

RIVERSIDE COUNTY INTEGRATED PLAN (RCIP)

CETAP ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

**Community Access Center
4960 Arlington Avenue, Suite C
Riverside, CA**

**Monday, November 8, 1999
9:00 AM – Noon**

MEETING NOTES

CETAP Advisory Committee Attendees:

Bruce Colbert, Riverside County Property Owners
Joyce Deleo, Supervisor's Appointee
Andy Domenigoni, Supervisor's Appointee
Susan Hafner, RTA
John Hunt, WRCOG
Jim Gosnell, SCAG
Peter Kiriakos, Sierra Club
Stan Lisiewicz, Caltrans
Ameal Moore, RCTC
Robin Reeser Lowe, RCTC
Bob Perkins, Farm Bureau
Ron Roberts, RCTC
Gene Rogers, WRCOG TAC
Michelle Shaunessey, US Fish and Wildlife Service
Dan Silver, Endangered Habitat League
Gary Wanczuk, MSHCP Advisory Committee
Borre Winckel, BIA
Helga Wolf, Supervisor's Appointee
Won Yoo, MSHCP Advisory Committee

Other Attendees:

Don Archer, Sverdrup
Cathy Bechtel, RCTC
Steve Bein, RBF
Al Bell, The Planning Center
Sharon Bolton, BIA
John Boslett, RBF
Bob Chacon, SCAG
Larry Cooley, City of Corona
Alan Crouse, WRCOG
Richard Doyle, Caltrans
Maurice Eaton, Caltrans
Susan Hafner, RTA
Jim Henderson, Sverdrup
Eric Horowitz, VRPA Technologies
Jerry Jolliffe, TLMA
Chuck Mackey, City of Lake Elsinore

Robin Maloney-Rames, CDFG
Mike McCollough, Sverdrup
Tom Mullen, 5th District Supervisor
Craig Neustaedter, City of Moreno Valley
Steve Oller, RTA
Mel Placilla, Sverdrup
Steve Smith, TransCore
Lee Smith, Riverside County TLMA
Karen Soulier, City of Corona
John Standiford, RCTC
Ed Studor, Riverside County TLMA
Hideo Sugita, RCTC
Ruth-Ann Taylor-Berger, WRCOG
Dale West, WRCOG

1. Public Comment Period

(Robin Reeser Lowe, Chair)

Robin Lowe, Chair, began the meeting at 9:10 AM, welcomed members to the meeting, and provided some opening comments. Self-introductions followed. Robin requested comments from the public. At this time, Mr. Tom Mullen, 5th District Supervisor, provided a few comments on the CETAP process. He mentioned that this effort is unique, and is foundational for accommodating the expected future growth in the County. He discussed how CETAP, the MSCHP and the General Plan efforts should complement each other, and how close coordination between the various efforts would ensure a successful outcome. He also commended the Advisory Committee members for their leadership role as they have undertaken this important planning process. He indicated that one of the purposes of the special meeting of all three advisory committees on November 22 was to foster communication and exchange of ideas among the three committees. In addition, Dr. Susan Hackwood of the University of California Riverside would be making a presentation on the Inland Empire and the California Economy.

2. Approval of Meeting Notes

(Robin Reeser Lowe, Chair)

Meeting notes of Tuesday, September 21, 1999. Robin requested comments on the meeting notes. Being none, the meeting notes were approved by the Committee.

3. Discussion of Regular Date for Task Force Meeting

(Steve Smith, TransCore and CETAP Project Manager)

Steve Smith indicated that the committee needed to set a standing date for Task Force meetings so that committee members could reserve those dates farther in advance. It was determined that the second Thursday of each month would be established as the regular date. Thus, the December Task Force Meeting would be on December 9th, from 9:00-12:00 noon. If it turned out that a Task Force meeting was not needed, it would be cancelled. The CETAP Advisory Committee meetings remain on the first Tuesday, making the next meeting on December 7th. A question-answer session for reviewing Working Paper No. 3 was set for Friday, November 19 at 9:00 a.m.

