



Item #15-10-19 Report

SACOG Board of Directors

October 22, 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:

SACOG participated in a peer visit to Kansas City to meet with our peers at the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) as part of our Best Practices Initiative leveraging existing regional travel to the Metro Chamber Study Mission in Chicago. Chair Saylor, Kirk Trost, Matt Carpenter and Rebecca Sloan met with MARC staff, Board members and regional partners to discuss the structure of their regional partnerships, regional collaborative initiatives, transportation services, and business models.

The Metro Chamber Study Mission to Chicago highlighted the importance of place making, value of civic amenities and infrastructure in economic development and community development, and urban farming partnerships.

Valley Vision and SACOG are approaching their attendance goal for Region Rising on November 20. Additionally, invited speakers include the renowned researcher Richard Florida, public-private partnership panelists from Nashville and Salt Lake City, and Ignite presentations from local innovators and entrepreneurs. The program will include a celebration of the 10th anniversary of the adoption of the Sacramento Region Blueprint and its many implementation successes. SACOG is pleased to provide tickets for the full SACOG Board of Directors, and the region's city councils and boards of supervisors. RSVP requested to rmos@sacog.org.

CONSENT ITEMS:

All of the items on the consent calendar received unanimous support in their respective policy committees.

ACTION ITEMS:

#15 - Approve Release of 2015 Flexible Funding Programming Round Recommendations for Public Review. This item received unanimous support from the Transportation Committee and is coming to the Board as an action item to afford the Board opportunity for full discussion and questions.

#16 - MPO Mega-Region Partnership. This item also received unanimous support from the Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee. The partnership has been the subject of multiple discussions at the Innovation Task Force, but is coming to the Board as an action item to afford the Board opportunity for full discussion and questions.

LAND USE ACTIVITIES:

During the months of September and October SACOG staff conducted the following work:

- At the request of the city of Elk Grove, provided data and modeling tools to the city for its use in the Elk Grove general plan update.
- Participated on a panel about SB 375 CEQA streamlining at the annual California APA conference and spoke about the application of this streamlining in the SACOG region.
- Participated on a panel about fiscal analysis tools for new development at the annual CALAFCO Symposium and spoke about the use of IMPACS in the SACOG region.
- Presented to the Sacramento Clean Air Partnership on infrastructure planning for plug-in electric vehicles.
- With grant funding from Strategic Growth Council Round 3 (SGC 3), continued working with the cities of Davis, Woodland, Citrus Heights, Colfax, Winters, Yolo County and Placerville on specific projects that help implement the Sustainable Communities Strategy.

Also of note: the city of Sacramento approved a mixed-use residential project that was the first in the region, possibly the state, to use the SB 375 streamlining for transit priority projects. SACOG's streamlining tools were used in the SCS consistency determination and environmental review of the project.

CALENDAR:

October 29	09:30 a.m.	SACOG Board Meeting
October 29	11:00 a.m.	Innovation Task Force Meeting
November 16	10:00 a.m.	Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee Meeting
November 19	10:00 a.m.	Transportation Committee Meeting
November 19	01:00 p.m.	Land Use & Natural Resources Committee Meeting
December 10	09:30 a.m.	SACOG Board Meeting
December 10	11:00 a.m.	Board Lunch Discussion

Approved by:

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