



Borders Committee Agenda

Friday, May 23, 2025

1:30 p.m.

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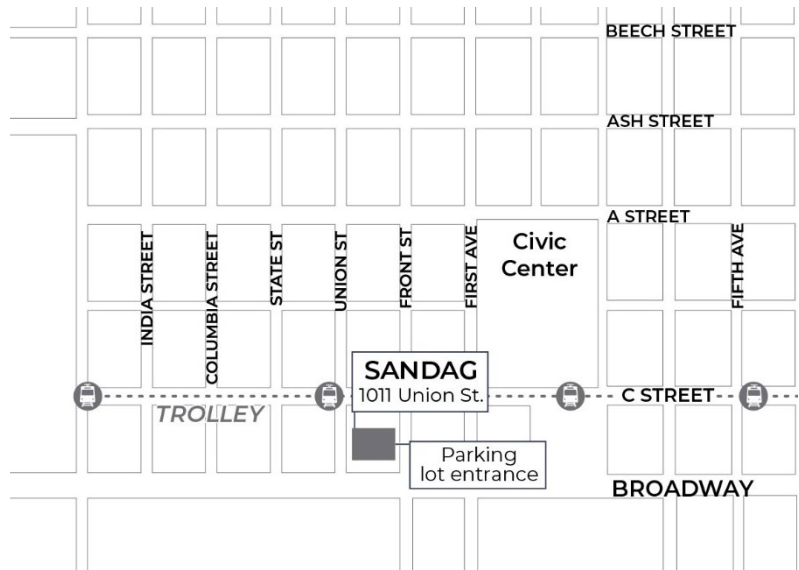
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Borders Committee

MEMBERSHIP

The Borders Committee provides oversight for planning activities that impact the borders of the San Diego region (Orange, Riverside, and Imperial Counties and the Republic of Mexico) as well as government-to-government relations with tribal nations in San Diego County. The preparation and implementation of SANDAG's Binational, Interregional, and Tribal Liaison Planning programs are included under this purview. It advises the SANDAG Board of Directors on major interregional planning policy-level matters. Recommendations of the Borders Committee are forwarded to the SANDAG Board of Directors for action.

The Borders Committee generally meets at 1:30 p.m., on the fourth Friday of the month.

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Borders Committee

Friday, May 23, 2025

Comments and Communications

1. Public Comments/Communications/Member Comments

Members of the public shall have the opportunity to address the Borders Committee on any issue within the jurisdiction of the Borders Committee that is not on this agenda. Public speakers are limited to three minutes or less per person. Public comments under this agenda item will be limited to five public speakers. If the number of public comments under this agenda item exceeds five, additional public comments will be taken at the end of the agenda. Borders Committee members and SANDAG staff also may present brief updates and announcements under this agenda item.

Consent

+2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Approve

Francesca Webb, SANDAG

The Borders Committee is asked to approve the minutes from its April 25, 2025, meeting.

[Meeting Minutes](#)

Reports

+3. California - Baja California Border Resiliency Plan

Discussion

Kim Smith, Ashley Solorio, SANDAG

Staff will present an update to the Borders Committee on the California - Baja California Border Resiliency Plan.

[California - Baja California Border Resiliency Plan](#)

[Att. 1 - California-Baja California Border Resiliency Plan - Interagency Task Force Charter Presentation](#)

+4. Regional Safety Planning Updates

Information

Sam Sanford, Austin Norman, SANDAG; Nathan Howard, Mark Webb, La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians

SANDAG and La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians staff will present the final regional Vision Zero Action Plan, tribe Comprehensive Safety Action Plan, supporting safety tools, and regional safety statistics.

[Regional Safety Planning Updates](#)

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Adjournment

5. Adjournment

The next Borders Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 27, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.

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April 25, 2025, Meeting Minutes

[View Meeting Video](#)

Chair Carolina Chavez (South County) called the Borders Committee meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

1. Non-Agenda Public Comments/Member Comments

Public Comments: Katheryn Rhodes, Allegedly Audra, Andrea Ebbing, Truth, and Blair Beekman.

Member Comments: Acting Senior Director of Public Affairs and Internal Operations Robyn Wapner.

Consent

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

The Borders Committee was asked to approve the minutes from its March 28, 2025, meeting.

Public Comments: Allegedly Audra, Andrea Ebbing, Blair Beekman.

Action: Upon a motion by Supervisor Joel Anderson (County of San Diego), and a second by Councilmember Steve Goble (East County), 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), Deputy Mayor Katie Melendez (North County Inland), and Supervisor Anderson.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: City of San Diego, Imperial County.

Reports

3. 2025 Regional Plan Update: Tribal Coordination

Chairman Raymond Welch, Southern California Tribal Chairman's Association, introduced the item. Senior Regional Planners Cecily Taylor and Mimi Morisaki presented an update on coordination and consultation with tribes on the development of the draft 2025 Regional Plan Transportation Network.

Public Comments: Allegedly Audra, Andrea Ebbing, Truth, Katheryn Rhodes, Blair Beekman.

Action: Information.

4. Western Riverside County Planning Efforts

Chris Gray, Western Riverside Council of Governments, presented key planning initiatives in Western Riverside County focused on improving transportation networks and mobility solutions, with an emphasis on cross-jurisdictional coordination with the San Diego region.

Public Comments: Truth, Blair Beekman, Allegedly Audra, Andrea Ebbing, Marco Espinosa.

Action: Information.

5. Update on Border Crossing Operations at the San Ysidro Port of Entry

San Ysidro Port Director Mariza Marín presented key developments, challenges, and ongoing efforts to improve security and efficiency at the largest land port of entry in the United States.

Public Comments: Truth, Blair Beekman, Allegedly Audra, Andrea Ebbing, Katheryn Rhodes, and Marco Espinosa.

Action: Information.

6. Adjournment

The next Borders Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, Friday, May 23, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.

Chair Chavez adjourned the meeting at 3:39 p.m.

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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 | No |
| | 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 |
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| 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 | Yes |
| | Cody Martinez | Alternate | No |
| Caltrans | Ann Fox | Member | No |
| | Melina Pereira | Alternate | No |
| | Jose Marquez | Alternate | Yes |
| San Diego County Water Authority | Valentine Macedo, Jr. | Member | No |
| | Steve Casteneda | Alternate | Yes |
| Southern California Association | David C. Salgado | Member | No |

| Jurisdiction | Name | Member/ Alternate | Attended |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------------|----------|
| of Governments | Vacant | Alternate | -- |
| Orange County | Vacant | Member | -- |
| | Vacant | Alternate | -- |
| Association of Planning Groups | Harriet Taylor | Member | No |
| | Vacant | Alternate | -- |

May 23, 2025

California- Baja California Border Resiliency Plan

Overview

On November 22, 2024, the Board of Directors accepted a \$3 million planning grant from Caltrans [Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant](#) (STPG) Program to develop the California- Baja California Border Resiliency Plan (BRP). The BRP is a comprehensive, binational plan that prioritizes climate adaptation and resilience of transportation infrastructure within the border region, focusing on the communities ten miles to the north and south of the border from the Pacific Ocean, east to the California-Arizona border. The BRP will develop strategies and recommendations to address climate stressors and resiliency challenges while maintaining and strengthening binational coordination - building on many years of work being led by border region community leaders, agencies and stakeholders.

