

FY 2026 WORKING GROUPS AND TASK FORCES

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WORKING GROUPS

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Working Group Name		Membership	Responsibilities	Applicable Laws	Current Status
1	Chiefs/Sheriff's Management Committee (CSMC) Staff Lead: Kami Leone Anthony (Tony) Ray	Chair: Chief Alejandro Hernandez, National City Police Department Appointed by the members of CSMC. Sheriff and police chiefs from around the region, and SD County probation and District Attorney offices.	Reviews, evaluates, and provides recommendations and input to the Public Safety Committee on issues relating to the SANDAG ARJIS and Criminal Justice work programs and budgets; and evaluates and recommends regional public safety initiatives	Brown Act Conflict Laws/Form 700	Standing Meeting schedule: Monthly on the first Wednesday

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE: Stacey Cooper

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1	<p>Sustainable Communities Working Group (SCWG)</p> <p>Staff Lead: Sara Toma Chesley DeLeon</p>	<p>Chair: Deputy Mayor Tracy Martinez, City of Del Mar</p> <p>Chair appointed by the Chair of the Regional Planning Committee</p> <p>Membership includes representatives from the region's 18 cities and the County of San Diego.</p> <p>Membership may also include participation from non-voting agency partners including, but not limited to, Caltrans, Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), North County Transit District (NCTD), San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, San Diego County Water Authority, Air Pollution Control District, the Local Agency Formations Commission (LAFCO), Department of Defense, Southern California Tribal Chairman's Association, and the Port of San Diego.</p>	<p>Provides an institutional forum and structure for regional stakeholders to: (1) collaborate, coordinate, research, and peer exchange innovative solutions to address regional issues related to land use, housing, sustainability, habitat conservation, climate resilience and equity; (2) identify legislative and regulatory barriers and opportunities; (3) implement regional solutions that require cross-jurisdictional coordination; (4) develop guidelines that will facilitate implementation of policies, programs and solutions across the region; and (5) promote best practices and technical assistance that helps local jurisdictions align policies and programs with the Regional Plan and SCS. The SCWG also provides SANDAG staff and the Regional Planning Committee (RPC) with input and recommendations on preparation and implementation of the Regional Plan and SCS.</p>	<p>Brown Act Conflict Laws/Form 700</p>	<p>Standing Established 2022 Meeting Schedule: Bimonthly on the third Thursday</p>
2	<p>Military Working Group (MWG)</p> <p>Staff Lead: Danielle Kochman Kate McCauley</p>	<p>Chair: Councilmember Steve Goble, City of El Cajon</p> <p>Chair appointed by the BOD Chair.</p> <p>MWG is composed of thirteen members, including four representatives from the armed forces: Navy Region Southwest; Marine Corps Installation West; Marine Corps Recruitment Depot; and U.S. Coast Guard San Diego Sector. In addition, the voting membership includes one representative from the following jurisdictions and agencies: City of Coronado, City of Imperial Beach, City of Oceanside, City of National City, City of San Diego, County of San Diego, the Port of San Diego, the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), and the North County Transit District (NCTD).</p>	<p>Provides a collaborative forum for the various branches of the military and SANDAG to address areas of mutual interest, including growth management, habitat, transportation, regional growth, housing, water, energy, and other related topics</p>	<p>Brown Act</p>	<p>Standing Established 2012 Meeting schedule: Quarterly on the second Monday</p>

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3	<p>Social Equity Working Group (SEWG)</p> <p>Staff Lead: Paula Zamudio Cat Matel</p>	<p>Chair: Mayor Alysson Snow, City of Lemon Grove</p> <p>Chair appointed as non-voting member by BOD Chair.</p> <p>No more than 17 representatives from community-based organizations (CBOs) or community collaboratives serving underserved/disadvantaged communities selected through a competitive request for proposals process by SANDAG</p>	<p>Reviews and provides input that will be used to develop and adopt the Regional Plan as well as provides a social equity perspective on other agency initiatives or planning efforts, including Public Participation Plan, and assists with associated public outreach and helps inform and encourage diverse, inclusive and active, public involvement in the Regional Plan</p>	<p>Brown Act Conflict Laws/Form 700</p>	<p>Standing Established 2018 Meeting schedule: Monthly on the fourth Thursday</p>
4	<p>Shoreline Preservation Working Group (SPWG)</p> <p>Staff Lead: Courtney Becker</p>	<p>Chair: Deputy Mayor Kristi Becker, City of Solana Beach</p> <p>The Chair is appointed by the Chair of the RPC and will be a member of the SPWG representing one of the bayfront and coastal cities to serve as Chair for a period of one year.</p> <p>The SPWG has thirteen voting members which include one voting representative from each of the bayfront and coastal cities, the County of San Diego, the San Diego Unified Port District and the U.S. Navy. In addition, the SPWG includes non-voting: (1) technical advisors from the California Coastal Commission, State Department of Fish and Wildlife, State Department of Parks and Recreation, State Lands Commission, National Marine Fisheries Service, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and (2) community advisors from the Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association, non-profit coastal advocacy group, environmental justice/climate equity community, lobster and fishing associations, and the Scripps Institution of Oceanography.</p>	<p>Advises on the implementation of the Shoreline Preservation Strategy, the Coastal Regional Sediment Management Plan, and San Diego Forward: The Regional Plan. Supports the region's ongoing and future beach nourishment efforts and other sea-level rise adaptation strategies</p>	<p>Brown Act</p>	<p>Standing Established 1980s Meeting schedule: Quarterly on the first Thursday</p>

