

# South Bay Cities Council of Governments

## Infrastructure Working Group (IWG)

### AGENDA

Wednesday, November 12, 2025

**LUNCH & NETWORKING: 11:30 am – 12:00 pm**

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**In-person: SBCCOG Offices (357 Van Ness Way, Suite 90, Torrance, CA 90501)**

#### ACCESSING THE VIRTUAL MEETING:

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<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYoce-ppjMsHNDt3mur9Jcx0Uud3D3dSa3l>

- 12:00 pm**      **Call to Order – Erik Zandvliet, Chair**
- 12:01 pm**      **Consent Calendar**
- **October 8, 2025 IWG Meeting Notes (Attachment A)**
  - **Transportation Report Covering October 2025 (Attachment B)**
- 12:05 pm**      **Agency & Other Update Reports**
- **SBCCOG Program Update – Jacki Bacharach/David Leger, SBCCOG**
  - **L.A. County Public Works – South Bay Traffic Forum Update**
  - **L.A. Metro Updates**
    - **ITS Program – Ed Alegre, Metro**
    - **Metro Board Actions – David Leger, SBCCOG**
  - **Metro TAC & Streets and Freeway Subcommittee Actions**
    - **Metro TAC Report**
  - **Opportunities to Serve: TAC delegate, Streets and Freeway alternate**
  - **Caltrans South Bay Projects Update**
- 12:20 pm**      **Commercial & Public Agency Non-Functional Grass Watering Ban and Rebates – Gus Meza, West Basin**
- 12:40 pm**      **Measure R & M Updates**
- 1:20 pm**      **3-Month Look Ahead (Attachment C)**
- **Suggest ‘Spotlight’ ideas for future meetings**
- 1:30 pm**      **Announcements / Adjournment – Next meeting December 10**

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**South Bay Cities Council of Governments  
Infrastructure Working Group (IWG) - October 13, 2025**

**Attendees:** Erik Zandvliet (Chair, Manhattan Beach); Cheryl Ebert (El Segundo); Helen Shi, Caleb Cho (Torrance); Lucho Rodriguez (Lawndale); Gilbert Marquez (Carson); Lauren Sablan (Redondo Beach); Russ Bryden (Rancho Palos Verdes); Marty Amundson, Pat Smith, Elizabeth Garcia, Matt Suska, John Ickis (LAPW); Jun De Castro (Gardena); Fulgene Asuncion, Ed Alegre, Minji Kwon (Metro); Tony Olmos (Inglewood); DJ Torado (Hawthorne); Jenn Howell (Lomita); Kirsten Graham (Rolling Hills Estates); Rachel Junken (LA City); Constance Turner (SCE); Daniel Moore, Jordan Blosser (Citian); Peyvand Hajian, Alek Hovsepian (Iteris); De Mai (DKS Associates); Linda Hunter (Rincon Consultants); David Leger, Anne Tsai (SBCCOG)

- I. **September 10, 2025 IWG Meeting Notes and September Transportation Report** – Mr. Zandvliet called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. The meeting notes and report were accepted as presented.

II. **Agency & Other Update Reports**

- a) SBCCOG: Mr. Leger reported the following updates -

- City Staff Orientation: The SBCCOG will be hosting an orientation for city staff on October 22 at 3:00 pm. This meeting will serve as an introduction to the SBCCOG and is open to all departments and staff levels.
- AI Forum Series: The SBCCOG will convene its first Artificial Intelligence (AI) forum series on October 30 at 3:30 pm. The hybrid meeting will focus on how cities are currently using AI in their work and is open to elected officials and all city departments.
- Open House: The SBCCOG will be holding an Open House on November 20 at 4:00 pm. A reception for SBCCOG volunteers will begin at 5:00 pm, followed by the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting at 6pm.
- General Assembly: The theme of the 2026 General Assembly will be “Let the Games Begin: How Sports and Entertainment Impact the South Bay.”

