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BCAG RTP/SCS - SB 375 Requirements and Recommendation Checklist

Subject Area	SB 375 Requirement	Addressed
SCS Requirement	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(B) Each metropolitan planning organization shall prepare a sustainable communities strategy, subject to the requirements of Part 450 of Title 23 of, and Part 93 of Title 40 of, the Code of Federal Regulations, including the requirement to utilize the most recent planning assumptions considering local general plans and other factors. The sustainable communities strategy shall:	Chapter 4 - Sustainable Communities Strategy
Land Use	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(B)(i) identify the general location of uses, residential densities, and building intensities within the region;	Growth and Land Use Forecasts (page 4-5)
Housing Goals	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(B)(vi) consider the state housing goals specified in Sections 65580 and 65581;	Accommodating the Regional Housing Need Allocation (page 4-15)
	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(B)(ii) identify areas within the region sufficient to house all the population of the region, including all economic segments of the population, over the course of the planning period of the regional transportation plan taking into account net migration into the region, population growth, household formation and employment growth;.	Growth and Land Use Forecasts (page 4-5) and Accommodating the Regional Housing Need Allocation (page 4-15)
	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(B)(iii) identify areas within the region sufficient to house an eight-year projection of the regional housing need for the region pursuant to Section 65584;	Accommodating the Regional Housing Need Allocation (page 4-15)
Natural Resources	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(B)(v) gather and consider the best practically available scientific information regarding resource areas and farmland in the region as defined in subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 65080.01;	Resource Areas and Farmlands Considerations (page 4-18)
Transportation Network	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(B)(iv) identify a transportation network to service the transportation needs of the region;	Regional Transportation Investments and the SCS (page 4-19), Highways and Local Streets and Roads (Chapter 6), Transit (Chapter 7), and Non-Motorized Transportation (Chapter 8)
Meeting Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(B)(vii): set forth a forecasted development pattern for the region, which, when integrated with the transportation network, and other transportation measures and policies, will reduce the greenhouse gas emissions from automobiles and light trucks to achieve, if there is a feasible way to do so, the greenhouse gas emission reduction targets approved by the state board;	Background Information (page 4-2)
Meeting Federal Air Quality Requirements	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(B)(viii) allow the regional transportation plan to comply with Section 176 of the federal Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 7506).	Air Quality Conformity Analysis and Determination (Appendix 1)

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Informational Meetings	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(E) The metropolitan planning organization shall conduct at least two informational meetings in each county within the region for members of the board of supervisors and city councils on the sustainable communities strategy and alternative planning strategy, if any.	Public Involvement Efforts regarding SB 375 Requirements (Appendix 6-7)
Public Participation Plan	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(F) Each metropolitan planning organization shall adopt a public participation plan, for development of the sustainable communities strategy and an alternative planning strategy, if any, that includes all of the following: etc.	Public Involvement Efforts regarding SB 375 Requirements (Appendix 6-7)
	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(F)(i) Outreach efforts to encourage the active participation of a broad range of stakeholder groups in the planning process, consistent with the agency's adopted Federal Public Participation Plan, including, but not limited to, affordable housing advocates, transportation advocates, neighborhood and community groups, environmental advocates, home builder representatives, broad-based business organizations, landowners, commercial property interests, and homeowner associations.	Public Involvement Efforts regarding SB 375 Requirements (Appendix 6-7)
	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(F)(ii) Consultation with congestion management agencies, transportation agencies, and transportation commissions.	Public Involvement Efforts regarding SB 375 Requirements (Appendix 6-7)
	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(F)(iii) Three workshops throughout the region to provide the public with the information and tools necessary to provide a clear understanding of the issues and policy choices. Each workshop, to the extent practicable, shall include urban simulation computer modeling to create visual	Public Involvement Efforts regarding SB 375 Requirements (Appendix 6-7)
	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(F)(iv) Preparation and circulation of a draft SCS and an alternative planning strategy, if one is prepared, not less than 55 days before adoption of a final regional transportation plan.	Public Involvement Efforts regarding SB 375 Requirements (Appendix 6-7)
	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(F)(v) At least three public hearings on the draft sustainable communities strategy in the regional transportation plan and alternative planning strategy, if one is prepared. If the metropolitan transportation organization consists of a single county, at least two public hearings shall be held. To the maximum extent feasible, the hearings shall be in different parts of the region to maximize the opportunity for participation by members of the public throughout the region.	Public Involvement Efforts regarding SB 375 Requirements (Appendix 6-7)
Consultation with Local Agency Formation Commission	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(F)(vi) A process for enabling members of the public to provide a single request to received notices, information, and updates.	Public Involvement Efforts regarding SB 375 Requirements (Appendix 6-7)
Consultation with Local Agency Formation Commission	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(G) In preparing a sustainable communities strategy, the metropolitan planning organization shall consider spheres of influence that have been adopted by the local agency formation commissions within its region.	Consultation with Local Agency Formation Commission (Appendix 6-9)

