deliverables, costs, and timeline outlined in the subregional partnership agreement.

Technical assistance

SCAG staff will provide technical assistance to subregional partners starting in Fall 2022 through June 2026. Technical assistance will be available to help subregional partners prioritize activities and complete the application and contracting process. After the start of subregional partnership projects SCAG staff will be available for guidance with invoicing and reporting.

Timeline

- June 2022: SCAG staff held one-on-one meetings with subregional partners to discuss the proposed program framework and eligible activities.
- July 7, 2022: CEHD review and recommendation to Regional Council of SRP 2.0 Program Guidelines



- September 1, 2020: Regional Council adoption of Subregional Partnership Program guidelines
- September (upon securing concurrence from state on SRP 2.0): Application period opens for Subregional Partnership Program
- September 30, 2022: For those who have not submitted applications, the intent to apply for funding form is due to SCAG by 5:00 p.m.
- September 2022 February 2023: SCAG staff will meet monthly with subregional partners to provide technical assistance in application development.
- February 10, 2023: Final application and list of prioritized projects from subregions due to SCAG
- January 30, 2026: All REAP projects and activities must be completed; final activity reports due to SCAG; final project invoices due to SCAG

List of Attachments

- 1. Funding Allocations and Subregional Partnership List (Draft)
- 2. REAP Subregional Partnership 2.0 Funding Application (Draft)
- 3. Intent to Apply for Program Funding form (Draft)



Funding Allocation and Subregional Partnership List

Funding allocation is contingent on approval for the state and is subject to change.

	Units Assessed in	Percent of	
Subregion	6th Cycle RHNA	RHNA*	Funding Allocation
County of Los Angeles	90,052	6.7%	\$1,543,564
County of Riverside	40,647	3.0%	\$696,722
CVAG	31,619	2.4%	\$541,975
Gateway Cities COG	71,678	5.3%	\$1,228,619
Imperial	15,993	1.2%	\$274,133
Las Virgenes-Malibu	933	0.1%	\$15,992**
City of LA	456,643	34.0%	\$7,827,230
North LA county	15,663	1.2%	\$268,476
OCCOG	183,861	13.7%	\$3,151,526
SBCOG/SBCTA	138,110	10.3%	\$2,367,317
SFVCOG	34,023	2.5%	\$583,182
SGVCOG	89,616	6.7%	\$1,536,091
South Bay Cities	34,179	2.5%	\$585,856
VCOG	24,452	1.8%	\$419,127
Westside Cities COG	19,273	1.4%	\$330,355
WRCOG	95,085	7.1%	\$1,629,834
Total	1,341,827	100.00%	\$23,000,000

^{*}Derived from the Final 6th Cycle RHNA Allocation Plan adopted March 4, 2021.

Subregional Partners and Jurisdictions

Subregional Partner	Member Jurisdiction	
CVAG	City of Blythe	
CVAG	City of Cathedral City	
CVAG	City of Coachella	
CVAG	City of Desert Hot Springs	
CVAG	City of Indian Wells	
CVAG	City of Indio	
CVAG	City of La Quinta	
CVAG	City of Palm Desert	
CVAG	City of Palm Springs	
CVAG	City of Rancho Mirage	

^{**}Funding based on RHNA is less than the minimum in the Guidelines, subregion will be allocated \$100,000.



Subregional Partner	Member Jurisdiction
 Gateway	City of Artesia
Gateway	City of Avalon
Gateway	City of Bell
Gateway	City of Bell Gardens
Gateway	City of Bellflower
Gateway	City of Cerritos
Gateway	City of Commerce
Gateway	City of Compton
Gateway	City of Cudahy
Gateway	City of Downey
Gateway	City of Hawaiian Gardens
Gateway	City of Huntington Park
Gateway	City of La Habra Heights
Gateway	City of La Mirada
Gateway	City of Lakewood
Gateway	City of Long Beach
Gateway	City of Lynwood
Gateway	City of Maywood
Gateway	City of Norwalk
Gateway	City of Paramount
Gateway	City of Pico Rivera
Gateway	City of Santa Fe Springs
Gateway	City of Signal Hill
Gateway	City of South Gate
Gateway	City of Vernon
Gateway	City of Whittier
Imperial	City of Brawley
Imperial	City of Calexico
Imperial	City of Calipatria
Imperial	City of El Centro
Imperial	City of Holtville
Imperial	City of Imperial
Imperial	Unincorporated Imperial County
Imperial	City of Westmorland
Las Virgenes Malibu	City of Agoura Hills
Las Virgenes Malibu	City of Calabasas



Subregional Partner	Member Jurisdiction
Las Virgenes Malibu	City of Hidden Hills
Las Virgenes Malibu	City of Malibu
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Las Virgenes Malibu	City of Westlake Village
Los Angeles City	City of Los Angeles
Los Angeles County	Unincorporated Los Angeles County
North LA County	City of Lancaster
North LA County	City of Palmdale
OCCOG	City of Aliso Viejo
occog	City of Anaheim
OCCOG	City of Brea
OCCOG	City of Buena Park
OCCOG	City of Costa Mesa
OCCOG	City of Cypress
OCCOG	City of Dana Point
occog	City of Fountain Valley
occog	City of Fullerton
occog	City of Garden Grove
occog	City of Huntington Beach
occog	City of Irvine
occog	City of La Habra
occog	City of La Palma
occog	City of Laguna Beach
occog	City of Laguna Hills
occog	City of Laguna Niguel
occog	City of Laguna Woods
occog	City of Lake Forest
occog	City of Los Alamitos
occog	City of Mission Viejo
OCCOG	City of Newport Beach
occog	City of Orange
occog	City of Placentia
OCCOG	City of Rancho Santa Margarita
occog	City of San Clemente
OCCOG	City of San Juan Capistrano
occog	City of Santa Ana



Subregional Partner	Member Jurisdiction
OCCOG	City of Seal Beach
OCCOG	City of Stanton
OCCOG	City of Tustin
OCCOG	Unincorporated Orange County
OCCOG	City of Villa Park
OCCOG	City of Westminster
occog	City of Yorba Linda
Riverside County	Unincorporated Riverside County
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Adelanto
SBCTA/SBCOG	Town of Apple Valley
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Barstow
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Big Bear Lake
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Chino
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Chino Hills
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Colton
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Fontana
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Grand Terrace
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Hesperia
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Highland
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Loma Linda
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Montclair
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Needles
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Ontario
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Rancho Cucamonga
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Redlands
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Rialto
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of San Bernardino
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Twentynine Palms
SBCTA/SBCOG	Unincorporated San Bernardino Co.
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Upland
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Victorville
SBCTA/SBCOG	City of Yucaipa
SBCTA/SBCOG	Town of Yucca Valley
SFVCOG	City of Burbank
SFVCOG	City of Glendale
SFVCOG	City of San Fernando



Subregional Partner	Member Jurisdiction
SFVCOG	City of Santa Clarita
SGVCOG	City of Alhambra
SGVCOG	City of Arcadia
SGVCOG	City of Azusa
SGVCOG	City of Baldwin Park
SGVCOG	City of Bradbury
SGVCOG	City of Claremont
SGVCOG	City of Covina
SGVCOG	City of Diamond Bar
SGVCOG	City of Duarte
SGVCOG	City of El Monte
SGVCOG	City of Glendora
SGVCOG	City of Industry
SGVCOG	City of Irwindale
SGVCOG	City of La Cañada Flintridge
SGVCOG	City of La Puente
SGVCOG	City of La Verne
SGVCOG	City of Monrovia
SGVCOG	City of Montebello
SGVCOG	City of Monterey Park
SGVCOG	City of Pasadena
SGVCOG	City of Pomona
SGVCOG	City of Rosemead
SGVCOG	City of San Dimas
SGVCOG	City of San Gabriel
sgvcog	City of San Marino
sgvcog	City of Sierra Madre
SGVCOG	City of South El Monte
SGVCOG	City of South Pasadena
SGVCOG	City of Temple City
SGVCOG	City of Walnut
SGVCOG	City of West Covina
South Bay Cities	City of Carson
South Bay Cities	City of El Segundo
South Bay Cities	City of Gardena
South Bay Cities	City of Hawthorne



Subregional Partner	Member Jurisdiction	
Courth Day Citios	City of Harmosa Basah	
South Bay Cities	City of Hermosa Beach	
South Bay Cities	City of Inglewood	
South Bay Cities	City of Lawndale	
South Bay Cities	City of Lomita	
South Bay Cities	City of Manhattan Beach	
South Bay Cities	City of Palos Verdes Estates	
South Bay Cities	City of Rancho Palos Verdes	
South Bay Cities	City of Redondo Beach	
South Bay Cities	City of Rolling Hills	
South Bay Cities	City of Rolling Hills Estates	
South Bay Cities	City of Torrance	
 Ventura	City of Camarillo	
Ventura	City of Fillmore	
Ventura	City of Moorpark	
Ventura	City of Ojai	
Ventura	City of Oxnard	
Ventura	City of Port Hueneme	
	City of San Buenaventura (Ventura)	
Ventura	City of Santa Paula	
Ventura	City of Simi Valley	
Ventura	City of Thousand Oaks	
Ventura	Unincorporated Ventura County	
Westside Cities	City of Beverly Hills	
Westside Cities	City of Culver City	
Westside Cities	City of Santa Monica	
Westside Cities	City of West Hollywood	
WRCOG	City of Banning	
WRCOG	City of Beaumont	
WRCOG	City of Calimesa	
WRCOG	City of Canyon Lake	
WRCOG	City of Corona	
WRCOG	City of Eastvale	
WRCOG	City of Hemet	
WRCOG	City of Jurupa Valley	
WRCOG	City of Lake Elsinore	



Subregional Partner	Member Jurisdiction
WRCOG	City of Menifee
WRCOG	City of Moreno Valley
WRCOG	City of Murrieta
WRCOG	City of Norco
WRCOG	City of Perris
WRCOG	City of Riverside
WRCOG	City of San Jacinto
WRCOG	City of Temecula
WRCOG	City of Wildomar



REAP Subregional Partnership 2.0 Funding Application

The REAP 2.0 Subregional Partnership (SRP) 2.0 Program makes \$23 million available to subregional partners based on the total RHNA allotment. Contingent on approval from the state and subject to change, funds available for each subregional partner are based on the proportion of total units allocated in the 6th Cycle, with a minimum allocation of \$100,000. The funds are available through a non-competitive application to fund subregional partnership projects implementing Programs in the 6th Cycle housing elements that meet all REAP 2.0 program guideline requirements. The funds are available on a reimbursement basis, requiring completed contractual deliverables.

SRP 2.0 Program Objectives

The SRP Program Guidelines ("Guidelines"), Section 1 provides the SRP 2.0 Program Objectives. All projects proposed for funding on this application must be a Program identified in a 6th Cycle housing element and meet the SRP program objectives and all requirements of the REAP 2.0 guidelines.

Project Prioritization

Based on the final REAP 2.0 Program Guidelines (dated July 26, 2022) and in alignment with the anticipated HCD-issued REAP 2021 notice of funding availability (NOFA), the SRP 2.0 program has the following eligible activities and uses:

- Land use planning, related studies and/or programs that result in implementable/ adoptable programs and policies required to meet the programs, projects, and commitments in draft, adopted and/or compliant 6th cycle Housing Elements (Subject to adoption/approval of the legislative body).
- Outreach supporting programs, projects or plans required in draft, adopted and/or compliant 6th cycle Housing Elements and are consistent with SCAG's adopted Racial Equity Early Action Plan.
- Housing strategies for increasing supply and lasting affordability including strategic planning and/or seed funding for subregional housing trust funds and community land trusts, and may include rental assistance for Impacted Households (as defined by the REAP 2.0 Program Guidelines) in securing stable, long-term housing, including housing vouchers, residential counseling, or housing navigation assistance to facilitate household moves to neighborhoods with high levels of economic opportunity only for "Disproportionately Impacted Households," defined in the REAP 2.0 Draft Program Guidelines.
- Technical assistance to implement the eligible activities and uses listed above, including temporary staffing and consultant costs. The SRP 2.0 program can fund existing or temporary staff support to manage and implement eligible REAP 2.0 activities. Costs incurred by existing staff must clearly delineate and differentiate work that is funded by existing sources and is limited to work on REAPeligible activities.
- Eligible activities in the **Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program**, so long as the activities result in Housing Element implementation.

Consultants or other external resources may be used for work on eligible activities but are not required. Applicants will indicate in their funding application whether they intend to use existing staff, temporary staff, consultants, or other resources for each activity.

Questions can be submitted to Jacob Noonan, Housing Program Manager, at housing@scag.ca.gov



Application

To apply for project funding, subregional partners must submit a Subregional Partnership 2.0 Application using this template. A subregional partner may submit multiple applications through the final due date for eligible projects and activities until it has reached its funding maximum. *The application period will begin once concurrence is secured from the state on the SRP 2.0 program, suballocation methodology, geographic eligibility, and the infill definition*. All applications are due to SCAG no later than February 10, 2023.

Applications must be emailed as a pdf or as a drop box link to: housing@scag.ca.gov

Applications shall be evaluated for eligibility using the following criteria:

- Meets all SRP 2.0 Project Objectives (Guidelines, Section 1)
- Projects proposed are eligible uses and activities (Guidelines, Section 3)
- Includes a clear statement demonstrating a nexus between each proposed project (or activity) and all four of the following state program objectives:
 - o Accelerating Infill Development that Facilitates Housing Supply, Choice, and Affordability; and
 - o Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing; and
 - o Reducing Vehicle Miles Traveled
- Includes a clear deliverable for each proposed project that can be acted upon by the legislative body or designee, such as adopted code amendments or process changes that result in process efficiencies, shorter entitlement timelines, by-right approval of housing projects.
- Includes tangible metrics such as estimated housing units produced, or increased permits processed. (Please refer to the final REAP 2.0 Guidelines for examples metrics)

CONTACT INFORMATION

Date	Click or tap to enter a date.	
Applicant (subregional partner)	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Authorized representative name	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Authorized representative title	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Authorized representative address	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Contact person name	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Contact person title	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Contact person email	Click or tap here to enter text.	



PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

Please list the projects and activities the applicant is requesting funding for and how much funding will be required for SRP 2.0 funding:

	Project/Activity Name	SRP 2.0 Funding
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Total funding amount requested in this application	\$Click or tap here to enter text.
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INDIVIDUAL PROJECT/ACTIVITITY INFORMATION

Please provide more information for the list of projects/activities provided in the above section. Use additional pages as needed. The project number in the list above should correspond with the number for the project/activity below.

PROJECT/ACTIVITY NAME

1	Click or tap here to enter text.

Estimated cost	\$Click or tap here to enter text.
Expected start date	Click or tap to enter a date.
Expected end date	Click or tap to enter a date.
Does this project require	□No
the procurement of at least	□Yes
one consultant?	_Click or tap here to enter text total number of consultant firms
	expected for projects
Agency expected to	□Subregional partner
procure consultant	□SCAG
	□Other, please specify: Click or tap here to enter text.
Agency expected to	□Subregional partner
administer or implement	□SCAG
project or activity*	□Other, please specify: Click or tap here to enter text.
Which agency will be	☐Subregional partner (SCAG will reimburse the subregional partner)
directly paying consultant	□SCAG
invoices?	
Does this project require	□No
adoption or approval by a	□Yes
local decision-making body	If yes, please specify the expected adoption/approval date: _Click or tap
for implementation?	to enter a date

^{*}The implementing agency cannot have any unresolved audit findings from prior government contracts and cannot be party to pending land use, housing, or environmental litigation which could impact the proposed activities.



1 Click or tap here to enter text. (From first page of application)

For each project and activity listed, please provide more details about the project or activity, including:

- Brief description of project key deliverables and tasks, proposed performance indicators
- Nexus to state Program Objectives provided in Section 1 of the guidelines
- The name and short description of the project or activity from the housing element
- Expected outcome of project or activity (i.e., plans for adoption or implementation)
- Related tasks that will be funded from other funding sources and the amount
- Please add additional space as needed.

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Click or tap here to enter text. (From first page of application)



Alignment with SCAG Connect SoCal regional priorities (see Program Guidelines and Attachment 1)

Please describe below how the project or activity aligns and advances Connect SoCal. You may add additional space, as needed.

Click or tap here to enter text.	



1 (From first page of application)

Project/Activity Tasks

Task and sub-tasks	Staff/Consultant/Both	Estimated cost	Phase 1 or 2	Begin date	End date	Deliverable
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Total projected cost		\$Click to enter				
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Housing Element Status

In the section below, please list the jurisdictions in your subregion and the status for each housing element work plan. For status, select the letter in the drop-down list in the right column that best describes status for each jurisdiction in your subregion. Use additional space or add additional lines, as needed.

- A. The jurisdiction has either a consultant or dedicated staff implementing its housing element with projects underway; no funding proposed.
- B. The jurisdiction has either a consultant or dedicated staff implementing its housing element and a housing element project(s) is proposed.
- C. The jurisdiction has neither a consultant nor dedicated staff implementing its housing element. Technical assistance and/or a housing element project(s) is proposed.
- D. Our subregion does not know the status for jurisdiction's housing element implementation

Jurisdiction		Housing Element Implementation Status
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Intent to Apply for Funding

By 5:00 p.m. on September 30, 2022, if a subregional partner intends to apply for funding but has not yet submitted a funding application, this form must be submitted to SCAG.

Approval from the subregional partner's decision-making body is not required.

Eligible entities that do not submit an application or this form by 5:00 p.m. on September 30, 2022, will not receive funding through SRP 2.0. Not participating in SRP 2.0 does not affect an entity's ability to apply for funding in other REAP 2.0 programs including the Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program.

The final application may differ from the information listed in this intent to apply form. Applicants that submit an intent to apply form must meet with SCAG staff monthly to review proposed project eligibility and receive feedback from SCAG until they submit a program application.

Please submit this intent to apply form no later than September 30, 2022: housing@scag.ca.gov.

Date	Click or tap to enter a date.
Applicant (subregional partner	Click or tap here to enter text.
Contact person name	Click or tap here to enter text.
Contact person title	Click or tap here to enter text.
Contact person email	Click or tap here to enter text.
Contact person area code + phone number	Click or tap here to enter text.
Planned date of application submittal to SCAG	Click or tap to enter a date.
If consultants will be used, would your	☐Subregional Partner
organization want SCAG to procure?	□SCAG
Who would you like to manage the projects,	□Subregional Partner
including reimbursable invoices?	□SCAG

Projects and Activities. Please list the projects and activities proposed for funding.

	Project/Activity Name	Estimated Cost
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Regional Early Action Program (REAP) 2021

Subregional Partnership (SRP) 2.0

September 1, 2022

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REAP 2.0 Subregional Partnership

Recommendations

That the Regional Council:

- 1) Approve and adopt the REAP 2021 Subregional Partnership 2.0 Program Guidelines; and
- 2) Authorize the SCAG Executive Director or his designee to revise the Guidelines as needed for compliance with the state REAP 2.0 program and/or feedback from the State's REAP 2.0 program team, and to enter into agreements with the designated subregional partners under this program and execute all documents incident to the agreements, including issuance of conditional award letters.

Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2021 Grant

\$246 million = SCAG region's formula share

Obligated by June 2024

Expended by June 2026

"Transformative Planning and Implementation Activities"

Accelerate infill development that facilitates housing supply, choice and affordability

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing

Reduce Vehicle Miles Travelled

Early Action Initiatives

- Sustainable Communities Program (SCP)
- Local Information Services / Regional Da Platform
- Subregional Partnership 2.0 Program (Housing Element Implementation)
- Go Human

CTC Partnership Program

- Transit and other multi-modal services t will be critical in supporting VMT reduct
- Fund the development of plans, program and pilot projects

Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program

- Utilities infrastructure supporting housir development
- Housing production and preservation
- Housing trust funds, CLTs, and finance
- Technical Assistance, surplus land development

REAP 2.0 Subregional Partnership

REAP 2.0 Subregional Partnership Program

- \$23Million
- Implement housing element programs and housing strategies
- Funding allocated based on RHNA



Eligibility

Councils of Governments, North LA County, City of LA, Unincorporated Counties of LA & Riverside

Participation will not prevent applying for other REAP 2.0 funding



REAP 2.0 Subregional Partnership

Funding Allocations (subject to State approval)

CVAG	\$541,975	occog	\$3,151,526
Gateway Cities COG	\$1,228,619	SBCOG/SBCTA	\$2,367,317
Imperial County jurisdictions (ICTC)	\$274,133	SFVCOG SGVCOG South Bay Cities COG	\$583,182
Las Virgenes-Malibu COG	\$15,992**	SGVCOG	\$1,536,091
City of Los Angeles	\$7,827,230	567666	ψ 1/33 3/03 1
County of Los		South Bay Cities COG	\$585,856
Angeles (unincorporated)	\$1,543,564	VCOG	\$419,127
County of			
Riverside (unincorporated)	\$696,722	Westside Cities COG	\$330,355
North Los Angeles County	\$268,476		\$1,629,834

REAF 2.0 Subregional Faithership

Eligible Projects

Must demonstrate nexus to REAP 2.0 Program Objectives

Accelerate Infill
Development
that Facilitates
Housing Supply,
Choice, and
Affordability

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing

Reduce Vehicle Miles Traveled

REAP 2.0 Subregional Partnership

Eligible Activities

Implementing 6th Cycle Housing Elements

Land use planning and related studies and/or programs

Outreach supporting the programs

Housing strategies for increasing supply and lasting affordability

Technical Assistanceincluding
staffing and
consultants

SRP 2.0 Program Guidelines - Overview

- \$23 Million available, apportioned based on RHNA
- Fund required programs in housing elements and housing strategies for increasing supply and last affordability
- Nexus to state REAP 2.0 Program Objectives
- Partnering possible, and encouraged
- Staff/consultant costs allowed
- May procure own consultant(s) and administer program(s) or request SCAG serve in this role
- Project reimbursement basis

REAP 2.0 Subregional Partnership

Program Elements Pending State concurrence

- SRP 2.0 Program Guidelines review
- Suballocation methodology
- Infill definition
- Geographic eligibility

SCAG staff is meeting with representatives from the state partner agencies and will update the SRP 2.0 guidelines, as needed, to conform with REAP 2.0 funding requirements.

Any adjustments will be reported to the Regional Council.

Expense Period and Reimbursement



All projects must be completed, funds expended by **January 30, 2026**



Invoices submitted monthly with work detail



Quarterly progress report



Unencumbered funds will be available in the Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program



SRP 2.0 Application Timeline

Applications reviewed on a rolling basis

- First Date to Apply: Pending State Concurrence
- September 30: Must file Intent to Apply
- February 10, 2023: Final applications due

REAP 2.0 Subregional Partnership

Recommendations

That the Regional Council:

- 1) Approve and adopt the REAP 2021 Subregional Partnership 2.0 Program Guidelines; and
- 2) Authorize the SCAG Executive Director or his designee to revise the Guidelines as needed for compliance with the state REAP 2.0 program and/or feedback from the State's REAP 2.0 program team, and to enter into agreements with the designated subregional partners under this program and execute all documents incident to the agreements, including issuance of conditional award letters.



THANK YOU!

For more information, please visit:

https://scag.ca.gov/reap2021





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Los Angeles, CA 90017
September 1, 2022

NO. 645 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS REGIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2022

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL. A VIDEO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE ON THE SCAG WEBSITE AT: http://scag.igm2.com/Citizens/

The Regional Council (RC) of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its regular meeting both in person and virtually (telephonically and electronically), given the declared state of emergency (pursuant to State of Emergency Proclamation dated March 4, 2020) and local public health directives imposing and recommending social distancing measures due to the threat of COVID-19, and pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(A). A quorum was present.

Members Present

Hon. Jan Harnik, President		RCTC
Sup. Carmen Ramirez, 1st Vice President		Ventura County
Hon. Art Brown, 2 nd Vice President	Buena Park	District 21
Hon. Clint Lorimore, Imm. Past President	Eastvale	District 4
Supervisor Luis Plancarte		Imperial County
Supervisor Kathryn Barger		Los Angeles County
Supervisor Don Wagner		Orange County
Supervisor Karen Spiegel		Riverside County
Supervisor Curt Hagman		San Bernardino County
Hon. Maria Nava-Froelich		ICTC
Hon. Brian Goodell		OCTA
Hon. Alan Wapner		SBCTA
Hon. Mike T. Judge		VCTC
Hon. Ben Benoit		Air District Representative
Hon. Kathleen Kelly	Palm Desert	District 2
Hon. Rey Santos	Beaumont	District 3
Hon. Zak Schwank	Temecula	District 5
Hon. Frank Navarro	Colton	District 6
Hon. Larry McCallon	Highland	District 7





Hon. Deborah Robertson	Rialto	District 8
Hon. L. Dennis Michael	Rancho Cucamonga	District 9
Hon. Ray Marquez	Chino Hills	District 10
Hon. Fred Minagar	Laguna Niguel	District 12
Hon. Wendy Bucknum	Mission Viejo	District 13
Hon. Tammy Kim	Irvine	District 14
Hon. Diane Dixon	Newport Beach	District 15
Hon. Phil Bacerra	Santa Ana	District 16
Hon. Leticia Clark	Tustin	District 17
Hon. Kim Nguyen	Garden Grove	District 18
Hon. Trevor O'Neil	Anaheim	District 19
Hon. Joe Kalmick	Seal Beach	District 20
Hon. Marty Simonoff	Brea	District 22
Hon. Frank Yokoyama	Cerritos	District 23
Hon. Ray Hamada	Bellflower	District 24
Hon. Denise Diaz	South Gate	District 25
Hon. José Luis Solache	Lynwood	District 26
Hon. Ali Saleh	Bell	District 27
Hon. Mark E. Henderson	Gardena	District 28
Hon. Cindy Allen	Long Beach	District 30
Hon. Margaret Clark	Rosemead	District 32
Hon. Margaret E. Finlay	Duarte	District 35
Hon. Keith Eich	La Cañada Flintridge	District 36
Hon. Tim Sandoval	Pomona	District 38
Hon. James Gazeley	Lomita	District 39
Hon. Drew Boyles	El Segundo	District 40
Hon. Alex Fisch	Culver City	District 41
Hon. Jess Talamantes	Burbank	District 42
Hon. David J. Shapiro	Calabasas	District 44
Hon. Laura Hernandez	Port Hueneme	District 45
Hon. Claudia Bill-de la Peña	Thousand Oaks	District 46
Hon. Lorrie Brown	Ventura	District 47
Hon. Steve Manos	Lake Elsinore	District 63
Hon. Michael Posey	Huntington Beach	District 64
Hon. Elizabeth Becerra	Victorville	District 65
Hon. Patricia Lock Dawson	Riverside	District 68
Hon. Marisela Nava	Perris	District 69
Ms. Lucy Dunn		Business Representative





Members Not Present	Members Not Present	Members Not Present
Supervisor Hilda Solis		Los Angeles County
Hon. Peggy Huang		TCA
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker	El Centro	District 1
Hon. Randall Putz	Big Bear Lake	District 11
Hon. Rex Richardson	Long Beach	District 29
Hon. Steve De Ruse	La Mirada	District 31
Hon. Adele Andrade-Stadler	Alhambra	District 34
Hon. Steve Tye	Diamond Bar	District 37
Hon. Juan Carrillo	Palmdale	District 43
Hon. Gilbert Cedillo	Los Angeles	District 48
Hon. Paul Koretz	Los Angeles	District 52
Hon. Paul Krekorian	Los Angeles	District 49/Public Transit Rep.
Hon. Bob Blumenfield	Los Angeles	District 50
Hon. Nithya Raman	Los Angeles	District 51
Hon. Nury Martinez	Los Angeles	District 53
Hon. Monica Rodriguez	Los Angeles	District 54
Hon. Marqueece Harris-Dawson	Los Angeles	District 55
Hon. Curren D. Price, Jr.	Los Angeles	District 56
Hon. Mike Bonin	Los Angeles	District 58
Hon. John Lee	Los Angeles	District 59
Hon. Mitch O'Farrell	Los Angeles	District 60
Hon. Kevin de León	Los Angeles	District 61
Hon. Joe Buscaino	Los Angeles	District 62
Hon. Marsha McLean	Santa Clarita	District 67
Hon. Megan Beaman Jacinto	Coachella	District 66
Hon. Eric Garcetti	Los Angeles	Member-at-Large
Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.	Pechanga Dev. Corp.	Tribal Gov't Reg'l Planning Brd.

Staff Present

Kome Ajise, Executive Director
Darin Chidsey, Chief Operating Officer
Debbie Dillon, Chief Strategy Officer
Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer
Sarah Jepson, Director of Planning
Carmen Fujimori, Human Resources Director
Javiera Cartagena, Director of Government and Public Affairs
Julie Shroyer, Chief Information Officer
Michael Houston, Chief Counsel, Director of Legal Services



Jeffery Elder, Deputy Legal Counsel Ruben Duran, Board Counsel Maggie Aguilar, Clerk of the Board Cecilia Pulido, Deputy Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Harnik called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. and asked Regional Councilmember Ray Marquez, Chino Hills, District 10, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Given the declared state of emergency (pursuant to State of Emergency Proclamation dated March 4, 2020) and local public health directives imposing and recommending social distancing measures due to the threat of COVID-19, and pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(A), President Harnik announced the meeting was being held both in person and virtually (telephonically and electronically).

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

President Harnik opened the Public Comment Period and outlined instructions for public comments. She noted this was the time for persons to comment on any matter pertinent to SCAG's jurisdiction that were not listed on the agenda. She reminded the public to submit comments via email to ePublicComment@scag.ca.gov.

Ruben Duran, Board Counsel, acknowledged there were no written public comments received by email before or after the deadline for items not listed on the agenda.

Seeing no public comment speakers, President Harnik closed the Public Comment Period.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests to prioritize agenda items.

ACTION ITEM

1. Findings to Continue Holding Virtual Regional Council and Committee Meetings Under AB 361

President Harnik opened the Public Comment Period.

Seeing no public comment speakers, President Harnik closed the Public Comment Period.





A MOTION was made (A. Brown) that the Regional Council (RC): (1) ratify the prior actions of the Executive/Administration Committee taken at its June 1, 2022 meeting relating to findings made pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3); (2) make the following findings required by Government Code Section 54953(e)(3) on the basis of the staff report, which is incorporated by this reference, that (i) a proclaimed state of emergency remains active in connection with the COVID-19 public health crisis, (ii) the RC has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and (iii) state and local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing in relation to the COVID-19 public health crisis and, further, (3) authorize all legislative bodies of the Southern California Association of Government (SCAG), including the RC, EAC and all committees and task forces established by the RC or SCAG's Bylaws, to utilize remote teleconference meetings pursuant to and in compliance with Brown Act provisions contained in Government Code Section 54953(e). Motion was SECONDED (Navarro). The motion passed by the following roll call votes:

AYES: Allen, Bacerra, Barger, Becerra, Benoit, Bill-de la Peña, Boyles, A. Brown, L. Brown,

Bucknum, L. Clark, M. Clark, Diaz, Dixon, Eich, Finlay, Fisch, Gazeley, Goodell, Hamada, Harnik, Henderson, Hernandez, Judge, J. Kalmick, Kelly, Kim, Lock Dawson, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, McCallon, Michael, Minagar, Nava, Nava-Froelich, Navarro, Nguyen, O'Neil, Plancarte, Posey, Ramirez, Robertson, Saleh, Sandoval, Santos, Schwank, Shapiro, Simonoff, Solache, Spiegel, Talamantes, Wagner, Wapner

and Yokoyama (55)

NOES: NONE (0)

ABSTAIN: NONE (0)

President Harnik announced she would be providing the President's report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Harnik announced Presidential appointments for the following policy committees: CEHD: Debra Dorst-Porada, City of Ontario (Member at Large), John Mirisch, City of Beverly Hills (Member at Large), and Misty Perez, Port Hueneme (Member at Large); EEC: Jesus Silva, City of Fullerton (Member at Large); and TC: Jeremy Smith, City of Canyon Lake (Member at Large) and Paul Marquez, Caltrans District 7 (Ex-Officio). She provided an update on the three new subcommittees which are Next Generation Infrastructure, Resilience & Conservation, and Racial Equity and Regional Planning. She noted that the subcommittees would be comprised of members from each County who will develop and make recommendations to the SCAG Policy Committees on how to address each issue within Connect SoCal. She informed members that following this meeting, the Clerk would send an email asking for their interest in serving on one of the subcommittees and





noted that subcommittee participation was open to both Regional Council and Policy Committee members. She informed members that the survey would be open through the month of July and appointments would be announced mid-August, with the first meetings starting in mid- to- late September. She provided an update on the EAC retreat and thanked the members of the EAC and SCAG staff for participating in an energizing and productive session. She noted that the conversations set the stage for a successful year of unity and collaboration to work on the region's work plan together. She stated that staff will bring back a draft President's work plan at the September EAC for review/input with the intent to bring back to October EAC and RC for approval and other quarterly progress reports. She also mentioned that interviews with the strategic plan consultant were underway for EAC members and that after the EAC provides input, the consultant will begin outreach and data collection with stakeholders and members of the Regional Council. She also reported that they spent significant time at the retreat regarding their current schedule for RC and PC meetings. She noted that one option would be to maintain the existing meeting date (the first Thursday of the month) but have PC meetings start earlier in the morning and increase the length of the RC meeting. Another option would be to move the PC meetings to a different day and/or week from when the RC meets and stagger the PC meetings on that new day. She noted that both options would continue to offer the opportunity to participate remotely. She indicated that in order to further evaluate these options, SCAG staff would be sending a survey to all members asking for their opinion and potential availability with respect to these two options and once this information is compiled, the EAC will have further discussion on this topic. On the legislative front, she reported that they met with Assemblymember Laurie Davies, from South Orange County, a member of the transportation and appropriations committees, for a discussion on public safety, RHNA reform, and funding equity for Southern California, especially as it relates to goods movement. She thanked 1st Vice President Carmen Ramirez, 2nd Vice President Art Brown, Immediate Past President Clint Lorimore, LCMC Chair Peggy Huang, as well as RC Members Wendy Bucknum, Fred Minagar and Don Wagner for joining her in that meeting. She reported that legislature recently approved a \$79 million budget allocation to build a new Student Center Building at the Cal State San Bernardino. She thanked Assemblymembers Chad Mayes and Eduardo Garcia. Lastly, she noted that the next meeting of the Regional Council meeting was scheduled on September 1, 2022 at 12:30 p.m.

INFORMATION ITEM

2. 2021-22 CivicSpark Housing Fellows: Regional Affordable Housing Initiative

President Harnik opened the Public Comment Period.

Seeing no public comment speakers, President Harnik closed the Public Comment Period.



Ms. Clare Blackwell provided a brief overview of the CivicSpark program, a statewide Governor's Initiative AmeriCorps program administered by the CivicWell, which gives fellows professional development opportunities while building capacity for local jurisdictions to address resilience challenges. She explained that the fellows supported the implementation of Regional Early Action Plan (REAP) program, specifically in support of housing planning to advance SCAG's region wide goals outlined in Connect SoCal to help jurisdictions meet their Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) goals. Her presentation also addressed how the fellows help provide technical assistance to support REAP subrecipients in applying for or expending program resources, which helped build capacity for sub recipients to implement new housing programs, particularly efforts to increase Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) production.

Ms. Angelica Gonzalez, CivicSpark Housing Fellow, reported that their ADU research goals involve reviewing and sharing internally with housing staff ADU permit data reported in the Annual Progress Reports (APR) to the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) from local jurisdictions. She explained that as they tracked ADU permit data for recent years they analyzed growth trends to determine which jurisdictions were thriving in ADU developments. She also shared that Garden Grove was leading in ADU permits and was fourth in the SCAG region. She briefly explained that the region had experienced growth in ADU production from 2018 to 2021 and that ADU's were contributing to the overall housing production in the region. Lastly, she noted that the goal was to share this research externally with local jurisdictions and for this reason had delivered this research in an ADU story map.

Ms. Isabel Goldfarb, CivicSpark Housing Fellow, shared that they developed a story map about ADU's for SCAG's housing and a new web page and explained that the story map exhibits the benefits of ADU's for renters, residents, communities and cities through human centered stories. She further explained that it highlights innovative ADU practices in the SCAG region to promote multiple avenues of support for ADU development. She indicated that the story map illustrates ADU permitting progress across the SCAG region and promotes SCAG's current work regarding ADU's. She noted the story map would be available on SCAG's website mid-July. Lastly, her presentation featured jurisdictions with innovative ADU practices, which include Garden Grove, Pasadena and Los Angeles.

Ms. Blackwell noted that next steps would be share their deliverables with CivicSpark staff and project partners. She thanked the housing team for their support over the past two years.

Regional Councilmember Lorrie Brown, Ventura, District 477, expressed interest in finding out how many different types of uses they have with ADU's. She also requested information on ADU permitting that would help coastal cities or cities with hillsides.

ACTION ITEM



3. REAP 2.0 Framework and Program Status Update

President Harnik opened the Public Comment Period.

Seeing no public comment speakers, President Harnik closed the Public Comment Period.

Kome Ajise, Executive Director, reported that in June the Executive Administration Committee (EAC) reviewed and recommended that the Regional Council approve the Regional Early Action Planning Grant Program (REAP) for the Program Development Framework. He explained that SCAG's REAP 2.0 Framework outlines the core objectives, guiding principles, programmatic areas, major milestones and schedule for allocating the \$246M that SCAG is eligible to apply for through REAP 2.0. He indicated that staff was seeking approval of the Framework to guide additional outreach to inform the development of the specific funding programs and projects to be included in the full REAP 2.0 Program application, which will be going to HCD before the December 31, 2022 deadline. He expressed staff was pleased to be bringing this item forward after nearly a year of conversations with the EAC, Policy Committees, Regional Council and stakeholders on how to align the REAP 2.0 program with board priorities and state funding requirements. He explained that the Framework does limit how SCAG will allocate its REAP 2.0 funds but does establish some guideposts to ensure that as we move forward with the development of more detailed program guidelines and project selection that we have clear policy direction from the board. He further noted that the Framework outlines major milestones and decision points in the program development process so there is transparency around the timing of key decisions to be brought back to the Policy Committees and the Regional Council for approval.

Sarah Jepson, Director of Planning, reiterated that the framework outlines the core objectives, the guiding principles, the major programmatic areas and milestones and schedule for allocating the funds that are available to SCAG through the REAP 2.0 program. She explained that these core objectives align with the state statute that created the funding program, and HCD draft guidelines; SCAG's Connect SoCal implementation strategy, which was developed as a companion piece to the adopted 2020 plan; and the EAC strategic work plan that was initiated by the board last June. She noted that these core objectives include supporting transformative planning and implementation activities that realize Connect SoCal objectives; leverage and augment the Connect SoCal Implementation Strategy to support activities that can be implemented quickly and in line with the pandemic recovery priorities; building regional capacity to deliver housing that realizes the six cycle RHNA goals; represent best practices in VMT reduction; and promote infill development in priority growth areas. She further explained that along with the core objectives, the framework also includes some guiding principles for staff as they put together the different programs that would meet these core objectives. She highlighted some of those guiding principles as follows:



- develop a program with balance of formula allocations and competitive programs to ensure that the funding supports critical planning and implementation activities across the region, while also prioritizing the most regionally impactful projects;
- include Early Program Initiatives to provide immediate benefits to the region that can be implemented in time to support the 2024 plan;
- develop funding guidelines specific to Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program and a
 County Transportation Commission (CTC) Partnership Program or for any other subprograms for which SCAG will allocate money either by formula or competitive program.
 These guidelines would be brought back to the policy committees and board for approval
 along with a recommendation for the amount of funding from the program to be set aside
 for each of the programs included in those guidelines;
- at least 80% in full application will be suballocated through formula or competitive competition to partners to meet the project implementation; and
- work to balance funding allocations according to equity considerations and ensure under resourced areas are not left out.

