

TRANSPORTATION & GOODS MOVEMENT

January 10, 2012
10:00- 11:30 a.m.

1. Welcome and Self Introductions

Introduction of 2012 Chairs

2. Overview of the California Transportation Commission's 10-year Needs Assessment

Dario Frommer, Chair, California Transportation Commission

3. Discussion: Setting the Tone for 2012

Raffi Hamparian, Federal Relations, Metro

Marnie Primmer, Executive Director, Mobility 21

Chairs and speakers will lead the Council in a discussion on the transportation and goods movement landscape in 2012, including pending federal transportation reauthorization and the status of the America Fast Forward initiative.

4. Action Item

- Review of 2012 advocacy agenda

5. Information Item

- SCAG Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Public Workshops

Upcoming Events:

- Pancakes & Politics with Rep. Karen Bass: Fri, Jan 13th, 8-9 am
- Energy, Water & Environmental Sustainability Council: Fri, Jan 20th, 10-11:30 am
 - *A Year Closer to 2020: California and AB 32*
- Los Angeles on the Hill, Access Washington DC: March 5th-7th
- Access Sacramento: May 22nd-23rd

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, April 10th, 10-11:30 am



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Dario Frommer
Chair
California Transportation Commission

Dario Frommer is currently the chairman of the California Transportation Commission which oversees funding for state transportation, transit and toll bridge projects. Frommer has over a decade of experience working with the Legislature. Frommer served as Majority Leader of the California State Assembly in the 43rd Assembly District and also as chairman of the Assembly Health Committee. During his tenure in the Assembly, Majority Leader Frommer introduced key legislation, addressing skyrocketing health care costs in California.

Prior to his election to the Assembly in 2000, Frommer held a variety of high level posts, including Appointments Secretary to Governor Gray Davis, associate attorney at the law firm of Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker, Chief of Staff to former Senator Art Torres and as a top adviser to Davis when he served as State Controller and Lieutenant Governor. Frommer was the political director of Governor Davis' 1998 campaign.



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Transportation & Goods Movement Policy Council 2012 Policy Agenda

The Transportation & Goods Movement Policy Council addresses all issues related to our region's mobility — highway, rail, air and transit. The council advocates on federal, state and local issues and champions positions that will provide system-wide, regional solutions. The council highlights the importance of transportation and goods movement to the region and nation's economy, while encouraging balanced and sustainable communities.

Lobby for America Fast Forward Transportation Initiative

Los Angeles is one of the nation's most congested regions. Traffic hurts our economic productivity, environment and quality of life. The Chamber has partnered with fellow stakeholders to advocate for the acceleration of thirty years of planned transportation projects to within the next decade. This innovative public-private financing effort will leverage \$40 billion in local tax revenue in partnership with the federal government. If successful, America Fast Forward (formerly 30/10) and the Accelerated Highway Program will generate thousands of jobs and make it easier to travel throughout our region.

Support Expanding and Improving Southern California's Multi-Modal Transportation Systems

The Los Angeles region's network of roads, transit lines, goods movement corridors, and ports of entry provide the mobility and accessibility foundation that supports hundreds of thousands of jobs in our area. The Chamber supports adequate funding for and implementation of effective infrastructure investments and operational improvements to maintain and improve road, transit, and goods movement mobility and safety within the region. Expanding and improving our multi-modal transportation system will reduce congestion, create jobs, save lives, and improve our quality of life and environment.

Advocate for Smart Growth Transportation Policies

Transportation planning is a powerful tool to develop 21st century sustainable communities and enable economic development. The Chamber supports transportation policies at the City, region, state and federal level to increase mobility, relieve congestion and expand alternative commute options. The Chamber will work with state and local officials to ensure that California responsibly implements SB 375, the 2008 law designed to integrate local land use and transportation planning, through implementation of SCAG's 2012 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The Chamber will also work with the City of Los Angeles on the General Plan Mobility Element update to ensure that future transportation investment will support greater mobility and encourage sustainable economic growth.

Advocate for Alternative Transportation Financing

With both the federal and state budgets strapped for funding, it is imperative cities and counties be allowed to explore creative and alternative initiatives to fund necessary infrastructure projects. The Chamber urges the City and County to evaluate and utilize private sector investment in transportation infrastructure and operations through the full range of possible public-private partnerships. The Chamber will work with the City and County to develop policies for evaluating PPP opportunities and ensuring they provide public benefits and are structured for accountability and results.

Advocate for Investment in Goods Movement Infrastructure and Pro-job Policies at the POLA

The Panama Canal Widening Project is scheduled to open in 2014, giving shippers options to bypass our west coast ports. Modernizing the Port of Los Angeles is essential to maintaining our region's competitiveness in the global economy. The Chamber is a major advocate for moving forward on terminal improvement projects, near-dock rail facilities and supporting job creating businesses at the port.



January 6, 2012

Draft 2012-2035 RTP/SCS Released for Public Review and Comment



On December 20, SCAG officially kicked off the formal 55-day public review and comment period for the 2012-2035 Draft Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). This historic draft plan seeks an investment of over \$500 billion over the next 23 years which will reshape the region's transportation network and improve health and quality of life in Southern California. The 2012-2035 Draft RTP/SCS document and technical appendices can be viewed on SCAG's interactive website at www.scagrtp.net. The website provides a direct commenting feature, where viewers are able to comment within each section of the document, as well as a convenient way to upload attachments.

There are several additional ways for the public to comment on the Draft Plan: By email at rtp@scag.ca.gov, through conventional mail as noted below, or by testifying at an upcoming workshop/public hearing. SCAG has organized a series of workshops on the Draft 2012-2035 RTP/SCS for local elected officials in each county, which began on January 6, 2012. The workshops are open to the public and will include time to hear public testimony. A slate of public hearings will also provide additional opportunities to weigh in on the draft plan. The dates and locations for the workshops and public hearings are posted below and on SCAG's website: www.scag.ca.gov/rtp2012

RTP/SCS Workshops and Public Hearings **Los Angeles County**

Workshop*: January 17, 2012 / 3:00 p.m.
Carson Community Center
3 Civic Plaza Drive, Carson, CA 90745

Workshop: February 2, 2012 / 1:00 p.m.
Public Hearing* following workshop / 3:00 p.m.
Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)
818 W. 7th Street, 12th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017

*Videoconferencing for the Los Angeles workshop and public hearing will be available at SCAG's regional offices in Imperial, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura counties, and at the videoconferencing sites in CVAG, Palmdale, and Hesperia. Comments may be mailed to:

RTP Comments

Attn: Ms. Margaret Lin

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Public input and comments regarding the Draft 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and FTIP Amendment #11-24 may be used to facilitate changes to the Plan and FTIP Amendment #11-24 where appropriate. The 55-day public review and comment period of the Draft 2012-2035 RTP/SCS will conclude on February 14, 2012. For more information on the RTP/SCS and SCAG, please visit www.scag.ca.gov/rtp2012.