

**Blueprint Learning Network**  
**Nov. 13-14, 2007**  
**Oakland**

**Day 1 Brainstorming Session on BLN Future**

Addressing climate change in blueprint planning (B.Leiter, SANDAG)

Combine with integrated water management planning (B.Leiter, SANDAG)

Air-rail network planning (B.Leiter, SANDAG)

More focus on community organizing around issues, less focus on abstract planning, it's too high-level to be useful

Track best practices and lessons from blueprint efforts (S.Kiser, FHWA)

Need funding beyond transportation to do more comprehensive integrated planning (S.Kiser, FHWA)

More coordination with other State planning functions, ARB, Water, Resources (S.Kiser, FHWA)

Identify areas of blueprint planning where more expertise is needed, what are the information gaps that hinder success?

It's important to hear from areas different than your own, we learn from their challenges (H.Gardner, ABAG)

Forum to hear from each region: What are your three biggest challenges? What do you need to progress? (H.Gardner, ABAG)

Blueprint program has brought paradigm shift: focus on mobility, FHWA made that shift to allow the funding. Secretaries of BTH and Resources worked together to select the first year grants, now OPR and more State agencies are involved. Caltrans district involvement is important. We need more MPO executive involvement. (S.W. McPeak)

Identify non-General Fund dollars in voluntary grant program

Provide funds to local government for implementation – housing, other

MPO blueprint teams are required to represent the 3 E's – need local officials, environmental, social justice, business communities here to share information (S.W. McPeak)

State agencies should go out to regions (W. Kempton, Caltrans)

CEQA should be modified to state that adopted Blueprint Plan is the preferred alternative (S.W. McPeak)

Engage the education community (C. Creswell, HCD)

HCD held very successful housing funding fairs in two places last year (Humboldt Co. was one), format could serve as a model for State agencies holding regional BLNs (C. Creswell, HCD)

Peer-to-peer exchanges

There is opportunity to champion blueprint planning in GHG response, RTP Guidelines, housing, SB 375