She also highlighted three main program areas which include the Early Program Initiatives, the Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program, and the CTC Partnership Program. She explained that the final section of the framework was a schedule that outlines in more detail when they might expect to see the guidelines and the various programs that staff was looking to develop and move forward for board consideration. She also noted that they had done some additional outreach since the EAC approved the framework in June. Specifically, they had accelerated a lot of their efforts around the engagement for the Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program, which included partnering with the sub regions to do outreach to cities and counties to better understand their needs; targeted engagement sessions with community-based organizations and housing developers; one on one meetings with housing trust funds; and tribal engagement. Lastly, she indicated they were looking forward to the opportunity to host an Industry Forum to help define the utility infrastructure program.

Regional Council Member Lucy Dunn, Business Representative, suggested having a conversation with staff about private housing trusts. Ms. Jepson noted they were looking forward to have more conversations to understand where the gaps are and where these resources can help fill in.

A MOTION was made (Finlay) to adopt SCAG's REAP 2021 Program Development Framework. Motion was SECONDED (Shapiro). The motion passed by the following roll call votes:

AYES:

Allen, Bacerra, Barger, Becerra, Benoit, Bill-de la Peña, Boyles, A. Brown, L. Brown, Bucknum, L. Clark, M. Clark, Diaz, Dixon, Eich, Finlay, Fisch, Gazeley, Goodell, Hagman, Hamada, Harnik, Henderson, Hernandez, Judge, J. Kalmick, Kelly, Kim, Lock Dawson, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, McCallon, Minagar, Nava, Nava-Froelich,





Navarro, Nguyen, O'Neil, Plancarte, Posey, Ramirez, Robertson, Saleh, Sandoval, Santos, Schwank, Shapiro, Simonoff, Spiegel, Talamantes, Wagner, Wapner and Yokoyama (54)

NOES: NONE (0)

ABSTAIN: NONE (0)

CONSENT CALENDAR

President Harnik opened the Public Comment Period.

Seeing no public comment speakers, President Harnik closed the Public Comment Period.

First Vice President Carmen Ramirez, Ventura, reported that the President, Jenna Hornstock, Deputy Director of Land Use, and she had been invited to attend a conference on social housing in Vienna. She indicated that Vienna was one of the most affordable cities on the planet and that this was a great opportunity for SCAG learn about what was going on in Vienna and to bring some of that back. She noted that housing was one of the more critical issues in our state and in our region.

Darin Chidsey, Chief Operating Officer, reported that SCAG was invited to participate in a trip to Vienna for social housing. He indicated that this trip had been put together by a group from California with about 40 leaders from throughout the state looking to learn from what Vienna was doing. He expressed that timing was particularly important as they were in the midst of finalizing the REAP grant program. He stated they looked forward to hearing what the delegation brings back.

President Harnik clarified that Item No. 7 for objective development standards bundle was not an electrical vehicle charging study but instead was technical assistance to that effort. She also noted that on Item No. 6 she would be recusing herself and registering such a vote because she had a real property conflict of interest on this item.

Approval Items

- 4. Minutes of the Meeting June 2, 2022
- 5. Approve Two Regional Council Members' (President and First Vice President) and SCAG One Staff Member's Participation in the Vienna Social Housing Field Study, Sept 11-17, 2022
- 6. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 21-047-MRFP- 24, Palmdale Housing Project



- 7. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 21-047-MRFP-29, Objective Development Standards Bundle (Non-Los Angeles County)
- 8. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-034-C01, Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) Wilshire Center/Koreatown Network Visioning & Quick Build Implementation
- 9. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-042-C01, SCP Call 3 GoSGV Engagement & Evaluation
- 10. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-050-C01, City of Banning Comprehensive Active Transportation Plan & City of Lynwood Safe Routes to School Plan
- 11. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-059-C01, Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the 2024 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) (the 2024 RTP/SCS)
- 12. Release of Transportation Conformity Analyses of Draft 2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and Draft 2020 Connect SoCal Amendment #2
- 13. Release of Draft 2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and Draft Connect SoCal (2020 RTP/SCS) Amendment 2 for Public Review and Comment
- 14. Two Transit Transportation Control Measures (TCMs) Substitution by Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA)
- 15. Housing Bills of Interest
- 16. Transportation Bills of Interest

Receive and File

- 17. July 2022 State and Federal Legislative Update
- 18. RHNA Reform Timeline
- 19. REAP 1.0 Biannual Program Update
- 20. Initial Findings for Connect SoCal CEQA Addendum No. 3 to Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse #2019011061)



- 21. Connect SoCal 2024 Draft Vision, Goals, and Performance Measures
- 22. Equity Analysis Update (formerly Environmental Justice Analysis) Performance Measures
- 23. Regional Campaign Efforts for the Affordable Connectivity Program
- 24. Status Update on Transportation Conformity Challenges in SCAG Region
- 25. Go Human Mini-Grant Awards to Improve Traffic Safety
- 26. Purchase Orders \$5,000 \$199,999; Contracts \$25,000 \$199,999 and Amendments \$5,000 \$74,999
- 27. CFO Monthly Report

A MOTION was made (Simonoff) to approve Consent Calendar Items 4 through 16; Receive and File Items 17 through 27. Motion was SECONDED (Finlay). The motion passed by the following roll call votes:

AYES: Allen, Bacerra, Barger, Becerra, Benoit, Bill-de la Peña, Boyles, A. Brown, L. Brown,

Bucknum, L. Clark, M. Clark, Diaz, Dixon, Eich, Finlay, Fisch, Gazeley, Goodell, Hagman, Hamada, Harnik, Henderson, Hernandez, Judge, Kalmick, Kelly, Kim, Lock Dawson, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, McCallon, Michael, Minagar, Nava, Nava-Froelich, Navarro, Nguyen, O'Neil, Plancarte, Posey, Ramirez, Robertson, Saleh, Santos, Schwank, Shapiro, Simonoff, Solache, Spiegel, Talamantes, Wagner, Wapner

and Yokoyama (55)

NOES: NONE (0)

ABSTAIN: Posey and Spiegel (2) on Item No. 4; and Harnik (1) on Item No. 6

BUSINESS REPORT

Ms. Lucy Dunn, Business Representative, provided an update on the economy and housing. She noted that the national level unemployment was very low, jobs plentiful and wages were rising pretty sharply, but inflation continued to remain historically high. She further noted that the Federal Reserve was focused on bringing down inflation even if it meant forcing a short and shallow recession. She reported that housing mortgage rates had gone from record lows to over 5%, slowing home sales and it was having a ripple effect through the southern California economy. She





highlighted that even though employment numbers were good, the actions of the Fed to slow inflation were taking a toll on the homebuilding industry, foreshadowing layoffs in mortgage escrow customer service. She indicated that consumer spending was around 70% of all economic activity.

She reported that on June 30, the U.S. Supreme Court denied the California trucking Association's petition challenge to AB 5, a 2019 law that precludes independent truckers from providing trucking services unless those services are outside the usual course of the hiring entity's business. She noted that the Ninth Circuit transmitted a mandate to the district court to lift the preliminary injunction which had prevented enforcement against these truckers. She stated that this meant that a sizable portion of California's trucking capacity was now at risk. She explained that 71% of trucking companies in California operate a single truck and that these single truck operators represent 20% of the California registered truck capacity with significantly more of the capacity likely impacted and there was no accommodation under AB 5 for trucks based outside of California. She noted that a business coalition letter was currently being circulated, addressed to Governor Newsom and legislative leadership asking for a short term pause in the enforcement of AB 5 and urging a negotiated compromise to avoid further supply chain disruptions. She indicated that business leaders asked if SCAG would add this to future items for discussion among the leadership.

With respect to the CARB scoping plan, she reported that a number of the business groups have summarized concerns to reduce greenhouse gases and make California carbon neutral. She indicated that everyone was supportive of the climate change goals, but the current CARB proposal ignores important data for business. She stated businesses were predicting that it was going to affect working families, housing, and the economy in California. She expressed that one of the things that really troubles them [business] is the update apparently includes capping urban expansion to 6% and makes any housing that is not at least 20 units and two to three stories tall almost impossible to build, exacerbating the housing shortage.

Additionally, she reported that the next GLUE Councill meeting was August 8th and that the last meeting was very robust. She expressed she was thrilled to have both President Harnik and First Vice President Ramirez meet with them to discuss their two-year agenda, which was particularly focused on broadband. Lastly, she reported that Rabbi Rick Steinberg was putting together, with a whole ecumenical Coalition, a summit on anti semitism and hate at UCI on August 30th.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Kome Ajise provided an update on the CARB 2022 Climate Change Scoping Plan and noted that SCAG sent a letter expressing concern about their strategies. He stated they were asking them to discuss the potential effectiveness of those strategies and the cost of the strategies that are proposed. He stated they were looking forward to working with CARB as they finalize the Scoping Plan and bring it for a vote in the fall. He provided an update on the Local Data Exchange



(LDX), he reported that they were scheduling one on one meetings with all 197 local jurisdictions. He indicated they would also provide training to the jurisdictions on the available tools in the Regional Data Platform (RDP). He also provided an update on RAMP and Greenprint developments. He noted that as directed by the Regional Council last October, the advisory task group (ATG) had met five times and were looking forward to the last meeting to review and hopefully approve the draft policy framework for the RAMP that will go to the Energy and Environment Committee and the Regional Council. He also reported that SB 197, the bill that extends rezoning deadlines for housing elements, was approved. SCAG jurisdictions that missed the February deadline but adopt a compliant housing element by October 15, 2022 will be able to have until February 2025 to rezone. He also noted that SB 197 also extends a few other deadlines like RHNA Reform. Basically, the deadline for the State's report on RHNA reform to the Legislature has been extended from the end of this year to December 31, 2023. He also reported that AB 197 also extended the REAP 1.0 expenditure deadline by another year and funds must be expended by December 2024. Mr. Ajise also reported that AB 2237 by Assemblymember Laura Friedman was held over. He expressed that it was wise that our LCMC and Regional Council chose to oppose unless amended and thought it helped continue the conversation. He also shared SCAG attended the NARC annual conference in Columbus, Ohio and had shared SCAG's Regional Data Platform. He noted that SCAG received an Achievement Award for the Housing Policy Leadership Academy. Additionally, he reported that SCAG joined Mobility21's annual trip to Washington, D.C. and met with several legislators like Congressman Pete Aguilar, Congresswoman Linda Sanchez from Cerritos, Senator Alex Padilla, and Charles Small, the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs at the Department of Transportation. Lastly, he welcomed Ana Vallianatos who had joined SCAG as the new Department Manager of Communication and Public Affairs.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM/S

There were no future agenda items.

ANNOUNCEMENT/S

Regional Council Member Finlay, Duarte, District 35, announce the passing of Duarte Councilmember Tzeitel Paras-Caracci and asked that the meeting be adjourned in her memory.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business, President Harnik adjourned the Regional Council meeting at 2:00 p.m. in memory of Tzeitel Paras-Caracci.

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To:

AGENDA ITEM 5 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017
September 1, 2022

Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

APPROVAL

Kome Apise

Regional Council (RC)

From: Jenna Hornstock, Deputy Direcotr of Planning, Land Use

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Subject: Amend previous approval of participation in the Vienna Social Housing

Field Study, occurring Sept 11-17, 2022 to confirm and identify SCAG

delegates for attendance

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Recommend that the Regional Council approve (1) the participation and attendance of three (3) delegates from SCAG as provided and identified in this staff report, in accordance with Article VIII.F of the Regional Council Policy Manual and the SCAG Employee Travel Policy, in the Global Policy Leadership Academy's Vienna Social Housing Field Study in Vienna, Austria from September 11 - 17, 2022; and (2) the expenditure of approximately \$27,000 to cover the participant fees and travel expenses which will be allocated from SCAG's General Fund, Project Number 800-0160.01. Per SCAG Travel Policy, foreign travel requires Regional Council approval.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

SCAG was invited to send 3 participants to the inaugural Vienna Social Housing Field Study trip, being organized by the Global Policy Leadership Academy. The study trip will take place in Vienna, Austria and will include comprehensive programming from September 11-17, with travel dates added to the trip on September 10 and 18. The original proposed SCAG delegation was approved by the Regional Council on July 7, 2022; however tragic and difficult circumstances require that SCAG identify alternates for two of the three proposed SCAG delegates. SCAG's Deputy Director of Planning for Land Use, Jenna Hornstock, will attend as originally approved by the Regional Council, and staff recommends that Jacob Noonan, SCAG's Housing Program Manager for the REAP2.0 program attend as a second replacement delegate. If the recommended action is approved, then staff will also work with President Harnik to identify a third replacement delegate. Given the short timeframe, approval by the Regional Council to send the delegates as identified in this report would proceed because SCAG has already paid for the three registrations. The SCAG delegation will join a total of 50 leaders from across the State, including State officials,





elected officials from various levels of government, developers, architects and community advocates.

Program participants will learn from and engage with Viennese housing experts to gain firsthand knowledge about the Vienna Social Housing Model, with topics including the Viennese Land Procurement and Urban Renewal Fund, creating permanent affordability, and developer competitions. The registration fee of \$7,500 per person includes all of the learning, hotel and food accommodations. Additional budget is allocated for flights and ancillary travel expenses, for a total approximate budget of \$27,000, which is budgeted in SCAG's General Fund, Project Number 800-0160.01.

BACKGROUND

In 2019 SCAG was allocated \$47 million of funding through the Regional Early Action Planning Grant (REAP) to develop programs that accelerate and streamline housing production in the SCAG region. With the new REAP 2.0 program of 2021, SCAG will receive \$246 million to develop additional programs that support infill housing development and affirmatively furthering fair housing among other goals. With this unprecedented funding, SCAG's role and impact in supporting our region meet its housing production goals has grown exponentially.

At its June 1st meeting, the SCAG Executive Administration Committee adopted the REAP 2.0 Program Framework, which is being recommended for approval by the Regional Council at the July 7th meeting. The Framework describes creation of the Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program, which includes developing a technical assistance program to support public agencies with the redevelopment of publicly owned land into new housing opportunities. This proposed program is in response to the dramatic increase in the SCAG region's 6th cycle RHNA allocation, new State laws around development of publicly owned "surplus lands," and the loss of staff capacity and institutional knowledge at the local government level due to the dissolution of redevelopment in 2011. In the process of researching best practices around development of publicly owned land, SCAG staff learned about the Global Policy Leadership Academy's (GPLA) inaugural Vienna Social Housing Field Study.

About GPLA

The Global Policy Leadership Academy was founded to support established and emerging leaders in forging solutions to intractable global challenges. Their programs offer insights into root causes and adverse impacts, current problem-solving frameworks and best practices, forums for robust cross-sector collaboration and opportunities to apply knowledge and skills to real world challenges. SCAG is currently contracted with GPLA for the REAP 1.0-funded Housing Policy Leadership Academy (HPLA), which involves 8 subregional cohorts of 20-40 leaders attending trainings over a 10-month period. The HPLA also involves 4 regional housing policy forums, of which the first two were held in October 2021 and April 2022, and the third is planned for August 2022. SCAG's HPLA program was



acknowledged with an Achievement Award by the National Association of Regional Councils in June 2022.

About the Vienna Social Housing Field Study Trip

Vienna, Austria is considered one of the world's most livable and affordable cities. In the 1920s, the City of Vienna began a pioneering **Social Housing Program** in response to rapid rent escalation, overcrowding, and widespread housing insecurity that emerged after World War I. One hundred years ago, 10% of Viennese residents were living in squalid conditions. Today, 62% of Vienna's 1.7 million households live in high quality affordable housing, spending a fraction of the cost that the average California household spends on housing. Vienna has been ranked 10 times as the **most livable city in the world**.

GPLA in cooperation with the Vienna International Building Exhibition designed the Field Study program to give California local, regional, and state housing policy leaders a deep understanding of the Vienna Social Housing Program and an opportunity to learn how Vienna came to be one of the most livable cities in the world, and in particular to give insight into best practices in affordable, mixed-income housing.

The Vienna Social Housing Field Study takes a deep dive into Vienna's Social Housing Model to understand the forces that shape Vienna's unique approach to housing, and to evaluate how Vienna's model compares to and can help scale production for California's affordable housing system. Participants will learn from and engage with Viennese housing experts to gain firsthand knowledge about the housing ecosystem in Vienna from urban design, construction, financing, land management and subsidies to newer strategies for environmental sustainability and climate resilience. Participants will learn about Vienna's policy of "Social Mixing" which promotes inclusion through mixed income communities. The program will take a close look at Vienna's response to the growing need for deeper affordability and housing options for diverse populations, including young adults 20-30, single parents, seniors, newly arrived refugees and people experiencing homelessness. The Field Study Program includes:

- Daily lectures, symposia, gatherings, exhibits, and field trips
- Curriculum topics such as:
 - History of Social Housing in Vienna, 1917 2022
 - o Urban Planning and Urban Design
 - Vienna Land Procurement and Urban Renewal Fund
 - Creating Permanent Affordability for All
 - Developer Competitions
 - Housing Subsidies in Vienna
 - Creating a Walkable and Bikeable City





Beyond SCAG's three allotted spots, participants will include senior officials at the state, regional and local levels, in particular those working on housing policy, as well as affordable housing developers, financing entities, urban planners, housing advocates and philanthropy.

Participation in the Field Study tour aligns with SCAG's work in developing the REAP 2.0 program application as well as the Housing Supportive Infrastructure Program identified as a Key Connection in the adopted 2020 Connect SoCal Plan. Further, the models and concepts in the Field Study program align with regular feedback from members of the Community, Economic and Human Development committee regarding the desire to create mixed-income communities to meet RHNA housing production goals. The SCAG delegation will extract lessons on innovative and scalable solutions to development of publicly owned land and will incorporate those lessons into proposed program guidelines for the Surplus Land technical assistance program to be funded with SCAG's REAP 2.0 funding. Participation in the Field Study will also further SCAG's growing prominence in State level discussions on housing policy and production.

SCAG staff is seeking approval to send three (3) delegates on the trip. SCAG's Deputy Director of Planning for Land Use, Jenna Hornstock was previously approved, and staff recommend that Jacob Noonan, Housing Program Manager for the REAP 2.0 program, be approved as a second delegate. Staff further recommends that President Harnik be authorized to identify the third delegate. Should the recommended action be approved, this would authorize those identified and described in this staff report to attend. The cost of the Field Study trip is \$7,500 per person. The price includes instruction, 6 nights at the Intercontinental Hotel in Vienna, ground transportation, and meals. Airfare is not included, and proposed budget of \$27,000 includes an estimated \$1,500 per person for airfare, parking and incidentals, all subject to SCAG's allowable travel expense rates and requirements. Funding will be allocated from SCAG's General Fund, Project Number 800-0160.01. Per SCAG Travel Policy, foreign travel requires Regional Council approval.

For more information regarding the Vienna Social Housing Field Study, please follow these links: <u>Vienna Social Housing Academy – GPLA</u>

FISCAL IMPACT:

The proposed expenditure of up to \$27,000 will be allocated from the General Fund, Project Number 800-0160.01.



AGENDA ITEM 6 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation) 900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room Los Angeles, CA 90017 September 1, 2022

To: Regional Council (RC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL

From: Kevin Kane, Program Manager I

(213) 236-1828, kane@scag.ca.gov

Subject: SCAG Staff Participation in the 69th Annual North American Regional

Science Conference

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That Regional Council approve foreign travel by SCAG staff Dr. Kevin Kane as he presents his paper, "How do post-COVID migration trends stack up? A comparison of Census-based results with new address change data" at the 69th Annual North American Meetings of the Regional Science Association International (RSAI) in Montreal, Canada from November 9 to 12, 2022; and authorize the expenditure of approximately \$1,532 to cover travel-related expenses and \$430 for conference registration. Regional Council approval is required for foreign travel.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians. 3: Be the foremost data information hub for the region.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Staff is requesting SCAG staff's participation and attendance at the 69th Annual North American Meetings of the Regional Science Association International (RSAI) in Montreal, Quebec, Canada, to be held from November 9-12, 2022. The total estimated cost is approximately \$1,962. SCAG Program Manager Dr. Kevin Kane has been invited by the RSAI to present his paper entitled, "How do post-COVID migration trends stack up? A comparison of Census-based results with new address change data."

BACKGROUND:

The North American Regional Science Council (NARSC) promotes the scholarly exchange of ideas and knowledge that apply to urban and regional phenomena in North America and across the globe. The association fosters exchange across academic disciplines and builds on the understanding that urban and regional issues are best addressed by utilizing tools, methods, and theoretical frameworks specifically designed for regional analysis, as well as concepts, procedures, and analytical techniques of the various social and other sciences. The association organizes an annual conference that provides a forum for interaction and discussion, and sponsors scholarly





regional science journals for the dissemination of research and ideas. NARSC is an objective, scientific body without political, social, financial, or nationalistic bias.

As part of ongoing work to develop SCAG's demographic and economic forecasts in addition to ensuring the agency maintains its leadership position in researching and understanding regional growth, SCAG staff including Dr. Kane regularly engage with the national and international research communities via conferences such as NARSC. This conference and presentation has been approved by SCAG management and is consistent in scope and budget with SCAG's approved Overall Work Program. Staff is seeking herein the Regional Council's approval of this foreign travel in accordance with the agency's Travel Policy.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds are available in OWP item 055.4856.01, Regional Growth and Policy Analysis.



AGENDA ITEM 7 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017
September 1, 2022

To: Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

APPROVAL

Regional Council (RC)

From: Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer

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Subject: Resolution No. 22-646-1 Approving Amendment 1 to the FY 2022-23

Overall Work Program (OWP)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt Resolution No. 22-646-1, approving Amendment 1 to the FY 2022-23 (FY23) Overall Work Program (OWP) budget and authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, to submit the necessary documentation to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 7: Secure funding to support agency priorities to effectively and efficiently deliver work products.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Staff recommends that the Executive Administration Committee (EAC) and Regional Council (RC) approve a first amendment to the FY23 OWP budget in the amount of \$831,476, increasing the OWP budget from \$116,959,232 to \$117,790,708 (Budget Amendment 1). Budget Amendment 1 is an administrative amendment that includes: programming \$817,369 for the State Other, primarily Mobile Source Air Pollution Reductions Review Committee (MSRC) Future Communities Pilot Program (FCPP) grant funds carry-over; \$11,581 for the Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds; \$2,526 for the in-kind commitments for ongoing regional transportation projects; and reallocating Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) funds that result in budget neutral changes for various regional transportation planning projects. Further, staff is requesting approval for the reclassification of seven vacant positions to align the classification with agency needs. The proposed position reclassifications will increase the FY23 budget by \$153,367, which will be incorporated into the budget as part of FY23 Budget Amendment 2.

BACKGROUND:

On May 4 and 5, 2022, the EAC and RC, respectively, approved the FY23 Final Comprehensive Budget, which included the FY23 OWP budget in the amount of \$116.96 million. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) subsequently approved SCAG's FY23 OWP on June 17, 2022.



DISCUSSION:

Staff recommends that the EAC and RC approve Budget Amendment 1 to the FY23 OWP in the amount of \$831,476, increasing the budget from \$116.96 million to \$117.79 million. Table 1 shows the changes to the FY23 OWP Funding Sources in the amount of \$831,476:

Table 1. FY 2022-23 OWP Funding Sources				
OWP FUNDING SOURCES		Adopted	Change	Amend#1
FHWA PL - Metropolitan Planning	\$	28,992,734	\$ -	\$ 28,992,734
FTA 5303 - Metropolitan Planning	\$	12,660,680	\$ -	\$ 12,660,680
FHWA SPR - Strategic Partnership Grants	\$	256,027	\$ -	\$ 256,027
FTA 5304 - Sustainable Communities Grants	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -
FEDERAL OTHER	\$	1,582,338	\$ -	\$ 1,582,338
SB 1 - Sustainable Communities Formula Grants	\$	9,005,028	\$ -	\$ 9,005,028
SHA - Sustainable Communities Grants	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -
REAP 2019 Grant Program	\$	27,873,842	\$ -	\$ 27,873,842
MSRC Last Mile Freight Program Grant	\$	16,618,900	\$ -	\$ 16,618,900
STATE OTHER	\$	9,779,416	\$ 817,369	\$ 10,596,785
TDA	\$	3,852,688	\$ 11,581	\$ 3,864,269
IN-KIND COMMITMENTS	\$	4,985,147	\$ 2,526	\$ 4,987,673
CASH/LOCAL OTHER	\$	1,352,432	\$ -	\$ 1,352,432
TOTA	L \$	116,959,232	\$ 831,476	\$ 117,790,708

- 1) \$817,369 grant balance adjustments for the State Other, primarily MSRC FCPP grant;
- 2) \$11,581 increase for the TDA to support various ongoing regional transportation planning projects; and
- 3) \$2,526 increase for the in-kind commitments to support various regional transportation planning projects.

Table 2 shows the changes to the FY23 OWP expenditure in the amount of \$831,476:



Table 2. FY 2022-23 OWP Expenditures						
OWP EXPENDITURES Adopted		Change		Amend#1		
SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$	44,696,123	\$	-	\$	44,696,123
CONSULTANTS *	\$	62,622,125	\$	797,950	\$	63,420,075
NON-PROFITS/IHL		132,875	\$	-		132,875
IN-KIND COMMITMENTS	\$	4,985,147	\$	2,526	\$	4,987,673
CASH/LOCAL OTHER	\$	484,449	\$	-	\$	484,449
OTHER COSTS	\$	4,038,513	\$	31,000	\$	4,069,513
TOTAL \$ 116,959,232				831,476	\$	117,790,708
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* Consultants included: consultant, consultant TC, and consultant IC REAP						

- 1) \$797,950 increase to the consultant budget related to various regional transportation planning projects;
- 2) \$2,526 increase to in-kind commitments to support various grants; and
- 3) \$31,000 increase to other costs, including travel budget and other small purchases, to support various regional transportation planning projects.

Attachment 2 includes a list of budget changes. The full report for Amendment 1 to the FY23 OWP is available online at https://scag.ca.gov/sites/main/files/file-attachments/fy22-23 owp amend1.pdf?1660866894.

Salaries and Benefits Budget

This budget amendment, Budget Amendment 1, is reserved for administrative adjustments and does not include adjustments for Salaries and Benefits. However, due to identified and timely operational needs, we are requesting authorization to reclassify the following seven vacant positions so that they can be recruited and filled with the proposed classification. The fiscal impact of this request, stated below, is not included in this budget amendment but will be incorporated in FY23 Budget Amendment 2, scheduled to come to the EAC and RC in November.

- Reclassification of six Limited-Term Junior Planners to six Limited-Term Assistant Regional Planners:
 - FY23 Budget Impact: Approximately \$153.4K increase
 - Annual Impact: The budget for all limited-term positions is requested on an annual basis; hence the funding for limited-term positions for FY24 will be reviewed by the EAC and RC as part of the FY24 Budget approval process.
- Reclassification of one Accountant III to one Senior Accountant:
 - FY23 Budget Impact: The budget impact for this reclassification is anticipated to be offset by the delayed recruitment of the position.



o **Annual Impact**: Approximately \$36.4K increase

The requested reclassifications align with the required level of work to be performed by these positions. The associated budget increase will be included in FY23 Budget Amendment 2. In advance of incorporating the budget impact in Budget Amendment 2, staff requests authorization to recruit, hire, and extend offers of employment to those selected through the hiring process for the seven positions mentioned above at the proposed classification level.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amendment 1 to the FY23 OWP results in an increase of \$831,476, increasing the OWP budget from \$116,959,232 to \$117,790,708 and preauthorizes the reclassification of seven positions, at a cost of \$153,367, which will be formally incorporated into the budget as part of FY23 Budget Amendment 2. After approval by the EAC and RC, the revised budget will be submitted to Caltrans for their review.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Resolution No. 22-646-1
- 2. List of Budget Changes FY23 OWP Amendment 1



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RESOLUTION NO. 22-646-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG) APPROVING AMENDMENT 1 TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET, INCLUDING THE OVERALL WORK PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization, for the six-county region consisting of Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura, and Imperial counties pursuant to 23 U.S.C.§ 134 et seq. and 49 U.S.C. §5303 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, SCAG has developed the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 Comprehensive Budget that includes the following budget components: the Overall Work Program (OWP); the FTA Discretionary and Formula Grant Budget; the TDA Capital and Debt Service Budget; the General Fund Budget; the Indirect Cost Budget; and the Fringe Benefits Budget; and

WHEREAS, the OWP is the basis for SCAG's annual regional planning activities and budget; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the OWP Agreement and Master Fund Transfer Agreement, the OWP constitutes the annual funding contract between the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and SCAG for the Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG), and the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants; and

WHEREAS, SCAG is also eligible to receive other Federal and/or State grant funds and/or local funds for certain regional transportation planning related activities. For such funding upon award, the funds are implemented through the OWP and, SCAG and the applicable Federal or State agency shall execute the applicable grant agreement(s); and

WHEREAS, SCAG's Regional Council approved the FY 2022-23 Comprehensive Budget including the OWP in May 2022, which was subsequently approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in June 2022; and

WHEREAS, Amendment 1 to the FY 2022-23 Comprehensive Budget, including the OWP, will result in an OWP budget increase of \$831,476, from \$116,959,232 to \$117,790,708, and pre-authorize staff to proceed with the recruitment and hiring of seven reclassified positions resulting in a FY23 budget increase of \$153,367, which will be formerly incorporated in a future budget amendment; and

WHEREAS, Amendment 1 to the FY 2022-23 Comprehensive Budget including the OWP, along with its corresponding staff report and this resolution, has been reviewed and discussed by SCAG's Regional Council on September 1, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments, that the Amendment 1 to the FY 2022-23 Comprehensive Budget including the OWP is approved and adopted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Regional Council hereby authorizes submittal of Amendment 1 to the FY 2022-23 OWP to the participating State and Federal agencies.
- 2. The Regional Council hereby authorizes submittal of SCAG's approved FY 2022-23 Indirect Cost Rate Proposal (ICRP) to the participating State and Federal agencies.
- 3. SCAG pledges to pay or secure in cash or services, or both, the matching funds necessary for financial assistance.
- The SCAG Executive Director, or in his or her absence, the Chief Financial Officer, is hereby designated and authorized to execute all related agreements and other documents on behalf of the Regional Council.
- 5. The SCAG Bylaws give the SCAG Executive Director authority to administer the Personnel Rules. In accordance with that authority, the SCAG Executive Director, or in his or her absence, the Chief Financial Officer, is hereby designated and authorized to make administrative amendments to the FY 2022-23 Comprehensive Budget including the OWP to implement the Personnel Rules.
- 6. The SCAG Executive Director, or in his or her absence, the Chief Financial Officer, is hereby authorized to make and submit to the applicable funding agencies, the necessary work program, and budget amendments to SCAG's FY 2022-23 Comprehensive Budget including the OWP, based on actual available funds and to draw funds as necessary on a line of credit or other requisition basis.
- 7. The SCAG Executive Director, or in his or her absence, the Chief Financial Officer, is hereby authorized to submit grant applications and execute the applicable grant agreements and any amendments with the applicable Federal or State agency and to implement grant funds through SCAG's OWP, and this includes submittal and execution of the required Overall Work Program Agreement (OWPA) and the Master Fund Transfer Agreement (MFTA) with Caltrans, as part of the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Programs.
- 8. The SCAG Executive Director, or in his or her absence, the Chief Financial Officer, is hereby authorized to make administrative amendments to the FY 2022-23 OWP that do not affect the delivery of regional transportation planning tasks, activities, steps, products, or the funding amounts listed on the OWPA.
- 9. The SCAG Executive Director, or in his or her absence, the Chief Financial Officer, is hereby authorized to make administrative amendments to the FY 2022-23 General Fund Budget; the Indirect Cost Budget; the Fringe Benefit Budget; FTA Discretionary and Formula Grant Budget; and

- the TDA Budget that do not exceed the overall funding amounts approved by the SCAG Regional Council and the participating State and Federal agencies.
- 10. The SCAG Executive Director, or in his or her absence, the Chief Financial Officer, is hereby authorized to make administrative amendments to the FY 2022-23 TDA Budget, including exceeding the TDA Budget approved by the Regional Council, for the purpose of allocating additional funding to projects that are included in the approved OWP, when such exceedance is necessary to execute or implement the OWP approved by the Regional Council.
- 11. The SCAG Executive Director, or in his or her absence, the Chief Financial Officer, is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute subrecipient agreements (e.g., memorandum of understanding) and related documents, on behalf of the Regional Council, involving the expenditure of funds programed under the FY 2022-23 Comprehensive Budget including the OWP.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments at its regular meeting this 1st day of September, 2022.

Jan C. Harnik
President, SCAG
Riverside County Transportation Commission
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Attested by:
Kome Ajise
Executive Director
Approved as to Form:
Approved as to Form:
Michael R.W. Houston
Chief Counsel

Attachment: List of Budget Changes - FY23 OWP Amendment 1 (Resolution No. 22-646-1 Approving

FY 2022-23 OWP Amendment 1 **List of Budget Changes**

Project Task No.	Project Task Name	Category	Budget Change	CPG FHWA_PL	CPG FTA_5303	TDA	FHWA SPR	FY21 SB1 Formula	FY22 SB1 Formula	State Others	REAP AB 101	REAP 2021	FY21 OTS	FY22 OTS	DOE	MSRC	АТР	IERS Grant	Cash/Local Other	In-Kind Commitments
095.1633.01	Public Involvement	Staff		-	-															
225.3564.17	FY22 OTS - Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program	Consultant	81	-	-	81														
100.4901.01	Broadband Planning	Staff	96,360	85,307	-															11,053
100.1630.02	Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Planning	Staff	(75,867)	(67,165)	_															(8,702)
100.4911.01	Smart Cities	Staff	(20,492)	(18,142)	-															(2,350)
055.1531.01	Southern California Economic Growth Strategy	Staff	68,501	60,644	-															7,857
055.1531.02	Economic Analysis of Transportation Planning Activities & Investments	Staff	(68,501)	(60,644)	-															(7,857)
055.4856.01	Regional Growth and Policy Analysis	Consultant	(17,500)	-	(17,500)															-
055.4856.01	Regional Growth and Policy Analysis	Staff	16,943	-	15,000															1,943
055.4856.01	Regional Growth and Policy Analysis	Staff	2,500	-		2,500														
055.4856.01	Regional Growth and Policy Analysis	Staff	2,824	-	2,500															324
055.0133.06	University Partnership & Collaboration	Consultant	(2,000)		(2,000)															
055.0133.06	University Partnership & Collaboration	Staff	2,000	-	(=,===)	2,000														
055.0133.06	University Partnership & Collaboration	Staff	2,259	-	2,000															259
100.1630.02	Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Planning	Staff	(87,943)	(77,856)	-															(10,087)
100.4901.01	Broadband Planning	Staff	21,985		-															2,521
100.4911.01	Smart Cities	Staff	29,314																	3,362
115.4912.01	Clean Technology Program	Staff	36,643		-															4,203
280.4824.02	Future Communities Pilot Program (MSRC)	Consultant	817,359													817,359				
065.0137.07	Local Technical Assistance and Toolbox Tuesdays	Staff	5,000			5,000														
065.0137.07	Local Technical Assistance and Toolbox Tuesdays	Staff	2,000			2,000														
275.4892.02	Sustainable Communities Program - 2020 Call 1 (ATP Cycle 5)	Consultant	10														10			
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To:

AGENDA ITEM 8 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017
September 1, 2022

Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

APPROVAL

Regional Council (RC)

From: Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer

(213) 630-1413, giraldo@scag.ca.gov

Subject: Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-57-C01, Regional Data

Platform Phase 2

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Contract No. 22-057-C01 in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 with Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI), Inc. to build more capabilities and function to its system of systems on the existing framework of the Regional Data Platform that serves all 197 local jurisdictions, other partner agencies, and the general public in Southern California. Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the contract on behalf of SCAG.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians. 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Consistent with the requirements of Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) Sustainable Communities Formula Funds that supports this project, the consultant shall build more capabilities and functions on the Regional Data Platform that serves all SCAG local jurisdictions, other partner agencies, and the general public.

BACKGROUND:

Staff recommends executing the following contract \$200,000 or greater:

Consultant/Contract #	Contract Purpose	Contract
		<u>Amount</u>
ESRI, Inc.	The consultant shall build more capabilities and	\$500,000
(22-057-C01)	functions on the existing framework of the	
	Regional Data Platform that serves local	





jurisdictions, other partner agencies, and the general public in Southern California.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Grant funds in the amount of \$225,000 are available in the FY 2022-23 Overall Work Program (OWP) Budget in Project Numbers 280-4832.04 and the remaining funds are expected to become available through the next budget amendment process, subject to budget availability.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Contract Summary 22-057-C01
- 2. Contract Summary 22-057-C01 COI

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 22-057-C01

Recommended Consultant:

Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI), Inc.

Background & Scope of Work:

Consistent with the requirements of Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) Sustainable Communities Formula Funds that supports this project, the consultant shall build more capabilities and functions on the Regional Data Platform that serves all SCAG local jurisdictions, other partner agencies, and the general public. Among other things, the Regional Data Platform also:

- Facilitates stronger regional and local planning by providing modern tools and best practices to assist with planning at all levels with information-based decision making;
- Fosters collaboration between SCAG, local jurisdictions, stakeholders, the general public, and local communities by making data and information products used for decision-making more transparent and broadly available;
- Supports planning for sustainable growth by assessing the local and regional impacts of land use and transportation choices by benchmarking likely outcomes to regional performance metrics (that informs SCAG's regional transportation and sustainable communities planning processes);
- Captures data and information and engages end users to provide more useful
 and insightful information products for day-to-day operations and decisions,
 while streamlining processes of collecting and integrating data from member
 agencies to SCAG, while providing useful information products and data sets to
 everyone; and
- Serves as a primary system for regional data resources to support regional and local planning, and provide forward-thinking information products like dashboards and other innovative tools to end-users to improve and enhance work flows.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The Regional Data Platform's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- The Platform will provide enhanced capabilities and function to SCAG's existing
 online tools for staff and local jurisdictions to access data necessary for local
 land use development, economic and demographic insights, and general
 decision making by monitoring transportation, land development trends,
 housing, population growth, economic development, and sustainability
 conditions; and
- The Regional Data Platform will continue to provide forums for data-driven collaboration to local jurisdictions, as well as to engage with stakeholders for individual projects, such as local and regional land use planning, active transportation planning, greenhouse gas reduction strategies, and development impact assessments.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan, Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of live for Southern Californians, and Objective (C): Ensure quality, effectiveness, and implementation of plans through collaboration, pilot testing, and objective data-driven analysis; Goal 3: Be the foremost data information hub for the region, and Objectives (A): Develop and maintain models,

tools, and data sets that support innovative plan development, policy analysis and project implementation, and (B): Become the information hub of Southern California y improving access to current, historical, local and regional data sets that reduce the costs of planning and increase the efficiency of public services; Goal 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration.

Contract Amount: Total not to exceed \$500,000

ESRI (prime consultant)
Blue Raster (subconsultant)
Quartic Solutions (subconsultant)
Wallace Walrod (subconsultant)

Note: ESRI originally proposed \$877,533, but staff negotiated the price down to \$500,000_without reducing the scope of work, by eliminating the addition features ESRI included in its offer that exceeded our scope of work.

Contract Period: Notice to Proceed through June 30, 2023

Project Numbers: 280-4832U9.04 \$199,192

280-4832E.04 \$25,808

Funding sources: Transportation Development Act (TDA) and FY21 SB 1 Sustainable Communities Formula Grant Funds.

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subject to budget availability.

Request for Proposal (RFP):

SCAG staff notified 2,726 firms of the release of RFP 22-057 via SCAG's Solicitation Management System website. A total of 84 firms downloaded the RFP. SCAG

received the following two (2) proposals in response to the solicitation:

ESRI, Inc. (3 sub-consultants) \$877,533

Inzata Analytics (no sub-consultants) \$300,613

Selection Process:

SCAG assembled a Proposal Review Committee (PRC) with participants having expertise in land use planning, regional planning, information technology, geographic information systems, data science, environmental justice, remote sensing, and demography. The PRC evaluated each proposal in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP and conducted the selection process in a manner consistent with all applicable federal and state contracting regulations. After evaluating the proposals, the PRC interview the two (2) offerors.