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CARB Greenhouse Gas Emission Targets for BCAG	CGC Section 65080(b)(2)(H) Prior to adopting a sustainable communities strategy, the metropolitan planning organization shall quantify the reduction in greenhouse gas emissions projected to be achieved by the sustainable communities strategy and set forth the difference, if any, between the amount of that reduction and the target for the region established by the state board.	Background Information (page 4-2)
Local Government Land Use Authority	<p>CGC Section 65080(b) (2) (K) Neither a sustainable communities strategy nor an alternative planning strategy regulates the use of land, nor, except as provided by subparagraph (J), shall either one be subject to any state approval. Nothing in a sustainable communities strategy shall be interpreted as superseding the exercise of the land use authority of cities and counties within the region. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to limit the state board's authority under any other provision of law. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to authorize the abrogation of any vested right whether created by statute or by common law.</p> <p>Nothing in this section shall require a city's or county's land use policies and regulations, including its general plan, to be consistent with the regional transportation plan or an alternative planning strategy.</p> <p>Nothing in this section requires a metropolitan planning organization to approve a sustainable communities strategy that would be inconsistent with Part 450 of Title 23 of, or Part 93 of Title 40 of, the Code of Federal Regulations and any administrative guidance under those regulations.</p> <p>Nothing in this section relieves a public or private entity or any</p>	Local Government Land Use Authority and CEQA Streamlining (Appendix 6-8)

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Exemption of Projects Contained in Previously Approved Plans and Programs	<p>CGC Section 65080(b) (2) (L) Nothing in this section requires projects programmed for funding on or before December 31, 2011, to be subject to the provisions of this paragraph if they (i) are contained in the 2007 or 2009 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, (ii) are funded pursuant to Chapter 12.49 (commencing with Section 8879.20) of Division 1 of Title 2, or (iii) were specifically listed in a ballot measure prior to December 31, 2008, approving a sales tax increase for transportation projects. Nothing in this section shall require a transportation sales tax authority to change the funding allocations approved by the voters for categories of transportation projects in a sales tax measure adopted prior to December 31, 2010. For purposes of this subparagraph, a transportation sales tax authority is a district, as defined in Section 7252 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, that is authorized to impose a sales tax for transportation purposes.</p>	Financial Element (Chapter 13)
Consideration of Financial Incentives for Cities and Counties with Resource Areas or Farmlands	<p>CGC Section 65080(b) (4)(C) The metropolitan planning organization or county transportation agency, whichever entity is appropriate, shall consider financial incentives for cities and counties that have resource areas or farmland, as defined in Section 65080.01, for the purposes of, for example, transportation investments for the preservation and safety of the city street or county road system and farm to market and interconnectivity transportation needs. The metropolitan planning organization or county transportation agency, whichever entity is appropriate, shall also consider financial assistance for counties to address countywide service responsibilities in counties that contribute towards the greenhouse gas emission reduction targets by implementing policies for growth to occur within their cities.</p>	Financial Element (Chapter 13)
Consideration of Alternative Planning Scenario	<p>CGC Section 65080.3.(a) Each transportation planning agency with a population that exceeds 200,000 persons may prepare at least one "alternative planning scenario" for presentation to local officials, agency board members, and the public during the development of the triennial regional transportation plan and the hearing required under subdivision (c) of Section 65080.</p>	Growth and Land Use Forecasts (page 4-5)