



Gaviota Coast
Planning Advisory Committee
January 26, 2011



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- 1. The Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call**
- 2. Public Comment Period**
- 3. Administrative Briefings**
- 4. Meeting Minutes Review & Approval**
- 5. LOSSAN Railroad Improvement Planning**
- 6-8. Resources Stewardship & Open Space Planning
Deliberations**
- 9-11. Transportation, Energy, & Infrastructure Deliberations**
- 12. Discussion of Long-Term Meeting Schedule**



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Agenda Item 1:

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Roll Call



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Agenda Item 2:

Public Comment Period for Items not on the Agenda



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Agenda Item 3:

Administrative Briefing

Coastal Commission LUDC Certification Process



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Agenda Item 4:

Meeting Minutes Review and Approval



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Agenda Item 5:

Discussion and Comments on LOSSAN Railroad Improvement Planning



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1. Caltrans Division of Rail (DOR), in cooperation with the San Diego to San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency has created Strategic Plans for improvements to the rail corridor
2. The South Corridor (San Diego to Los Angeles counties) Strategic Plan has undergone environmental review and improvements are underway
3. Environmental review of the North Corridor (Los Angeles to San Luis Obispo counties) strategic plan recently begun
4. Rail Corridor Strategic Plans and the associated environmental review are requirements to obtain Federal grant funding for proposed improvements



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5. Proposed improvements in Santa Barbara County total \$1.1 billion
6. Timeline for improvements are Near-Term (~2015) or Vision (~2025)
7. Improvements are unfunded
8. Funding would be obtained from Federal and State grant money
9. Prioritization of improvements for areas south of Goleta
10. Improvements north of Goleta would likely go towards track and signal upgrades before curve realignments



