

Tulare County Association of Governments	Date: Monday, October 19, 2020 Time: 1:00 p.m. Place: Tulare County Board of Supervisors 2800 W. Burrell Avenue Visalia, CA 93291
Technical Advisory Committee	Date: Thursday, October 15, 2020 Time: 1:30 PM Place: Tulare County Association of Governments 210 N. Church Street, Suite B (Sequoia Conference Room) Visalia, CA 93291
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- I. **CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME**
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

At this time, members of the public may comment on any item of interest to the public and within the subject matter jurisdiction of TCAG but not appearing on this agenda. Under state law, matters presented under this item cannot be discussed or acted upon by the Board at this time. For items appearing on the agenda, the public is invited to make comments at the time the item comes up for Board consideration. Any person addressing the Board will be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes so that all interested parties have an opportunity to speak with a total of fifteen (15) minutes allotted for the Public Comment Period. Speakers are requested to state their name(s) and address(es) for the record.

Convene as the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee

All items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial by TCAG staff and will be approved by one motion if no member of the Committee or public wishes to comment or ask questions. Items pulled from the Calendar will be considered separately.

IV. TRANSPORTATION CONSENT CALENDAR –INFORMATION ITEMS

Request Approval of the Transportation Consent Calendar Action Item IV-A through IV-B.

- A. Action: Approve Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Roundtable Appointments (Pages 01-04)
- B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve Updated 2020 Title VI Program (Pages 05-08)
- C. Information: Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) Competitive Programs Update (Pages 09-10)
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V. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Information: Draft Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Competitive Project Selection Guidelines and Application Form (Pages 13-32)
- B. Information: Update on 2020 Transportation Management Area Federal Planning Certification Review and Planning Efforts (Pages 33-44)
- C. Information: Update on Timing and Funding Implications of the Federal SAFE Vehicles Regulation (Pages 45-46)
- D. Information: Status of State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Allocations and California Transportation Commission (CTC) Update (Pages 47-48)
- E. Information: Caltrans Monthly Report (No Page)

Adjourn as the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee and Convene as the Tulare County Association of Governments

VI. REQUEST TO REAFFIRM ALL ACTIONS TAKEN WHILE SITTING AS THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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VII. ASSOCIATION CONSENT CALENDAR –ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

Request Approval of the Association Consent Calendar Action Items VII-A through VII-D.

- A. Action: Minutes of September 21, 2020 TCAG Board Meeting (Pages 49-54)
- B. Action: Minutes of September 17, 2020 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting (Pages 55-58)
- C. Action: Cancel the November Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) and the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meetings (Pages 59-60)
- D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 5 to the 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP) and Sign Federal Aid Program Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) Updated Procedures (Pages 61-88)

VIII. ASSOCIATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Information: Legislative Update (Pages 89-90)
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- C. Presentation: Report from Assemblyman Mathis' Office (No Page)
- D. Presentation: Report from Senator Hurtado's Office (No Page)
- E. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Consultant Selection for Preparation of the Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy (2022 RTP/SCS) (Pages 91-94)
- F. Information: Regional Transit Coordination Update (Pages 95-96)
- G. Information: Update on 2020 Census Complete Count Outreach (Pages 97-102)

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

A. California Air Resources Board (CARB) Evaluation Letter

(Pages 103-104)

X. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Information: Items from Staff:

1. TCAG Director's Report
2. Other Items

B. Information: Items from Board Members

1. Tulare County Water Commission Update
2. San Joaquin Valley Policy Council Update
3. San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (SJJPA) - Amtrak Update
4. San Joaquin Valley Housing Task Force Update
5. TCAG Transit Report
6. Other Items

C. Request from Board Members for Future Agenda Items

Closed Session

I. CLOSED SESSION

As provided in the Ralph M. Brown Act, Government Code sections 54950 et seq., the Governing Board may meet in closed session with members of its staff, county employees and its attorneys. These sessions are not open to the public and may not be attended by members of the public. The matters the Board will meet on in closed session are identified below or are those matters appropriately identified in open session as requiring immediate attention and arising after the posting of the agenda. Any public reports of action taken in the closed session will be made in accordance with Government Code sections 54957.1

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION (Gov. Code, § 54956.9, subd. (d)(2))

Number of Potential Cases: 1

XI. ADJOURN

(Pending approved cancellation of the November 2020 meetings)

The next scheduled Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Board meeting will be held on Monday, December 14, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. at the Tulare County Board of Supervisors, 2800 W. Burrell Avenue, Visalia, CA 93291. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) will meet on Thursday, December 10, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. at the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG), 210 N. Church Street, Suite B, Sequoia Conference Room, Visalia, CA 93291.