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE: Brian Lane

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1	<p>Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC)</p> <p>Staff Lead: Tim Garrett</p>	<p>Chair: Marcy Roke, Travelers Aid of Society of San Diego</p> <p>Chair elected by SSTAC Members.</p> <p>Representatives of transit users who are seniors (aged 60 years or older), disabled, and/or persons with limited means; staff from social service providers serving seniors, persons with disabilities, and persons of limited means; representatives from the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency; and representatives from MTS and NCTD.</p>	<p>Designated as the Local Review Committee for FTA Section 5310 grant applications, holds required unmet needs hearings, and advises on regional issues of accessible transportation provided by the public and private sector; fulfills state Public Utilities Code requirement; also, reviews and advises on transit capital improvement projects for Americans with Disabilities Act compliance.</p>	<p>Brown Act California Public Utilities Code Sections 99238, 99238.5</p>	<p>Standing</p> <p>Established 1979</p> <p>Meeting schedule: Bimonthly on the third Tuesday</p>
2	<p>Mobility Working Group (MOBWG)</p> <p>Staff Lead: Cecily Taylor</p>	<p>Chair: Mayor Pro Tem Jennifer Mendoza, City of Lemon Grove</p> <p>Chair appointed by the Chair of the Transportation Committee.</p> <p>The Chair shall be a member of the Transportation Committee and serve as a non-voting Chair of the MOBWG for a period of one year. The MOBWG membership shall include one voting member and one or more alternate member from each SANDAG member agency, including the region's 18 cities, the County of San Diego, Metropolitan Transit System, North County Transit District, Port of San Diego, and the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority. Each member agency shall have one vote. MOBWG agency representatives shall be appointed by the membership agency for a two-year term and be an executive or senior staff level. Membership may also include participation from non-voting agency partners including, but not limited to, Caltrans, Department of Defense, Southern California Tribal Chairman's Association.</p>	<p>Provides an institutional forum and structure for regional stakeholders to: (1) collaborate, coordinate, research, and peer exchange innovative mobility solutions; (2) identify legislative and regulatory barriers and opportunities; (3) implement and operate regional solutions that require cross-jurisdictional coordination; (4) develop guidelines and adopt standards that will facilitate seamless implementation of mobility solutions across the region; and (5) promote best practices and technical assistance that prepare for the future of mobility. The MOBWG also provides SANDAG staff and the Transportation Committee with input and recommendations on preparation and implementation of the Regional Plan and other transportation projects, programs, and policies. MOBWG activities are identified through annual workplans. SANDAG staff will update the workplan in coordination with the MOBWG to foster collaboration and consensus on priority projects that advance the goals and projects contained in the Regional Plan as well as the TransNet Local Streets and Roads program.</p>	<p>Brown Act Conflict Laws/Form 700</p>	<p>Standing</p> <p>Established 2022</p> <p>Meeting Schedule: Monthly on the fourth Wednesday</p>