Action: Discussion

Staff will present an update to the Borders Committee on the California – Baja California Border Resiliency Plan.

Fiscal Impact:

This work is funded through Overall Work Program No. 3402101 established by the Board of Directors.

Schedule/Scope Impact:

Caltrans issued a Notice to Proceed in January 2025. Project will be completed by June 2027.

Key Considerations

A Notice to Proceed (NTP) was issued by Caltrans on January 22, 2025, to begin work on the BRP. The BRP will develop a vetted and prioritized list of strategies, programs, and projects to address climate adaptation challenges affecting environmental justice communities in the border region and the transportation network serving them. This effort is similar to work led by Caltrans and the State of Baja California (via the Secretariat of Infrastructure, Urban Development, and Territorial Reorganization) for the [California - Baja California Border Master Plan](#) (BMP) for transportation infrastructure.

The BRP will identify the various climate and public health challenges affecting the border region, evaluate existing and planned efforts by federal, state and/or local agencies to address these challenges, and identify any potential gaps. It will include extensive outreach and collaboration with border region communities, public agencies, academic research institutions, and other stakeholder groups to develop strategies that address the climate challenges and improve resiliency and equity. It will include a list of priority projects, identify potential lead entities, propose financial strategies for implementation, and recommend metrics for tracking progress on the various efforts. In addition, the final BRP will also propose a roadmap for future integration of its climate and environmental justice elements into the existing BMP process.

Since issuance of the NTP, SANDAG has been working in partnership with Caltrans, the Southern California Association of Governments, and the State of Baja California as members of the Project Development Team (PDT) to carry out project activities supporting development of the BRP. A new BRP Interagency Task Force was formed to provide technical guidance and recommendations on the BRP for the duration of this grant. Membership of the Taskforce consists of binational representatives from federal, state, local and tribal governments and agencies; all representing disciplines and interests involved in environmental planning, climate adaptation and environmental justice issues. The first Task Force meeting was held on April 30, 2025, with over 50 attendees, representing 14 agencies from the U.S, 9 from Mexico and 2 with binational interests.

SANDAG continues to work with the PDT and Task Force to gather all existing information on efforts underway, including identification of groups and organizations that are currently addressing resiliency needs in the California-Baja California border region. A draft Communication and Stakeholder Outreach Plan has been developed that details how we plan to engage our stakeholders and communities to gather feedback on what adverse climate impacts exist, how we can improve our transportation system to better adapt to those conditions, and what issues should be prioritized to address the immediate needs of residents today while building a more resilient transportation system for the future.

Next Steps

Near-term actions include procurement of consultant services to assist in the development of the BRP and stakeholder and community outreach, continuation of the identification of existing groups, data and data gaps, and finalization of the Public Participation and Stakeholder Outreach Plan. Initial outreach is set to begin mid-summer, and staff will host the 2nd California- Baja California Border Resiliency Plan Interagency Task Force in late July. Staff will bring regular updates on the progress of the grant to the Borders Committee.

Antoinette Meier, Senior Director of Regional Planning

Attachment 1. California - Baja California Border Resiliency Plan - Interagency Task Force Charter



California-Baja California Border Resiliency Plan Interagency Task Force

Task Force Charter

Purpose

The purpose of the California-Baja California Border Resiliency Plan Interagency Task Force (Task Force) is to provide technical guidance, background knowledge and interagency coordination to address climate adaptation challenges affecting environmental justice communities in the border region and the transportation network serving them. These efforts will support the development of the California-Baja California Border Resiliency Plan (Cali-Baja BRP) under the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant.

Responsibilities

This group will serve as a body of technical subject-matter experts in environmental and climate adaptation issues affecting the border region. The Task Force provides an institutional forum and structure for regional stakeholders to: (1) collaborate, coordinate and peer exchange solutions to address issues related to climate stressors and resilience within the California-Baja California border region; and (2) provide a regional collaboration among the jurisdictions and stakeholders on the development of the Cali-Baja BRP.

Membership

By "Task Force" we mean a broad range of staff representatives of those jurisdictions along the border region, including all cities within or adjacent to the project area. Additionally, the Task Force will include staff representatives of federal, state, and local agencies, and tribal governments that are directly involved in the implementation of environmental efforts along the California- Baja California border. Table 1 includes a preliminary list of Task Force members. Additional members will be added based on subject matter expertise as needed.

Task Force member agencies are asked to designate an alternate representative when the primary representative is unable to attend to promote participation in meetings.

Commitment / Duration of Existence

Task Force participants are asked to attend and participate in Task Force meetings to share information and give feedback on environmental issues facing the border region, including input on issues related to coordination and implementation of the Cali-Baja BRP grant. The Task Force will meet on a quarterly or as-needed basis, for a total of eight (8) meetings.

The Task Force will meet for the duration of the Cali-Baja BRP development timeline through April of 2027.

Table 1. Task Force Membership

| | U.S. | Mexico | Binational |
|----------------------------|---|--|--|
| Federal | U.S. Environmental Protection Agency | Ministry of Foreign Affairs (SRE) – Consul General of Mexico Ministry of the Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAT) National Institute of Ecology and Climate Change (INECC) National Commission of Water (CONAGUA) Secretariat of Territorial, Agrarian, and Urban Development (SEDATU) | International Boundary and Water Commission (IBWC) / Comisión Internacional de Límites y Aguas (CILA) Commission for Environmental Cooperation (CEC) North America Development Bank (NADB) |
| State | Caltrans District 11 (advisory) California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) California Air Resources Board (CARB) California State Water Quality Resources Board | Secretary of Environment and Sustainable Development (SMADS) Secretary of Economy and Innovation Secretary for the Management, Sanitation and Protection of Water (SEPROA) Secretary of Infrastructure and Urban Development (SIDURT) | |
| Regional/ Local | Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) County of San Diego Imperial County San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (SDAPCD) Imperial County Air Pollution Control District (ICAPCD) | City of Tijuana City of Playas de Rosarito City of Tecate City of Mexicali Tijuana Municipal Institute of Planning (IMPLAN Tijuana) Mexicali Municipal Institute of Research and Urban Planning (IMIP Mexicali) | Southern California Tribal Chairman's Association (SCTCA) |

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| | Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) City of Imperial Beach City of San Diego City of Chula Vista City of Coronado City of National City City of El Centro City of Holtville City of Calexico | | |
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California – Baja California Border Resiliency Plan

Borders Committee | Item 3
Kim Smith, Senior Regional Planner
Ashley Solorio, Senior Public Communications Officer
Friday, May 23, 2025