(If the cancellation of the November 2020 TCAG Board Meeting is not approved)

The next scheduled Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Board meeting will be held on Monday, November 16, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. at the Tulare County Board of Supervisors, 2800 W. Burrell Avenue, Visalia, CA 93291. The Technical Advisory Committee will meet on Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. at the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG), 210 N. Church Street, Suite B, Sequoia Conference Room, Visalia, CA 93291.

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

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Amy Shuklian	Tulare County-District 3	Bill Whitlatch
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Rudy Mendoza	City of Woodlake	Emmanuel Llamas
Greg Gomez	Public Transit Provider*	Virginia Gurrola
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Wanda Ishida	Member-at-Large*	Marlene Sario
Diana Gomez	Caltrans*	Michael Navarro

* Caltrans serves as an ex-officio member of the TCAG Policy Advisory Committee. At-large TCAG members and the Public Transit Provider representative are not members of the Tulare County Transportation Authority or Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Authority.

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Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM IV-A

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Gail Miller, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Approve Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Roundtable Appointments

BACKGROUND:

TCAG periodically updates the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) as required by State and Federal regulations. The RTP is the highest level and most comprehensive planning document prepared by TCAG. The RTP update process has always represented a major work effort. Because of new statutory requirements, and since the region has continued to grow and become more diverse, the current update getting underway is of increasing complexity.

Foremost among the requirements is the incorporation of a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) as called for by the Sustainable Communities and Climate Protection Act of 2008 (SB 375). The SCS is a regional land use plan. It is a forecast of the character and distribution of land use in the region into the horizon of the planning period. While land use authority remains with the individual cities and counties, the intent of SB 375 by including an SCS in an RTP, which must be internally consistent, is to better align transportation, housing and land use plans region-wide. The current RTP, adopted in 2018, included an SCS. The current update is targeted to be complete and adopted June 2022.

On September 21, 2020, as part of TCAG's strategy for stakeholder participation in development of the 2022 RTP, a Public Participation Plan (PPP) for the SCS was adopted. One of the provisions of the SCS PPP was stakeholder outreach and establishment of this RTP Roundtable.

The purpose of the RTP Roundtable is to support TCAG in development and preparation of the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy. It is vital to the success of the process that the RTP Roundtable help to generate consensus about the RTP based on the input of an informed and active local constituency. While the RTP Roundtable will provide comments and input on issues related to development of the 2022 RTP/SCS, the final decisions on the RTP will be the responsibility of the TCAG Board of Governors.

TCAG developed guidelines for, and initiated the formation of the RTP Roundtable during the last RTP update. These Guidelines still serve as the Guidelines for the 2022 RTP adoption. They state that applications for positions on the RTP Roundtable are subject to approval by the Board. The Guidelines do not provide for a term of appointment since upon the adoption of the 2022 RTP Update the RTP Roundtable will dissolve in its current form, as it has done in the past.

DISCUSSION:

As of September 19, TCAG received two new applicants (noted *) and is continuing recruitment of additional applications at future meetings, as a consent matter, until all the designated positions are filled or the mission of the RTP Roundtable is substantially accomplished. The approved appointments and pending additional appointments for consideration (as of the publishing of this agenda item) are listed in the table below.

Positions	Name
County of Tulare	Aaron Bock
Dinuba	Crystal Flores
Exeter	Lisa Wallis-Dutra
Farmersville	Lisa Wallis-Dutra
Lindsay	Michael Camarena
Porterville	Julie Phillips
Tulare	Mike Miller
Visalia	Nick Mascia
Woodlake	Rebecca Griswald
LAFCo	
Public Transportation	Richard Tree, Dan Fox
Agriculture	
Environmental Advocate	Adam Livingston (Sequoia Riverland Trust)
Bicycle/Pedestrian advocate	Mark Wall (Southern Sierra Cyclist)
Health Advocate	
Goods Movement	
Disabled Access/ADA	
SJV Air District	
Caltrans, District 6	David Deel
Tribal Governments	
Building/Development	Mike Lane
*Environmental Justice Community	Bianca Escobedo, Emma De La Rosa
Banking, finance or real estate	
Affordable Housing Advocate	Betsy McGovern-Garcia
Broad-based business or economic development organizations	
At-Large 1	
At-Large 2	

The candidates have been reviewed and determined to be qualified to make an important contribution to the development of the SCS/RTP. Future appointments will be placed on the consent agenda for consideration.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the candidates to the positions listed above.

ALTERNATIVES:

Approve as modified, do not approve, or defer the matter for additional review and discussion.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Administration of the RTP Roundtable will be charged to the Regional Transportation Plan budget, Work Element 602.01 for the 2020/2021 fiscal year. These types of costs were anticipated and should not, in themselves, necessitate a budget adjustment.