TRANSNET INDEPENDENT TAXPAYER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Working Group Name		Membership	Responsibilities	Applicable Laws	Current Status
1	<p>TransNet Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee (ITOC)</p> <p>Staff Lead: Saba Fadhil Jenny Russo</p>	<p>Chair: Selected by the ITOC members.</p> <p>The ITOC is a voting body of seven community members with qualifying expertise, as defined in the TransNet Ordinance.</p>	<p>The TransNet Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee (ITOC) is a group of community members appointed by SANDAG to provide an enhanced level of accountability for expenditures of TransNet funds, as outlined in the TransNet Ordinance and Expenditure Plan. The committee helps ensure that all voter mandates are carried out as required and develops recommendations for improvements to the financial integrity and performance of the program. Every year, ITOC releases an annual report of the Committee’s milestones and accomplishments.</p>	<p>Brown Act Conflict Laws/Form 700 TransNet Ordinance</p>	<p>Standing</p> <p>Meeting Schedule: Monthly on the second Wednesday</p>
2	<p>ITOC Selection Committee</p> <p>Staff Lead: Saba Fadhil Jenny Russo</p>	<p>Chair: Appointed by the Selection Committee members to lead each meeting.</p>	<p>The ITOC Selection Committee shall be established to select an ITOC member from the list of qualified candidates recommended by a technical screening committee. The selection committee shall consist of the following: two members of the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors; the mayor of the City of San Diego; a mayor from the cities of Chula Vista, Coronado, Imperial Beach, or National City selected by the mayors of those cities; a mayor from the cities of El Cajon, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, or Santee selected by the mayors of those cities; a mayor from the cities of Carlsbad, Del Mar, Encinitas, Oceanside, or Solana Beach selected by the mayors of those cities; and a mayor from the cities of Escondido, Poway, San Marcos, or Vista selected by the mayors of those cities.</p>	<p>Brown Act TransNet Ordinance</p>	<p>Standing</p> <p>Meeting Schedule: As needed when vacancies occur</p>

TASK FORCES

Task Force Name		Membership	Responsibilities	Applicable Laws	Current Status
1	ARJIS Business Working Group Staff Lead: Anthony "Tony" Ray Kami Leone	Appointed staff members from each agency represented on the Chiefs'/Sheriff's Management Committee (CSMC)	Provides input to the CSMC on ARJIS matters relating to criminal justice information-sharing, business practices, crime statistics, data quality, and budget	N/A	Standing Established: 1998 Meeting schedule: Bimonthly
2	ARJIS Technical Working Group Staff Lead: Anthony "Tony" Ray Kami Leone	Appointed staff members from each agency represented on the Chiefs'/Sheriff's Management Committee (CSMC).	Provides input to the CSMC on ARJIS matters relating to state-of-the-art information technology that enhances both officer and public safety	N/A	Standing Established: 1998 Meeting schedule: Bimonthly
3	Bayshore Bikeway Task Force Staff Lead: Josh Clark	Councilmembers from the Cities of Chula Vista, Coronado, Imperial Beach, National City, and San Diego; County of San Diego Supervisor; Port of San Diego Commissioner; San Diego County Bicycle Coalition Executive Director, and Public Member Mike Woiwode	Plans for future improvements on the Bayshore Bikeway, provides oversight and support for projects being developed, advocates for funding to plan and construct projects, coordinates with local land use authorities to provide for future bikeway right-of-way, and promotes the bikeway as a regional transportation facility.	N/A	Standing Established: 2023* Meeting schedule: Quarterly or as needed *as a Task Force – previously established as a Working Group in 1989

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4	<p>Community Based Outreach Team</p> <p>Staff Lead: Cat Matel Paula Zamudio</p>	<p>Staff who work in outreach from CBO/collaboratives that are part of the Social Equity Partner Network.</p>	<p>Technical staff that conduct outreach in their communities and provide timely and meaningful input on implementing the 2021 Regional Plan as well as the development of the 2025 Regional Plan, capture local knowledge and share critical perspectives from environmental justice communities, bringing disadvantaged populations into the decision-making process through continuous, timely and meaningful input.</p>	<p>Follow responsibilities outlined in Solicitation No.: SOL970437</p>	<p>Standing</p> <p>Established: 2022</p> <p>Contracts end Dec. 2025 and a new solicitation will continue the task force with potentially new members beginning in 2026.</p> <p>Meeting schedule: Bimonthly</p>
5	<p>Freight Stakeholders Task Force</p> <p>Staff Lead: Danielle Kochman</p>	<p>Representatives from Caltrans, Port of San Diego, San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, Imperial County Transportation Commission, Federal Highway Administration, transit operators, railroads, trucking companies, chambers of commerce, and other private and nonprofit organizations.</p>	<p>Provides input on goods movement planning projects and activities to improve the efficiency of goods movement, advance the deployment of medium and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles, and implement the SANDAG Regional Plan.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Standing</p> <p>Established: 2013</p> <p>Meeting schedule: Quarterly</p>