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Agenda

- California-Baja California Border Resiliency Plan Recap & Updates
- Interagency Task Force Overview
- Public Communications and Stakeholder Outreach Plan
- Next Steps
- Discussion

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California-Baja California Border Resiliency Plan (BRP)



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A Comprehensive Approach

California– Baja California Border Resiliency Plan

Including:

- Inventory of existing programs, policies, planning efforts, datasets and data gaps
- Assessment of climate hazards & environmental justice vulnerabilities
- Climate adaptation analysis and strategies
- Identification of responsible agencies, funding sources, and priority actions
- Stakeholder engagement
- Metrics for measuring progress



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Anticipated Outcomes

- Identify climate and public health stressors in the border region
- Identify work currently being done to address issues and identify gaps
- Develop a list of prioritized strategies, policies, and projects with binational public agencies and non-governmental organizations
- Develop financial strategies, potential lead entities, and metrics for tracking progress
- Maintain and strengthen binational coordination



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Updates

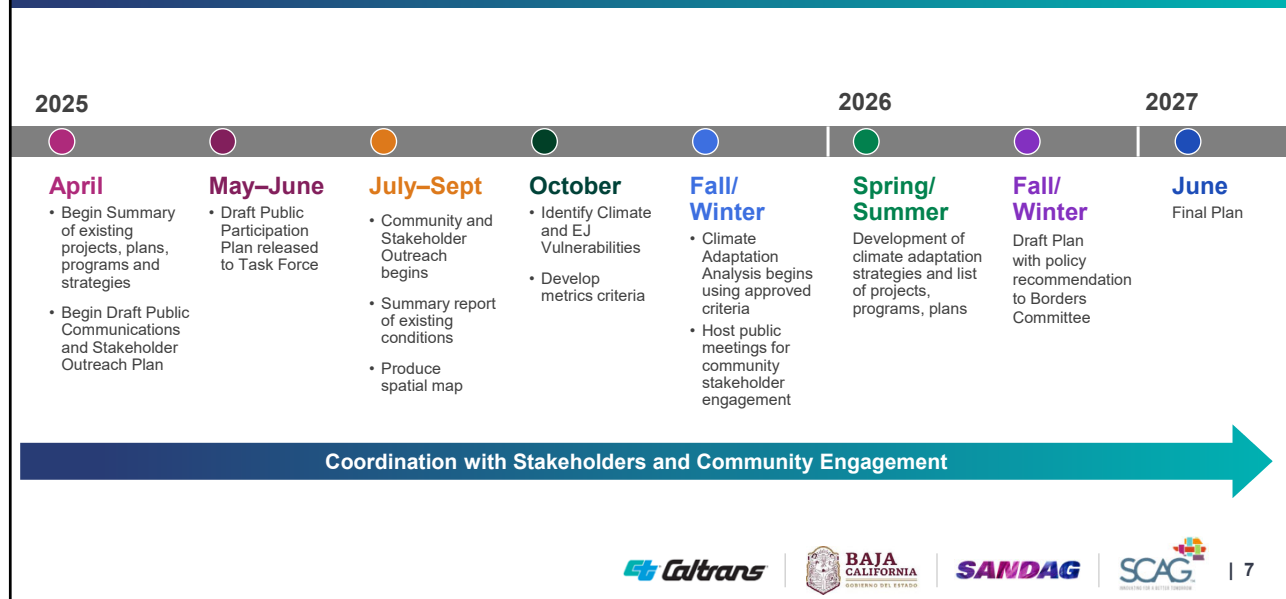
- Notice to Proceed issued in January 2025
- Established Project Development Team (PDT)
 - Members: SANDAG, Caltrans, SCAG, and State of Baja California
- Began review and collection of existing data
- Hosted first Interagency Task Force meeting on April 30th
- Draft Public Participation and Outreach Plan



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Anticipated Timeline



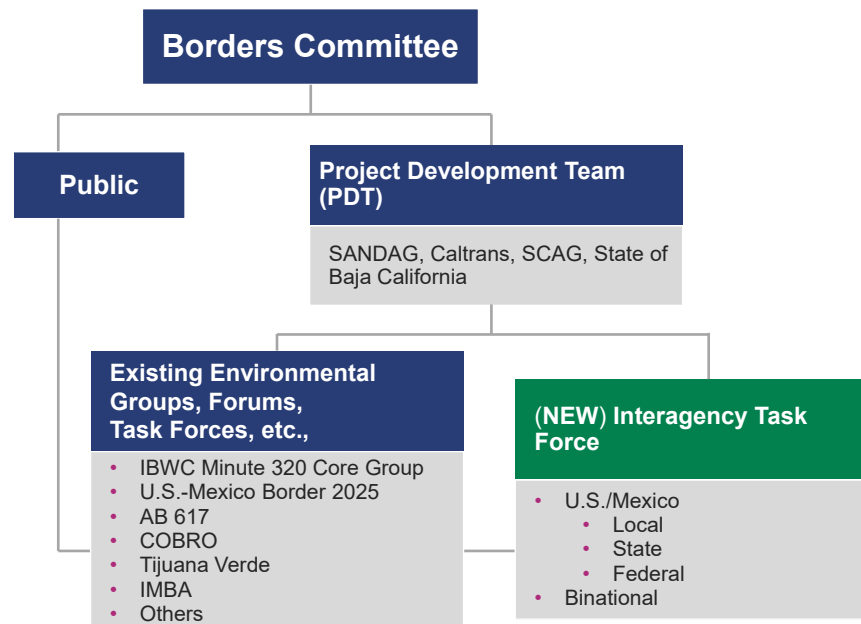
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Interagency Task Force Overview



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Interagency Task Force Feedback Channels



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Interagency Task Force

Purpose & Responsibilities

- Provide technical guidance, background knowledge, and interagency coordination to address climate stressors and resiliency of the transportation systems in the California-Baja California border region
- Support the development of the BRP



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1st Interagency Task Force Meeting



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Public Communications and Stakeholder Outreach Plan



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Outreach Goals

- **Raise awareness** about the California – Baja California Border Resiliency Plan as a roadmap for future cross-border infrastructure improvements
- **Gather feedback** from a broad range of individuals, organizations, agencies, and local governments in the California – Baja California border region to inform strategies
- **Proactively engage environmental justice communities** and members of the public with numerous, meaningful opportunities to participate in the public planning process
- **Foster collaborative relationships** with partner agencies to create a unified and coordinated approach to advancing the project
- **Reinforce commitment** to improving the environment and overall quality of life for residents in the California – Baja California region



