



# Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee

## AGENDA

**Monday, December 7, 2020  
2:00 p.m.**

**Western Riverside Council of Governments  
3390 University Avenue, Suite 200  
Riverside, CA 92501**

**WRCOG's OFFICE IS CURRENTLY CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC DUE TO COVID-19  
AND STAFF ARE WORKING REMOTELY**

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### **SPECIAL NOTICE – COVID-19 RELATED PROCEDURES IN EFFECT**

Due to the state and local State of Emergency resulting from the threat of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), Governor Newsom has issued Executive Order N-29-20 (issued March 17, 2020) in which Section 3 supersedes Paragraph 11 of Executive Order N-25-20 (issued on March 12, 2020). This new order states that WRCOG does not need to make a physical location available for members of the public to observe a public meeting and offer public comment. The Order allows WRCOG to hold Committee meetings via teleconferencing and allows for members of the public to observe and address the meeting telephonically or electronically.

**To follow the Order issued by the Governor, the Executive Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, December 7, 2020, at 2:00 p.m. will be held via video and teleconference and any members of the public can attend electronically.** Members of the public may send public comments by emailing [snelson@wrcog.us](mailto:snelson@wrcog.us), or calling (951) 405-6703 before or during the meeting, prior to the close of public comment.

Any member of the public requiring a reasonable accommodation to participate in this meeting in light of this announcement shall contact Suzy Nelson prior to 2:00 p.m. on December 4, 2020, at (951) 405-6703 or at [snelson@wrcog.us](mailto:snelson@wrcog.us).

The Executive Committee may take any action on any item listed on the agenda, regardless of the Requested Action.

1. **CALL TO ORDER (Kevin Bash, Chair)**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

At this time members of the public can address the Executive Committee regarding any items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Executive Committee that are not separately listed on this agenda. Members of the public will have an opportunity to speak on agenda items at the time the item is called for discussion. No action may be taken on items not listed on the agenda unless authorized by law. Whenever possible, lengthy testimony should be presented to the Executive Committee in writing and only pertinent points presented orally.

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and may be enacted by one motion. Prior to the motion to consider any action by the Executive Committee, any public comments on any of the Consent Items will be heard. There will be no separate action unless members of the Executive Committee request specific items be removed from the Consent Calendar.

**Action items:**

- A. **Summary Minutes from the November 2, 2020, Executive Committee Meeting are Available for Consideration.** **P. 1**

**Requested Action:** 1. *Approve the Summary Minutes from the November 2, 2020, Executive Committee meeting.*

- B. **TUMF Program Activities Update: Approval of Reimbursement Agreement Amendments** **Chris Gray** **P. 11**

**Requested Actions:** 1. *Authorize the Executive Director to execute a TUMF Reimbursement Agreement Amendment with the City of Riverside for the Planning, Engineering, and Right-of-Way Phases of the Third Street Grade Separation Project in an amount not to exceed \$8,250,000.*  
2. *Authorize the Executive Director to execute a TUMF Reimbursement Agreement Amendment with the City of Moreno Valley for the Planning, Engineering, and Right-of-Way, and Construction Phases of the SR-60 / Moreno Beach Interchange Project in an amount not to exceed \$20,758,480.*

- C. **Approval of the General Assembly and Executive and Committee Meeting Schedule for 2021** **Rick Bishop** **P. 31**

**Requested Action:** 1. *Approve the schedule of General Assembly and Executive Committee meetings for 2021.*

D.	<b>Update on the Formation of a Western Riverside County Economic Development Corporation</b>	<b>Elisa Laurel</b>	<b>P. 33</b>
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**Requested Action:** 1. *Approve staff's recommendations for outreach to additional prospective EDC Steering Committee members and direct staff to return with a proposed final listing of Steering Committee participants.*

**Information items:**

E.	<b>Finance Department Activities Update</b>	<b>Andrew Ruiz</b>	<b>P. 35</b>
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**Requested Action:** 1. *Receive and file.*

F.	<b>Environmental Program Activities Update</b>	<b>Kyle Rodriguez</b>	<b>P. 41</b>
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**Requested Action:** 1. *Receive and file.*

G.	<b>Report out of WRCOG Representatives on Various Committees</b>	<b>Rick Bishop</b>	<b>P. 45</b>
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**Requested Action:** 1. *Receive and file.*

**6. REPORTS / DISCUSSION**

A.	<b>Report from the League of California Cities</b>	<b>Erin Sasse, League of California Cities</b>	<b>P. 59</b>
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**Requested Action:** 1. *Receive and file.*

B.	<b>PACE Programs Activities Update</b>	<b>Casey Dailey, WRCOG</b>	<b>P. 61</b>
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**Requested Action:** 1. *Direct staff to work with legal counsel and Residential PACE Program providers to discontinue both the statewide and regional residential Programs.*

C.	<b>GIS and Transportation Modeling Services Bureau Initiative</b>	<b>Cameron Brown, WRCOG</b>	<b>P. 63</b>
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**Requested Action:** 1. *Approve the proposed guidelines for a new GIS and Transportation Modeling Services Bureau.*

D.	<b>South Coast Air Quality Management District Activities Updates</b>	<b>Wayne Nastri, AQMD</b>	<b>P. 65</b>
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**Requested Action:** 1. *Receive and file.*

E.	<b>Activities Update from the Riverside County Office of Education Superintendent of Schools</b>	<b>Dr. Edwin Gomez, RCOE</b>	<b>P. 67</b>
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**Requested Action:** 1. *Receive and file.*

**F. Activities Update from the Eastern Municipal Water District / Western Municipal Water District**

**Brenda Dennstedt, WMWD P. 69**

**Requested Action:** 1. *Receive and file.*

**7. REPORT FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR** **Andy Okoro**

**8. REPORT FROM COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES**

SCAG Regional Council and Policy Committee Representatives  
SCAQMD, Ben Benoit  
CALCOG, Brian Tisdale  
SAWPA OWOW Committee, Rusty Bailey  
SANDAG Borders Committee, Crystal Ruiz

**9. REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** **Rick Bishop**

**10. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS** **Members**

Members are invited to suggest additional items to be brought forward for discussion at future Executive Committee meetings.

**11. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS** **Members**

Members are invited to announce items / activities which may be of general interest to the Executive Committee.

**12. CLOSED SESSION**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: 1 case.

**13. NEXT MEETING:** **The Executive Committee meeting scheduled for January 4, 2021, is hereby cancelled. The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 1, 2021, at 2:00 p.m., on the Zoom platform.**

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

# Western Riverside Council of Governments

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## Regular Meeting

~ Minutes ~

Monday, November 2, 2020

2:04 PM

Zoom Platform

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kevin Bash at 2:00 p.m. on November 2, 2020, on the Zoom virtual platform.

Chairman Bash welcomed the new Riverside County Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Edwin Gomez.

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### 3. CALL TO ORDER

Jurisdiction	Attendee Name	Status	Arrived / Departed
City of Banning	David Happe	Present	1:55 PM
City of Beaumont		Absent	
City of Calimesa	Jeff Cervantez	Present	1:55 PM
City of Canyon Lake	Jordan Ehrenkranz	Present	1:55 PM
City of Corona	Jason Scott	Present	1:55 PM
City of Eastvale		Absent	
City of Hemet	Russ Brown	Present	1:55 PM
City of Jurupa Valley	Micheal Goodland	Present	1:55 PM
City of Lake Elsinore	Brian Tisdale	Present	1:55 PM
City of Menifee	Matt Liesemeyer	Present	1:55 PM
City of Moreno Valley	Victoria Baca	Present	1:55 PM
City of Murrieta	Kelly Seyarto	Present	1:55 PM
City of Norco	Kevin Bash	Present	1:55 PM
City of Perris	Rita Rogers	Present	1:55 PM
City of Riverside	Rusty Bailey	Present	1:55 PM
City of San Jacinto	Crystal Ruiz	Present	1:55 PM
City of Temecula	Maryann Edwards	Present	1:55 PM
City of Wildomar	Ben Benoit	Present	1:55 PM
District 1		Absent	
District 2	Karen Spiegel	Present	1:55 PM
District 3	Chuck Washington	Present	1:55 PM
District 5	Jeff Hewitt	Present	1:55 PM
EMWD	Ronald Sullivan	Present	1:55 PM
WMWD	Brenda Dennstedt	Present	1:55 PM
Office of Education (ex-officio)	Dr. Edwin Gomez	Present	1:55 PM
TAC Chair	Andy Okoro	Present	1:55 PM
Executive Director	Rick Bishop	Present	1:55 PM

Note: Times above reflect when the member logged in; they may have arrived at the meeting earlier.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Arnold San Miguel, Southern California Association of Governments, submitted written public comments, which can be found as an attachment to these minutes.

