

TCAG Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) Meeting Agenda

Thursday, March 28, 2024
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 January 25, 2024 (Attached)
- 4) Information: Project Implementation Status Update
- 5) Information: ATP Program Update
- 6) Information: Caltrans District 6 Update
- 7) Information: CHP Update
- 8) Information: Tulare County Public Health Bicycle and Pedestrian Fatality Update
- 9) Information: Active Transportation Outreach Update
- 10) Other Business
- 11) Adjourn

TCAG Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) Meetings are scheduled bi-monthly on the fourth Thursday of every month at 8:30 a.m. **The next scheduled ATAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 23rd 2024, 8:30 a.m. at the TCAG office Sequoia Conference Room.**

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

Eddie Wendt	City of Exeter
Araceli Mejia	City of Lindsay
Elsa Mejia	City of Farmersville
Jason Ridenour	City of Porterville
Diego Corvera	City of Visalia
Jan Bowen or Mario Anaya	City of Tulare
Emmanuel Llamas	City of Woodlake
George Avila	City of Dinuba
Michael J. Winton	County of Tulare
Jose Ruiz-Salas or Sharon Minnick*	County of Tulare-Public Health
Michael Winton	County of Tulare-Resource Management Agency
Amanda Sierra	Tule River Indian Reservation
<i>Vacant</i>	County of Tulare-Sheriff
Johnny Woodrow	California Highway Patrol
Michael Young	Interest Group #1 and ATAC Vice Chair
<i>Vacant</i>	Interest Group #2
Elaine Garrett or Bryan Patterson*	Interest Group #3
Lisa Alvarado	Interest Group #4
<i>Vacant</i>	Interest Group #5
<i>Vacant</i>	Interest Group #6
Russ Dahler	Citizens' Oversight Committee (At Large #1)
Mark Wall	At Large #2 and ATAC Chair
Edgar Hernandez or Scott Lau*	Caltrans, District 6

* Agency rotates alternate

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Tulare County Association of Governments
Active Transportation Advisory Committee
January 25, 2024

ATTENDANCE LIST

Neyba Amezcua (-) Curtis Cannon (-) Araceli Mejia (-)	City of Lindsay
Elsa Mejia (P)	City of Farmersville
Eddie Wendt (-) Vicki Riddle (P) Pamela Whitmire (-)	City of Exeter
Jason Ridenour (-) Luisa Zavala (P)	City of Porterville
Diego Corvera (P) Frank Senteno (-)	City of Visalia
Jan Bowen (-) Mario Anaya (P)	City of Tulare
Emmanuel Llamas (P)	City of Woodlake
<i>Vacant</i>	City of Dinuba
Jose Ruiz-Salas (-) Sharon Minnick (P)	County of Tulare – Public Health
Michael Winton (-) Gary Mills (P) Julian Sanchez (-) Pedro Ornelas (-) Karla Arteaga (-) Aaron Bock (P)	County of Tulare – Resource Management Agency
<i>Vacant</i>	County of Tulare – Sheriff
Johnny Woodrow (P) Brian Lyles (-)	California Highway Patrol
Russ Dahler (P)	Citizens' Oversight Committee (At Large #1)
Mark Wall (P)	At Large #2 and ATAC Chair
Amanda Sierra (-)	Tule River Indian Tribe
Alec Kimmel (-) Edgar Hernandez (P) Scott Lau (-) David Deel (-) Braden Duran (-) John Liu (P)	Caltrans, District 6
Olivia Forte (-)	Tulare County Regional Transit Agency (TCRTA)
Michael Young (P)	Interest Group #1 (Adventure Sports store) and ATAC Vice Chair
<i>Vacant</i> (-)	Interest Group #2 (Porterville Unified School District CAPS)
Bryan Patterson (-) Elaine Garrett (P) Lonnie Miller (P)	Interest Group #3 (Southern Sierra Cyclists)
Lisa Alvarado (P)	Interest Group #4

TCAG Staff: Sheela Bhongir, Brideget Moore, Servando Quintanilla, Derek Winning and Elena Nava

SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome & Introductions

Meeting started *in person* at 8:31AM by Chair Mark Wall. Twelve Members were present in-person which included Member Wall (ATAC Chair and At Large #2), Member Young (ATAC Vice Chair and Interest Group #1), Member Garrett and Miller (Interest Group #3), Member Mills (County of Tulare Resource Management Agency), Member Anaya (City of Tulare), Member Riddle (City of Exeter), Member Woodrow (California Highway Patrol), Member Alvarado (Interest Group #4), Member Minnick (Public Health), Member Hernandez (Caltrans District 6) and Member Emmanuel (City of Woodlake).

