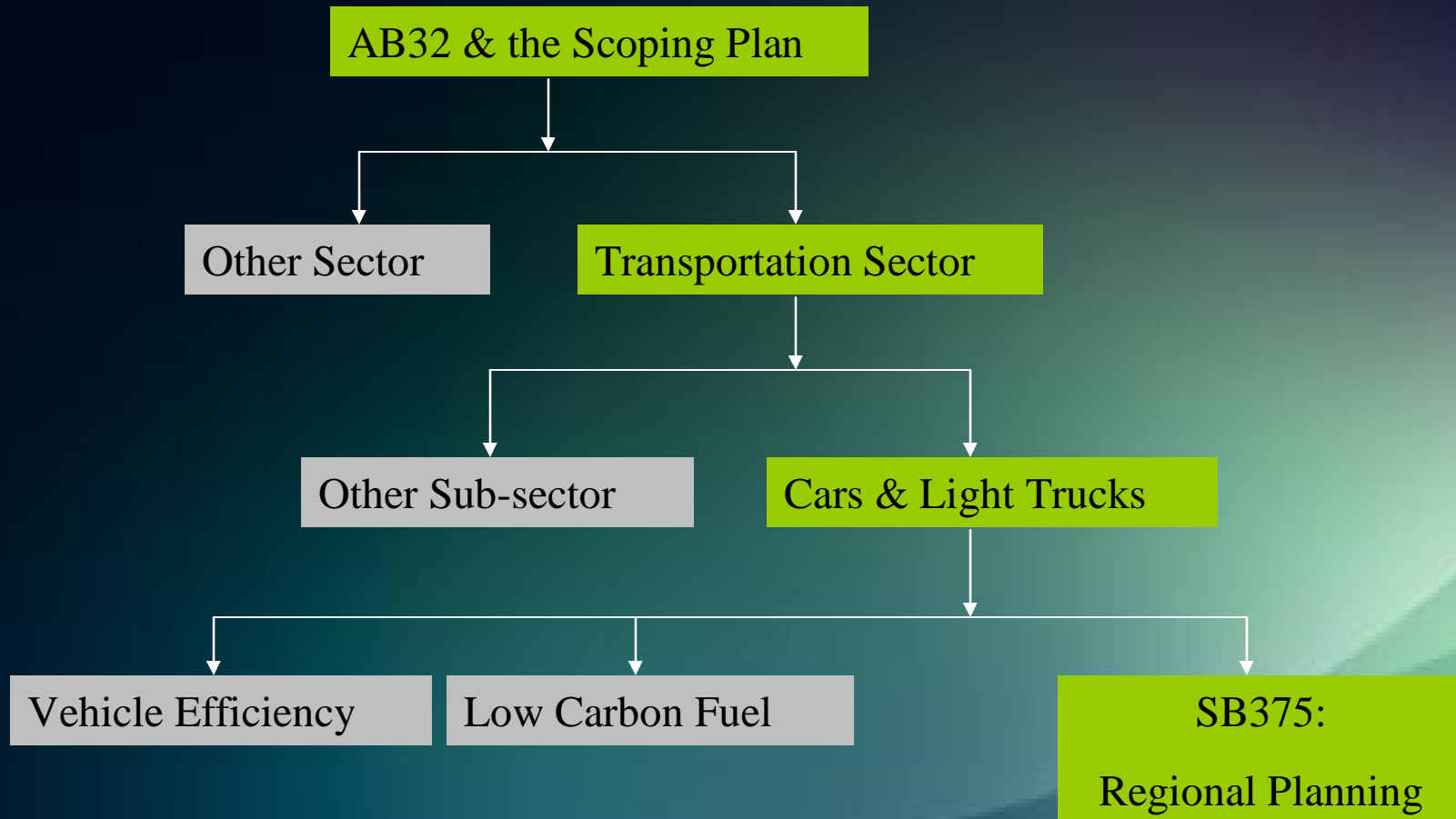


**SB375 Greenhouse Gas Reduction
Target Recommendation
For the Fresno County Region**

TTC/PAC Meeting

April 16, 2010

Background



Three Major Components of SB375

- Greenhouse gas reduction through Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) process
- Limited CEQA exemptions & streamlining process
- Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) re-aligning process

Milestone Set by the Legislation

- The California Air Resources Board (CARB) will release draft targets for each region by June 30, 2010
- CARB will adopt and provide final targets for each region no later than September 30, 2010
- A Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS) will be developed in Fresno COG's 2014/2015 RTP to demonstrate whether the Region will be able to meet the target

Questions & Answers

- Do the cities have to amend their general plans right now to achieve the target?
 - **No. 2014 is when the Fresno region has to demonstrate through a SCS that the target can be achieved.**
- Do the local general plans have to conform to the SCS?
 - **No. There are incentives for agencies that comply with the SCS; disincentives may include potential loss of transportation and/or other funding.**

Questions & Answers

- Will the cities be held to the land use growth pattern proposed in the target 4 years later in the SCS development?

-No. The SCS will be based on new land uses proposed in the next 3-4 years. The GHG target will not preempt local land use plans.

Questions & Answers

- What if we don't submit a target?