ATTACHMENT:

None

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AGENDA ITEM IV-B

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Maria Garcia-Garza, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve Updated 2020 Title VI Program

BACKGROUND:

As a recipient of federal grant funds, TCAG must comply with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Circular 4702.1B. Circular 4702.1B set new guidelines for compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. New FTA guidelines require that TCAG document their compliance by submitting a Title VI Program to FTA every three years.

The Title VI Program describes how TCAG complies with the mandates of Title VI. Section 601 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 which states the following:

No person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color or national origin be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program receiving Federal financial assistance.

TCAG prepared an update to the Title VI Program as required to comply with the requirements of FTA Circular 4702.1B and the program was developed in accordance with the provisions detailed in the circular.

DISCUSSION:

TCAG receives federal grant funds from FTA and is required to submit an update to the Title VI Program every 3 years to comply with FTA Circular 4702.1B. The proposed program is included under separate cover. The program is divided into the following major sections: 1) Introduction, 2) Notice to the Public, 3) Complaint Procedures, 4) Public Participation Plan, 5) Limited English Proficiency Plan, 6) Membership of Transit Related Non-Elected Boards, Committees, and Councils, 7) MPO Requirements.

The objectives of the proposed program can be summarized as follows:

1. Ensure that the level and quality of public transportation service is provided in a nondiscriminatory manner.
2. Promote full and fair participation in public transportation decision-making without regard to race, color or national origin.
3. Ensure meaningful access to transit-related programs and activities by persons with limited English proficiency.

If adopted, this program will be in effect for three years. A new program update would be required to be prepared 60 days before this program expires. Currently there are no outstanding Title VI claims for TCAG and no complaints have been received in the last three years.

Pursuant to FTA Circular 4702.1B “the Title VI Program must be approved by the recipient’s board of directors or appropriate governing entity or official(s) responsible for policy decisions prior to submission to FTA.”

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the TCAG Board approve the update to the Title VI Program prepared by staff. This will allow TCAG to proceed with submitting the Title VI Program to FTA for approval.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to TCAG. Not submitting a Title VI Program to FTA would result in financial impacts for TCAG. Submission of a Title VI Program is required by federal law.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution approving Title VI Program for TCAG
2. Draft TCAG Title VI Program – Under Separate Cover

BEFORE THE
TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of:

APPROVING THE 2020 TULARE COUNTY)	Resolution No. 2020-XXX
ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS)	
(TCAG) TITLE VI PROGRAM)	

WHEREAS, FTA Circular 4702.1B, which was released in 2012, requires California Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to prepare a Title VI Program per FTA guidelines; and

WHEREAS, TCAG is the designated MPO for the Tulare County region; and

WHEREAS, FTA Circular 4702.1B requires the development of a Title VI Program, of which specific parameters and outreach processes must be implemented and which must be approved by the TCAG Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tulare County Association of Governments approves the attached Title VI Program.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of October, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

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AGENDA ITEM IV-C

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Gabriel Gutierrez, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) Competitive Programs Update

BACKGROUND:

On April 28, 2017, Governor Brown signed Senate Bill 1 (SB1) (Beall, Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017), which is also known as the Road Repair and Accountability Act (RMRA) of 2017. This Act provides the first significant, stable, and ongoing increase in state transportation funding in more than two decades. In providing this funding, the Legislature has provided additional funding for transportation infrastructure, increased the role of the California Transportation Commission (CTC) in a number of existing programs, and created new transportation funding programs for the CTC to oversee.

The purpose and intention of the Act is to address basic road maintenance, rehabilitation, and critical safety needs on both the state highway and local streets and road systems as well as provide transit assistance. SB1 affected eight different transportation funding programs including the Local Partnership Program (LPP) and Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP).

DISCUSSION:

TCAG staff has been participating in the guidelines discussions for the 2020 Local Partnership Program and 2020 Trade Corridor Enhancement Program. Draft guidelines for both programs were presented to the California Transportation Program (CTC) on January 29, 2020. The final guidelines were adopted by the CTC on March 25, 2020. Information regarding funding caps, programming cycles, grant submittal deadlines, and other pertinent issues are shown in the table below:

Funding Program	Minimum and Maximum Funding Request	Programming Cycle	Grant Submittal Deadline	Other Information
Local Partnership Program (Competitive)	Minimum: \$2,000,000 Maximum: \$25,000,000	2020/21 2021/22 2022/23	June 30, 2020	The LPP Competitive Program grant application for the Commercial Avenue Interchange Project was submitted on June 30, 2020. The grant application requests \$25m in LPP grant funds. Statewide, there were 62 applications submitted requesting \$612m in LPP funds. The 2020 LPP fund cycle consists of

				three fiscal years with \$72m available each year for a total of \$216m. Funding recommendations for the LPP Program will be announced on November 12, 2020.
Trade Corridor Enhancement Program	The TCEP utilizes a corridor-based programming target approach. Last cycle, the Bay Area/Central Valley regional corridor, which Tulare County is part of, had a \$217 million target (27% of overall funding available). Different programming target proposals are currently under consideration.	2020/21 2021/22 2022/23	August 3, 2020	A TCEP grant application for right-of-way funding for the Tulare City Widening Project was submitted in August 2020. The grant application requests \$18.6 million for right of way costs. Statewide there were 47 projects submitted requesting approximately 1.7 billion in TCEP funds. Funding recommendations for the TCEP Program will be announced on November 12, 2020.

