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Arroyo Verdugo Communities Joint Powers Authority

DATE: November 5, 2025

TO: Governing Board

FROM: **Dan Brotman, Council Member, City of Glendale**

SUBJECT: **SCAG Transportation Committee- April 13, 2025 Meeting**

RECOMMENDATION: This report is being provided as information only.

BACKGROUND: Below is a summary of key discussions and actions from the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) committee meeting noted above.

MEETINGS OVERVIEW: The Transportation Committee met on April 13, 2025, chaired by Hon. Tim Sandoval. Key discussions focused on committee leadership elections, regional resilience planning, and clean freight initiatives.

HIGHLIGHTS & DISCUSSION:

• Elected Hon. Mike Judge as Chair and Hon. Thomas Wong as Vice Chair for the 2025–26 term.

• Heard a policy discussion on Regional Recovery and Resilience, including emergency planning, wildfire and flooding responses, and interagency coordination.

- Ryan Graham of San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) began a discussion with a presentation on resilience planning strategy. This was followed by identifying opportunities for assessment and action for future events.
- Britt Card of Pasadena reported that transit service was suspended for two days following the fires, and reduced in the following weeks.

• Reviewed preliminary findings from the Last Mile Freight Program, focusing on zero- and near-zero emission freight vehicles and funding allocations to support clean freight deployment.

- The Regional Council had the opportunity to accept $51 million in funding to support clean freight development.

CHAIR'S REPORT:

Chair Sandoval welcomed new member Zeel Ahir and commended members for their engagement throughout the year.

METROLINK REPORT:

Metrolink shared updates on funding structure reviews, readiness for the 2028 Olympics, and Earth Day fare promotions offering free rides on April 22.

STAFF REPORT:

Government Affairs Officer David Salgado encouraged attendance at the upcoming SCAG General Assembly and thanked Chair Sandoval for his leadership.