TCAG Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) Meeting Agenda

Thursday, August 22, 2019 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.



Tulare County Association of Governments 210 N. Church St., Suite B (Sequoia Conference Room) Visalia, CA 93291

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- 1. Welcome & Introductions
- 2. Public Comments

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- 3. Action: Approval of Meeting Minutes for June 27, 2019 (Attached)
- 4. Information: Presentation: Operation Lifesaver Rail Safety
- 5. Information: Tulare County Public Health Bicycle and Pedestrian Fatality Update
- 6. Information: Multi-modal Outreach and Safety Program Update
- 7. Information: Regional Active Transportation Plan Update
- 8. Information: Active Transportation Program (ATP) Update
- 9. Caltrans District 6 Update
- 10. Other Business
- 11. Adjourn

The next scheduled TCAG Active Transportation Advisory Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, September 27, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at the Tulare County Association of Governments, 210 N. Church Street, Suite B, Visalia, CA 93291.

Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Active Transportation Advisory Committee Members

TCAG STAFF

Ted Smalley, Executive Director Ben Kimball, Deputy Executive Director Ben Giuliani, Executive Officer- LAFCO Leslie Davis, Fiscal Manager Elizabeth Forte, Principal Regional Planner Roberto Brady, Principal Regional Planner Mark Hays, Senior Regional Planner Derek Winning, Senior Regional Planner Gabriel Gutierrez, Senior Regional Planner Kasia Poleszczuk, Associate Regional Planner Steven Ingoldsby, Associate Regional Planner Barbara Pilegard, Associate Regional Planner-EH Maria Garza, Associate Regional Planner-EH Giancarlo Bruno, Regional Planner Jenna Whitney, Regional Planner-EH Michele Boling, Accountant II Brideget Moore, Staff Services Analyst III Amie Kane, TCAG Administrative Clerk Servando Quintanilla, TCAG Administrative Clerk Wendy Gutierrez, TCAG Administrative Clerk-EH Olivia Forte, Intern Apprentice-EH

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Tulare County Association of Governments Active Transportation Advisory Committee June 27, 2019

ATTENDANCE LIST

Ted Macaulay (Chair) (P)	City of Exeter
Lisa Wallis-Dutra (P)	City of Farmersville
Michael Camarena (Vice-Chair) (P)	City of Lindsay
Richard Tree	City of Porterville
Frank Senteno	City of Visalia
Rebecca Keenan	City of Visalia
Jan Bowen	City of Tulare
Monique Mello (P)	City of Woodlake
Dave Bryant	County of Tulare
Jose Ruiz-Salas	County of Tulare- Public Health
Sharon Minnick	County of Tulare – Public Health
Michael Winton (P)	County of Tulare – Resource Management Agency
Monse Meza	County of Tulare – Sheriff
Steve Beal	California Highway Patrol
Mark Wall	City of Visalia Waterways and Trails Committee
Grant Barnes	City of Visalia Waterways and Trails Committee
Russ Dahler	Citizens' Oversight Committee (At Large #1)
Pedro Ramirez	Caltrans, District 6

Others Present: Gracie Johnson, Tulare Sheriff's Office

TCAG Staff: Roberto Brady, Brideget Moore, Ben Kimball, Steven Ingoldsby, Jenna Whitney, Servando Quintanilla, Barbara Pilegard, Teddy Smalley, Joshua Giuliani, Jill Kimball, Olivia Forte.

SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome & Introductions

Meeting opened by Chair Ted Macaulay at 8:30a.m.

Persons in attendance introduced themselves.

2. Public Comments

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Public comments opened/closed at 8:34 a.m. No public comments were heard.

3. Action: Approval of Meeting Minutes for May 23, 2019

Vice Chair Mike Camarena moved to approve the minutes, and seconded by Member Mike Winton.

4. Action: Cancel July meeting and hold next meeting on August 22, 2019

Member Gracie Johnson moved to approve the action, and was seconded by Monique Mello.

