

April 25, 2025

March 28, 2025, Meeting Minutes

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Chair Carolina Chavez (South County) called the Borders Committee meeting to order at 1:39 p.m.

1. Non-Agenda Public Comments/Member Comments

Agency Report: Chief Executive Officer Mario Orso.

Public Comments: Allegedly Audra, Elizabeth Hensley, and Blair Beekman.

Consent

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

The Borders Committee was asked to approve the minutes from its November 22, 2024, meeting.

Public Comments: Allegedly Audra, Blair Beekman.

Action: Upon a motion by Supervisor Joel Anderson (County of San Diego), and a second by Deputy Mayor Katie Melendez (North County Inland), the Borders Committee voted to approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair Chavez, Vice Chair Eric Joyce (North County Coastal), Councilmember Steve Goble (East County), Supervisor Jesus Eduardo Escobar (Imperial County), Deputy Mayor Melendez, and Supervisor Anderson.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: City of San Diego.

Reports

3. Interregional Transit Connections

Senior Regional Planner Brian Lane, Associate Regional Planner Emily Doss, and Stacie Bishop, Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), presented an update on several transit initiatives connecting our region's borders, including the new MTS overnight bus route from the border to downtown San Diego, near-term solutions for the airport transit connections, and three Rapid bus routes.

Public Comments: Allegedly Audra, Blair Beekman.

Action: Information.

5. Orange County LOSSAN Rail Corridor: Addressing Erosion and Strengthening Infrastructure

This item was presented out of order.

Dan Phu, Orange County Transportation Authority presented an overview on efforts to address erosion along the LOSSAN Rail Corridor in Orange County, safeguarding a key Southern California transportation route.

Public Comments: Allegedly Audra, Blair Beekman.

Action: Information.

4. 2025 Regional Plan Update: Tribal Coordination

This item was postponed to a future meeting.

6. Border to Bayshore Bikeway Update

This item was postponed to a future meeting.

7. Adjournment

The next Borders Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 25, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.

Chair Chavez adjourned the meeting at 2:51 p.m.

Confirmed Attendance at Borders Committee Meeting

Jurisdiction	Name	Member/ Alternate	Attended
South County	Carolina Chavez, Chair	Member	Yes
	Mitch McKay	Alternate	No
East County	Steve Goble	Member	Yes
	Lauren Cazares	Alternate	No
City of San Diego	Vivian Moreno	Member	No
	Sean Elo-Rivera	Alternate	No
County of San Diego	Joel Anderson	Member	Yes
	Vacant	Alternate	--
Imperial County	Jesus Eduardo Escobar	Member	Yes
	Luis Plancarte	Alternate	No
North County Coastal	Eric Joyce, Vice Chair	Member	Yes
	Terry Gaasterland	Alternate	No
North County Inland	Katie Melendez	Member	Yes
	Dan O'Donnell	Alternate	No
Riverside County	Colleen Wallace	Member	Yes
	Vacant	Alternate	--
Republic of Mexico	Alicia Kerber-Palma	Member	No
	Gilberto Luna	Alternate	No
Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association	Raymond Welch	Member	No
	Cody Martinez	Alternate	No
Caltrans	Ann Fox	Member	Yes
	Melina Pereira	Alternate	No
San Diego County Water Authority	Valentine Macedo, Jr.	Member	No
	Steve Casteneda	Alternate	No
Southern California Association of Governments	David C. Salgado	Member	No
	Vacant	Alternate	--
Orange County	Vacant	Member	--

Jurisdiction	Name	Member/ Alternate	Attended
	Vacant	Alternate	--
Association of Planning Groups	Harriet Taylor	Member	No
	Vacant	Alternate	--