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The U.S. Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) today announced a grant of \$2 million to the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) to support the transit related elements of the Los Angeles Regions Unified Work Program.

Today's grant was announced by Assistant Secretary of Transportation Robert T. Monagan at a luncheon held by the Governor's Symposium on Transportation who pointed out that the technical studies being funded by this grant would be addressing some of the key issues Secretary of Transportation Claude S. Brinegar raised in a recent speech to the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

Specifically, the studies provide for the development of an immediately implementable short-range program to deal with Environmental Protection Agency's pressure to enforce the Clean Air Act and to create transit incentives along with auto disincentives in an effort to offer a viable alternative to the private car. SCAG will also evaluate and analyze controversial highway and rapid transit issues and develop a plan for regional adoption. In addition, sub-regional planning activities currently underway will be continued.

The local one-third share is being provided by the Southern California Association of Governments and the sub-regions involved.

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