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Murrieta
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Corona
<b>AYES:</b>	Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, Riverside, Temecula, Wildomar, District 2, District 3, District 5, EMWD, WMWD
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Beaumont, Eastvale, District 1
<b>ABSTENTION:</b>	Canyon Lake and Moreno Valley from 5.E only.
<b>NO RESPONSE:</b>	Banning, San Jacinto

**A. Summary Minutes from the October 5, 2020, Executive Committee Meeting are Available for Consideration**

**Action:** 1. *Approved the Summary Minutes from the October 5, 2020, Executive Committee meeting.*

**B. TUMF Program Activities Update: Approval of Reimbursement Agreement Amendment**

**Action:** 1. *Authorized the Executive Director to execute a TUMF Reimbursement Agreement Amendment with the City of Eastvale and the City of Norco for the Project Advancement & Environmental Document, and Project Specification and Engineering, and Construction Phases of the Hamner Avenue Widening Project in an amount not to exceed \$5,823,000.*

**C. Adoption of Resolution to Accept Clean Mobility Options Voucher for Community Transportation Needs Assessment**

**Action:** 1. *Adopted Resolution Number 28-20; A Resolution of the Executive Committee of the Western Riverside Council of Governments accepting a Community Transportation Needs Assessment Voucher.*

**D. Adoption of Resolution Authorizing Submittal of Application for Food Waste Prevention and Rescue Grant Program – Cycle 4**

**Action:** 1. *Adopted Resolution Number 29-20; A Resolution of the Executive Committee of the Western Riverside Council of Governments authorizing submittal of application – Food Waste Prevention and Rescue Grant Program – Cycle 4.*

**E. Appointments of WRCOG Representatives to Various Committees**

**Actions:** 1. *Appointed Brian Tisdale (Lake Elsinore) as the primary and Micheal Goodland (Jurupa Valley) as the alternate representative to the California Association of Councils of Governments for a term commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2022.*

2. *Appointed Jordan Ehrenkranz (Canyon Lake) and Linda Krupa (Hemet) as primary 1 and 2 respectively, and Larry Smith (Calimesa) as the alternate representative to the Riverside County Solid Waste Advisory Council / Local Task Force for a term commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2022.*
3. *Appointed Ted Hoffman (Norco) to the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority's One Water One Watershed Steering Committee for a term commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2022.*
4. *Appointed Crystal Ruiz (San Jacinto) as the primary and Colleen Wallace (Banning) as the alternate representative to the San Diego Association of Governments' Borders Committee for a term commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2022.*
5. *Appointed six representatives to SCAG Policy Committees for a term commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2022:*
  - 1) *Micheal Goodland (Jurupa Valley): Community, Economic, and Human Development (CEHD)*
  - 2) *Crystal Ruiz (San Jacinto): Transportation*
  - 3) *Linda Krupa (Hemet): Transportation*
  - 4) *Jordan Ehrenkranz (Canyon Lake): Energy & Environment*
  - 5) *Victoria Baca (Moreno Valley): Energy & Environment*
  - 6) *Christi White (Murrieta): CEHD*

**F. Finance Department Activities Update**

**Action:** 1. *Received and filed.*

**G. Western Riverside Energy Partnership Program Activities Update**

**Action:** 1. *Received and filed.*

**H. WRCOG Committees and Agency Activities Update**

**Action:** 1. *Received and filed.*

**I. Report out of WRCOG Representatives on Various Committees**

**Action:** 1. *Received and filed.*

**6. REPORTS / DISCUSSION**

**A. Report from the League of California Cities**

Erin Sasse, League of California Cities representative, reported that the Governor recently issued an Executive Order that would allow commercial activities such as restaurants to operate outdoor dining on the right-of-way such as highways.

The League is processing received applications from those who are interested in an appointment to a Policy Committee. The City of Blythe is hosting the next Division meeting on November 14, 2020.

**Action:** 1. *Received and filed.*

**B. Riverside County Economic Recovery Task Force Update**

Juan Perez, Riverside County Interim Executive Officer, reported that Riverside County has moved back into the purple tier. In order to advance into the red tier, which allows the limited use of indoor operations, the COVID positivity rate must be below 8%; the County is at approximately 6.1%. The case rate needs to be below 7 / 100,000 and the County is currently at approximately 11.5 / 100,000. Testing volume has increased significantly and the County is just about at the state-wide average.

The County has convened a Testing Task Force comprised of cities and businesses to continue building on the work to increase testing.

The County has submitted a request to the state for additional resources such as mobile testing sites and materials for self-testing.

Hospitalizations have increased over the last week; however, the numbers remain below those seen during the month of July.

The County has a Business Ambassador Program in which the County performs assessment of businesses upon request and provide any available COVID-19 resources.

The County's Board of Supervisors has directed the Executive Office to reach out to other southern California counties to determine ways to be more effective and develop a cohesive strategy by which the State can be approached in reopening the economy sooner.

Committee member Russ Brown indicated that constituents have reported to him that they were turned away from COVID-19 testing at a Walgreens because they were not experiencing any symptoms.

Mr. Perez responded that the Task Force is working with the private sector, which may have its own set of insurance requirements and/or policies.

Committee member Chuck Washington indicated that the adjusted case rate is based upon the volume of tests performed. This is why people are being asked to get tested.

Committee member Brian Tisdale indicated that he oversees all the County testing sites and he can be contacted at [btisdale@rivco.org](mailto:btisdale@rivco.org) for additional information.

**Action:** 1. *Received and filed.*

**C. Activities Update from the Eastern Municipal Water District / Western Municipal Water District**

Brenda Dennstedt, Western Municipal Water District Director (WMWD), reported that Southern California is provided water through the State Water Project from the north and from the Colorado River Aqueduct. The Metropolitan Water District then distributes the water to the smaller water districts, who then moves the water to the retail agencies.

In 2006, WMWD was 100% dependent upon imported water. Today, WMWD is at 38% local supply and 62% imported water. Local water agencies have worked very hard to develop source water supplies such as ground water production and desalinization.



Over the last five or six years, WMWD has invested approximately \$175M in projects to fortify and take care of local water supplies.

**Action:** 1. *Received and filed.*

**D. COVID-19 Fiscal Impacts Analysis: Phase 2, Opportunities for Economic Development and Resilience in a New Era**

Teifion Rice-Evans of Economic Planning Systems, reported that the Inland Empire is facing a number of new challenges to economic development and economic resiliency such as the ongoing trend of consolidation and contraction at brick and mortar retail; the long-term trend of loss of middle class jobs; the competition for innovation economy jobs and skilled workforce; and substantial out-commuting by and quality of life impacts on Western Riverside County.

Pre-COVID-19 the Inland Empire had approximately 1.55M jobs spread across a range of industries. Even before COVID-19, retail job growth had slowed considerably. The logistics sector has become a key source of jobs, providing approximately 25% of net new jobs. The region is looking to provide jobs in a diversity of industries, including those that provide stronger wages and reduce the out-commuting of many skilled residents.

Mixed-use town centers allow for diversification of economic activity such as offering office, hospitality, entertainment, and education. Some jobs are high-wage, white-collar jobs. Higher resident and daytime populations boost retail. In Western Riverside County there are 10 retail centers which have over 200,000 square feet.

There may be selective opportunities to attract new private investment, housing, and jobs. New mixed-use districts and gathering places can be created. These would support a core of resilient retail.

Two industries which have promise for the region include health care and clean energy.

There is substantial growth in the population of those over the age of 65; this is expected to continue. This population drives a lot of healthcare needs. The national median wage for healthcare workers is 74% higher than the median wage for all industries. The Inland Empire has added 140,500 healthcare jobs since 2001. The nursing profession is expected to increase by 14% between 2019 and 2024.

The biotech industry is expected to double in value between 2015 and 2025. The Wet Lab Incubator at the University of California, Riverside, has boosted the industry's profile in the Inland Empire.

California has a target of 100% renewable energy by the year 2045. Renewable resources currently supply California 50% of its in-state electricity generation. California has over 500,000 clean energy jobs.

There has been, and will continue to be, an increase in the number of solar photovoltaic installation jobs between 2019 and 2029. The median wage in this industry is 13% higher than all industries. There are some large, publicly traded companies in California and clean energy-focused advanced manufacturing facilities in Western Riverside County specifically.

**Action:** 1. *Received and filed.*

**E. Update on the Potential Formation of a Western Riverside County Economic Development Corporation**

Elisa Laurel, WRCOG Program Manager, reported that in 2012 this Committee approved the Sustainability Framework, of which, economic development is a focus area.

Household incomes have decreased in the subregion and hundreds of thousands of residents commute outside of the subregion to work in the surrounding counties. Due to COVID-19, the leisure and hospitality sectors saw the sharpest decline in jobs.

Many of the jobs in Riverside County are low-wage and low-skilled and COVID-19 is only making matters worse.

There are funding challenges for economic development, there is a lack of coordination, California has a challenging regulatory environment, and there is a shifting perception of economic development versus community development.

A common factor amongst Economic Development Corporations (EDC) is that they are driven by the private sector and serve as a regional body. An EDC is the long-lasting vehicle for sustained economic development efforts to help the local economy.

Operational EDCs exist in many of the surrounding counties, creating a regional gap for Western Riverside County. In a recent Brookings Institute report, it was determined that the region could take an ambitious step towards investing in an EDC.

Advantages of an EDC include regional branding and marketing, a vehicle for sustained economic development efforts, service as an honest broker by focusing on the needs of the business first, and serving as a regional convener.

While there have previously been some efforts to market Riverside County, there currently is no one singular entity viewed as representing the subregion on economic development.

WRCOG is convening a group of stakeholders to further examine an EDC. This Steering Committee would include local elected officials, WRCOG staff, and representatives from local Chambers of Commerce and private industry. At its last meeting, the Technical Advisory Committee appointed six representatives to serve on the Steering Committee. It is anticipated that the Steering Committee meet three times during the month of December 2020.

Committee member Rusty Bailey commended WRCOG on continuing this process. It is obvious that the desire to form an EDC is a desire to compete with neighboring counties.

Committee member Kelly Seyarto commended and encouraged WRCOG to continue moving forward with an EDC and expressed the importance of working together to better the subregion.

