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**NEXT MEETING OF THE:**

**SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY STEERING COMMITTEE**

**MAY 31, 2011•TUESDAY•10:00 AM**

**STANCOG BOARD ROOM**

**1111 I STREET, SUITE 308**

**MODESTO, CA**

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**AGENDA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*These matters may be presented only by interested persons in the audience. Discussion is limited to five minutes or at the discretion of the Chair.*

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. Motion to Approve Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Steering Committee Minutes of 5/3/2011

**5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Discussion regarding Working Draft SCS Schedule of Activities

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

***Next Regularly Scheduled Sustainable Communities Committee Meeting:***

July 5, 2011 (Tuesday) @ 10:00 am  
StanCOG Board Room  
1111 I Street, Suite 308  
Modesto, CA 95354



# CONSENT CALENDAR



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**SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY (SCS) MEETING**

**StanCOG Board Room  
1111 I Street, Suite 308  
Modesto, CA**

**Minutes of May 3, 2011 (Tuesday)  
10:00 am**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dave Leamon (Stanislaus County); Tom Westbrook (City of Ceres); Patrick Kelly (City of Modesto); Anthony Smith (City of Oakdale); Kathleen Cleek (City of Riverbank); Debbie Whitmore (City of Turlock); Matt Erickson (City of Waterford); Marjorie Blom (LAFCo); Chuck Shoup (BPAC); Stephen Bonrepos (CAC); Jean Foletta (SSTAC)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Vince Harris, Jaylen French, Carlos Yamzon, Cindy Malekos, Rosa Park, Mike Costa, Robin Whitehead, Jeanette Fabela (StanCOG); Barbara Hempstead, Janet Jaramillo (Caltrans)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Executive Director Vince Harris called the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Steering Committee meeting to order at 10:05 am.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. Motion to Approve Sustainable Communities Strategies (SCS) Steering Committee Minutes of 4/5/2011**

**\*By Motion (Marjorie Blom/Jean Foletta)**, and unanimous vote, the Sustainable Communities Strategy Steering Committee approved the Minutes from the April Steering Committee Meeting.

**5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Discussion Regarding Overview of SB 375 Legislation and Requirements of the SCS**

There was discussion regarding the legislation which requires a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS)—Senate Bill 375. Staff provided a copy of the bill and a staff-prepared synopsis of the bill to each committee member. In addition, staff provided the SCS section

from the 2010 Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines, prepared by Caltrans. The Committee reviewed the requirements of the SCS and the Alternative Planning Strategy (APS); discussion was held regarding the 'latest planning assumptions' requirement of the SCS. It was stated that this should include not only population and employment data, but also other related policies that each city may have that would lead to reductions in GHG emissions. Further discussion was held regarding how to show credit for policies that may not be measurable using the transportation model, including alternative fuel vehicles, etc.

It was suggested that Public Safety agencies in the County be included as part of the Tier II committee to gather their input on the effects proposed policies would have on their ability to maintain service. It was also suggested that bike and pedestrian projects should be a key factor in reducing GHG emissions as they are inexpensive and effective.

Discussion was held regarding the associated Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) process. The SCS must incorporate the RHNA allocation. It was mentioned that the RHNA process, as part of the SCS, should allow enough time to provide the Housing and Community Development (HCD) department with agencies' comments on the housing allocation numbers provided.

It was suggested that StanCOG provide the committee with a detailed overview of the [Transportation] Model Improvement Program (MIP), which will attempt to improve the model to be able to effectively measure GHGs. StanCOG will provide this overview in an upcoming meeting.

It was requested of staff to look into whether the California Air Resources Board (CARB) has the authority to review the proposed methods of calculating GHG emissions as part of the SCS process.

**B. Discussion Regarding 'Committee Assessment Survey'**

Staff provided a Committee Assessment Survey for each committee member to complete. This will provide staff with individual committee member thoughts and priorities on the SCS process and allow staff to better accommodate all concerns and focus on the prominent concepts during this approximately 2-year process.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

Executive Director Vince Harris adjourned the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Steering Committee meeting at 10:59 am.

