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Dear Interested Parties,

Thank you for participating in the development of Connect SoCal (2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy) and its associated Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR). The SCAG Regional Council meeting to consider action on the Proposed Final Connect SoCal is scheduled for Thursday, May 7, 2020. The agenda for the meeting can be found [here](#).

SCAG is seeking action on Connect SoCal to avoid potentially jeopardizing any number of the over 4,000 projects in the plan, project funding and the creation of hundreds of thousands of jobs and billions of dollars of economic activity. SCAG will continue outreach to stakeholders over the next several months to better address any concerns and build greater consensus on this important blueprint for the region.

Due to the ongoing novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, SCAG's Regional Council will convene entirely via Zoom for the first time. As a result, the Public Comment portion of the meeting will be different from prior in-person meetings. Supporting the agency's commitment to transparency and to encourage public participation, SCAG is providing two different methods for the public to provide comments during the meeting:

WRITTEN COMMENTS

Written comments can be submitted via email to ePublicComment@scag.ca.gov by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 6, 2020. Written comments will be posted on the SCAG website for public view and included as part of the official record of the meeting. Detailed instructions on how to submit written comments can be found on pages 2-3 of the [meeting agenda](#).

VERBAL COMMENTS

Verbal comments can also be provided via Zoom (videoconference) or phone during the Public Comment Period.

- If participating via Zoom, please use the "Raise Hand" function on your computer.
- If participating via phone, please press *9 and wait for SCAG staff to announce your name and phone number.

If you are unable to connect via Zoom or phone and still wish to provide a comment, you may submit written comments via email to ePublicComment@scag.ca.gov.

In accordance with SCAG's Regional Council Policy, as well as California Government Code, SCAG retains the right to remove individuals that are willfully interrupting or disrupting the meeting.

VIEW-ONLY LIVE STREAM

For those interested in watching the meeting, a view-only live stream will be available on the [SCAG website](#) starting at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 7, 2020.

The agenda packet for the Regional Council meeting is available [here](#). Detailed instructions on how to comment can be found on pages 2-3.

We look forward to hearing from the public as we work towards a better tomorrow for our region.



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