Five Members were present online included Member Liu (Caltrans District 6), Member Corvera (City of Visalia), Member Wallis-Dutra (representing City of Farmersville), Member Watts (representing City of Dinuba) and Member Zavala (City of Porterville). TCAG Staff present in-person were Bhongir, Quintanilla and Moore. TCAG Staff present online were Nava and Winning.

2. Public Comments

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Public comments opened at 8:34AM. John Liu representing the Fresno County Bicycle Coalition shared information on their efforts to host a League Cycling Instructor (LCI) Seminar in Fresno. He also shared that a League Cycling Seminar will be occurring April 12-14th in Los Angeles for those interested in joining. Smart cycling is a prerequisite class which is also in the works of being organized.

TCAG Staff Winning commented that scholarship funding from TCAG is possibly still available for those interested in pursuing the LCI program. Public comments closed at 8:38AM.

3. Action: Approval of Meeting Minutes for January 25, 2024

Motion passed by Member Mills and seconded by Member Young.

4. Information: Project Implementation Status Update

TCAG Staff Bhongir shared a tracking sheet she's developing to keep record of new and existing active transportation project by jurisdiction. She further shared tips and resources for creating a successful ATP application stressing the importance of community engagement.

5. Information: ATP Program Update

Staff Bhongir asked if the various agencies can share a brief update on their ATP Cycle 7 project development. Member Corvera shared City of Visalia is planning various community outreach sessions in February and has plans to start developing the application in March after community engagement. Member Mills shared how they have divided their projects into different teams to help tackle the various aspects of the application process (outreach, design, data collection etc.). Member Llamas shared they would like to pursue a planning study. Member Riddle shared they have an outreach meeting coming up in February to discuss various traffic calming measures with the community. Member Zavala shared that they might apply again for the project that wasn't selected in Cycle 6. Lastly, Member Anaya shared they are working on a city-wide active transportation plan and might be working with the Community Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety program to help with community engagement.

TCAG Staff Winning pointed to a few active transportation plans that have already been completed and would be good examples if agencies would like to reference them.

6. Information: ATP Program Update

Staff Bhongir shared a presentation highlighting the key takeaways from the ATP Branch workshop held October 24th and Site Visits. She shared advice CTC staff gave on how to help strengthen the needs section of the ATP application and resources such as Street Story to help answer the need, safety and public participation questions. She also shared examples from Santa Cruz and how they incorporated non-infrastructure elements into their proposals.

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

Member Minnick shared that November and December saw a spike in fatalities compared to other months in 2023. However, 2022 surpasses 2023 in their count of deaths. Data is still being collected for 2023 but so far, no bicycle fatalities were found. (see attached for preliminary data which may be subject to change). She further shared information on a social media campaign encouraging more street lighting and wearing clothing to be visible to motorists during the nighttime hours.

8. Information: Caltrans District 6 Update CHP Update

Member Hernandez shared information on a grants workshop to be held on February 5th for TCAG member agencies. He also shared how he is supporting the cities Exeter and Tulare as well as other agencies within District Six such as Kettleman City and Maricopa. Caltrans received about 15 applications for their planning grant application and awards are anticipated to be announced in the summer.

9. Information: CHP Update

Member Woodrow shared how grant allocations for this year is a little less than last year but they are still implementing DUI and motorcycle safety campaigns. Crash stats for the end of 2023 show a little decline in fatal crashes and fatalities. He further shared how staff are adjusting to longer shifts.