4. Distribution of Corridor Evaluation Working Paper and Discussion of Corridor Selection Process

(Steve Smith, TransCore and CETAP Project Manager)

Steve Smith introduced the item. Steve distributed the Evaluation of Corridors working paper (Working Paper #3). The purpose of the working paper is to provide data and information to enable evaluation of each corridor being examined by the CETAP Advisory Committee in Western Riverside County. It provides an evaluation of each of the 13 corridors against the set of criteria identified earlier in the project. The body of the report provides an explanation of the process used in the evaluation and highlights of the evaluation of each corridor. A more detailed assessment of each corridor is provided in the appendix. Based upon information in this working paper, the Advisory Committee will decide and recommend which corridors should be studied and evaluated in greater detail in Phase II of CETAP. This recommendation will need to be made by the Advisory Committee in December. TransCore will present an initial recommendation for consideration by the committee at the December 7 meeting.

As part of the basis for that recommendation, Steve requested that the CETAP Advisory Committee members provide a ranking of the 13 corridors as to which they believed warranted further study. He passed out a memorandum describing the process. The committee members should read through Working Paper No. 3, which provides information pertaining to the corridors. Using the form in the handout, they need to identify five corridors in the high category, four in the medium, and four in the low. This needs to be returned to RCTC or to TransCore by fax, mail, or e-mail before Thanksgiving so that the results can be compiled prior to the next Advisory Committee meeting. Questions about the process or information in the Working Paper should be addressed to Steve.

5. Presentation and Discussion of Corridor Modeling/Analysis and Engineering Cost/Issues, including Southwest Area Plan Uniform Mitigation Fee Analysis Process

(Ruth-Ann Taylor-Berger, WRCOG)

Ruth-Ann Taylor-Berger gave a presentation on the initiative to develop a transportation mitigation fee program for the Southwest area of the County, also known as SATISFY 2000 (Southwest Area Transportation Improvement System Fiscal Year 2000). This project was initiated due to lack of funding for transportation infrastructure in Southwest Riverside County. The idea was to create a mechanism to systematically obtain funds for transportation improvements from all development that occurs in the future in this area of the County. A fee area has been established, and transportation improvements to be funded have been identified. Additional analysis is being undertaken to refine the program.

6. Presentation and Committee Critique of Transportation-Related Vision Statements

(Al Bell, The Planning Center)

Al Bell began discussion of the Draft Vision Statement for Riverside County. A copy of the Draft Vision Statement had been mailed out to the Advisory Committee along with the Agenda. Al asked the Advisory Committee to suggest additions or modifications to the vision statement. Jim Gosnell, SCAG, suggested that airports and High-Speed Rail be included in the Vision Statement for Riverside County. Al asked that additional comments be received by November 22.

7. Presentation on Caltrans' Project Development Process

(Richard Doyle, Caltrans)

Mr. Doyle gave an overview of how the Caltrans planning and project development process works. He explained that the process has evolved over many years and provided a handout that explains the process. The Caltrans process begins with feasibility studies and ends with a completed project. It combines engineering requirements, public involvement and federal and state approval steps, and is governed by a host of laws and regulations pertaining to programming, environmental affects, right of way acquisition and contracting for construction.

8. Presentation by Riverside Transit Agency on Process for Initiating New/Expanded Transit Service

(Susan Hafner & Steve Oller, RTA)

Susan Hafner gave a presentation on how RTA's transit system provides an option to congested roadways. She mentioned that \$38 billion is lost annually in the U.S. due to congestion on the transportation network. Susan also highlighted the successes of San Jose's new light rail system.

Steve Oller discussed the Short-Range Transit Plan (SRTP), which is a 7-year plan that is used to identify the RTA's program for operation, maintenance, and expansion (if possible) of the transit system. He also explained the funding sources that RTA uses for these purposes.

9. Joint Committee Meeting for CETAP, General Plan, and MSHCP Advisory Committees on November 22.

(Steve Smith, TransCore and CETAP Project Manager)

Steve mentioned that there would be a joint meeting held on Monday, November 22 at 9 a.m. for the CETAP, General Plan, and MSHCP Advisory Committee. Steve explained that this meeting would provide an overview of the three concurrent planning processes that are currently underway.

10. Other Business

(Steve Smith, TransCore and CETAP Project Manager)

Steve indicated that the next CETAP Advisory Committee meeting would be held on Tuesday, December 7, at 9:00 a.m. *at the Assembly Community Room, Registrar of Voters, 2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA*

11. Adjournment