- b) L.A. County Public Works – South Bay Traffic Forum Update:

Mr. Smith shared that two projects were advertised for construction in the past two weeks.

Mr. Zandvliet asked if the project team has observed any patterns in lead times, schedules, or other impacts. Mr. Amundson shared that the Washington Blvd TSSP project was put on hold for 3 months because of a delay in supply procurement, but other projects did not have the same issue. Other TSSP projects are in design or procurement.

- c) L.A. Metro Updates –

- 1) ITS Program: Mr. Alegre shared that Metro will begin its pilot regional event management system shortly, which will support the 2026 World Cup.
- 2) Metro Board Actions: Mr. Leger shared that the Metro Board approved the FY25-26 Measure M program updates at the September Board meeting.
- 3) Measure M MSP Audit: Mr. Leger shared that Metro will be conducting a performance audit of the Multi-Year Subregional Programs.

- d) Metro TAC – Mr. Leger shared the following updates:

- a. Caltrans is launching a Community Cleanup and Employment Pathway Program. Proposals are due on November 1. The suggested project range is \$50,000-200,000.
- b. The Long Beach East LA Corridor Mobility Investment Plan is entering a new phase of engagement, which will include technical working groups, community working groups, and public meetings.

- c. Metro has authorized \$50 million to accelerate the transition of diesel trucks to electric trucks. The CTC awarded grant funds to support charging depots in Boyle Heights and Rancho Dominguez.
- e) Streets and Freeways Subcommittee: Mr. Zandvliet reported that the subcommittee met on September 18 and received updates on the Community Cleanup and Employment Program, the FTA Section 5310 grant program, and Metro's Bus Lane Enforcement Program.
- f) Opportunities to serve: Mr. Zandvliet invited IWG members to serve on the TAC and Streets and Freeways Subcommittee.
- g) Caltrans South Bay Projects Update: No Caltrans representatives were present. The next report will be available in December.

### III. **Citian CRASH Data Platform Demonstration**

Mr. Blosser and Mr. Moore provided a demonstration of Citian's CRASH Platform, an all-in-one traffic safety action platform. Fusing data from three different data sources, the tool allows users to analyze and manipulate traffic crash report data for compliance reporting, grant applications, countermeasure selections, and more. Citian has partnered with SCAG to provide free licenses to all local partner agencies.

Ms. Shi asked if the data available through CRASH is equivalent to TIMS. Mr. Moore responded that the platform pulls from TIMS data as well as SWITRS and CCR.

Mr. Zandvliet asked how the software rectifies duplicates across its data sources. Mr. Moore explained that each crash has a unique identifier and a confidence score that allows the user to refine searches.

Ms. Shi asked if cities will be charged an annual fee for the platform after the trial period ends. Mr. Moore responded that Citian is available to all SCAG partner agencies at no cost. There is a fee associated with complex analyses, such as HSIP, but it is heavily discounted for cities.

Mr. Zandvliet asked if countermeasure benefits are calculated over the lifetime of the project. Mr. Moore confirmed and added that the platform features a customization tab to adjust unit costs for countermeasures.

Mr. Zandvliet asked if the platform calculates projected accident reductions for each segment identified. Mr. Moore said that yes, countermeasures can be expanded to show justification, which can help cities form narratives when applying for grants.

Mr. Zandvliet asked how cities can provide additional information to improve data output. Mr. Moore responded that cities could provide police data to reassign crash reports to their correct categories. A localized environment can take about one month to set up for an annual license fee, but the SCAG environment is instantly available to all partner agencies.

### IV. **3-Month Look Ahead:** Received and filed.

Mr. Zandvliet asked if Waymo vehicles have been spotted in South Bay cities. Mr. Rodriguez stated that Waymo engineering team vehicles operated by drivers are seen daily in Lawndale. Mr. Olmos added that Waymo has been present in Inglewood for a long time and has recently made contact with the city regarding event traffic management plans around entertainment venues.