**Action:**        1.        *Crystal Ruiz, City of San Jacinto; Micheal Goodland, City of Jurupa Valley; Ben Benoit, City of Wildomar; Brenda Dennstedt, WMWD; and Karen Spiegel, County of Riverside District 2, volunteered to serve on the Steering Committee.*

*NOTE: The vote for this item was combined with the vote for item 6.F.*

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	City of Jurupa Valley
<b>SECONDER:</b>	City of Wildomar
<b>AYES:</b>	Banning, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, District 2, WMWD
<b>NAYS:</b>	District 5
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Beaumont, Corona, Eastvale, District 1, District 3.
<b>NO RESPONSE:</b>	EMWD

**F. Proposed Project List for SCAG Regional Early Action Program Subregional Partnership Program**

Christopher Tzeng, WRCOG Program Manager, reported that the State has released multiple grant programs to increase housing planning and accelerate housing production in order to meet requirements of the Sixth Cycle Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA). Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) funding is being provided under Assembly Bill 101.

The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) is receiving \$47.5M, of which \$23.7M will be made available to establish a Subregional Partnership Program to align regional resources with RHNA allocations. WRCOG is eligible to receive approximately \$1.67M through the REAP Subregional Partnership Program. WRCOG will prepare an application to SCAG that will include a list of projects. These projects will assist member jurisdictions in meeting state law requirements for future General Plan updates.

WRCOG is in the process of updating its Subregional Climate Action Plan (CAP) in which 14 member jurisdictions are participating. WRCOG is proposing to perform an Environmental Impact Report for the CAP which will allow member jurisdictions to streamline greenhouse gas emissions analyses and expedite approval processes for housing developments.

WRCOG is also proposing to utilize REAP funds to assist on regionally significant projects that have recently been introduced – a Housing Trust Fund and the formation of an Economic Development Corporation (EDC).

Staff believes an EDC will help build homes in the subregion, which aligns with the purpose of the REAP funding of accelerating the production of housing. There are as many as 200,000 entitled units ready to be built in Western Riverside County.

- Actions:**
1. *Directed staff to submit the list of projects to SCAG for the REAP Grant Program.*
  2. *Directed staff to submit a letter to SCAG requesting REAP funding for the Economic Development Corporation.*

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	City of Jurupa Valley
<b>SECONDER:</b>	City of Wildomar
<b>AYES:</b>	Banning, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, District 2, WMWD
<b>NAYS:</b>	District 5
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Beaumont, Corona, Eastvale, District 1, District 3.
<b>NO RESPONSE:</b>	EMWD

## 7. REPORT FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR

Andy Okoro, Technical Advisory Committee Chair, reported that the Technical Advisory Committee supports the formation of an Economic Development Corporation.

## 8. REPORT FROM COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Committee member Ben Benoit, South Coast Air Quality Management District representative for cities in Riverside County, reported that the Fire Rule regarding wood burning fireplaces has been updated.

Committee member Crystal Ruiz, SANDAG Borders Committee representative, reported that the Committee discussed the coordination of the 2020 Census, the 2019 Cross Border Travel Survey update, and efforts to coordinate the Tijuana Water Basin trans-boundaries water conditions.

## 9. REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Rick Bishop reported that the most recent Future Forward webinar series was on the potential impacts of COVID-19 and the future of the office. The next webinar scheduled for December 3, 2020, will discuss grant writing.

The WRCOGCast continues with approximately 45 recorded episodes.

## 10. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

There were no items for future agendas.

## 11. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee member Kelly Seyarto announced that depending on the outcome of the current election this may be his last meeting and encouraged the great work of the Agency and support by its member jurisdictions.

Chair Kevin Bash indicated that the City of Norco will be filming a Veteran's Day appreciation video. The City will also be filming a Pearl Harbor appreciation day video.

## 12. NEXT MEETING

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 7, 2020, at 2:00 p.m., on the Zoom platform.

## 13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

**From:** [Arnold San Miguel](#)  
**To:** [Suzy Nelson](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comments for WRCOG Executive Committee November 2, 2020  
**Date:** Monday, November 2, 2020 1:39:36 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Hi Suzy,  
Public Comments for WRCOG Executive Committee November 2, 2020 meeting.  
Thanks,  
Arnold

### **6TH Cycle RHNA Appeals Process Update**

The window for cities to appeal their draft Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) allocation is now closed, as of this Monday at 5 p.m. A total of more than 50 appeals were filed by local jurisdictions. Following the Regional Council's adoption of Connect SoCal in its entirety on Sept. 3, SCAG distributed the draft allocations to local jurisdictions on Sept. 4. The appeals process, which was open from Sept. 11 to Oct. 26, follows steps laid out in the adopted RHNA Appeals Procedures. All appeals received by SCAG have been posted on SCAG's RHNA webpage. Local jurisdictions and the State Department of Housing and Community Development may now provide comments on the appeals submitted to SCAG. Comments should be sent to [housing@scag.ca.gov](mailto:housing@scag.ca.gov) before 5 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 10. SCAG staff will contact the jurisdictions that filed or are subject to appeals to share the date of their RHNA Appeals Hearings. The hearings are scheduled to take place between Dec. 11, 2020, and Jan. 10, 2021, but may also be extended until Feb. 9, 2021. For questions or comments about RHNA, please contact [housing@scag.ca.gov](mailto:housing@scag.ca.gov).

### **11<sup>th</sup> Annual Southern California Economic Summit**

Registration is now open for The 11th Annual Southern California Economic Summit - Charting an Inclusive Regional Recovery  
VIRTUAL EVENT TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2020 9:00 A.M. – NOON  
On Tuesday, Dec. 1, SCAG will host the Southern California Economic Summit virtually for the first time in its 11-year history.

This annual conversation about the state of the region's economy comes at a time of unprecedented crisis. In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, Southern California's cities, families and cornerstone industries have all been seismically impacted and face enormous challenges on the road to recovery. Hear from leading voices in business, industry, planning and academia as they define strategies for building back a strong, inclusive Southern California economy.

Here's a preview of the panel and roundtable session topics:

Panel: Resiliency in the Era of Disruption

This panel will address the question of resiliency and discuss the types of tools, resources and reforms available to local governments to provide a stable foundation for the future.

Roundtables: Taking Action Toward a More Inclusive Economy

Equity is an important dimension of each of our region's most pressing economic concerns. This session will tie together the interrelated issues of housing, transportation and jobs access in a holistic look at what it will take to build a truly equitable regional economy. These roundtable discussions, each facilitated by a respected authority in the field, will build out from a central issue, teasing out complex questions and providing an opportunity for attendees to have a voice in developing lasting solutions to lift all Southern Californians on the road to economic recovery.

General admission tickets are \$50. The ticket fee may be waived for elected officials and city managers of SCAG's member jurisdictions. There will be no general admission refunds after Nov. 9. Online registration closes Nov. 30.

For more information, please contact Linda Jones at (213) 236-1912 or by email at [jonesl@scag.ca.gov](mailto:jonesl@scag.ca.gov).

We hope you will join us, along with Southern California's civic and business leaders, for this vital conversation on the region's economic future.



**Arnold San Miguel**

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# Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee

## Staff Report

**Subject:** TUMF Program Activities Update: Approval of Reimbursement Agreement Amendments

**Contact:** Chris Gray, Director of Transportation & Planning, [cgray@wrcog.us](mailto:cgray@wrcog.us), (951) 405-6710

**Date:** December 7, 2020

*The purpose of this item is to request approval of a Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee (TUMF) Reimbursement Agreement Amendment.*

### **Requested Actions:**

1. Authorize the Executive Director to execute a TUMF Reimbursement Agreement Amendment with the City of Riverside for the Planning, Engineering, and Right-of-Way Phases of the Third Street Grade Separation Project in an amount not to exceed \$8,250,000.
2. Authorize the Executive Director to execute a TUMF Reimbursement Agreement Amendment with the City of Moreno Valley for the Planning, Engineering, and Right-of-Way, and Construction Phases of the SR-60 / Moreno Beach Interchange Project in an amount not to exceed \$20,758,480.

*WRCOG's TUMF Program is a regional fee program designed to provide transportation and transit infrastructure that mitigates the impact of new growth in Western Riverside County.*

### **TUMF Reimbursement Agreements Amendments**

Two Reimbursement Agreement Amendments are being presented for approval. A Reimbursement Agreement is a document between WRCOG and a member jurisdiction which allows WRCOG to provide funding to the jurisdiction for TUMF expenses incurred for the planning, design, and/or construction of a TUMF project.

#### **The City of Riverside:**

1. The Third Street Grade Separation Project Agreement is amended to increase the Right-of-Way phase by \$250,000, consistent with the TUMF Northwest Zone Transportation Improvement Plan. The Agreement covers the Project Advancement and Environmental Document (PA&ED), Engineering, and Right-of-Way Phases in an amount not to exceed \$8,250,000.

#### **The City of Moreno Valley:**

2. The SR-60 / Moreno Beach Interchange Project Agreement is amended to decrease the PA&ED phase by \$38,150.87 and reallocate these funds to the Plan, Specification & Engineering phase, consistent with the TUMF Central Zone Transportation Improvement Plan. The Agreement covers the PA&ED, Engineering, Right-of-Way Phases, and Construction phases in an amount not to exceed \$20,758,480.

**Prior Actions:**

**June 4, 2018:** The Executive Committee authorized the Executive Director to execute a TUMF Agreement with the City of Riverside for the Third Street Grade Separation Project.

**March 6, 2006:** The Executive Committee authorized the Executive Director to execute a TUMF Agreement with the City of Moreno Valley for the SR-60 / Moreno Beach Interchange Project.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Transportation Department activities are included in the Agency's adopted Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Budget under the Transportation Department.

**Attachments:**

1. TUMF Reimbursement Agreement Amendment with the City of Riverside for the Third Street Grade Separation Project.
2. TUMF Reimbursement Agreement Amendment with the City of Moreno Valley for the SR-60 / Moreno Beach Interchange Project.