**Next Regularly Scheduled Sustainable Communities Strategy Steering Committee Meeting:**

**May 31, 2011 (Tuesday) @ 10:00 am**

**StanCOG Board Room**

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# DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS



Item 5A

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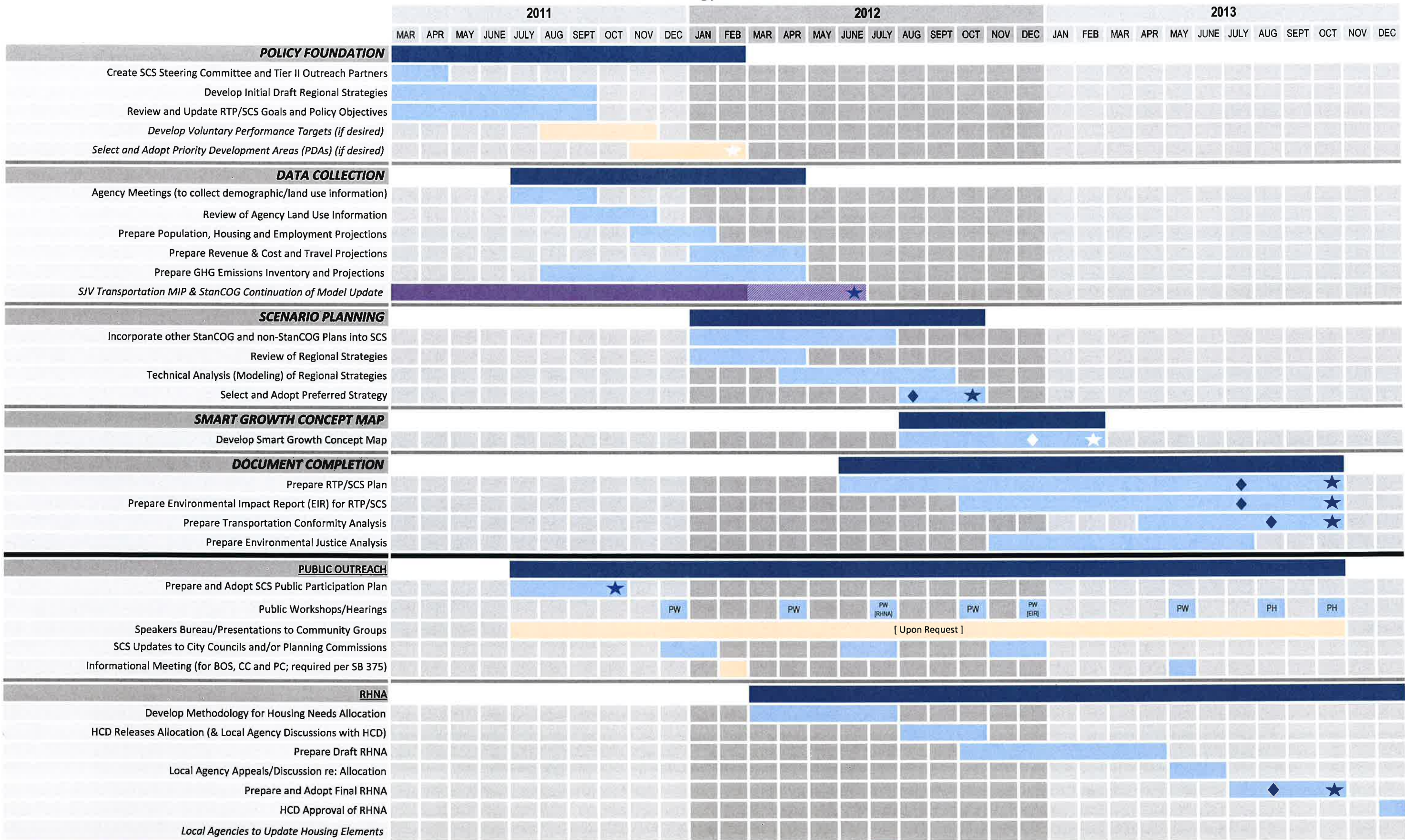
**TO:** Sustainable Communities Strategy Steering Committee **Staff Report**  
**THROUGH:** Vince Harris, Executive Director **Discussion**  
**FROM:** Carlos Yamzon, Senior Regional Planner *CY*  
Jaylen French, Associate Planner *JCF*  
**DATE:** May 20, 2011  
**SUBJECT:** Working Draft SCS Schedule of Activities

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**Background**

Attached for the Committee members' review is:  
1) Working Draft SCS Schedule of Activities

# Sustainable Communities Strategy *WORKING DRAFT* SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES



- ★ Adoption
- ◆ Release for Public Review
- ☆ Possible Adoption
- ◇ Possible Release for Public Review
- Optional Task
- Related Task