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Strategic Growth Council Names Mike McCoy New Executive Director, Allison Joe as Deputy Director

Transportation Expert McCoy Will Take the Helm Oct. 15

SACRAMENTO – The Strategic Growth Council (SGC) today announced the appointment of Mike McCoy as its new executive officer and Allison Joe as deputy director. McCoy joins SGC from the University of California, Davis where he was the director of the Urban Land Use and Transportation Research Center, responsible for teams working in the fields of land use, transportation, conservation, economics, and equity studies. Joe was most recently a senior planner at the Governor's Office of Planning and Research.

Over a 35-year career, McCoy has focused on modeling and forecasting urban growth, transportation systems use, and environmental impacts including land, air, water and land use decisions. He is a founder of the University of California, Davis Extension [Land Use and Natural Resources Program](#), the [Information Center for the Environment](#) at U.C. Davis, and the [Urban Land Use and Transportation Center](#) (ULTRANS) at U.C. Davis.

Allison Joe's responsibilities at OPR included coordinating statewide efforts related to land use and environmental policy and implementation of statewide and regional planning efforts. She also staffed the chair of the Strategic Growth Council. Allison has nearly 15 years of experience in the planning field, having worked in government and the private sector. She holds a Master of Planning from the University of Southern California, and a Bachelor of Arts in Politics, Philosophy, and Economics from Claremont McKenna College.

The SGC is comprised of the agency secretaries for Natural Resources, Cal/EPA, Business, Transportation, and Housing, and Health and Human Services; the director of the Office of Planning and Research; and a public member. It coordinates state agency action to improve air and water quality, protect natural resources and agricultural lands, increase the availability of affordable housing, promote public health, improve transportation, encourage greater infill and compact development, revitalize community and urban centers, assist state and local entities in the planning of sustainable communities, and promote efforts to address climate change.

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