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Phased Outreach Approach

| Phase | Focus | Feedback Gathering Strategies |
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| 1 | Preliminary Research & Planning (April – July 2025) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish an Interagency Taskforce • Hold one-on-one stakeholder interviews • Hold roundtable with business/community groups |
| 2 | Public Awareness & Education (August – October 2025) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create multiple communication channels • Coordinate with CBOs to share information • Launch baseline survey |
| 3 | Public Outreach Ramp-Up (November 2025 – April 2026) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Host public meeting(s) • Identify and participate in community events • Provide regular updates to keep public engaged |
| 4 | Continued Engagement (May – December 2026) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inform public about strategies outlined in Draft Plan • Launch public survey • Encourage attendance to Borders Committee |
| 5 | Final Plan Development (January – June 2027) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold community workshops(s) • Encourage attendance to Borders Committee • Announce and garner excitement for next steps |



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Next Steps – 2025

| Date | Tasks |
|---------------------------|--|
| April | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Interagency Task Force meeting Begin data collection, literature review, and draft Public Participation and Stakeholder Outreach Plan |
| May | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Release draft Public Participation and Stakeholder Outreach Plan to Task Force for comment Present to the Borders Committee |
| June – September | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executed consultant agreements Begin identification of climate and environmental justice vulnerabilities identified through community engagement and stakeholder outreach Second Interagency Task Force focused on air quality |
| October – December | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalize Existing Conditions and Literature Summary Report with spatial data map; develop methodology and EJ communities list Third Interagency Task Force meeting focused on water quality or other climate stressors |



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Regional Safety Planning Updates

Overview

SANDAG, the La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians, and the City of Vista successfully applied for a joint safety planning grant in 2023. The agencies coordinated their efforts including sharing safety data and analysis, and public engagement. The regional, tribal, and local plans identify where the greatest concentration of serious and fatal injury crashes occur, identify potential countermeasures, and establish tribal and local agency eligibility for federal safety funding.

SANDAG and La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians staff will present an overview of regional and tribal safety planning efforts.

Key Considerations

Final Regional Vision Zero Action Plan

On June 22, 2022, the SANDAG Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 2023-02 directing staff to seek funding and develop a regional Vision Zero Action Plan (VZAP) to advance traffic safety goals for the San Diego region. Developed in collaboration with local agency staff, the VZAP Technical Advisory Group¹, Interagency Technical Working Group on Tribal Transportation Issues, community-based organizations and the public, the VZAP identifies local traffic safety challenges and solutions to support Vision Zero. The plan identifies where the most fatal and serious injury crashes occur and provides resources to improve safety in those areas. The plan also details SANDAG's role in implementing safety solutions and how progress toward Vision Zero will be evaluated. With the VZAP finalized, local agencies and tribes are eligible for Safe Streets and Roads for All implementation grants. The [final VZAP](#) and its [technical appendices](#) are available on SANDAG's [Vision Zero webpage](#).

Comprehensive Safety Action Plans

The La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians and the City of Vista have developed respective Comprehensive Safety Action Plans (CSAP) for their transportation systems. These plans provide more granular analysis of safety data and safety countermeasure project recommendations. The La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians adopted their [CSAP](#) on April 30, 2025, which can serve as a template for other tribes interested in developing their own CSAP. The La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians is advancing implementation steps for safety countermeasures on State Route 76. The City of Vista adopted their CSAP on May 13, 2025, and is now progressing with implementation of projects specified in the plan.

Action: Information

SANDAG and La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians staff will present the final regional Vision Zero Action Plan, tribe Comprehensive Safety Action Plan, supporting safety tools, and regional safety statistics.

Fiscal Impact:

Completion of the Vision Zero Action Plan (VZAP) establishes tribal and local agency eligibility for federal Safe Streets and Roads for All implementation grants.

Schedule/Scope Impact:

The regional VZAP was completed on November 15, 2024.

¹ The Technical Advisory Group (TAG) consisted of multidisciplinary community members with diverse perspectives including local jurisdictions, transit agencies, tribal nations, community-based organizations, Vision Zero advocacy groups, first responders, health professionals, education professionals, and law enforcement.

Regional VZAP Implementation Steps

The regional VZAP includes implementation steps that are organized under seven focus areas: Coordinate, Advocate, Plan, Fund, Educate, Evaluate, and Implement. Multiple implementation efforts are currently in progress and SANDAG has recently launched three including: California Assembly Bill 43 (Schultz) technical support², local agency countermeasure tool development³, and grant criteria updates⁴.

Next Steps

SANDAG will advance implementation steps identified in the VZAP in coordination with partner agencies and tribal governments. Staff are working with local agencies and tribes on project ideas for the current Safe Streets and Roads for All grant opportunity.

Antoinette Meier, Senior Director of Regional Planning

² AB 43 establishes more flexible speed limit setting for municipalities. SANDAG developed a Safety Corridor Network for each jurisdiction to identify portions of each jurisdiction's roadway network that can be eligible for a 5-mph speed limit reduction.

³ An online platform for local agencies has been developed to share safety data, resources, support safety project development, and countermeasure selection.

⁴ Regional Active Transportation Program and Smart Growth Incentive Program evaluation criteria have been updated to further safety goals and leverage the regional VZAP analyses.



Regional Safety Planning Updates

Borders Committee | Item 4
Sam Sanford, Senior Regional Planner
Austin Norman, Regional Planner I
Friday, May 23, 2025

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Vision Zero Action Plan

- Include three plans:
 - Regional Vision Zero Action Plan
 - City of Vista
 - La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians
- Additional grant partner: Caltrans

