

Gateway Cities Council of Governments Approach to SB 375

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Gateway Cities COG Mission

- ▶ Transportation
 - ▶ Air Quality
 - ▶ Housing
- ▶ Economic Development

SB 375 relates to all these areas

Critical Concerns

- ▶ Major shift in land use decision making from cities to regional agencies
- ▶ State Air Resources Board (ARB) as regulator, of concern
- ▶ Cities must get educated and be fully engaged
- ▶ Know SB 375 statutory breakdown

Focus On

- ▶ Regional Housing Needs Assessment
- ▶ Transportation funding
- ▶ Local land use authority
- ▶ Growth forecasting

COG Approach

- ▶ Voluntary assessment of \$5,000 per city to hire consultants
- ▶ Work closely with County Transportation Commission (MTA)
- ▶ Work closely with county on unincorporated communities

SB 375 Key Elements

- ▶ Series of workshops for city Planning Directors
 - SCAG, MTA are presenters & partners
 - Case studies and strategy examples
 - What will be expected of cities

SB 375 Key Elements (cont'd.)

- ▶ Survey of cities via web – 100% response
- ▶ Sample questions
 - Sustainability plans and programs?
 - Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions quantified?
 - GHG emissions reduction plans?
 - Travel demand management?
- ▶ Results used to estimate subregion's progress towards assumed target

Survey Results: Strategies Adopted or Considered by Gateway Cities*

- ▶ Transit Oriented Development: 79%
 - Completed rezoning: 25%
- ▶ Mixed Use Development: 86%
 - Completed rezoning: 43%
- ▶ Increased Employment Density: 68%
- ▶ Increased Residential Density: 71%
 - Completed rezoning: 25%
- ▶ Bicycle and Pedestrian Infrastructure: 54%
- ▶ Telecommuting: 64%
- ▶ Employer Based Rideshare: 30%
- ▶ Parking Strategies: 11%
- ▶ Park & Ride and Transit Feeders: 19%
- ▶ Transit Access Improvements: 19%

* Survey results based on number of cities

SB 375 Key Elements (cont'd.)

- ▶ COG and city participation in SB 375 meetings
 - Regional Targets Advisory Committee (RTAC)
 - SCAG
 - ▶ Subregional Coordinators' Group
 - ▶ Plans & Programs Technical Advisory Committee
 - ▶ Community, Economic & Human Development Policy Committee
 - ▶ Special workshops & General Assembly

SB 375 Key Concerns

- ▶ Evaluating whether to prepare **subregional SCS** ("delegation")
- ▶ Understanding implications for **local land use authority**
- ▶ Understanding implications for **Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA)**
- ▶ Engaging cities in **SCAG growth forecast**

SB 375 Key Concerns (cont'd.)

- ▶ Understanding implications for **transportation project planning & funding**
- ▶ Tracking implications of **RTAC process** and decisions
- ▶ **Keeping cities informed** and engaged
- ▶ Identifying **funding** for city and COG efforts
- ▶ Defining **collaborative relationship** with MTA and SCAG

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