

AGENDA

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2022 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy

Rural Communities Committee

DATE: June 24, 2021

Time: 10-11:30am

Location: ZOOM

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A. Call to Order and Welcome

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C. Action: Approve Minutes of the March 25, 2021 Meeting

D. Update- Scenario Development – Roberto Brady

E. Update- Demographic Forecast – Derek Winning

F. Presentation- Congestion Management Process (CMP)/Update on ITS – Kasia Poleszczuk

G. Adjourn

Adjourn as the RTP/SCS Roundtable Committee and convene as the Rural Communities Committee.

**2022 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy
Rural Communities Committee
(RTP-RC Committee)**

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Regional Housing Needs Advisory Committee**

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C. Action: Minutes of the April 22, 2021 Meeting

D. RHNA Survey and Methodology Discussion – Steven Ingoldsby

E. Adjourn

The next scheduled RTP/SCS Roundtable Committee, Rural Communities Committee, and Regional Housing Needs Advisory Committee meeting will be held July 22, 2021 via Zoom or at the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG), 210 N. Church Street, Suite B, Sequoia Conference Room, Visalia, CA 93291.

Agency	Representative
County of Tulare	Aaron Bock
Dinuba	Crystal Flores
Exeter	Lisa Wallis-Dutra (RTP Vice Chair)
Farmersville	Lisa Wallis-Dutra (Rural Communities Chair)
Lindsay	Michael Camarena (Rural Communities Vice Chair)
Porterville	Jason Ridenour (RHNA Committee Vice Chair)
City of Tulare	Mike Miller
Visalia	Nick Mascia
Woodlake	Rebecca Griswold
LAFCo	Julie Allen
Public Transportation	Richard Tree, Dan Fox
Agriculture	Vacant
Environmental Advocate	Adam Livingston (Sequoia Riverland Trust) (RTP Chair)
Bicycle/Pedestrian advocate	Mark Wall (Southern Sierra Cyclists)
Health Advocate	Vacant
Goods Movement	Vacant
Disabled Access/ADA	Vacant
SJV Air District	Vacant
Caltrans, District 6	David Deel
Tribal Governments	William Garfield
Building/Development	Mike Lane
Environmental Justice Community	Blanca Escobedo
Banking, finance or real estate	Vacant
Affordable Housing Advocate	Betsy McGovern-Garcia (RHNA Committee Chair)
Broad-based business or economic development organizations	Vacant
At-Large 1	Vacant
At-Large 2	Vacant

Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Roundtable (RTP Roundtable) **Minutes- April 22, 2021**

Tulare County Association of Governments
210 North Church Street, Suite B, Visalia, CA 93291

Positions	Name	Subcommittees	Attendance
County of Tulare	Aaron Bock	RNHA, RC	P
Dinuba	Crystal Flores	RHNA, RC	P
Exeter	Lisa Wallis-Dutra	RTP Vice Chair, RHNA, RC Chair	N
Farmersville	Lisa Wallis-Dutra	RTP Vice Chair, RHNA, RC Chair	N
Lindsay	Michael Camarena	RHNA, RC Vice Chair	P
Porterville	Jason Ridenour	RHNA Committee Vice Chair, RC	P
City of Tulare	Mike Miller	RHNA, RC	P
Visalia	Nick Mascia	RHNA, RC	A
Woodlake	Rebecca Griswold	RHNA, RC	P
LAFCo	Julie Allen	RTP Roundtable	N
Public Transportation	Richard Tree, Dan Fox	RTP Roundtable	N
Environmental Advocate	Adam Livingston (Sequoia Riverland Trust)	RTP Chair, RC	N
Bicycle/Pedestrian advocate	Mark Wall (Southern Sierra Cyclist)	RC	P
Caltrans, District 6	David Deel	RC	P
Building/Development	Mike Lane	RHNA	N
Environmental Justice Community	Blanca Escobedo	RC	P
Affordable Housing Advocate	Betsy McGovern-Garcia	RHNA Chair	P
Tribal Governments	William Garfield	RTP, RC	N
P=Present N= Not Present A= Alternate V= Vacant			

Others Present: Lorena Mendibles- Caltrans District 6, Paul Bernal, Brandon smith, Johanna Morales- Leadership Counsel.

TCAG Staff Present: Brideget Moore, Elizabeth Forte, Roberto Brady, Steven Ingoldsby, Gabriel Gutierrez, Holly Gallo, Sheela Bhongir, Ben Giuliani.

Non-RHNA Committee Members were not required to attend. RTP/SCS and RTP- RC did not convene.