V. **Announcements/Adjournment:**

Mr. Zandvliet adjourned the meeting at 1:11 p.m. Next meeting November 12<sup>th</sup> in-person and online at the SBCCOG office.

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Meeting notes prepared by Anne Tsai, Transportation Project Coordinator*

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# MONTHLY SBCCOG TRANSPORTATION REPORT

A summary of recent federal, state, regional and local  
developments and trends in transportation

COVERING OCTOBER 2025

Edited by Aaron Ruiz & Anne Tsai

## Federal

### **Trump's Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Announces Consequences for California's Failure to Enforce English Language Requirements for Truckers**

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy announced that the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) will withhold over \$40 million from California following an investigation that found the state has failed to comply with the Department's English Language Proficiency (ELP) standards.

In total, \$40,685,225 from Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) funding awarded to California will be impacted. MCSAP provides grant funding for states to conduct roadside inspections, traffic enforcement, safety audits of trucking companies, and public education campaigns.

For FMCSA to restore funding, California must adopt and actively enforce a law, regulation, standard, or order that is compatible with the federal ELP requirement for commercial drivers. This means state inspectors need to begin conducting ELP assessments during roadside inspections, and those who fail must be placed out-of-service.

On August 26, 2025, the Department announced California was among states in danger of losing federal funds if they failed to adopt and enforce ELP requirements for commercial motor vehicle drivers. In July, California Highway Patrol has also publicly stated it had no intention of following this federal regulation.

The Department is currently performing a nationwide audit of non-domiciled commercial driver's license (CDL) issuance.

Source (edited to remove political statements): <https://www.transportation.gov/briefing-room/trumps-transportation-secretary-sean-p-duffy-announces-consequences-californias>

## State

### **California Invests Nearly \$5 billion for Local Projects, Bridge Repairs, Alternative Transport Options and Freight Movement**

On October 17, the California Transportation Commission approved \$4.9 billion to improve safety and mobility on local streets and state highways as well as fund new alternative transportation options and zero emissions projects.

More than half of the allocation will provide 600 local governments and regional transportation agencies with their annual funding to fix roads, bridges and other transportation needs statewide.

Among the projects approved is \$700 million for repairs and critical upgrades needed for the Vincent Thomas Bridge, a 60-year-old span in the Port of Los Angeles that will soon undergo a

major deck refurbishment. Another \$140 million will fund truck climbing lanes among other improvements to Interstate 80 in the Sierra foothills between Applegate and Emigrant Gap, a major west coast freight thoroughfare.

Pedestrian facilities also received support from the allocations, including an award of \$97 million to replace a pedestrian bridge that connects neighborhoods south of the City College of San Francisco campus and other improvements to Interstate 280 between San Francisco and San Mateo counties. And \$6.3 million will be spent on new sidewalks, bike lanes and traffic controls in the cities of Santa Barbara and Santa Rosa and in Santa Clara County.

Source: <https://dot.ca.gov/news-releases/news-release-2025-016>

## **California Launches Data-Driven Road Safety Initiative to Save Lives**

Key state partners joined together as California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) Secretary Toks Omishakin, California Health and Human Services Agency (CalHHS) Secretary Kim Johnson and other state and local leaders unveiled a new statewide initiative to reduce severe traffic crashes in California's highest-risk areas. The program launches with a new statewide policy on road safety and two designated safety corridors: Avalon Boulevard in Los Angeles and State Route 91 in southeast Los Angeles County.

Secretaries Omishakin and Johnson signed the new Secretary's Policy on Road Safety, committing California to a prevention-first, Safe System Approach to eliminate fatal and serious traffic injuries on October 15. Grounded in public health principles, the policy aligns agency decisions and investments to reduce exposure, crash likelihood and injury severity. It sets an interim goal to cut deadly and serious injury crashes by 30% by 2035 and reconvenes a cross-sector task force to develop a prioritized action plan. The policy embeds safety across departments—through design, operations, policy and investment—with a focus on equity and measurable, population-level impact.