The PRC consisted of the following individuals:

Javier Aguilar (PM), Regional Planner Specialist, SCAG Jung Seo, Program Manager II, SCAG Tom Vo, Program Manager I, SCAG
Jonathan Holt, Department Manager (Applications), SCAG
Sean Tucker, Lead Enterprise GIS Administrator, SCAG
Stephanie McGrath, Public Affairs Specialist III, SCAG
Jay Satalich, Office of Surveys Chief, Caltrans District 7

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommended Esri, Inc. for the contract based on their proposed technical approach and previous experience on project's scale and scope, as well as time constraints. In the following, this report details reasons for the PRC selection:

- Esri's technical approach exceeded Inzata Analytics' as their proposal better identified how SCAG's Regional Data Platform tools would continue to help and facilitate local land use plan updates with geospatial technology and collaborative workflows;
- In addition, Esri's proposed solutions were more comprehensive in addressing how the Regional Data Platform can be integrated with SCAG's existing enterprise geographic information systems (GIS) infrastructure and open data platform, while emphasizing local jurisdictions' user operability and integration with existing local data systems; and
- Finally, ESRI demonstrated the best experience with producing similar project in scale and scope.

Although Inzata Analytics proposed a lower price, the PRC did not recommend this firm for contract award because it:

- Did not demonstrate the same level of comprehensiveness about an enterprise GIS, the SCAG region, planning data, and many of the requested information products.
- Did not properly detail their plan for integration of the Regional Data Platform with SCAG's and local jurisdictions on existing GIS systems and frameworks; and
- Did not demonstrate the necessary experience and competencies in working with public agencies on projects with similar scale and scope.

Conflict Of Interest (COI) Form - Attachment For September 1, 2022 Regional Council Approval

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The consultant team for this contract includes:

Consultant Name	Did the consultant disclose a conflict in the Conflict of Interest Form they submitted with its original proposal (Yes or No)?
ESRI	No - form attached
Blue Raster	No - form attached
Quartic Solutions	No - form attached
Wallace Walrod	No - form attached

SCAG CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM

RFP No. 22-057-C01

RFP No./Contract No.	Esri RFP No. 22-057-C01

SECTION I: INSTRUCTIONS

Name of Firm:

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Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (Esri)

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Pro	ject Title:	Regional Data Platform (RD	P) Phase II	
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Attachment: Contract Summary 22-057-C01 COI (Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-57-C01, Regional Data Platform Phase 2)

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Name of Firm: Blue Raster LLC Name of Propagation Michael Linguists
Name of Preparer: Michael Lippmann Project Title: RDP Phase 2
RFP Number: 22-057-C01
SECTION II: QUESTIONS
During the last twelve (12) months, has your firm provided a source of income to employees of SCAG or members of the SCAG Regional Council, or have any employees or Regional Council members held any investment (including real property) in your firm?
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AGENDA ITEM 9 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017
September 1, 2022

To: Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

APPROVAL

Regional Council (RC)

From: Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer

(213) 630-1413, giraldo@scag.ca.gov

Subject: Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-052-C01, Connect SoCal

2024 Public and Stakeholder Engagement

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Contract No. 22-052-C01 in an amount not to exceed \$1,378,540 (subject to final negotiation) with Peacock Sinning Public Relations to support the development of the 2024 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)/Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) (RTP/SCS), also known as "Connect SoCal" by providing planning and outreach services required to clearly communicate, present and receive feedback on the plan to meet the public outreach requirements of SB 375 and facilitate an inclusive planning process that is aligned with the goals and strategies of SCAG's Public Participation Plan. Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the contract on behalf of SCAG.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 6: Deploy strategic communications to further agency priorities and foster public understanding of long-range regional planning.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

To support outreach and engagement for Connect SoCal 2024, the consultant shall develop a comprehensive stakeholder engagement strategy and execute multiple tasks to support plan development. This project supports the goals and strategies identified in SCAG's adopted Public Participation Plan to ensure that opportunities for public involvement are accessible to all communities. This project will lead to more responsive strategy development for Connect SoCal.

BACKGROUND:

Staff recommends executing the following contract \$200,000 or greater:

Consultant/Contract #	Contract Purpose	Contract
		<u>Amount</u>
Peacock Sinning	The project will support the development of	\$1,378,540
Public Relations	the 2024 Regional Transportation Plan	





22-052-C01

(RTP)/Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) (RTP/SCS), also known as "Connect SoCal".

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding of \$1,116,300 is available in the FY 2022-23 OWP budget, and the remaining \$262,240 is expected to be available in the FY 2023-24 OWP budget in Project Numbers 310-4874.01 and 095-1533.01, subject to budget availability.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Contract Summary 22-052-C01
- 2. Contract Summary 22-052-C01 COI

\$1,378,540

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 22-052-C01

Recommended Consultant:

Peacock Sinning Public Relations, Inc.

Background & Scope of Work:

To support the development of the 2024 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)/Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) (RTP/SCS), better known as "Connect SoCal", the Consultant shall provide planning and outreach services required to clearly communicate, present, and receive feedback on Connect SoCal to meet the public outreach requirements of Senate Bill (SB) 375 and facilitate an inclusive planning process that is aligned with the goals and strategies of SCAG's Public Participation Plan.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Marketing and Outreach Media related to Connect SoCal development and public input opportunities;
- Community Based Organization Partnerships;
- 16+ Public Workshops; and
- Multifaceted engagement opportunities including an online survey and pop-up events.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 6: Deploy strategic communications to further agency priorities and foster public understanding of long-range regional planning.

Contract Amount:	Total not to exceed

Peacock Sinning Public Relations, Inc. (prime consultant)	\$487,660
JKH Consulting (subconsultant)	\$38,164
Kit Cole Consulting, LLC (subconsultant)	\$46,650
Estolano Advisors (subconsultant)	\$416,816
Pro Media (subconsultant)	\$389,250

Contract Period:

Notice to Proceed through June 30, 2024

Project Number(s):

310-4874A.01 \$750,000 095-1533B.01 \$366,300

Funding source(s): Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) – Federal Highway

Administration (FHWA) PL and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5303

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Request for Proposal (RFP):

SCAG staff notified 4,094 firms of the release of RFP 22-052-C01 via SCAG's Solicitation Management System website. A total of 46 firms downloaded the RFP. SCAG received the following one (1) proposal in response to the solicitation:

Peacock Sinning Public Relations Inc. (3 subconsultants)

\$1,378,540

After receiving only one proposal, staff surveyed 45 firms that downloaded the RFP to determine why each did not submit a proposal. One (1) firm responded to staff's inquiry, which disclosed the main reason this firm did not respond was that it was not interested in submitting an offer after reviewing the RFP documents (they provided no substantive reason). Staff requested and received Caltrans authorization to proceed evaluating the single offer received.

Selection Process:

The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated each proposal in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP and conducted the selection process in a manner consistent with all applicable federal and state contracting regulations. After evaluating the proposal, the PRC did not conduct interviews because the proposals contained sufficient information on which to base a contract award.

The PRC consisted of the following individuals:

Sarah Dominguez, Program Manager II, SCAG Sarah Patterson, Manager of Regional Services, SCAG Julia Lippe-Klein, Program Manager II, SCAG

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommended Peacock Sinning Public Relations, Inc. for the contract award because the consultant:

- Demonstrated a strong understanding of the project, specifically the consultant proposed distinct strategies and methods for meeting different stakeholder groups. The consultant understood the need for connection between the outreach effort and staff work with the inclusion of a weekly comment/input tracker. The consultant proposal aligned with the vision for the project which aims to provide new and engaging ways for members of the public to learn about and engage with SCAG's work.
- Provided a sound technical approach, for example, the consultant proposed interim steps to ensure that we monitor and measure the efficacy of the outreach media strategy. The consultant provided details to ensure a successful public workshop series by articulating the necessary elements and steps. The consultant also thought through the necessary phasing and integration of the stakeholder engagement, meetings, and staff planning work. Lastly, the consultant provided a detailed and comprehensive schedule which demonstrates and understanding of the lead time needed for several of the core tasks.
- The consultant team is robust in that it is comprised of subject matter experts qualified to carry out project tasks with diverse skillsets on several facets of this project including but not limited to: tribal consultation,

International Association for Public Participation (IAP2 – a key metric) public participation practices, government and legislative outreach, and equity-based engagement. The consultant team also has key members that have direct experience conducting projects with similar workshop, stakeholder engagement and community-based organization partnerships for the last Connect SoCal development cycle.

Conflict of Interest (COI) Form - Attachment For September 1, 2022 Regional Council Approval

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The consultant team for this contract includes:

Consultant Name	Did the consultant disclose a conflict in the Conflict of Interest Form they submitted with its original proposal (Yes or No)?
Peacock Sinning Public Relations, Inc. (prime	No - form attached
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JKH Consulting (subconsultant)	No - form attached
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AGENDA ITEM 10 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017
September 1, 2022

To: Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

APPROVAL

Regional Council (RC)

From: Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer

(213) 630-1413, giraldo@scag.ca.gov

Subject: Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-055-C01 through 22-055-

CO9, Economic Advisory and Analysis Services Supporting Annual Economic Summit and SCAG Quarterly Indicators Dashboard (SQID)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Contracts No. 22-055-C01 through 22-055-C09 in a combined total amount not to exceed \$384,212, with firms listed below, to provide Economic Advisory and Analysis Services Supporting Annual Economic Summit and SCAG Quarterly Indicators Dashboard (SQID). Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the contract on behalf of SCAG.

- 1. Berkeley Economic Advising & Research
- 2. California Economic Forecast
- 3. Center for Economic Research & Forecasting
- 4. Development Management Group, Inc.
- 5. Guidehouse, Inc.
- 6. Inland Empire Economic Partnership
- 7. Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC)
- 8. Tech Coast Consulting Group
- 9. University of California, Riverside

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians. 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The consultants shall provide Economic Advisory and Analysis Services Supporting Annual Economic Summit and SCAG Quarterly Indicators Dashboard (SQID).



BACKGROUND:

Staff recommends executing the following contract \$200,000 or greater:

Consultant/Contract #	Contract Purpose	Contract
		<u>Amount</u>
Consultants identified above (22-055-C01 through 22-055-C09)	The consultants shall provide Economic Advisory and Analysis Services Supporting Annual Economic Summit and SCAG Quarterly	\$384,212
	Indicators Dashboard (SQID).	

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding of \$100,000 is available in the FY 2022-23 OWP budget in Project Number 055-1531.01, and the remaining funding is expected to be available in FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25 OWP, subject to budget availability.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Contract Summary 22-055-C01
- 2. Contract Summary 22-055-C01 COI

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 22-055-C01 through 22-055-C09

Recommended Consultants:

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- 2. California Economic Forecast
- 3. Center for Economic Research & Forecasting
- 4. Development Management Group, Inc.
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Background & Scope of Work:

SCAG seeks to better understand the economic implications of SCAG's planning activities. As a core element of the agency's transportation planning efforts, the economic data and analysis contained within the 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2020 RTP/SCS or Connect SoCal) is important to a multitude of planning and research efforts at SCAG, such as informing development of annual regional economic outlooks and other analysis at the nexus of transportation and economic growth.

To help inform SCAG stakeholders about the regional economy, SCAG hosts the Annual Southern California Economic Summit ("Summit") and brings together business, local government, and other stakeholders from across Southern California to consider how to expand the region's economic base and determine priorities. The Summit has evolved from its initial formulation in response to the Great Recession and assessment of the economic conditions in the region's counties to also address an array of topics driving the economic well-being of Southern Californians. As part of the Summit, SCAG develops and publishes an annual Regional Briefing Book which provides an economic outlook for the region and the individual counties and addresses topics of interest over the past year. For example, the 2020 Summit assessed the economic impacts of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and began a deeper discussion of institutionalized racial inequity in the region, which led to the development of SCAG's Inclusive Economic Recovery Strategy (IERS).

These contracts will provide the continued economic analysis that is needed during multi-year development and implementation phases of the RTP/SCS, and to support the annual Summit and Briefing Book and other outreach efforts related to the agency's economic strategy, such as the SCAG Quarterly Indicators Dashboard (SQID).

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Participating in SCAG's Economic Roundtable meetings;
- Reviewing quarterly economic data and information; and
- Contributing content to Annual Briefing Book and Economic Summit.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal: 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians. Goal 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration.

Contract Amount: Total not to exceed \$384,211

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Berkeley Economic Advising & Research	\$59,750
California Economic Forecast	\$54,227
Center for Economic Research & Forecasting	\$31,803
Development Management Group, Inc	\$33,345
Guidehouse, Inc	\$56,051
Inland Empire Economic Partnership	\$56,232
Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC)	\$21,512
Tech Coast Consulting Group	\$38,475
University of California, Riverside	\$32,817

Contract Period: Notice to Proceed through September 30, 2025

Project Number: 055-1531.01 \$100,000

Funding source(s): Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) – Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) PL

Funding of \$100,000 is available in the FY 2022-23 OWP budget in Project Number 055-1531.01, and the remaining funding is expected to be available in FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25 OWP, subject to budget availability.

Request for Proposal (RFP):

SCAG staff notified 2,331 firms of the release of RFP 22-055 via SCAG's Solicitation Management System website. A total of 54 firms downloaded the RFP. SCAG received the following eleven (11) proposals in response to the solicitation:

- 1. Berkeley Economic Advising & Research
- 2. California Economic Forecast
- 3. Center for Economic Research & Forecasting
- 4. Development Management Group, Inc.
- 5. Economic & Politics, Inc.
- 6. Fourth Economy Consulting, Inc.
- 7. Guidehouse, Inc.
- 8. Inland Empire Economic Partnership
- 9. Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC)
- 10. Tech Coast Consulting Group
- 11. University of California, Riverside

Selection Process:

The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated each proposal in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP and conducted the selection process in a manner consistent with all applicable federal and state contracting regulations. After evaluating the proposals, the PRC determined interviews were necessary for the regions of Riverside and San Bernardino counties only. Each of the remaining regions had one offeror and each contained sufficient information on which to base a contract award. The PRC interviewed the three (3) highest ranked offerors who proposed on the regions of Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

The PRC consisted of the following individuals:

Georgina Moreno, Senior Economist, SCAG

Kevin Kane, Program Manager I, SCAG John Cho, Senior Regional Planner, SCAG

Basis for Selection:

Per the RFP's requirements, all the proposers specified their regional expertise and/or their economic specialties. The PRC recommended the contract award be split between the nine (9) consultants listed above, since it will ensure that each SCAG region and economic specialty will be covered and will provide SCAG a broader level of localized economic expertise and expertise in key content areas. The PRC determined it is most advantageous for SCAG to get the full benefit of these different skill sets and will improve the quality of the project deliverables by awarding multiple contracts. Additionally, awarding multiple contracts provides SCAG the needed support for the annual Economic Summit and Briefing Book as well as other outreach efforts related to the agency's economic strategy, such as the SCAG Quarterly Indicators Dashboard (SQID) and it is in SCAG's best interest to do so.

The selected consultants were the highest ranked firms in each of their specific region and stated specialty and best demonstrated the following:

- An economic expertise in a geographical area or specialty field;
- Ability and expertise to perform analytical and outreach services;
- Ability to allocate resources to fulfill the required services;
- Clearly identified previous experience performing economic analysis of a similar scope;
- Understanding of the project intent; and
- Provided rates that were reasonable and within the desired range.

Conflict of Interest (COI) Form - Attachment For September 1, 2022 Regional Council Approval

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The consultants for these contracts include:

Consultant Name	Did the consultant disclose a conflict in the Conflict of Interest Form they submitted with its original proposal (Yes or No)?	
Berkeley Economic Advising & Research (prime consultant)	No - form attached	
California Economic Forecast (prime consultant)	No - form attached	
Center for Economic Research & Forecasting (prime consultant)	No - form attached	
Development Management Group, Inc. (prime consultant)	No - form attached	
Guidehouse, Inc. (prime consultant)	No - form attached	
Inland Empire Economic Partnership (prime consultant)	No - form attached	
Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC) (prime consultant)	No - form attached	
Tech Coast Consulting Group (prime consultant)	No - form attached	
University of California, Riverside (prime consultant)	No - form attached	

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Nam	e of Prepa	rer:	Paul C. Granillo	0			
Project Title: RFP Number:		Economic Advisory and Analysis Services Supporting Annual Economic Summit and SCAG Quarterly Indicators Dashboard (SQID)					
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Attachment: Contract Summary 22-055-C01 COI (Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-055-C01 through 22-055-C09, Economic Advisory and An)

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I. (printed full name) Dr. Wallace Walrot , bereby declare that I am the (position

or title) Managing Partner of (firm name) ICCG Tech Coast Consulting Group LLC., and that I am duly authorized to execute this Validation Statement on behalf of this entity. I hereby state that this SCAG Conflict of Interest Form dated June 29, 2022 is correct and current as submitted. I acknowledge that any false, deceptive, or fraudulent statements on this Validation

Statement will result in rejection of my contract proposal.

June 29, 2022

Signature of Person Certifying for Proposer (original signature required) Date

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AGENDA ITEM 11 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017
September 1, 2022

To: Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

APPROVAL

Regional Council (RC)

From: Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer

(213) 630-1413, giraldo@scag.ca.gov

Subject: Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-061-C01, Streamlining

Services for SCAG's Broadband Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Contract No. 22-061-C01 in an amount not to exceed \$233,786 with Tectonic Engineering and Surveying Consultants, P.C., to provide permit streamlining solutions by developing permit streamlining reports, policies, and codes, as it relates to broadband. Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the contract on behalf of SCAG.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians. 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy. 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Consistent with the requirements of the California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF) Grant that funds this project, the consultant shall provide permit streamlining solutions by developing permit streamlining reports, policies, and codes, as it relates to broadband and shall conduct workshops, stakeholder coordination and outreach to fulfill the mandate (to develop solutions and strategies to assist in rapid deployment of broadband technology) set forth by SCAG's Regional Council adopted Resolution No. 21-629-2, which pledges SCAG to assist in bridging the digital divide in underserved communities.



BACKGROUND:

<u>Staff recommends executing the following contract \$200,000 or greater:</u>

Consultant/Contract #	<u>Contract Purpose</u>	Contract <u>Amount</u>
Tectonic Engineering and Surveying Consultants P.C 22-061-C01	The project will provide permit streamlining solutions by developing permit streamlining reports, policies, and codes, as it relates to broadband.	\$233,786

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding of \$233,786 is available in the FY 2022-23 Overall Work Program (OWP) Budget in Project Number 100-4901VA.01, and whatever is not spent in FY 2022-23 OWP will carry over into the FY 2023-24 OWP.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Contract Summary 22-061-C01
- 2. Contract Summary 22-061-C01 COI

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 22-061-C01

Recommended Consultant:

Tectonic Engineering and Surveying Consultants, P.C.

Background & Scope of Work:

Consistent with the requirements of the California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF) Grant that funds this project, the consultant shall provide solutions to streamline permits by developing permit streamlining reports, policies, and codes, as it relates to broadband (high speed internet connection) and shall conduct workshops, stakeholder coordination and outreach to fulfill the mandate (to develop solutions and strategies to assist in rapid deployment of broadband technology) set forth by SCAG's Regional Council adopted Resolution No. 21-629-2, which pledges SCAG to assist in bridging the digital divide in underserved communities.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Consultant facilitating at least 14 task force and working group meetings to solicit best practices on permit streamlining;
- Meetings tailored to specific communities in the SCAG region;
- Meeting findings reported back to multiple state and regional governing bodies, including several SCAG Committees;
- Consultant shall produce a draft and final report focused on Permit Streamlining;
- Consultant shall produce a draft and final version of a Streamlined Model Permit, a Policy and an Ordinance; and
- Consultant shall produce a draft and final version of a Memo and Flowchart to further illustrate the findings of the project.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goals:

- 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians;
- 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy; and
- 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration.

Contract Amount:

Total not to exceed

\$233,786

Tectonic Engineering and Surveying Consultants (prime consultant) \$182,539 GenTech, LLC. (subconsultant) \$51,247

Contract Period:

Notice to Proceed through December 15, 2023

Project Number(s):

100-4901VA.01 \$233,786

Funding source(s): California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF), Broadband

Planning

Request for Proposal

(RFP):

SCAG staff notified 4,080 firms of the release of RFP 22-061 via SCAG's Solicitation Management System website. A total of 33 firms downloaded the RFP. SCAG

received the following one (1) proposal in response to the solicitation:

After receiving only one proposal, staff surveyed 32 firms that downloaded the RFP to determine why each did not submit a proposal. Six (6) firms responded to staff's inquiry, which disclosed the main reason these firms did not respond was that even though the solicitation was interesting they were more interested in the design jobs, and they needed more time to submit a strong proposal. Note staff advertised the RFP a six (6) week period (inclusive of addendums). Staff requested and received the grantor's (CETF's) authorization to proceed with evaluating the single offer.

Selection Process:

The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated each proposal in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP and conducted the selection process in a manner consistent with all applicable federal and state contracting regulations. After evaluating the proposals, the PRC did not conduct an interview because the proposals contained sufficient information on which to base a contract award.

The PRC consisted of the following individuals:

Roland H. Ok, Project Manager, SCAG Thomas Bellino, Senior Regional Planner, SCAG Ryan Laws, Associate Regional Planner, SCAG

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommended Tectonic Engineering and Surveying Consultants, P.C. for the contract award because the consultant:

- Provided a realistic price under SCAG's estimated cost;
- Provided a strong project management approach that covers all tasks in the Scope of Work. The consultant's four planned areas of focus, includes data management and inventory/development efforts that are unique and innovative, and their work schedule is within the constraints of SCAG's deadline dates;
- Demonstrated a clear understanding of the site acquisition, permitting, zoning and entitlement process with respect to broadband infrastructure development;
- Demonstrated prior experience related to broadband infrastructure such as: leasing, zoning, engineering, site acquisition, tower development services in California (T-Mobile, Verizon and Crown Castle) with clear knowledge of the telecommunications industry;
- Demonstrated technical understanding with respect to engineering, trenching and other construction related aspects with respect to broadband infrastructure development; and
- Proposed a knowledgeable project team consisting of certified engineers with telecom expertise and experience.

Conflict of Interest (COI) Form - Attachment For September 1, 2022 Regional Council Approval

Approve Contract No. 22-061-C01 in an amount not to exceed \$233,786 with Tectonic Engineering and Surveying Consultants, P.C., to provide permit streamlining solutions by developing permit streamlining reports, policies, and codes, as it relates to broadband. Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the contract on behalf of SCAG.

The consultant team for this contract includes:

Consultant Name	Did the consultant disclose a conflict in the Conflict of Interest Form they submitted with its original proposal (Yes or No)?
Tectonic Engineering and Surveying Consultants,	No - form attached
P.C. (prime consultant)	
GenTech, LLC (subconsultant)	No - form attached

SCAG CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM

RFP No. 22-061

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SCAG CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM

RFP No. 22-061

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Name of Firm:	GenTech LLC		
Name of Prepa	rer: Gregory Simon		
Project Title:	SCAG Streamlining Service	s for Rural Broadband	Proposal
RFP Number:	22-0771	Date Submitted:	7/7/2022
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NOTICE

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AGENDA ITEM 12 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation) 900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room Los Angeles, CA 90017

September 1, 2022

To: Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

Regional Council (RC)

From: Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer

(213) 630-1413, giraldo@scag.ca.gov

Subject: Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-062-C01, Strategic

Services for SCAG's Broadband Program

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

APPROVAL

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Contract No. 22-062-C01 in an amount not to exceed \$219,226 with HDR Engineering, Inc., to provide strategic services for SCAG's Broadband Program. Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the contract on behalf of SCAG.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians. 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The selected consultant shall assist in providing general strategic services with respect to broadband. Broadband plays a pivotal role in transportation planning by providing an alternative/digital means of transportation via telework, telehealth, and e-commerce. Based on previous studies, broadband can serve as an effective tool to reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT) impacts. The consultant shall evaluate "dig-smart/dig-once" policies, which advocate for installation of conduit during roadway improvements. Further, the consultant will provide televerything/broadband assumptions for the upcoming 2024 Connect SoCal Plan (Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy [RTP/SCS]).

BACKGROUND:

Staff recommends executing the following contract \$200,000 or greater:

Consultant/Contract #	Contract Purpose	Contract
		<u>Amount</u>
HDR Engineering,	The consultant shall provide strategic services	\$219,226
Inc. 22-062-C01	for SCAG's Broadband Program.	





FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding of \$219,226 is available in the FY 2022-23 OWP budget in Project Number 100-4901.01, and the unspent balance is expected to be available in the FY 2023-24 OWP budget, subject to budget availability.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Contract Summary 22-062-C01
- 2. Contract Summary 22-062-C01 COI

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 22-062-C01

Recommended Consultant:

HDR Engineering, Inc.

Background & Scope of Work:

On February 2, 2021, SCAG's Regional Council adopted Resolution No. 21-629-2, which pledges SCAG to assist in bridging the digital divide in underserved communities. One of the mandates set forth by the resolution directs staff to develop solutions and strategies to assist in expedited and streamlined deployment of broadband technology.

Broadband is now considered essential infrastructure for the 21st century. Schools, offices, retail and governments all rely on online platforms, offering people significant time savings and a digital avenue for economic prosperity. However, broadband is still far from a universal service across the State. Within the SCAG region alone, approximately 15 percent of all households do not have access to adequate internet speeds or no internet access. These households are disproportionately located in underserved urban communities and rural communities.

The selected consultant shall provide general strategic services with respect to broadband. Broadband plays a pivotal role in transportation planning by providing an alternative/digital means of transportation via telework, telehealth, and ecommerce to name a few. Based on previous studies, broadband can serve as an effective tool to reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT) impacts. The consultant shall evaluate "dig-smart/dig-once" policies, which advocate for installation of conduit during roadway improvements. Further, the consultant shall provide televerything/broadband assumptions for the upcoming 2024 Connect SoCal Plan (Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy [RTP/SCS]).

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Preparing a Project Work Plan to guide the progression of the overall study effort;
- Developing an Outreach Memo which will assist SCAG and its stakeholders with state and federal governments digital equity and/or subsidy initiatives;
- Creating a Digital Literary Tool Kit;
- Developing off-model and on-model strategies and language which incorporates broadband based solutions;
- Developing a VMT Report Memo; and
- Assisting with data and mapping needs for SCAG's Broadband Planning Program.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians. Goal 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration.

Contract Amount: Total not to exceed

Total not to exceed\$219,226HDR Engineering, Inc. (prime consultant)\$173,881Arellano Associates (subconsultant)\$45,345

Contract Period:

Notice to Proceed through June 30, 2024

\$219,226

Project Number(s): 100-4901B.01 \$219,226

Funding source(s): Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) – Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5303

Funding of \$219,226 is available in the FY 2022-23 OWP budget, and the unspent balance is expected to be available in the FY 2023-24 OWP budget, subject to budget availability.

Request for Proposal (RFP):

SCAG staff notified 4,196 firms of the release of RFP 22-062 via SCAG's Solicitation Management System website. A total of 68 firms downloaded the RFP. SCAG received the following three (3) proposals in response to the solicitation:

Parsons Transportation Group (1 subconsultant)	\$219,185
BizFed Institute (1 subconsultant)	\$219,335

Selection Process:

The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated each proposal in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP and conducted the selection process in a manner consistent with all applicable federal and state contracting regulations. After evaluating the proposals, the PRC did not conduct interviews because the proposals contained sufficient information on which to base a contract award.

The PRC consisted of the following individuals:

HDR Engineering, Inc. (1 subconsultant)

Roland Ok, Project Manager, SCAG Ryan Laws, Associate Regional Planner, SCAG Thomas Bellino, Senior Regional Planner, SCAG

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommended HDR Engineering, Inc. for the contract award because the consultant:

- Demonstrated the best understanding of SCAG's broadband program and its relationship between other initiatives (i.e, Connect SoCal, VMT Report, Intelligent Traffic System Architecture) and further demonstrated the best understanding of SCAG's technical needs (Tele-everything strategies for Connect SoCal, issue areas regarding broadband Geographic Information System (GIS) data and associated data needs);
- Demonstrated the best technical approach and knowledge of key issue areas regarding the digital divide and proposed potential solutions within their proposal including knowledge of the modelling data and the application of the RTP/SCS;
- Demonstrated the most relevant experience specifically projects related to GIS mapping, infrastructure development and modelling and provided the best understanding of federal and state funding sources (Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA-Broadband) administered by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (IIJA) and Broadband For All grants administered by the California Department of Technology and California Public Utilities Commission; and

• Provided the most realistic price per hour and number of hours to complete the project.

The PRC did not recommend the other proposers for contract award because these firms:

- Proposed approach was heavily focused on stakeholder and public outreach which satisfies only a portion of the project's Scope of Work;
- Did not demonstrate the familiarity and breadth of experience regarding transportation planning;
- Did not clearly demonstrate a sufficient level of effort, primarily in the form of staff hours, to satisfactorily complete the tasks in the Scope of Work; and
- Did not provide a clear division of labor between the prime consultant and subconsultant, as both consultants appear to focus on engineering, which may result in redundant work efforts.

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The consultant team for this contract includes:

Consultant Name	Did the consultant disclose a conflict in the Conflict of Interest Form they submitted with its original proposal (Yes or No)?
HDR Engineering, Inc. (prime consultant)	No - form attached
Arellano Associates (subconsultant)	No - form attached

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Name of Firm:	HUR Engineering, Inc.		
Name of Prepar	rer: Thomas T. Kim		
Project Title:	Strategic Services for SCAG	3's Broadband Pro	gram
RFP Number:	22-062	Date Submitted:	July 12, 2022
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SCAG CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM

RFP No. 22-062

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Proj	ject Title:	Strategic Services fo	or SCAG's Broadband Program	
RFF	Number:	No. 22-062,	Date Submitted:	06/28/2022
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	(original signature required)		

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AGENDA ITEM 13 REPORT

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

APPROVAL

Kome Ajise

Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017
September 1, 2022

To: Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

Regional Council (RC)

From: Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer

(213) 630-1413, giraldo@scag.ca.gov

Subject: Contract Amendment Greater than \$75,000 and 30% of the Contract's

Original Value: Contract No. 22-064-C01, Amendment No. 1, Computing and Storage Services (On-Demand Availability of Scalable Computing Resources and Storage Over the Internet) Provided by Amazon Web

Services (AWS)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 22-064-C01, AWS-RDP, with DLT Solutions, in an amount not to exceed \$181,202, increasing the contract value from \$127,166 to \$308,368 to provide funding for ongoing run costs for AWS resources. Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the amendment on behalf of SCAG.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 3: Be the foremost data information hub for the region.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On July 7, 2022, SCAG awarded Contract 22-064-C01 to DLT Solutions to provide SCAG with Reserve Instances in support of the RDP to promote more efficient, cost-effective and transparent planning across the SCAG region. Under this agreement, DLT Solutions acts as the channel partner and reseller for the purchase of computing and storage services (on-demand availability of scalable computing resources and storage over the internet) provided by AWS.

This amendment is due to the ongoing run costs for the AWS resources. These costs include monthly recurring compute, storage and support costs for the AWS RDP initiative into high-speed cloud computing. The AWS Reserve Instances previously purchased, allows SCAG to take advantage of a discounted flat monthly rate for these services.

This amendment exceeds \$75,000, as well as 30% of the contract's original value. This amendment also increases the contract value above \$200,000. Therefore, in accordance with the SCAG Procurement Manual (January 2021) Section 9.3, it requires the Regional Council's approval.



BACKGROUND:

Staff recommends executing the following amendment greater than 30% of its original value:

Consultant/Contract #	<u>Contract Purpose</u>	Amendment
		<u>Amount</u>
DLT Solutions	The vendor shall provide SCAG with	\$181,202
(22-064-C01)	cloud computing, storage and support.	

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding of \$120,000 is available in the FY 2022-23 Indirect Cost Budget in Project Number 811-1163.24. Remaining funding is expected to be reallocated to the Project Number 811-1163.24 through the next budget amendment, subject to budget availability.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Contract Summary 22-064-C01 Amendment No. 1
- 2. Contract Summary 22-064-C01 Amendment No. 1 COI

CONTRACT 22-064-C01 AMENDMENT NO. 01

Consultant: DLT Solutions

Background & Scope of Work:

On July 14, 2022, SCAG awarded Contract 22-064-CO1 to DLT Solutions to provide SCAG with Reserve Instances in support of the Regional Data Platform (RDP) to promote more efficient, cost-effective and transparent planning across the SCAG region. Under this agreement, DLT Solutions acts as the channel partner and reseller for the purchase of computing and storage services (on-demand availability of scalable computing resources and storage over the internet) provided by Amazon Web Services (AWS).

This amendment increases the contract value from \$127,166 to \$308,368 (\$181,202).

This increase is due to the ongoing deployment and increasing use of the Regional Data Platform hosted in the cloud on AWS. These costs include monthly recurring compute, storage and support costs for the AWS RDP initiative in high-speed cloud computing. The Regional Data Platform is hosted on a combination of AWS reserved and on-demand cloud computing resources. Reserved instances provide a core predictable computing platform while on-demand resources allow for scalability over time. This combination provides the most cost-effective agile approach to hosting the Regional Data Platform.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

This project directly supports the development and implementation of the Regional Data Platform. Key benefits include flexibly to increase SCAG's computing capacity to meet the specialized needs of the Regional Data Platform, flexible high-capacity data storage, efficient and cost-effective computing resources.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 3: Be the foremost data information hub for the region; Objective F. Model best practices by prioritizing continuous improvement and technical innovations through the adoption of interactive, automated, and state-of-the-art information tools and technologies.

AmendmentAmendment 1\$181,202Amount:Original contract value\$127,166Total contract value is not to exceed\$308,368

This amendment exceeds \$75,000, as well as 30% of the contract's original value. This amendment also increases the contract value above \$200,000. Therefore, in accordance with the SCAG Procurement Manual (dated January 2021) Section 9.3, it requires the Regional Council's approval.

Contract Period: July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

Project Number: 811.1163.24 \$181,202

Funding source: Indirect Cost

Funding of \$120,000 is available in the FY 2022-23 Indirect Cost Program Budget in Project Number 811-1163.24. The remaining funding is expected to be reallocated

to the Project Number 811-1163.24 through the next available budget amendment, subject to budget availability.

Basis for the Amendment:

In accordance with SCAG's Procurement Manual (January 2021) Section 9.3, to foster greater economy and efficiency, SCAG's federal procurement guidance (2 CFR 200.318 [e]) authorizes SCAG to procure goods and services by entering into State and local intergovernmental agreements (Master Service Agreements – MSA's, also known as a Leveraged Purchase Agreement – LPA). The goods and services procured under an MSA were previously competitively procured by another governmental entity (SCAG is essentially "piggy-backing" on the agreement.) SCAG utilized an MSA with the OMNIA Partners Contract Number R190902 that was competitively procured. This MSA is specifically designed for use by local agencies to leverage combined purchasing power for discounted volume pricing.

This project directly supports the development and implementation of the Regional Data Platform. The AWS infrastructure will enable SCAG to develop and implement a modern and comprehensive Regional Data Platform that will promote more efficient, cost-effective, and transparent planning across the SCAG region.

Conflict Of Interest (COI) Form - Attachment For September 1, day, 2022 Regional Council Approval

Approve Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 22-064-C01, AWS-RDP, with DLT Solutions, in an amount not to exceed \$181,202, increasing the contract value from \$127,166 to \$308,368 to provide funding for ongoing run costs for AWS resources. Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the amendment on behalf of SCAG.

The consultant team for this contract includes:

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Consultant Name	Interest Form they submitted with its original proposal
	(Yes or No)?
DLT Solutions (prime consultant)	No - form attached

SCAG CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM

22-064-C01

RFP No./Contract No.

SECTION I: INST	RUCTIONS
Form along with the	or firms seeking contracts <u>must</u> complete and submit a SCAG Conflict of Interest proposal. This requirement also applies to any proposed subconsultant(s). Failure requirement may cause your proposal to be declared non-responsive.
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Name of Firm:	DLT Solutions, LLC
Name of Prepare	r: Elizabeth White
Project Title:	
Date Submitted:	7/22/22
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Name	Nature of Financial Interest

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5.	Have you or any managers, partners, or officers of your firm ever given (directly or indirectly), or offered to give on behalf of another or through another person, campaign contributions or gifts to any current employee of SCAG or member of the SCAG Regional Council (including contributions to a political committee created by or on behalf of a member/candidate)?				
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AGENDA ITEM 14 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017
September 1, 2022

To: Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

APPROVAL

Regional Council (RC)

From: Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer

(213) 630-1413, giraldo@scag.ca.gov

Subject: Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-066-C01, Industry Forum:

Tribal Engagement and General Outreach

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Contract No. 22-066-C01 in an amount not to exceed \$550,000 with Peacock Sinning Public Relations, Inc. to provide tribal engagement and outreach to a broad array of stakeholders to identify programs and partners and develop the complete Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2021 application, due to the State by December 2022. Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the contract on behalf of SCAG.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians. 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy. 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

SCAG aims to develop and implement a comprehensive REAP 2021 outreach program. The feedback from stakeholders will be incorporated in the final REAP program application; feedback will help identify partnership opportunities and establish priorities for transformative planning and implementation activities that reflect a balance of regional needs and geographical equity.

BACKGROUND:

Staff recommends executing the following contract \$200,000 or greater:

Consultant/Contract #	Contract Purpose	Contract
		<u>Amount</u>
Peacock Sinning Public	The consultant shall assist staff with developing	\$550,000
Relations, Inc.	and implementing a comprehensive REAP 2021	
(22-066-C01)	outreach program.	





FISCAL IMPACT:

Execution of this contract is subject to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) approval of the for the REAP 2.0 early application funding. Upon receipt of an award letter from the HCD for the REAP 2.0 early application funding, SCAG will use available fund balances to fund and commence this contract activities in the amount of \$550,000 and the funding will be later included and reconciled in a future amendment of the FY 2022-23 Overall Work Program (OWP), as approved by the Regional Council on February 3, 2022.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Contract Summary 22-066-C01
- 2. Contract Summary 22-066-C01 COI

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 22-066-C01

Recommended Consultant:

Peacock Sinning Public Relations, Inc.

Background & Scope of Work:

SCAG envisions a robust and comprehensive outreach program that carefully considers the audience, goals, and objectives. The consultant is expected to contribute innovative ideas and strategies, develop and implement a comprehensive Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2021 outreach program and maximize participation through various outreach efforts. With support from SCAG staff, the consultant will take the lead on developing work plans, timelines and producing deliverables in support of the outreach tasks and activities.

As part of the engagement with disadvantaged and underserved communities, the consultant shall develop a tribal outreach and engagement plan that includes one-to-one meetings, convenings, and a leadership summit, to gather input and facilitate the determination of an ongoing tribal engagement program. The tribal leadership summit and other outreach efforts should engage tribal leadership and the community to learn about ongoing efforts across the region and identify priorities and areas where SCAG can provide technical assistance and, where applicable, direct programmatic support.

The consultant shall also provide full-service outreach and engagement support to the REAP 2021 team with various projects, programs and initiatives on an on-call, project specific basis.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Developing and implementing a comprehensive REAP 2021 outreach program;
 and
- A final comprehensive report.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians; and 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy; and 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration.

Contract Amount: Total not to exceed \$550,000

Peacock Sinning Public Relations, Inc. (prime consultant) \$417,250 K. Cole & M. Holiday (subconsultant) \$132,750

Contract Period: Notice to Proceed through June 30, 2026

Project Number: Funding source: Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Grants of 2021 (REAP 2.0)

Execution of this contract is subject to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) approval of the for the REAP 2.0 early application funding. Upon receipt of an award letter from the HCD for the REAP 2.0 early application funding, SCAG will use available fund balances to fund and commence

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Request for Proposal (RFP):

SCAG staff notified 4,657 firms of the release of RFP 22-066-C01 via SCAG's Solicitation Management System website, PlanetBids. A total of 55 firms downloaded the RFP. SCAG received the following three (3) proposals in response to the solicitation:

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Collaborate Inc. (1 subconsul-	tant)			\$548,250

National Core – (1 subconsultant) \$549,987

Selection Process:

The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated each proposal in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP and conducted the selection process in a manner consistent with all applicable federal and state contracting regulations. After evaluating the proposals, the PRC interviewed the two (2) highest ranked offerors.