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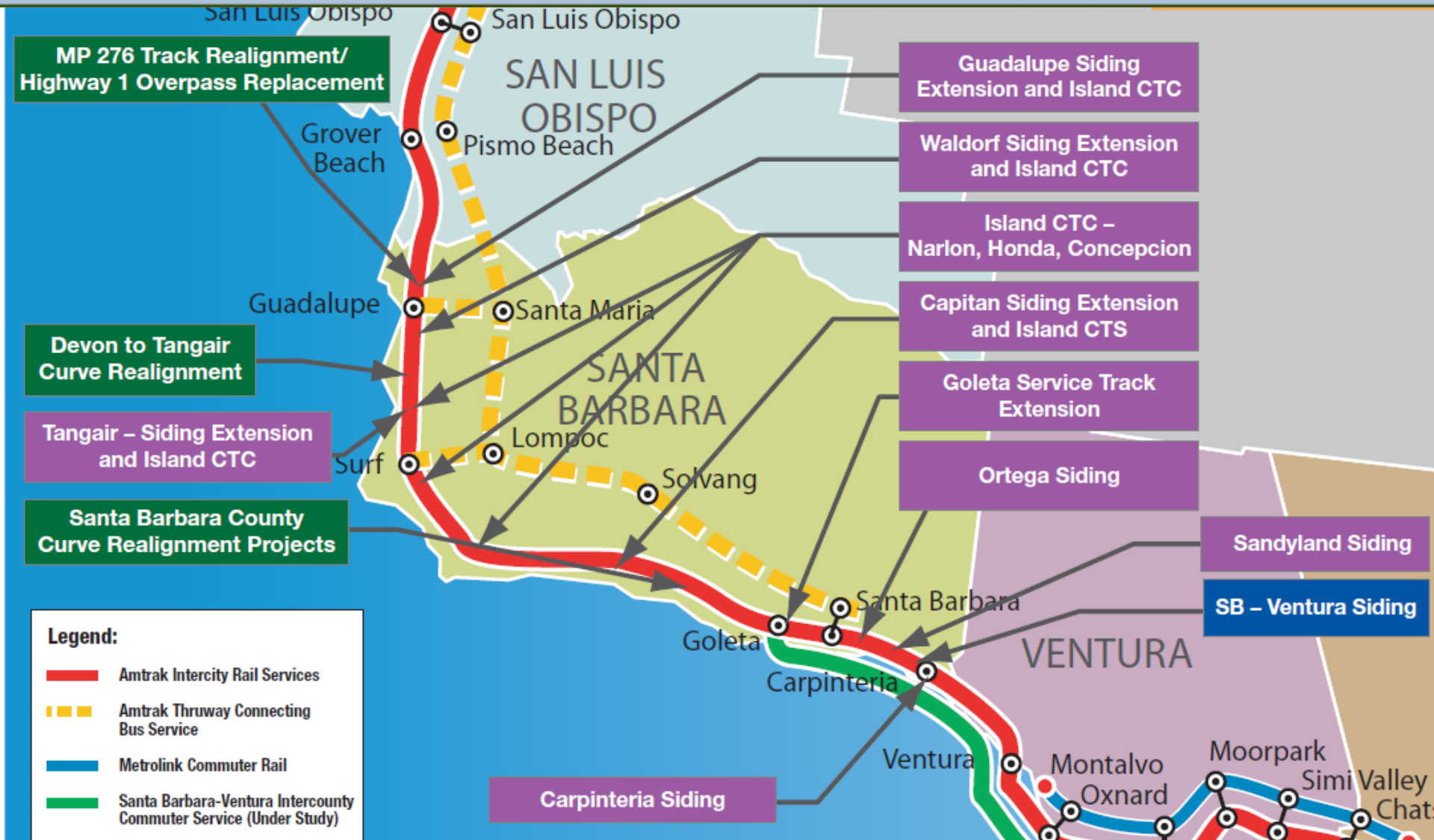
Project Number	Project Name / Project Type	Current Timeline	Estimated Project Cost
SB-01	MP 276 Track Realignment and Highway 1 Overpass Replacement	Vision	\$62M
SB-02	Guadalupe Siding Extension and Island CTC	Near-Term	\$20M
SB-03	Waldorf Siding Extension and Island CTC	Near-Term	\$12M
SB-04	Devon to Tangair Curve Realignments	Vision	\$196M
SB-05	Tangair Siding Extension and Island CTC	Near-Term	\$12M
SB-06	Santa Barbara County Curve Realignment Projects	Vision	\$677M
SB-07	Narlon, Honda, Concepcion – Island CTC	Near-Term	\$30M
SB-08	Capitan Siding Extension and Island CTC	Near-Term	\$10M
SB-09	Goleta Service Track Extension	Near-Term	\$10M
SB-10	Sandyland Siding*	Near-Term	\$15M
SB-11	Ortega Siding*	Near-Term	\$20M
SB-12	Carpinteria Siding	Near-Term	\$10M
	Estimated Total - Santa Barbara County Projects		\$1.1B

* Depending on which siding project was selected to be completed as an Immediate project: Ortega or Carpinteria. The Immediate siding need is shown on the Santa Barbara County Map as “SB-Ventura Siding.”



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11. Staff is asking for GavPAC input on what should be addressed in the environmental review
12. GavPAC comments will be incorporated into a letter from the County CEO's Office to Caltrans
13. Staff requires comments by Monday January 31st



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Agenda Items 6-8:

Natural Resources Planning Deliberations:

Discussion of Existing Natural Resources Policy

Consideration of Natural Resources Preferences

Consideration of Natural Resources Planning Tools



Resources Issues Outline

1. Watershed Planning
2. Control of Invasive Plants
3. Restoration
- 4. Wildlife corridors**
5. Interagency Council
6. ESHA
- 7. Cultural Resources**



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Agenda Items 9-11:

Transportation, Energy, & Infrastructure Planning Deliberations:

