



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

Ted Macaulay (Chair)	City of Exeter
Michael Camarena (Vice-Chair)	City of Lindsay
Lisa Wallis-Dutra	City of Farmersville
Richard Tree*	City of Porterville
Frank Senteno or Rebecca Keenan*	City of Visalia
Jan Bowen	City of Tulare
Monique Mello	City of Woodlake
<i>Vacant</i>	City of Dinuba
Dave Bryant	County of Tulare
Jose Ruiz-Salas or Sharon Minnick*	County of Tulare-Public Health
Michael Winton	County of Tulare-Resource Management Agency
Gracie Johnson	County of Tulare-Sheriff
Steve Beal	California Highway Patrol
<i>Vacant</i>	Interest Group #1
<i>Vacant</i>	Interest Group #2
<i>Vacant</i>	Interest Group #3
<i>Vacant</i>	Interest Group #4
<i>Vacant</i>	Interest Group #5
<i>Vacant</i>	Interest Group #6
Russ Dahler	Citizens' Oversight Committee (At Large #1)
<i>Vacant</i>	At Large #2
Pedro Ramirez	Caltrans, District 6

\* Agency rotates alternate

\*\* Application in process

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**Tulare County Association of Governments**  
**Active Transportation Advisory Committee**  
**October 24, 2019**

**ATTENDANCE LIST**

Ted Macaulay (Chair) (P)	City of Exeter
Lisa Wallis-Dutra	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	City of Woodlake
Dave Bryant (P)	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
Gracie Johnson	County of Tulare – Sheriff
Steve Beal (P)	California Highway Patrol
Mark Wall	City of Visalia Waterways and Trails Committee
Grant Barnes	City of Visalia Waterways and Trails Committee
Russ Dahler (P)	Citizens' Oversight Committee (At Large #1)
Pedro Ramirez (P)	Caltrans, District 6

**TCAG Staff:** Roberto Brady, Brideget Moore, Gabriel Gutierrez, Jenna Whitney.

**SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES**

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**1. Welcome & Introductions**

Meeting opened by Chair Ted Macaulay at 8:37 a.m.

Persons in attendance introduced themselves.

**2. Public Comments**

*This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons wishing to address the TCAG Active Transportation Advisory Committee on items within its purview but not on this agenda. Unscheduled comments are limited to 3 minutes. Note: Prior to the action by the Committee on any item on this agenda, the public may comment on that item.*

Public comments opened/closed at 8:38 a.m. No public comments were heard.

**3. Action: Approval of Meeting Minutes for September 26, 2019**

Member Michael Winton moved to approve the minutes, and was seconded by Member Steve Beal.

**4. Action: Remove Waterways & Trails Committee from ATAC**

Staff Roberto Brady explained that the City of Visalia had disbanded the Waterways & Trails Committee. Discussion ensued and the idea to open the position again as an interest group was proposed, along with inviting the usual attendees (Mark Wall and Grant Barnes) to continue to participate.

A motion to approve was made by Russ Dahler and seconded by Pedro Ramirez.

**5. Action: Recommend Amendment to Regional Active Transportation Plan Projects**

Mr. Brady reported that the amendment to the Regional Active Transportation Plan (RATP) was scheduled to be adopted in Spring or early Summer of 2020. Mr. Brady shared that motivation to amend the list of projects in the RATP included the recognition that projects that were in the plan were more likely to receive grant funding. Discussion ensued regarding the committee the proposed projects and ATAC committee input.

Mr. Brady provided an overview of the projects distributed- the Art Lofts Bike/Ped Connectors Project, which would be building multi-use affordable housing and connecting the housing to existing pathways in Visalia. The other project was the Butterfield Stage Corridor Project, which would be the development of a multi-modal corridor utilizing former Union Pacific Railroad right-of-way. The committee discussed concerns from the County's perspective about the Butterfield Stage Corridor Project with regard to the maintenance of the solar lighting, refuse bins, and other features.

A motion was made for approval by Russ Dahler and seconded by Dave Bryant.

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

Member Sharon Minnick was absent and unable to give an update.