The PRC consisted of the following individuals:

Alisha James, Community Engagement Specialist, SCAG Sarah Patterson, Manager of Regional Services, SCAG David Salgado, Regional Affairs Officer, SCAG

Peacock Sinning Public Relations, Inc. (1 subconsultants)

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommended Peacock Sinning Public Relations, Inc. for the contract award because the consultant:

- Provided the best technical approach, that was unique in that it allowed for leveraging existing tribal events and gatherings in order to further engage the tribal partners, and allowed for various engagement opportunities;
- While other teams briefly mentioned equity and sensitivities to tribal partners,
 Peacock Sinning Public Relation's approach stressed the importance of cultural and societal sensitivities to working with tribal entities; and
- Demonstrated more experience working with the tribal communities than other firms and proposed a project team that includes a designated tribal representative, which staff can leverage. Other firms did not offer this.

Although other firms proposed lower prices, the PRC did not recommend these firms for contract award because these firms:

- Did not provide a feasible schedule; and
- Did not demonstrate the same level of experience, specifically, their technical approach to tribal engagement, a key component to this project, requires a significant amount of time for relationship building.

Conflict of Interest (COI) Form - Attachment For September 1, 2022 Regional Council Approval

Approve Contract No. 22-066-C01 in an amount not to exceed \$550,000 with Peacock Sinning Public Relations, Inc. to provide tribal engagement and outreach to a broad array of stakeholders to identify programs and partners and develop the complete REAP 2021 application, due to the State by December 2022. Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the contract on behalf of SCAG.

The consultant team for this contract includes:

Consultant Name	Did the consultant disclose a conflict in the Conflict of Interest Form they submitted with its original proposal (Yes or No)?
Peacock Sinning Public Relations, Inc. (prime consultant)	No - form attached
Michelle Holiday (subconsultant)	No - form attached
Kit Cole LLC (subconsultant)	No - form attached

SCAG CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM

RFP No. 22-066

SECTION I: INSTRUCTIONS

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Any questions regarding the information required to be disclosed in this form should be directed to SCAG's Legal Division, especially if you answer "yes" to any question in this form, as doing so **MAY** also disqualify your firm from submitting an offer on this proposal

Naı	me of Firm:	Peaco	ock Sinning Public Re	lations, Inc	
Naı	me of Prepa	rer:	Sarah Peacock Gohde		
Pro	ject Title:	Region	nal Early Action Plan (RE	AP) 2.0 Tribal Engage	ement and General Outreach
RF	P Number:	22-066		Date Submitted	: 6/25/2022
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SCAG CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM

RFP No. 22-066

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SCAG CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM

RFP No. 22-066

SECTION I: INSTRUCTIONS

All persons or firms seeking contracts <u>must</u> complete and submit a SCAG Conflict of Interest Form along with the proposal. This requirement also applies to any proposed subconsultant(s). Failure to comply with this requirement may cause your proposal to be declared non-responsive.

In order to answer the questions contained in this form, please review SCAG's Conflict of Interest Policy, the list of SCAG employees, and the list of SCAG's Regional Council members. All three documents can be viewed online at https://scag.ca.gov. The SCAG Conflict of Interest Policy is located under "GET INVOLVED", then "Contract & Vendor Opportunities" and scroll down under the "Vendor Contracts Documents" tab; whereas the SCAG staff may be found under "ABOUT US" then "OUR TEAM" then "Employee Directory"; and Regional Council members can be found under "MEETINGS", then scroll down to "LEADERSHIP" then select "REGIONAL COUNCIL" on the left side of the page and click on "Regional Council Officers and Member List."

Any questions regarding the information required to be disclosed in this form should be directed to SCAG's Legal Division, especially if you answer "yes" to any question in this form, as doing so **MAY** also disqualify your firm from submitting an offer on this proposal

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AGENDA ITEM 15 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017
September 1, 2022

To: Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

Regional Council (RC)

From: Javiera Cartagena, Director of Government and Public Affairs

(213) 236-1980, cartagena@scag.ca.gov

Subject: SCAG Memberships and Sponsorships

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL

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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve up to \$71,200 for memberships with 1) the California Association of Councils of Governments (\$46,200) and 2) the Eno Center for Transportation (\$10,000), and sponsorships for 3) the University of California, Los Angeles' Lake Arrowhead Symposium (\$10,000) and 4) the Western Riverside Council of Governments' AltCar Expo (\$5,000).

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At its August 16, 2022, meeting, the Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC) recommended approval of up to \$71,200 for memberships with 1) the California Association of Councils of Governments (\$46,200) and 2) the Eno Center for Transportation (\$10,000), and sponsorships for 3) the University of California, Los Angeles' Lake Arrowhead Symposium (\$10,000) and 4) the Western Riverside Council of Governments' (WRCOG) AltCar Expo (\$5,000).

BACKGROUND:

Item 1: California Association of Councils of Governments

Type: Membership **Amount:** \$46,200

Established in 1977, the California Association of Councils of Governments (CALCOG) is a statewide association representing 47 regional planning agencies working to assist each member in developing the capacity to serve its own members' needs for regional coordination and policy development. CALCOG works with and through its members to:

Review plans and policies on subjects agreed upon by members;



- Coordinate policy development as appropriate to the League of California Cities, the California State Association of Counties, the National Association of Regional Councils, and the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations;
- Promote more effective planning at the regional level;
- Conduct statewide workshops and conferences which provide members with an ideal opportunity to discuss key issues and learn from recognized experts in various fields; and
- Provide an informational clearinghouse on issues of concern to the regions and state.

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-2023 annual dues are \$46,200, representing a \$2,355 increase from the FY 2021-2022 dues. Given the vast quantity of legislation and policies related to regional issues and sustainable communities, CALCOG membership remains invaluable to SCAG. CALCOG provides a strong voice for regional organizations in Sacramento. Two years ago, CALCOG was instrumental in including the first Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Housing Grant 2019 program with a \$125 million allocation in Governor Newsom's Housing Budget. SCAG received \$47 million to help local communities promote and increase the housing supply. CALCOG sought to expand the program this past year and secured \$600 million to MPO regions for the REAP 2.0 program. These funds will support the Sustainable Communities Strategy, support infill housing development, reduce Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT), and support Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH).

Former SCAG President Cheryl Viegas-Walker is one of CALCOG's Past Presidents. Other CALCOG Board Members include SCAG President Jan Harnik, First Vice President Carmen Ramirez, and Regional Council Members Margaret Finlay and Alan Wapner.

Item 2: Eno Center for Transportation

Type: Membership **Amount:** \$10,000

The Eno Center for Transportation's mission is to continuously improve transportation and its public and public-private leadership to increase the system's mobility, safety, and sustainability. Eno works across all modes of transportation with the mission of cultivating creative and visionary leadership for the sector. They pursue this mission by supporting activities in their Center for Transportation Policy (CTP) and their Center for Transportation Leadership (CTL).

Eno Transportation Weekly (ETW), a weekly roundup of transportation and infrastructure-related news and analyses, provides valuable information to SCAG staff on policy and legislation making its way through Washington D.C. ETW's thorough and high-quality analyses cover different topics, including transportation reauthorization bills, competitive grant programs, proposed budgets for federal departments, and discussion of new and emerging technologies in the transportation sector.



SCAG staff recommends that the agency maintain membership at the "Gold" level. Although this membership level typically costs organizations \$15,000, SCAG receives a discount as a government agency, thus bringing the amount down to \$10,000. This membership provides the agency with the following benefits:

- 15 subscriptions to ETW;
- Opportunity to participate in an Eno research initiative, such as working groups that support research on current issues in transportation policy; and
- Choice of any one optional sponsorship opportunity.

Item 4: 32nd Annual UCLA Lake Arrowhead Symposium

Type: Sponsorship **Amount:** \$10,000

Each year, the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Lewis Center and Institute of Transportation Studies Program holds a symposium dealing with regional and public policy issues. This year's Symposium – California's Housing Crossroads – will reconvene for the first time in three years from October 16-18, 2022, at the UCLA Lake Arrowhead Conference Center and will bring together a diverse and intimate group of influential policymakers, private sector stakeholders, public sector analysts, consultants, advocates, and researchers to delve into the pressing public policy challenges at the nexus of transportation, land use, and the environment. SCAG has been a sustaining co-sponsor for this program, enabling SCAG to maintain membership on the 2022-2023 Arrowhead Steering Committee and directly help plan and evaluate the event, including suggesting topics and speakers, nominating experts to attend the Symposium consistent with SCAG goals.

SCAG staff recommends that the agency sponsor the event at the "Platinum Sponsor" level in the amount of \$10,000, which provides SCAG with the following:

- Three (3) complimentary registrations;
- Two (2) registrations at 50% off (Early Bird registration costs \$1,095);
- Five (5) invitations for symposium attendees;
- Opportunity to nominate a speaker for UCLA's review;
- Representation on the 2022-2023 Arrowhead Steering Committee;
- Recognition as sponsor of one of four dinners or receptions;
- Exclusive display of promotional materials during early evening reception;
- Shared display of promotional materials at registration area;
- Highlighted recognition on symposium website & online materials;
- Logo placement in printed symposium materials;
- Highlighted recognition as a Platinum sponsor from the podium; and
- Opportunity to network with speakers, faculty, prominent public officials.





Item 3: Western Riverside Council of Governments 18th Annual AltCar Expo

Type: Sponsorship **Amount:** \$5,000

The goal of the AltCar Conference and Expo is to provide an accessible and comprehensive setting where both industry and the general public can discover all existing energy-efficient car alternatives driving national and global change. AltCar is the only event in the United States that gathers every single model of alternative technology light duty vehicle available for purchase or lease in one location for free test drives. The goal of making this technology available to the general public is to help make esoteric climate policies more tangible. Since 40 percent of all Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) purchases are happening in California, even though we only have 10 percent of the nation's cars, this event is critical in building the momentum for the emerging marketplace.

The upcoming Fall 2022 AltCar will be presented by the Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) and is set for October 27, 2022, at the Moreno Valley Convention Center. The expo will have open registration and feature an opening panel comprised of the California Energy Commission, Air Resources Board, Go-Biz, and the South Coast Air Quality Management District, unveiling their new programs and making announcements with an extended Q & A with attendees. This will be followed by an update of the CARB Ce-Cert MOU that debuted and signed at their 2019 event. Those panels will be followed by numerous breakout sessions and trainings, as an extensive collaboration with dozens of organizations and agencies that will use AltCar as the venue for their outreach and deliverables.

SCAG staff recommends that the agency sponsor the event in the amount of \$5,000, which provides SCAG with the following:

- Ability to hold SCAG "Listening Session" as a break out session at AltCar;
- Opportunity to invite SCAG stakeholders to AltCar; and
- Display space in breakfast and lunch area.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTION:

Staff presented the memberships with 1) the California Association of Councils of Governments (CALCOG) (\$46,200) and 2) the Eno Center for Transportation (\$10,000), and sponsorships for 3) the University of California, Los Angeles' 32nd Annual Lake Arrowhead Symposium (\$10,000), and 4) the Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) AltCar Expo (\$5,000) to the LCMC at its meeting on August 16, 2022. The LCMC approved all four items unanimously.





FISCAL IMPACT:

\$51,200 for membership with CALCOG and sponsorship for the WRCOG 18th AltCar Expo is included in the approved FY 22-23 General Fund Budget. \$20,000 for membership with the Eno Center for Transportation and sponsorship for the UCLA Lake Arrowhead Symposium are included in the approved FY 22-23 Indirect Cost budget.



AGENDA ITEM 16 REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation) 900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room Los Angeles, CA 90017 September 1, 2022

To: Regional Council (RC) **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S** APPROVAL

From:

Javiera Cartagena, Director of Government and Public Affairs

(213) 236-1980, cartagena@scag.ca.gov

Subject: September 2022 State and Federal Legislative Update

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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

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STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy.

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California Supreme Court Chief Justice Cantil-Sakauye Stepping Down

In Late July, California Supreme Court Chief Justice Cantil-Sakauye announced that she would resign from her position in January 2023, after leading the Supreme Court for 12 years. Chief Justice Cantil-Sakauye championed reforms to make the justice system fairer and more transparent throughout her time on the Court. The Chief Justice served as a judge for two decades before being appointed to the higher court by former Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger in 2011 and became the first person of color and second woman to serve as Chief Justice. She then served throughout many difficult times in California history, including during the Great Recession and the depths of the COVID-19 pandemic.

On August 10, 2022, Governor Newsom nominated Justice Patricia Guerrero as the next California Chief Justice and selected Judge Kelli Evans to serve on California Supreme Court.

Climate Budget Trailer Bill

While Governor Newsom signed California's \$308 billion state budget on June 30, 2022, finalizing most of the FY 22-23 budget, negotiations on a \$19.3 billion Climate Package remain outstanding. This Climate Package will be passed through a budget trailer bill and is one of the only remaining components of the budget that needs to be negotiated and finalized. At the time of writing, there was no final agreement or legislative text in circulation. However, Governor Newsom released draft



language for five pillars that he hopes will be included in the package, including (1) 2030 greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal acceleration, (2) 2045 carbon neutrality codification, (3) establishment of a framework for carbon capture, utilization, and storage technology, (4) advancing clean electricity targets, and (5) fossil fuel well setback protections. The Governor and Legislature must reach an agreement by the end of August for the Climate Package to be completed during the 2022 legislative year.

SCAG submitted a letter expressing regional priorities for inclusion in the package, including the Infill Infrastructure Grant Program, Community Resilience Centers, and the Urban Greening Program.

A copy of the SCAG letter is attached to this report.

California Appointments – CalEPA, Infrastructure Czar, and Caltrans

Governor Gavin Newsom had the opportunity to appoint various officials to fill vacancies at the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) and the Director of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). Additionally, the Governor named a new Infrastructure Advisor for the State.

First, the Governor appointed Tony Tavares as the 34th Director of Caltrans at the end of June 2022. Director Tavares has extensive experience with Caltrans, most recently serving as Director of Caltrans District 7, which encompasses the counties of Los Angeles and Ventura. He previously served as Director of District 4, the statewide Division Chief for Maintenance, and various other executive leadership roles at Caltrans.

In August 2022, the Governor appointed Amelia Yana Garcia Gonzalez as California's next Secretary for Environmental Protection, who will fill the role after current Secretary Jared Blumenfeld steps down this month. Ms. Garcia Gonzalez has served as Special Assistant Attorney General in the California Attorney General's Office since 2021 and previously held many roles, including as Deputy Secretary for Environmental Justice, Tribal Affairs and Border Relations Assistant as well as Secretary for Environmental Justice and Tribal Affairs at the CalEPA.

In August, the Governor also named former Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa as California's new Infrastructure Advisor to work with local, state, and federal leaders to identify priority projects and maximize access to federal funding across all regions of the state. This role will be crucial, especially as billions flow to the state as a result of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. Before serving as the Mayor of Los Angeles, Villaraigosa served as a Los Angeles City Councilmember and State Assemblymember.

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President Biden Signs the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022

President Joe Biden signed HR 5376, the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) of 2022, into law on Tuesday, August 16, 2022. The U.S. Senate passed the IRA on a 51-50 party lines vote on August 7, 2022. Senate Democrats used the special filibuster-proof budget reconciliation process to pass the IRA with a simple majority, with Vice President Kamala Harris casting the tie-breaking vote after a 16-hour long marathon series of amendment votes known as a "vote-a-rama." The House of Representatives followed soon after and passed the IRA on a 220-207 party-line vote.

After months of negotiations, the 755-page bill came to fruition quickly after Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) announced an agreement with Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY). Democrats last used the budget reconciliation process to pass the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021. While the budget reconciliation process allowed Senate Democrats to bypass the filibuster, which usually requires support from 60 Senators, all provisions in budget reconciliation bills must relate to the budget and make changes to spending, revenues, or the debt limit.

The IRA, representing the largest climate investment in U.S. history, will raise about \$740 billion over ten years, spend more than \$430 billion to reduce carbon emissions by 40% by 2030, and extend subsidies for health insurance under the Affordable Care Act. The remaining funds will go toward reducing the federal deficit. The IRA will raise funds through a few but significant changes to the tax code, including a 15 percent Corporate Minimum Tax, a one percent excise tax on stock buybacks, reinstating the Superfund tax on petroleum and oil, and increased Internal Revenue Service tax enforcement. These funds will be split three ways, with \$369 billion set for energy security and climate change, \$64 billion to extend Affordable Care Act health insurance subsidies, and the remaining \$300 billion to reduce the federal budget deficit.

Within the investments in energy and climate change, the IRA provides unprecedented amounts of funding — nearly \$369 billion in direct investment to ensure energy security, reduce carbon emissions, increase energy innovation and support environmental justice objectives with direct support for underserved communities. It will allow for the deployment of low carbon energy technologies while ensuring the President's objective to create good-paying jobs, and on-shoring domestic manufacturing are met. For the first time, this legislation not only creates a 10-year runway for many energy tax incentives it also fundamentally revises the tax code to create a technology-neutral approach to incentivize the deployment of low carbon technologies. Finally, several provisions are included to support conventional energy development in the United States. Some highlights of the investments and tax credits in the IRA include:

- Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund \$27 billion
- Clean Heavy-Duty Vehicles \$1 billion
- Grants to Reduce Air Pollution at Ports \$3 billion



- Climate Pollution Reduction Grants \$5 billion
- Environmental & Climate Justice Block Grants \$3 billion
- Neighborhood Access & Equity Grant Program (like Reconnecting Communities) \$3 billion
- Improving Energy & Water Efficiency/Climate Resilience of Affordable Housing \$1 billion
- Carbon Sequestration Tax Credit \$3.2 billion and extended until 2031
- Clean Hydrogen Tax Credit \$13.2 billion until 2031
- Alternative Fuel Refueling Property Credit \$5.6 billion and extended until 2025
- Clean Vehicles Tax Credit \$7.5 billion and extended until 2031
- Qualified Commercial Clean Vehicles Tax Credit \$3.6 billion until 2031

Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Appropriations Update

The federal government's new fiscal year is approaching on October 1, 2022. There are a total of 12 spending bills that fund various federal departments and make up the federal budget that must be passed by Congress and signed by the President. On June 8, 2022, the House of Representatives kicked off its annual appropriations process when it adopted <u>House Resolution 1151</u>, giving the House Appropriations Committee an overall spending total of \$1.6 trillion, plus \$28.5 billion in various non-defense increases that can be activated if the appropriations bills meet certain criteria. The base total is a nine percent increase over the FY 2022 appropriations bills.

On June 22, 2022, the House Appropriations Committee approved a plan to subdivide \$1.6 trillion for FY 2023 amongst its twelve subcommittees. The plan was approved by a party-line vote of 31 to 26. The spending plan includes a \$90.9 billion budget allocation for the Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development (T-HUD) Subcommittee, a 12.2 percent (\$9.9 billion) increase. However, most of that would go to housing programs. On June 23, 2022, the T-HUD Subcommittee approved the T-HUD appropriations bill by voice vote over the opposition of Republicans, that believe the overall spending total is too high. On July 20, 2022, the House of Representatives passed HR 8294, a "minibus" package containing six of twelve fiscal year 2023 federal appropriations bills, on a party-line 220-207 vote. This package contains the easiest of the twelve appropriations bill to pass, including those for (1) Agriculture, (2) Energy & Water, (3) Financial Services, (4) Interior & Environment, (5) Military Construction & Veterans Affairs, and (6) Transportation & Housing & Urban Development. The minibus is now in the Senate, where it has been referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee pending a hearing.

The spending bill would fund the Department of Transportation (DOT) at \$105.4 billion, an increase of \$2.4 billion over FY 2022. Of note, the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant program, formerly known as BUILD and TIGER, will receive \$775 million in addition to the \$1.5 billion provided by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) for FY 2023. The Consolidated Rail Infrastructure Safety (CRISI) grant program will receive \$630 million in addition to the \$1 billion made available by the BIL for FY 2023. Lastly, the T-HUD Subcommittee received 2,019



earmark requests totaling \$5.6 billion, and approximately \$1.275 billion in highway project earmarks are included in the T-HUD appropriations bill.

The table below summarizes funding for agencies and programs within DOT provided by the **House T-HUD Appropriations Bill**:

Department of Transportation Funding Under House T-HUD Bill	\$105.4 B
Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)	\$18.7 B
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	\$61.3 B
Discretionary highway programs and projects	\$1.8 B
Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)	\$3.8 B
Federal Transit Administration (FTA)	\$17.5 B
Transit Formula Grants	\$13.6 B
Capital Investment Grants	\$3 B
Maritime Administration (MARAD)	\$987 M
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)	\$1.2 B

Across the Capitol, Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy (D-VT) released the draft text for all twelve FY 23 appropriations bills on July 28, 2022. The nearly \$1.7 trillion fiscal year 2023 appropriations package includes \$653 billion in non-defense discretionary spending, a 10.1 percent increase over FY 22, and \$850 billion in defense discretionary spending, an 8.7 percent increase over FY 22. The Senate version of the T-HUD appropriations bill allocates \$89 billion in discretionary spending, which is about \$1.8 billion less than the House version of the T-HUD bill, but still \$8 billion more than what was provided in FY 22. The Department of Transportation would receive \$106.6 billion, with an additional \$36.8 billion advance appropriation provided by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act for FY 23.

The table below summarizes funding for agencies and programs within DOT provided by the **Senate T-HUD Appropriations Bill**:

Department of Transportation Funding Under House T-HUD Bill	\$106.6 B
Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)	\$19.1 B
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	\$62.7 B
Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)	\$3.6 B
Federal Transit Administration (FTA)	\$16.8. B
Transit Formula Grants	\$13.6 B
Capital Investment Grants	\$1.6 B
Maritime Administration (MARAD)	\$959 M
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)	\$1.2 B



While the House passed six appropriations bills and is working out figures for the other six, and the Senate has released text for all twelve appropriations bills, there is still much work to be done before Congress passes a complete appropriations package. Senate Republicans expressed their opposition to the appropriations package that Senator Leahy released, which almost guarantees that Congress will not complete the appropriations bill process before the end of FY 22 on October 1, 2022. Congress will likely pass a short-term Continuing Resolution (CR) extending past Election Day into December 2022, which is customary during an election year. CRs maintain current funding levels and give lawmakers additional time to negotiate an appropriations package.

Federal Notices of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs) Update

Last year, President Joe Biden signed the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) into law. This bipartisan infrastructure law (BIL) provides \$1.2 trillion in total spending over five years. Over the last six months, federal agencies have been working to implement the IIJA. To date, the Biden Administration has announced the availability of approximately \$110 billion in federal formula and competitive grant funding. These historic levels of investment in transportation grant programs have given jurisdictions in the SCAG region the opportunity to apply for funding for diverse projects.

Below is a current list of open NOFOs issued for transportation, housing, and broadband-related competitive programs:

Program	Deadline	Agency
Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program	October 13, 2022	Federal Highway Administration
Bridge Investment Program – Planning, Bridge Projects, and Large Bridge Projects	August 9, 2022 (for Large Bridge Project Applications September 8, 2022 (for Bridge Project Applications)	Federal Highways Administration
Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund	September 15, 2022	Federal Highways Administration





Railroad Crossing Elimination Grants	October 4, 2022	Federal Railroad Administration
Urbanized Area Passenger Ferry Program	September 6, 2022	Federal Transit Administration
Electric or Low-Emitting Ferry Program	September 6, 2022	Federal Transit Administration
All Stations Accessibility Program	September 30, 2022	Federal Transit Administration
Middle Mile Broadband Grant Program	September 30, 2022	National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce
Safe Streets and Roads for All Discretionary Grant Program	September 15, 2022	Office of the Secretary of Transportation, U.S. Department of Transportation

FISCAL IMPACT:

Work associated with the September 2022 State and Federal Legislative Update is contained in the Indirect Cost budget, Legislation 810-0120.10.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. 2022-08-05 - Budget Climate Trailer Bill



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August 5, 2022

The Honorable Gavin Newsom Governor 1021 O Street, Suite 9000 Sacramento, CA 95814

The Honorable Anthony Rendon Speaker of the Assembly State Capitol, Room 219 Sacramento, CA 95814 The Honorable Toni Atkins Senate President Pro Tem 1021 O Street, Suite 8518 Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: Climate Priorities for consideration in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 State Budget Climate Package

Dear Governor Newsom, Speaker Rendon, and Pro Tem Atkins:

On behalf of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), I commend the Administration and California State Legislature for their collective work in addressing the climate crisis.

Since 2012, SCAG has authored the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) for the Southern California region, a long-range visioning plan that articulates land use and transportation strategies that reduce our region's per capita greenhouse gas emissions. As you negotiate and finalize the \$19.3 billion Climate Package for the FY 2022-23 State Budget, we draw upon our extensive experience and urge you to prioritize investments in the (1) Infill Infrastructure Grant Program, (2) Community Resilience Centers, and (3) the Urban Greening Program. These programs are among the best opportunities to help our state achieve its ambitious climate goals and address the impacts of a changing climate.

Infill Infrastructure Grant Program – Double to \$850 million:

The extraordinary cost of producing housing is a significant barrier to achieving the level of infill and transit-oriented development anticipated in regional SCSs. By providing additional funding to the Infill Infrastructure Grant (IIG) Program, the state can provide cities, counties, and affordable housing developers the funds needed to implement housing supportive infrastructure in climate-friendly, priority growth areas. In the SCAG region, the implementation of intensified land uses in infill locations in close proximity to transit opportunities is one of the

most effective strategies to reduce GHG emissions in the transportation sector. In addition, IIG projects reduce per capita water consumption for future residents since new multifamily units have lower water demands than single-family units or existing multifamily units.

So far, the budget provides the Department of Housing and Community Development with \$425 million over two years (\$200 million in 2022-23 and \$225 million in 2023-24) for the Infill Infrastructure Grant Program. SCAG recommends that the Administration and Legislature double this investment to at least \$850 million to maximize the transformative capacity this program has on the climate, resulting from prioritizing housing production on prime infill parcels in downtown-oriented areas.

Community Resilience Centers – Additional \$100 million investment:

The Community Resilience Centers (CRC) program funds neighborhood-level shelters and resources during climate and other emergencies. SCAG's environmental justice analysis shows that minority and low-income communities are at a greater risk of experiencing the negative impacts of climate change, like extreme heat, flooding, and other extreme events, as these populations have fewer resources to cope with the consequences of a changing climate. Lack of air conditioning and transportation options may exacerbate vulnerability in heat-prone areas, and access to cooling centers may be limited.

CRCs take a holistic approach to address these conditions by funding new construction and upgrades to neighborhood-level resilience centers that will support communities during climate and other disasters. Specifically, the funding can provide comprehensive retrofits that support the center's ability to provide shelter during emergencies, such as solar installation, energy and water efficiency upgrades, broadband infrastructure, community gardens, shade trees, low-carbon transportation to and from the resilience center, and climate resilience awareness and educational activities.

In the 2021–22 Climate Resilience budget, the Strategic Growth Council (SGC) was allocated \$100 million to implement the CRC Program (\$25 million in 2022-23 and \$75 million in 2023-24). Two new resilience centers in Tuolumne County cost \$20 million and will serve that county of 55,000 residents. In addition, resilience upgrades to a community center in Fresno County are anticipated to cost at least \$850,000 to serve a portion of the 160,000 residents not living in an incorporated city in that county. With the high cost of establishment and refurbishment of resilience centers, the \$100 million for the SGC's program will support only a small selection of counties and will not go far enough to cover the needs for new centers and upgrades across the state, let alone to serve the SCAG region's 18.6 million residents. Therefore, SCAG recommends that the Administration and Legislature increase this initial investment in the CRC Program by at least an additional \$100 million to increase the number of cities, counties, and tribal governments that will be able to participate in this important work.

Urban Greening Program – \$50 million augmentation:

The Natural Resources Agency administers the Urban Greening Program to provide funding to acquire, create, enhance, or expand community parks and green spaces in the built environment. Urban greening is a key strategy to reduce urban heat islands exacerbated by a changing climate.

Paved and other non-reflective surfaces absorb heat during the day and release it at night, inflating overnight temperatures and reducing the potential for local stormwater capture. Urban areas are likely to experience more frequent and more intense heat waves as temperatures continue to rise due to climate change. Furthermore, heat islands can limit mobility by inhibiting walking and biking, increasing energy consumption, raising air pollution levels, and causing heat-related illnesses. The Urban Greening Program is the perfect antidote as it provides funding for the establishment or expansion of neighborhood parks, community spaces, and tree canopies, greening schoolyards and other public lands, establishing recreational trails, community or educational gardens, and other urban heat mitigation projects, that alleviate the effects of extreme heat. In addition, stormwater capture and water-efficient landscapes are required features for funded projects in the program's recent round of grant guidelines, which can lessen the impacts of the current drought on local communities' water supply. Lastly, the Urban Greening Program generally awards at least 75 percent of its program funds to state-designated disadvantaged communities, ensuring that these resources are put to work in the communities where they are most needed.

In 2021 there was an exceptionally high demand for funds for urban greening. According to the California Climate Investments 2021 Annual Report, the California Natural Resources Agency received 76 applications for Urban Greening Projects valued at \$123.4 million for just \$28.5 million in available funds. As awareness of and access to the Urban Green Program improves, demand continues to exceed available funds. Therefore, SCAG encourages the Administration and the Legislature to consider a one-time augmentation for the Urban Greening Program for \$50 million.

With \$19.3 billion budgeted for climate programs, the time is right for bold and visionary investments in programs that can make real and lasting improvements in the lives of everyday Californians. If we can provide any additional information on this letter, please do not hesitate to contact Kevin Gilhooley, State and Federal Legislative Affairs Manager, at (213) 236-1878 or gilhooley@scag.ca.gov. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kome Ajise

Executive Director



AGENDA ITEM 17 REPORT

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Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

Regional Council (RC)

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Subject: 2022 Federal Certification Review

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

APPROVAL

Kome Ajise

RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR EAC:

Information Only - No Action Required

RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR RC:

Receive and File

To:

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians. 7: Secure funding to support agency priorities to effectively and efficiently deliver work products.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Federal regulations require the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to jointly review and evaluate the metropolitan transportation planning process of all urbanized areas that have populations totaling 200,000 or greater every four (4) years. During the first half of 2022, FHWA and FTA reviewed and evaluated the Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG's) transportation planning process. On July 27, 2022, FHWA and FTA supplied SCAG with the draft report of the findings. The review found that the metropolitan planning process conducted in the SCAG region meets federal requirements with one corrective action, several recommendations, and three (3) commendations. The corrective action pertains to the prioritization and selection of projects funded with Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds, including SCAG's role. Final reporting of the findings and issuance of certification is anticipated by the close of August 2022. The final certification will remain valid for the next four (4) years.

BACKGROUND:

As a federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)/Transportation Management Agency (TMA), SCAG undergoes a certification process every four years. The certification review process encompasses all areas of SCAG's business including, but not limited to, SCAG's planning and



programming processes, organization structure, policy board, planning boundary, contracts and procurement processes, public participation plan, etc. Typically, the certification process begins with SCAG receiving a written notice of the process initiation along with a series of written desk audit questions from FHWA and FTA. SCAG then submits written responses to each of the desk audit questions. A second step in the process consists of interviews with a select number of Regional Councilmembers and representatives from transit operators by the federal Department of Transportation representatives, as well as a formal public listening session where members of the public, interested parties and SCAG's stakeholders are invited to comment on SCAG's processes and practices. The final step in the process is the reporting of the findings and issuance of certification jointly by FHWA and FTA, which will remain in effect for the next four years.

For the 2022 certification review, FHWA and FTA initiated the transportation planning process certification review with a desk audit for SCAG on January 21, 2022. A virtual site visit was conducted April 12-13, 2022. On July 27, 2022, FHWA and FTA supplied SCAG with the draft report of the findings. The FHWA and FTA review found that the metropolitan planning process conducted in the SCAG region meets federal requirements with one corrective action, several recommendations, and four (4) commendations. A summary of the findings and SCAG staff responses are provided below. Final reporting of findings and issuance of certification is anticipated by the close of August 2022. SCAG staff will provide periodic updates on resolution activities.

Corrective Action

Review Caltrans' CMAQ and STBG administrative policies, update SCAG policies and procedures
if warranted, and develop a process to ensure administration of CMAQ and STBG programs in
compliance with Federal program guidelines and regulations.

SCAG Response: SCAG staff has initiated actions to ensure compliance with Federal program guidelines and regulation, especially with respect to prioritization and selection of CMAQ-funded projects and sub-allocation of STBG funds. (Resolution Due Date: June 30, 2023)

Recommendations

 Improve performance-based planning and programming process to include a regional, performance-based, uniform approach to prioritize and select projects. Coordinate improvements with noted corrective action. Improve monitoring process to assess progress in meeting targets.

SCAG Response: In coordination with efforts to address the corrective action for CMAQ and STBG programs, SCAG staff has initiated actions to improve performance-based planning and programming, including monitoring progress in meeting targets. (Resolution Due Date: June 30, 2024)



- Incorporate updated Transit Asset Management (TAM) targets in next Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) with input from technical advisory committees.
 - SCAG Response: SCAG staff has initiated updates to the TAM targets for 2024 Connect SoCal (2024 RTP) and associated FTIPs, including procuring consultant support and engagement with technical stakeholders and transit operators. (Resolution due date: June 30, 2024)
- Establish public transportation safety targets with input from technical advisory committees and transit operators. Incorporate public transportation safety targets in planning and programming process through next RTP and FTIP.
 - SCAG Response: SCAG established initial transit safety targets in June 2021 (within 180 days of transit operators establishing their own initial targets) in accordance with federal regulations. This should be reflected in the final version of the Certification Report. SCAG staff has secured consultant support and initiated engagement with technical stakeholders and transit operators on the transit safety targets for 2024 Connect SoCal and associated FTIPs. (Resolution due date: June 30, 2024)
- Include language on FTA formula programs (e.g., 5337 and 5339) in next public participation plan.
 - SCAG Response: FTA Sections 5337 and 5339 are part of the FTA Program of Projects (POP) listing included on SCAG's FTIP website. Accordingly, in the next public participation plan update, SCAG staff will incorporate language on FTA formula programs, including FTA Sections 5337 and 5339. (Resolution due date: *February 2026*)
- Review and update (as needed) consultation policy to ensure Tribal Governments consultation needs are met. Jointly with Tribal partners, develop and implement process to further engage Tribal partners in transportation planning process.
 - SCAG Response: In coordination with Tribal partners, SCAG staff will review consultation policies and processes to enhance Tribal partner engagement in the transportation planning process. (Resolution due date: February 2026)
- Update Federal Land Management Agencies (FLMA) contact list. Develop FLMA coordination guidance with Central Federal Lands Highway Division (supported by the FHWA California Division Planning and Air Quality Team, and Caltrans Division of Transportation Planning) to increase partnership opportunities.





SCAG Response: SCAG staff will update the FLMA contact list and, in coordination with Central Federal Lands Highway Division, explore projects of mutual interest and develop FLMA coordination procedures. (Resolution due date: Spring 2023)

Commendations

- Toolbox Tuesdays provide excellent opportunity for interested stakeholders to learn and discuss transportation planning related themes.
- Review team valued commitment to equity as illustrated through the Equity Resource Guide.
- Review team impressed with public engagement done for Electric Vehicle Charging Station Study.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Work associated with this item is included in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 Overall Work Program (WBS No. 23-010.0170.01: RTP Amendments, Management, and Coordination and WBS No. 23-030.0146.02: Federal Transportation Improvement Program).



AGENDA ITEM 18 REPORT

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Energy & Environment Committee (EEC)

Transportation Committee (TC)

Regional Council (RC)

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Subject: CEQA Initiation for the Connect SoCal 2024 Program Environmental

Impact Report

RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR EEC, CEHD, TC, AND RC:

Receive and File

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At the March 3, 2022 Energy & Environment Committee (EEC) meeting, staff provided the EEC with an overview of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements for SCAG as the Lead Agency responsible for preparing a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the upcoming 2024 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (Connect SoCal 2024) and what to expect in the Connect SoCal 2024 PEIR (2024 PEIR). The 2024 PEIR will serve as a "first-tier", programmatic-level CEQA document that will provide a cumulative and regional-scale assessment of potential environmental effects of the transportation improvements and land use developments discussed in Connect SoCal 2024. The 2024 PEIR will be prepared in accordance with CEQA. The purpose of this staff report is to inform the EEC that staff will be initiating the CEQA process and environmental documentation for Connect SoCal 2024. SCAG staff will provide periodic updates on the development of the 2024 PEIR at future EEC meetings.

BACKGROUND:

Connect SoCal is a long-term plan which emphasizes the development and preservation of the region's transportation system. For a transportation project to become eligible for federal and state funding, it must be included in the financially-constrained portion of the RTP. In addition, per state law, the Plan must include a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) that demonstrates





compliance with California Air Resources Board greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction targets from cars and light duty trucks.

CEQA, codified at Pub. Res. Code §21000 et seq., and its implementing regulations, CEQA Guidelines, found at 14 C.C.R. § 15000 et seq., require SCAG as the Lead Agency to prepare an Environmental Impact Report for the Plan because approving or adopting the Plan is a discretionary governmental action (CEQA Guidelines §15002(b)). Connect SoCal is a regional planning document and necessitates preparation of a PEIR as the appropriate CEQA document. A PEIR is a "first-tier" CEQA document designed to consider "broad policy alternatives and program-wide mitigation measures" and may serve as a foundation for subsequent, site-specific environmental review documents for individual transportation and development projects in the region (CEQA Guidelines §§15168 and 15385).

At the March 3, 2022 EEC meeting, staff provided the EEC with an overview the CEQA requirements for SCAG as the Lead Agency responsible for preparing a PEIR for Connect SoCal 2024 and what to expect in the upcoming 2024 PEIR. The PEIR will serve as a programmatic document that provides a region-wide assessment of potential significant environmental effects of Connect SoCal 2024. The PEIR will provide an opportunity to inform decision-makers and the public about these effects. The PEIR will evaluate and disclose region-wide, potential significant environmental effects, including direct and indirect impacts, growth-inducing impacts, and cumulative impacts of the Plan at a programmatic level. The PEIR will propose and evaluate feasible mitigation measures capable of avoiding or reducing the significant effects of the Plan. The PEIR will also consider a range of reasonable alternatives to the Plan, including the no-project alternative and alternatives that could feasibly accomplish most of the basic objectives of the Plan and could avoid or substantially lessen any of the significant adverse environmental effects of the Plan.

CURRENT STATUS OF THE 2024 PEIR:

On June 1, 2022, SCAG's Executive Administration Committee (EAC), followed by SCAG's Regional Council (RC) on June 2, 2022, approved the CEQA Consultant's contract (22-033-C01) to assist SCAG staff with the preparation of a PEIR and associated technical studies to fulfill its CEQA requirements. On July 6, 2022, SCAG's EAC, followed by SCAG's RC on July 7, 2022, approved the PEIR Legal Services contract (22-059-C01) to assist SCAG staff with the preparation of a legally defensible document. The consultants will assist SCAG staff in completing the PEIR and provide needed technical and legal knowledge, expertise, and services to ensure compliance with all applicable federal and state planning and environmental laws for the PEIR.

NEXT STEPS:

SCAG staff will be preparing a Notice of Preparation (NOP) of a PEIR for the upcoming Connect SoCal 2024 and come back to the EEC to seek authorization for the release of the NOP, which will formally kick-off the PEIR process. The NOP will undergo a required 30-day public review and





comment period to notify public agencies, organizations, and interested parties that SCAG plans to prepare a PEIR for Connect SoCal 2024 and seek their comments and input with respect to the scope and content of the environmental information to be considered and evaluated in the Draft PEIR. Following the release of the NOP and during the public review phase, SCAG staff will host two (2) public scoping meetings. The public scoping meetings will provide a presentation on Connect SoCal's process and vision and allow for further comments on the environmental information to be included in the PEIR. Comments and input received will be evaluated for incorporation into the Draft PEIR and could potentially serve as a guidance tool to conduct environmental analysis.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Work associated with this item is included in the current Fiscal Year 2022/23 Overall Work Program (22-020.0161.04: Environmental Compliance, Coordination & Outreach).