# Item 5.B

TUMF Program Activities Update:  
Approval of Reimbursement  
Agreement Amendments

## Attachment 1

TUMF Reimbursement Agreement  
Amendment with the City of  
Riverside for the Third Street Grade  
Separation Project

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**AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO TRANSPORTATION UNIFORM MITIGATION FEE  
PROGRAM AGREEMENT  
THIRD STREET GRADE SEPARATION  
RIGHT-OF-WAY PHASE**

This Amendment No. 1 to Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program Agreement (“Amendment No. 1”) is entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, by and between the WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (“WRCOG”) and The City of Riverside (“City”), a California charter city and municipal corporation. WRCOG and City are sometimes referred to individually as “Party” and collectively as “Parties.”

**RECITALS**

A. WRCOG and CITY have entered into an agreement titled “Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program Agreement” that is dated July 26, 2018 (“Agreement”). The Agreement provides the terms and conditions, scope of work, schedule and funding amount for the planning and engineering phases of the Third Street Grade Separation.

B. The Parties desire to amend the Agreement by adding a right of way phase to the Agreement, so that the Agreement provides the terms and conditions, scope of work, schedule and funding amounts for the planning, engineering, and right of way phases of the Third Street Grade Separation (hereinafter, the “Project”).

C. The Parties further desire to amend the Agreement by increasing the funding amount for the Project pursuant to Sections 6 and 33 of the Agreement.

D. The initial reimbursement agreement only provided funding for the planning and engineering phases. The Parties now wish to provide funding for the right of way phase. Funds

are being increased for this Project because new funding has become available.

## AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and subject to the conditions contained herein, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Section 1 of the Agreement is hereby replaced in its entirety by the following:

Description of the Qualifying Project. This Agreement is intended to distribute TUMF Program Funds to the City for Third Street Grade Separation, (the "Project"), a Qualifying Project. The Work, including a timetable and a detailed scope of work, is more fully described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference and, pursuant to Section 20 below, is subject to modification if requested by the City and approved by WRCOG. The work shall be consistent with one or more of the defined WRCOG Call for Projects phases detailed herein as follows:

- 1) PA&ED — Project Approvals & Environmental Document
- 2) PS&E — Plans, Specifications and Estimates
- 3) ROW — Right of Way

2. The Funding Amount contained in Section 2 of the Agreement is hereby increased by **Four Million Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$4,250,000)** from **Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000)** to an amount not to exceed **Eight Million Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$8,250,000)**.

2. The foregoing increase in the Funding Amount is within the Maximum TUMF

Share.

3. Section 10 of the Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following provision:

CITY's Local Match Contribution. The CITY shall provide at least **Eighteen Million Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$18,750,000)** of funding toward the Work, as shown in Exhibit "A" and as called out in the CITY's Project Nomination Form submitted to WRCOG in response to its Call for Projects.

4. Exhibits "A", "A-1", and "A-2" of the Agreement are hereby replaced in their entirety by Exhibits "A", "A-1", and "A-2" of this Amendment No. 1, which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

5. The above-stated Recitals are hereby fully incorporated into this Amendment No. 1.

6. Except to the extent specifically modified or amended hereunder, all of the terms, covenants and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect between the Parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Amendment No. 1 to be executed by their duly authorized representatives to be effective on the day and year first written above.

WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL  
OF GOVERNMENTS

CITY OF RIVERSIDE, a municipal corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Rick Bishop, Executive Director

City Manager

Approved to Form:

Approved to Form:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Steven C. DeBaun  
General Counsel

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy City Attorney

Attest:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

## Exhibit A

## SCOPE OF SERVICES

**SCOPE OF WORK:** The project will design and construct an underpass at the existing Third Street at-grade crossing of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) railroad in the City of Riverside. Third Street will be lowered from about Vine Street to Park Avenue and a bridge will be constructed to convey rail traffic. The project also requires the realignment of Commerce Street, construction of slopes, retaining walls, and storm water pump station as well as relocation of wet and dry utilities. Project design consists of the following phases:

- 1) Project Approval and Environmental Documents (PA&ED) phase – Complete preliminary engineering and obtain environmental clearance for the project;
- 2) Plans, Specifications, and Estimate (PS&E) phase – Prepare construction documents and advertise the project for bids
- 3) Right of Way phase – Determine Project’s Right of Way impacts, prepare Legal descriptions and Plats, perform appraisals, acquire Temporary Construction Easements, and acquire part-take and full-take properties including Eminent Domain in order to advertise the project for bids and construct the proposed improvements.

**EXHIBIT "A-1"****ESTIMATE OF COST**

<b>Phase</b>	<b>TUMF</b>	<b>LOCAL/STATE/FEDERAL</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>PA&amp;ED</b>	\$1,500,000		\$1,500,000
<b>PS&amp;E</b>	\$2,500,000		\$2,500,000
<b>RIGHT OF WAY</b>	\$4,250,000	\$18,750,000	\$23,000,000
<b>CONSTRUCTION</b>		\$28,500,000	\$28,500,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,250,000</b>	<b>\$47,250,000</b>	<b>\$55,500,000</b>

**This Amendment is for the Right of Way Phase only.**



**EXHIBIT "A-2"**  
**PROJECT SCHEDULE**

**TIMEABLE:**

<b>Phase</b>	<b>Estimated Completion Date</b>	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>PA&amp;ED</b>	12/2020	\$1,500,000	
<b>PS&amp;E</b>	12/2022	\$2,500,000	
<b>RIGHT OF WAY</b>	12/2022	\$23,000,000	
<b>CONSTRUCTION</b>	07/2025	\$28,500,000	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$55,500,000</b>	

**This Amendment is for the Right of Way Phase only.**

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# Item 5.B

TUMF Program Activities Update:  
Approval of Reimbursement  
Agreement Amendments

## Attachment 2

TUMF Reimbursement Agreement  
Amendment with the City of Moreno  
Valley for the SR-60 / Moreno Beach  
Interchange Project

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**AMENDMENT NO. 8 TO TRANSPORTATION UNIFORM MITIGATION FEE  
PROGRAM AGREEMENT**

**MORENO BEACH/SR-60 INTERCHANGE**

This Amendment No. 8 to Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program Agreement (“Amendment No. 8”) is entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, by and between the WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (“WRCOG”) and **CITY OF MORENO VALLEY** (“AGENCY”). WRCOG and the AGENCY are sometimes referred to individually as “Party” and collectively as “Parties.”

**RECITALS**

A. WRCOG and AGENCY have entered into an agreement titled “Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program Agreement” that is dated **March 14, 2006** (“Agreement”). The Agreement provides the terms and conditions, scope of work, schedule and funding amount for the construction of the **MORENO BEACH/SR-60 INTERCHANGE** (hereinafter the “Project”).

B. “WRCOG and AGENCY have entered into an amendment to the Agreement titled “Amendment No. 1 to Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program Agreement” that is dated **July 24, 2008** (“Amendment No. 1”).”

C. “WRCOG and AGENCY have entered into an amendment to the Agreement titled “Amendment No. 2 to Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program Agreement” that is dated **August 18, 2010** (“Amendment No. 2”).”

D. “WRCOG and AGENCY have entered into an amendment to the Agreement titled

“Amendment No. 3 to Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program Agreement” that is dated **August 5, 2013** (“Amendment No. 3”).”

E. “WRCOG and AGENCY have entered into an amendment to the Agreement titled “Amendment No. 4 to Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program Agreement” that is dated **July 26, 2017** (“Amendment No. 4”).”

F. “WRCOG and AGENCY have entered into an amendment to the Agreement titled “Amendment No. 5 to Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program Agreement” that is dated **September 9, 2019** (“Amendment No. 5”).”

G. “WRCOG and AGENCY have entered into an amendment to the Agreement titled “Amendment No. 6 to Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program Agreement” that is dated **January 7, 2020** (“Amendment No. 6”).”

H. “WRCOG and AGENCY have entered into an amendment to the Agreement titled “Amendment No. 7 to Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program Agreement” that is dated **September 29, 2020** (“Amendment No. 7”).”

I. The Parties desire to amend the Agreement, as amended by Amendment Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, by decreasing the funding amount in the Project Approval & Environmental Documentation (PA&ED) Phase and increasing the funding amount in the Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) Phase by the same amount as set forth in “Exhibit A-1” of this Amendment.

**AGREEMENT**

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and subject to the conditions contained herein, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

1. The Funding Amount contained in Section 2 of the Agreement as amended by Amendment Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 PA&ED Phase is hereby decreased by Thirty-eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty Dollars and Eighty-seven Cents (\$38,150.87) to an amount not to exceed Eight Hundred Sixty-one Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-nine Dollars and Thirteen Cents (\$861,849.13). Funding is hereby reallocated to the PS&E Phase in the amount of Thirty-eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty Dollars and Eighty-seven Cents (\$38,150.87) to an amount not to exceed Three Million Five Hundred Seventy Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Dollars and Eighty-seven Cents (\$3,570,630.87). The Total Funding amount of Twenty Million Seven Hundred Fifty-eight Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$20,758,480) remains the same.

2. Exhibits “A” and “A-1” of the Agreement as amended by Amendments Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 are hereby replaced in their entirety by Exhibits “A” and “A-1”, of this Amendment No. 8, which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

3. The foregoing reallocation of the Funding Amount is within the Maximum TUMF Share.

4. The above-stated Recitals are hereby fully incorporated into this Amendment No. 8.

5. Except to the extent specifically modified or amended hereunder, all of the terms, covenants and conditions of the Agreement as amended, shall remain in full force and effect between the Parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Amendment No. 8 to be executed by their duly authorized representatives to be effective on the day and year first written above.

WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL  
OF GOVERNMENTS

CITY OF MORENO VALLEY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rick Bishop, Executive Director

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Michael L. Wolfe, P.E.  
Public Works Director/City Engineer

Approved to Form:

Approved to Form:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Steven C. DeBaun  
General Counsel

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Attorney

Attest:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pat Jacquez-Nares  
City Clerk



## Exhibit A

## SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Project scope consists of design, environmental revalidation, right-of-way and utility confirmation, and construction phase services for Moreno Beach Phase 2/SR-60 Interchange.

The purpose of the overall project is to alleviate congestion, enhance freeway access, and increase vertical clearance for the SR-60/Moreno Beach Drive Interchange. The purpose of the project will be achieved, in general, by realigning the SR-60/Moreno Beach Drive ramps, adding auxiliary lanes, and replacing the overcrossing structure at SR-60/Moreno Beach Drive.

The scope of work for Phase 2 consists of the following: 1) reconstruction and realignment of the SR-60/Moreno Beach Drive westbound freeway ramps including addition of a westbound loop on-ramp; 2) construction of a westbound auxiliary lane, 3) installation of signalization at the intersection of the westbound ramp and Moreno Beach Drive, 4) provision for California Highway Patrol (CHP) enforcement areas, 5) addition of ramp metering, 6) replacement of the SR-60/Moreno Beach Drive overcrossing structure including raising the roadway profile and adjusting the eastbound ramps, traffic signals, and Moreno Beach Drive to grade, 7) utility relocations, 8) provision for highway planting and irrigation, and/or hardscape for the entire interchange, 9) accommodation of off-site drainage including Line K-1 along Ironwood Avenue (non-TUMF funded), 10) addition of bike lanes and sidewalks on Moreno Beach Drive, and 11) related work as required. Utility coordination is included to bring design plans up to date.

The project's Phase 1 was completed in 2013, constituting the eastbound ramps, eastbound auxiliary lane, Eucalyptus extension improvements, and related utility relocations. Phase 2 constitutes all remaining work. All work will be performed in accordance with the requirements of the California Department of Transportation (Department), City of Moreno Valley, and/or other agencies as required.

**EXHIBIT "A-1"**  
**ESTIMATE OF COST**

<b>Phase</b>	<b>TUMF</b>
<b>PA&amp;ED</b>	\$861,849.13
<b>PS&amp;E</b>	\$3,570,630.87
<b>RIGHT OF WAY</b>	\$5,626,000
<b>CONSTRUCTION Phase 1</b>	\$3,500,000
<b>CONSTRUCTION Phase 2</b>	\$7,200,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$20,758,480



# Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee

## Staff Report

**Subject:** Approval of the General Assembly and Executive Committee Meeting Schedule for 2021

**Contact:** Rick Bishop, Executive Director, [rbishop@wrcog.us](mailto:rbishop@wrcog.us), (951) 405-6701

**Date:** December 7, 2020

*The purpose of this item is to provide and obtain approval of a meeting schedule for 2021.*

**Requested Action:**

1. Approve the schedule of General Assembly and Executive Committee meetings for 2021.

Below are the proposed meeting dates for the General Assembly and Executive Committee meetings for 2021. All Executive Committee meeting dates are proposed for the first Monday of the month and are scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m., virtually, until further notice. The 2021 General Assembly is set for the fourth Thursday in June and staff will be bringing back more details as they become available.

	Day	Time	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
General Assembly		6:30 p.m.	-	-	-	-	-	24	-	-	-	-	-	-
Executive Committee	1st Mon.	2:00 p.m.	4	1	1	5	3	7 & 25*	12**	2	13	4	1	6

\*Executive Committee meeting will be held virtually at 10:00 a.m., until further notice.

\*\*Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for the 2nd Monday (July 12) due to observance of Independence Day.

**Prior Action:**

None.

**Fiscal Impact:**

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

**Attachment:**

None.

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# Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee

## Staff Report

**Subject:** Update on the Formation of a Western Riverside County Economic Development Corporation

**Contact:** Elisa Laurel, Program Manager, [elaurel@wrcog.us](mailto:elaurel@wrcog.us), (951) 405-6752

**Date:** December 7, 2020

*The purpose of this item is to provide an update on exploring a Western Riverside County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) and to share an update on outreach efforts related to the formation of an EDC Steering Committee.*

### **Requested Action:**

1. Approve staff's recommendations for outreach to additional prospective EDC Steering Committee members and direct staff to return with a proposed final listing of Steering Committee participants.

### **EDC Steering Committee Formation**

Staff has completed extensive initial discovery and research on the potential formation of a Western Riverside County Economic Development Corporation and received positive feedback to move forward with further efforts. Generally, feedback has indicated that an EDC is needed to elevate the economic profile for the subregion, no single entity currently provides the services that an EDC will implement, and that the Western Riverside subregion is the appropriate level of geography around which to form the EDC.

The next step is to convene an EDC Steering Committee to examine EDC formation further, including governance, funding, roles, etc. It is anticipated that the EDC Steering Committee would have approximately 20 members, with approximately half drawn from WRCOG member agencies and the remaining members representing private industry, educational institutions, and non-profits. As part of the outreach process, WRCOG has identified a number of individuals representing these organizations who could participate in the EDC Steering Committee. Based on approval from the Technical Advisory Committee and Executive Committee, the EDC Steering Committee is currently composed of the following members:

### **Technical Advisory Committee Representatives:**

1. City of Beaumont
2. City of Corona
3. City of Menifee
4. City of Moreno Valley
5. City of Murrieta
6. City of Perris
7. City of San Jacinto
8. City of Temecula

## Executive Committee Representatives:

1. City of Jurupa Valley
2. City of San Jacinto
3. City of Wildomar
4. County of Riverside, District 2
5. Western Municipal Water District

## Next Steps

Outreach to Additional Prospective EDC Steering Committee Members: Staff plans to conduct outreach in December 2020 to the following entities for representation on the EDC Steering Committee to ensure an inclusive process that honors the perspectives of various industry areas and proposes the following:

- **Riverside County Departments:** Business and Community Services and Workforce Development
- **Non-Profits:** Inland Empire Community Foundation and Irvine Foundation
- **Higher Education:** University California, Riverside, and the Riverside Community College District
- **Private Sector and Major Industry:** Riverside Medical Center, NAIOP/SIOR, Bourns Technology, Webb and Associates, California Air Resource Board, Southern California Gas Company, Southern California Edison, Bank of America, Provident Bank, Citizens Business Bank, Best Best & Krieger, Varner & Brandt, Riverside County Building Industry Association, Fullmer-West Construction, Raincross Hospitality
- **Railroads:** BNSF and Union Pacific
- **Chambers of Commerce:** Greater Riverside Chamber of Commerce, Temecula Chamber of Commerce, Pass Area Chamber of Commerce, Corona Chamber of Commerce, and Lake Elsinore Chamber of Commerce

## Prior Actions:

November 2, 2020: The Executive Committee appointed five representatives to the EDC Steering Committee, including Karen Spiegel, County of Riverside District 2; Crystal Ruiz, City of San Jacinto; Micheal Goodland, City of Jurupa Valley; Ben Benoit, City of Wildomar; and Brenda Dennstedt, Western Municipal Water District.

October 15, 2020: The Technical Advisory Committee appointed Todd Parton, City of Beaumont; Mike Lee, City of Moreno Valley; Rob Johnson, City of San Jacinto; and Richard Belmudez, City of Perris, to serve on the Economic Development Corporation Steering Committee and directed staff to reach out to the other Technical Advisory Committee members that were absent, for the addition of two more members.

Subsequent to the meeting the following individuals were added to the Steering Committee:

- Jessica Gonzalez, City of Corona
- Gina Gonzalez, City of Menifee
- Kim Summers, City of Murrieta
- Christine Dramko, City of Temecula

## Fiscal Impact:

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

## Attachment:

None.



# Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee

## Staff Report

**Subject:** Finance Department Activities Update

**Contact:** Andrew Ruiz, Chief Financial Officer, [aruiz@wrcog.us](mailto:aruiz@wrcog.us), (951) 405-6740

**Date:** December 7, 2020

*The purpose of this item is to provide an update on the Agency audit for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 and financials through September 2020.*

**Requested Action:**

1. Receive and file.

**Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Agency Audit**

WRCOG's annual Agency interim audit was completed on June 19, 2020. WRCOG utilizes the services of the audit firm Rogers, Anderson, Malody, and Scott (RAMS) to conduct its financial audit. The first visit is known as the "interim" audit, which involves preliminary audit work that is conducted prior to fiscal year end. The interim audit tasks are conducted in order to compress the period needed to complete the final audit after fiscal year end. In November 2020, RAMS returned to finish its second round, which is known as "fieldwork." It is anticipated that the final audit will be presented to this Committee in January 2021.

**Financial Report Summary Through September 2020**

The Agency Financial Report summary through September 2020, a monthly overview of WRCOG's financial statements in the form of combined Agency revenues and costs, is provided as Attachment 1.

**Prior Action:**

November 19, 2020: The Technical Advisory Committee received and filed.

