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**Meeting Summary of the SANBAG Board of Directors**

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**MAY NEWS BRIEFS**

► **Board Approves Cooperative Agreement with Victorville for La Mesa/Nisqualli Interchange**

In an effort to keep this much-needed, much-anticipated high desert interchange project moving forward, the City of Victorville requested that SANBAG take the lead in delivering the La Mesa/Nisqualli Interchange, which includes support towards procurement of a construction management firm and award of a construction contract. The cooperative agreement that defines the roles and responsibilities between SANBAG and the City of Victorville was approved.

As detailed in the agreement, SANBAG Measure I funds are intended to pay for the net public share responsibility for the project in accordance with the SANBAG Nexus Study. The City will comply with provisions of the Measure I ordinance by insuring that as development occurs, development impact fees will be used to fully reimburse other city funds that may have been used for the project.

This agreement was vetted through the Mountain/Desert Committee which requested further analysis of the cash flow of the Mountain/Desert Major/Local Highways Program. Ultimately, after review of the analysis and receiving assurances that there would be sufficient cash flow for SANBAG to meet all of its obligations in the Victor Valley, the committee approved moving forward with the recommendation to the Board.

► **Hunts Lane Grade Separation Project Receives Approval to Advertise for Construction Contract**

Reducing delays and eliminating at-grade conflicts between trains and vehicles moved one step closer as the Board approved the recommendation for advertising a construction contract for the Hunts Lane Grade Separation Project.

This construction contract will be awarded based on verification of the lowest responsive bid in accordance with established criteria. The approved recommendation will allow for the approval of the award to return directly to the Board, bypassing committee and ensuring the earliest possible date for execution of the contract and start of construction. This time savings insures appropriate use of Federal and State funding.

Hunts Lane is a local street that connects Colton and San Bernardino just south of Interstate 10.



Caltrans District 8 Director Dr. Raymond W. Wolfe (right) presents SANBAG Board President Brad Mitzelfelt (left) with a certificate of appreciation.

► **Caltrans Director Thanks SANBAG for Partnership and Support**

In recognition of the “commitment to exemplary service and outstanding contributions in partnering,” Caltrans District 8 Director Dr. Raymond W. Wolfe presented a certificate of appreciation to the Board for the agency’s involvement in the Interstate 15 Mountain Pass Project.

**MEETING CALENDAR**

<b>MAY 11:</b>	Administrative Com.	10:30 am
<b>MAY 11:</b>	Plans & Progs Com.	12:00 noon
<b>MAY 12:</b>	Major Projects Com.	9:00 am
<b>MAY 12:</b>	Rail & Transit Com.	10:30 am*
<b>MAY 13:</b>	Mountain/Desert Com.	9:00 am
	(Town of Apple Valley)	

\* Or immediately following Major Projects Committee

<b>MAY 11:</b>	Redlands Passenger Rail Public Info Mtg.	4:30 - 7:30 pm
	(ESRI Café in Redlands)	
<b>MAY 12:</b>	Redlands Passenger Rail Public Info Mtg.	4:30 - 7:30 pm
	(Santa Fe Depot)	
<b>MAY 17:</b>	Downtown San Bernardino Passenger Rail Scoping Mtg.	5:00 - 7:00 pm
	(Santa Fe Depot)	
<b>JUN 1:</b>	SANBAG Board Mtg.	9:30 am



## ► 2012 Regional Transportation Plan Identifies Future Projects for San Bernardino County

Despite the challenge of predicting future conditions, SANBAG planners unveiled a list of projects for possible inclusion into the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2012 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

Below is an example of some of the projects being proposed. The list is not intended to be a complete listing of the RTP projects:

- **State Route 210 from Highland Avenue to Interstate 10** - add one mixed flow lane in each direction;
- **Redlands Passenger Rail Projects (Phases I, II, and III)** - extend passenger rail system to University of Redlands (Phase I), implement light rail technology (Phase II), and loop through Highland and San Bernardino (Phase III);
- **Euclid Avenue Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line** - nine miles of BRT with mixed flow and exclusive lanes from Foothill Blvd. to Chino;
- **Interstate 15 / Rancho Road Interchange** - develop a new interchange for access to Interstate 15 in Hesperia;
- **Lenwood Grade Separation** - eliminate the at-grade crossing conflicts at Lenwood Road in Barstow; and
- **Interstate 215 Widening between SR-210 and I-15** - add a mixed-flow lane in each direction.

It is possible that SCAG's estimates of transportation revenues will not allow all of the projects listed in the plan to be included in the financially-constrained RTP. In this case, SANBAG staff will work with SCAG staff to identify projects that should be moved to the RTP Strategic Element, and a report on the adjustments will be made to the SANBAG Board.

The RTP Strategic Element are those projects that would be pursued in the event that additional funding becomes available.

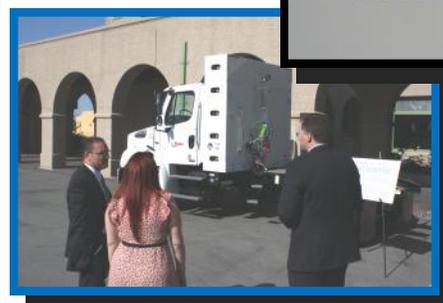
## ► SANBAG Partners with Ryder to Bring 200+ Clean Air Trucks to the Region

Recently, SANBAG entered into an agreement with the commercial transportation and logistics provider Ryder System, Inc., and other project partners to purchase and deploy approximately 202 heavy-duty natural gas powered trucks. The project includes construction of two public access natural gas refueling stations, three maintenance shop upgrades for NGV repair, and provides both maintenance personnel and customer training.

As part of a two-tier outreach event, one of these clean air vehicles was on display prior to the SANBAG Board meeting. During the meeting, Scott Perry, Group Director of Vehicle Supply Management for Ryder, recognized the value of partnerships with agencies like SANBAG.

"The forward thinking of the leaders here (at SANBAG) puts California miles ahead of the rest of the county," Mr. Perry said.

Since Ryder leases to a variety of end users, they are hopeful this will open the door to more opportunities to expand the fleet. Through this project "we are able to expose a number of industries to different technologies," he continued, "moving us further away from our dependency on oil."



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