Discussion of Existing Transportation, Energy, &
Infrastructure Policy

Consideration of Transportation, Energy, &
Infrastructure Preferences

Consideration of Transportation, Energy, &
Infrastructure Planning Tools



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Transportation Corridor Presentation:

Mr. Chris Shaeffer, CalTrans



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Transportation

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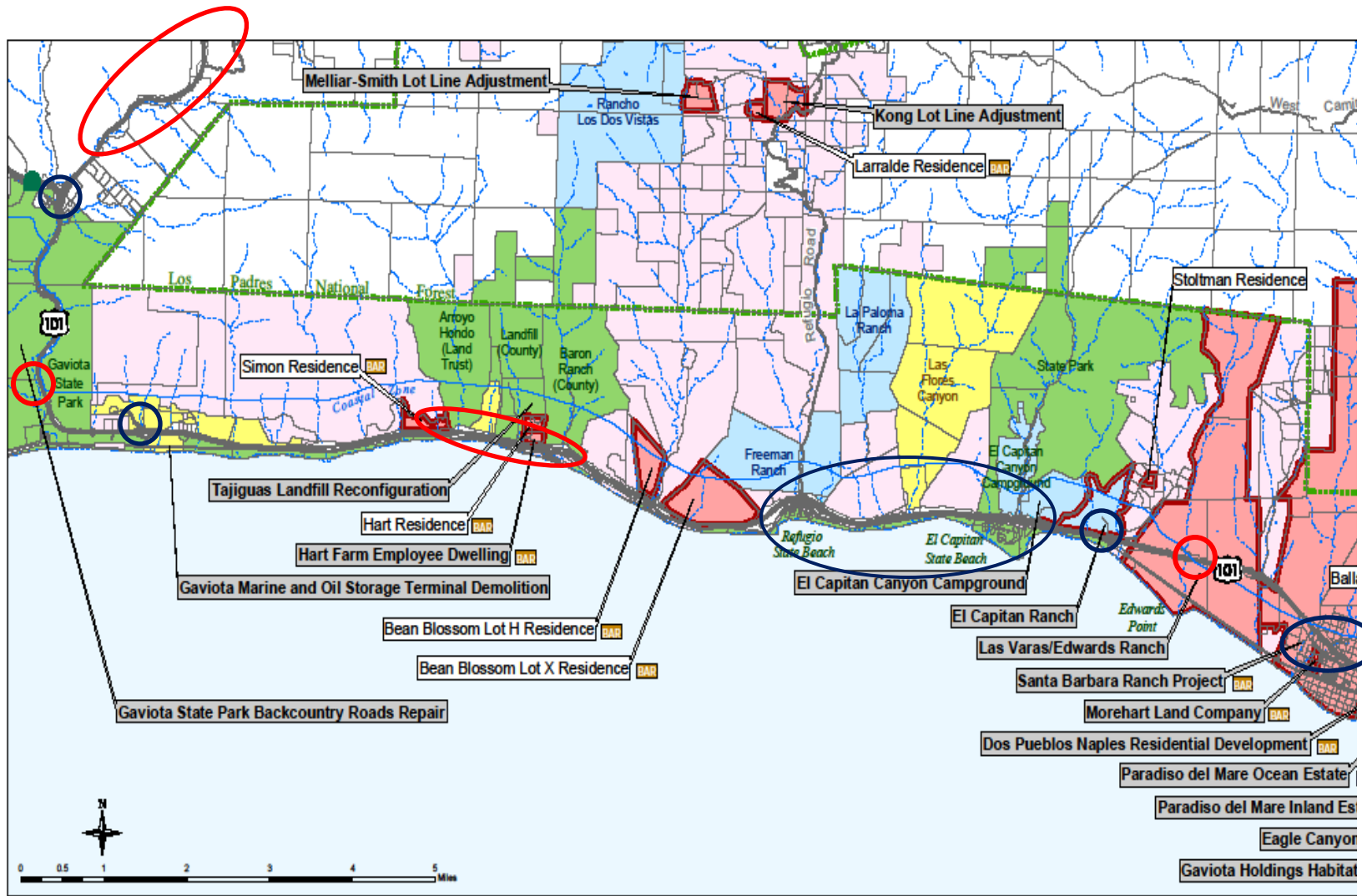
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Transportation

- Facilities – State and local
- Character – interregional, regional, local, visitor serving – tensions



Policies and / or Action Items

Examples.