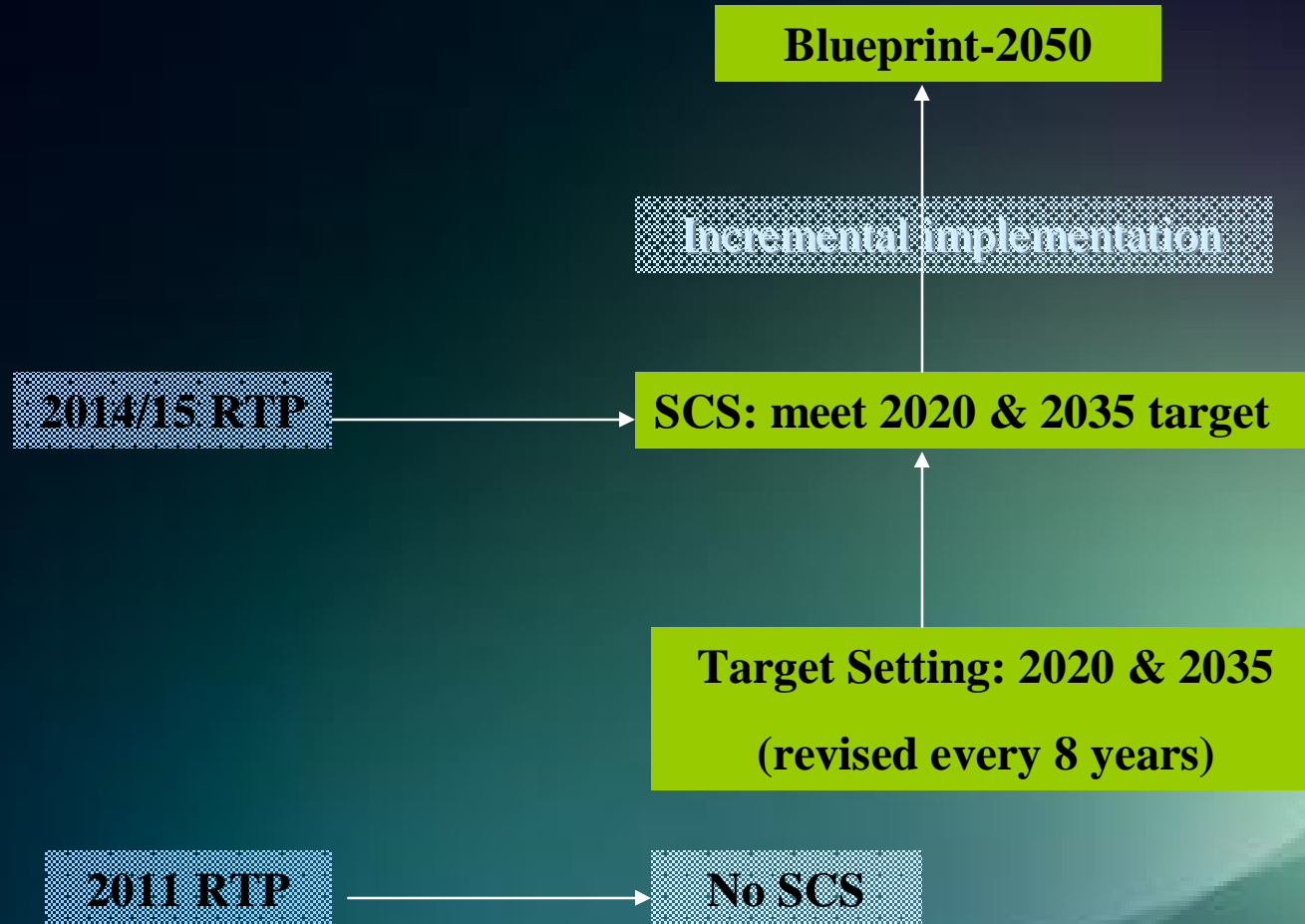
-CARB will move forward with target-setting whether a region submits a regional target or not. Fresno Region will receive a target set by CARB if no target is submitted from us. However, they have indicated that CARB's target-setting process will be responsive to the targets submitted from the regions.

Questions & Answers

- What is the relationship between the target, SCS and Blueprint?

-The Blueprint is our vision for 2050; both the target and SCS have horizon years of 2020 and 2035. The target and SCS are built upon the smart growth principles adopted during Blueprint process; the SCS is an incremental step toward implementating the Blueprint.

Blueprint, SCS and RTP



Fresno COG Process

- Fresno County SB375 Task Force was formed in November, 2010, and has been meeting monthly.
- The Task Force consists of staff from each of the member agencies, representatives from BIA, the Air District, Caltrans, Sierra Club, Transit Agencies, private developers, and other community stakeholders

	Baseline (2007 RTP land use)	Alternative 1 (updated plans + intensifications)	Alternative 2 (More aggressive corridor & activity centers planning)
Blackstone/Ventura BRT	X	X	X
Shaw Ave. BRT			X
Improvement to existing transit service		X	X
Air District Rule 9410 (employer-based trip reduction program)		X	X
Car Sharing	X	X	X
Operational Improvements (ITS & ramp metering)	X	X	X

Scenario Results

Per Capita GHG (pounds/day)				
Before post-processor				
		2005	2020	2035
Baseline		14.95	14.49	14.68
Alt. 1			13.75	14.074
Alt. 2			13.66	14.070

Scenario Results

Percent Per Capita Reduction against 2005			
Before post-processor			
	2005	2020	2035
Baseline		-3.03%	-1.77%
Alt. 1		-8.02%	-5.83%
Alt. 2		-8.58%	-5.86%

Recommendation from the Task Force:

The Task Force recommended Alternative 1 as the target scenario with the understanding that:

1. SEGA plan is not adopted, and is still in environmental assessment phase.
2. The proposed corridor intensification is still being studied. The result of the City of Fresno's Corridor Study will be incorporated in the City's general plan update.
3. No location specific information such as TAZ level data and maps will be transmitted to the CARB.