



Transportation Committee

Meeting Date: February 2, 2023

Agenda Item No. 11

Transit Representation in Metropolitan Planning Organization Structure

Information

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Attachments: Yes

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Referring Committee: Not Applicable

1. Issue:

SACOG has a policy to adopt a resolution annually to designate any board member who also serves on a transit board as a transit representative for purposes of complying with federal guidance.

2. Recommendation:

None; this item is for information only. The Policy & Innovation Committee is being asked to recommend that the board adopt the attached resolution.

3. Background/Analysis:

In 2016, the SACOG board adopted a policy to designate any board member who also serves on a transit board as a transit representative for purposes of complying with federal guidance. Federal transportation law requires representation by providers of public transportation on the governing board for each metropolitan planning organization (MPO) that serves a transportation management area. The law allows the requirement for transit representation to be satisfied by a member of the MPO governing board who also serves as a board member for a public transit agency. All transit agency boards in the Sacramento region include elected officials from city councils and county boards of supervisors, many of whom serve on the SACOG board. This requirement is one of many that SACOG fulfills in its obligations as an MPO.

4. Discussion/Analysis:

Staff recommends that the board adopt a resolution annually designating those board members who serve on public transit boards as transit representatives for the purposes of complying with federal law. To better inform the public, our website also shows which SACOG board members also serve on local transit agency boards: <https://www.sacog.org/board-directors>.

5. Fiscal Impact/Grant Information:

There is no fiscal impact from this action.