# Regional Climate Change Management

# Legislative and Policy Implementation

Ad Hoc Sustainability Committee July 22, 2009



# **Background & Planning Objectives**

- **1. Regulatory Compliance**
- 2. System Improvement/ Infrastructure Efficiency
- 3. Revenue Generation
- 4. Regional Economic Resiliency & Competitiveness
- 5. Customer Service



## **State Policy and Legislative Tracking**

- SB 375
- AB 1403
- SB 406
- Cap & Trade



# SB 375: Target Setting

- Regional Target Advisory Committee
  - Southern California perspectives
  - Methodology recommendations due 09/30/09
- SCAG recommended target
  - Conceptual Land-Use Scenario Exercise
  - Target recommendation due to California Air Resources Board (ARB) by 06/10
- ARB Target Decision
  - Draft target 06/30/10
  - Final target 09/30/10

# SB 375: Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Development

- SCAG develop framework/guidelines for subregional SCS - 07/09
- Subregions decide whether to develop their own SCS - 09/09
- SCAG & Subregional SCS development begins -05/10
- SCAG Regional Council Adopts RTP/SCS 04/12



# SB 375: Clean-up Legislation (SB 575)

- Programmatic CEQA Exemption of Transportation Projects included in RTP with approved SCS
- Amend grandfathering language to ensure all ballot projects listed by 12/31/2008, financed in whole or in part by voter approved measures, are exempt from SCS requirements regardless of "programming" date
- Other



#### **Other State Policy and Legislative Activities**

- AB 1403—Board adopted position of support to provide SCAG with additional funding to implement SB 375
- SB 406—Staff monitoring bill to authorize regions to impose surcharge of \$1-2.00 on motor vehicle registration to support Sustainable Communities Strategy development
- Cap & Trade—Staff monitoring program for opportunities to generate revenue for public transportation and greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction efforts



## Federal Policy & Legislative Tracking

- Cap & Trade
- HUD, DOT, EPA Partnership for Sustainable Communities
- Reauthorization of the Federal Transportation Funding Bill



# **Countywide Planning & Programming**

- GHG management strategies
  - Reduce and better manage demand on highways and streets
  - Increase availability of more sustainable transportation choices
    - Bikes & Peds
    - Public Transportation
    - Rideshare
    - (Infrastructure to promote) Alternative-powered vehicles



# **Countywide Planning & Programming**

- GHG management programming tools
  - Long Range Transportation Plan
  - Call for Projects
  - Measure R
  - Metrics & Measurement



# **Regional Coordination**

- Sustainability Summit
- SB 375 Coordination
- LA Regional Collaborative



#### **Next Steps**

- Continue legislative tracking and policy development, planning & programming, and regional coordination efforts
- Identify gaps and develop strategies to continue to advance our Vision for Sustainability and longterm sustainability projects
- Update Metro Sustainability Implementation Plan