**Fiscal Impact:**

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

**Attachment:**

1. Financial Report summary through September 2020.

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# Item 5.E

Finance Department Activities  
Update

# Attachment 1

Financial Report summary through  
September 2020

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**Western Riverside Council of Governments  
Annual Budget  
For the Month Ending September 30, 2020**

**Total Agency Budget**

	<b>Approved Budget 6/30/2021</b>	<b>Thru Actual 9/30/2020</b>	<b>Remaining Budget 6/30/2021</b>
<b>Revenues and Transfers in</b>			
Member Dues	311,410	294,410	17,000
Operating Transfer In	2,208,432	552,108	1,656,324
Clean Cities	175,000	128,000	47,000
Solid Waste	112,970	112,970	-
Used Oil	376,396	376,396	-
WRCOG HERO	136,290	18,732	117,558
PACE Residential	78,000	26,158	51,842
PACE Commercial	200,000	40,750	159,250
CA HERO	1,464,730	104,821	1,359,909
Commercial/Svcs - Admin Portion	41,137	48,228	(7,092)
Retail - Admin Portion	89,632	25,051	64,582
Industrial - Admin Portion	236,729	963	235,767
Single Family Residential - Admin Portion	652,270	350,080	302,190
Multi Family - Admin Portion	267,415	78,288	189,128
Commerical/Service	987,281	1,157,478	(170,198)
Retail	2,151,178	601,220	1,549,958
Industrial	5,681,507	23,103	5,658,404
Single Family Residential	15,654,486	8,401,930	7,252,556
Multi-Family	6,417,964	1,878,901	4,539,063
LTF Revenue	676,500	676,500	-
<b>Total Revenues and Transfers in</b>	<b>\$ 40,539,536</b>	<b>\$ 14,896,087</b>	<b>\$ 25,643,450</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Salaries	2,053,769	389,577	1,664,192
Benefits	1,027,040	256,760	770,280
Overhead	1,443,294	360,824	1,082,471
Legal	285,600	39,968	245,632
Advertising Media	65,667	17,000	48,667
Bank Fees	33,885	1,695	32,190
Coffee and Supplies	3,000	464	2,536
Commissioner Per Diem	62,500	10,500	52,000
Communications - Cellular Phones	13,500	834	12,666
Communications - Computer Services	53,000	4,791	48,209
Communications - Regular Phone	16,000	5,799	10,201
Computer Hardware	10,000	2,315	7,685
Consulting Labor	2,268,780	353,660	1,915,120
Event Support	165,736	4,968	160,768
Office Lease	390,000	101,939	288,061
OPEB Repayment	110,526	110,526	-
Postage	5,350	609	4,741
Recording Fee	173,525	22,544	150,981
Supplies/Materials	75,478	2,120	73,358
Training	10,000	1,000	9,000
TUMF Project Reimbursement	30,892,416	5,452,536	25,439,880
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 40,468,538</b>	<b>\$ 7,140,429</b>	<b>\$ 33,328,110</b>

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# Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee

## Staff Report

**Subject:** Environmental Department Programs Activities Update

**Contact:** Kyle Rodriguez, Senior Analyst, [krodriguez@wrcog.us](mailto:krodriguez@wrcog.us), (951) 405-6721

**Date:** December 7, 2020

*The purpose of this item is to provide updates from the Solid Waste Committee, Used Oil Program, and the Clean Cities Coalition.*

### **Requested Action:**

1. Receive and file.

WRCOG's Environmental Department assists member jurisdictions with addressing state mandates requiring education and outreach programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The Environmental Department houses three programs to meet California's goals: 1) a Solid Waste and Recycling Program, which assists in developing strategies to reduce Short-Lived Climate Pollutants; 2) a regional Used Oil Recycling Program, designed to promote the proper recycling and disposal of used oil, oil filters, and household hazardous waste (HHW); and 3) the Clean Cities Coalition, which aims to cut petroleum use in the transportation sector through the integration of alternative fuels, vehicles and advanced technologies.

### **Solid Waste and Recycling**

Senate Bill 1383, Short-Lived Climate Pollutants (SLCP), establishes methane emissions reduction targets in a statewide effort to reduce emissions in various sectors of California's economy. This legislation establishes targets to achieve a 50% reduction in the level of the statewide disposal of organic waste, based on 2014 levels, by the year 2020, and a 75% reduction by the year 2025. SB 1383 also establishes an additional target by the year 2025 for edible food disposed of, requiring less than 20% to be recovered for human consumption.

CalRecycle has opened its fourth cycle of the Food Waste Prevention and Rescue Grant Program; with applications open until December 3, 2020. The purpose of this Grant Program is to reduce overall methane emissions resulting from the decomposition of organic waste in landfills by establishing new or expanding on existing food waste prevention projects (source reduction or food rescue) in California. To assist member jurisdictions in meeting the requirements of SB 1383, WRCOG staff seeks to use the grant to establish a regional food recovery network and provide food waste education and outreach to residents and businesses.

- The program will include education to increase the participation of food donors in food recovery programs by connecting food banks with more sustainable food generators. Surveying the subregions' top food generators will also provide qualitative and quantitative questions on food recovery and prevention giving results to CalRecycle and member jurisdictions.
- Staff will develop a Food Pantry Directory (an online map) that will allow residents to locate food pantries near them using an online map directory that provides basic information of each food pantry, including links to websites, locations, hours, etc.
- To connect businesses that have food surpluses with organizations that can recover and distribute food, staff will use a matching logic technology, Chow Match, an online application.

The Grant award allows for a maximum of \$300,000 per applicant. WRCOG applied for the full award range, allowing all expenditures associated with food waste prevention to be covered by the grant.

### **Used Oil and Filter Exchange Events**

Due to the health concerns related to COVID-19, WRCOG will continue to postpone all its in-person oil and outreach events throughout the subregion. Staff is utilizing other outlets to encourage proper disposal of used oil, oil filters, and household hazardous waste (HHW). For example, WRCOG provides public messaging using digital billboard advertising for used oil recycling messages. The digital billboard ads went live on August 24, 2020, and will run until February 1, 2021, along the I-215 freeway in the City of Perris. Additionally, on September 1, 2020, the same billboard message began to run on the I-15 between the 60 and 91 freeways in the City of Eastvale. In November, the Cities of Riverside and Wildomar began displaying the billboard ad, which will run until June 2021.



WRCOG has developed a new process to engage the public on motor oil recycling with safety and health in mind. Using a social media campaign to educate the public on how to properly recycle their used oil and oil filters, and how to exchange old filters for free oil filters. Members of the public will be able to participate via Facebook by clicking an advertisement that will open an online survey to complete, at which time participants will receive a virtual voucher upon completion. The voucher will provide the date, time, and instructions for participation and must be presented at the auto store for the filter exchange. Staff communicates with the auto part stores to confirm safety measures and procedures are in place before the event is held. WRCOG hosted the first event in Hemet on November 21, 2020; staff will provide an update on participation in a future staff report.

### **EcoHero Shows**

WRCOG is offering the EcoHero show to member jurisdictions' school partners at the K-5 level. EcoHero is a resource that introduces environmental topics such as used oil recycling, household hazardous wastes, and even food waste prevention, through songs, dance, and music videos, while explaining to students how they can make an impact by recycling at home and school.

EcoHero's adjustment to virtual education has helped WRCOG's educational programs continue during the stay at home orders. Riverside County School Districts started the new school year with virtual education for students and teachers, so WRCOG enlisted EcoHero to conduct 30 additional virtual streaming shows throughout the remainder of the school year across the subregion. WRCOG staff will provide an updated calendar to member jurisdictions once it becomes available in a future staff report. Following are the dates of upcoming December live-stream shows:

**Date:** Thursday, December 3, 2020

**Show Times:** 9:00 am

**School:** Columbia Elementary

**How will students be watching the show?:** All students from home

**School Address:** 21350 Rider Street Perris, CA 92570-8879

**Webinar Email:** [contact@mreco.org](mailto:contact@mreco.org)

**Date:** Friday, December 11, 2020

**Show Times:** 1:00 pm

**School:** Taawila Elementary

**How will students be watching the show?:** All students from home

**School Address:** 30344 Stage Coach Road Menifee, CA 92586-9128

**Webinar Email:** [contact@mreco.org](mailto:contact@mreco.org)

**Date:** Tuesday, December 15, 2020

**Show Times:** 9:00 am

**School:** Magnolia Elementary

**How will students be watching the show?:** All students from home

**School Address:** 3975 Maplewood Place Riverside, CA 92506-1848

**Webinar Email:** [contact@mreco.org](mailto:contact@mreco.org)

**Date:** Friday, December 18, 2020

**Show Times:** 9:00 am

**School:** Lisa J. Mails Elementary

**How will students be watching the show?:** At-Home

**School Address:** 35185 Briggs Road Murrieta, CA 92563-2346

**Webinar Email:** [contact@mreco.org](mailto:contact@mreco.org)

**Date:** Friday, December 18, 2020

**Show Times:** 1:00 pm

**School:** Stone Avenue Elementary

**How will students be watching the show?:** At-Home

**School Address:** 5111 Stone Avenue Jurupa Valley, CA 92509-4090

**Webinar Email:** [contact@mreco.org](mailto:contact@mreco.org)

### **Western Riverside County Clean Cities Coalition**

California continues efforts to rapidly accelerate the Zero Emissions Vehicle (ZEV) Market. Governor Newsom signed Executive Order N-79-20 on September 23, 2020, setting a target that by the year 2035, 100% of in-state sales of new passenger vehicles will be zero-emission, as well as ambitious targets for zero-emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicles. Getting to 100% ZEV sales hinges on rapidly building plug-in charging and hydrogen fueling infrastructure, an effort that will accelerate job growth and economic recovery.

To meet the goal, the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) with the help of local governments, has created a new initiative to streamline permitting for ZEV infrastructure in an effort referred to as the Permitting Olympics. The first phase focuses on electric vehicle charging stations – which has a rule book established by AB 1236 (Chiu 2015). "Medals" for actions to streamline permits for ZEV infrastructure will be awarded county by county, based on all the jurisdictions within the county:

Counties with 100% of their region streamlined = Gold

Counties with 75% of their region streamlined = Silver

Counties with 50% of their region streamlined = Bronze

**The Goal:** All counties 'Gold' by Earth Day – April 22, 2021.

**The Method:** Local "champions" work with their local governments to facilitate the adoption of permit streamlining processes. Coalition staff is organizing and helping facilitate training sessions related to the Permitting Olympics. Coalition staff is working with the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) and Go-Biz to help streamline AB 1236 for local jurisdictions. The training will offer three to five virtual meetings with the city and maintenance staff. Training will allow small groups to ask the question of how they can become faster streamlined. WRCOG and SCAG will work with member jurisdictions to schedule the virtual training, and Go-Biz will provide materials and present on best practices, sample ordinances, and more.