VACANT POSITIONS			
Broad-based business/Econ. Dev. Org	Vacant	RTP Roundtable	V
At-Large 1	Vacant	RTP Roundtable	V
At-Large 2	Vacant	RTP Roundtable	V
Agriculture	Vacant	RTP Roundtable	V
Health Advocate	Vacant	RC	V
Goods Movement	Vacant	RTP Roundtable	V
Disabled Access/ADA	Vacant	RC	V
SJV Air District	Vacant	RTP Roundtable	V
Banking, finance or real estate	Vacant	RTP Roundtable	V

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Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS)

The RTP/SCS did not convene on April 22, 2021.

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2022 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Rural Communities Committee (RTP-RC Committee)

The RTP-RC did not convene on April 22, 2021.

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2022 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Regional Housing Needs Advisory Committee

A. Call to order and welcome

The Regional Housing Needs Advisory Committee Meeting (RHNA) was called to order by Ms. McGovern-Garcia at 10:03 am.

B. Public Comments

Public comments opened and closed at 10:03 am. No comments were noted.

C. Approval of March 25, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Member Miller made a motion to approve the minutes, Member Camarena seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved by the committee.

D. RHNA Survey and Methodology Discussion- Steven Ingoldsby

Mr. Ingoldsby discussed key terminology and objectives of the RHNA; how it is used to determine the housing needs for the region over an eight-year planning period.

He provided a brief overview and flow chart of the housing process and how cities in Tulare County prepare housing elements and show how they will accommodate the RHNA.

He shared that the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)- provides the number of households and types of households for the region, the income category distributions based on DOF population projection, rates of vacancy and overcrowding, and additional information. He further described how the numbers are used.

Mr. Ingoldsby discussed the RHNA survey and follow up survey that went out and the results that they expect soon and would be shared at the next meeting.

He Further reviewed RHNA Methodology, state law objectives and factors to be addressed such as existing and projected jobs and housing relationship, particularly low wage jobs and affordable housing, opportunities and constraints to development of additional housing, distribution of household growth, housing needs of farm workers, and GHG targets.

Mr. Ingoldsby discussed the methodology from the previous cycle and the timeline for the RTP adoption target date of June 2022 and updated housing elements within 18 months.

He stated that the HCD final RHNA determination was scheduled for December 2021 and a draft determination was expected in a few weeks. The proposed methodology would go before the TCAG Board in summer 2021.

Mr. Ingoldsby stated that they would start a similar path for the committee and will have survey results at the next meeting.

Adjourn

The RHNA Committee Adjourned at 10:37am.

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Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Roundtable (RTP Roundtable) **Minutes- March 25, 2021**

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Lindsay	Michael Camarena	RHNA, RC Vice Chair	P
Porterville	Jason Ridenour	RHNA Committee Vice Chair, RC	P
City of Tulare	Mike Miller	RHNA, RC	P
Visalia	Nick Mascia	RHNA, RC	P
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Building/Development	Mike Lane	RHNA	N
Environmental Justice Community	Blanca Escobedo	RC	P
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Others Present: Lorena Mendibles- Caltrans District 6,

TCAG Staff Present: Benjamin Kimball, Gail Miller, Brideget Moore, Elizabeth Forte, Roberto Brady, Steven Ingoldsby, Gabriel Gutierrez, Derek Winning.

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Agriculture	Vacant	RTP Roundtable	V
Health Advocate	Vacant	RC	V
Goods Movement	Vacant	RTP Roundtable	V
Disabled Access/ADA	Vacant	RC	V
SJV Air District	Vacant	RTP Roundtable	V
Tribal Governments	Vacant	RTP Roundtable	V
Banking, finance or real estate	Vacant	RTP Roundtable	V

RTP/SCS Minutes

A. Call to Order and Welcome

Meeting was called to order by Chair Livingston at 10:03 a.m. on March 25, 2021.

B. Public Comments

Public comments opened/closed at 10:06 a.m. No public comments were noted.

C. Action: Minutes of the February 25, 2021 Meeting

Upon motion by Member Allen and second by Member Mascia, the minutes were unanimously approved.

D. SCS/Demographic Forecast Update – Roberto Brady

Mr. Brady introduced the forecast and Mr. Winning and he reviewed the Demographic forecast highlighting the Blueprint scenario and discussing projection details, California trends, Tulare County Trends and methodology of the DOF. Discussion ensued regarding general plan development patterns and the RTP.