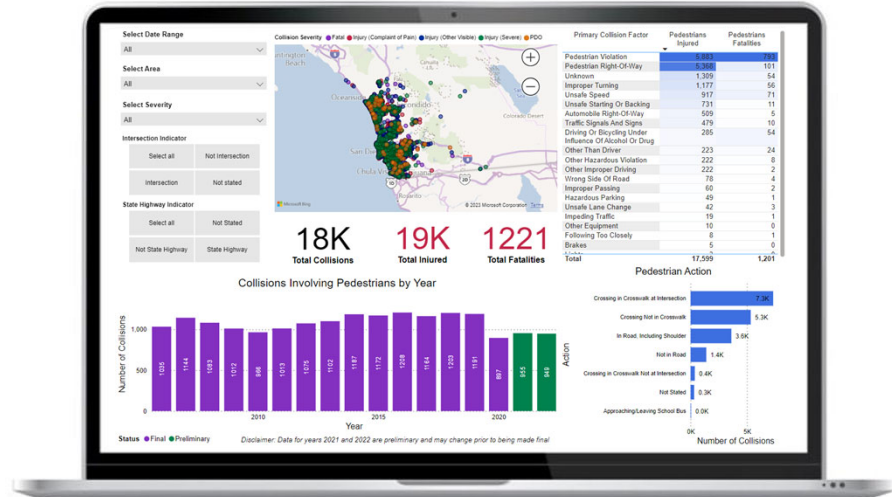


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Traffic Safety Dashboard

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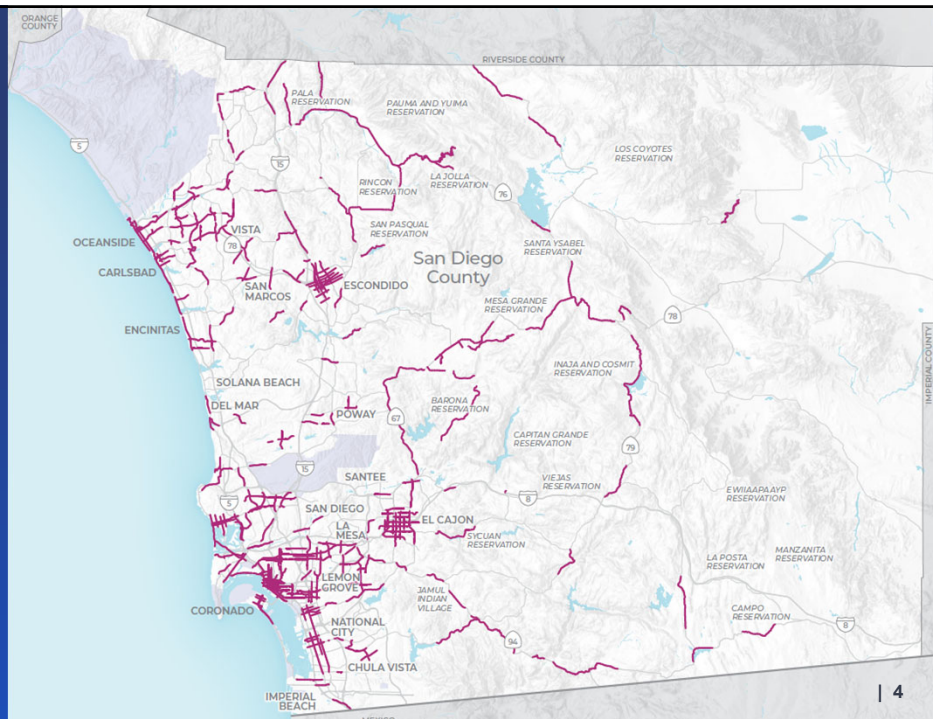
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Safety Focus Network (SFN)

54% of fatal and serious injury crashes occur on just 6% of our region's local roads

Equity Areas make up only 19% of the region but account for 44% of the Safety Focus Network



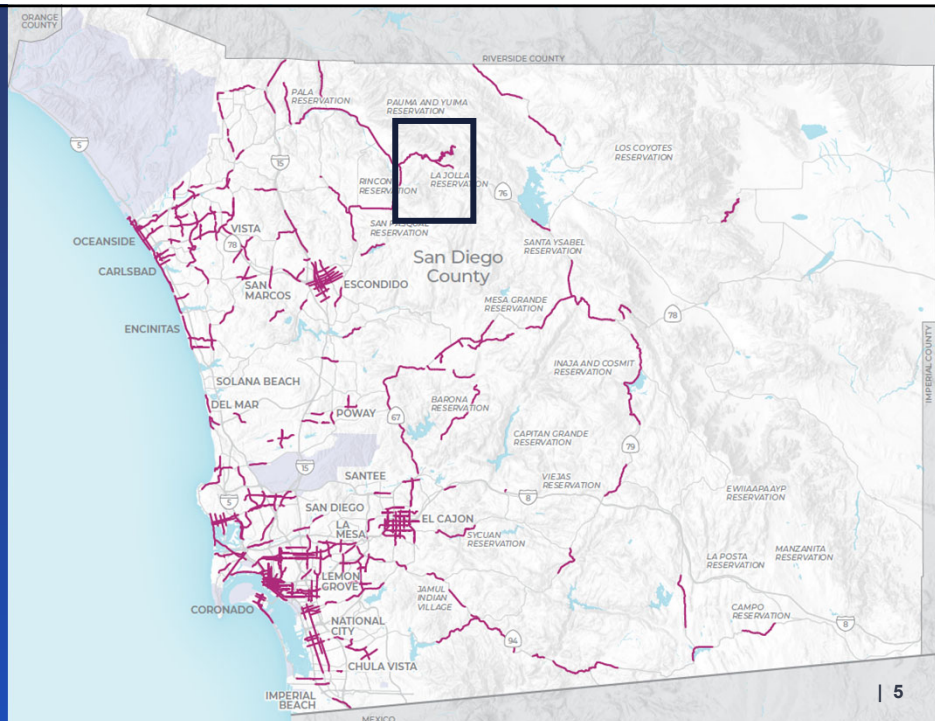
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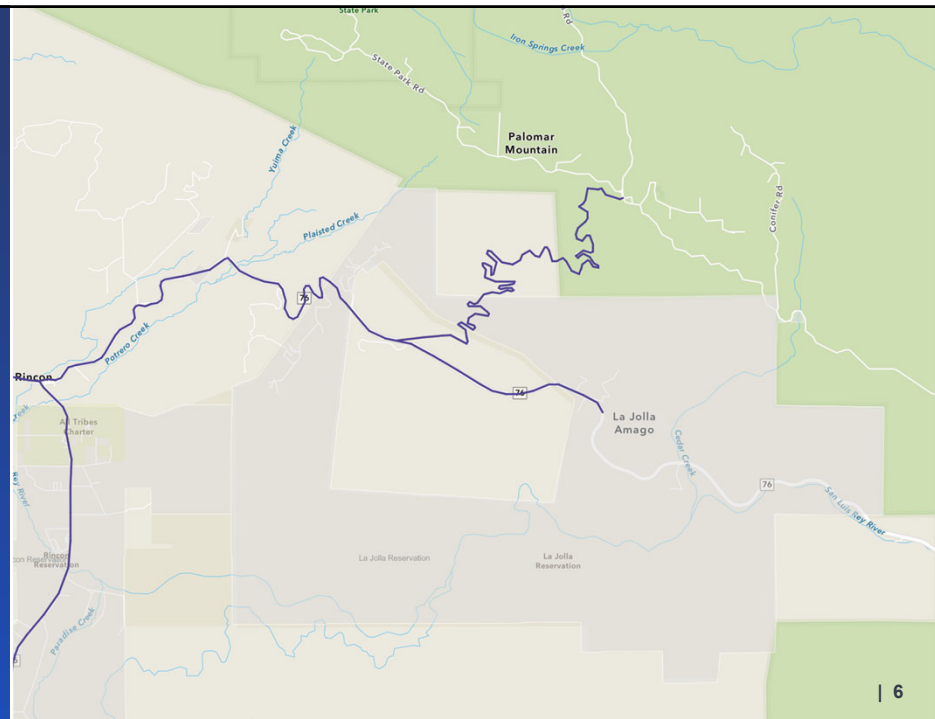
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Safety Focus Network (SFN) at the La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians Reservation



