

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA BARBARA
COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

ADOPTION OF THE 2008 REGIONAL)
TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR SANTA)
BARBARA COUNTY)
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RESOLUTION NO. 08-18

WHEREAS, Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations, part 450, and Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, part 613, require the preparation and updating of a long-range regional transportation plan by the Metropolitan Planning Organization; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, SBCAG, through the conduct of a continuing, comprehensive, and coordinated transportation planning process and in conformance with all applicable federal requirements, has prepared a 2008 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, the 2008 RTP has been prepared in cooperation with federal, state and local government agencies including local governments in Santa Barbara County, transit operators, Caltrans, the Air Pollution Control District; and the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians; and

WHEREAS, the 2008 RTP must be consistent with the applicable State Implementation Plan (SIP) as required by the federal Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Section 7401 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, SBCAG is the designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency for Santa Barbara County under state law; and

WHEREAS, Section 65080 of the California Government Code requires the preparation and adoption of a regional transportation plan by the Regional Transportation Planning Agency; and

WHEREAS, the 2008 RTP is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was prepared on the 2008 RTP; and

WHEREAS, draft copies of the 2008 RTP and Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) were made available and members of the public were given a reasonable opportunity to review the draft documents and provide input on the documents; and

WHEREAS; the Final EIR for the 2008 RTP was certified by previous resolution of SBCAG; and

WHEREAS, the 2008 RTP is financially constrained and funds are needed to implement the RTP; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 5: Road Repair, Traffic Relief and Transportation Safety (Measure A 2008) would establish a local funding sources for road repair, traffic relief and transportation improvements through continuation of a half-percent transportation sales tax for an additional 30 years. Measure A includes a Transportation Investment Plan that identifies

transportation projects and programs expected to be funded through imposition of the tax. The 2008 RTP and DEIR contain all the projects from the Transportation Investment Plan; and

THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED that the SBCAG Board of Directors determines that the 2008 RTP is consistent with the State Implementation Plan for Santa Barbara County, as directed by the Clean Air Act Amendments (CAAA).

BE IT RESOLVED that the SBCAG Board of Directors finds that the 2008 RTP will not result in an increase in the frequency or severity of violation of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SBCAG Board of Directors finds that the 2008 RTP was developed in accordance with public involvement procedures specified by SAFETEA-LU as expressed locally in the SBCAG Public Participation Plan adopted by SBCAG on December 20, 2007; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board has reviewed the responses to comments received from the public and interested agencies on both the RTP and EIR, (itemized in Attachments 2 and 3) and adopts those responses to comments as findings of this Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the CEQA findings and adoption of Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations set forth in Attachment 5 and the Mitigation Monitoring Plan contained in Attachment 6 are hereby certified by the Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the RTP addresses requirements prescribed in state and federal

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the RTP complies with State Transportation Law and the Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines adopted by the California Transportation Commission laws and regulations for the preparation of Regional Transportation Plans; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2008 RTP is the applicable transportation plan for SBCAG under state and federal law and supersedes all preceding RTPs and their amendments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SBCAG Board of Directors certifies that the urban transportation planning process is being carried on in conformance with all applicable federal requirements as described in the "Statewide Transportation Planning; Metropolitan Transportation Planning; Final Rule" dated February 14, 2007, and the federal Clean Air Act, as amended; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the SBCAG Board of Directors does hereby adopt the 2008 RTP.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of September by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:

Jim Kemp
Executive Director
Santa Barbara County
Association of Governments

Brooks Firestone
Chair
Santa Barbara County
Association of Governments

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kevin E. Ready, Sr.
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