In 2023 alone, there were approximately 3,600 fatalities and more than 14,000 serious injuries in California on all public roadways.

The state has allocated \$7 million to the Los Angeles Department of Transportation for safety upgrades along Avalon Boulevard. Crash data from 2019 to 2023 shows Avalon Boulevard, between E Jefferson Boulevard and San Pedro Street, experienced 122 fatal and serious injury crashes. These crashes resulted in a total of 21 fatalities and 115 serious injuries.

More than \$191 million is also being invested in operational and safety improvements along State Route 91, spanning from Vermont Avenue to the Orange County line. Additional safety corridor locations are under review.

The initiative's comprehensive approach combines infrastructure, engagement and policy innovation to create safer, more connected corridors. Planned improvements may include:

- **Safe Crossings and Intersections:** High-visibility markings, upgraded signal timing and redesigned intersections to reduce conflict points and improve pedestrian safety

- Connected Mobility Options: Infrastructure to support safe walking, biking and transit access for all users
- Education and Engagement: A new SLOWCAL social media campaign will promote awareness and community involvement.
- Law Enforcement Partnerships: Where welcomed by communities, law enforcement will support safety efforts based on local priorities.
- Speed Management: Tools such as automated speed safety cameras will help promote safe driving speeds.

California analyzed crash data across all public roads, including state highways, city streets and county roads. Corridor selection was guided by UC Berkeley’s SafeTREC using a High Injury Network methodology applied to crash data over five years (2019–2023). Sites were prioritized based on crash severity, context and the readiness of project partners.

Progress will be measured by reductions in fatal and serious injury crashes. Leading indicators such as vehicle speeds, conflict points and telematics data (including braking and acceleration patterns) will help identify risks early and guide proactive adjustments.

Source: <https://calsta.ca.gov/press-releases/2025-10-15-data-driven-road-safety-initiative-launch>

## Region

### **LA Metro Releases Industry Playbook to Help Transit Agencies Deliver World-Class Service for Major Sports, Entertainment Events**

Drawing on lessons from mega sporting events, political conventions, mega concerts and other large-scale events from around the world, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) announced the release of the Special Event Transportation – Guidance and Opportunities (SetGo) Playbook, a comprehensive resource of best practices for transit agencies of all sizes to deliver transportation for major sports, entertainment and cultural events.

The Playbook was developed through Metro’s SetGo Program, a national workshop series conducted with the American Public Transportation Association (APTA). It draws on lessons from international and domestic events, including the Olympic and Paralympic Games (Atlanta 1996, Salt Lake 2002, London 2012), the Las Vegas Formula One Grand Prix, major concert tours, conventions and more.

Beyond its primary emphasis on major sporting events, the Playbook also draws on lessons from a wider spectrum of special events, recognizing that many of the same principles of planning, delivery and after-action evaluation apply across these event types and sizes.

[A Resource for Mega-Events](#)

The Playbook identifies transit service strategies for upcoming international-scale events in the U.S., including the FIFA World Cup 2026™, the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games and the Utah 2034 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games. Designed as a living document, it will evolve as agencies continue to test and refine approaches through future events. It also will serve as a guide for elected officials and host committees to help them understand the critical transportation practices that will need to be deployed to make their event world class.

### Key Focus Areas

The Playbook organizes best practices across five subject areas:

- Purpose & Need – mission alignment, advocacy and coordination inside and outside the agency.
- Service Plan – demand forecasting, supplemental service, first/last mile strategies, and speed and reliability.
- Safety & Emergency Management – crowd management, security and Emergency Operations Center (EOC) planning.
- Customer Experience – accessibility, signage and wayfinding, integrated ticketing, ambassadors and “surprise and delight” activations.
- Agency-Wide Success Strategies – budgeting, workforce readiness, training, technology, contingency planning and after-action processes

For each of these focus areas, the Playbook provides guiding questions that agencies can use to evaluate readiness during planning, adjust strategies in real time during delivery and capture lessons learned in after-action reviews.