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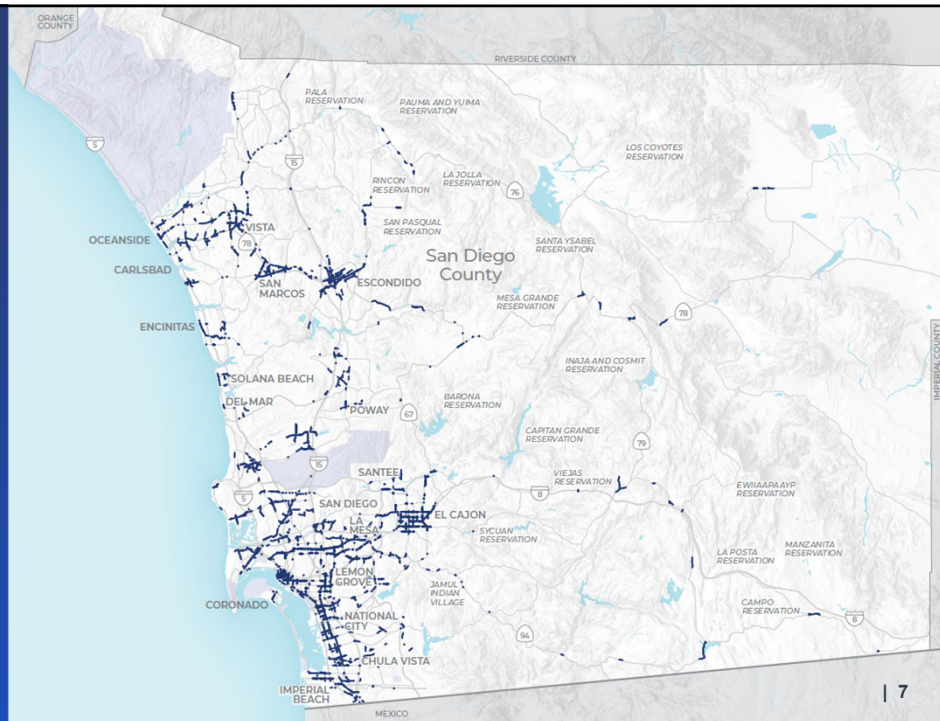
Systemic Safety Network

Road classification: Major roads and freeway ramps

Number of lanes: Roads with two or more lanes per direction

Intersection type: Side-street stop-controlled and signalized intersections on wide, high-speed roads

Proximity to activity generators: Roads or intersections near commercial areas, multi-family housing, transit stops, or schools.



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Rural Safety Data – Key Takeaways

- Solo crashes and head on crashes were the most prevalent crash types in rural areas.
- There were five-times more crashes per-mile on 4-lane roads than 2-lane roads in rural areas.
- With a lower population density, rural areas had a higher crash rate and mileage on the Safety Focus Network per-capita than urban areas.
- Midblock crashes are more likely to result in a fatality or serious injury than a crash at an intersection.

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Urban Safety Data – Key Takeaways

- Crashes involving a pedestrian crossing the street are more common in urban areas.
- The rate of fatal and serious injury pedestrian crashes on four lane roads double near multi-family residential land use.
- Over 80% of fatal and serious injury crashes in which the pedestrian was crossing and the motorist was going straight happened near commercial or multifamily residential land uses.
- Crashes along 35 mph roads near commercial land uses have roughly 6 times the rate of all crashes and 7.5 times the rate of fatal and serious injury crashes per road mile compared to roadways not near commercial land uses.

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Vision Zero Action Plan - Why This Matters to the Region



4,433 PEOPLE

Died or were Seriously Injured in Crashes on Local Roads
in the San Diego Region Between 2018 and 2022

THIS IS WHY SANDAG DEVELOPED THE VISION ZERO ACTION PLAN

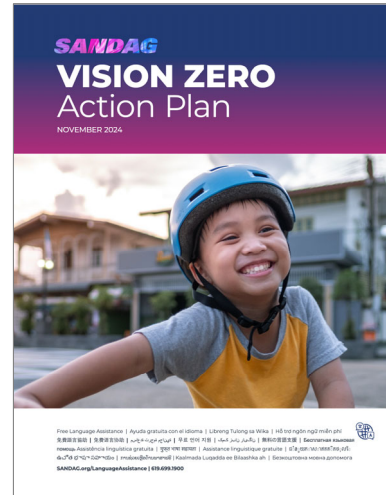
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Vision Zero Action Plan - Final Plan Highlights

- **Plan Organization**

- Chapter 1: About Vision Zero
- Chapter 2: Understanding the Problem
- Chapter 3: Developing Solutions
- Chapter 4: How We Get to Zero



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Vision Zero Action Plan Implementation Actions



COORDINATE

Align efforts and ensure a unified approach



ADVOCATE

Advocate for policies, projects, funding, and legislative actions



PLAN

Integrate safety into regional planning efforts and provide resources



FUND

Allocate and prioritize funding



EDUCATE

Raise awareness through diverse methods of information sharing



EVALUATE

Evaluate successes and effectiveness of implemented strategies



IMPLEMENT

Develop projects to deliver on safety goals

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Vision Zero Action Plan - Next Steps



- Vision Zero Task Force
- 2025 Regional Plan
- Support agency and tribe applications for Safe Streets and Roads for All funding

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La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians

Comprehensive Safety Action Plan



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Agenda

1. Project Background
2. Analysis Findings
3. Community Input
4. Safety Focus Topics
5. Safety Solution Types
6. Next Steps

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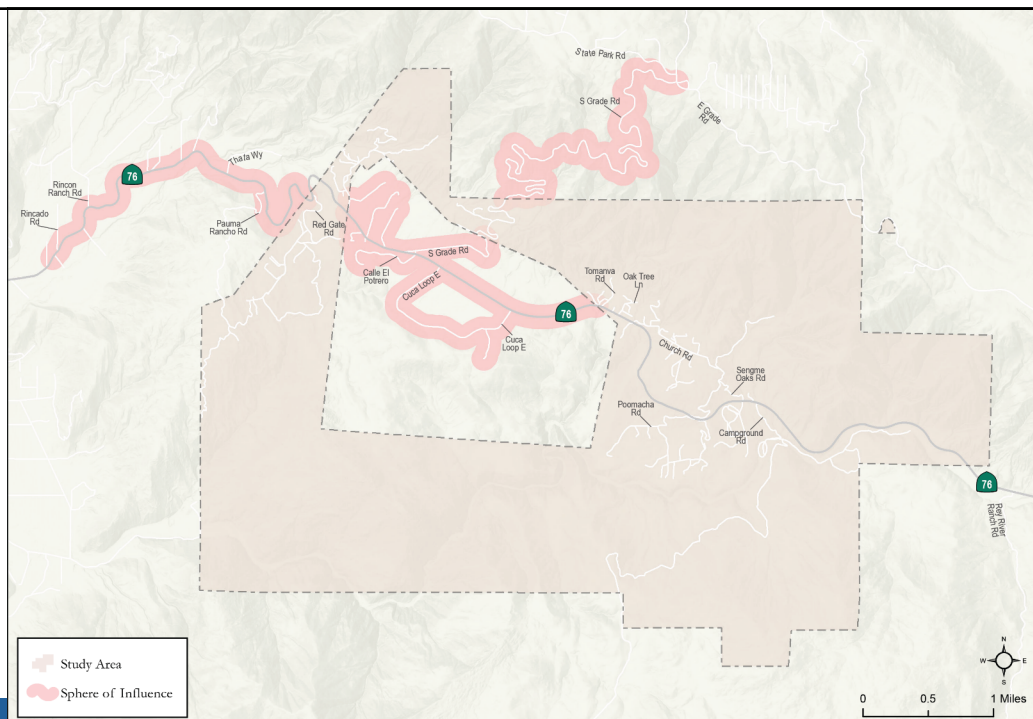
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- Engage Tribal members and public agencies
- Analyze data
- Identify safety issues
- Recommend safety solutions
- Become eligible for grant funding



