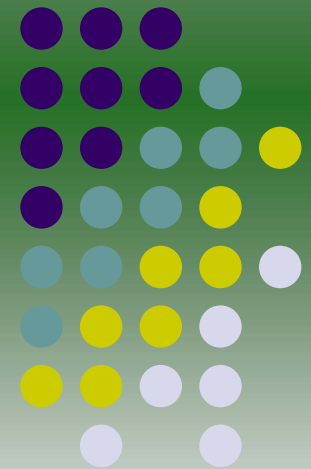


**GATEWAY CITIES**  
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# Recent Accomplishments of The Gateway Cities

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# The Topics Today Will Be



REGIONAL LEADERSHIP  
TRANSPORTATION  
NURTURING TECHNOLOGY  
ENVIRONMENT AND OPEN SPACE

Overall Goal: Keeping city interests at  
the table



# REGIONAL LEADERSHIP



## MATURE RELATIONSHIPS

CALTRANS

MTA

SCAG

U.S. EPA

California Air Resources Board

METRANS (CSULB & USC)

San Gabriel Valley COG

Southbay COG

Ports



# REGIONAL LEADERSHIP



## MATURING RELATIONSHIPS

South Coast AQMD

California Transportation Commission (CTC)

Inland Empire Goods Movement Community

Environmental Community

- NRDC
- Coalition For Clean Air
- Others



# REGIONAL LEADERSHIP



## INNOVATIVE RELATIONSHIPS

Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA)

- 3 Party Agreement with COG / OCTA / MTA

California Trucking Association

- Data Sharing to Relieve Congestion
- 25 Carriers
- First Ever Agreement of it's Type with CTA

Florida Department of Transportation

- Collaborating with COG on State of the Art ITS Application



# REGIONAL LEADERSHIP



## POSITIONS OF LEADERSHIP

- Chair, Rivers and Mountains Conservancy
- MTA Board Member
- AQMD Board Member
- Chair, SCAG Community, Economic, Housing Development Committee (CEHD)
- Vice Chair, SCAG Transportation and Communication Committee (TCC)



# REGIONAL LEADERSHIP



## Advocacy and Visibility

- Washington and Sacramento Delegations
- Presentations to CTC
- Meetings with Caltrans Senior Management
- Meetings at Secretary Level in B,T,&H and Resources Agency
- Defeated California Performance Review Proposal to Disband RMC
- Delayed MTA Development Mitigation Fees



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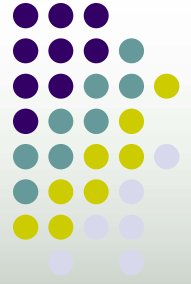
## Advocacy and Visibility

- Secured Removal of Certain COG Cities from National Park Service Study
- Deflected LA Effort to Divert I-5 Funding
- Deflected San Gabriel Valley Effort to Divert Grade Separation Funding
- Deflected MTA Effort to Reduce Funding for Municipal Transit Operator (MOSIP)
- Obtained Early Funding Flow to Municipal Transit Operators





# TRANSPORTATION



## I-5 FREEWAY CORRIDOR

### I-5 JPA

- Began Property Acquisition and Final Design for Carmenita Interchange
- Secured \$600 Million from MTA
- Assisted Caltrans in Design Revisions From 605 to Orange County Line
- Draft EIR to be Completed August 2006



# TRANSPORTATION



## I-5 FREEWAY CORRIDOR

### I-5 JPA

- Secured \$4.2 Million in Federal Funds for EIR/EIS from 605 to 710
- Secured \$750,000 in 2007 Appropriations
- Initiating First ITS Project for Southeast LA County



# TRANSPORTATION



## I-710 FREEWAY CORRIDOR

- Major Corridor Study Completed
  - With Broad Consensus
- \$30 Million Raised for EIR/EIS Phase
- New Governance Structure in Place for Environmental Phase
- New Community Participation Phase about to Begin



# TRANSPORTATION



## 91/605 FREEWAYS CORRIDOR

- Needs Assessment Study Completed
- Securing Funding for Major Corridor Study
- Partial ITS Funding in Place
- Emphasis on Alternative Technologies for Moving Cargo
- OCTA / MTA / Caltrans / SCAG at the Table



# NURTURING TECHNOLOGY



- Major Funding in Place for Sub-Region Wide ITS Planning
- Pilot Program with California Trucking Approved
- Identifying Alternative Technologies for Cargo Movement
- Florida DOT Collaboration on Truck Weighing Inspection & Security Concepts
- Partial Funding in Place for Truck Inspection, Weighing Facility



# ENVIRONMENT AND OPEN SPACE



## AIR QUALITY

- COG Clean Air Program has Removed 460 Dirty Trucks
- Total Pollution Reduction: 1,150 tons of NOx and 253 tons of PM over a 5 Year Period
- With MTA, Port and City of Long Beach Developed Extensive “Compendium” of Emission Reduction Strategies
- COG Funded by MTA for Additional Air Quality Planning



# OPEN SPACE



- RMC grants in Past 2 Years to Bell, Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Lakewood, Long Beach, Maywood, Montebello, Paramount, Signal Hill, Santa Fe Springs, South Gate, Whittier
- Provided Coordination with LA River Issues with I-710 Planning



# OPEN SPACE



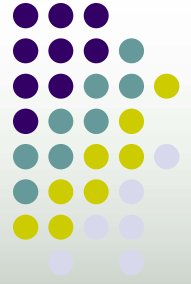
RMC Created 3 New JPA'S Involving Gateway Cities

- Watershed Conservation Authority
- San Gabriel River Discovery Center Authority
- Los Cerritos Wetlands Authority





# OPEN SPACE



## WATER QUALITY

- Elected City Representative to LA Regional Water Quality Control Board
- Collaborating on Staff Support for Board Member
- Advocacy for TMDL'S



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# FUNDING HISTORY TO CITIES



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