E. Update the 2018 Policy Element – Ben Kimball

Mr. Kimball discussed system goals and changing the order of the Goals such as establishing the EJ goal as number two and Rail as number three. He also discussed making them more understandable to a wider audience.

Julie page A-5 service level Policies 1. Service level C & D clarification. Derek and Roberto discussed and provided clarification of service level performance efficiency and how it works. Ben discussed recent legislation that has us look at VMT instead of LOS according to SB743.

Discussion ensued regarding land use planning, new development, parking requirements in urban areas and associated issues.

Mr. Livingston discussed groundwater recharge systems and projects- Ben stated that he would look into it and follow up in this regard.

Mr. Wall discussed barrier studies and Mr. Kimball provided examples of such in communities such as Goshen. What barriers exist physically that makes it difficult for people to get around. These often are in the form of complete streets studies. Mr. wall recommend rewording of this item for clarification.

Ms. Allen asked how Cap and trade might figure into all of this. Mr. Kimball mention AHSC grants and projects. These pay for related transportation around that housing such as pedestrian pathways and other related improvements.

Ms. Allen discussed the Zero emission corridor idea and the feasibility of it. Mr. Kimball further discussed the I5, electric highway and a dedicated electric lane.

Ms. Escobedo mentioned site EV infrastructure in EJ communities similar to Fresno Counties. Bike sharing or community solar projects, or transition from propane to electrification. Ms. Escobedo provided Fresno county as an example of Cantua Creek and said she would provide more information on that.

Mr. Kimball discussed EV car sharing in Tulare County and difficulties with funding. Ms. McGovern-Garcia further discussed Miocar charging infrastructure in communities and providing a renewable energy source for disadvantaged communities. Mr. Kimball talked about the effort to have a policy that clarifies that.

Discussion ensued regarding autonomous vehicles and if it was included in the policy element. Mr. Kimball replied that this would have a region-specific application, but it hadn't yet connected to local transportation issues. Additionally, he shared that parking, and other items may need context and Mr. Winning shared regarding the section about technology.

Adjourn as the RTP/SCS Roundtable Committee and convene as the Rural Communities Committee.

Member Allen made a motion to adjourn the RTP/SCS meeting and seconded by Member Unknown at 11:11 a.m. and convened as the Rural Communities Committee.

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**2022 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy
Rural Communities Committee
(RTP-RC Committee)**

A. Call to Order and Welcome

The RTP-RC Committee was called to order by Ben Kimball at 11:12 a.m. on March 25, 2021.

B. Public Comments

Public Comments opened and closed at 11:14am. No public comments were noted.

C. Action: Approval of the February 25, 2021 Meeting Minutes

After review and upon motion by Member Livingston and second by Member Camarena, the minutes were unanimously approved.

D. Update of the 2018 RTP Policy Element - Ben Kimball

Mr. Kimball discussed the desire to have cities at the table to look through the policy element and bring issues to the table and take the time to proactively think about it and how the RTP was being set up. He stated that he wanted to have these ideas put forward in the beginning of the process. Ben discussed getting funding for projects vs. funding for plans and how Tulare County small communities fare against more urban areas.

Mr. Winning discussed policies and reprioritization as well as emulating the states position on their grant programs.

Discussion ensued regarding rural community needs such as a demand response network, first and last mile trips and having ride sharing and ride sourcing programs.

Mr. Wall discussed GTFS flex data on a project that he was working on. He stated his project was looking for stakeholders, such as people with disabilities from rural areas and would welcome referrals from the group.

Adjourn as the RTP/SCS Rural Communities Committee

Upon motion by Member Wall and second by Member McGovern-Garcia, the Committee adjourned as the RTP/SCS RC Committee at 11:31am and convened as the Regional Housing Needs Advisory Committee.

Minutes 2022 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Regional Housing Needs Advisory Committee

A. Call to order and welcome

The Regional Housing Needs Advisory Committee Meeting (RHNA) was called to order at 11:32 am.

B. Public Comments

Public comments opened and closed at 11:32am. No comments were noted.

C. Approval of November 19, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Member Flores made a motion to approve the minutes, Member Camarena seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved by the committee.

D. Housing Efforts Update- Steven Ingoldsby

Mr. Ingoldsby discussed the demographic forecast Survey of member agencies; stating that he had gotten the majority but was finalizing those and compiling them and then would move forward. He further reported that TCAG had received REAP funding and the majority of funds would be sub allocated to member agencies. It could be used for housing planning, production of housing or housing elements.

Discussion ensued regarding funding, impact fees and planning dollars and how those dollars could be used.

Adjourn

The RHNA Committee Adjourned at 11:40am.

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