5. Information: 2020 Census Complete Count Outreach (continued from May 23rd meeting)

Staff Barbara Pilegard explained that she, as project manager for TCAG, was working to conduct the 2020 Census. Ms. Pilegard explained that the census would be important for grant applications and for other government services. Tulare County had a large hard-to-count population, which was scored by the State through a combination of fourteen variables (such as limited English proficiency, lack of internet access, poverty levels, lower education, and population aged 0-5 years). Maps were distributed regarding hard to count communities and Ms. Pilegard was asked to explain the hard-to-count index, which was explained to be the combined score of those variables (higher scores meant harder to count). Ms. Pilegard gave a brief explanation of how the census is taken, this year a card with log-in information will be sent out instead of a form and people can respond online. It was explained that the Census Complete Count Committee would be piggybacking on available outreach opportunities, such as those conducted by members of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee. An invitation was given to contact Ms. Pilegard with outreach opportunities. Ms. Pilegard shared that the cards would be received in the mail in March, census day is April 1st, and enumerators will be sent out in April and May.

6. Information: Update: September is Rail Safety Month

Staff Jenna Whitney gave an update on the upcoming Rail Safety Month; TCAG partnered with Operation Lifesaver to launch safety awareness campaigns in the past via social media and will continue to do so. Chair Ted Macaulay suggested reaching out to local radio stations or newspapers to conduct outreach. A representative from Operation Lifesaver might attend the Active Transportation Advisory Committee meeting in August to give a presentation and help coordinate outreach efforts. Chair Macaulay suggested that in the future, the committee start discussing Rail Safety Month and connect with Operation Lifesaver to attend the ATAC meeting in June to have more time to make preparations for September.

7. Information: Multi-modal Outreach and Safety Program Update

Jenna Whitney reviewed photos from a bike rodeo held June 19th. The bike rodeo was hosted by the Jeff Barnes Brain Injury Foundation at the Whitman Community Center in Visalia; TCAG was asked to fit children with helmets. About 50 helmets were distributed to children who owned a bike but did not have a helmet. Bike reflectors and kid-themed reading materials (such as bike-themed coloring books) were also distributed. About 100 children participated in the bike rodeo. Ms. Whitney shared that a future outreach opportunity in coordination with Jim Barnes and the Visalia Rescue Mission was being planned.

8. Information: Tulare County Public Health Bicycle and Pedestrian Fatality Update

Both Sharon Minnick and Jose Ruiz-Salas were absent; the update was postponed until August.

9. Information: Active Transportation Program (ATP) Update

Staff Roberto Brady reported that staff from the California Transportation Commission was planning a visit to Tulare County to prepare for the next round of ATP funding – likely July 31 and August 1st. Mr. Brady asked committee members to let Gabriel Gutierrez, TCAG staff, know by July 12th if they will be attending and what project sites they would like for the California Transportation Commission to visit.

Member Mike Winton mentioned the County was looking at Rocky Hill, Santa Fe Trail or at the Goshen community project for kids getting across the railroad tracks. Mr. Winton wanted to partner with the City of Exeter on Rocky Hill. Discussion ensued regarding the Active Transportation Plan; it was intended to be updated for 2020. Mr. Brady said he had hard copies of the Regional Active Transportation Plan if anyone wanted one, but that it was available online.

10. Caltrans District 6 Update

Pedro Ramirez was absent and unable to give an update.

Member Mike Camarena mentioned that the Draft Bike plan that Pedro Ramirez had been working on was released, and encouraged the committee to review it.

Lisa Wallis-Dutra mentioned that by July 1st, websites must meet ADA requirements so Caltrans had been working on their site. Agencies may need to contact Caltrans to get the items they need for grants and programs if they are temporarily unavailable online. Ms. Wallis-Dutra did not know if news of the update had gotten out to everyone.

11. Other Business

No other business was discussed.

12. Meeting Adjourned at 9:00a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 22, 2019 at 8:30a.m. at TCAG's office.