



## SACOG Board of Directors

Item #15-4-17  
Report

April 9, 2015

### Chief Executive Officer's Report

*The following is a brief status report on some of the major issues and projects currently being advanced by SACOG.*

**Note:** The consent calendar includes several items approved unanimously by SACOG's policy committees in April. This agenda does not include any special presentations or Board workshops. The Board discussion time will be dedicated to the two agency significant action items.

In April, SACOG Board members and staff will participate in the Metro Chamber's Annual Cap-to-Cap Program in Washington DC April 18-22 as members of the following policy teams: Transportation, Land Use & Natural Resources, Flood Protection, Food & Agriculture, Homeland Security, and Civic Amenities related to the agency's Federal Advocacy Principles. SACOG will also participate in meetings with Members of Congress and key federal agencies as follow up to SACOG's annual advocacy trip in February.

As part of the Board's Best Practices Initiative, SACOG staff and Board leadership will maximize the regional travel to Washington, D.C. to make brief mini-peer exchange research visits to Salt Lake City and Chicago. This research began in 2014, with the Best Practices Subcommittee and the Innovation Task Force activities including: special presentations and Board lunch discussions with regional leaders visiting Sacramento, peer agency opportunities during the Metro Chamber Study Mission to Nashville and the Metro Chamber Cap-to-Cap program, and other conferences and regional travel. The April visits will explore emerging focus areas for 2015 research from the original high priority list: local government land use strategies, support for economic development planning, engaging other city/county elected officials, engaging Board members with each other, collaboration with other public agencies, and collaboration with other non-governmental organizations. Participating Board leadership include Chair Saylor, Vice Chair Rohan and Transportation Committee Chair Sander, who compose the Best Practices Sub-committee. The Innovation Task Force will hear a preview of the upcoming research visits at their April 16 meeting and a summary report at the June Innovation Task Force meeting. All Board members are encouraged to attend.

### CONSENT ITEMS:

All the items on the consent calendar received unanimous support in their respective policy committees with the exception of item #12 from the Government Relations & Public Affairs (GRPA) Committee related to the Draft Budgets for Fiscal Year 2015-16.

### ACTION ITEMS:

Items #12 and 13: The SACOG Board will hear a presentation on the Draft Budgets & OWP for Fiscal Year 2015-16. At the April 6 GRPA meeting, staff presented the Draft Budgets & OWP, which included an increase in the member dues, the primary funding source for Board and Advocacy Budget over at two-year period. The Committee recommended that the Board take action to release the Draft Budgets & OWP for public comment and directed staff to provide the SACOG member city and county managers an opportunity to comment on the member dues increase. The staff report was

shared with the city managers and county executives on April 6 and will be the subject of discussion at their regularly scheduled meeting on April 23. Staff will incorporate any public comments and comments from member jurisdictions into the Final Budgets and OWP for the May 11 GRPA Committee meeting prior to the full Board action on May 21.

Item #14: The 2016 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Update: Preferred Scenario was presented in all three of SACOG’s policy committees. The Transportation Committee took action to recommend Board approval of the Preferred Scenario, which includes the Transportation Project List and Land Use Assumptions. The committee presentation included a summary of planning themes, an overview of preliminary performance measures, and highlighted key transportation project and land use changes reflecting communications with local government staff during the six-week vetting period. This action is significant as a critical milestone to final adoption of the MTP/SCS Update in February 2016. The timeline over the next 11 months will include benchmark technical work on performance measures, development of the environmental impact report, and opportunity for public comment.

**LAND USE ACTIVITIES:**

During the month of March SACOG staff conducted the following work:

- With grant funding from Strategic Growth Council Round 3 (SGC 3), staff continues to work with Portland State University on creating a version of the program that extends technical planning assistance to more member agencies. The cities of Elk Grove, Rancho Cordova, and the County of Sacramento participated in the first round of this program. Staff visited 10 additional member agencies for field visits and to discuss scopes of work for technical assistance. These agencies: included Citrus Heights, Colfax, Davis, Live Oak, Placer County, Placerville, Roseville, Wheatland, Woodland and Yuba County.

**CALENDAR:**

<b>April 16</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	SACOG Board Meeting
<b>April 16</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	Innovation Task Force Meeting
<b>April 23</b>	<b>11:30 a.m.</b>	Regional Managers Forum
<b>May 7</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Transportation Committee Meeting
<b>May 7</b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	Land Use & Natural Resources Committee Meeting
<b>May 11</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee Meeting
<b>May 21</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	SACOG Board Meeting
<b>May 21</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	SACOG Board Lunch Discussion

Approved by:

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