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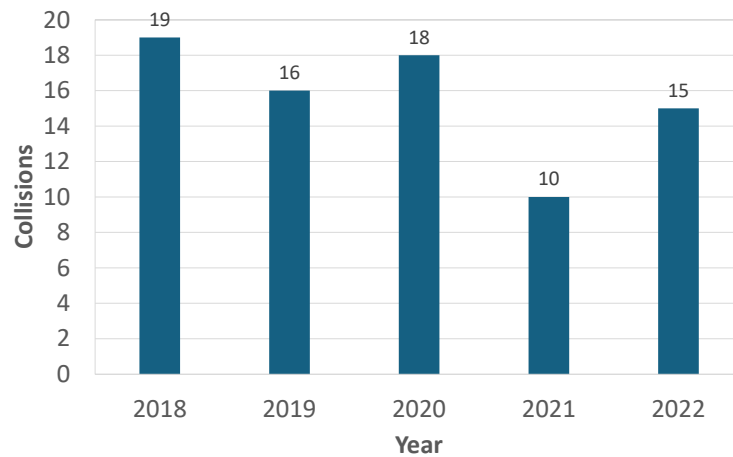
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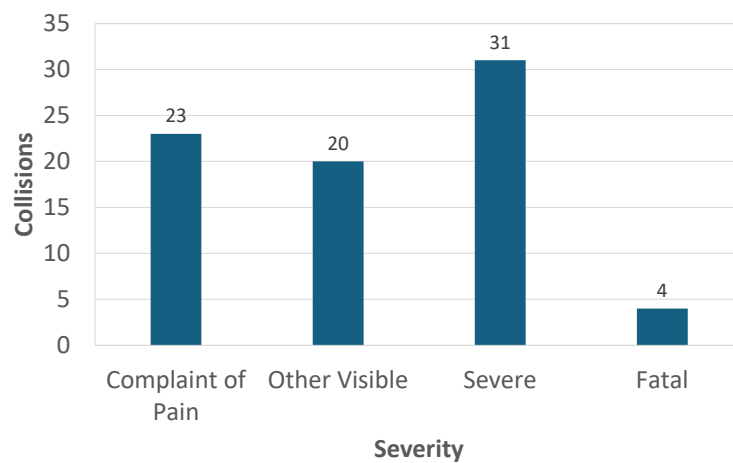
Collisions by Year

78 Collisions over 5-years (2018 – 2022)



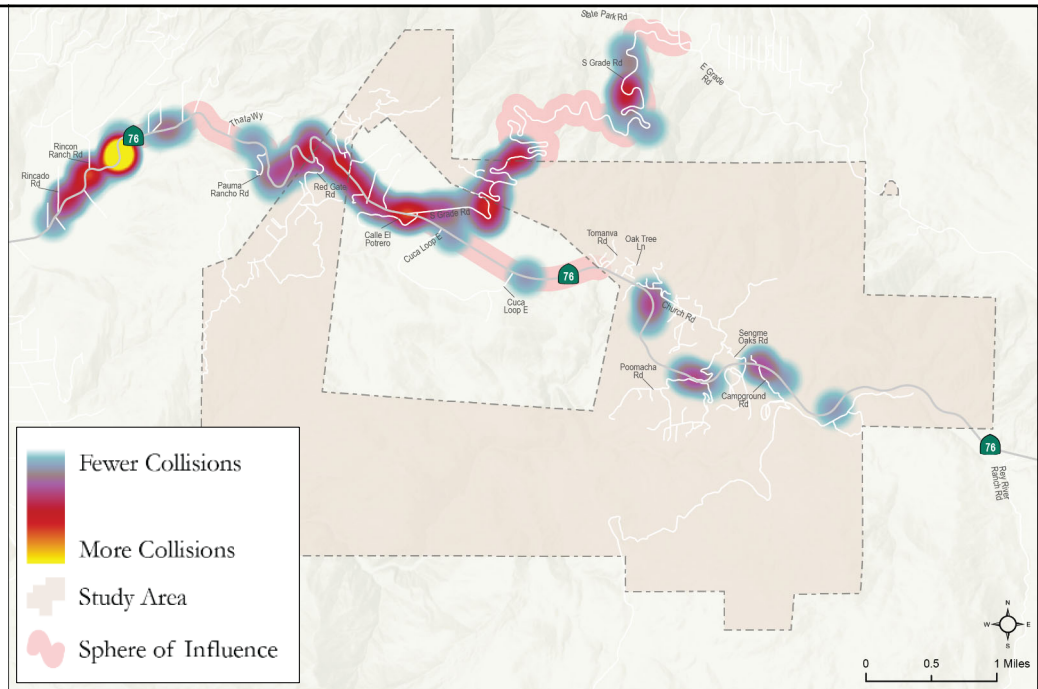
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Collisions by Injury Severity



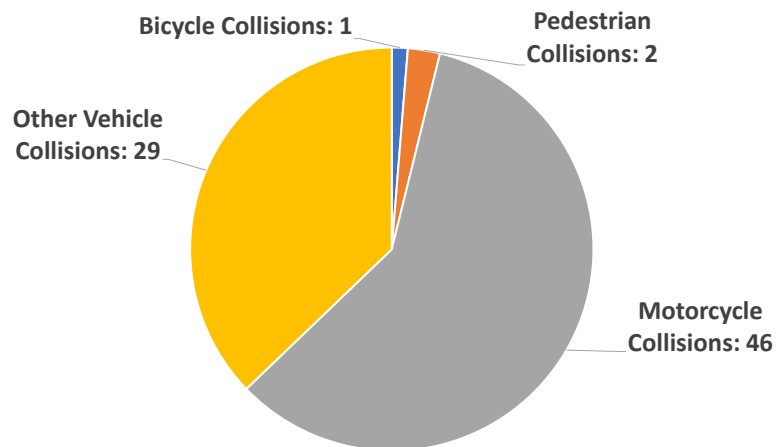
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Collision Heatmap

