

AGENDA

2022

Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Roundtable Committees

DATE: September 23, 2021 | Time: 10-11:30am | Location: ZOOM

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A. Call to Order and Welcome

B. Public Comments

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C. Action: Approve Minutes of the August 12, 2021 Meeting

D. Action: Sustainable Communities Strategy Scenario Recommendation to TCAG Board – Ben Kimball

E. 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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Adjourn as the Rural Communities Committee and convene as the Regional Housing Needs Advisory Committee.

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

A. Call to Order and Welcome

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C. Action: Minutes of the August 12, 2021, Meeting

**D. Update/ Action: Updated RHNA Determination and Methodology– Steven
Ingoldsby**

E. Adjourn

The next scheduled RTP/SCS Roundtable Committee, Rural Communities Committee, and Regional Housing Needs Advisory Committee meeting will be held October 28, 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- August 12, 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	P
Farmersville	Lisa Wallis-Dutra	RTP Vice Chair, RHNA, RC Chair	P
Lindsay	Michael Camarena	RHNA, RC Vice Chair	P
Porterville	Jason Ridenour	RHNA Committee Vice Chair, RC	N
City of Tulare	Mike Miller	RHNA, RC	P
Visalia	Nick Mascia	RHNA, RC	P
Woodlake	Rebecca Griswold	RHNA, RC	P
LAFCo	Julie Allen	RTP Roundtable	P
Public Transportation	Richard Tree, Dan Fox	RTP Roundtable	PP
Environmental Advocate	Adam Livingston (Sequoia Riverland Trust)	RTP Chair, RC	P
Bicycle/Pedestrian advocate	Mark Wall (Southern Sierra Cyclists)	RC	N
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:

TCAG Staff Present: Benjamin Kimball, Brideget Moore, Roberto Brady, Steven Ingoldsby, Derek Winning, Elizabeth Forte, Sheela Bhongir, Servando Quintanilla, Gail Miller.

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

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

A. Call to order and welcome

The RTP/SCS was called to order by Chair Livingston.

B. Public Comments

No comments were noted.

C. Approval of June 24, 2021 Meeting Minutes

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

D. Presentation- Raime + Associates, Health Impact Assessment and Environmental Justice Reports- Elizabeth Forte

Ms. Forte introduced Raime + Associates and the work that they had been doing on the Health Assessment. Paige Kruza of Raime + Associates reviewed the existing conditions report, Disadvantaged Community (DAC) screening analysis and CalEnviroScreen as a baseline for identifying DACs. She further discussed indicators of concerns and identification criteria for DACs. Ms. Kruza reviewed the Environmental Justice (EJ) DAC maps with the group. She explained that East Orosi didn't meet the criteria thresholds, but they would still be reaching out to that community for stakeholder engagement. Further, she shared that housing costs and aggregate pollution were factors that caused it not to meet criteria.

E. Update- Sustainable Communities Strategy Scenario Development and Discussion- Roberto Brady

Mr. Brady reviewed scenario updates; discussing early results from the questionnaire and the surveys that would be coming down the pipeline. He further reviewed the survey questions and answers from participants. He discussed regional growth scenarios and the titles and considerations. Conversation ensued regarding cross valley corridor details.

F. Discussion- RTP/SCS Policy Element- Ben Kimball

Mr. Kimball discussed the possibility of not meeting GHG targets. He stated that our county is not facing that since our county had already started to take action on the matter.

He shared that the focus was on putting in transit centers and preparing in advance and that policies encourage this type of development to continue. Mr. Kimball discussed the dangers of

Highway 99 and the increased danger particularly in the Tulare County stretch and how highway 99 improvements were high priority. He shared that other widening projects had been reduced by 90 % and widening was the last resort of improvement. Mr. Kimball further discussed challenges and how the joint project application with Porterville and Strathmore wasn't successful. Conversation ensued regarding how low population density was a factor in that determination.

G. Adjourn

The RTP Committee adjourned at 11:26 am and the Rural Communities Committee convened.

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

A. Call to order and welcome

The Rural Communities Committee Meeting (RTP-RC) was called to order by Member Wallis Dutra at 11:27 am.

B. Public Comments

Public comments opened and closed at 11:27am. No comments were noted.

C. Approval of June 24, 2021 Meeting Minutes

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

D. Presentation- Raime + Associates, Health Impact Assessment and Environmental Justice Reports- Elizabeth Forte

The item was previously heard during the previous RTP meeting. No further questions were noted.

E. Update - Sustainable Communities Strategy Scenario Development and Discussion – Roberto Brady

The item was previously heard during the previous RTP meeting. No further questions were noted.

F. Discussion - RTP/SCS Policy Element – Ben Kimball

Mr. Kimball made clear the challenge of getting funding for disadvantaged communities. He explained the challenge with the guidelines not trickling down to DACs because of funding priorities and provided project examples where DACs were not funded.

G. Adjourn

Upon motion by Member Camarena and second by Member Ridenour, the Rural Communities Committee adjourned at 11:41am and the Regional Housing Need Advisory Committee convened.

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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 11:42 am.

B. Public Comments

Public comments opened and closed at 11:42 am. No comments were noted.

C. Approval of June 24, 2021 Meeting Minutes

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

D. Update – RTP/SCS Control Totals – Derek Winning

Mr. Winning discussed the RTP/SCS growth patterns on the Blueprint Scenario. He further discussed the Department of Finance (DOF) projection trends, details and requirements. These included declining birth rates, increased death rates and net migration totals. Mr. Winning provided an overview of the 2021 Regional Demographic Profile estimates and sub-regional estimates. He reviewed 2046 projections as well.

Further, he discussed distribution of the RHNA allocation and RTP/SCS consistency with RHNA. Lastly, he outlined the next steps for the RTP/SCS development which included scenario development, modeling and metrics.

E. Adjourn

The RHNA Committee Adjourned at 12:05 pm.

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