

# Additions to the 2010 Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines

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- **New wording in the draft 2010 RTP Guidelines (dated October 26) is in **red** and underlined.**
- **From the beginning, a concerted effort was made to integrate SB 375 requirements throughout the RTP Guidelines.**
- **This update also gave us an opportunity to add new items that were not in the 2007 RTP Guidelines document.**

# 2010 RTP Guidelines – Contents

## Chapter 1 – Introduction

**1.1 Why Conduct Long-Range Planning?**

**1.2 Background and Purpose of the Regional Transportation Guidelines**

**1.3 MPOs and RTPAs in California**

**1.4 Purpose of the Regional Transportation Plan**

**1.5 California Transportation Planning & Programming Process**

**1.6 SAFETEA-LU Items Impacting the Development of RTPs**

**1.7 Key Additions to the 2010 RTP Guidelines (*new*)**

**1.8 Senate Bill 375 – Impacts to the RTP Process (*new*)**

# Chapter 2 – Regional Transportation Plan Overview

## 2.1 State Requirements

## 2.2 Background on Regional Blueprint Planning and Climate Change Legislation (*new*)

## 2.3 Federal Requirements

## 2.4 Relationship between RTP, OWP and FTIP

## 2.5 Consistency with Other Planning Documents

## 2.6 Coordination with Other Planning Processes (*new*)

## 2.7 RTP Development Sequencing Process (*new*)

# Chapter 3 – Modeling

**3.0 Transportation Modeling/Projecting Future Demand (*new*)**

**3.1 RTP Modeling Requirements and Recommendations (*new*)**

**3.2 Regional Economic and Land Use Model Recommendations  
(*new*)**

**3.3 RTP Modeling Quality Control and Consistency (*new*)**

**3.4 RTP Modeling as a Policy Tool (*new*)**

**3.5 Modeling References (*new*)**

# Chapter 4 – Regional Transportation Plan Contents

## **4.1 Policy, Action, Financial Elements and Sustainable Communities Strategy**

## **4.2 Adoption – Update Cycles and Amendments**

## **4.3 RTP Checklist**

# Chapter 4 – RTP Contents (cont.)

## Financial

**4.4 Financial Overview**

**4.5 Fiscal Constraint**

**4.6 Listing of Constrained and Un-constrained Projects**

**4.7 Funding Identification and Forecasting**

**4.8 Estimated Future Transportation Costs**

**4.9 Asset Management**

# Chapter 4 – RTP Contents (cont.)

## RTP Consultation/Coordination

**4.10 Consultation and Coordination**

**4.11 Participation Plan**

**4.12 Private Sector Involvement**

**4.13 Consultation with Interested Parties**

**4.14 Input/Consultation with Local Elected Officials on SCS Development (*new*)**

**4.15 Interagency Coordination (IAC) on SCS Development (*new*)**

**4.16 Native American Tribal Government Consultation & Coordination**

**4.17 Consultation with Resource Agencies**

**4.18 Coordinated Public Transit/Human Services Transportation Plans**

# Chapter 4 – RTP Contents (cont.)

## **Modal Discussion**

**4.19 Highways, Local Streets and Roads**

**4.20 Transit**

**4.21 Goods Movement (Maritime/Rail/Trucking/Aviation)**

**4.22 Regional Airport System**

**4.23 Bicycle & Pedestrian – Including AB 1396**

# Chapter 4 – RTP Contents (cont.)

## Programming/Operations

**4.24 Transportation System Operations and Management**

**4.25 Coordination with Programming Documents**

**4.26 Transportation Projects Exempted from SB 375 (new)**

**4.27 Regionally Significant Projects**

**4.28 Regional ITS Architecture**

**4.29 Performance Measures**

**4.30 Transportation Safety**

**4.31 Transportation Security**

**4.32 Congestion Management Process**

# Chapter 4 – RTP Contents (cont.)

## RTP Environmental Considerations

**4.33 Introductions**

**4.34 Environmental Documentation**

**4.35 SAFETEA-LU Environmental Requirements**

**4.36 SAFETEA-LU Environmental Recommendations**

**4.37 Key Environmental Considerations for Best Practices**

**4.38 Project Intent Statements/Plan Level Purpose and Need Statements**

**4.39 Air Quality and Transportation Conformity**

# Chapter 4 – RTP Contents (cont.)

## Greenhouse Gas Emission Requirements & Considerations in the RTP

**4.40 Greenhouse Gas Emission Targets (*new*)**

**4.41 Contents of Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) (*new*)**

**4.42 Sustainable Communities Strategy: Process, Review and Approval (*new*)**

**4.43 Land Use and Transportation Strategies to Address Greenhouse Gas Emissions (*new*)**

**4.44 Reasons to Adopt an Alternative Planning Strategy (APS) (*new*)**

**4.45 Non-MPO Rural RTPA Addressing Greenhouse Gas Emissions (*new*)**

**4.46 Addressing Climate Change Adaptation Issues in the RTP (*new*)**

# Key Issues That Still Need to be Completed

(In my opinion)

- Provide general information on how ARB will review SCS's/APS's and how this will fit into the existing RTP review process.
- Modeling subcommittee needs to complete the modeling chapter.
- Clarify how exempt projects (as specified in SB 375) should be considered in the RTP Guidelines.
- Addressing housing/land use issues in the SCS.

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(Continued)

- Determine what findings from the RTAC Recommendations Report should be included.
- How rural regional transportation planning agencies should address greenhouse gas emissions in their RTPs.
- Prepare guidance on what should be included in the alternative planning strategy. (would be included in the RTP Guidelines Appendices)

# Key Dates

- November 10 – Final comments on the Oct. 26 draft of the RTP Guidelines due to either Susan Bransen (CTC) or LaNae Van Valen (Caltrans)
- November 23 – Third version of draft RTP Guidelines released
- December 1 or 2 – Joint meeting of the modeling and RTP Guidelines subcommittees
- December 9 or 10 – CTC meeting for progress report on draft RTP Guidelines
- February 1 – RTP Guidelines document completed
- February 24 or 25 – CTC meeting (north)
- April 7 or 8 – CTC meeting (south)