

Land Use & Natural Resources Committee

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Agenda Item No. 7

Land Use Implementation Activities for September 2023

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Attachments: Yes Referring Committee: Land Use & Natural Resources

1. Issue:

The purpose of this item is to provide an overview of the land use related activities that staff participate in to support Blueprint implementation on an on-going basis.

2. Recommendation:

None; this item is for information only.

3. Background/Analysis:

Many of the Blueprint and MTP/SCS land use implementation activities conducted or coordinated by SACOG will come through the Land Use and Natural Resources Committee through this year. Additionally, every month the committee and the board receive this summary of land use activities SACOG has participated in to support local implementation of the MTP/SCS and the Blueprint principles. SACOG conducts the following Blueprint and MTP/SCS implementation land use activities in response to requests from member agencies and/or developers or non-governmental organizations: (1) provision of data and/or technical support to member agencies implementing the Blueprint and MTP/SCS; (2) review and comment on development proposals regarding their consistency with the Blueprint principles or the MTP/SCS; and (3) educational presentations on the Blueprint and the MTP/SCS. As with all planning efforts, implementation of the plan is critical to achieving the regional transportation, air quality, quality of life and prosperity goals that the plan sets forth. Successful implementation requires the work and support of our partners and our members. Supporting local efforts around MTP/SCS and Blueprint implementation is therefore a critical part of our work.

4. Discussion/Analysis:

In September, SACOG staff conducted the following Blueprint and MTP/SCS implementation activities related to land use:

- Provided the City of Sacramento an MTP/SCS consistency letter for the Sacramento Bee Townhomes project.
- Continued administration of Regional Early Action Planning (REAP1) for all member agencies. Worked with REAP 1 grant recipients and California Housing and Community Development Department to provide a grant program extension.

- Administered close out of earlier Community Design grants and worked with 2023 recipients on grant agreements.
- Coordinated with eligible jurisdictions on federal Regional Partnership Challenge grant request.
- Began providing technical assistance to potential applicants for the Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities Grant from the SACOG region. Provided notice to housing planners in El Dorado, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba Counties related to the State Infill and Infrastructure grant program, specifically for the "small jurisdiction set-aside" funding pot.

5. Fiscal Impact/Grant Information:

This program is budgeted in SACOG's adopted Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Overall Work Plan and budget.