

**Western Riverside County
Transportation NOW**

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San Gorgonio Pass Area

Chair: Anita Worthen

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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 6, 2021 – 12 p.m.**

Zoom meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83682028263?pwd=ZVgvc3lVenljUXVlb0d3bEtmtd1lyQT09>

Meeting ID: 836 8202 8263

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Phone: 669-900-6833

AGENDA

1. Call to Order – Introductions
2. Approval of March Minutes
3. South Coast Air Quality Management District Update – Todd Warden
4. Coachella Rail Update – Riverside County Transportation Commission, Cheryl Donahue
5. Legislative Updates
6. Transportation Updates
 - a. Beaumont Transit
 - b. Banning Transit
 - c. City of Calimesa
 - d. Riverside Transit Agency
 - e. Sunline Transit Agency
 - f. Morongo Band of Mission Indians
 - g. Rail update
7. Update on Other T-NOW Chapters
8. Future Agenda Topics
 - June – Sunline Transit Agency
9. Community Announcements (time permitting)
10. Adjourn

The next T-NOW meeting is June 3, 2021

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**San Geronio Pass Area –Transportation NOW Coalition
Minutes April 1, 2021**

**Virtual Zoom Room Meeting
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Celina Cabrera- City of Beaumont	Bridgette Moore- City of Wildomar
Nancy Carroll- Beaumont Community Member	Melissa Sather- Transportation Management & Design (TMD)
Wynona Duvall- City of Calimesa Council Member	Colleen Wallace- City of Banning, Mayor
David Fenn- City of Beaumont, Council Member	Todd Warden- SCAQMD
Elizabeth Gibbs- City of Beaumont	Kristin Warsinski- RTA
John Huizar- Morongo Transportation	Brad Weaver- RTA
Jim Kneepkens- RTA	Art Welch- District 5 Jeff Hewitt’s Office
Elisa Mendoza- City of Beaumont	Anita Worthen- Chair T Now

Call to Order: Anita Worthen

Minutes: Approved

RTA Microtransit: Kristin Warsinski (RTA) & Melissa Sather (TMD)

- Overview:
 - o Microtransit is a compiling of ridesharing technology (Uber & Lyft) and bringing it to public transit.
 - o Offers flexible routing & scheduling.
 - o Uses an app that has a designated area where you choose a bus stop to pick-up and drop-off.
 - o Passengers can pay on the app, use their bus passes, or pay with cash; just like they would on a regular fixed route.
- Difference from Uber/Lyft:
 - o The service will not be provided with a car. Instead, it will have a bus to deliver the service.
 - o Wheelchair accessible.
 - o Costs can be a flat fee, based on the fare schedule, or however the agency determines.
- Benefits:
 - o Travel directly to the destination without transfer.
 - o Shorter wait times.
 - o Agencies can provide service using fewer resources.
 - o Service operates on demand, when needed.
- Goal of the Pilot Program:
 - o Save resources and be responsible with public funds.
 - o Not intended to replace busy fixed routes; but to assist routes with low passenger trips.
 - o Success of the pilot program will be determined with key performance indicators (KPI) that will be set.

Legislative Update

- None. Legislators are in recess for spring break.

Transportation Update

- Beaumont-
 - o Working on SRTP and Budget.
 - o School is back in session and Beaumont Transit is in contact with the School District. Beaumont not operating peak service due to social distancing requirements.
 - o \$600k grant received for CNG Station. Beaumont is meeting with the Gas Company.
- Banning-
 - o None
- Calimesa-
 - o None
- RTA-
 - o May service changes coming
 - o Vaccines are open to transportation employees and RTA is encouraging their employees.
 - o Ridership still down 70%.
- Sunline-
 - o None
- Morongo-
 - o Ridership picking up a little bit but still down.
- Rail-
 - o Metrolink is offering a new type of pass called a 5-day Flex. You can buy this pass and use it as you need it. Good for telecommuting workers. Learn more on the Metrolink website: <https://metrolinktrains.com/ticketsOverview/ticket-info/ticket-types/>
- SCAQMD-
 - o There is funding available for electric vehicles and charging stations.
 - o A new round of incentives come about June 1st.

Update on other T-Now Chapters

- The challenge has been set by the Moreno Valley Chapter, to start using the hashtag: **#RTABackOnBoard** in transit agencies videos and posts to show passengers it is safe to get back on board.

Future Agenda Topics

- May- SCAQMD and RCTC
- June- Sunline

Community Announcements

- Colleen Wallace:
 - o Hunger for Humanity is giving away hams at a Banning park, Beaumont Veteran's apartments, and the remaining at March Air Force base on April 3rd.
 - o Town Hall meetings for City of Banning going to be held every 4th Saturday each month at Roger-Williams Park.
- Beaumont Albert Chatigny Community Recreation Center (CRC) is a county vaccination site. 1,600 vaccinations are capable of being administered each day. On March 31st, CRC site vaccinated the 1,000,000th person in Riverside County.