

**Western Riverside County  
Transportation NOW**

Principal Headquarters  
1825 Third Street  
Riverside, CA 92507



San Gorgonio Pass Area

Chair: Anita Worthen

Vice-Chair: Nancy Carroll

Secretary: Celina Cabrera

**T-NOW Goals**

1. Enhance customer's experience
2. Promote ridership benefits
3. Enhance Riverside Transit Agency's name recognition

Western Riverside County  
Transportation NOW  
is dedicated to promoting  
and expanding transportation  
alternatives.

**San Gorgonio Pass Area Transportation NOW Coalition  
May 5, 2022 – 12 p.m.**

Zoom meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88294377109?pwd=RjRxcjhaVjFkeHk1VktHRlErS0phZz09>

Meeting ID: 882 9437 7109 - Passcode: 479680 - Phone: 669-900-6833

**AGENDA**

**SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING COVID-19**

On September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed Assembly Bill No. 361 that amends and extends certain Brown Act requirements pertaining to telephonic conferencing of local government meetings through January 1, 2024. As such, RTA has opted to conduct the May 5, 2022 meeting via teleconference. Participants can participate via teleconference in each participant's own office / home area which will not be made physically accessible to the public.

1. Call to Order – Introductions
2. Approval of April Minutes
3. Public Comments – Non-Agenda Items
4. I-10 Bypass Project – Mickey Valdivia, Riverside County
5. Legislative Updates
6. Transportation Updates
  - a. Beaumont Transit
  - b. Banning Transit
  - c. City of Calimesa
  - d. Riverside Transit Agency
  - e. Riverside County Transportation Commission
  - f. Sunline Transit Agency
  - g. Rail update
7. Community Announcements
8. Future Agenda Topics
  - a. Traffic Study – City of Beaumont
9. Adjourn

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**San Gorgonio Pass Area –Transportation NOW Coalition  
Minutes April 7, 2022**

**Virtual Zoom Room Meeting  
Meeting ID: 836 8202 8263  
Passcode: 112233  
1 (699) 900-6833**

Manuel Alcala- Sunline Transit Agency	Elisa Mendoza- City of Beaumont
Celina Cabrera- City of Beaumont	Kari Mendoza- City of Beaumont
Melissa Balderama- Riverside Transit Agency	Bridgette Moore- City of Wildomar Councilmember
Nancy Carroll- Beaumont Resident	Todd Parton- City of Beaumont
Pilar Cole- Community Access	Ron Roy- Beaumont Resident
David Fenn- City of Beaumont Councilmember	Jeremy Smith- City of Canyon Lake Mayor
Jim Kneepkens- Riverside Transit Agency	Colleen Wallace- City of Banning Mayor Pro Tem
Linda Krupa- City of Hemet Councilmember	Art Welch- District 5 Office
Beatris Megerdichian- RCTC	Anita Worthen- Supervisor Jeff Hewitt's Office
Steve Mehlman- Riverside County Office of Aging	

**Call to Order: Anita Worthen**

**March Minutes: Approved**

**Public Comments- Non-Agenda Items**

- Ron Roy would like hourly service to Coachella Valley from the San Gorgonio Pass Area.
- Anita expressed that the Coachella Music Festival begins next weekend. With added traffic, she asked if Agencies will be providing additional service. All Agencies responded that no additional service is being added.

**Presentation: Coachella Valley-San Gorgonio Pass Rail Corridor Service Project - Todd Parton**

- The proposed Coachella Valley-San Gorgonio Pass Rail Corridor extends approximately 144 miles between Los Angeles and the Coachella Valley with stops in Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, and Riverside counties.
- The rail corridor has been in the planning stages, *Tier 1*, since 1990. In 2021, the project has moved into Tier 2.
- There will be an opportunity for a station somewhere in the Pass Area between Calimesa and Cabazon.
- For more information visit: [www.RCTC.org/cvrail](http://www.RCTC.org/cvrail)

**Legislative Update**

- Art Welch: The State Senate is going on spring break.

**Transportation Update**

- Beaumont
  - New Director of Transit Department: Kari Mendoza, Administrative Services Director
  - SRTP Table 4 went to Council along with LCTOP this past Tuesday.
  - Beaumont’s Cherry Festival is on June 2 – June 5 at Stewart Park.
    - Community members who would like to ride in the parade with Beaumont Transit are welcome.
- Banning

- The city is currently working on SRTP.
- Banning staff is working to create a new marketing campaign to increase ridership.
- City of Banning is still hiring for a Transit Manager. Qualified applicants can apply [here](#).
- RTA
  - February ridership is up 53 percent from February 2021.
  - RTA's 25-cent fare promotion is still available through April 30. Youth and most students still ride free through July 2022.
  - Service change begins May 8.
- RCTC
  - Pandemic related service was restored on April 4. Community members can learn more [here](#).
  - Metrolink is offering free rides on Friday, April 22 in honor of Earth Day.
- Sunline
  - Sunline is working on service changes that are set to be available on May 1.
  - Sunline is hiring for several positions. Qualified applicants can apply online [here](#).
- Rail
  - No report

#### **Community Announcements**

- Bundy Canyon/Scott Road is still in progress and under construction.

#### **Future Agenda Topics**

- I-10 Bypass Project - Mickey Valdivia
- Beaumont Traffic Study – Elizabeth Gibbs