



Transportation Committee

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Transportation Performance Evaluation Framework

Issue: What methodology should SACOG use to evaluate transportation performance at the project and system-wide level?

Recommendation: None; this is an information item for discussion.

Discussion: This item will be forwarded to the Committee prior to the meeting.

The purpose of the staff report will be to seek Board input and direction on the concept of a Performance Evaluation Framework (Framework) that is primarily focused on tools and methods to analyze transportation investments at the project-level. The Framework builds upon SACOG's existing strengths in performance evaluation at the regional, or system-wide, level and responds to Board interest in project-level analysis for both planning and programming activities. Offering clear and transparent connections between technical analysis and policy development is the overall goal of the Framework.

While there is an opportunity to accomplish some Framework activities through the 2016 MTP/SCS Update process, schedule and resource constraints will require some other activities to be implemented over an extended period of time. The primary constraint is the limited time available for scenario analysis of the 2016 MTP/SCS. Staff believes, however, that we can make a good start on Framework activities this fall and that there are other opportunities, as early as the spring of 2015, for the application of project-level performance evaluation. These opportunities include the next SACOG regional funding round and the first Cap and Trade funding round from the State of California.

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