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Project Title: 2025 Regional Plan

Lead Agency: San Diego Association of Governments

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Project Location: The eighteen cities and unincorporated areas of San Diego County.

*City*

*County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

SANDAG prepared the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to evaluate the 2025 Regional Plan (the proposed Plan). The proposed Plan is an update to the Amended 2021 Regional Plan approved in 2023. The proposed Plan improves transportation, equity, and the environment for people in the greater San Diego region over the next several decades. It takes into account how the region is expected to grow and change and provides a blueprint for the regional transportation network, land use, housing, and more.

The project location is the San Diego region. The San Diego region is conterminous with San Diego County.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Table ES-1 of the Draft EIR provides a summary of environmental impacts, mitigation measures to avoid or reduce significant impacts, and significance of the impact after mitigation is applied, for 2035 and 2050. The following list summarizes the significant impacts that would result with the implementation of the proposed Plan.

- ▶ Aesthetics and Visual Resources
- ▶ Agricultural and Forestry Resources
- ▶ Air Quality
- ▶ Biological Resources
- ▶ Cultural Resources
- ▶ Paleontological Resources
- ▶ Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- ▶ Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- ▶ Land Use
- ▶ Mineral Resources
- ▶ Noise and Vibration
- ▶ Population and Housing
- ▶ Public Services, Recreation, and Utilities
- ▶ Transportation
- ▶ Tribal Cultural Resources
- ▶ Water Supply
- ▶ Wildfire

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

These areas of controversy were identified through letters submitted to SANDAG and presentations at SANDAG board meetings. In no particular order, areas of controversy known to SANDAG include:

- ▶ Providing an increase in Rapid transit, the Purple Line as a Trolley, and other rail corridor service enhancements.
- ▶ Determining a long-term sustainable solution for continuing rail service through the Del Mar Bluffs area.
- ▶ Importance of meeting and exceeding SB 375 and other State greenhouse gas reduction targets.
- ▶ How to address the need for affordable housing in the region; make infrastructure investments in areas with future housing growth.
- ▶ Whether to provide transit fare subsidies for Youth Opportunity Passes, senior citizens, and disadvantaged community members.
- ▶ Whether to reduce freeway expansions. and focus land use and transportation growth within urban core areas that would provide affordable housing and transportation needs and meet GHG and vehicle miles traveled (VMT) reduction targets.
- ▶ How to reduce transportation-related pollution levels in disadvantaged communities.
- ▶ How to accommodate future growth and housing while decreasing sprawl into natural open space areas.
- ▶ Expanding opportunities for biking.
- ▶ Importance of having a plan that promotes planning strategies that include multiple species habitat conservation planning efforts.
- ▶ Provide a plan without a road usage charge.

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Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Cities of Carlsbad, Chula Vista, Coronado, Del Mar, El Cajon, Encinitas, Escondido, Imperial Beach, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, National City, Oceanside, Poway, San Diego, San Marcos, Santee, Solana Beach, Vista, and County of San Diego.

Additional agencies include Imperial County, California Department of Transportation, Metropolitan Transit System, North County Transit District, United States Department of Defense, San Diego Unified Port District, San Diego County Water Authority, Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association, and Mexico.