1. Provide for an efficient and safe circulation system to accommodate existing development and future growth.
 - a. Existing conditions – local circulation is fragmented. Some properties isolated.
 - b. Future growth – do you want to keep it the way it is?
 - c. Making connections – a functional, parallel road network – develop plan lines

Policies and / or Action Items

Provide for an efficient and safe circulation system to accommodate existing development and future growth.

- d. Consolidate property ingress / egress
- e. Consolidate visitor serving and coastal access
- f. Local road network re-alignments
- g. Right of Way dedication for frontage or parallel network connections
- h. Existing geometrics on US 101, i.e., ramps

Policies and / or Action Items

Provide for an efficient and safe circulation system to accommodate existing development and future growth.

1. Adoption and implementation of a Gaviota Area Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) will include short-, medium-, long-term improvements to the corridor network. All modes will be represented and integrated into the TIP.
2. Local network connectivity is a priority. As appropriate, development plans will include provisions for implementing an approved network. This could include right-of-way dedication, roadway re-alignment and consolidation of access points to an existing network or highway grade separation.

Policies and / or Action Items

Provide for an efficient and safe circulation system to accommodate existing development and future growth.

3. Local network interface with US 101. Consistency with Action Item 2 will include permanent closure and vacation of access rights of at-grade intersections with US 101.

Policies and / or Action Items

2. Planning for regional visitor serving and local access transportation facilities should be a shared effort between SB County and Caltrans.
 - a. Use of US 101 at-grade median crossover facilities are discouraged and should be avoided.
 - b. Traffic intensification to at-grade intersections with US 101 is discouraged and should be avoided.
 - c. Coastal access opportunities and improvements should be planned and located to maximize use of existing grade separations with US 101.

