



SACOG Board of Directors

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Request for Consultant Services for Phase 2 Regional Goods Movement Study

Issue: As SACOG staff prepares to put together draft project alternatives for the 2030 Metropolitan Transportation Plan, staff is continuing to develop a Regional Goods Movement Study that will be completed in time to be integrated into the Plan. SACOG is currently under contract with a consultant team headed by the Tioga Group to conduct Phase 1 of the Regional Goods Movement Study. Work on this phase is scheduled to be completed by June 30, 2006. SACOG's 2006/07 Overall Work Program identifies \$220,000 available for consultant work on the Regional Goods Movement Study that could be used for the two final phases of the project.

Recommendation: While there was no quorum for the Transportation Committee meeting, it was the consensus of those present to recommend that the SACOG Board approve staff to solicit a "letter of interest" from the four qualified consultant teams who submitted proposals in Phase 1. A review panel will be put in place to interview those consultants who express interest in the project, and it is anticipated that a recommendation will be brought forward in July for award of Phase 2.

Committee Action/Discussion: In January 2006, SACOG released an RFP for consultant services for a Regional Goods Movement Study (Phase 1). Of the eight proposals that were received, four were ranked as qualified by the review panel, the top two ranking consultant teams were interviewed, and the contract was subsequently awarded to the Tioga Group in March. Phase 1 is expected to be complete by June 30, and staff is eager to begin work on Phase 2 as soon as possible, so that the project timeline will coincide with the schedule for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan update.

Attached is a draft scope of work for Phase 2. It is anticipated that a contract for these services will be brought to the SACOG Board in July, and that all work will be completed by September 2006.

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SACOG REGIONAL GOODS MOVEMENT STUDY – PHASE 2 DRAFT SCOPE OF WORK

Using the output generated from Phase 1 of the study, perform the following three primary tasks:

1. Explore various options for dealing with the region's goods movement needs for the next 20 years
2. Define alternative scenarios
3. Assess in detail the trends and impacts of these alternatives on the region

Task 1

Options to explore must include, but not necessarily be limited to:

Business as usual: Assume that the transportation system will just meet the goods movement needs of the population.

Goods Movement hub: Assume that the SACOG region will take on the role of a regional hub for goods movement activity. Likely to include enhanced/expanded activity at the Port of Sacramento as well as Sacramento International Airport and/or Mather Field.

Blueprint for Goods Movement: Assume that goods movement activities for the region will be accommodated within the context of the Blueprint. Options to explore include freight villages and industrial preserves.

Task 2

Define a minimum of three alternative scenarios for the region in 2030 with these basic themes (related to SACOG's 2030 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) process):

Shorter-Distance Emphasis:

This scenario should be built around the assumption that the single most important aspect of goods movement to protect and maintain will be the ability of trucks to continue to make local deliveries to homes and businesses. Less emphasis will be placed on facilitating movements from distribution centers or long-distance through movements.

Medium Distance Emphasis:

This scenario assumes that warehousing and distribution will not just continue to play a role in the region, but that these activities will continue to expand. In this scenario, it will be of primary importance to ensure that the ability for goods to move from distribution center to retail store or from delivery hub to customer continues to be feasible.

Longer Distance Emphasis:

In this scenario, the most important aspect of goods movement to preserve and protect will be longer distance movements from outside the region into this area (and vice versa), as well as some amount of through traffic (origin and destination are both outside the region).

SACOG will consider proposed additional scenarios and/or modified versions of these three scenarios as part of the proposal.

Task 3

Describe any models proposed for assessing the impacts of these alternatives (can include SACOG models), the outputs must be compatible with the PECAS model.

Deliverables:

Review of the inventory of freight facilities from phase 1 to describe future roles for these facilities under each alternative.

Scenarios:

Each alternative scenario will include the review of the role of the freight facilities –noted any likely future changes, estimated projections of goods movement volumes and modal splits, a conceptual map of the region, highlights of related land use changes and suggested capital projects and policies supporting the scenario.

Data Outputs:

The following data outputs will be produced for each scenario:

VMT associated with each scenario

Identify areas of congestion for each scenario