AGENDA ITEM 19 REPORT

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Energy & Environment Committee (EEC)

Transportation Committee (TC)

Regional Council (RC)

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Subject: Connect SoCal CEQA Addendum No. 3 to Programmatic Environmental

Impact Report (State Clearinghouse No. 2019011061)

RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR EEC:

Recommend that the Regional Council (RC) adopt a Resolution to approve Addendum No. 3 to the Connect SoCal Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR, SCH No. 2019011061)

RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR CEHD, TC, AND RC:

Receive and File

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Since approval of the 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2020 RTP/SCS or Connect SoCal) Amendment No. 1 and certification of the Program Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse #2019011061) (PEIR) by the SCAG Regional Council (RC) and Addendums No. 1 and No. 2, SCAG has received requests from several county transportation commissions to amend Connect SoCal to reflect additions or changes to project scopes, costs, and/or schedule for a number of transportation projects, as well as the addition of some new projects. Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), SCAG staff has prepared Addendum No. 3 to the PEIR, which analyzes the changes documented in the Connect SoCal Amendment No. 2 to the 2020 RTP/SCS (Connect SoCal Amendment No. 2 or Amendment No. 2). SCAG staff finds that the proposed changes resulting from Amendment No. 2 would not result in a substantial change to the region-wide impacts when compared to the certified PEIR with Addendum No. 1 and Addendum No. 2 are programmatically consistent with the analysis, mitigation





measures, Findings of Fact, and Statement of Overriding Considerations contained in the previously certified PEIR and Addendum No. 1 and Addendum No. 2.

An informational copy of draft Addendum No. 3 to the PEIR was provided to EEC for review on July 7, 2022. No comments were received. No revisions were made between the draft version, provided to the EEC, and the proposed final version. The proposed final Addendum No. 3 to the PEIR and the proposed final resolution are attached to this staff report. SCAG staff recommends that the EEC recommend that the Regional Council adopt a Resolution to approve Addendum No. 3 to the Connect SoCal Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR). Following EEC's recommendation, staff will take the proposed final Addendum No. 3 to the PEIR and Resolution to SCAG's Regional Council to consider for approval on October 6, 2022.

BACKGROUND:

At its May 7, 2020 meeting, the RC adopted Connect SoCal for purposes of federal transportation conformity only and certified the associated Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR). At its September 3, 2020 meeting, the RC adopted Connect SoCal in its entirety and certified the associated PEIR Addendum No. 1. On October 30, 2020, Connect SoCal was certified by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) for compliance with Senate Bill 375, and on June 5, 2020 by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for compliance with the Federal Clean Air Act (transportation conformity). At its November 4, 2021 meeting, the RC adopted Resolution No. 21-637-2 to adopt Addendum No. 2 to the PEIR in association with Connect SoCal Amendment No. 1. Since that time, SCAG staff received requests from several county transportation commissions (CTCs) to amend Connect SoCal to reflect additions or changes to project scopes, costs, and/or schedule for a number of critical transportation projects that are ready to move forward towards the implementation phase.

Connect SoCal Amendment No. 2 consists of 102 new or modified projects. All 102 project changes are for financially constrained RTP/SCS projects, meaning there are no project changes to financially unconstrained RTP/SCS projects. Almost all the project changes, 98 out of 102, are changes to short-term RTP projects. Among the 102 project changes, most of them are modifications to existing projects, including revised project descriptions, schedules, and/or total costs. There are 14 new projects; these are primarily Transportation System Management/Transportation Demand Management projects and minor arterial widenings providing benefits such as improving efficiency of existing systems and reducing congestion. New projects involve new costs and modeling changes for projects that were previously not included in Connect SoCal Amendment No. 1. No projects are removed due to project cancellation or duplicate entries. Of the 102 project changes in Amendment No. 2, 3 of the projects are within Imperial County, 37 of the projects are within Los Angeles County, 4 of the projects are within Orange County, 48 of the projects are within Riverside County, and none of



the projects spread across multiple counties. A complete list of the project changes is available in Amendment No. 2.

BASIS FOR A PEIR ADDENDUM:

When an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been certified and the project is modified or otherwise changed after certification, additional review may be necessary pursuant to the CEQA. The key considerations for determining the need and appropriate type of additional CEQA review are outlined in Section 21166 of the Public Resources Code and CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162, 15163 and 15164. In general, an addendum is the appropriate form of environmental documentation when there are not substantial changes to the project or new information that would require major revisions to the EIR. Substantial changes are defined as those which "will require major revisions of the previous EIR...due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects." An addendum is not required to be circulated for public review. The CEQA Lead Agency for the project shall consider an addendum with the final EIR prior to making a decision on the project.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMMATIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

SCAG staff has conducted a programmatic environmental assessment of the changes to the Connect SoCal Project List documented in Amendment No. 2 pursuant to CEQA. The contents of Draft Addendum No. 3 are as follows:

- Chapter 1.0, Introduction describes the purpose and scope of this document and the basis for preparing the addendum. The introduction includes applicable statutory sections of the Public Resources Code and Guidelines.
- Chapter 2.0, Project Description summarizes the changes to the Connect SoCal Project List.
- Chapter 3.0, Environmental Analysis discusses the extent to which the changes to the Connect SoCal Project List would have effects on the environment as compared to those already identified in the PEIR.
- Chapter 4.0, Comparison of Alternatives discusses the extent to which the changes to the Connect SoCal Project List would have effects on the project alternatives previously considered in the certified PEIR including the No Project Alternative; Existing Plans-Local Input Alternative; and Intensified Land Use Alternative.
- Chapter 5.0, Other CEQA Considerations discusses the extent to which the changes to the Connect SoCal Project List would have effects on the other CEQA considerations previously considered in the certified PEIR, including an assessment of growth inducing impacts, programmatic level unavoidable impacts, and irreversible impacts.
- **Chapter 6.0, Findings** describes the findings of the Addendum.

Summary of Findings:



Although the new projects identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment No. 2 were not identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR, SCAG has assessed these additional projects at the programmatic level and finds that they are consistent with the scope, goals, and policies contained in the Connect SoCal and with the analysis and conclusions presented in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR with Addendum No. 1 and Addendum No. 2. See Table 1, below, for a summary of the environmental impacts analyzed in Addendum No. 3.

TABLE 1: SUMMARY OF IMPACTS FROM CONNECT SOCAL AMENDMENT NO. 2

Environmental Impact	Compared to the Previously Certified Connect SoCal PEIR
Aesthetics	Same; no new impacts
Agriculture and Forestry Resources	Same; no new impacts
Air Quality	Same; no new impacts
Biological Resources	Same; no new impacts
Cultural Resources	Same; no new impacts
Energy	Same; no new impacts
Geology and Soils	Same; no new impacts
Greenhouse Gas Emissions	Same; no new impacts
Hazards and Hazardous Materials	Same; no new impacts
Hydrology and Water Quality	Same; no new impacts
Land Use and Planning	Same; no new impacts
Mineral Resources	Same; no new impacts
Noise	Same; no new impacts
Population, Housing, and Employment	Same; no new impacts
Public Services	Same; no new impacts
Parks and Recreation	Same; no new impacts
Transportation, Traffic, and Safety	Same; no new impacts
Tribal Cultural Resources	Same; no new impacts
Utilities and Service Systems	Same; no new impacts
Wildfire	Same; no new impacts



Cumulative Impacts	Same; no new impacts
Comparison of Alternatives	Same; no new impacts
Other CEQA Considerations	Same; no new impacts

SCAG staff has determined that the changes and additions identified above with respect to Amendment No. 2 would result in impacts that would fall within the range of impacts already identified and addressed in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR, PEIR Addendum No. 1 and PEIR Addendum No. 2. Therefore, as reflected in Addendum No. 3 no substantial physical impacts to the environment beyond those already anticipated and disclosed in the Connect SoCal PEIR are anticipated to result from the changes and additions identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment No. 2. Further, each project will be fully assessed at the project-level by the implementing agency in accordance with CEQA, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and all applicable regulations. No changes to the mitigation measures or alternatives contained in the Connect SoCal PEIR are necessary or proposed. *The proposed final Addendum No. 3 to the PEIR is attached to this staff report.*

CONCLUSION:

Analysis indicates that the projects identified in Connect SoCal Amendment No. 2 are programmatically consistent with the analysis, mitigation measures, Findings of Fact, and Statement of Overriding Considerations contained in the certified PEIR with Addendum No. 1 and Addendum No. 2 and that adoption of the proposed modifications would not result in either new significant environmental impacts or substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant impacts in the certified PEIR and Addendum No. 1 and Addendum No. 2. Therefore, it is determined that a subsequent or supplemental EIR is not required and that Addendum No. 3 to the PEIR complies with the CEQA requirements for Connect SoCal Amendment No. 2.

NEXT STEPS:

SCAG staff recommends that the EEC recommend that the RC adopt a Resolution to approve Addendum No. 3 to the Connect SoCal Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR). Following EEC's recommendation, staff will take the proposed final Addendum No. 3 to the PEIR and Resolution to SCAG's Regional Council to consider for approval and adoption on October 6, 2022. The proposed final Addendum No. 3 to the PEIR and the proposed final resolution that is proposed for recommendation to the RC are attached to this staff report.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Work associated with this item is included in the current Fiscal Year 2022/23 Overall Work Program (22-020.0161.04: Environmental Compliance, Coordination & Outreach).

ATTACHMENT(S):





- 1. Proposed Final Addendum No 3 to the PEIR
- 2. Proposed Final Resolution for Approving Addendum No. 3 to the PEIR

THE 2020-2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN/
SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY OF THE
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS





PROPOSED FINAL ADDENDUM #3

TO THE

PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT STATE CLEARINGHOUSE #2019011061

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Proposed Final Addendum #3 to the Program Environmental Impact Report

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) proposes to amend the 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy ("RTP/SCS," "Connect SoCal" or "Plan"). The RTP is a long-range vision for regional transportation investments. Using growth forecasts and economic trends, the RTP considers the role of transportation relative to economic factors, environmental issues and quality-of-life goals, and provides an opportunity to identify transportation strategies today that address mobility needs for the future. The RTP is updated every four years to reflect changes in economic trends, state and federal requirements, progress made on projects, and adjustments for population and jobs. The SCS, pursuant to Senate Bill (SB) 375, integrates land use, transportation strategies, and transportation investments within the Plan.

The 2020 Connect SoCal Project List (hereafter referred to as "Project List") contains thousands of individual transportation projects that aim to improve the region's mobility and air quality, and revitalize the economy and includes, but is not limited to, highway improvements such as mixed flow lanes, interchanges, ramps, high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes, toll lanes, and arterials; transit improvements such as bus, bus rapid transit and various rail upgrades; high speed regional transport; and goods movement strategies. Although the Connect SoCal has a long-term time horizon under which projects are planned and proposed to be implemented, federal and state mandates ensure that the Plan is both flexible and responsive in the near term. Therefore, Connect SoCal is regarded as both a long-term regional transportation blueprint and as a dynamic planning tool subject to ongoing refinement and modification.

As the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, Cal. Pub. Res. Code Section 21000 et seq.), SCAG prepared the <u>Final Connect SoCal Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR)</u> for the Connect SoCal Plan to

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evaluate the potential environmental impacts associated with implementation of Connect SoCal and to identify practical and feasible mitigation measures.

The Connect SoCal PEIR focuses on a region-wide assessment of existing conditions and potential impacts as well as broad policy alternatives and program-wide mitigation measures (CEQA Guidelines Section 15168(b)(4)). Pursuant to Section 15152 of the CEQA Guidelines, subsequent environmental analyses for separate, but related, future projects may tier off the analysis contained in the Connect SoCal PEIR. The CEQA Guidelines do not require a Program EIR to specifically list all subsequent activities that may be within its scope. For large scale planning approvals (such as the RTP/SCS), where site-specific EIRs or negative declarations will subsequently be prepared for specific projects broadly identified within a Program EIR, the site-specific analysis can be deferred until the project level environmental document is prepared (Sections 15168 and 15152), provided deferral does not prevent adequate identification of significant effects of the planning approval at hand.

The Connect SoCal PEIR was certified on May 7, 2020 by the Regional Council (SCH No. 20199011061). SCAG prepared the Connect SoCal PEIR Addendum #1 (PEIR Addendum #1) to address technical refinements to the growth forecast in relation to entitlements and to address two comment letters from the Center of Biological Diversity which were received after the public comment period on May 1, 2020 and May 6, 2020. Upon evaluation, SCAG found that technical refinements¹ resulted in minimal impacts to Connect SoCal's performance results and the Plan would continue to achieve federal air quality conformity and meet the State's per-capita GHG reduction targets for 2020 and 2035. The Connect SoCal PEIR Addendum #1 was approved by the SCAG Regional Council on September 3, 2020, along with Connect SoCal (SCH No. 20199011061).

After the adoption of Connect SoCal, SCAG received requests from several county transportation commissions to amend the Plan to reflect changes to project scopes, costs, and/or schedule for a number of transportation projects, as well as the addition of some new transportation projects contained therein herein referred

to as "Connect SoCal Amendment #1"). As such, SCAG prepared <u>Connect SoCal PEIR Addendum #2</u> (herein referred to as "PEIR Addendum #2") to assess potential environmental impacts of the proposed updates and revisions to the Project List included in <u>Connect SoCal Amendment #1</u>. Connect SoCal PEIR Addendum #2 was approved by the SCAG Regional Council on November 4, 2021, along with Connect SoCal Amendment #1.

Since the adoption of Connect SoCal Amendment #1, several county transportation commissions have requested to further amend the Plan to reflect changes to project scopes, costs, and/or schedule for a number of transportation projects, as well as the addition of some new transportation projects contained therein (proposed Amendment #2 to Connect SoCal, referred to herein as "Connect SoCal Amendment #2"). Therefore, this PEIR Addendum #3 has been prepared by SCAG to assess potential environmental impacts of the proposed updates and revisions to the Project List included in Connect SoCal Amendment #2. This document is prepared as an addendum to the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2.²

As described in more detail below, an addendum is appropriate because the modifications to the Project List would not result in either new significant environmental effects or substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects and that the modifications would be consistent with the analysis, mitigation measures, alternatives, and Findings of Fact contained in the Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. Therefore, a Subsequent or Supplemental PEIR is not required and this addendum to the Connect SoCal PEIR is sufficient.

In summary, PEIR Addendum #3 serves as an informational document to inform decision-makers and the public of the potential environmental impacts of Connect SoCal Amendment #2 by analyzing the projects and programs on a broad regional scale, not at a site-specific level of analysis. This programmatic analysis shows that Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would not result in either new significant environmental effects or substantial increase in the severity of previously identified

¹ For a summary of model rerun results and more information regarding Plan refinements for Addendum #1, please refer to the September 3, 2020, Regional Council staff report entitled: Final Connect SoCal Technical Refinements.

² It is important to note that when the Connect SoCal PEIR is referenced in the environmental analysis of this document, it also includes all revisions that were part of the Connect SoCal PEIR Addendums #1 and #2.

significant effects. Site specific analysis will occur as each project is defined and goes through individual project-level environmental review.

1.1 BASIS FOR THE ADDENDUM

When an EIR has been certified and the project is modified or otherwise changed after certification, additional CEQA review may be necessary. The key considerations in determining the need for the appropriate type of additional CEQA review are outlined in Section 21166 of the Public Resources Code (CEQA) and CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162, 15163 and 15164.

Specifically, CEQA Guidelines Section 15162(a) provides that a Subsequent EIR is not required unless the following occurs:

- Substantial changes are proposed in the project which will require major revisions of the previous EIR due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects;
- Substantial changes occur with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major revisions of the previous EIR due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects;
- 3. New information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence, at the time the previous EIR was certified as complete, shows any of the following:
 - a. The project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the previous EIR;
 - b. Significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the previous EIR;
 - c. Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative; or
 - d. Mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different

from those analyzed in the previous EIR would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative.

An Addendum to an EIR may be prepared by the Lead Agency that prepared the original EIR if some changes or additions are necessary, but none of the conditions have occurred requiring preparation of a Subsequent EIR (Section 15164(a)). An Addendum must include a brief explanation of the agency's decision not to prepare a Subsequent EIR and be supported by substantial evidence in the record as a whole (Section 15164(e)). The Addendum to the EIR need not be circulated for public review but it may be included in or attached to the Final EIR (Section 15164(c)). The decision-making body must consider the Addendum to the EIR prior to making a decision on the project (15164(d)).

An addendum to the Connect SoCal PEIR is appropriate to address the proposed changes in the Connect SoCal Plan because the proposed updates and revisions do not meet the conditions of Section 15162(a) for preparation of a subsequent EIR. Neither the proposed new projects or changes to existing projects would result in 1) substantial changes to Connect SoCal which will require major revisions of the Connect SoCal PEIR; 2) substantial changes to the circumstances under which the Connect SoCal is being undertaken which will require major revisions in the Connect SoCal PEIR; or 3) new information of substantial importance showing significant effects not previously examined.

While the proposed changes to the Project List documented in Connect SoCal Amendment #2 may arguably represent "new information of substantial importance" at the local project-level, these changes are not substantial at the regional program-level as analyzed in the Connect SoCal PEIR. More specifically, the proposed changes to the Project List documented in Amendment #2 would not result in one or more significant effects (at the regional level) not discussed in the Connect SoCal PEIR, nor result in a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects disclosed in the Connect SoCal PEIR. Moreover, no changes to the mitigation measures or alternatives contained in the Connect SoCal PEIR are necessary or being proposed that could trigger additional review regarding such measures. Furthermore, as discussed in the Connect SoCal PEIR, the level of detail for individual projects on the Project List is generally insufficient to be able

to analyze local effects. Such analysis is more appropriately undertaken in project-specific environmental documents prepared by the individual CEQA lead agencies proposing each project.

SCAG has assessed potential environmental effects of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, at the regional program-level, and finds that the additional and modified projects contained in PEIR Addendum #3 are consistent with the region-wide environmental impacts analysis, mitigation measures, alternatives, and Findings of Fact discussed in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2, and do not result in any of the conditions described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162(a)(1)(2)(3). For these reasons, SCAG has elected to prepare an addendum to the Connect SoCal PEIR rather than a Subsequent or Supplemental EIR, and this PEIR Addendum #3 is prepared in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15164.

1.2 PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF THE ADDENDUM TO THE PEIR

SCAG has prepared this Addendum #3 to the Connect SoCal PEIR to demonstrate that the proposed changes to the Connect SoCal Project List, contained in Connect SoCal Amendment #2, satisfies the requirements contained in Section 15164 of the CEQA Guidelines for the use of an Addendum to an EIR. The proposed changes to the Project List do not require the preparation of a Subsequent or Supplemental EIR pursuant to Sections 15162 and 15163, respectively, of the CEQA Guidelines due to the absence of new or substantially more adverse significant impacts than those analyzed in the certified EIR.

Addendum #3 to the Connect SoCal PEIR neither controls nor determines the ultimate decision for approval for Connect SoCal Amendment #2 and the proposed changes to the Project List contained therein. The information presented in this Addendum #3 to the Connect SoCal PEIR will be considered by SCAG's decision- making body, the Regional Council, prior to deciding on the Connect SoCal Amendment #2.

2.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

A major component of Connect SoCal is the Project List, which includes thousands of individual transportation projects and programs that aim to improve the region's mobility and air quality, and to revitalize our economy. More specifically, the Connect SoCal includes approximately 2,500 projects with completion dates spread over a 25 year time period (through 2045).

As part of the RTP/SCS Connect SoCal process, SCAG solicited input from the region's six County Transportation Commissions (CTCs) regarding updates to their individual project lists. The types of changes reflected in the updated Project List include:

- Project is new and not currently included in the Project List;
- Connect SoCal Revisions in the Project List include:
 - Revised description;
 - Revised schedule; and/or
 - Change in total cost;
- Project is a duplicate and needs to be removed or combined with another project in the Project List;
- Project is no longer being pursued and the CTC has requested its removal from the Project List;

Based on input received, Amendment #2 consists of 102 project changes, including 14 new and 88 modified projects. All 102 project changes are for financially constrained RTP/SCS projects, meaning there are no project changes to financially unconstrained RTP/SCS projects. Almost all the project changes, 98 out of 102, involve short-term RTP projects. Among the 102 project changes, most of them are modifications to existing projects, including revised project descriptions, schedules, and/or total costs. The 14 new projects include primarily Transportation System Management/Transportation Demand Management projects and minor arterial widenings providing benefits such as improving efficiency of existing systems and reducing congestion. These new projects involve new costs and modeling changes for projects that were previously not included in Connect SoCal Amendment #1. No projects are removed due to project cancellation or duplicate entries.

Of the 102 project changes in Amendment #2, 3 of the projects are within Imperial County, 37 of the projects are within Los Angeles County, 4 of the projects are within Orange County, 48 of the projects are within Riverside County, 8 of the projects are within San Bernardino County, 2 of the projects are within Ventura County, and none of the projects spread across multiple counties. A complete list of the project modifications is available in Amendment #2.

3.0 ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

The changes described above to the Project List identified in Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would not result in a substantial change to the region-wide impacts programmatically analyzed in the Connect SoCal PEIR. The Connect SoCal PEIR broadly identifies several region-wide significant impacts that would result from the numerous transportation policies and projects encompassed by Connect SoCal.

The Connect SoCal PEIR presents analysis at the programmatic level of various types of projects, including both modifications to the existing system as well as new systems such as new highway and transit facilities, goods movement roadway facilities, rail corridors, flyovers, interchanges, and High-Speed Rail.

Although the new projects identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 were not identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR, SCAG has assessed these additional projects at the programmatic level and finds that they are consistent with the scope, goals, and policies contained in the Connect SoCal and with the analysis and conclusions presented in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR. Modeling results indicate that modifications to the Project List resulted in an overall difference of less than one percent. Further, each project will be fully assessed at the project-level by the implementing agency in accordance with CEQA, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and all applicable regulations.

No changes to the mitigation measures or alternatives contained in the Connect SoCal PEIR are necessary or proposed. SCAG has determined that the changes and additions identified above would result in impacts that would fall within the range of impacts already identified in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. Therefore, no substantial physical impacts to the environment beyond those already anticipated and documented in the Connect

TABLE 3-1 Summary of Impacts from Amendment #2

Impact	Compared to the Certified Connect SoCal PEIR
Aesthetics	Same; no new impacts
Agriculture and Forestry Resources	Same; no new impacts
Air Quality	Same; no new impacts
Biological Resources	Same; no new impacts
Cultural Resources	Same; no new impacts
Energy	Same; no new impacts
Geology and Soils	Same; no new impacts
Greenhouse Gas Emissions	Same; no new impacts
Hazards and Hazardous Materials	Same; no new impacts
Hydrology and Water Quality	Same; no new impacts
Land Use and Planning	Same; no new impacts
Mineral Resources	Same; no new impacts
Noise	Same; no new impacts
Population, Housing, and Employment	Same; no new impacts
Public Services	Same; no new impacts
Parks and Recreation	Same; no new impacts
Transportation, Traffic, and Safety	Same; no new impacts
Tribal Cultural Resources	Same; no new impacts
Utilities and Service Systems	Same; no new impacts
Wildfire	Same; no new impacts
Cumulative Impacts	Same; no new impacts
Comparison of Alternatives	Same; no new impacts
Other CEQA Considerations	Same; no new impacts

SoCal PEIR are anticipated to result from the changes and additions identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2.

The environmental analysis provided in this Addendum #3 describes the information that was considered in evaluating the questions contained in the Environmental Checklist of the State CEQA Guidelines, Appendix G, consistent with the Connect SoCal PEIR. Potential region-wide environmental impacts from the proposed project changes, documented in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, as compared to those already identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR are summarized in TABLE 3-1, Summary of Impacts from Amendment #2.

3.1 AESTHETICS

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to aesthetics beyond those already described in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to substantial adverse effects on a scenic vista, scenic resources, the existing visual character or quality of public views, and creating a new source of substantial light affecting day or nighttime views. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with aesthetics (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.1-26 – 3.1-42). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to aesthetics. Similarly, aesthetic impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Aesthetics Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of aesthetic impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to aesthetics, or a substantial

increase in the severity of impacts to aesthetics beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.2 AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY RESOURCES

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to agriculture and forestry resources beyond those already described in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to converting Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland) to non-agricultural use; conflicting with existing zoning for agricultural use, a Williamson Act contract, forest land or timberland zoned Timberland Production; losing or converting forest land to non-forest use; and changing the existing environment resulting in conversion of Farmland to non-agricultural use or forest land to non-forest use. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with agricultural and forestry resources (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.2-21 - 3.1-33). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to agriculture and forestry resources. Similarly, agriculture and forestry resource impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the Connect SoCal PEIR Agriculture and Forestry Resources Section and previous addendums adequately addresses the range of agricultural and forestry impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to agriculture and forestry resources, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to agriculture and forestry resources beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.3 AIR QUALITY

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to air quality beyond those already identified in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified that implementation of the Connect SoCal would result in less than significant impacts with respect to applicable air quality plans and other emissions, such as odors. However, the PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to air quality standards violations; cumulative net increase of criteria pollutants for which the region is non-attainment under federal or state ambient air quality standards; and exposure of sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with air quality (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.3-51 – 3.3-88). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to air quality.

As described in the Transportation Conformity Section of the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, the Plan would continue to meet the regional emissions and other tests set forth by the federal Transportation Conformity regulations, demonstrating the integrity of the State Implementation Plans prepared pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act for the non-attainment and maintenance areas in the SCAG region.

As shown in **TABLE 3-2**, On-Road Mobile-source Criteria Pollutant Emission By County – (2045) vs. Existing Conditions (2019) - Amendment #2, the Plan conditions (2045) and existing conditions (base year 2019) of the criteria pollutant emissions for the six counties in the SCAG region remain similar to what was analyzed for Connect SoCal with a slightly greater reduction in emissions with the proposed changes to the Project List identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2. Therefore, no changes to analyses and air quality findings previously discussed in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums would occur.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR Air Quality Section

and previous addendums adequately addresses the range of air quality impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant air quality impacts or a substantial increase in the severity of air quality impacts beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.4 BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to biological resources beyond those already identified in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status; riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community; State or Federally Protected Wetlands; the movement of native resident, migratory fish, wildlife species, corridors, or nursery sites; and local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources or approved habitat conservation plans. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with biological resources (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.4-61 – 3.4-102). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to biological resources. Similarly, biological resource impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by each implementing agency for each individual project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to biological resources, or a substantial increase

TABLE 3-2 On-Road Mobile-Source Criteria Air Pollutant Emissions by County - Existing Condition (2019) vs Plan (2045) - Amendment #2

		(Tons/Day)								
	County	ROG			NO _x		со	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	so _x
		Summer	Annual	Summer	Annual	Winter	Winter	Annual	Annual	Annual
	Existing	3	3	6	6	7	19	0.5	0.2	0.0
lana a vi a l	Plan	2	2	4	4	4	16	0.7	0.3	0.1
Imperial	Difference (Amendment #2)	-1	-1	-2	-2	-3	-4	0.3	0.1	0.0
	Previous Difference (PEIR)*	-1	-1	-2	-2	-2	-2	0.3	0.1	0.0
	Existing	52	50	88	95	93	397	14.2	6.3	1.1
Los America	Plan	22	21	33	34	33	136	13.9	5.7	0.8
Los Angeles	Difference (Amendment #2)	-30	-29	-55	-60	-60	-261	-0.2	-0.6	-0.3
	Previous Difference (PEIR) *	-30	-29	-55	-60	-59	-251	0.3	-0.6	-0.3
	Existing	15	15	22	23	23	111	4.7	2.1	0.3
0,000	Plan	7	7	7	8	7	43	4.7	1.9	0.2
Orange	Difference (Amendment #2)	-8	-8	-15	-16	-16	-68	0.1	-0.1	-0.1
	Previous Difference (PEIR) *	-8	-8	-14	-16	-15	-65	0.1	-0.1	-0.1
	Existing	14	12	32	34	34	86	3.9	1.7	0.3
Riverside	Plan	7	6	12	13	12	37	4.7	1.9	0.3
Riverside	Difference (Amendment #2)	-7	-6	-20	-21	-21	-49	0.8	0.2	0.0
	Previous Difference (PEIR) *	-7	-6	-20	-21	-21	-47	0.8	0.2	0.0
	Existing	16	14	38	40	39	100	4.1	1.8	0.3
Con Downsydia	Plan	7	6	18	19	18	39	5.2	2.1	0.3
San Bernardino	Difference (Amendment #2)	-9	-8	-20	-21	-21	-60	1.1	0.3	0.0
	Previous Difference (PEIR) *	-8	-7	-20	-21	-21	-57	1.1	0.3	0.0
	Existing	4	4	6	7	7	30	1.1	0.5	0.1
	Plan	1	1	2	2	2	10	1.1	0.5	0.1
Ventura	Difference (Amendment #2)	-3	-3	-4	-5	-5	-21	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Previous Difference (PEIR) *	-3	-3	-4	-5	-5	-20	0.0	0.0	0.0

SOURCE: SCAG Transportation Modeling, 2020, 2021, and 2022. NOTE: Calculations may be rounded. * PEIR calculations include the original Final PEIR and the PEIR Addendums #1 and #2

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in the severity of impacts to biological resources beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.5 CULTURAL RESOURCES

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to cultural resources beyond those already identified in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to historical or archeological resources and the disturbance of human remains. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with cultural resources (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.5-33 – 3.5-42). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to cultural resources. Similarly, cultural resource impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Cultural Resources Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of cultural resource impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to cultural resources, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to cultural resources beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.6 ENERGY

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase

in the severity of significant impacts to energy beyond those already described in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified less than significant impacts with respect to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy resources and interference with state or local plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.6-32 – 3.5-43). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to energy. Similarly, energy impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As shown in **TABLE 3-3**, SCAG Region Estimated Transportation Fuel Consumption – Amendment #2), below, the estimated transportation fuel consumption for the SCAG region would remain similar to what was analyzed for the Connect SoCal, with a slight reduction to the estimated daily fuel consumption. The 20.3 percentage reduction of fuel used compared to existing conditions (base year 2019) would remain the same. As such, no new or substantial impacts would occur when

TABLE 3-3 SCAG Region Estimated Transportation Fuel Consumption - Amendment #2

	Fuel Co	B	
Year	Billion Gallons per Year	Thousand Gallons per Day	Percentage under Existing
2019	8.3	22,876	_
2045 Baseline	7.0	19,052	-16.7%
Amendment #2	6.7	18,236	-20.3%
PEIR*	6.7	18,239	-20.3%

SOURCE: SCAG Transportation Modeling, 2020, 2021, and 2022. NOTE: Calculations may be rounded.

* PEIR calculations include the original Final PEIR and the PEIR Addendums #1 and #2

compared to the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Energy Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of energy impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to energy, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to energy beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.7 GEOLOGY AND SOILS

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to geology and soils beyond those already identified in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified less than significant impacts with respect to the risk of loss, injury, or death involving: rupture of a known earthquake fault, seismic ground shaking or ground failure (including liquefaction and landslides); geologic units or soils that are unstable or expansive; or soils incapable of supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to destruction of a unique paleontological resource or site geologic feature. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with geology and soils (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.7-31 – 3.7-51). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to geology and soils. Similarly, geology and soil impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Geology and Soils Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of geology and soil impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to geology and soils, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to geology and soils beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.8 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions beyond those already identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identifies two thresholds of significance with respect to GHG emissions: does the Plan (1) generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment and (2) conflict with an applicable plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases. The PEIR found that implementation of Connect SoCal would result in significant and unavoidable impacts for both thresholds, but the Plan complied with SB 375 as it would meet the GHG emissions reduction targets determined by the California Air Resources Board (CARB). Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with GHG emissions (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.8-61 – 3.8-81). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to GHG emissions. Similarly, GHG emissions impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

Based on the analysis for the Connect SoCal PEIR, transportation emissions for this PEIR Addendum #3 include on-road mobile sources such as light and medium duty vehicles, heavy duty trucks, and buses (**TABLE 3-4**, Greenhouse Gas Emissions from On-Road Vehicles in the SCAG Region – Amendment #2) and off-road emission sources such as rail, aviation, and ocean-going vessels (**TABLE 3-5**, Greenhouse Gas

TABLE 3-4 Greenhouse Gas Emissions from On-Road Vehicles in the SCAG Region (Million Metric Tons Per Year) - Amendment #2

	2019 Based Year			2045 (Plan)		
On-Road Vehicles	CO2	CH₄	N ₂₀	CO2	CH₄	N ₂₀
Light and Medium Duty Vehicles	59.46	0.002	0.0009	37.45	0.001	0.0002
Heavy Duty Trucks	15.47	0.000	0.002	24.13	0.001	0.001
Buses	1.50	0.001	0.0002	1.38	0.000	0.0000
On-Road Vehicles (Subtotal) in CO ₂	76.43	0.004	0.003	62.97	0.002	0.001
On-Road Vehicles (Subtotal) in CO _{2e} *	76.43	0.076	0.919	62.97	0.038	0.355
Total GHG Emissions from on-road vehicles in CO _{2e} (Amendment #2)	77.4		63.4			
Previous Total GHG Emissions from on-road vehicles in CO _{2e} (PEIR) **	77.4		77.4 63.4			

SOURCE: SCAG Transportation Modeling, 2020, 2021, and 2022. NOTE: Calculations may be rounded.

TABLE 3-5 Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Off-Road Vehicles in the SCAG Region (Million Metric Tons Per Year) - Amendment #2

200 200 110	2019 Based Year			2045 (Plan)		
Off-Road Vehicles	CO2	CH₄	N ₂₀	CO2	CH₄	N ₂₀
Rail	2.16	0.00	0.00	3.86	0.00	0.00
Aviation	3.15	0.00	0.00	1.97	0.00	0.00
Ocean-going Vessel	1.13	0.00	0.00	3.95	0.00	0.00
Other Transportaton Sources (Subtotal) in CO ₂	6.45	0.00	0.00	9.78	0.00	0.00
Other Transportation Sources (Subtotal) in CO _{2e} *	6.45	0.00	0.49	9.78	0.00	0.29
Total GHG Emissions from off-road vehicles in CO _{2e} (Amendment #2)	6.9		6.9		10.1	
Previous Total GHG Emissions from off-road vehicles in CO _{2e} (PEIR) **	6.9		6.9		10.1	

SOURCE: SCAG Transportation Modeling, 2020, 2021, and 2022. NOTE: Calculations may be rounded.

^{*}CO, was converted to CO, based on the Global Warming Potential (GWP): http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/inventory/background/gwp.htm

^{**} PEIR calculations include the original Final PEIR and the PEIR Addendums #1 and #2

^{*}CO, was converted to CO, based on the Global Warming Potential (GWP): http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/inventory/background/gwp.htm

^{**} PEIR calculations include the original Final PEIR and the PEIR Addendums #1 and #2

Emissions from Off-Road Vehicles in the SCAG Region – Amendment #2).

Similar to Connect SoCal, Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would result in approximately 63.4 million metric tons per year CO₂₀ total GHG emissions from on-road vehicles and 10.1 million metric tons per year CO₂₀ from off-road vehicles in 2045, as shown in TABLE 3-4 and TABLE 3-5, below. According to TABLE 3-6, Greenhouse Gas Emissions from On-Road and Off-Road Sources in the Transportation Sector in the SCAG Region – Amendment #2, Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would result in a 15 percent GHG emission reduction when compared to the 2019 baseline, which is a slight increase compared to the 14.9 percent estimated for Connect SoCal. Therefore, the proposed changes from the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 project list would result in similar GHG emissions from on-road and off-road vehicles.

SB 375 requires CARB to develop regional GHG emission reduction targets for cars and light-duty trucks for 2020 and 2035 (compared to 2005 emissions) for each of the state MPOs on a per capita basis. Each MPO is required to prepare an SCS as part of the RTP in order to meet these GHG emissions reduction targets by aligning transportation, land use, and housing strategies with respect to SB 375. For SCAG, the targets are to reduce per capita GHG emissions by 8 percent below 2005 levels

by 2020 and 19 percent below 2005 levels by 2035. Determining the per capita CO₃ emissions requires modeling vehicle miles traveled (VMT) by passenger vehicles and light trucks that emit CO₂ and dividing the number by the total population.

According to TABLE 3-7, SB 375 Analysis – Amendment #2, per capita CO₂ emissions from cars and light duty trucks (only) from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would remain at 21.3 pounds per day in 2020. Amendment #2 would result in no change to the Plan's 8 percent decrease in per capita CO₂ emissions from 2005 to 2020 and would achieve the 8 percent emissions reduction target by 2020 for the region set by SB 375. By 2035, Addendum #3 projects 18.7 pounds per day for per capita CO₂ emissions from cars and light-duty trucks (only), which is the same as the projection in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR with PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. Like the Plan, this represents a 19 percent decrease in per capita CO₂ emissions from 2005 to 2035. This 19 percent decrease would achieve the 19 percent emissions reduction target set by CARB for 2035. CARB has not set per capita GHG emission reduction targets for passenger vehicles for the Plan's horizon year (2045). However, due to the projects and policies proposed by SCAG to reduce GHG emissions through transit improvements, traffic congestion management, emerging technology, and active transportation, the Plan's GHG emission reduction trajectory is expected to meet more aggressive GHG emission reductions by 2045.

TABLE 3-6 Greenhouse Gas Emissions from On-Road and Off-Road Sources in the Transportation Sector in the SCAG Region - Amendment #2

	2019 Based Year	2045 (Plan)**		
Total GHG Emissions from on-road vehicles in CO _{2e} *	77.4	63.4		
Total GHG Emissions from other transportation sources in ${\rm CO}_{\rm 2e}$	6.9	10.1		
All Transportation Sector (On-Road and Off-Road Vehicles) in CO _{2e}	84.4	73.4		
Amendment #2 vs. 2019 Base Year	-15.	0%		
PEIR** vs. 2019 Base Year	-14.9%			

SOURCE: SCAG Transportation Modeling, 2020, 2021, and 2022. NOTE: Calculations may be rounded.

^{*}CO, was converted to CO, based on the Global Warming Potential (GWP): http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/inventory/background/gwp.htm

^{**} PEIR calculations include the original Final PEIR and the PEIR Addendums #1 and #2

Additionally, Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would not interfere with the reduction strategies provided in the SCS, including congestion pricing, mileage-based user fees, and co-working at strategic locations. By meeting the SB 375 targets for 2020 and 2035, implementation of Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would continue to achieve SB 375 per capita GHG reduction targets for the SCAG region.

Furthermore, Amendment #2 would result in the same GHG reduction trajectory as the original Plan and would not conflict with the State's long term GHG emission reduction goals.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Greenhouse Gas Emissions Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of GHG emission impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the

TABLE 3-7 SB 375 Analysis - Amendment #2

	2005 (Baseline)	2020 (Plan)	2035 (Plan)
Resident population (per 1,000)	17,161	19,194	21,109
CO ₂ emissions (per 1,000 tons)	204.0*	204.5**	197.2***
Per capita emissions (pounds/day)	23.8	21.3	18.7
% difference from Amendment #2 (2020	-8%***		
% difference from Amendment #2 (2035	-19%****		
Previous % difference from Plan (2020) to I	-8%***		
Previous % difference from Plan (2035) to I	-19%***		

SOURCE: SCAG Transportation Modeling, 2020, 2021, and 2022. NOTE: Calculations may be rounded.

