
Meeting Minutes

Goleta Ramp Metering Study

Technical Advisory Committee Meeting #3

October 13, 2016, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Conference Call (Dial: 1-866-554-8655, PW: 30022#)

1. Recap of Study

- a. The last TAC meeting was on May 12, 2016. Meeting minutes were distributed on May 17, 2016.
- b. Data collection was deferred until fall, as Caltrans encroachment permits could not be processed in time to complete data collection during a period when all schools were in session.

2. Data Collection Updates

- a. Ramp counts at 32 locations were completed between October 4 and 13.
- b. Vehicle occupancy counts were completed on SR 217 September 27-28.
- c. Mainline freeway counts started October 4, but there some equipment issues and recounts may be required.

3. First Public Workshop

- a. Venue, Day and Time
 - i. Workshop confirmed for Goleta Community Center, Thursday, October 27, 5:30 to 7:00 PM.
- b. Overview
 - i. The presentation will not include details on the data collection – interested persons will be referred to the methodology memo.

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- ii. SBCAG emphasized that the workshop should communicate clearly what we are trying to achieve.
 - 1. Make people familiar with the goals and objectives of the study.
 - 2. Provide a basic understanding of ramp metering.
 - iii. The workshop will look for input on existing problems.
 - 1. Question of whether to run through each ramp and intersection to solicit input.
 - 2. Types of input would include existing deficiencies – congestion, queues, safety concerns.
 - iv. The presentation will include alternative concepts for ramp metering implementation.

c. PowerPoint Slides

- i. The TAC reviewed a draft slide presentation prepared by Kendall Flint (RGS) and Chirag Safi (KAI).
- ii. On the slide showing major origins and destinations, UCSB would like broader emphasis on origins and destinations other than UCSB and Goleta since other areas affect US 101 as well.
- iii. Caltrans requested that the list of locations be reorganized to better reflect actual geography (north to south).
- iv. Peter Imhof, SBCAG, asked if this presentation should include more detail on alternative scenarios rather than conceptual ideas.
 - 1. It was noted that the attendees should understand that any scenarios presented would not be the final recommendation, and the recommendations could be a hybrid of several scenarios.
- v. The group agreed that the detailed performance measure slide was too detailed for the public.

d. Notifications/Broadcasting

4. Next Steps

- a. The TAC was asked to provide additional feedback on public workshop material by October 20.

- b. The TAC was asked to provide feedback on the draft methodology memo by October 20.
- c. KAI and RGS (Kendall Flint) will continue to work with SBCAG to refine the presentation.
- d. KAI will review data as it comes in and work with the vendors to ensure that it is correct and complete.