Sessions will be short with up to three jurisdictions per session. Training will begin in December 2020 and conclude by January 2021.

Tools: [Permit Streamlining Map](#), [Permit Scorecard](#), [Best Practices](#).

**Prior Action:**

August 3, 2020: The Executive Committee received and filed.

**Fiscal Impact:**

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

**Attachment:**

None.





# Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee

## Staff Report

**Subject:** Report out of WRCOG Representatives on Various Committees

**Contact:** Rick Bishop, Executive Director, [rbshop@wrcog.us](mailto:rbshop@wrcog.us), (951) 405-6701

**Date:** December 7, 2020

*The purpose of this item is to inform the Executive Committee of activities occurring on the various Committees in which WRCOG has an appointed representative.*

### **Requested Action:**

1. Receive and file.

This item serves as a placeholder for WRCOG representatives' use in providing materials or making comments pertaining to meetings of the Committee they have been appointed to.

### **CALCOG Board of Directors (Brian Tisdale)**

The CALCOG Board of Directors has not met since July 1, 2020; therefore, there is no update to provide.

### **SANDAG Borders Committee (Crystal Ruiz)**

The SANDAG Borders Committee met on November 20, 2020. The meeting agenda can be accessed at [https://sandag.org/uploads/meetingid/meetingid\\_5550\\_28368.pdf](https://sandag.org/uploads/meetingid/meetingid_5550_28368.pdf). Agenda highlights include:

- Work Plan for Memorandum of Understanding between SANDAG and the Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association on the Implementation of the Regional Plan
- Evolution of Cultural Resource Legislation
- CPUC Tribal Land Transfer Policy
- Best Practice: Tribal Cultural Use Water Standards

### **SAWPA OWOW Steering Committee (Rusty Bailey)**

The SAWPA OWOW Steering Committee met on November 19, 2020. The meeting agenda can be accessed at [https://sawpa.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/2020-11-19-OWOW-SC-Ag-PKT\\_WEB.pdf](https://sawpa.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/2020-11-19-OWOW-SC-Ag-PKT_WEB.pdf). Agenda highlights include:

- Monte Vista Water District | Septic-to-Sewer Conversion Program
- Santa Ana River Watershed Weather Modification for Water Supply Feasibility Study
- Phase 1A Monitoring Program to Assess Homelessness Impact on Water Quality in Upper Santa Ana River
- Disadvantaged Communities Involvement Program Status

**Prior Action:**

November 2, 2020: The Executive Committee received and filed.

**Fiscal Impact:**

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

**Attachments:**

1. SANDAG Borders Committee meeting agenda of November 20, 2020.
2. SAWPA OWOW Steering Committee meeting agenda of November 19, 2020.

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## Attachment 1

SANDAG Borders Committee  
meeting agenda of  
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# 2020 ANNUAL TRIBAL SYMPOSIUM

## ***2020 Joint SANDAG Borders Committee and Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association Annual Tribal Symposium***

**Friday, November 20, 2020**

**12:30 to 2:20 p.m.**

**\*\*Teleconference Meeting\*\***

This is a joint meeting between the SANDAG Borders Committee and the Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association to discuss policy issues of mutual concern.

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# ANNUAL TRIBAL SYMPOSIUM

**2020 Joint Borders Committee and Southern California  
Tribal Chairmen’s Association  
Annual Tribal Symposium  
November 20, 2020**

<b>Item No.</b>		<b>Action</b>
1.	<p><b>Opening Remarks</b>  <i>Chairman Edwin “Thorpe” Romero, Barona Band of Mission Indians and SCTCA</i>  <i>Borders Committee Chair Serge Dedina</i></p>	Information
2.	<p><b>Tribal Land Acknowledgement</b>  <i>Borders Committee Chair Serge Dedina</i>  <i>Hon. Erica Pinto, SCTCA (Jamul Indian Village of California)</i></p> <p>A Tribal Land Acknowledgement that recognizes and respects Indigenous Peoples as traditional stewards of the region’s land and the enduring relationship that exists between Indigenous Peoples and their traditional territories will be presented.</p>	Information
+3.	<p><b>Work Plan for Memorandum of Understanding between SANDAG and the Southern California Tribal Chairmen’s Association on the Implementation of the Regional Plan</b>  <i>Hasan Ikhata, SANDAG</i>  <i>Denis Turner, SCTCA</i></p> <p>An overview of the FY 2021-2022 work plan for the Memorandum of Understanding between SANDAG and the Southern California Tribal Chairmen’s Association will be presented.</p>	Information
+4.	<p><b>Evolution of Cultural Resource Legislation</b>  <i>Hon. Marcus Cuero, SCTCA (Campo Kumeyaay Nation)</i>  <i>Dorothy Alther, California Indian Legal Services</i></p> <p>An overview on several pieces of legislation in California which have strengthened the ability of tribal governments to be consulted regarding land use and other planning efforts will be presented.</p>	Information
+5.	<p><b>California Public Utilities Commission Tribal Land Transfer Policy</b>  <i>Hon. Cody Martinez, SCTCA (Sycuan Band of Kumeyaay Nation)</i>  <i>Rachel Peterson, California Public Utilities Commission</i>  <i>Kenneth Holbrook, California Public Utilities Commission</i></p> <p>An overview of a newly adopted policy and guidelines by the California Public Utilities Commission, which prioritize land transfers from investor-owned utilities to Native American Tribes with a historical interest in the land will be presented.</p>	Information
6.	<p><b>Best Practice: Tribal Cultural Use Water Standards</b>  <i>Hon. Eric LaChappa, SCTCA (La Posta Band of Kumeyaay Nation)</i>  <i>Mike Connolly Miskwish, SCTCA</i></p> <p>An overview of the recently enacted Tribal use standards enacted by the California Water Resources Control Board will be presented. The San Diego region has accepted the category of usage and is working with the tribes to determine what standards will be proposed and over which areas and activities.</p>	Information

**7. Public Comments/Communications/Member Comments**

Members of the public shall have the opportunity to address the Borders Committee on any issue within the jurisdiction of the Committee that is not on this agenda. Other public comments will be heard during the items under the heading "Reports."

**8. Adjournment**



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SAWPA OWOW Steering Committee  
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## OWOW Steering Committee Members

**Kati Parker**, Convener | SAWPA Commissioner  
**Kelly E. Rowe**, SAWPA Commissioner  
**Doug Chaffee**, Orange County Supervisor  
**Karen Spiegel**, Riverside County Supervisor  
**Curt Hagman**, San Bernardino County Supervisor  
**Rusty Bailey**, Mayor, City of Riverside

**Jose Solorio**, Councilmember, City of Santa Ana  
**James Hessler**, Altman Plants  
**Garry W. Brown**, Orange County Coastkeeper  
**Joe Kerr**, Regional Water Quality Control Board  
**Deborah Robertson**, Mayor, City of Rialto

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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
 OWOW STEERING COMMITTEE  
 Thursday, November 19, 2020 – 11:00 a.m.**

**AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER | PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Kati Parker, Convener)**
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**  
 Members of the public may address the Committee on items within the jurisdiction of the Committee; however, no action may be taken on an item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by Government Code §54954.2(b).
- 3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: September 24, 2020**



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**4. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. Monte Vista Water District | Septic-to-Sewer Conversion Program (SC#2020.19)**

**Presenter:** Mark Norton

**Recommendation:** Receive and file.

**B. Santa Ana River Watershed Weather Modification for Water Supply Feasibility Study (SC#2020.20)**

**Presenter:** Mark Norton

**Recommendation:** Receive and file.

**C. Phase 1A Monitoring Program to Assess Homelessness Impact on Water Quality in Upper Santa Ana River (SC#2020.21)**

**Presenter:** Mark Norton

**Recommendation:** Receive and file.

**D. Disadvantaged Communities Involvement (DCI) Program Status (SC#2020.22)**

**Presenter:** Rick Whetsel

**Recommendation:** Receive and file.

**5. COMMITTEE MEMBERS' COMMENTS**

**6. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

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Kelly Berry, CMC



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**2021 OWOW Steering Committee Regular Meetings**

Fourth Thursday of Every Other Month (January, March, May, July, September, November)  
 (Note: All meetings begin at 11:00 a.m., unless otherwise noticed, and are held at SAWPA.)

<b>January</b> 1/28/21 Regular Committee Meeting	<b>March</b> 3/25/21 Regular Committee Meeting
<b>May</b> 5/27/21 Regular Committee Meeting	<b>July</b> 7/22/21 Regular Committee Meeting
<b>September</b> 9/23/21 Regular Committee Meeting	<b>November</b> 11/18/21* Regular Committee Meeting*

\* Meeting date adjusted due to conflicting holiday.

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# Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee

## Staff Report

**Subject:** Report from the League of California Cities

**Contact:** Erin Sasse, Regional Public Affairs Manager, League of California Cities, [esasse@cacities.org](mailto:esasse@cacities.org), (951) 321-0771

**Date:** December 7, 2020

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*The purpose of this item is to provide an update of activities undertaken by the League of California Cities.*

**Requested Action:**

1. Receive and file.
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This item is reserved for a presentation from the League of California Cities Regional Public Affairs Manager for Riverside County.

**Prior Action:**

November 2, 2020: The Executive Committee received and filed.

**Fiscal Impact:**

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

**Attachment:**

None.

