

May 23, 2025

April 25, 2025, Meeting Minutes

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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.

<u>Action</u>: 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.

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
North County illiand	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	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	