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

**May 24, 2016  
Minutes**

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**THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF THE MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY WORKING GROUP. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.**

The Meeting of the Transportation Conformity Working Group was held at the SCAG office in Los Angeles.

**In Attendance:**

Cooper, Keith	ICF
Nord, Greg	OCTA
Sherwood, Arnie	UC Berkeley
Walecka, Carla	TCA

**SCAG:**

Asuncion, John  
Au, Anita  
Luo, Rongsheng  
Luo, Yunsheng  
Tran, Daniel

**Via Teleconference:**

Alvarez, Grace	RCTC
Byrne, Timothy	SANBAG
Cacatian, Ben	VCAPCD
Castro, Fernando	Caltrans, District 7
Cheng, Jack	SCAQMD
Chiou, Wayne	Caltrans, District 12
Dwedle, Kevin	Caltrans Headquarters
Habibafshar, Azar	Caltrans, District 11
Hsu, Vicky	Sapphos Environmental
Hubbard, Don	Parsons Brinkerhoff
Hudson, Kerrie	Caltrans, District 8
Jaffery, Edison	Caltrans, District 8
Johansson, Ken	Caltrans, District 11
King, Heather	ARB
Krause, Michael	SCAQMD
Kulkarni, Anup	OCTA
Louka, Tony	Caltrans, District 8

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Mejia, James	SANBAG
O’Conner, Karina	EPA, Region 9
Odufalu, Olufemi	Caltrans, District 8
Pereira, Melina	Caltrans, District 11
Sayler, Dennis	SANBAG
Sheehy, Erin	OCTA
Tavitas, Rodney	Caltrans Headquarters
Tax, Wienke	EPA, Region 9
Voigt, Abigail	LA County Public Works
Wilson, Kate	City of Azusa
Yoon, Andrew	Caltrans, District 7

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

Greg Nord, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, thanked former SCAG intern, Yanlin Zhou, for her assistance to TCWG. Mr. Luo also introduced and welcomed new SCAG intern, Yunsheng Luo, who will provide staff support to TCWG.

**2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no public comments.

**3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 3.1 February 23, 2016 Meeting Minutes  
The meeting minutes were approved.

**4.0 INFORMATION ITEMS**

4.1 Review of PM Hot Spot Interagency Review Forms

1) **LA0D29**

It was determined that this is not a POAQC (FHWA concurrence was received via email after meeting).

2) **LA0G1020**

It was determined that this is not a POAQC (FHWA concurrence was received via email after meeting).

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3) **REG0701**

It was determined that this is not a POAQC (FHWA concurrence was received via email after meeting).

4) **6120002**

It was determined that this is not a POAQC (FHWA concurrence was received via email after meeting).

5) **20159901**

It was determined that this is not a POAQC (EPA, Caltrans, and FHWA concurrences were received via email after July 26, 2016 TCWG meeting).

4.2 SR-241 TCM Substitution Update – Proposed Emission Analysis

Anup Kulkarni, OCTA, reported the following:

- SR-241 TCM Substitution would be modeled using Orange County Transportation Analysis Model (OCTAM) which is consistent with SCAG's Regional Travel Demand Model.
- Emissions would be estimated using ARB's EMFAC Model for summer ROG and NOx emissions, winter NO<sub>2</sub> and CO emissions, and annual ROG, NOx, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions results for two milestone years 2021 and 2040.
- OCTA staff was running and refining modeling analysis internally and would present analysis to TCWG for interagency consultation after OCTA internal review.

4.3 Updated Draft 2016 South Coast AQMP Appendix IV-C

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, reported the following:

- Updated Appendix IV-C was under SCAG internal review and included an Executive Summary, four Sections, and two Attachments.
  - Executive Summary is an overview of the four Sections.
  - Section I describes federal and state requirements linking transportation planning and air quality planning as well as SCAG's RTP/SCS and FTIP.
  - Section II summarizes SCAG's recently adopted 2016 RTP/SCS which constitutes regional transportation plan/sustainable communities strategy and transportation control measures for 2016 South Coast AQMP.
  - Section III is a TCM RACM analysis which demonstrates that TCMs being implemented in SCAB were inclusive of all RACM.
  - Section IV is a TCM BACM analysis which demonstrates that TCMs being implemented in SCAB constitute TCM BACM.

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- Attachment A is a list of individual committed TCMs by county from Final 2016 RTP/SCS
- Attachment B is a list of all candidate measures evaluated for RACM determination.
- Draft Appendix IV-C was anticipated to be released for public review as part of Draft 2016 South Coast AQMP in September 2016.
- Final Appendix IV-C was anticipated to be presented to SCAG's Regional Council for adoption in November/December 2016, and submitted as part of Final 2016 South Coast AQMP to U.S. EPA for approval early 2017.

4.4 FTIP Update

John Asuncion, SCAG, reported the following:

- 2015 FTIP Amendment #15-19 was posted for public review on May 23, 2016. Federal and State approvals were anticipated in July/August 2016.
- Draft 2017 FTIP was still under development and anticipated to be released for public review in July 2016.

4.5 RTP Update

Daniel Tran, SCAG, reported the following:

- 2016 RTP/SCS was adopted on April 7, 2016 and subsequently sent to FHWA/FTA for review.
- Federal approval was anticipated by June 3, 2016.

4.6 EPA Update

Karina O'Conner, EPA Region 9, reported the following:

- On May 4, 2016, EPA published a final rule in Federal Register to reclassify several Marginal nonattainment areas under 2008 8-hour Ozone Standards including Imperial County.
- EPA Region 9 Administrator had left EPA. Alexis Strauss is current Acting Regional Administrator and Debbie Jordan is Acting Deputy Regional Administrator.

4.7 ARB Update

Heather King, ARB, reported the following:

- On May 16, 2016, ARB released Mobile Source Strategy for public review.
- On May 17, 2016 ARB released Proposed 2016 State Strategy for the SIP (State SIP Strategy). State SIP Strategy was scheduled to be presented to ARB Board on September 22, 2016.

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In response to a question, Ms. King, ARB, stated that measures for zero or near-zero emissions vehicles would largely be incentive-based in near term. Proposed Measures and Implementation Schedule table in Mobile Source Strategy document includes an anticipated timeline for each proposed measure.

Ms. King also clarified that difference between State SIP Strategy and Mobile Source Strategy was addition of Consumer Products Programs in State SIP Strategy.

4.8 Air Districts Update

Michael Krause, SCAQMD, reported the following:

- Next AQMP Advisory Meeting would be held on June 15, 2016. The meeting would include presentation by ARB on Mobile Source Strategy as well as discussion on preliminary CEQA analysis and any other issues for public release of Draft 2016 South Coast AQMP.
- SCAQMD staff anticipated Board approval of 2016 AQMP in December 2016.

Ben Cacatian, VCAPCD, reported the following:

- Development of Ventura County AQMP/2008 8-hour Ozone Standard SIP was still ongoing.
- VCAPCD staff anticipated Board approval of Ventura County AQMP/SIP in September/October 2016.

**5.0 INFORMATION SHARING**

None.

**6.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.

The next Transportation Conformity Working Group meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at the SCAG office in downtown Los Angeles.