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# Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee

## Staff Report

**Subject:** PACE Programs Activities Update

**Contact:** Casey Dailey, Director of Energy & Environmental Programs, [cdailey@wrcoq.us](mailto:cdailey@wrcoq.us), (951) 405-6720

**Date:** December 7, 2020

*The purpose of this item is to request that the Executive Committee consider discontinuing WRCOG's Residential PACE Program.*

### Requested Action:

1. Direct staff to work with legal counsel and Residential PACE Program providers to discontinue both the statewide and regional residential Programs.

*WRCOG's PACE Program provides financing to property owners to implement energy saving, renewable energy, water conservation, and seismic strengthening improvements to their homes and businesses. Financing for these improvements is paid back through a lien placed on the property tax bill. The Program was initiated in December 2011 and was expanded in 2014 to allow jurisdictions throughout the state to join WRCOG's Program and allow property owners in these jurisdictions to participate. WRCOG currently offers HERO, CaliforniaFIRST, PACE Funding, and Ygrene as residential PACE providers and Greenworks, CleanFund, and Twain as commercial PACE providers.*

### Background

Effective October 16, 2020, Renovate America discontinued accepting new HERO applications and will be winding down its HERO Program completely in the coming months. With Renovate America exiting WRCOG's PACE Program, there will no longer be a statewide Residential PACE (R-PACE) provider under WRCOG's umbrella, unless the Executive Committee elects to continue with another provider.

The exit of Renovate America from PACE presents WRCOG with a number of options and decisions to make related to the future of the residential aspect of the Program. As has been previously reported, over the past four years there has been a marked decline in the volume of residential PACE assessments. Simultaneously, there has also been a marked increase in the number of recorded payoffs of existing PACE assessments each year. The table below presents the changes in PACE Program activities since Fiscal Year 2016/2017.

HERO Projects by Fiscal Year			Payoffs by Fiscal Year
Fiscal Year	Completed Projects	Percentage Decrease from Prior Year	Payoffs
2016/2017	23,560	-	6,591
2017/2018	13,537	43%	11,042
2018/2019	3,775	72%	10,449
2019/2020	1,601	58%	10,120

In concert with the changing nature of new PACE assessments versus existing PACE payoffs, staff has shifted from processing, recording, and signing off on new assessments to the ongoing administration of the remaining bank of over 40,000 assessments. Based on this shifting workload, WRCOG has commensurately adjusted staffing to respond to work needs by utilizing payoff and annual administrative costs to cover staffing. Based on the average number of PACE payoffs and the number of existing assessments, staff anticipates the total number of existing assessments could be less than 10,000 by Fiscal Year 2023/2024.

**Should WRCOG Continue as a Bond Issuer for Residential PACE?**

WRCOG currently works with three other R-PACE providers in addition to Renovate America: PACE Funding Group (PFG), Renew Financial, and Ygrene. Each of these providers have access to WRCOG's subregion only. In order to continue the residential statewide Program, the WRCOG Executive Committee would need to authorize one or more of these providers to be given access to WRCOG's statewide footprint. Should the Executive Committee decide to expand the CA HERO footprint to include these additional R-PACE providers, not all of them would have access to the entire footprint due to existing contractual limitations they might have with other bond issuers in California.

While continuing the subregional and statewide R-PACE Programs is an option, considering the significant decline in new R-PACE assessments in the past few years as noted above, staff believes it prudent to discontinue the R-PACE Program and focus on administration of the remaining existing residential assessments. This recommendation is for R-PACE only and does not include the commercial PACE Program.

**Prior Action:**

None.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Unknown.

**Attachment:**

None.



# Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee

## Staff Report

**Subject:** GIS and Transportation Modeling Services Bureau Initiative

**Contact:** Cameron Brown, Program Manager, [cbrown@wrcog.us](mailto:cbrown@wrcog.us), (951) 405-6712

**Date:** December 7, 2020

*The purpose of this item is to present information on a proposed WRCOG initiative to provide Geographic Information System (GIS) and Transportation Modeling services to member jurisdictions.*

### **Requested Action:**

1. Approve the proposed guidelines for a new GIS and Transportation Modeling Services Bureau.

*WRCOG provides a variety of services through its programs to its member jurisdictions such as the Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program, Grant Writing Program, Active Transportation Program, Climate Change / Adaptation, and the Public Service Fellowship Program. WRCOG is currently developing a program to provide GIS and Transportation Modeling services to its member jurisdictions.*

### **Background**

Earlier in 2020, WRCOG engaged in a comprehensive Agency-wide visioning session to explore new initiatives. One initiative identified for future investigation included implementing a regional GIS / Traffic Modeling Services Bureau.

This initiative was developed based on input from member jurisdictions as well as through a review of services offered by other agencies.

The concept of a GIS / Traffic Modeling Services Bureau is based on three items of input:

- Feedback from the WRCOG Planning Directors Committee, particularly for assistance with GIS services.
- Requests from consultants and other stakeholders for assistance with travel modeling, particularly as it relates to Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) estimates.
- Discussions with other regional agencies such as the San Diego Association of Governments and the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, which currently offer these services.

### **Examples of GIS and Transportation Modeling Requests**

#### **GIS / Mapping:**

- Community Development (Land Use, Zoning, Specific Plan) maps
- Crime maps
- GIS Applications – tracking graffiti, vector control, road maintenance
- Visualization mapping for city meetings

## Transportation Modeling:

- Traffic flow maps
- VMT mapping
- Land use scenarios

## **Proposed Guidelines for New Initiative**

The proposed work plan for the GIS / Traffic Modeling Services Bureau includes outreach with members of the Public Works and Planning Directors Committees to identify specific areas of assistance related to GIS and Traffic Modeling that would help member jurisdictions.

For discussion, WRCOG is proposing the following guidelines:

- GIS / Traffic Modeling services will be provided free of charge to WRCOG member jurisdictions unless the request(s) require more than four hours of staff time or other resources to complete.
- Requests that involve more than four hours to complete or go beyond normal work parameters will require a service fee, which will be calculated based on WRCOG's cost to provide the service.
- WRCOG will manage all GIS / Traffic Modeling requests which may require on-call planning consultants for completion.
- Requests will be prioritized on a first come-first served basis.
- An online request form will be made available via WRCOG's website.
- Requests will be fulfilled as quickly as possible, generally within two to three business days. For requests that may take more effort, the requestor will be provided with an expected schedule before work begins.
- Requests from non-member jurisdiction stakeholders (such as consultants) will be treated in a similar way except that all of these requests will be assessed a service fee.
- Staff will report back in six months with an update on the number of service requests and the overall results of this effort.

## **Next Steps**

WRCOG will be implementing guidelines, focusing on initial outreach, and preparing its systems to handle GIS / Traffic Modeling requests. Staff will be reaching out to members of the Planning Directors and Public Works Committees to apprise each jurisdiction of the new service opportunities.

## **Prior Actions:**

October 5, 2020: The Planning Directors Committee recommended approval of the proposed guidelines.

October 5, 2020: The Public Works Committee recommended approval of the proposed guidelines.

## **Fiscal Impact:**

WRCOG anticipates up-front costs to begin the service. These costs will be offset from additional revenue collected for services. These planning activities are accounted for in the Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Agency Budget with the Transportation Department.

## **Attachment:**

None.



# Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee

## Staff Report

**Subject:** South Coast Air Quality Management District Activities

**Contact:** Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer, South Coast Air Quality Management District,  
[wnastri@aqmd.gov](mailto:wnastri@aqmd.gov), (909) 396-3131

**Date:** December 7, 2020

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*The purpose of this item is to provide a presentation on current activities of the South Coast Air Quality Management District.*

**Requested Action:**

1. Receive and file.
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This item is reserved for a presentation by Wayne Nastri, South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) Executive Officer.

The presentation will include an overview on some of the challenges facing South Coast AQMD in the last year, including COVID-19, the development of the Eastern Coachella Valley Community Emissions Reduction Plan, PM2.5 attainment, and the recent ozone season. Mr. Nastri will also look ahead to 2021 regarding the development of the next comprehensive Air Quality Management Plan, funding opportunities, AB 617 communities, Carl Moyer reauthorization, and the latest on cleaner, heavy-duty trucks, locomotives, cargo shipping and more.

**Prior Action:**

None.

**Fiscal Impact:**

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

**Attachment:**

None.

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# Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee

## Staff Report

**Subject:** Activities Update from the Riverside County Office of Education Superintendent of Schools

**Contact:** Dr. Edwin Gomez, Riverside County Superintendent of Schools, [egomez@rcoe.us](mailto:egomez@rcoe.us), (951) 826-6670

**Date:** December 7, 2020

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*The purpose of this item is to provide an update of activities undertaken by the Riverside County Office of Education.*

**Requested Action:**

1. Receive and file.

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This item is reserved for a presentation from Dr. Edwin Gomez with an update on school reopening, waivers, technology, and responding responsibly.

**Prior Action:**

None.

**Fiscal Impact:**

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

**Attachment:**

None.

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# Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee

## Staff Report

**Subject:** Activities Update from the Eastern Municipal Water District / Western Municipal Water District

**Contacts:** Brenda Dennstedt, WMWD Secretary-Treasurer, [Bdennstedt@wmwd.com](mailto:Bdennstedt@wmwd.com), (951) 571-7224

**Date:** December 7, 2020

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*The purpose of this item is to provide an update of activities undertaken by WRCOG's water district representatives.*

**Requested Action:**

1. Receive and file.
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This item is reserved for a presentation by Brenda Dennstedt, WMWD Secretary-Treasurer, on imported water sources.

**Prior Action:**

November 2, 2020: The Executive Committee received and filed.

**Fiscal Impact:**

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

**Attachment:**

None.

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