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6	<p>Interagency Technical Working Group on Tribal Transportation Issues*</p> <p>Staff Lead: Paula Zamudio Jorge Estrada-Tello</p> <p>* Keeping legacy name requested by tribal leaders as this group would be a WG but because of tribal sovereignty do not need to comply with Brown Act</p>	Representatives from each of the 17 federally recognized tribal governments in San Diego County	Discusses and coordinates tribal transportation issues of mutual concern with the various public planning agencies in the region, including SANDAG, Caltrans, the County of San Diego, and the transit operators	N/A	<p>Standing</p> <p>Established: 2006</p> <p>Meeting schedule: Quarterly</p>
7	<p>Regional Digital Divide Task Force</p> <p>Staff Lead: Kate McCauley Michael Terlep</p>	Representatives from government organizations, educational institutions, community-based organizations, Internet Service Providers, community technology training and network providers, and other social service and civic organizations that are actively working to bridge the digital divide.	The SANDAG Regional Digital Divide task force brings together a wide range of stakeholders to develop and implement the Regional Digital Equity Strategy and Action Plan and to collaborate and provide expert input on regional digital equity programs and projects.	N/A	<p>Standing</p> <p>Established: 2021</p> <p>Meeting As-needed</p>

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8	<p>Regional Habitat Conservation Task Force</p> <p>Staff Lead: Kim Smith</p>	<p>Staff representatives of the City of San Diego, County of San Diego, and the four SANDAG subregions (North County Coastal, North County Inland, East County and South County). The staff representatives from each SANDAG subregion will be from local jurisdictions with an adopted, or in development, habitat conservation plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff representatives of federal agencies, state agencies, and tribal governments that are directly involved in implementation of habitat conservation plans in the San Diego region (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, California Wildlife Conservation Board, Caltrans, and the Southern California Tribal Chairman's Association). • Staff representatives of the following organizations, representing disciplines and interests involved in implementation of regional habitat conservation plans. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Nature Conservancy (Land Acquisition) ○ Conservation Resource Network (Land Management) ○ U.S. Geological Survey (Science and Technology) ○ Endangered Habitats League (Environmental Policy) ○ Building Industry Association (Business) ○ San Diego Foundation (Land Acquisition and Endowments) ○ Resource Conservation District of Greater San Diego County (Land Management) ○ Natural History Museum (Science) ○ Alliance for Habitat Conservation (Business) 	<p>Provides technical expertise, background knowledge and cross-agency coordination on regional habitat conservation issues, including input on issues related to coordination and implementation of the EMP.</p>	N/A	<p>Standing</p> <p>Established: 2004</p> <p>Meeting schedule: Quarterly</p>

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9	<p>San Diego Region Conformity Working Group*</p> <p>Staff Lead: Kirsten Uchitel Keith Greer</p> <p>*name set by law but functionally a Task Force</p>	Staff from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, FHWA, Federal Transit Administration (FTA), California Air Resources Board, Caltrans, and San Diego County APCD	Reviews and comments on Regional Transportation Plan and Regional Transportation Improvement Program transportation conformity and State Implementation Plan development or updates and fulfills federal and state requirements for interagency consultation.	N/A	<p>Standing</p> <p>Established: 1994</p> <p>Meeting schedule: Monthly</p>
10	<p>Tribal Task Force</p> <p>Staff Lead: Paula Zamudio Jorge Estrada-Tello</p>	Tribal liaisons or staff from SANDAG, County, Caltrans, BIA, transit operators and tribal representatives.	Provides input on agenda setting for the Interagency Technical Working Group on Tribal Transportation Issues meetings as well as helps with continued collaboration between agencies and tribal nations.	N/A	<p>Standing</p> <p>Established: 2019</p> <p>Meeting schedule: Monthly</p>

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11	<p>Vision Zero Task Force</p> <p>Staff Lead: Samual Sanford</p>	<p>The Taskforce is open to a broad range of representatives from local agencies, transit operators, tribal governments, Caltrans, and transportation stakeholders and advocates. Representatives cover Safe System approach to traffic safety.</p>	<p>Staff lead task force focused on advancing implementation actions identified in the Vision Zero Action Plan and continued collaboration on traffic safety.</p> <p>This group will serve as a body of subject-matter expertise in regional transportation safety issues. This taskforce supports SANDAG staff in the implementation of the Regional VZAP and serves as an institutional forum and structure for regional stakeholders to: 1) collaborate, coordinate and peer exchange solutions to address issues related to regional transportation safety; 2) provide regional collaboration among the jurisdictions and stakeholders on regional transportation safety policy, projects, and funding opportunities; and 3) promote best practices and provide data analyses that help local jurisdictions implement transportation safety projects. The Taskforce also provides a forum for stakeholder outreach on implementation of the Regional VZAP.</p>	N/A	<p>Standing</p> <p>New – first meeting scheduled 9/2025</p> <p>Meeting schedule: Quarterly</p>

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