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Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to GHG emissions, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to GHG emissions beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.9 HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to hazards and hazardous materials beyond those already identified in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials; reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials; emission or handling hazardous materials within one-quarter mile of a school; be located on a hazardous materials site pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5; result in a safety hazard or excessive noise for people residing or working within two miles of a public airport; interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan; or expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with hazards and hazardous materials (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.9-39 – 3.9-60). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to hazards and hazardous materials. Similarly, hazards and hazardous material impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Hazards and Hazardous Materials Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of hazard impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the

^{*} Based on EMFAC2007

^{**} Based on EMFAC2014

^{***} Included off-model adjustments for 2035

^{****} Included EMFAC Adjustment

Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to hazards and hazardous materials, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to hazards and hazardous materials beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.10 HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to hydrology and water quality beyond those already identified in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to water quality standards waste discharge requirements, and groundwater quality; groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge; existing drainage patterns of the area; runoff water that would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or providing substantial additional sources of polluted runoff; risk of flood hazard, tsunami, or seiches; and conflict with a water quality control plan or sustainable groundwater management plan. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with hydrology and water quality (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.10-52 – 3.10-72). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to hydrology and water quality. Similarly, hydrology and water quality impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Hydrology and Water Quality Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of hydrology and water quality impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to hydrology and water quality, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts

to hydrology and water quality beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.11 LAND USE AND PLANNING

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to land use and planning beyond those already identified in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to physically dividing an established community and land use plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with land use and planning (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.11-40 – 3.11-56). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to land use and planning. Similarly, land use and planning impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Land Use and Planning Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to land use and planning, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to land use and planning beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.12 MINERAL RESOURCES

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal

Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to mineral resources beyond those already identified in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state and the loss of availability of a locally important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with mineral resources (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.12-8 – 3.12-13). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to mineral resources. Similarly, mineral resource impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Minerals Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of mineral resource impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to mineral resources, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to mineral resources beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.13 NOISE

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to noise beyond those already identified in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to ambient noise levels, groundborne vibration or noise levels, and exposure to excessive noise

levels near airports. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with noise impacts (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.13-33 – 3.13-51). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to noise. Similarly, noise impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Noise Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of noise impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to noise, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to noise beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.14 POPULATION, HOUSING AND EMPLOYMENT

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to population, housing, and employment beyond those already identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to unplanned population growth and displacement of substantial numbers of existing people or housing. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with population, housing, and employment (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.14-21 – 3.14-31). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to population, housing, and employment. Similarly, population, housing, and employment impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the

Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Population, Housing, and Employment Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of population, housing, and employment impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to population, housing, and employment beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.15 PUBLIC SERVICES

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to public services beyond those already identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to fire, police, school, and library facilities and service ratios. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with public services (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.15.1-15 – 3.15.4-6). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to public services. Similarly, public service impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Public Services Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of public services impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal

Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to public services, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to public services beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.16 RECREATION

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to recreation beyond those already identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities, park facilities, and service ratios. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with recreation (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.16-22 – 3.16-30). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to recreation. Similarly, recreation impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Recreation Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of recreation impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to recreation, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to recreation beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.17 TRANSPORTATION, TRAFFIC, AND SAFETY

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to transportation, traffic, and security beyond

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those already identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR utilized data from the Regional Travel Demand Model to present a regional analysis for the impacts of the Connect SoCal PEIR on transportation. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to: programs, plans, ordinances or policies addressing the circulation system; CEQA Guidelines section 15064.3(b) including per capita Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT); hazards due to geometric design feature; inadequate emergency access; and emergency response or evacuation plans. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with transportation, traffic, and safety impacts (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.17-47 – 3.17-79). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to transportation, traffic, and safety. Similarly, transportation, traffic, and safety impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As shown in TABLE 3-8 Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled in 2019 and 2045 - Amendment #2 and TABLE 3-9 VMT Per Capita by County - Amendment #2, Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would result in similar daily vehicle miles traveled and vehicle miles traveled per capita throughout the SCAG region as previously disclosed in the PEIR. TABLE 3-10 Total Daily Hours of Delay in 2019 and 2045 - Amendment #2 and TABLE 3-11 Percentage of PM Peak Period Work Trips Completed within 45 Minutes - Amendment #2 indicate that there would be a slight decrease in total hours of delay in 2045 and in the percentage of work trips of less than 45 minutes as a result of the Project List changes identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2. TABLE 3-12 Percentage of Mode Share on Transit and Active Transportation – Amendment #2 indicates no change to the percentage of mode share on transit and active transportation would occur. As such, project changes are not expected to result in any new or substantial impacts when compared to the certified Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums. Therefore, no changes to analyses and transportation findings previously discussed in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums would occur.

TABLE 3-8 Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled in 2019 and 2045 - Amendment #2

	In Thousands					
County	2019 Base Year 2045 No Project		2045 Plan			
Imperial	7,000	11,000	11,000			
Los Angeles	231,000	253,000	239,000			
Orange	79,000	85,000	83,000			
Riverside	61,000	80,000	77,000			
San Bernardino	63,000	85,000	81,000			
Ventura	19,000	21,000	20,000			
SCAG Total (Amendment #2)	460,000	536,000	511,000			
Previous SCAG Total (PEIR) *	460,000	536,000	511,000			

SOURCE: SCAG Transportation Modeling, 2020 and 2021. NOTE: Numbers are rounded to nearest thousand.

^{*} PEIR calculations include the original Final PEIR and the PEIR Addendums #1 and #2

TABLE 3-9 VMT Per Capita by County - Amendment #2

	Light/Medium	Duty Vehicles	All Vehicles		
County	2019	2045	2019	2045	
Imperial	29.69	32.35	35.01	40.94	
Los Angeles	21.47	19.22	22.77	20.86	
Orange	23.59	22.30	24.73	23.82	
Riverside	22.29	20.59	24.95	23.91	
San Bernardino	25.34	24.30	28.82	29.34	
Ventura	21.30	19.48	22.44	21.07	
Regional (Amendment #2)	22.45	20.71	24.18	23.08	
Regional (PEIR) *	22.45	20.72	24.18	23.09	

SOURCE: SCAG Transportation Modeling, 2020 and 2021. NOTE: Calculations may be rounded. * PEIR calculations include the original Final PEIR and the PEIR Addendums #1 and #2

Table 3-10 Total Daily Hours of Delay in 2019 and 2045 - Amendment #2

County	2019 Base Year	2045 No Project	2045 Plan		
Imperial	9,529	38,571	26,355		
Los Angeles	1,685,849	2,048,956	1,585,581		
Orange	438,551	546,434	392,216		
Riverside	167,164	373,426	240,339		
San Bernardino	151,356	320,519	199,118		
Ventura	54,696	76,854	42,858		
Regional (Amendment #2)	2,507,144	3,404,759	2,486,467		
Regional (PEIR) *	2,507,144	3,404,759	2,491,517		

SOURCE: SCAG Transportation Modeling, 2020 and 2021. NOTE: Calculations may be rounded.

* PEIR calculations include the original Final PEIR and the PEIR Addendums #1 and #2

TABLE 3-11 Percentage of PM Peak Period Work Trips Completed Within 45 MInutes - Amendment #2

County	2019 Base Year	2045 No Project	2045 Plan		
AUTOS -SINGLE OCCUPANCY VEHICLES					
Imperial	93.54%	91.72%	91.37%		
Los Angeles	79.50%	80.06%	86.01%		
Orange	84.97%	86.08%	89.59%		
Riverside	71.88%	73.97%	81.31%		
San Bernardino	72.18%	74.67%	79.72%		
Ventura	81.04%	83.49%	86.52%		
Region	79.14%	80.09%	85.36%		
AUTOS – HIGH OCCUPANCY VEHICLES					
Imperial	94.93%	92.13%	90.89%		
Los Angeles	79.09%	78.09%	83.00%		
Orange	85.89%	84.67%	88.88%		
Riverside	71.00%	70.68%	79.74%		
San Bernardino	73.76%	73.31%	79.86%		
Ventura	83.70%	84.30%	88.12%		
Region	79.45%	78.33%	83.79%		
TRANSIT					
Imperial	66.67%	59.39%	63.64%		
Los Angeles	43.62%	42.58%	44.23%		
Orange	60.03%	62.18%	59.05%		
Riverside	69.74%	69.88%	63.44%		
San Bernardino	67.06%	68.58%	62.24%		
Ventura	67.91%	63.13%	64.18%		
Region (Amendment #2)	47.25%	46.68%	46.90%		
Region (PEIR) *	47.25%	46.68%	47.06%		

SOURCE: SCAG Transportation Modeling, 2020 and 2021. NOTE: Calculations may be rounded. * PEIR calculations include the original Final PEIR and the PEIR Addendums #1 and #2

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Transportation, Traffic, and Safety Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of GHG emission impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to transportation, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.18 TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to tribal resources beyond those already identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal

PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to tribal cultural resources defined in Public Resources Code section 21074. SCAG met the requirements of AB 52 by performing the requisite tribal consultation as documented in Appendix 3.5 of the PEIR. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with tribal cultural resources (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.18-18 – 3.18-21). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to tribal cultural resources. Similarly, tribal cultural resource impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Tribal Cultural Resources Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of tribal cultural resource impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the

TABLE 3-12 Percentage of Mode Share on Transit and Active Transportation - Amendment #2

Mode Share	2019 2045 No Project		2045 Plan	
Walk	7.8	7.7	8.6	
Bike	1.4	1.6	2.1	
Transit	2.0	2.4	3.8	
Total (Amendment #2)	11.2	11.8	14.5	
Previous Total (PEIR) *	11.2	11.8	14.5	
Total (Original Plan)	14.0	14.4	18.9	

SOURCE: SCAG Transportation Modeling, 2020 and 2021. NOTE: Calculations may be rounded.

^{*} PEIR calculations include the original Final PEIR and the PEIR Addendums #1 and #2

program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to tribal cultural resources beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.19 UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to utilities and service systems beyond those already identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to generating solid waste in excess of state or local standards or infrastructure capacity; nonattainment of solid waste reduction goals, or federal, state, and local

management and reduction statutes and regulations; result in new or expanded wastewater treatment or storm drainage facilities or water facilities, which could cause significant environmental effects; and inadequate wastewater or water supply capacity. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with utilities and service systems (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.19.1-12 – 3.19.3-25). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to utilities and service systems. Similarly, utilities and service systems impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As indicated by **TABLE 3-14**, 2045 Plan Lane Miles by County (PM Peak Network) - Amendment #2 minimal changes to lane miles would occur as a result of the proposed changes to the Project List identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 These changes are minor and would not substantially increase impervious surfaces.

TABLE 3-13 2045 Plan Lane Miles by County (PM Peak Network) - Amendment #2

County	Freeway (Mixed-Flow)	Toll*	Truck	Expressway/ Parkway	Principal Arterial	Minor Arterial	Collector	Freeway (HOV)	Ramp	Total (All Facilities)
Imperial	417	-	-	323	315	595	2,464	-	38	4,152
Los Angeles	4,801	354	153	6	8,467	9,066	6,957	380	946	31,130
Orange	1,424	565	16	4	3,844	3,104	1,088	244	379	10,666
Riverside	1,872	269	13	121	1,509	3,594	5,726	45	362	13,511
San Bernardino	2,604	279	55	256	2,075	4,665	6,796	138	350	17,217
Ventura	568	-	-	-	861	1,007	1,059	60	123	3,677
Total (Amendment #2)	11,685	1,467	237	710	17,071	22,030	24,090	866	2,198	80,354
Previous Total (PEIR) *	11,684	1,467	237	710	17,066	22,033	24,086	866	2,197	80,346

SOURCE: SCAG Transportation Modeling, 2020 and 2021. NOTE: Calculations may be rounded.

^{*} PEIR calculations include the original Final PEIR and the PEIR Addendums #1 and #2

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Utilities and Service Systems Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of utility impacts that could result from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts to utilities and service systems, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to utilities and service systems beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.20 WILDFIRE

The proposed changes to the Project List, identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, are not expected to result in any new or a substantial increase in the severity of significant impacts to wildfire beyond those already identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. The Connect SoCal PEIR identified potential significant impacts with respect to pollutant concentrations or the uncontrolled spread of a wildfire or a significant risk of loss, injury or death; the installation or maintenance of associated infrastructure that may exacerbate fire risks or impact the environment; and significant risks, including downslope or downstream flooding or landslides, as a result of runoff, post-fire slope stability, or drainage changes. Incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR would alleviate significant impacts associated with wildfire (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.20-24 – 3.20-32). The previous addendums to the Connect SoCal PEIR determined that changes to Connect SoCal would not result in new or substantially increased impacts with respect to wildfire. Similarly, wildfire impacts from the proposed projects included in this Addendum #3 would be expected to fall within the range of impacts previously identified in the Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

As noted in the PEIR, detailed project-level analysis, including project level mitigation measures, will be conducted by the implementing agency of each project.

The analysis in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR Wildfire Section and previous addendums, adequately addresses the range of wildfire impacts that could result

from Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the program level. Thus, incorporation of the proposed changes to the Project List, contained in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2, would not result in any new significant impacts, or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts to wildfire beyond those programmatically addressed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

3.21 CUMULATIVE IMPACTS

The proposed changes to the Project List identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would not significantly change the scope of the discussion presented in the Cumulative Impacts Chapter of the Connect SoCal PEIR, which includes an assessment of programmatic level unavoidable cumulative impacts (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 3.21-1 – 3.21-14). Cumulative impacts from inclusion of the proposed changes to the Project List identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 are reasonably covered by the cumulatively impacts previously discussed in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR.

At the programmatic level, any region-wide cumulative impacts from the proposed projects (as revised by the Connect SoCal Amendment #2) are expected to be approximately equivalent to those previously disclosed in the Connect SoCal PEIR. Overall, the proposed changes to the Project List presented in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 are within the scope of the broad, programmatic-level region-wide impacts identified and disclosed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums. Thus, the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would not be expected to result in any new cumulative impacts that have not been analyzed in the previous Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums, or cumulative impacts that are considerably different from or inconsistent with those already analyzed in the previous Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

4.0 COMPARISON OF ALTERNATIVES

The proposed changes to the Project List identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would not significantly change the comparison of alternatives in the Connect SoCal PEIR. Potential impacts from the proposed changes to the Project List are anticipated to be within the scope of the programmatic-level

comparison among the alternatives already considered in the Connect SoCal PEIR:

1) No Project Alternative; 2) Existing Plans-Local Input Alternative; and 3) Intensified Land Use Alternative.

The Alternatives Chapter of the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR adequately address the range of alternatives to the proposed projects at the programmatic level. As referenced in the previous addendums, no changes to the alternatives occurred as a result of PEIR Amendment #1. Incorporation of the proposed projects identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would not require comparison of any new alternatives or alternatives which are considerably different from or inconsistent with those already analyzed in the Connect SoCal PEIR. Therefore, no further comparison is required at the programmatic level.

5.0 OTHER CEQA CONSIDERATIONS

The proposed changes to the Project List identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would not significantly change the scope of the discussion presented in the Other CEQA Considerations Chapter of the Connect SoCal PEIR, which includes an assessment of growth inducing impacts, programmatic level unavoidable impacts, and irreversible impacts (see Connect SoCal PEIR pp. 5.0-1 – 5.0-12). Unavoidable and irreversible impacts from inclusion of the proposed changes to the Project List identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 are reasonably covered by the unavoidable and irreversible impacts previously discussed in the certified Connect SoCal PEIR.

At the programmatic level, any region-wide growth inducing impacts from the proposed projects (as revised by the Connect SoCal Amendment #2) are expected to be approximately equivalent to those previously disclosed in the Connect SoCal PEIR. Overall, the proposed changes to the Project List presented in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 are within the scope of the broad, programmatic-level region-wide impacts identified and disclosed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous PEIR Addendums #1 and #2. Thus, the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would not be expected to result in any new CEQA impacts that have not been analyzed in the previous Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums, or any long-term impacts that are considerably different from or inconsistent with those already analyzed in the previous Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums.

6.0 FINDINGS

After completing a programmatic environmental assessment of the proposed changes described herein to the Project List and when compared to the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and PEIR Addendums #1 and #2, SCAG finds that the proposed changes identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 would not result in either new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of any previously identified significant effect. The proposed changes are not substantial changes on a regional level as those have already been adequately and appropriately analyzed in the Connect SoCal PEIR and previous addendums. The proposed changes to the Project List do not require revisions to the programmatic, region-wide analysis presented in the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR and addendums.

Further, SCAG finds that the proposed changes to the Project List identified in the Connect SoCal Amendment #2 does not require any new mitigation measures or alternatives previously unidentified in the Connect SoCal PEIR, or significantly affect mitigation measures or alternatives already disclosed in the Connect SoCal PEIR. As such, SCAG has assessed the proposed changes to the Project List included in Connect SoCal Amendment #2 at the programmatic level and finds that inclusion of the proposed changes would be within the range of, and consistent with the findings of impacts analysis, mitigation measures, and alternatives contained in the Connect SoCal PEIR, as well as the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations made in connection with the Connect SoCal. Therefore, a Subsequent or Supplemental EIR is not required, and SCAG concludes that this Addendum to the previously certified Connect SoCal PEIR fulfills the requirements of CEQA.



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PROPOSED FINAL ADDENDUM #3

TO THE PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT STATE CLEARINGHOUSE #2019011061

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RESOLUTION NO. 22-XXX-XX

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG)

APPROVING ADDENDUM NO. 3 TO THE PREVIOUSLY CERTIFIED 2020-2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN/SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY (2020 RTP/SCS OR CONNECT SOCAL) PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (PEIR)

WHEREAS, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) adopted and certified the Final Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the 2020-2045 RTP/SCS (State Clearinghouse # 2019011061) on May 7, 2020, in accordance with applicable provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), Cal. Pub. Res. Code Section 21000 et seq.;

WHEREAS, when certifying the Final PEIR for the 2020-2045 RTP/SCS, the SCAG Regional Council approved Resolution 20-261-1 which is incorporated herein by reference (available at https://scag.ca.gov/sites/main/files/file-attachments/resolution-no-20-621-1 connectsocal peir.pdf?1606004146) to adopt Findings of Fact, a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program;

WHEREAS, on September 2, 2020, SCAG approved Addendum No. 1 to the 2020-2045 RTP/SCS PEIR in accordance with Cal. Pub. Res. Code Section 21166 and CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162, 15163, and 15164;

WHEREAS, when approving Addendum No. 1 to the 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR, the SCAG Regional Council approved Resolution 20-624-1;

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2021, SCAG approved Addendum No. 2 to the 2020-2045 RTP/SCS PEIR in accordance with Cal. Pub. Res. Code Section 21166 and CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162, 15163, and 15164;

WHEREAS, when approving Addendum No. 2 to the 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR, the SCAG Regional Council approved Resolution 21-637-2;

WHEREAS, since the certification of the Final PEIR and the approvals of Addendum No. 1 and Addendum No. 2 to the 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR, staff has received requests from all six county transportation commissions in the SCAG region to amend the 2020 RTP/SCS to reflect addition of projects or modifications to project scopes, costs, and/or schedules for critical transportation projects, as well as the addition of some new projects as specified in the Amendment No. 2 to the 2020 RTP/SCS ("Amendment No. 2"), in order to allow such projects to move forward toward the implementation phase;

WHEREAS, when an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been certified and the project is modified or otherwise changed after certification, then additional CEQA review may be necessary;

WHEREAS, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15164(a), an addendum may be prepared by the lead agency that prepared the original EIR if some changes or additions are necessary, but none of the conditions have occurred set forth under CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 requiring preparation of a subsequent or supplemental EIR;

WHEREAS, SCAG staff determined and for the reasons set forth in Addendum No. 3 to the 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR, an addendum is the appropriate CEQA document for Amendment No. 2 to the 2020 RTP/SCS because the proposed project revisions set forth in Amendment No. 2 do not meet the conditions of CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162 and 15163, for the preparation of a subsequent or supplemental EIR;

WHEREAS, on July 7, 2022, SCAG staff reported to the SCAG's Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) that a draft of Addendum No. 3 to the 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR was prepared and completed and that an informational copy of the draft of Addendum No. 3 was presented to the EEC for review;

WHEREAS, SCAG has finalized Addendum No. 3 to the 2020-2045 RTP/SCS PEIR, incorporated herein by this reference, in order to address the proposed changes to the 2020-2045 RTP/SCS as described in Amendment No. 2;

WHEREAS, an addendum is not required to be circulated for public review;

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2022, EEC recommended the Regional Council adopt this Resolution to approve Addendum No. 3 to the 2020- 2045 RTP/SCS PEIR (PEIR, SCH No. 2019011061); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15164(d), the Regional Council has considered Addendum No. 3 to the 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR with the previously certified 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR prior to making a decision on Amendment No. 2 to the 2020 RTP/SCS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments, that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated by this reference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: the SCAG Regional Council finds as follows:

- 1. Addendum No. 3 to the 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR has been completed in compliance with CEQA.
- 2. The adoption of the proposed revisions set forth in Amendment No. 2 would not result in either new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects for the reasons described in Addendum No. 3; such proposed changes in Amendment No. 2 are consistent with the analysis, mitigation measures, Finding of Facts, and Statement of Overriding Considerations contained in the certified 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR; and thus, a subsequent or supplemental EIR is not required and Addendum No. 3 to the 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR fulfills the requirements of CEQA.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments at its regular meeting this 6th day of October, 2022.

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Subject: Equity Analysis Update (formerly Environmental Justice Analysis) -

Performance Measures

RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR EEC:

Information Only – No Action Required

RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR CEHD, TC, and RC:

Receive and File

To:

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In July 2020, SCAG's Regional Council adopted Resolution 20-623-2, affirming its commitment to advancing justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion throughout Southern California and subsequently adopted the Racial Equity Early Action Plan (EAP) in May 2021, outlining goals, strategies, and actions to advance equity. Prior to the adoption of the EAP, SCAG's equity efforts were concentrated in its Environmental Justice (EJ) Program, which has long focused on public outreach, engagement, early and meaningful participation of EJ communities in the decision-making process, and equal and fair access to a healthy environment. SCAG's EJ Program addresses both state and federal requirements by aiming to protect people of color and low-income communities from incurring disproportionately adverse environmental impacts. The Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) provides policy direction for this work, which aligns with the primary goals of the aforementioned EAP, which are to: 1) center racial equity in regional policy and planning and bring equity into SCAG's regional planning functions, and 2) encourage racial equity in local planning practices by promoting racial equity in efforts involving local elected officials and planning professionals.



Following staff's April 7, 2022 presentation to EEC on SCAG's approach for Connect SoCal 2024's Equity Analysis (formerly Environmental Justice Analysis), this staff report and the corresponding presentation will provide additional details on SCAG's proposed updates to the Equity Analysis performance measures. These performance measures will help SCAG evaluate how future changes in the region will impact the most vulnerable people and communities. The proposed updates to the performance measures have been developed based on extensive discussions with internal subject matter experts and external stakeholder input. The proposed approach for the Equity Analysis is grounded in best practices and aims to meaningfully evaluate inequities in the region and propose strategies for addressing them.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan; Goal 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy; Objective D: Promote and engage partners in a cooperative regional approach to problem-solving.

BACKGROUND:

In July 2020, SCAG's Regional Council adopted Resolution 20-623-2, affirming its commitment to advancing justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion throughout Southern California and subsequently adopted the Racial Equity Early Action Plan (EAP) in May 2021, outlining goals, strategies, and actions to advance its commitments. Prior to the adoption of the EAP, SCAG's equity efforts were concentrated in its Environmental Justice (EJ) Program, which is guided by the policy direction of the Energy and Environment Committee, and plays a central role in advancing two of the primary goals of the EAP which are to: 1) center racial equity in regional policy and planning and bring equity into SCAG's regional planning functions, and 2) encourage racial equity in local planning practices by promoting racial equity in efforts involving local elected officials and planning professionals.

SCAG's EJ Program focuses on public outreach, engagement, early and meaningful participation of EJ communities in the decision-making process, and equal and fair access to a healthy environment with the goal of protecting people of color and low-income communities from incurring disproportionately adverse environmental impacts and share benefits of regional investment appropriately. By way of background, the consideration of EJ in the transportation process stems from Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964,¹ and was further enhanced by Executive Order 12898² (1994) which established the need for transportation agencies to disclose to the general public the benefits and burdens of proposed projects on people of color and low-income populations. Executive Order 12898 amplified Title VI by providing protections based on income in addition to

¹ Title VI states that "No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."

² Federal Actions To Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, February 11, 1994. https://www.archives.gov/files/federal-register/executive-orders/pdf/12898.pdf



race and ordered all federal agencies to consider environmental justice during the planning and decision-making process for all federally funded projects. As a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) that receives federal funding, SCAG is required to conduct early and meaningful outreach to EJ communities and develop an EJ analysis for its regional transportation plans. In addition to federal requirements, SCAG must also comply with California Government Code Section 11135,³ which mandates fair treatment of all individuals for all state-funded programs and activities.

In an effort to further improve upon the next EJ analysis for Connect SoCal 2024, staff conducted a literature review of EJ methodologies from MPOs throughout the nation. Methodologies were reviewed and analyzed for potentially relevant performance metrics and innovative approaches. In addition to evaluating peer agency EJ methodologies, staff are also coordinating and communicating with stakeholders at the federal and state levels to ensure equity efforts are aligned. Because these federal and state tools may be used for future funding programs to prioritize projects in underserved communities, staff want to ensure the region's approach is properly aligned.

More specifically, staff are evaluating the following tools:

- Council on Environmental Quality's Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool⁴ supports federal agencies in identifying communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution. The current version is still undergoing refinement, but provides socioeconomic, environmental, and climate information to inform decisions that may affect these communities.
- Environmental Protection Agency's Environmental Justice Screening and Mapping Tool⁵ provides a nationally consistent dataset and approach for combining environmental and demographic indicators that highlight areas where vulnerable populations may be disproportionately impacted by pollution.
- Caltrans Transportation Equity Index⁶ is a forthcoming tool that staff anticipate reviewing later this year. The index aims to identify communities that are underserved and/or burdened by transportation using environmental, accessibility, and socioeconomic indicators.

³ California Government Code Section 11135 states "no person in the State of California shall, on the basis of race, national origin, ethnic group identification, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, color, or disability, be unlawfully denied full and equal access to the benefits of, or be unlawfully subjected to discrimination under, any program or activity that is conducted, operated, or administered by the state or by any state agency that is funded directly by the state, or receives any financial assistance from the state."

⁴ Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool: https://screeningtool.geoplatform.gov/en/

⁵ EJScreen 2.0: https://ejscreen.epa.gov/mapper/

⁶ Caltrans Transportation Equity Index: https://dot.ca.gov/programs/planning-modal/race-equity/eqi



- Public Health Alliance of Southern California's Healthy Places Index (HPI)⁷ explores
 community conditions that impact life expectancy in California, such as access to
 healthcare, housing, education, and more. More than 100 government agencies, health care
 institutions, and community groups have used the HPI to make more equitable decisions
 around transportation planning, climate vulnerability, philanthropic grantmaking, and
 health care needs assessments.
- California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment's CalEnviroScreen is a mapping tool that helps identify SB 535 Disadvantaged Communities (DAC)⁸, which are census tracts receiving the highest 25 percent of overall scores based on pollution burdens and socioeconomic disadvantages. SCAG's prior EJ Analysis already considered DACs.
- California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (TCAC)/Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) Opportunity Map⁹ identifies areas in every region of the state whose characteristics have been shown by research to support positive economic, educational, and health outcomes for low-income families—particularly long-term outcomes for children. TCAC adopted this map into its regulations to support policies related to increasing access to the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program, and HCD uses it to inform their Multifamily Housing Program and the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee's regulations for 4% LIHTCs.

To the extent that it is possible, SCAG's approach for Connect SoCal 2024 will be aligned with these tools as well as best practices from extensive research and continued communication with many stakeholders.

At the April 7, 2022 EEC meeting, staff provided a preview of the proposed Connect SoCal 2024 Equity Analysis, a refined approach for developing a more robust equity analysis. The evolved approach includes revisiting the populations and communities analyzed in previous EJ analyses, developing a new community referred to as "Prioritized Equity Populations and Areas" (PEPA). PEPAs include 10 categories and utilize two methodologies to determine eligibility to capture vulnerable communities and incorporate equity more fully into the analysis. Statutory requirements would continue to be addressed with this shift.

REFINED APPROACH:

SCAG's long-range plan has long included an EJ analysis that evaluates current conditions and the consequences of the region's transportation projects on people of color, low-income households, and other vulnerable populations, like older adults, young children, households without vehicles, people with disabilities, people with limited English proficiency, and more. A set of performance measures help SCAG evaluate how future changes in the region will impact the most vulnerable

⁷ Healthy Places Index 3.0: https://map.healthyplacesindex.org/

⁸ SB 535 Disadvantaged Communities: https://oehha.ca.gov/calenviroscreen/sb535

⁹ TCAC/HCD Opportunity Area Maps: https://www.treasurer.ca.gov/ctcac/opportunity.asp



people and communities. These performance measures help SCAG respond to some key questions, including:

- Will our economy function well for all, particularly people of color and low-income households? (focus: economy)
- Will we grow in ways that encourage livability among prioritized equity populations? (focus: communities)
- Will our region become more connected and accessible for everyone, regardless of race/ethnicity, age, gender, disability, income, etc.? (focus: mobility)
- Will people and our environments, particularly areas that have historic and current public health risks, become healthier? (focus: environment)

The EJ analysis has helped SCAG focus answers to these questions on specific populations and areas. Each iteration of SCAG's EJ analysis has included more enhancements to the approach, including new or improved performance measures that are responsive to the evolving vision and goals of each long-range plan. These enhancements contribute to a very comprehensive, yet lengthy report. With the increased availability of online data resources, including SCAG's Regional Data Platform, staff is recommending streamlining and consolidating the performance measures to make the report easier to understand and navigate, while maintaining the robust and comprehensive analysis. Furthermore, as the Environmental Justice Analysis evolves into an Equity Analysis, the performance evaluation will be adapted by adding more racial/ethnic disaggregated data, when it is available; and incorporating more existing conditions analyses, similar to that included in SCAG's Racial Equity: Baseline Conditions Report. 11

The proposed refinements to the performance measures are described in more detail below. As previously stated, it is important to note that the statutory requirements would continue to be addressed with the proposed enhancements and updates.

Reorganizing Equity Performance Measures

To start, staff is recommending a reorganization of performance measures under the four core categories of Connect SoCal goals, which include economy, communities, mobility, and environment. The 2020 EJ Technical Report included 18 performance measures organized under four EJ focused questions related to impacts on quality of life, transportation costs, health and safety, and commute. By revisiting the organization of the performance measures, staff can directly reference the Connect SoCal goals, relate these measures to other metrics within the plan, and streamline the introduction of each focus area. Figure 1 provides the proposed organization of equity performance measures under the four core categories of Connect SoCal goals.

¹⁰ SCAG Regional Data Platform: https://hub.scag.ca.gov/

¹¹ SCAG Racial Equity: Baseline Conditions Report (March 2021): https://scag.ca.gov/sites/main/files/file-attachments/racialequitybaselineconditionsreport 03242021revision.pdf



Figure 1: Proposed Equity Performance Measures

2024 Proposed Equity Performance Measures **Communities Environment Economy** Mobility Jobs-Housing Revenue Sources Accessibility to Resilience and Imbalance * In Terms of Tax Employment, Climate Burdens * Services, and **Vulnerabilities*** Neighborhood Parks * • Investments vs. Change and • Emissions Impacts Displacement * Bicycle and Benefits Analysis * Pedestrian • Rail-Related Geographic Noise Impacts * Collisions* Distribution of Impacts * Public Health Travel Time and Transportation Investments Travel Distance Savings Impacts from Share of Mileage-Based User Fee * Transportation System Usage

Proposed Changes for the Equity Performance Measures

To improve and further incorporate equity into the analysis, SCAG staff recommends several changes, both enhancements and consolidations, to the performance measures. In addition to the ideas that emerged from staff's literature review of EJ methodologies from MPOs from across the nation, SCAG subject matter experts and external members of the Technical and Equity Working Groups contributed valuable input that shaped the following recommendations. Attachment 1 (Proposed Equity Performance Measures) includes a list of the performance measures with definitions and the proposed changes in detail.

In summary, overall enhancements for all equity performance measures include incorporating data from the most recently available data sources and adding existing conditions analyses for all applicable measures. Furthermore, public health impacts will be considered throughout the analysis instead of having a dedicated measure. In addition to updating data where applicable, staff recommends the following <u>enhancements</u> for these specific equity performance measures:

- Add racial/ethnic disaggregation in performance measures that do not currently include a
 discussion of race/ethnicity, including Impacts from Mileage-Based User Fee, Revenue
 Sources in Terms of Tax Burdens, Jobs-Housing Imbalance, and Neighborhood Change and
 Displacement.
- Coordinate with Housing Department staff to enhance housing-related performance measures like exploring racial/ethnic changes in **Neighborhood Change and Displacement**.



- Add "railyards" as areas that could impact surrounding communities to Rail-Related Impacts.
- Expand on collision data for the Bicycle and Pedestrian Collisions performance measure to report the number and rate of collision-related fatalities and serious injuries, including active transportation modes, and add overlays with the regional High Injury Network and bicycle infrastructure.
- Add extreme heat and tree canopy analyses to Resilience and Climate Vulnerabilities.
- Update and include new datasets in **Resilience and Climate Vulnerabilities**.

Staff recommends the following consolidations for the equity performance measures:

- Explore cross-referencing other technical reports with housing-related analysis for **Jobs-Housing Imbalance** and **Neighborhood Change and Displacement**.
- Combine and rename previous accessibility performance measures ("Accessibility to Employment & Services" and "Accessibility to Parks & Education Facilities") into Accessibility to Employment, Services & Parks.
- Rename the previous "Climate Vulnerability" performance measure to **Resilience and Climate Vulnerabilities**.
- Rename "Active Transportation Hazards" performance measure to **Bicycle and Pedestrian Collisions**.
- Consolidate the previous "Emissions Impacts Along Freeways and Highly Traveled Corridors" analysis under a single **Emissions Impact Analysis** performance measure.
- Combine the previous "Aviation Noise Impacts" and "Roadway Noise Impact" analyses under **Noise Impacts**.
- Align technical analysis of **Noise Impacts** with analysis included in the Aviation Technical Report and the Program Environmental Impact Report.
- Remove the quantitative analysis of roadway portion of **Noise Impacts** and shift to a qualitative analysis that describes the long-range plan changes in roadway noise impacts.
- Remove a dedicated "Public Health Impacts" performance measure to eliminate repetitive discussion of CalEnviroScreen, which will occur in multiple places of the report.

As a result of the changes developed through internal and external input, staff is proposing the 14 equity performance measures included in Table 1. And as previously stated, the proposed changes are further defined in Attachment 1 (Proposed Equity Performance Measures).

Next Steps

Staff is seeking input from the Energy and Environment Committee on this evolved approach and the shift to a more robust equity analysis. Staff has conducted extensive outreach to internal subject matter experts and will continue to seek input from external stakeholders to ensure the proposed methodology is inclusive of EJ and equity concerns and accurately reflects SCAG





initiatives. Staff will continue to return to the Committee to provide updates on the Connect SoCal 2024 Equity Analysis as part of the Connect SoCal 2024 development process.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Work associated with this item is included in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Overall Work Program (020. 0161.06: Environmental Justice Outreach and Policy Coordination).

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Proposed Equity Performance Measures
- 2. PowerPoint Presentation Equity Analysis Performance Measures



Connect SoCal 2024 Draft Performance Measures: Equity*

Category	Subcategory**	Performance Measures	Plan Evaluation Measure	Definition	New, Existing, Revised Removed	Changes/Notes
Economy	Revenue Sources In Terms of Tax Burdens	Proportion of Connect SoCal revenue sources	Medsure	Proportion of Connect SoCal revenue sources (taxable sales, income, and gasoline taxes) generated from low income households and people of color	Revised	Adding racial/ethnic disaggregation
Economy	Investments vs. Benefits	Transportation system investment benefit/cost ratio	Х	Analysis of Connect SoCal investments by income quintile and race/ethnicity	Existing	Continue to 2024.
Economy	Geographic Distribution of Transportation Investments	Geographic distribution of transportation investments by mode	Х	Evaluation of Connect SoCal transit, roadway, and active transportation infrastructure investments in various communities throughout the region	Existing	Continue to 2024.
Economy	Impacts from Mileage-Based User (MBU) Fee	,		Examination of potential impacts from implementation of a mileage-based user fee on low income households and people of color in the region	Revised	Adding racial/ethnic disaggregation
Communities	Jobs-Housing Imbalance	Jobs-house balance		Comparison of median earnings for intra-county vs intercounty commuters for each county; analysis of relative housing affordability and jobs throughout the region	Revised	Adding racial/ethnic disaggregation; Improvements pending internal discussion; potentially shifting analysis to housing-related analysis (if applicable)
Communities	Neighborhood Change and Displacement	Neighborhood change trends		Examination of historical and projected demographic and housing trends for areas surrounding rail transit stations	Revised	Adding racial/ethnic disaggregation; Improvements pending internal discussion; Incorporate a greater focus on cultural changes; potentially shifting analysis to housing-related analysis (if applicable)
Communities	Rail-Related Impacts	Proximity to rail corridors		Breakdown of population by demographic group for areas in close proximity to rail corridors	Revised	Adding railyards as a rail-related entity; potentially renaming indicator
Communities	Rail-Related Impacts	Proximity to planned grade separations		Breakdown of population by demographic group for areas in close proximity to planned grade separations	Revised	Adding railyards as a rail-related entity; potentially renaming indicator
Communities	Rail-Related Impacts	Proximity to railyards		Breakdown of population by demographic group for areas in close proximity to railyards	Revised	Adding railyards as a rail-related entity; potentially renaming indicator
Mobility	Accessibility to Employment, Services, and Parks	Job access	Х	Share of employment reachable within 30 minutes by automobile or 45 minutes by transit during morning peak period (6 - 9 a.m.)	Revised	Combining and renaming from "Accessibility to Employment and Services" and "Accessibility to Parks and Education Facilities"
Mobility	Accessibility to Employment, Services, and Parks	Shopping access		Share of shopping centers reachable within 30 minutes by automobile or 45 minutes by transit during mid-day period (9 a.m 3 p.m.)	Revised	Combining and renaming from "Accessibility to Employment and Services" and "Accessibility to Parks and Education Facilities"
Mobility	Accessibility to Employment, Services, and Parks	Parks access	Х	Share of park acreage reachable within 30 minutes by automobile or 45 minutes by transit during mid-day period (9 a.m 3 p.m.)	Revised	Combining and renaming from "Accessibility to Employment and Services" and "Accessibility to Parks and Education Facilities"
Mobility	Bicycle and Pedestrian Collisions	Bike and pedestrian collisions	Х	Analysis of population by demographic group for areas that experience highest rates of bicycle and pedestrian collisions	Revised	Renamed from "Active Transportation Hazards"; Updating with collision data; overlays with High Injury Network and bicycle infrastructure
Mobility	Travel Time and Travel Distance Savings	Distribution of travel time	Х	Assessment of comparative benefits received as a result of Connect SoCal investments by demographic group in terms of travel time for 30 minutes auto and 45 minute transit	Existing	Continue to 2024.
Mobility	Travel Time and Travel Distance Savings	Distribution of travel distance	Х	Assessment of comparative benefits received as a result of Connect SoCal investments by demographic group in terms of travel distance savings for 30 minutes auto and 45 minute transit	Existing	Continue to 2024.
Mobility	Share of Transportation System Usage	Mode share	X	Comparison of transportation system usage by mode for low income and minority households relative to each group's regional population share	Existing	Continue to 2024.
Environment	Resilience and Climate Vulnerabilities	Percentage of population with substandard housing		Population analysis by demographic group for areas potentially impacted by substandard housing (housing without plumbing)	Revised	Updating datasets, adding extreme heat and tree canopy analysis, and renaming from "Climate Vulnerability" indicators
Environment	Resilience and Climate Vulnerabilities	Percentage of population in climate risk areas	Х	Population analysis by demographic group for areas potentially impacted by sea level rise, wildfire risk, flood hazard risk, or extreme heat effects related to climate change	Revised	Updating datasets, adding extreme heat and tree canopy analysis, and renaming from "Climate Vulnerability" indicators
Environment	Emissions Impacts Analysis	Emissions impacts (CO and PM2.5)	Х	Comparison of Plan and Baseline scenarios; identification of areas that are lower performing as a result of the Plan	Revised	Combining from "Emissions Impact Analysis" and "Emissions Impacts Along Freeways and Highly Traveled Corridors" indicators
Environment	Emissions Impacts Analysis	Proximity to freeways and highly traveled corridors	Х	Comparison of Plan and Baseline scenarios; identification of communities in close proximity to freeways and highly traveled corridors	Revised	Combining from "Emissions Impact Analysis" and "Emissions Impacts Along Freeways and Highly Traveled Corridors" indicators
Environment	Noise Impacts	Percentage of population impacted by roadway noise		Comparison of Plan and Baseline scenarios, identification of areas that are low performing due to Connect SoCal investments; breakdown of population for impacted areas by ethnicity and income	Revised	Combining and renaming from "Aviation Noise Impacts" and "Roadway Noise Impacts"; shifting to qualitative analysis
Environment	Noise Impacts	Percentage of population impacted by aviation noise		Comparison of Plan and Baseline scenarios, identification of areas that are low performing due to Connect SoCal investments; breakdown of population for impacted areas by ethnicity and income	Revised	Combining and renaming from "Aviation Noise Impacts" and "Roadway Noise Impacts"; shifting to qualitative analysis
Environment	Public Health	N/A		Summary of historical emissions and health data for areas with high concentrations of minority and low income population	Removed	Public health is addressed in DACs and incorporated throughout the Equity Analysis

^{*}Formerly referenced as "Environmental Justice (EJ)"

^{**}Subcategories are different from the Draft Performance Measures subategories to account for alignment with previous EJ Analysis Measures.



