



RIVERSIDE COUNTY INTEGRATED PLAN (RCIP)

**CETAP ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Riverside County Flood Control
1995 Market Street, Large Conference Room**

**Tuesday, March 6th, 2001
10 AM – Noon**

MEETING NOTES

CETAP Advisory Committee Attendees: Clem D. Lagrosa, USFS
Bill Landon, Morongo/Cabazon Project
Gail Wanczuk Barton, MSHCP Advisory Chair Terri Manuel, City of Corona
Joyce Deleo, Supervisors Appointee Sandra Massa-Lavitt, City of Temecula
Dick Doyle, Caltrans David McElroy, MWD
Janet Gless, Supervisors Appointee Rob McCann, LSA
Peter Kiriakos, Sierra Club David Miller, TransCore
Robin Reeser Lowe, RCTC Ronald Mueller, City of Riverside
Steve Oller, RTA Craig Neustaedter, Moreno Valley
Bob Perkins, Farm Bureau Anne Palatino, City of Corona
Ron Roberts, RCTC – City of Temecula Trent Pulliam, City of Moreno Valley
Dan Silver, Endangered Habitats League Roger Scherer, City of Murrieta
Joan Sparkman, Supervisors Appointee Darlene A. Shelly, City of Corona
Doreen Stadlander, USFWS Steve Smith, TransCore
Debra Varnado, SCAG Ed Studor, Riverside County TLMA
Helga Wolf, Supervisors Appointee R. Taylor Berger, WRCOG
Peggy Temple, City of Corona
Jim Wang, Menifee
Merideth Wichman, Sverdrup

Other Attendees:
Cathy Bechtel, RCTC
Glen Campbell, OCTA
J. D. Douglas, Parsons Brinckerhoff
Claire Harrington, Riverside County

Robin Reeser Lowe, Chair, began the meeting at 10:10 AM.

1. Public Comment Period

(Robin Reeser Lowe, Chair)
There were no public comments

2. Approval of meeting notes

(Robin Reeser Lowe, Chair)
Debra Varnado was added to the list of February attendees. There were no other changes and the minutes were accepted.

3. Report from MSHCP Advisory Committee and General Plan Advisory Committee

(Gail Wanczuk-Barton, MSHCP Chair)

On Thursday the committee met and agreed to forward the funding and implementation plan. Also forwarded was Alternative 1 as the project description with the other alternatives to be analyzed further.

The Farm Bureau voiced concerns about public notification of the process, especially individual landowners. These issues will be addressed at the next meeting.

Jim Henderson - GPAC is currently working on several elements. We have reached an agreement on land use and are continuing to work on the hazards element. Elements of the General Plan act as an umbrella to the Area Plans. We are currently working on getting the traffic numbers for the circulation element. We will then determine if the roadways will be adequate. We are also having an RCIP integration meeting on Friday to discuss the REMAP area. We will be finishing with this process by the middle of June and a report will be produced at that time.

Robin Lowe raised the issue that where cities overlap with the county in their spheres of influence, the cities are having problems with increasing density.

4. Report on development projects from Riverside County TLMA

(Ed Studor, Riverside County TLMA)

Two handouts were given. The first relates to development activity in the county. There were two projects in this handout, both pertaining to a change in zoning from 2.5 du/ac to commercial. This will affect the Banning/Beaumont to Temecula corridor. The developers are aware of the corridor issues. The second handout is from Bill Warkentin and is a summary of comments from a planning commission workshop held on 11/22/2000 regarding quality communities, efficient land use, and density. The Planning Commission is very concerned with our density bonus issue, what the end density will be, the level of development allowed, and the transportation infrastructure. The transit oasis could help define the boundary issue.

5. Report from the RCIP Integration Committee – approach to resolution of conflicts between CETAP and the MSHCP

(Steve Smith, TransCore – Jim Henderson, Sverdrup)

Steve Smith and Jim Henderson provided an overview of the process of resolving remaining conflicts between the MSHCP, General Plan and CETAP. The consulting team is working on resolution of those conflicts. These are brought to the RCIP Integration Committee for consideration and comment. The conflict resolution process is proceeding by groups of area plans. (note subsequent to the meeting – the Integration Committee is no longer looking at the individual conflicts. Rather, the consultants have been directed to prepare the appropriate documentation and analyses, and these will be brought back for review to an RCIP Steering Committee, individual working groups, and advisory committees, as appropriate.)

6. Report on Transit Oasis concept

(Steve Smith, TransCore)

Steve Smith indicated that Alan Hoffman has been re-engaged in the RCIP and is beginning with interviews with selected Riverside County Leaders. Alan is also tasked with integrating the Transit Oasis concept into RTA's 10-year strategic plan.

7. Report on progress on NEPA/404 process with Federal agencies

(Cathy Bechtel, RCTC)

A meeting was held in February in Los Angeles regarding the two internal corridors. Concurrence by the federal agencies is critical to this process. We are hoping to get an indication of concurrence by April 1st. They have requested additional information so they can comment on

the corridors. Our next meeting is March 9. We need agency concurrence on the alternatives to begin working on the EIR/EIS.

8. Presentation on status of the Moreno Valley to San Bernardino County Corridor and Riverside County to Orange County Corridor

(Cathy Bechtel, RCTC)

A technical committee meeting is scheduled for March 7th at 3:00 at RCTC. We are currently moving towards outreach meetings, tentatively scheduled for April 5th in Moreno Valley and the 10th in San Bernardino. A listing of all the alternatives was distributed. The full-range of options is being examined, including tunneling. Alternatives 10 & 11 were eliminated by CETAP but are being considered by the bi-county committee with options such as controlled access arterials, expressways, parkways, and transit.

Peter Kiriakos voiced his concern over the impact that a project may have on a greenway project that has been moving forward in the cities of Redlands and Loma Linda.

Robin Lowe raised the question over using consultant time to review options that were previously eliminated by CETAP. Cathy Bechtel indicated that we have to have all of the alternatives on the table. The \$250,000 that San Bernardino contributed made it truly a bi-county effort.

Riverside to Orange County Corridor – OCTA has hired a consultant to identify Orange County's needs and perspectives on this potential corridor. The CETAP team is meeting with them today to discuss how to move forward. The Forest Service will also be having meetings in the near future that we will be participating in.

Glen Campbell, OCTA – The outreach will be completed by approximately the end of April. OCTA is asking that all of the options remain open at this time so that they can present all the options to the communities. It is also important that the citizens do not feel that anything has been prioritized. The Executive Directors of RCTC, OCTA, and Caltrans District 12 have met to discuss bi-county issues.

9. Report on status of policies for the Circulation Element

(Ed Studor, Riverside County TLMA)

We are currently reviewing policy issues. General Plan policies are being developed for refinement. These will be available for discussion next month.

10. Public Comment Period

Peter Kiriakos summarized a California Sierra Club resolution for the committee. They oppose any cross-mountain corridor and support improvement of SR-91.

Residents voiced concern over artesian wells in Reche Canyon. Road pollutants and an old gold mine underneath the roadway will create engineering problems as well.

11. Adjournment

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The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.