



Joint Meeting of the
TCAG SR 65, SR 99, SR 190, and SR 198 Sustainable Corridor Committees (SCCs) –
AGENDA

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

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AGENDA ITEMS

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Opening Remarks; K. Poleszczuk
- Introduction of Attendees

2. Public Comments

This portion of the meeting is reserved for people wishing to address the TCAG SCCs 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.

3. Approval of October 12, 2023, SCCs Meeting Minutes (Page 4)

4. Recap of Previous Corridor Beautification Initiatives

- Summary of Past Projects and Achievements

Presented by K. Poleszczuk from TCAG

5. Guest Presentation: Overview of Highway Transformative Beautification Projects in the State of CA

Presentation by B. Cole from Caltrans

6. Discussion on Phase 2 Priority Projects / Phase 2 Projects Selection

- SR 65 & 190
- SR 198
- SR 99

Mapping activity

7. Member Input and Feedback

- Open Floor for Member Comments and Suggestions
- Request from SCC Members for Future Agenda Items

8. Next Meeting

Tentatively Set for Thursday, May 23

9. Adjourn

SR 65 Committee

Larry Micari, Elected Official	Member
Dennis Townsend, Elected Official	Member
Martha Flores, Elected Official	Member
Michael Navarro, Lorena Mendibles, Caltrans	Member
Aaron Bock/Michael Winton, County of Tulare	Member
Eddie Wendt/Daymon Qualls, City of Exeter	Member
Neyba Amezcua, City of Lindsay	Member
Jason Ridenour, City of Porterville	Member
Karl Schoettler, Planner	Member
Brad Cole, Caltrans	Staff

SR 99 Committee

Eddie Valero, Elected Official	Member
Pete Vander Poel, Elected Official	Member
Michael Navarro, Caltrans	Member
Michael Washam, County of Tulare	Member
Jan Bowen, City of Tulare	Member
Karl Schoettler, Planner	Member
Brad Cole, Caltrans	Staff

SR 190 Committee

Dennis Townsend, Elected Official	Member
Martha Flores, Elected Official	Member
Michael Navarro, Caltrans	Member
Aaron Bock/Michael Winton, County of Tulare	Member
Jason Ridenour, City of Porterville	Member
Karl Schoettler, Planner	Member
Brad Cole, Caltrans	Staff

SR 198 Committee

Amy Shuklian, Elected Official	Member
Paul Boyer, Elected Official	Member
Michael Navarro, Caltrans	Member
Aaron Bock/Michael Winton, County of Tulare	Member
Nick Mascia , City of Visalia	Member
Karl Schoettler, Planner	Member
Brad Cole, Caltrans	Staff

TCAG Staff

Kasia Poleszczuk, Senior Regional Planner, TCAG Staff
John Washam, Regional Planner, TCAG Staff
Roberto Brady, Principal Regional Planner, TCAG Staff

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October 12th, 2023, Meeting Minutes TCAG SR 65, SR 99, SR 190, and SR 198 Sustainable Corridor Committees (SCCs) Joint Meeting

SR 65 Committee

Larry Micari, Elected Official	Member	P
Dennis Townsend, Elected Official	Chair	P
Martha Flores, Elected Official	Member	P
Aaron Bock/Michael Winton, County of Tulare	Member	A
Eddie Wendt/Daymon Qualls, City of Exeter	Member	A/A
Jeff Cowart/Michael Camarena, City of Lindsay	Member	A/A
Jason Ridenour, City of Porterville	Member	P
Karl Schoettler, Planner	Member	P
Brad Cole, Caltrans	Staff	P

SR 99 Committee

Eddie Valero, Elected Official	Member	A
Pete Vander Poel, Elected Official	Member	A
Michael Washam, County of Tulare	Member	A
Jan Bowen, City of Tulare	Member	A
Nick Mascia, City of Visalia	Member	P
Karl Schoettler, Planner	Member	P
Brad Cole, Caltrans	Staff	P

SR 190 Committee

Dennis Townsend, Elected Official	Member	P
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Martha Flores, Elected Official	Member	A
Michael Navarro, Caltrans	Member	A
Aaron Bock/Michael Winton, County of Tulare	Member	A/P
Jason Ridenour, City of Porterville	Member	P
Karl Schoettler, Planner	Member	P
Brad Cole, Caltrans	Staff	P

SR 198 Committee

Amy Shuklian, Elected Official	Member	A
Paul Boyer, Elected Official	Member	A
Michael Navarro, Caltrans	Member	A
Johnson Vang, County of Tulare	Member	A
Nick Mascia, City of Visalia	Member	P
Karl Schoettler, Planner	Member	P
Kasia Poleszczuk, TCAG	Staff	P
Brad Cole, Caltrans	Staff	P

Additional Attendees

Kasia Poleszczuk	TCAG	P
John Liu	Caltrans	P
Roberto Brady	TCAG	P
Gail Miller	TCAG	P

P=Present A=Absent

Summary Meeting Minutes

The Sustainable Corridor Committees Joint Meeting was called to order by the Committee Chair, Dennis Townsend at 10:05 a.m. on October 12, 2023. Public Comments opened/closed. There were no comments from the public.

Minutes of February 9, 2023, were approved upon a motion by Member Dennis Townsend, and seconded by Member Nick Mascia.

John Washam, Tulare County Association of Governments, asked for local agencies to update the membership list for the four different state route committees. It was also brought to attention that the email list for the committees need to be updated.

John Liu from Caltrans gave an update for the Clean California Program.

John Liu also talked about the litter abatement program. The state is tight on cash, so the future of the program is in question. It might be possible to extend the program using the \$140 million Clean California Grant.

Adopt a highway

John Liu and Cole Brad, both from Caltrans, gave an update on different corridor beautification projects. A lot of these projects were screening projects. This would include planting oleanders or hanging vines. There is also a replacement planting program. There were talks about how much water was needed and how the plants would get watered. Other projects were talked about for SR 190 & 99 including maintenance and new plants

Project selection guide

Kasia Poleszczuk started a discussion on what the next steps for the committee look like. It was brought up that each sub-committee should meet before the next full committee meeting and have 2-3 project ideas on their corridor. The two million dollars in funding can be considered as seed money and there are hopes to use it to help and leverage for more funding. Michael Washam Suggested that these steps be taken, and Nick Mascia seconded.

Committee members discussed a date for the next meeting, which was tentatively set for January 18th, 2024

The SCC's Joint Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.