Equity Analysis (formerly EJ Analysis) Performance Measures

September 1, 2022

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Statutory Requirements

Federal

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

• "...race, color or national origin..."

Executive Order 12898 (1994)

• "...minority populations and lowincome populations..."

State

California Government Code Section 11135

 "...race, national origin, ethnic group identification, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, color, or disability..."

Environmental Justice Research



Conducted extensive research

• Reviewed 20 MPO EJ Methodologies



Grounded in best practices

Aligned with Federal and State Equity Efforts













2024 Equity Analysis

Environmental Justice Analysis



Equity Analysis



Incorporate Equity in Analysis



Enhance and Consolidate Performance Measures



EQUITY ANALYSIS PERFORMANCE MEASURES

2020 Environmental Justice Performance Measures

Transportation Costs

- Share of Transportation System Usage
- Revenue Sources In Terms of Tax Burdens
- Investments vs.
 Benefits
- Geographic Distribution of Transportation Investments
- Impacts from Mileage-Based User Fee

Quality of Life

- Jobs-Housing Imbalance
- Neighborhood Change and Displacement
- Accessibility to Employment and Services
- Accessibility to Parks and Educational Facilities

Commute

- Travel Time and Travel Distance Savings
- Rail-Related Impacts

Health & Safety

- Active
 Transportation
 Hazards
- Climate Vulnerability
- Public Health Analysis
- Aviation Noise Impacts
- Roadway Noise Impacts
- Emissions Impacts Analysis
- Emissions Impacts Along Freeways

Revisiting Equity Performance Measures



Equity
Performance
Measures

2024 Proposed Equity Performance Measures

Economy

- Revenue Sources
 In Terms of Tax
 Burdens *
- Investments vs.
 Benefits
- Geographic
 Distribution of
 Transportation
 Investments
- Impacts from Mileage-Based User Fee *

Communities

- Jobs-Housing Imbalance *
- Neighborhood Change and Displacement *
- Rail-Related Impacts *

Mobility

- Accessibility to Employment, Services, and Parks *
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Collisions*
- Travel Time and Travel Distance Savings
- Share of Transportation System Usage

Environment

- Resilience and Climate
 Vulnerabilities *
- Emissions Impacts Analysis *
- Noise Impacts *
- Public Health Impacts

* = indicator with notable data or methodology modifications

Proposed Changes - Economy

Economy

- Revenue Sources In Terms of Tax Burdens
- Investments vs. Benefits
- Geographic Distribution of Transportation Investments
- Impacts from Mileage-Based User Fee

Enhancements

 Adding racial/ethnic disaggregation for Impacts from Mileage-Based User Fee and Revenue Sources In Terms of Tax Burdens

Proposed Changes - Communities

Communities

- Jobs-Housing Imbalance
- Neighborhood Change and Displacement
- Rail-Related Impacts

Enhancements

- Adding racial/ethnic disaggregation for Jobs-Housing Imbalance and Neighborhood Change and Displacement
- Incorporating greater focus on racial/ethnic changes for Neighborhood Change and Displacement
- Adding railyards as areas that could impact surrounding communities for Rail-Related Impacts

Proposed Changes - Communities

Communities

- Jobs-Housing Imbalance
- Neighborhood Change and Displacement
- Rail-Related Impacts

Consolidation

 Cross-reference other technical reports with housing-related analyses for Jobs-Housing Imbalance and Neighborhood Change and Displacement

Proposed Changes - Mobility

Mobility

- Accessibility to Employment, Services, and Parks
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Collisions
- Travel Time and Travel Distance Savings
- Share of Transportation System Usage

Consolidation

 Combining and renaming from "Accessibility to Employment & Services" and "Accessibility to Parks & Education Facilities" to "Accessibility to Employment, Services & Parks"

Proposed Changes - Mobility

Mobility

- Accessibility to Employment, Services, and Parks
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Collisions
- Travel Time and Travel Distance Savings
- Share of Transportation System Usage

Enhancements

- Renaming "Active Transportation Hazards" to "Bicycle and Pedestrian Collisions"
- Adding number and rate of collision-related fatalities & serious injuries, including active transportation modes, for Bicycle and Pedestrian Collisions
- Adding overlays with High Injury Network and bicycle infrastructure for Bicycle and Pedestrian Collisions

Proposed Changes - Environment

Environment

- Resilience and Climate
 Vulnerabilities
- Emissions Impacts Analysis
- Noise Impacts
- Public Health Impacts

Enhancements

- Adding extreme heat and tree canopy analyses to Resilience and Climate Vulnerabilities
- Updating and adding new datasets for Resilience and Climate Vulnerabilities

Proposed Changes - Environment

Environment

- Resilience and Climate Vulnerabilities
- Emissions Impacts Analysis
- Noise Impacts
- Public Health Impacts

Consolidation

- Combining Emissions Impact Analysis and Emissions Impacts Along Freeways and Highly Traveled Corridors analyses
- Combining Aviation Noise Impacts and Roadway Noise Impact analyses
- Removing dedicated Public Health Impacts measure

2024 Proposed Equity Performance Measures

Economy

- Revenue Sources
 In Terms of Tax
 Burdens *
- Investments vs.
 Benefits
- Geographic Distribution of Transportation Investments
- Impacts from Mileage-Based User Fee *

Communities

- Jobs-Housing Imbalance *
- Neighborhood Change and Displacement *
- Rail-Related Impacts *

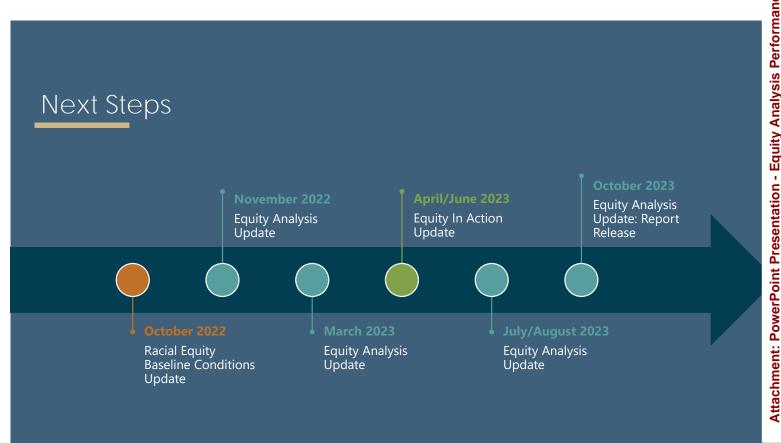
Mobility

- Accessibility to Employment, Services, and Parks *
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Collisions*
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Environment

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THANK YOU!

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AGENDA ITEM 21

REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017
September 1, 2022

To: Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL

Regional Council (RC)

From: Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer

(213) 630-1413, giraldo@scag.ca.gov

Subject: Purchase Orders \$5,000 - \$199,999; Contracts \$25,000 - \$199,999 and

Amendments \$5,000 - \$74,999

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Information Only - No Action Required

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 7: Secure funding to support agency priorities to effectively and efficiently deliver work products.

BACKGROUND:

SCAG executed the following Purchase Orders (PO's) for more than \$5,000 but less than \$200,000

Consultant/Contract #	PO' Purpose	<u>Amount</u>
Liebert Cassidy Whitmore	FY23 Employment Law Services	\$40,000
Saba Software Canada Inc.	FY23 Saba License Renewal	\$30,718
Office Depot Business Services Div.	FY23 Office Supplies (Office Depot)	\$30,000
Law Offices of Jim Kahng	FY23 Law Offices of Jim Kahng Labor Law	\$30,000
	Services	
SAS Institute, Inc.	FY23 SAS License Renewal	\$22,400
Staples Contract & Commercial, Inc.	FY23 Office Supplies (Staples)	\$20,000
Southern California Leadership Network	FY23 SCLN Leadership Training	\$13,365
AVSC Holding Corp, dba Encore Group USA	2022 EAC Retreat – Venue Audio Services	\$11,224
Fedex	FY23 FedEx Courier Service	\$10,000
IBM Corporation	FY23 IBM SPSS Statistical Analysis	\$7,208
	License Renewal	
Intelligent Transportation Society of America	FY23 ITS America Membership	\$6,000
California Contract Cities Association	FY22 California Contract Cities	\$5,000
	Associations Membership	
L.A. Plant Co.	FY23 Plant Maintenance	\$5,000



Contract



SCAG executed the following Contracts more than \$25,000 but less than \$200,000

Vari	sultant/Contract # ous 047-C01 through 21-047-C41)	<u>Contract's Purpose</u> Monthly report on Regional Early Action Plan Program (REAP) on-call services.	Amount Various (as identified the attachment)
1.	University of Southern California (USC) Sol Price School of Public Policy (22-037-C01)	This project will provide analysis and interpretation that will help SCAG better understand how demographic change in Southern California impacts housing need and housing demand. As such, SCAG will be better positioned to integrate population change into its projections and strategies for Connect SoCal 2024 and beyond.	\$175,259
2.	Channel Island Regional Geographic Information System Collaborative (CIRGIS) 19-066-C04	The consultant, shall provide high quality aerial imagery, building outlines, and a hosting service.	\$150,000
3.	KTU&A (21-048-MRFP-09)	The Consultant shall develop a First Mile/Last Mile (FMLM) Masterplan to provide City of Montebello staff with a roadmap to further assist and support residents and daily commuters to travel safely on their FMLM trips.	\$149,997
4.	Cambridge Systematics, Inc 21-048-MRFP-11	The Consultant shall provide technical assistance to develop in conjunction with the region's transit operators, an updated regional transit asset management (TAM) and transit safety targets for inclusion in the 2024 Connect SoCal. This effort will also review and refine SCAG's process for ongoing coordinated target setting and evaluation, performance	\$148,811





<u></u>	AG executed the following Contracts mor		Contract	
Consultant/Contract #		Contract's Purpose monitoring, and progress reporting in future Regional Transportation Plans (RTPs) and Federal Transportation Improvement Programs (FTIPs).	Amount	
5.	HBA Specto, Inc. (22-036-C01)	The consultant shall update SCAG's Scenario Planning Model (SPM), a web-based scenario development, modeling and data organization tool, developed to facilitate informed and collaborative planning.	\$146,695	
6.	Charles T. Brown, dba, Equitable Cities LLC (22-053-C01)	SCAG staff needed expert, credible, established, respected, consulting services in the field of Regional Planning and Policy as it relates to Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Awareness. Accordingly, staff procured the services of Charles T. Brown, MPA, CPD, LCI, senior researcher and adjunct professor at the Bloustein School's Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center at Rutgers University to provide on-call expert counsel, consultation and advice to SCAG's Executive Director and other Executive Team members in support of developing the plan elements, committee structure and outreach for the 2024 Connect SoCal, which is also known as Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS).	\$100,000	
7.	Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. (21-048-MRFP-02)	The consultant shall update and maintain SCAG's Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS)	\$95,369	





			Contract
Con	sultant/Contract #	Contract's Purpose	<u>Amount</u>
		architecture as needed. The consultant will also work with SCAG's stakeholders and partners both within and outside the SCAG region and assist SCAG in updating their ITS Architecture.	
8.	Carahsoft Technology Corporation (22-043-C01)	The consultant shall provide email security training.	\$62,341
9.	Carahsoft Technology Corporation (22-049-C01)	The consultant shall provide licenses to New Relic One enterprise software that provide tools and monitoring services for various SCAG services and applications.	\$26,640

SCAG executed these Amendments for more than \$5,000 but less than \$75,000 and less than 30% of the original contract value

		Amendment
Consultant/Contract #	Amendment's Purpose	<u>Amount</u>
HBA Specto, Incorporated (21-063-C01)	This amendment enables the consultant to provide enhancements staff required to improve data processing efficiency and error reporting.	\$17,426

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Contract Summary 21-047-C01 through C42
- 2. Contract Summary 22-037-C01
- 3. Contract Summary 19-066-C04
- 4. Contract Summary 21-048-MRFP-09
- 5. Contract Summary 21-048-MRFP-11
- 6. Contract Summary 22-036-C01
- 7. Contract Summary 22-053-C01
- 8. Contract Summary 21-048-MRFP-02
- 9. Contract Summary 22-043-C01

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- 10. Contract Summary 22-049-C01
- 11. Contract Summary 21-063-C01 Amendment No. 2

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NOS. 21-047-C01 THROUGH 21-047-C42 MONTHLY REAP FOLLOW UP

Selected Consultants:

- 1. AECOM Technical Services, Inc.
- 2. Arup North America, Ltd.
- 3. Ascent Environmental, Inc.
- 4. BAE Urban Economics, Inc.
- 5. CTY Housing, Inc.
- 6. ECONorthwest
- 7. Estolano Advisors
- 8. HR&A Advisors Inc.
- 9. Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.
- 10. Kosmont & Associates, Inc.
- 11. LeSar Development Consultants
- 12. National Community Renaissance of California
- 13. Opticos Design, Inc.
- 14. Raimi + Associates
- 15. Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.
- 16. RDC-S111 (dba Studio One Eleven)
- 17. Terner Housing Innovation Labs, Inc.
- 18. Woodsong Associates, LLC
- 19. WSP USA Inc.

Background & Scope of Work:

On April 1, 2021, the Regional Council approved a procurement program to accelerate project delivery for the Regional Early Action Plan Program (REAP) and requested staff to report back monthly on procurement activities related to the On Call Services for the REAP Program. This report is to inform the Regional Council of procurement activities, contracts and amendments related to the On-call Services for the REAP Program. In addition, this report includes a summary of the contracts awarded under the REAP procurement program that were procured outside of the OCS.

In summary, the REAP Program provides a new model for timely implementation of SCAG's local assistance programs and the Regional Council has approved the following:

- Authorized staff to enter into up to a total of \$10,000,000 in On Call Services contracts to implement the Regional Council's approved REAP work program, upon completion of competitive procurement and selection of consultants for the On Call Services;
- (2) Waived SCAG's procurement requirement to first obtain the Executive/Administration Committee's and Regional Council's approval for contracts at or above \$200,000 prior to execution, for any individual contract up to \$500,000 awarded to complete work that is part of the Regional Council's approved REAP grant funded program and authorization for the Executive Director or his/her designee to execute such contracts upon consultation with legal counsel;
- (3) Waived SCAG's procurement requirement necessitating Executive/ Administration Committee's and Regional Council approval prior to entering any contract amendment exceeding \$75,000 or 30% (whichever is less) and, instead, requiring amendments of 30% or more to be first approved by the

Executive/Administration Committee and Regional Council, and authorizing the Executive Director or his/her designed to execute such amendments upon consultation with legal counsel; and (4) directing staff to make monthly informational reports to the Regional Council of procurement activities, contracts and amendments related to REAP made pursuant to this action.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Supporting local jurisdictions in the update of their Housing Elements;
- Assistance with integrated land use planning, urban design and land use policy;
- Assistance with community development finance;
- Assistance with racial equity analysis and training; and
- Assistance with Grant Writing and Grant Program Administration.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians.

Contract Amount:

Total not to exceed

\$10,000,000

Note: This is for on-call, or as needed services with consultants to be paid upon a Task Order award. As such, there is no specific award amount to each consultant, nor does SCAG guarantee any specific amount of work to a consultant. Therefore,

the amount that may be funded to each consultant is not yet determined

Contract Period:

June 2021 through December 31, 2023

Project Number(s):

300.4887.01 - 300.4887.04

300.4888.01

300.4889.01 - 300.4889.04 300.4890.01 - 300.4890.02 300.4891.01 - 300.4891.02

Funding source(s): REAP Program Grant

Update

Below is a table showing the on-call services procurements, and their status at present. Any future dates are subject to change, and procurements may be added

or removed to this list.

MRFP #	Project Title	RFP Release Date	Procurement/Contract Stage	Consultant Selected	Award Amount
1	Housing Policy Leadership Academy (P&O-1 Leadership Academy)	05/03/21	Agreement Executed	LeSar Development Consultants	\$815,823
2	SCAG Development Streamlining (HPS-1 CEQA)	05/25/21	Agreement Executed	Ascent Environmental, Inc.	\$337,738
3	Advanced Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Bundle	06/30/21	Agreement Executed	AECOM Technical Services, Inc.	\$546,676

MRFP #	Project Title	RFP Release Date	Procurement/Contract Stage	Consultant Selected	Award Amount
	(HSD 1-A -				
	Advanced ADU Bundle)				
4	Westside Cities COG (WSCCOG) Partnership (Project 1)	07/16/21	Agreement Executed	ARUP US, Inc.	\$148,513
5	Other-To Residential Tool Kit	07/30/21	Agreement Executed	Studio One Eleven	\$137,740
6	1-B HSD Preliminary ADU Bundle (HSD 1-B Preliminary ADU Bundle)	08/04/21	Agreement Executed	Woodsong Associates	\$533,965
7	2-A HSD EIFD Bundle	07/30/21	Agreement Executed	Kosmont	\$582,638
8	3-A HSD Objective Development Standards	08/23/21	Cancelled	N/A	\$0
9	2-D HSD One San Pedro EIFD Study	08/11/21	Agreement Executed	Kosmont	\$222,834
10	Digitize Utilities Inventory For Housing Tool	08/11/21	Cancelled	N/A	\$0
11	2-C (HSD) – Heart of Hollywood TIF Study	08/19/21	Agreement Executed	HR&A Advisors	\$219,584
12	Digitize Utilities Inventory For Housing Tool	10/14/21	Agreement Executed	Black & Veatch	\$201,224
	Rerelease of MRFP-10				
13	2-B HSD Palmdale Housing Project	09/21/21	Cancelled		\$0
14	Regional Resilience Framework (RRF)	01/13/22	Agreement Executed	AECOM Technical Services, Inc.	\$504,954
15	3-E HSD South El Monte Zoning Update	10/01/21	Agreement Executed	WSP USA, Inc.	\$239,394
16	3-C HSD Rialto Specific Plan Update	10/14/21	Agreement Executed	WSP USA, Inc.	\$467,604
17	San Fernando Valley COG (SFVCOG) Partnership Program	11/29/21	Agreement Executed	ARUP US, Inc.	\$198,742
18	3-A1 HSD Objective Development Standards LA Rerelease of MRFP-8	10/27/21	Agreement Executed	AECOM Technical Services, Inc.	\$583,057
19	3-A2 HSD Objective Development Standards Bundle	10/27/21	Cancelled	Woodsong Associates	\$0
20	HSD 3-D Burbank Media Specific Plan Update	02/08/22	Agreement Executed	WSP USA, Inc.	\$654,549

MRFP #	Project Title	RFP Release Date	Procurement/Contract Stage	Consultant Selected	Award Amount
21	Metro's Joint Development	12/01/21	Agreement Executed	HR&A Advisors	\$350,736
22	SRP-1A Westside Cities COG (WSCCOG) REAP Subregional Partnership (Project #2 and #4 - re-release)	12/21/21	Agreement Executed	ECONorthwest	\$105,519
23	Metro's Equitable Housing	12/23/21	Agreement Executed	Raimi + Associates	\$332,812
24	2-B HSD Palmdale Housing Project	01/07/22	Agreement Executed	LeSar Development Consultants	\$557,773
25	HPS-1 Grant Application Technical Assistance	03/21/22	Cancelled (1)		\$0
26	HSD 1-C - Compton ADU Project	01/21/22	Cancelled		\$0
27	HPS-3 TIF EIFD Projects (Barstow, County of Imperial)	05/12/22	RFP Released		\$185,820
28	SRP-4 Riverside County Thermal Community Plan	01/31/22	Cancelled		
29	3-A2 HSD Objective Development Standards Bundle Rerelease of MRFP-19	01/26/22	Consultant Selected/Agreement Routing	Crandall Arambula	638,400
30	TOD 2- Metrolink Area Station Analysis	02/15/22	Agreement Executed	BAE Urban Economics, Inc.	\$717,444
31	Los Angeles Metro's Joint Development Housing Accelerator Part C	02/09/22	Consultant Selected/Agreement Routing	LeSar Development Consultants	\$388,500
32	TCC Pomona Technical Assistance	02/14/22	Cancelled		\$0
33	TCC Riverside Technical Assistance	02/14/22	Cancelled		\$0
34	SRP-4 Riverside County Thermal Community Plan	03/09/22	Cancelled		\$0
35	SPR-5 Imperial County	03/31/22	Cancelled		\$0
36	TCC Pomona Technical Assistance	03/17/22	Agreement Executed	Lamar Johnson Collabortive	\$269,054
37	TCC Riverside Technical Assistance	04/07/22	Cancelled		\$0

MRFP #	Project Title	RFP Release Date	Procurement/Contract Stage	Consultant Selected	Award Amount
38	HSD 1-C - Compton ADU Project	04/01/24+P44	Agreement Executed	Woodsong Associates	\$128,615
39	SPR-5 Imperial County	5/16/2022	Pre-release/RFP Routing		\$285,863
40	HPS-1 Grant Application Technical Assistance	05/13/22	Agreement Executed	SCANPH	\$286,143
41	Prevention of At Risk Units	5/19/2022	Evaluating/Negotiating	HR&A Advisors	\$198,587
42	TCC Riverside Technical Assistance		Pre-release/RFP Routing		\$250,000
			Awarded or in Progress thru the REAP OCS		\$7,862,756
			Awarded or in Progress REAP Funded, outside OCS (2)		\$3,227,545
	•			Grand Total	\$11,090,301

- (1) Most of the RFPs that are noted as cancelled were cancelled due to lack of response from OCS consultants. In these cases, SCAG staff took two steps (1) extended the response timeline and, if no responses were received after the extension, (2) re-released the procurement using SCAG's standard procurement portal, Planet Bids, which taps into a broader pool of consultants. Note that public agencies across the State are struggling with procurements for housing policy and related land use work, due to the large amount of funding flowing for this work and the impacts of COVID pandemic on the overall work force. In effect, the consultants with the capacity/expertise to do this work are incredibly busy and struggling to hire enough staff to keep up with demand. Given this, SCAG's OCS and REAP procurement program have been exceptionally successful in moving forward a large work program.
- (2) These procurements are primarily those that were cancelled and thus procured outside of the OCS through a larger pool of consultants (Planet Bids). Contracts procured through Planet Bids fall under the second category of the REAP Procurement Program approved by the RC, which allow for staff to execute contracts up to \$500,000 without seeking RC approval (two such awards are attached below). The total procurement for the OCS is within the \$10M approved by the RC, while the REAP program procurement as a whole exceeds \$10M.

Attachment: Contract Summary 21-047-C01 through C42 (Purchase Orders \$5,000 - \$199,999; Contracts \$25,000 - \$199,999 and Amendments

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 21-047-C01 MRFP 40

Recommended Consultant:

Southern California Association of Nonprofit Housing (SCANPH)

Background & Scope of Work:

The proposed project will provide grant writing technical assistance to selected jurisdictions and/or Tribal Governments (referred to as "Recipients") that are interested in applying for funds administered by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and potentially other public agencies. Through published notices of funding availability (NOFA), these funds are intended to provide local and Tribal governments financial support to produce housing or housing-supportive activities. These funding sources have various requirements and scoring metrics, and technical assistance in applying for these grants can increase the potential of an award for an applicant. All grants applied for under this project must help to accelerate housing production or increase housing supply and may include grants that fund infrastructure and other activities that directly support housing production.

Consultant will provide grant application writing assistance to between 10 and 15 jurisdictions and/or Tribal Governments, with one (1) grant application for each Recipient participating. The applications could be for either federal or state funding opportunities, though to align with REAP 1.0 eligible activities the activity seeking funding in the grant application must accelerate housing production, increase housing supply, or support housing-supportive planning, infrastructure, or related activities.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Project Management and status reporting to jurisdiction/Tribal Governments;
- Candidate project competitiveness evaluation;
- Draft and final application for each Recipient for the identified grant;
- Support letter template for each application; and
- Hard copy of each application.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians

Total not to exceed \$286,143

SCANPH (Prime Consultant)

Contract Period: August 2, 2022 through April 1, 2024.

Project Number(s): 300. 4890.02 \$286,143

Funding source(s): REAP

Funding of \$286,143 is available in the FY 2022-23 Overall Work Program (OWP) in Project

Number 300-4890Y0.02

Request for Proposal (RFP):

SCAG staff notified 29 firms of the release of RFP No. 21-047-MRFP 40 via SCAG's Solicitation Management System. A total of three (3) firms downloaded the RFP. SCAG received the

following two (2) proposals in response to the solicitation:

SCANPH \$286,143

Intuitive Group \$253,792

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Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommends SCANPH because the consultant team:

 Demonstrated familiarity with housing issues in Southern California and the varying needs of individual jurisdictions, particularly smaller jurisdictions with fewer resources.
 The firm has submitted comment letters to the State on housing grant NOFAs, indicating familiarity with potential barriers, and has prior experience with grant writing assistance for jurisdictions.

Although the other firm proposed a lower price, the PRC did not recommend this firm for contract award because this firm:

- Did not clearly demonstrate a sufficient level of effort, primarily in the form of staff hours, to satisfactorily complete the tasks in the Scope of Work; and
- Proposed approach, particularly on economics task, focused mainly on retail opportunities and did not represent a good value;
- Did not demonstrate familiarity with Southern California jurisdictions or housing issues in the region; and
- Did not demonstrate familiarity of timing of grant opportunities and NOFA publications, either from HCD or other public agencies.

Also note, this contract is part of the Regional Council's (RC's) approved REAP grant funded program. Therefore, staff made this award pursuant to the April 1, 2021 RC Agenda Item 6, which authorized staff to award contracts that exceed \$200,000 but are less than \$500,000.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 21-047-C01 MRFP 36

Recommended Consultant:

The Lamar Johnson Collaborative

Background & Scope of Work:

The proposed project consists of parking, mobility and open space infrastructure, and housing feasibility analysis for Pomona's City-owned parking lots within its Downtown area to potentially support housing development and leverage the City's Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) project outcomes. There are currently 26 parking lots owned by the City of Pomona's Vehicle Parking District (VPD) and approximately 21 of those lots would be included in this study. This analysis and predevelopment planning work is necessary to support the future release of Requests for Proposals for the re-development of one or more of these lots for housing development, and to establish definitive strategies for parking management and allocation within the Downtown Pomona Specific Plan area, and the enhancement of multi-modal and open space amenities for future residents. The proposed project also envisions supporting the City of Pomona's sustainability goals, including energy and water efficiency.

Consultant shall provide comprehensive analysis of parking and open space infrastructure, market feasibility analysis for housing, and recommendations to the City for redevelopment of city owned parking lots.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Analysis of parking in the Downtown Pomona Specific Plan;
- Analysis of mobility and open space infrastructure;
- Feasibility analysis for housing on City owned lots;
- Recommendation of future programs and incentives; and
- Public Outreach.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians

Contract Amount: Total not to exceed \$269,054

The Lamar Johnson Collaborative (Prime Consultant) \$103,228
Gibson Transportation (Subconsultant) \$89,559
Kosmont Companies (Subconsultant) \$76,267

Contract Period: July 22, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Project Number: 300. 4887.04 \$269,054

Funding source: REAP

Funding of \$269,054 is available in the FY 2022-23 Overall Work Program (OWP) in

Project Number 300-4887Y0.04

Request for Proposal

(RFP):

SCAG staff notified 4,068 firms of the release of RFP No. 21-047-MRFP 36 via SCAG's Solicitation Management System. A total of two (2) firms downloaded the RFP. SCAG received the following two (2) proposals in response to the solicitation:

\$269,054

Lamar Johnson Collaborative

Subconsultant 1: Arellano & Associates

Subconsultant 2: Fehr & Peers

Walker Consultants \$243,755

The Arroyo Group (subconsultant) LeSar Development Consultants (subconsultant) IDAX (subconsultant)

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommends Lamar Johnson Collaborative because the consultant team:

- Demonstrated expertise in a range of disciplines including planning, urban design, housing, parking/traffic, and economic feasibility that are needed to successfully achieve the deliverables for this Project;
- Presented and described experience from other similar projects that can be directly applied to executing the various tasks in this scope of work;
- Recommended a successful approach to community engagement and outreach based on prior experiences that would benefit the project; and
- Clearly outlined a technical understanding the project needs with a proposed schedule as well as the flexibility to adjust as is determined necessary.

Although the other firm proposed a lower price, the PRC did not recommend this firm for contract award because this firm:

- Did not demonstrate the same level of diversity and skill within their proposed technical approach. The prime consultant's expertise was focused primarily on detailed parking management and demand analysis while the Scope called for more experience and interest around urban design and housing.
- Allocated more staff hours to background analysis that did not represent the best value for the Project.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 22-037-C01

Recommended Consultant:

University of Southern California (USC) Sol Price School of Public Policy

Background & Scope of Work:

This project will provide analysis and interpretation that will help SCAG better understand how demographic change in Southern California impacts housing need and housing demand. As such, SCAG will be better positioned to integrate population change into its projections and strategies for Connect SoCal 2024 and beyond.

The key objectives for this project are to develop data and visualizations surrounding key demographic and housing topics, develop an annual demographic workshop, and conduct original research on housing demography.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Providing analysis and interpretation that will help SCAG better understand how demographic change in Southern California impacts housing need and housing demand;
- Developing the program for SCAG's Annual Demographic Workshop;
- · Analyzing housing demography, and
- Collecting of key demographic data for the SCAG region, California and the U.S., and analysis of trends in these data.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goals:

- Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians;
- Goal 3: Be the foremost data information hub for the region;
- Goal 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration; and
- Goal 6: Deploy strategic communications to further agency priorities and foster public understanding of long-range regional planning.

Contract Amount:

Total not to exceed

\$175,259

USC Sol Price School of Public Policy

Contract Period:

July 22, 2022 through June 30, 2025

Project Number:

055-0133B.06 \$56.775

Funding source: Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG)—Federal Transit Administration

(FTA 5303).

Funding of \$56,775 is available in the FY 2022-23 OWP budget. The remaining funds are expected to be available in the FY 2023-24 OWP Project Number 055-0133.06 through the budget development process, subject to budget availability.

Request for Proposal (RFP):

SCAG staff notified 2,002 firms of the release of RFP 22-037 via SCAG's Solicitation Management System website. A total of 45 firms downloaded the RFP. SCAG received the following two (2) proposals in response to the solicitation:

Sole Price School of Public Policy USC (no subconsultants)

\$175,259

\$177,257

Berkeley Economic Advising and Research (no subconsultants)

Selection Process:

The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated each proposal in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP and conducted the selection process in a manner consistent with all applicable federal and state contracting regulations. After evaluating the proposals, the PRC did not conduct interviews because the proposals contained sufficient information on which to base a contract award.

The PRC consisted of the following individuals:

Gigi Moreno, Sr. Economist, SCAG Jason Greenspan, Manager Sustainable and Resilient Development, SCAG Daniel Flyte, Data Governance Manager, SANDAG

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommended Sol Price School of Public Policy for the contract award because the consultant:

- Demonstrated the best understanding of the project, specifically the team from the Price School includes demographic expertise necessary for coordinating the Demographic Workshop, demographic data collection, and demographic research;
- The project plan was well-articulated and the methods and data sources are reasonable;
- The team has a clear understanding long track-record of what it takes to coordinate a successful demographic workshop;
- Provided the best technical approach, for example, specifically identified data resources for addressing the required demographic questions and proposed several novel and highly relevant research questions;
- Recognized by the demographics profession as being among the top researchers and thinkers in the field. This team has successfully coordinated and helped execute the Demographic Workshop.
- Provided the best overall value for the level of effort proposed, and
- Proposed the lowest most price to perform the scope of work.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 19-066-C04

Recommended Consultant:

Channel Island Regional Geographic Information System Collaborative (CIRGIS)

Background & Scope of Work:

The consultant, CIRGIS, will provided high quality aerial imagery, building outlines, and a hosting service. Aerial imagery is seminal component for topographical mapping and the interpretation of geographies, objects, and features. Through remote sensing methods new data is derived for land use, water resources, agricultural management, vegetation, wildlife management, forestry, conservation, urban and regional planning, transportation, emergency response, utilities, sea level rise, climate change, smart cities, change detection, environmental remediation, 3D modeling, and others. These new insights are becoming useful to our sustainability, active transportation, modeling, forecasting, geographic information systems (GIS), and performance monitoring sections and will become central in the 2024 Regional Transportation Plan, Connect SoCal as well as in future transportation plan and other regional studies.

From aerial imagery, our staff performs feature extraction, land cover and land use maps, implements applications using the extracted features. The latter includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. Study the relationship between land cover composition/configuration and land surface temperature (LST) and urban heat island (UHI) mitigation.
- 2. Study if and how the landscape will interact with the human vulnerability in terms of the extreme heat.
- 3. Find the vacant land and parking lots as potential affordable housing.
- 4. The usage of artificial turf in residential parcels and sport courts.
- 5. Urban planning in vegetation to increase the cooling effects.

These new study implementations will help meet the new demands for data and information in climate change and resiliency studies, housing studies, transportation studies (to include active transportation), equity studies, air pollution and water quality studies, and more.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Enabling SCAG to provide better value and benefits to the member agencies in Ventura County and their constituents with imagery to "ground truth" existing conditions from a snapshot in time; and
- Providing high quality data sets and information to enable SCAG and local jurisdictions to make better planning decisions.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration.

Contract Amount: Total not to exceed \$150,000

Contract Period: June 14, 2022 through June 30, 2022

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Project Number(s): 280-4859U9.02 \$132,795

280-4859E.02 \$17,205

Funding source: FY 21 Senate Bill (SB) 1 Sustainable Communities Formula Grant funds allocated to SCAG under the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning

Grant Program and Transportation Development Act (TDA).

Request for Proposal

(RFP):

N/A – Sole Source

Selection Process: N/A – Sole Source

Basis for Selection: The subject contract award is in accordance with the Regional Council Policy

Manual, Article VIII, Section 1.2 (updated September 2009, pg. 26), and the SCAG Procurement Manual (January 2021, sections 3.3.) which authorizes the Executive Director or his designee (the Chief Financial Officer) to approve a consultant contract without competition, if the contract is less than \$200,000. Staff also

Requested and obtained Caltrans' approval of the Sole Source.

Further SCAG awarded a sole source contract to The Channel Islands Regional Geographic Information System Collaborative (CIRGIS) because they are a non-profit primarily comprised of cities in Ventura and Santa Barbara counties, as well as private agencies in the Ventura County region that have procured aerial imagery and related products for its stakeholder for nearly 20 years. It is the only entity that provides aerial imagery, infrared bands, building outlines, and a hosting service (all products that SCAG requires) at a competitive price. As important, CIRGIS provide standard and consistent products that many of our Ventura County jurisdiction utilized; hence, it is "an apples to apples" comparisons with their data.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 21-048-MRFP-09

Recommended Consultant:

KTU&A

Background & Scope of Work:

The Consultant shall develop a First Mile/Last Mile (FMLM) Masterplan to provide City of Montebello staff with a roadmap to further assist and support residents and daily commuters to travel safely on their FMLM trips. The Masterplan will build on the results of the Comprehensive Operational Analysis, with an emphasis on improving FMLM options within the service area. The Masterplan will define, develop, and recommend implementing efforts that support a Vision Zero approach (i.e., working to eliminate traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries) to FMLM transportation system planning, policy, and programming.

The Masterplan will also focus on high impact bus stops, with the goal to provide improvements to FMLM trips to effectively make transportation safer and more accessible. The target area for the Masterplan will be for the City of Montebello and surrounding bus stops within a two (2) mile radius of City limits. In addition, the Masterplan shall include considerations of the Metro L Line (Gold) Eastside Extension project down Washington Blvd to provide the City with recommendations for FMLM improvements to better serve the public and transit users wishing to move around the City of Montebello.

The Masterplan will help to further the SCAG's regional transportation goals and strategies, including those outlined in the 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2020 RTP/SCS or Connect SoCal) in the Transportation Safety & Security Transportation Technical Report. The Masterplan aligns with the Connect SoCal regional goal of improving mobility, accessibility, reliability, and travel safety for people and goods, and the recommendations that local jurisdictions develop pedestrian safety action plans and consider pedestrian needs in all roadway and transit projects. It also aligns with the regional goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Maximizing the impact by prioritizing bus stops more frequently used and located in the most concerning transit corridors;
- Producing a prioritized list of active transportation projects adjacent to major bus stops for future rounds of grant funding;
- Identifying community-preferred non-infrastructure safety improvements that have proven successful at other agencies and are applicable to the City;
- Pairing infrastructure improvements with a robust safety campaign that educates residents on how to reduce risk while using active transportation; and
- Proposing new metrics to track Masterplan progress.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal: 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians. Goal 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration.

Contract Amount: Total not to exceed \$149,997

KTU&A (prime consultant) \$109,200 Circulate Planning (sub-consultant) \$40,797

Contract Period: July 20, 2022 through February 28, 2024

Project Number: 275.4892.01 \$149,997

Funding source(s): SB 1 Sustainable Communities (SC) Formula and Transportation

Development Act (TDA)

Funding of \$149,997 is available in the FY 2022-23 Overall Work Program (OWP) budget in Project Number 275.4892.01 and whatever is not spent in FY 2022-23

OWP will be carried over into the FY 2023- 24 OWP.

Request for Proposal (RFP):

SCAG staff released RFP 21-048-MRFP 09 to all 21 firms on SCAG's Transportation Planning Bench. Staff received the following two (2) proposals in response to the

solicitation:

KTU&A (1 subconsultant) \$149,997

IBI Group (1 subconsultant) \$144,383

Selection Process:

The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated each proposal in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP and conducted the selection process in a manner consistent with all applicable federal and state contracting regulations.

The PRC consisted of the following individuals:

Courtney Aguirre, Program Manager II (Project Manager), SCAG Abigail Marin, Grants and Project Administrator, City of Montebello

Stephen Fox, Senior Regional Planner, SCAG

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommended KTU&A for the contract award because the consultant;

- Demonstrated the best understanding of the project, specifically the importance
 of developing strategic first/last mile connections to transit, improving first/last
 mile access to transit stops, while addressing existing transportation safety issues
 and opportunities to leverage Safe Routes to Schools/Parks efforts;
- Demonstrated the best understanding of local context, including existing plans, such as the City of Montebello's Comprehensive Operational Analysis and Parks Master Plan, and transportation safety hotspots;
- Detailed how they will provide up to five (5) priority projects and a corridor and bus stop assessment toolkit, both of which are above and beyond the minimum scope requirements and will be provided within their proposed budget; and
- Provided specific examples of how they will coordinate with their subconsultant, Circulate Planning, to engage Community Based Organizations and other stakeholders in the planning process including the utilization of online surveys, a mapping platform provide detailed, location-specific comments in relation to a Montebello bus stop, and conducting multiple community workshops.

Although the other firm proposed a slightly lower price, the PRC did not recommend this firm for contract award because this firm's Technical Approach

was minimally adjusted to consider City of Montebello's current context (e.g. recent plans, existing efforts) and the challenges as well as the opportunities to overcome them.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 21-048-MRFP-11

Recommended Consultant:

Cambridge Systematics, Inc.