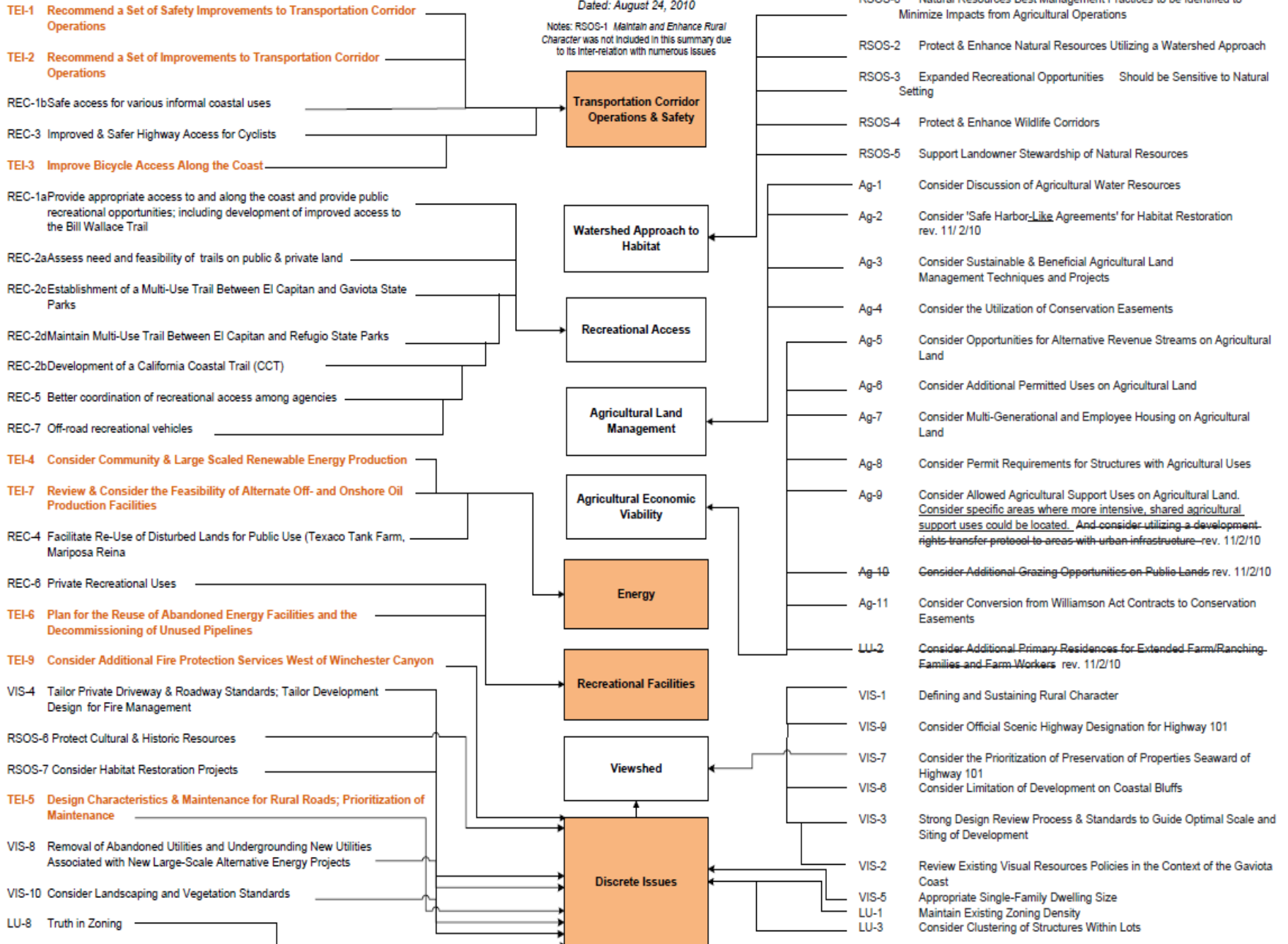
Policies and / or Action Items

2. Planning for regional visitor serving and local access transportation facilities should be a shared effort between SB County and Caltrans.
 - d. Improved safety roadside rest areas should obtain access from a grade separated facility.

Gaviota Planning Issues Summary

Dated: August 24, 2010

Notes: RSOS-1 Maintain and Enhance Rural Character was not included in this summary due to its inter-relation with numerous issues



Transportation, Energy, & Infrastructure Issues Outline

Transportation

- 1. Highway 101**
- 2. UP Railway**
- 3. Other Public Roads**



Transportation, Energy, & Infrastructure Issues Outline

Energy

- 1. Renewable Energy**
- 2. Existing Energy Facilities and Reuse**

Other

- 1. Fire Department Service & Standards**



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Agenda Item 12:

Discussion of Long-Term Meeting Schedule



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	Wednesday	Location	Topic
February	9 23	Vista Vista	Transportation II Land Use I
March	9 23	Vista Vista	Land Use II/Vis. Subcommittee Report Public Recreation I
April	6 20	Vista Vista	Public Recreation II Final Topics/Ag. Subcommittee Report

Staff Writes Draft Policy Language

Reconvene Full GavPAC in June 2011



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	Wednesday	Location	Topic
June	22	Vista	Draft Policy Review I
July	6 23	Vista Goleta	Draft Policy Review II Saturday Public Workshop
August	10	Vista	Draft Policy Refinements

Staff Refines Draft Policy Language & Writes Draft Plan

Reconvene Full GavPAC in Fall 2011



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**Next GavPAC Meeting: Wednesday February 9, 2011
@ Vista de Las Cruces school – 6:30 p.m.**





Thank You

