



**ECOS Transportation, Air Quality & Climate Change (TAQCC)
Committee Meeting Agenda
Monday July 2, 2015, 6:00-7:30 pm
Mogavero, Notestine and Associates, 2012 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95811**

Attendees:

John Deeter, ECOS TAQCC cmte co-chair
Earl Withycombe, ECOS TAQCC cmte co-chair
Alex Reagan, ECOS Director of Operations
Brandon Rose, ECOS President-Elect
Traci Canfield, ECOS Member and Regional Transit Representative
Greg Thompson, Professor with expertise to provide on Streetcar
Delphine Cathcart, Streetcar Proposal Opposition
James Cathcart, Streetcar Proposal Opposition
Eric Will, Young resident interested in Transportation in Sacramento
Robert Coplin, ECOS member and DOGFITE
Terry Marlink, New resident
Steven Bourasa
Chris Brown, 350 Sacramento

6:00 p.m. – Welcome, Introductions, Check-Ins, and Changes to Agenda

6:05 p.m. -- Project to update the ECOS 50 Year Transportation Vision (2004)

Review the existing Vision

What is still valid? What needs to be updated?

- Basic framework underlying the existing Transportation Vision remains valid, but there have been significant changes in planning such as inclusion of land use in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) through Blueprint that need to be considered in updating the Vision.
- AB 32 now requires jurisdictions to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and SB 375 requires SACOG to include the GHG targets in the MTP.
- The first task may be a literature review: going through the process of researching current, peer-reviewed articles about potential ideas for Sacramento and bringing those findings to meetings like this. This will generate more creative thinking. This can be undertaken by volunteers and is also a more interesting of task for volunteers than most. Examples of articles: successes, issues & challenges experienced by other cities, e.g. Portland Oregon, and the failure of cities like Seattle to replicate that model.
- We can incorporate climate change laws that have been passed since we drafted the 50-year vision.

- There are ways to reduce GHG and increase Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) per region. Reducing GHG is not going to reduce VMT.
 - We also need to look at alternative fuels for fleet/material movement and people movement.
 - We also need to look at whether the review will be restricted to items that can be executed without additional statewide or local legislation (e.g. not relying on a future gas tax that does not yet exist).
 - Reduce the term of the vision. (The original 50-year vision really only reached out about twenty years.) 20 years? 35 years with intermediary targets along the way? The advantage is being in line with other plans that also look out that long.
 - There are new components to the General Plan that we can use, too.
 - Victoria Transport Policy Institute is an example of some of the great research being done on a global level on the issues we are looking at.
 - Our original vision includes less funding for bikes, etc. than SACOG now has allotted for bikes.
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- We should make sure that we focus our priorities on the percentage of people it affects.
 - At the same time, bicycles help people get to transit.
 - If light rail (LR) serves a lot more people, we should focus on that. Is there more federal funding we can get for LR in Sac?
 - Potential Effects of New technology – Uber, Lyft, Self-driving cars, telecommuting, reduced car ownership.
 - Will Uber or Lyft just increase VMT in the region though?
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- Look at where people are working, living and how they travel (outer outer suburbs, not in the center) – We can get this info from SACOG and the County General Plan.
 - Another transportation issue is students going to schools far from their homes, because of school districts opening up and charter schools moving in.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Research current, peer-reviewed articles on the transportation ideas we have for the Sacramento region. (one suggested resource is the [Victoria Transit Policy Institute](#))
- Review ECOS' current [50-Year Transportation Plan](#) to see where improvements can be made/goals updated (bar raised!)
- Review [SACOG's MTP/SCS](#) to see where we can improve upon it.
- Review [Sacramento County](#) and [City General Plan](#) to note policy changes.
- Look at where people are working, living and how they travel. SACOG and the County General Plan are good resources for this.

7:05 p.m. -- Other Business and Announcements –

Upcoming Agenda Items:

August 6th -- RT's long range plans, especially Land Use Growth Scenarios on and LR extensions
 350 Sacramento has an Oil Train Vigil scheduled for July 11th, 2015. Go here for more info:
tinyurl.com/oiltrainvigil.

7:30p.m. – Adjourn