Background & Scope of Work:

In enacting the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) in 2012, Congress established performance-based planning requirements for metropolitan transportation planning, including a federally required performance measure specifically for transit asset management (TAM) and state of good repair (SGR) and for transit safety. Although, SCAG is the designated recipient of certain FTA funds, it does not own, operate, or manage capital assets used for providing public transportation. However, as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the counties of Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura, SCAG has responsibilities for coordination, target setting and progress reporting as part of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP), under the Metropolitan Planning Final Rule (23 CFR 450). TAM and safety targets must be set every four years in the RTP, and the RTP must include a system performance report evaluating the condition and performance of the transportation system with respect to the performance targets, including progress achieved in meeting the targets in comparison with system performance recorded in previous reports. Similarly, the FTIP must include, to the maximum extent practicable, a description of the anticipated effect of the FTIP toward achieving the TAM and safety targets identified in the RTP, linking investment priorities to those performance targets.

The Consultant shall provide technical assistance to develop in conjunction with the region's transit operators, an updated regional TAM and transit safety targets for inclusion in the 2024 Connect SoCal. This effort will also review and refine SCAG's process for ongoing coordinated target setting and evaluation, performance monitoring, and progress reporting in future RTPs and FTIPs.

The Consultant shall identify the draft regional TAM and safety targets for inclusion in the 2024 Connect SoCal, no later than June 2023.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Stakeholder Engagement Plan;
- Technical memorandum documenting new state and federal requirements impacting SCAG's target setting process, a strategy to incorporate zero emission bus rollout plans into the target setting process and identifying best practices from applicable peer MPOs;
- Asset management data submitted into TransAM, Transit safety database in Microsoft Excel format, technical memorandum documenting agency safety performance targets, SMS and other related data for regional safety target setting, gaps, resolutions and outcomes, technical memorandum documenting asset management data collection process, gaps, resolutions and outcomes;
- Technical memorandum summarizing methodology and approach, no less than three (3) scenarios and analysis and recommended regional transit safety and regional TAM targets for 2024 Connect SoCal;
- Performance Monitoring Process Technical Memorandum; and
- Draft and Final Report.

Strategic Plan: This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal: 1 - Produce innovative solutions that

improve the quality of life for Southern Californians

Contract Amount: Total not to exceed \$148,811

Cambridge Systematic, Inc. (prime consultant) \$117,414 Chen Ryan (subconsultant) \$31,397

Contract Period: July 11, 2022 through June 30, 2024

Project Number: 140-0121B.08 \$148,811

Funding source: Federal Transit Administration (FTA 5303)

Funding of \$148,811 is available in the FY 2022-2023 Overall Work Program (OWP) budget, and if any of the funds are unspent in FY 2022-23 OWP, then the remaining funds shall be carried over into the FY 2023-2024 OWP budget in Project Number

140-0121B.08, subject to budget availability.

Request for Proposal (RFP):

SCAG staff notified 21 firms of the release of RFP 21-048-MRFP 11 via bench invitational email. SCAG received the following two (2) proposals in response to the solicitation:

Cambridge Systematics, Inc. (1 subconsultants) \$148,811

WSP (1 subconsultants) \$423,947

Selection Process:

The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated each proposal in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP and conducted the selection process in a manner consistent with all applicable federal and state contracting regulations. After evaluating the proposals, the PRC did not conduct interviews because the proposals contained sufficient information on which to base a contract award.

The PRC consisted of the following individuals:

- Priscilla Freduah-Agyemang, Senior Regional Panner, SCAG
- Philip Law, Manager of Mobility Planning and Goods Movement, SCAG
- John Xie, Revenue Manager, Foothill Transit

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommended Cambridge Systematics, Inc. for the contract award because the consultant:

- Demonstrated the best understanding of the project, specifically demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the scope and related tasks, showed comprehensive knowledge of the complexity of the SCAG region and related coordination which is critical for the work involved;
- Provided the best technical approach, for example, clarifies data stakeholder engagement process and data collection techniques, building on prior work to related to federal performance target setting and monitoring to develop the Transit Asset Management (TAM) and Transit safety targets, and identifies potential legislation and data needed to support both the target setting and the need to provide direct assistance to operators that lack capacity;
- Provided the best overall value for the level of effort proposed; and
- Proposed the lowest price, emphasized comprehensive range of services to successfully deliver on time and on budget using the appropriate personnel, tools and metrics.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 22-036-C01

Recommended Consultant:

HBA Specto, Inc.

Background & Scope of Work:

SCAG's Scenario Planning Model (SPM) is a web-based scenario development, modeling and data organization tool, developed to facilitate informed and collaborative planning. The tool includes a suite of analytical modules that help quickly estimates the impacts of alternative plans and policies on transportation, environment, public health and more. SPM has been an integral part within an integrated analytical framework that SCAG utilizes to support SCAG's various regional planning programs.

As we prepare for a successful adoption of the 2024 Connect SoCal, the consultant shall update SPM's existing transportation module with enhanced capability to estimate the impact of new mobility options and transportation demand management and systems management strategies and calibrate to regional baselines from SCAG's activity-based regional transportation model. The scope of work also includes the update of the current assumptions used for travel impact analysis.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to providing SCAG with updated SPM transportation analysis module which will be used in estimating the transportation impact of alternative growth scenarios which will support an informed decision-making in plan development. The primary deliverables include:

- Updated trip generation models;
- Updated assumptions set for transportation impact indicators; and
- Case studies and technical memo.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 3: Be the foremost data information hub for the region.

Contract Amount:

Total not to exceed\$146,695HBA Specto, Inc. (prime consultant)\$132,449Compiler LLC (subconsultant)\$14,246

Note: HBA Specto, Inc. originally proposed \$149,709 but staff negotiated the price down to \$146,695 without reducing the scope of work.

Contract Period:

July 13, 2022 through June 30, 2023

Project Number:

070-2665B.01 \$92,574

Funding source: Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5303

Funding of \$92,574 is available in the FY 2022-23 Overall Work Program (OWP) budget. The remaining funds are expected to be become available in 070-2665.01 in FY2022-23 OWP budget through the next budget amendment process, subject to

budget availability.

Request for Proposal (RFP):

SCAG staff notified 1,578 firms of the release of RFP 22-036 via SCAG's Solicitation Management System website. A total of 31 firms downloaded the RFP. SCAG received the following two (2) proposals in response to the solicitation:

HBA Specto, Inc (One subconsultant)

\$146,695

Manhan Group (one subconsultants)
(Deemed non-responsive and therefore not considered)

\$149,090

After receiving only one responsive proposal, staff surveyed 31 firms that downloaded the RFP to determine why each did not submit a proposal. One firm responded to staff's inquiry and said they did not pursue the RFP, without specifying why. Note staff initially advertised the RFP for 28 calendar days. Having received no response in the first 28 days, CA extended the deadline to submit proposals for two (2) additional weeks. Staff believes that resoliciting the RFP or extending the due date a second time was not likely to yield a different result and needed to maintain the project's schedule and therefore proceed to evaluate the one responsive offer received. In addition, staff requested and received Caltrans' authorization to proceed with evaluating the one responsive offer received.

Selection Process:

The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated the proposal in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP and conducted the selection process in a manner consistent with all applicable federal and state contracting regulations. After evaluating the proposals, the PRC did not conduct interviews because the proposals contained sufficient information on which to base a contract award.

The PRC consisted of the following individuals:

Jung A Uhm, Regional Planning Specialist, Modeling & Forecasting, SCAG Sungbin Cho, Transportation Modeler IV, SCAG Yang Wang, Transportation Modeler III, SCAG Thomas Bellino, Senior Planner, SCAG

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommended HBA Specto, Inc. for the contract award because the consultant:

- Demonstrated a thorough understanding of the project, specifically in consideration of the project's linkage to SCAG's regional transportation model;
- Provided innovative approaches, for example proposing to use three (3) geographical layers and to apply meta-modeling for abstracted models;
- Is well recognized in the field of land use and transportation demand modeling with sufficient experiences in relevant projects; and
- Provided a good overall value for the level of effort proposed.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 22-053-C01

Recommended Consultant:

Charles T. Brown, dba, Equitable Cities LLC

Background & Scope of Work:

SCAG staff needed expert, credible, established, respected, consulting services in the field of Regional Planning and Policy as it relates to Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Awareness. Accordingly, staff procured the services of Charles T. Brown, MPA, CPD, LCI, senior researcher and adjunct professor at the Bloustein School's Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center at Rutgers University to provide on-call expert counsel, consultation and advice to SCAG's Executive Director and other Executive Team members in support of developing the plan elements, committee structure and outreach for the 2024 Connect SoCal, also known as Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). When needed, staff shall engage Professor Brown to provide services through April 30, 2024.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

• Expert consulting services in the field of Regional Planning and Policy as it relates to Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Awareness.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians; Goal 2. Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy; and Goal 6. Deploy strategic communications to further agency priorities and foster public understanding of long-range regional planning

Contract Amount:

Total not to exceed

\$100,000

Contract Period:

May 23, 2022 through April 30, 2024

Project Number:

800-160.04 \$72,000

Funding source: General Fund

Funding of \$72,000 is available in the FY 2022-23 General Fund Budget, and the remaining funding is expected to be available in the future year's budgets, subject

to budget availability.

Request for Proposal

(RFP):

N/A – Sole Source

Selection Process:

N/A – Sole Source

Basis for Selection:

The subject contract award is in accordance with the Regional Council Policy Manual, Article VIII, Section 1.2 (updated September 2009, pg. 26), and the SCAG Procurement Manual (sections 3.3. and 3.4) which authorizes the Executive Director or his designee (the Chief Financial Officer) to approve a consultant contract without competition, if the contract is less than \$200,000 and paid for from the General

Fund.

Further, as previously state, SCAG staff needed expert, credible, established, respected, consulting services in the field of Regional Planning and Policy as it relates to Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Awareness. Using the previously cited authority, staff award a sole source contract to Professor Brown whom ably assisted SCAG with the development of the Racial Equity Early Action Plan in June 2020. He has established credibility, expertise and influence with SCAG's staff and elected leaders is highly valued and he is available to assist SCAG with on-call as needed advice up to 444 hours through April 2024. Without his assistance the 2024 Connect So Cal RTP will not be as insightful.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 21-048-MRFP-02

Recommended Consultant:

Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc.

Background & Scope of Work:

As a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), SCAG is charged with developing and maintaining the Southern California Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture. The SCAG Regional ITS Architecture is mandated by the USDOT and this architecture is the regional planning tool for ensuring a cooperative process to prioritize and deploy ITS technologies as well as to identify critical data connections between institutional stakeholders. SCAG works closely with the County Transportation Commissions (CTCs), local governments and Caltrans Districts to update and maintain the regional architecture. By utilizing this development, it will assure the use of the required systems, engineering requirements and applicable standards, which is required when federal funds are used on ITS projects.

The consultant shall update and maintain SCAG's Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) architecture as needed. The consultant will also work with SCAG's stakeholders and partners both within and outside the SCAG region and assist SCAG in updating their ITS Architecture.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Assisting the region with implementing its transportation planning initiatives.
- Updating the ITS Architecture; and
- Providing Status of Maintenance Requests

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 3: Be the foremost data information hub for the region.

Contract Amount: Total not to exceed \$95,369

Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. (prime consultant)	\$63,025
Sam Schwartz (subconsultant)	\$10,390
Consystec (subconsultant)	\$21,954

Contract Period: June 24, 2022 through December 31, 2024

Project Number: 100-1630.04 \$95,369

Funding source: Federal Transit Administration (FTA 5303)

Request for Proposal (RFP):

Proposal SCAG staff notified 21 firms of the release of RFP 21-048-MRFP 02 via SCAG's Bench Email. SCAG received the following one (1) proposal in response to the solicitation:

Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. (2 subconsultants)

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\$95,369

Selection Process:

After receiving only one (1) proposal after an addendum to extend the proposal due date. Staff also surveyed 21 firms from the bench list that received the email RFP. Six (6) firms stated they chose not to propose due to the following:

- Not having the staff available to work on the project
- Not possessing the tools to perform the work on the project

Staff subsequently requested and received Caltrans authorization to proceed with evaluating the single offer received.

The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated the proposal in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP and conducted the selection process in a manner consistent with all applicable federal and state contracting regulations. After evaluating the proposal, the PRC did not interview Kimley-Horn because their proposal contained sufficient information on which to base a contract award.

The PRC consisted of the following individuals:

Thomas Bellino, Senior Regional Planner, SCAG Marisa Laderach, Senior Regional Planner, SCAG Philip Law, Manager of Mobility Planning & Goods Movement, SCAG

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommended Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. for the contract award because the consultant:

- Demonstrated successful prior experience working with SCAG and other agencies, to update the ITS architecture;
- Demonstrated a good understanding of the project, understanding the technical needs required for updating the ITS architecture; and
- Provided an excellent overall value for the level of effort proposed.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 22-043-C01

Recommended Consultant:

Carahsoft Technology Corporation

Background & Scope of Work:

On March 31, 2022, SCAG awarded Contract 22-043-C01 to Carahsoft Technology Corporation to provide SCAG with ProofPoint, Inc. E-mail Security Gateway Software Services and maintenance support. Under this agreement, Carahsoft is the reseller for the purchase of Proofpoint, Inc. software and ProofPoint, Inc. shall provide the actual maintenance support.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Preventing spam, phishing, and viruses from reaching Office365 mailboxes; and
- Providing operational efficiencies through automation of security operation and threat response.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 3: Be the foremost data information hub for the region; Objective F. Model best practices by prioritizing continuous improvement and technical innovations through the adoption of interactive, automated, and state-of-the-art information tools and technologies.

Contract

Total not to exceed

\$62,341

Amount:

Carahsoft Technology Corp

Contract Period:

April 1, 2022 through March 30, 2025

Project Number:

811.1163.08 \$15,586

Funding source: Indirect Cost Program

Funding of \$5,195 was available in the FY 2021-22 Indirect Cost Program Budget in Project Number 811.1163.08, \$15,586 is available in the FY 2022-23 Indirect Cost Program Budget under Project Number 811.1163.08, and the remaining funding is expected to become available in future fiscal year's Indirect Cost Program Budgets, subject to budget availability.

Basis for the Amendment: In accordance with SCAG's Procurement Manual (January 2021) Section 9.3, to foster greater economy and efficiency, SCAG's federal procurement guidance (2 CFR 200.318 [e]) authorizes SCAG to procure goods and services by using an Intergovernmental Agreement (Master Service Agreement – MSA, also known as a Leveraged Purchase Agreement – LPA). The goods and services procured under an MSA were previously competitively procured by another governmental entity (SCAG is essentially "piggy-backing" on the agreement.) SCAG utilized an MSA with the OMNIA Partners Contract Number R190902 that was competitively procured. This MSA is specifically designed for use by local agencies to leverage combined purchasing power for discounted volume pricing.

This project directly supports the development and implementation of the Regional Data Platform. The AWS infrastructure will enable SCAG to develop and implement a modern and comprehensive Regional Data Platform that will promote more efficient, cost-effective, and transparent planning across the SCAG region.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 22-049-C01

Recommended **Consultant:**

Carahsoft Technology Corp.

Background & Scope of Work: Under this agreement, Carahsoft Technology Corp. is the reseller of New Relic, Inc. software solutions. This purchase includes access to New Relic One enterprise solutions that provide tools and monitoring services for various SCAG services and applications.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Providing system monitoring capabilities;
- Allowing for performance data analysis for various applications; and
- Providing visibility for faster troubleshooting.

Strategic Plan:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 3: Be the foremost data information hub for the region; Objective: Model best practices by prioritizing continuous improvement and technical innovations through the adoption of interactive, automated, and state-of-the-art information tools and technologies

Contract Amount: Total not to exceed

\$26,640

Carahsoft Technology Corp

Contract Period:

March 15, 2022 through March 14, 2023

Project Number(s):

811-1163.20 \$18,757

Funding source(s): Indirect Cost Program

Funding of \$7,883 was available in the FY 2021-22 Indirect Cost Program Budget in Project Number 811.1163.20, and the remaining \$18,757 is available in the FY 2022-

23 Indirect Cost Program Budget in Project Number 811.1163.20.

Basis for Selection:

In accordance with SCAG's Procurement Manual (January 2021) Section 9.3, to foster greater economy and efficiency, SCAG's federal procurement guidance (2 CFR 200.318 [e]) authorizes SCAG to procure goods and services by using an Intergovernmental Agreement (Master Service Agreement – MSA, also known as a Leveraged Purchase Agreement – LPA). The goods and services procured under an MSA were previously competitively procured by another governmental entity (SCAG is essentially "piggy-backing" on the agreement.) SCAG utilized an MSA contract OMNIA EDU Contract Number R191902, that was competitively procured. This MSA is specifically designed for use by local agencies to leverage combined purchasing

power for discounted volume pricing.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO. 21-063-C01 AMENDMENT NO. 2

Consultant: HBA Specto, Incorporated

Background & Scope of Work:

On September 16 2021, SCAG awarded Contract 21-063-C01 to HBA Specto Incorporated to assess and update SCAG Scenario Planning Model (SPM)'s operating system and application software to the latest secured and stable version.

This amendment increased the contract value from \$59,818 to \$77,244 (\$17,426) and extended the contract term from 6/30/22 to 12/31/22. This increase is due to enhancements staff required to improve data processing efficiency and error reporting as a result of upgrading the software application in the base contract.

Project's Benefits & Key Deliverables:

The project's benefits and key deliverables include, but are not limited to:

- Providing SCAG with an updated and stable modeling system that will improve the process for performance analysis of the next Connect SoCal.
- Providing upgraded SPM application and database server.

Providing updated SPM codebase with compatible dependent libraries

Strategic Plan: This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 3: Be the foremost data information

hub for the region.

Amendment Amendment 2 \$17,426

Amount: Amendment 1 (Term extension- no change to contract's value) \$0

Original contract value \$59,818

Total contract value is not to exceed \$77,244

This amendment does not exceed \$75,000 or 30% of the contract's original value. Therefore, in accordance with the SCAG Procurement Manual (January 2021)

Section 9.3, it does not require the Regional Council's approval.

Contract Period: September 16, 2021 through December 31, 2022

Project Number: 070-2665B.01 \$17,426

Funding source: Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5303

Funding of \$59,818 was available in the FY 2021-22 OWP budget, and the remaining \$17,426 is available in the FY 2022-23 OWP budget in Project Number 070-

2665B.01.

Basis for the Amendment: This amendment was necessary to ensure optimal and secure performance of SPM based on updated operating system and application software. Not amending the contract would result in data processing delay and possible inaccurate reporting.



AGENDA ITEM 22

REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700 – Regional Council Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017
September 1, 2022

To: Executive/Administration Committee (EAC)

Regional Council (RC)

From: Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer

(213) 630-1413, giraldo@scag.ca.gov

Subject: CFO Monthly Report

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

APPROVAL

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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Information Only - No Action Required

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 7: Secure funding to support agency priorities to effectively and efficiently deliver work products.

CFO QUARTERLY CHARTS:

The CFO Quarterly Charts for the final quarter of Fiscal Year 2022 have been provided as an attachment to this report. Several improvements to the charts have been implemented as well as newly created reports have been added aimed at keeping the Regional Council informed of the core planning work currently underway and upcoming. Specifically, new reports include an overview of the completed Planning Division RFP's that directly benefit our SCAG region agencies, with the plan being to further expand this report in the future to include an update on executed MOUs. A second newly created report is an outlook for upcoming Planning Division RFPs which was developed to provide the Regional Council an update on when they may expect authorized work to enter the procurement stage.

ACCOUNTING:

During FY 2021-22, staff has prepared and submitted requests for reimbursements of approximately \$37.08 million to Caltrans for work funded with federal and state grants completed from July 2021 to May 2022. Of this amount, \$37.08 million has been received, and there are no outstanding reimbursement requests pending approval by Caltrans.

BUDGET & GRANTS (B&G):

On July 25, 2022, SCAG received its final allocation for the FY23 Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) Sustainable Communities Formula Grant in the amount of \$5,235,118 for transportation planning projects. SCAG staff will work with Caltrans staff to meet the conditions of grant acceptance as outlined in the award letter. This grant ends on February 28, 2025.





On July 28, 2022, SCAG submitted the FY 2021-22 (FY22) OWP 4th Quarter Progress Report with preliminary expenditures to Caltrans. The 4th Quarter Progress Report with final expenditures and FY22 OWP final work products will be submitted to Caltrans by August 30, 2022.

Also, staff executed 16 of 21 Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) for the Last Mile Freight Program (LMFP) Owner Operator Cohort. The remaining five MOUs from the Owner-Operator cohort are anticipated to be executed in the next few months. MOUs for the other LMFP Phase 1 projects, including the contingency list projects approved by RC in February 2022, are being drafted and anticipated to be executed in the next few quarters.

CONTRACTS:

In July 2022, the Contracts Department issued two (2) Request for Proposal; awarded nine (9) contracts; issued one (1) contract amendment; and processed sixty (60) Purchase Orders to support ongoing business and enterprise operations. Staff also administered 176 consultant contracts. Contracts Department staff continued to negotiate better pricing as well as reduced costs for services. This month Contracts' staff negotiated \$129,085 in budget savings. It should be noted that for the Fiscal Year 2022, staff negotiated a total of \$1,389,678 in savings.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. CFO Report Charts - June 2022



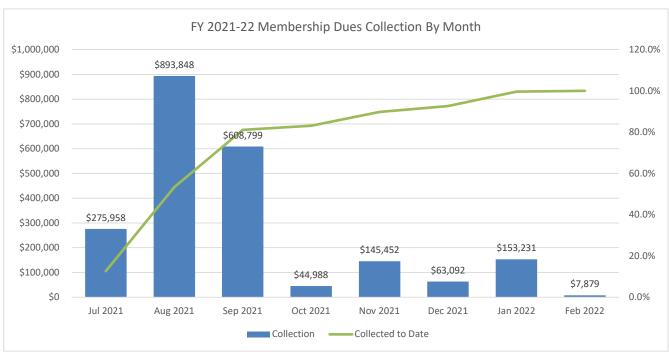
Office of the Chief Financial Officer

Quarterly Report

JUNE 2022



Membership Dues & Collections July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022



Summary

As of June 30 2022, 185 cities and 6 counties had paid their FY22 dues. This represents 100.00% of the dues assessment.

\$ 2,193,247
100%



Summary

This chart shows a comparison of Indirect Cost (IC), incurred by SCAG vs. IC recovered from SCAG's grants. Through June 2022, SCAG was over-recovered by \$3,633,812 due to unspent Indirect Cost budget. The FY 2021-22 IC rate includes a carry-forward of approximately \$1.4 million, which represents an under-recovery of costs from FY 2019-20.



Preliminary Consolidated Balance Sheet As of June 30, 2022

	March 31, 2022	June 30, 2022	Increase/(Decrease)
Cash & Investment	13,660,836	13,738,992	78,156
Other Assets	22,741,540	20,939,639	(1,801,901) (1)
Total Assets	36,402,376	34,678,631	(1,723,745)
Total Liabilities	16,796,796	18,235,495	1,438,699 (2)
Fund Balance	19,605,580	16,443,136	(3,162,444)
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	36,402,376	34,678,631	(1,723,745)

- (1) The decrease in total assets is due to an increase in Indirect Cost Recovery (a reduction in the indirect cost receivable/carryforward balance). The over recovery of indirect costs is also shown in the Indirect Cost & Recovery Chart.
- (2) The increase in liabilities is due to an increase in Accounts Payable balance from accruals for May and June expenditures that were paid in the new fiscal year.

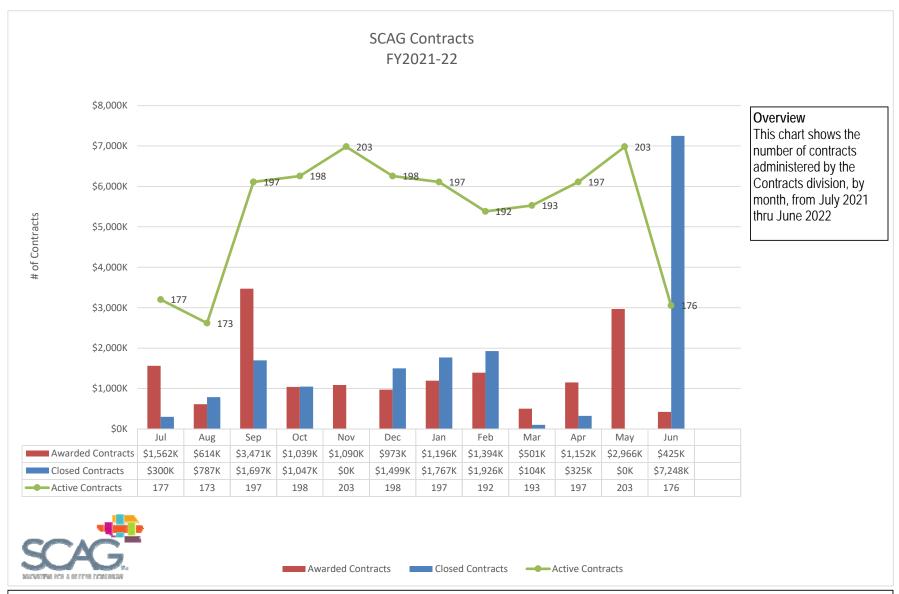


Preliminary Consolidated Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances

Year Ended June 30, 2022

				June 2022 Budgetary Comparison Statement		
	July 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022	July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022	Increase / (Decrease)	FY 2021-22 Budget	Under / (Over) Budget	
Revenues	114,112,659	123,967,898	9,855,239	192,568,167	68,600,269 (1)	
Expenditures:						
Salaries & Benefits	13,314,087	17,925,663	4,611,576	18,301,154	375,491	
Services & supplies	98,253,745	106,659,852	8,406,107	174,267,013	67,607,161 (1)	
Total Expenditures	111,567,832	124,585,515	13,017,683	192,568,167	67,982,652	
Change in Fund Balance	2,544,827	(617,617)	(3,162,444)	(2,544,827)	(1,927,210)	
Fund Balance Beginning of the Year	17,060,753	17,060,753	-	17,060,753	-	
Fund Balance at End of the Period	19,605,580	16,443,136	(3,162,444)	14,515,926	(1,927,210)	

⁽¹⁾ Note that multi-year grant revenues and Services & Supplies expenditures are budgeted in the award year. The remaining balances are carried over to subsequent years of the grant period. The \$68.6 million revenue variance and the \$67.6 million expenditure variance are predominately related to anticipated grant implementation timing for REAP 1.0 and MSRC grants.



Summary

As illustrated on the chart, the Contracts Department is currently managing a total of 176 contracts. Thirty-two (32) are Cost Plus Fee contracts; seventy (70) are Lump Sum (formerly Fixed Price) contracts, and the remaining seventy-four (74) are Time and Materials (T&M) contracts (includes Labor Hour and Retainer contracts). Note, due to the nature of SCAG's work, the majority of SCAG contracts have a one year term and end on June 30th each year.



Total Number of Active Planning Contracts During Each Quarter:

FY22 Q1	FY22 Q2	FY22 Q3	FY22 Q4
156	148	178	200

FY22 Q1	FY22 Q2	FY22 Q3	FY22 Q4
6	13	15	21

		FY22 Q1	FY22 Q2	FY22 Q3	FY22 Q4			
		6	13	15	21			
Major SCAG Program or Initiative	Project Name	Region/Agency Serviced		Project Description	on	Consultant	Contract No.	Award Amour
Regional Early Action Plan (REAF	Laguna Woods Mobility Technology Plan,	City of Laguna Wood	Woods with Plan to define steps to estrope to estrope timplementary project is to support life disabled pobarriers to a and independent	ant shall assist the creating a Mobility ne strategies with a ablish new mobility through technologition. The overall go harness innovative long mobility for sepulations, including access and maintain dence of all person mplate for other Ci	y Technology ctionable service y bal of this e technology to nior and gremoving ning the dignity as, and can be	IBI Group	21-048-MRFP-01	\$149,8

	Major SCAG Program or Initiative	Project Name	Region/Agency Serviced	Project Description	Consultant	Contract No.	Award Amount
2.	Regional Early Action Plan (REAP)	Regional ITS Architecture On-Call Support	SCAG Region	The consultant shall assist SCAG with it critical role of developing and maintaining the Southern California Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture. This particular architecture is the regional planning tool for ensuring a cooperative process to prioritize and deploy ITS technologies as well as to identify critical data connections between institutional stakeholders.	Kimley-Horn and Associates	21-048-MRFP-02	\$95,369
3.	Regional Early Action Plan (REAP)	REAP MRFP 38 (HSD 1-C) Compton ADU	City of Compton	The consultant shall provide the City of Compton (City) Community Development Department with technical planning assistance to help the jurisdiction develop standard Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) prototype plans that will reduce construction costs, streamline and expedite the City's permitting process and accelerate housing production.	Woodsong Associates LLC	21-047-MRFP-38	
4.	Regional Early Action Plan (REAP)	REAP MRFP 30 (TOD 2) Metrolink Area Station Analysis	SCAG Region	The consultant shall complete an overall system-wide scan of various Metrolink station areas to identify opportunities for housing development utilizing city, SCAG and consultant-developed data. Consultant shall work with SCAG staff to review all the relevant data, mapping, and analysis prepared by SCAG for use in Connect SoCal to identify future growth opportunity areas and apply this data and analysis to all Metrolink station areas.	BAE Urban Economics, Inc.	21-047-MRFP-30	\$717,444

	Major SCAG Program or Initiative	Project Name	Region/Agency Serviced	Project Description	Consultant	Contract No.	Award Amount
5.	Regional Early Action Plan (REAP)	REAP MRFP 23 Metro's Joint Development Part B	SCAG Region	The consultant shall conduct community asset mapping, identifying key stakeholders for community relationship building, increasing participation by Community Based Development Organizations (CBDOs), create a community housing education strategy, and create digital and print educational content that visualize and simplify housing economics and affordable housing financing.	Raimi + Associates, Inc.	21-047-MRFP-23	\$332,812
6.	Regional Early Action Plan (REAP)	REAP MRFP-22 (TO 1) - SRP-1A West Side Cities Council of Governments (WSCCOG)	West Side Cities Council of Governments	The consultant shall assist West Side Cities Council of Governments (WSCCOG) with developing a comprehensive subregional approach to accelerate housing production in support of WSCCOG's efforts to accommodate critically needed affordable housing within the Westside subregion.	Economic Consultants Oregon Limited	21-047-MRFP-22	
7.	Regional Early Action Plan (REAP)	REAP MRFP 21 (TO 2) - Metro's Joint Development	SCAG Region	Metro's Board of Directors adopted an updated Joint Development Policy in June of 2021 which lays the groundwork for a strengthened commitment to affordable housing and equity. Subsequently, in October 2021, the Metro Board adopted an aggressive goal for the Joint Development Program to complete 10,000 units of housing, at least 5,000 of which will be income-restricted, in the next 10 years. The consultant shall assist Metro with developing a robust, strategic planning to accelerate the delivery of units as sites become available for development.	HR and A Advisors, Inc.	21-047-MRFP-21	\$350,736

	Major SCAG Program or Initiative	Project Name	Region/Agency Serviced	Project Description	Consultant	Contract No.	Award Amount
8.	Regional Early Action Plan (REAP)	REAP MRFP 20 (TO 1) - Burbank Media Specific Plan Update	City of Burbank	The consultant shall assist the City of Burbank with updating its Media District Specific Plan (MDSP) and associated environmental assessment pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This will create an opportunity to reevaluate specific plan policies to facilitate responsible development in the area. The proposed update will seek to identify new opportunity sites for residential infill development that are supported by publicly accessible transportation and public infrastructure that will facilitate new affordable, workforce housing, and mixed-use projects.	WSP USA, Inc.	21-047-MRFP-20	\$954,545 ne 2022 (CFO Monthly Report)
9.	Regional Early Action Plan (REAP)	REAP MRFP 14 (Contract) - Regional Resilience Framework (SB1 Funds)	SCAG Region	To better anticipate a wide range of potential futures and strengthen the resilience and preparedness of the region, the consultant shall develop a "Regional Resilience Framework" (Resilience Framework) to identify, understand, and prioritize the degree of shocks and stressors across the myriad settings and jurisdictions within all six (6) counties in the SCAG region.	AECOM Technical Services, Inc. California	21-047-MRFP-14	CFO Report Charts - Ju
							Attachment:

	Major SCAG Program or Initiative	Project Name	Region/Agency Serviced	Project Description	Consultant	Contract No.	Award Amount
10.	Regional Early Action Plan (REAP)	REAP MRFP 12 (Contract) - Housing Tool	City of Palmdale	The consultant shall assist the City of Palmdale and unincorporated parts of Los Angeles County with developing a Digital Utility Data Inventory Tool for Housing, which entails creating a comprehensive utility data inventory and an interactive online viewing tool showing built and future master planned utility infrastructure supportive of housing development in the Palmdale area.	Black and Veatch Corporation	21-047-MRFP-12	\$201,224
11.	Regional Forecasting, Socioeconomic Technical & Policy Analysis	Aerial Imagery	County of Imperial	The consultant shall provide high quality aerial imagery, building outlines, and a hosting service for the County of Imperial.	County of Imperial	19-066-C06	\$300,000
12.	Regional Forecasting, Socioeconomic Technical & Policy	Aerial Imagery	County of Ventura	The consultant shall provide high quality aerial imagery, building outlines, and a hosting service for the County of Ventura.	Channel Island Regional GIS Collaborative Inc.	19-066-C04	\$150,000



SCAG FY23 Upcoming Planning Division Requests for Proposals

Budget Range: Small = Less than \$200,000 | Medium = \$200,000-\$500,000 | Large = Greater than \$500,000

The following is a selection of RFPs to be released by SCAG's Planning Division. This initial list is not indicative of the totality of SCAG's work.

Project Name	Description	Estimated Consultant Budget Range	RFP Release Expected
Big Dataset Purchase	Big Dataset Purchase	Medium	FY23 Q1
Regional Transportation Plan Technical Support	To facilitate the technical work necessary for the development of Connect SoCal 2024. Includes GHG strategies analyses support, SB375 mitigation support, and other related tech support.	Large	FY23 Q1
Mobility Innovation Pilot Project Consultant	Pilot Project Consultant: support staff in the development of a regional program to test innovative mobility concepts across the region; includes public agency and private industry engagement; public opinion polling; technical and administrative support to establish regional program and develop and/or solicit for concepts, etc.	Large	FY23 Q1
Low Income Travel Survey Work	Support Universal Basic Mobility research (A part of Mobility Wallet Groundwork)	Medium	FY23 Q1
Active Transportation Plan	This project will develop the first city-wide Active Transportation Plan for a jurisdiction in the SCAG region. The plan will evaluate needs and identify and prioritize recommendations.	Medium	FY23 Q1
Chief Economic Adviser	Serve for a 3-year period as SCAG's lead external economic adviser.	Small	FY23 Q1
Clean Tech Program Support	Provide support for RTP development and implementation of clean tech vision and commitments	Small	FY23 Q1

SCAG FY23 Upcoming Planning Division Requests for Proposals

Budget Range: Small = Less than \$200,000 | Medium = \$200,000-\$500,000 | Large = Greater than \$500,000

Project Name	Description	Estimated Consultant Budget Range	RFP Release Expected
City of Santa Monica - East Pico Quick Build Safety Project	Plan for, design, implement, and evaluate a Quick Build project on East Pico Boulevard in the City of Santa Monica.	Medium	FY23 Q1
Active Transportation- related Plans Bundle for LA County and OCTA	Lennox Community Pedestrian Plan for LA County Dept of Public Health and Bus Stop Safety and Accessibility Study (First Mile/Last Mile) for OCTA.	Large	FY23 Q1
MaaS Transit Pilot Planning	Develop strategic assessment and program for MaaS and related transit pilot demonstrations.		FY23 Q1
Broadband Permit Streamlining	Develop best management practices, model policy and ordinance, and technical report for Broadband Permit Streamlining	Medium	FY23 Q1
Strategic Services for SCAG's Broadband Program			FY23 Q1
Local Technical Assistance	To provide technical assistance on various tools and resources within RDP to local jurisdictions in the region. In addition to demo/training, the consultant shall provide office hours and technical analysis (per request)	Small	FY23 Q2
LMFP Implementation Management	Last Mile Freight Program Phase 1 implementation and final report - Phase 2 development, implementation and final report	Small	FY23 Q2
Multi-Modal Freight Strategy - Phase 1 Develop a framework and strategic assessment of multi-modal freight infrastructure for long-range investment considerations (including existing/new technologies and approaches)		Medium	FY23 Q2

SCAG FY23 Upcoming Planning Division Requests for Proposals

Budget Range: Small = Less than \$200,000 | Medium = \$200,000-\$500,000 | Large = Greater than \$500,000

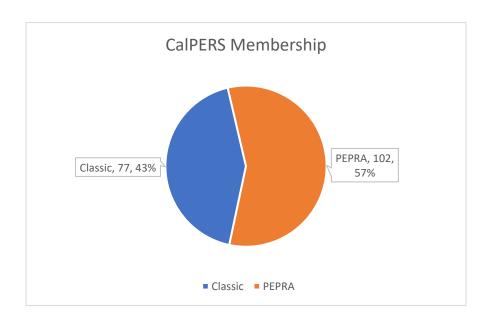
Project Name	Description	Estimated Consultant Budget Range	RFP Release Expected
Go Human Evolution / Community Engagement Strategies	This project aims to leverage Go Human's successful community engagement strategies and repackage/reshape to apply to other agency programs and areas.	Small	Future RFP
Travel survey	Travel Survey for SCAG region. The data will be used for updating SCAG travel demand model.		Future RFP
Public-Private Freight Collaboration	Convene freight roundtables, interview/engagement sessions, and identify universe of freight funding programs/grants/other opportunities (including technology-based pilot/commercial deployment/other)	Small	Future RFP
ITS Architecture Update Phase 2	Phase 2- Assist (10's with lindating their 11's Architecture		Future RFP
Highways to Boulevards Regional Study	Plan for replacing aging highways with facilities that better support community needs, particularly in historically underserved areas. Identify and evaluate urban highways for potential conversion to city streets or "capping" projects.	Large	Future RFP

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Staffing Update

Division	Authorized Positions	Filled Positions	Vacant Positions	Interns/Temps	Agency Temps	Volunteers	Total
Executive Office	9	7	2	0	1	0	8
Human Resources	11	8	3	0	0	0	8
Legal Services	3	2	1	0	0	0	2
Finance	30	26	4	0	0	0	26
Information Technology	27	25	2	0	0	0	25
Gov. & Public Affairs	24	21	3	0	0	0	21
Planning & Programs	104	90	14	7	0	4	101
Total	208	179	29	7	1	4	191



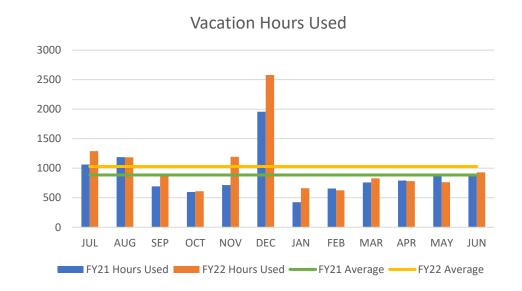
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Vacation Update

Vacation Usage FY22

	Hours Used	Cos	:t
Total	12,349.95	\$	787,048.06
Average	89.49	\$	5,703.25
# of Staff			138
% of Staff			77.09%



Vacation Cash Out Pilot Program Usage in FY22 and FY21

	FY22 Hours Used	F	/22 Cost	FY21 Hours Used	FY	21 Cost
Total	880.00	\$	63,892.80	1,180	\$	81,956.80
Average	38.26	\$	2,777.95	39.33	\$	2,731.80
Lowest	20	\$	1,227.00	20	\$	1,352.40
Highest	40 (max)	\$	5,902.40	40 (max)	\$	5,568.40
# of Staff			22			30
% of Staff			12.29%			17.75%