

## **California Road Charge Technical Advisory Committee Member Biographies**

### **Susan Ornelas – Mayor, City of Arcata Regional Transportation Agency Representative**

Susan Ornelas is the Mayor of the City of Arcata. In addition to her leadership in Arcata, Susan is the Executive Director for Jacoby Creek Land Trust and has worked as an energy engineer with fuel cells, at the Schatz Energy Research Center, and also as an advisor and consultant for UC Davis and Humboldt County on agriculture issues. She currently sits on several regional committees, including the Humboldt County Association of Governments. Susan is a prior owner of Willow Creek Farms.

Susan is inspired by Arcata's forward-thinking environmental management and economic development strategies. She has lived in Arcata since 1987 and raised two children while attending and then teaching at Humboldt State University. Susan guides policy toward a sustainable future to improve local opportunities, listen to community concerns, and make decisions to benefit the people.