10. Information: Active Transportation Outreach Update

Staff Moore shared information from a recent car seat safety event in Culter Orosi. Twenty-seven new car seats for families were installed and they checked and fixed existing car seats which had a 100% misuse rate. She further shared information on the upcoming San Joaquin Valley Policy Conference April 29th to May 1st hosted by TCAG and encourages everyone interested to attend.

Member Wall shared information on the Southern Sierra Century Ride April 6th and is encouraging partnerships. Member Minnick shared how Supervisor Valero is spearheading a school safety sign campaign. And Member Hernandez reminded everyone about the grants workshop coming up on February 5th.

11. Other Business

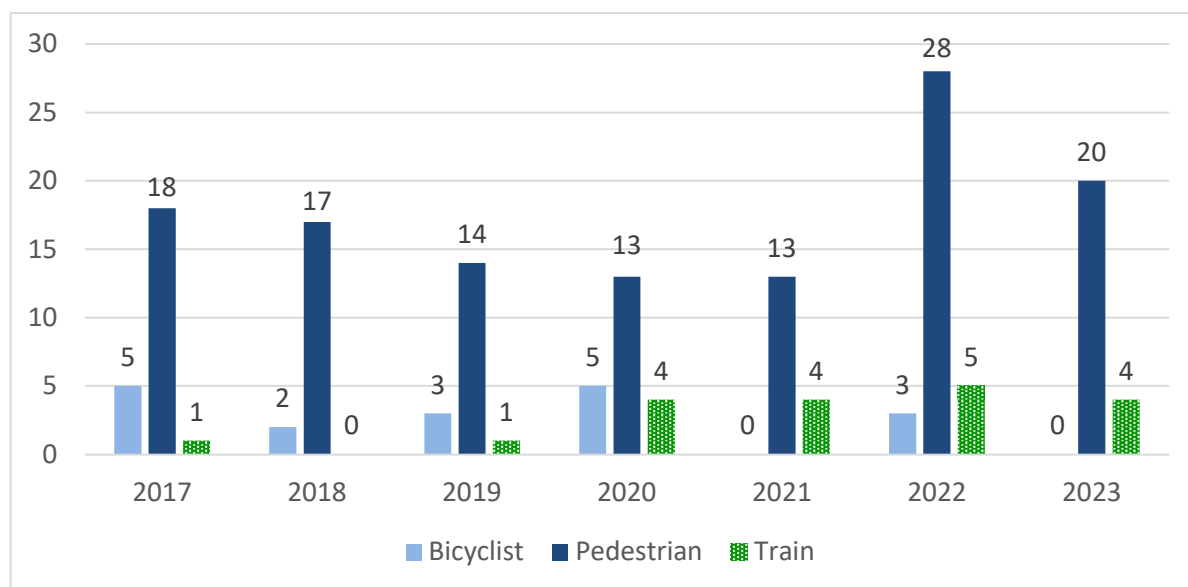
No business was reported.

12. Adjourn

Chair Wall moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:40AM. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 28th at the TCAG office.

Tulare County Bicyclist & Pedestrian Traffic Fatalities, 2017-Present

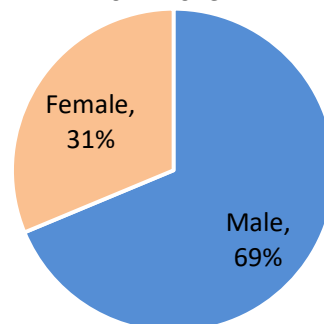
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Fatalities by Type and Year

Year	Bicyclist	Pedestrian	Train
2017	5	18	1
2018	2	17	0
2019	3	14	1
2020	5	13	4
2021	0	13	4
2022	3	28	5
2023	0	20	4

Pedestrian Fatalities by Gender, 2022-2023



Natural Lighting in Pedestrian Fatalities

Lighting	2022	2023
Daylight	10.7%	20.0%
Dawn/Dusk	14.3%	15.0%
Dark	71.4%	65.0%
Unknown	3.6%	0.0%

Age Group of Pedestrians

Age Group	2019-2021	2022	2023
< 20	10.0%	14.3%	5.0%
20-39	37.5%	28.6%	25.0%
40-64	30.0%	39.3%	40.0%
65+	22.5%	17.9%	30.0%

Data is preliminary and subject to change