This approach not only helps agencies implement best practices and align service with mission and long-term goals, but also promotes consistency across the country, ensuring riders experience the same reliable, high-quality service no matter where they travel.

Source: <https://www.metro.net/about/la-metro-releases-industry-playbook-to-help-transit-agencies-deliver-world-class-service-for-major-sports-entertainment-events/>

## Trends

### **Rivian spinoff ALSO reveals modular TM-B e-bike**

Rivian’s new micromobility spinoff, ALSO, has unveiled its first lineup of small electric vehicles aimed at reshaping short-distance travel. The company introduced the TM-B, a modular electric bike, alongside two four-wheel electric quads called TM-Q, designed for both consumer and commercial use. ALSO’s mission is to address the “last-mile” mobility challenge by providing efficient, software-defined vehicles that offer practical and exciting alternatives to cars for trips under 15 miles.

The TM-B e-bike features a modular top frame adaptable to different rider sizes and uses — from commuting to recreation — and runs on ALSO’s proprietary DreamRide system, which digitally controls pedaling feel and regenerative braking. The bike integrates vehicle-grade

battery technology with USB-C fast charging, a touchscreen “Portal” display for navigation and apps, and smart security that automatically locks when the rider walks away. ALSO’s TM-Q quads extend this modular, connected approach to small four-wheel EVs, with a consumer version for families and a commercial variant targeting urban delivery fleets.

The company has also announced a partnership with Amazon to deploy custom e-cargo quads in the U.S. and Europe, signaling a strong entry into the logistics sector. Backed by Rivian and other partners, ALSO’s launch represents a broader trend of automakers expanding into connected micromobility — blending the sophistication of electric vehicles with the accessibility and efficiency of e-bikes and compact EVs.

Source: <https://electriccarsreport.com/2025/10/rivian-spinoff-also-reveals-modular-tm-b-e-bike/>

**Updated 11/08/25**

November 2025	December 2025	January 2026	February 2026
<p>3. SBCCOG Transportation Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inglewood Transit Connector Phase I Project &amp; Funding Update and SEP Funding Update</li> </ul> <p>3. SBCCOG Steering Committee</p> <p>6. Transit Operators Working Group</p> <p>12. Infrastructure Working Group</p> <p>14. Metro South Bay Service Council</p> <p>20. SBCCOG Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WSPA Presentation on Refinery Closure Impacts to the South Bay</li> <li>Inglewood Transit Connector SEP Funds Deadline Extension</li> </ul>	<p>4. Transit Operators Working Group</p> <p>4. Metro Board</p> <p>8. SBCCOG Transportation Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>C Line Extension</li> </ul> <p>8. SBCCOG Steering Committee/Board</p> <p>10. Infrastructure Working Group</p> <p>12. Metro South Bay Service Council</p>	<p>8. Transit Operators Working Group</p> <p>9. Metro South Bay Service Council</p> <p>12. SBCCOG Transportation Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Olympics Games Mobility Plan</li> </ul> <p>12. SBCCOG Steering Committee</p> <p>14. Infrastructure Working Group</p> <p>22. Metro Board</p> <p>22. SBCCOG Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Baldwin Hills &amp; Urban Watersheds Conservancy Update</li> <li>Cool Roofs Study Update</li> </ul>	<p>5. Transit Operators Working Group</p> <p>9. SBCCOG Transportation Committee</p> <p>9. SBCCOG Steering Committee</p> <p>11. Infrastructure Working Group</p> <p>13. Metro South Bay Service Council</p> <p>26. Metro Board</p> <p>26. SBCCOG Board</p>

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