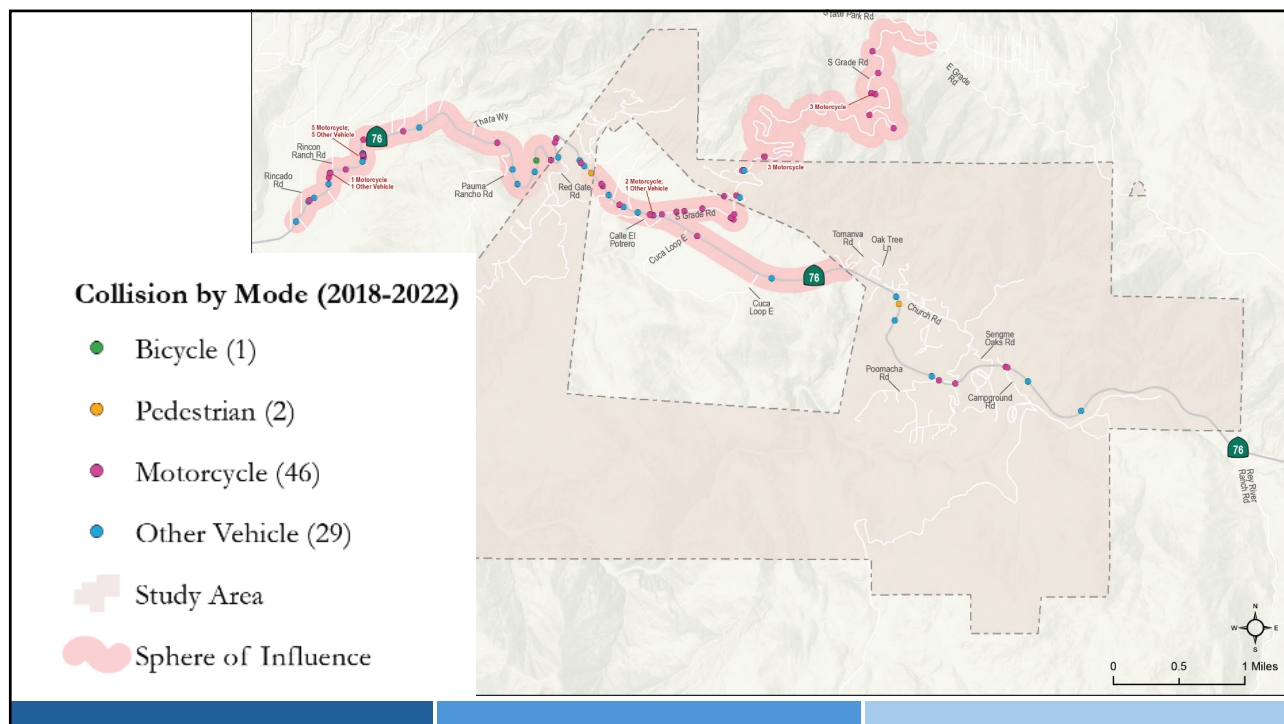


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Collisions by Mode



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Community Input

- Task Force
- Community Workshops
- Discussions at Tribal Meetings
- Written and Emailed Comments
- Phone Calls



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Project Task Force

- Organized of Tribal departments and other public agencies to coordinate on transportation safety issues and solutions

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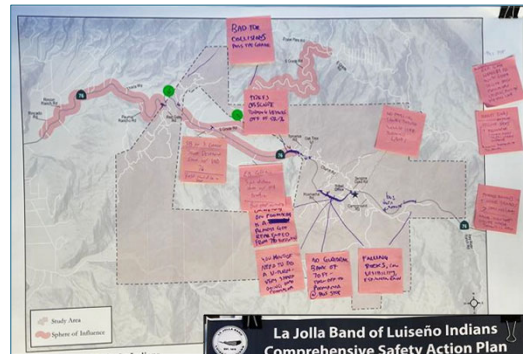
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Community Input

- Topics discussed:
 - Project purpose
 - Findings from the analysis
 - Collected input on Tribal member transportation safety concerns
 - Solution types and locations



La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians Comprehensive Safety Action Plan

Are there locations where transportation safety is a concern?
Please place a sticker next to the locations that are most important to you.

| Location | Stickers |
|--|-----------|
| SR 76 | ● |
| South Grade Road | ● ● ● ● ● |
| Poomacha Road | ● ● ● ● ● |
| Red Gate Road intersection at SR 76 | ● ● ● ● ● |
| Poomacha Road intersection at SR 76 | ● ● ● ● ● |
| Sengme Oaks Road intersection at SR 76 | ● ● ● ● ● |
| Campground Road intersection at SR 76 | ● ● ● ● ● |

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Safety Focus Topics

- Unsafe Speeds & Roadway Departure
- School Bus Stops, Stop Access, & Bus Turnaround
- Cell Phone Service to Report Emergencies
- Driving Under the Influence
- Falling Rocks
- Roadway Maintenance

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Safety Solutions

- Advance Warning Signs
 - Curves
 - Combined Curve/Intersection
- Chevron Alignment Signs
- Dynamic Curve Warning System



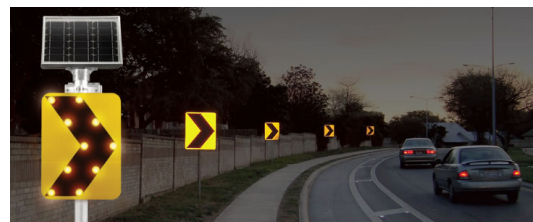
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Safety Solutions

- Review/retrofit existing warning signs
 - Sizes
 - Doubling up signage (each side of road)
 - Highly retroreflective and fluorescent sheeting
 - Flashing beacons
- Resurface roadways
- Bring roadways to standard



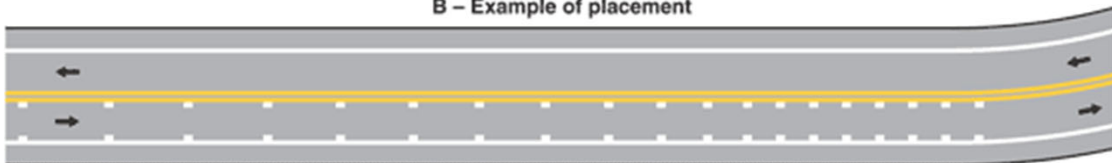
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Safety Solutions

- Speed Advisory Markings in Lane
- High Friction Surface Treatments (HFST)
- Speed Reduction Markings



B – Example of placement



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Safety Solutions

- Center Lines & Edge Lines
- Shoulder/Edge Line Rumble Strips
- Guardrails
- Landscaping/Grading at Driveways



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Safety Solutions

- Increased Mile Markers (every 1/10th of a mile)
- Improved Cell Phone Service
- Call Boxes
- Bus Shelters
- Improved Bus Access



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Safety Solutions

- Acceleration/Deceleration Lanes
- Roadway Realignment/Relocation
- Shoulder Widening
- Turn Pocket
- Increased Enforcement
- Changeable/Dynamic Message Sign



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Next Steps

- Finalize Report Documentation
- Report to Tribal Council

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Thank You!

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