Member Michael Winton reported that two fatalities occurred in Tulare County in the last week, neither were bike or pedestrian related.

Member Steve Beal reported that there were six pedestrian fatalities in 2019, four of which were pedestrians on freeways. He shared that laws ban pedestrians on freeways, and a discussion on the efforts for stronger enforcement to keep pedestrians and campers off of freeways and underpasses ensued. Efforts included increased surveillance and jailing offenders. Member Pedro Ramirez clarified that bicycles are allowed on I-5 in District 6 because there is no alternative route.

**7. Information: Regional Active Transportation Plan Update**

Staff Gabriel Gutierrez described public outreach efforts, which included a social media campaign and distributing surveys at the recently held Adult Bike Safety Course. About 300 surveys had been collected. Mr. Gutierrez stated that the survey results would be compiled soon to be included in the update and that chapter updates continued to be worked on. Discussion was had about what the plan would look like; Mr. Gutierrez clarified that the most

recent Active Transportation Plan would be updated but would maintain the same format, so outdated numbers and maps would be replaced, public feedback would be updated, and the project list would add new projects, remove completed projects, and update descriptions of projects in progress.

Mr. Gutierrez reported that he was unsure of when the Call for Projects would open.

#### **8. Caltrans District 6 Update – District 6 Bicycle Plan and Complete Streets Facilities Update**

Member Pedro Ramirez gave a presentation on the bike plan he recently completed: the Bicycle Plan and Complete Streets Facilities for Caltrans District 6. He informed the committee that the plan was available in hard copy or as a PDF if requested, but could not be found on the Caltrans website because the website was down (being updated to make it ADA compliant).

The plan incorporated all multi-modal options available, not just bicycles. The plan showed detailed maps for each city and some of Tulare County's communities, and discussed main streets, roundabouts, roadway reallocation road diets), pedestrian crossings, school crossings, bus stops, complete intersections, rural routes, width of state routes, and bike facility types. The plan looked at how existing and proposed connectivity interacted with state roadways. The plan was to try and update it every two to four years to keep the plan accurate.

The highway-to-highway roundabout and surrounding facilities in Woodlake was heralded as a poster child of excellence.

Mr. Ramirez reported that SB127 was vetoed by the Governor. SB127 would have made bike/pedestrian improvements mandatory with all repaving projects. According to rumor, the bill was vetoed at least in part because the cost estimate was deemed too high to be accurate and reasonable.

#### **9. Other Business**

Staff Brideget Moore reported that Local Motion award luncheon would be held on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Ms. Moore would be emailing details about nominations and the luncheon shortly.

Ms. Moore also share details regarding the bike safety class- noting that 42 attended, nine raffle items were given away and listed the various agencies that participated such as Tulare County Public Health, Health & Human Services, Visalia Transit and Visalia Rescue Mission. Ms. Moore shared that those who participated received front and rear LED bike lights, a bike lock and certificate of completion of the bike course.

Dave Bryant reported that Cutler-Orosi was in the process of analyzing public outreach feedback about SR63, and would likely be soliciting feedback from Caltrans regarding the topic.

#### **10. Meeting Adjourned at 9:40a.m.**

The next meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2019 at 8:30a.m. at TCAG's office.

October 24, 2019

## 2020 TCAG Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) Schedule

The TCAG Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) Meetings are scheduled monthly. The 2020 ATAC meetings are scheduled for the fourth Thursday of the month at 8:30 a.m. The TCAG Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) Meetings are held at the Tulare County Association of Governments, 210 N. Church Street, Suite B (Sequoia Conference Room), Visalia, CA 93291.

Due to occasional conflicts, meetings are subject to change with notice. The Chair in Consultation with TCAG representatives may cancel or reschedule a meeting.

Thursday, January 30, 2020\*

Thursday, July 23, 2020

Thursday, February 27, 2020

Thursday, August 27, 2020

Thursday, March 26, 2020

Thursday, September 24, 2020

Thursday, April 23, 2020

Thursday, October 22, 2020

Thursday, May 28, 2020

Thursday, November 19, 2020\*

Thursday, June 25, 2020

Thursday, December 10, 2020\*

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\* Date moved to another week due to holiday or event