Federal BUILD Grant

As announced at last month's TCAG Board meeting, the U.S. Department of Transportation awarded TCAG \$16 million in BUILD grant funds for the State Route 99 and Commercial Avenue Interchange Project.

RECOMMENDATION:

Information item only. No action needed at this time.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

AGENDA ITEM IV-D

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Gabriel Gutierrez and Elizabeth Forte, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Implementation Status of Federally Funded Projects

BACKGROUND:

The **Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP)**, formally known as STP, is a major source of funds that may be used by local agencies for projects to preserve and improve the transportation system consistent with regional priorities. The funds may be utilized on any Federal-aid highway, including the National Highway System (NHS), bridge projects on any public road, transit capital projects, and intracity and intercity bus terminals and facilities. In Tulare County, these funds have been primarily used for street and highway construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, resurfacing, and operational improvements. Local agencies navigate a sometimes complicated federal aid funding process to request and spend these funds in a timely manner. However, through our partnership with Caltrans, TCAG has helped local agencies with the timely and efficient delivery of their projects.

The **Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Program** has been a longstanding source of funding for TCAG's member agencies. Tulare County agencies qualify for funding due to the region being in a non-attainment area for meeting federal air quality standards for Particulate Matter (PM) and Ozone. The program exists under federal law and is implemented via guidance issued by the Federal Highway Administration and carried out by Caltrans. TCAG received estimates for the receipt of approximately \$6.1 million per year for the next four-year cycle. Project examples include roundabouts, signal coordination, compressed natural gas and electric facilities and vehicles, transit route expansion and bus purchases, etc.

Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Funds are another invaluable resource to agencies in Tulare County. There are several funding sources under FTA that provide both operating and capital funds for urban and rural transit providers. Some funding is also provided to non-profit human services agencies in Tulare County as well.

DISCUSSION:

STBGP

The primary use of STBGP funding is for roadway reconstruction and rehabilitation. As the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Tulare County region, TCAG is responsible for soliciting projects from eligible agencies for programming in the FTIP and ensuring that the funds are being utilized appropriately and are obligated in a timely manner. At the direction of FHWA, beginning in fiscal year 22/23, TCAG will begin distributing federal STBGP funds on a competitive basis. The first call for projects is scheduled for some time in the fall of 2020. Selected projects will be programmed in the 2021 FTIP. STBGP funds in fiscal years 20/21 and 21/22 remain committed to three projects described in the table below.

FY	Agency	Project Name	Project Description	Amount of STBGP Funds
20/21	Visalia	Tulare Avenue Rehabilitation	On Tulare Avenue, between Demaree Avenue and Mooney Boulevard and from Mooney Boulevard to Court Street; Roadway Rehabilitation	\$2,400,000
20/21	County of Tulare	Avenue 152 Rehabilitation Project	Near community of Tipton, on Avenue 152 between the road alignment of Road 136 and Road 160; rehabilitate roadway	\$1,200,000
21/22	Caltrans	Tulare City Widening	In City of Tulare, on State Route 99 from Prosperity Avenue to Paige Avenue, widen from 4 to 6 lanes and operational improvements to Paige Avenue interchange.	\$3,600,000

CMAQ

Two roundabout projects are scheduled for obligation this year:

City of Dinuba: **Roundabout at Alta and Nebraska**

- CMAQ: \$1,015,000 Match: \$635,000

City of Woodlake: **Roundabout at Sierra and Castle Rock**

- CMAQ: \$1,970,000 Match: \$518,000

ATTACHMENT:

None

AGENDA ITEM V-A

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Gabriel Gutierrez, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Draft Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Competitive Project Selection Guidelines and Application Form

BACKGROUND:

The Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP) provides flexible funds for a variety of highway, bridge, transit, and pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure projects. In the TCAG region, these funds have been primarily used for street and highway construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, resurfacing, and operational improvements. Each year when STBGP are distributed by the State, it has been TCAG's longstanding practice to exchange federal STBGP funds for state funds for those rural agencies located outside the Visalia Urbanized Area boundary (Dinuba, Lindsay, Porterville, and Woodlake, and portions of the County of Tulare). For agencies that are located within the Visalia Urbanized Area boundary (Visalia, Tulare, Farmersville, Exeter, and portions of the County of Tulare), the remaining STBGP funds¹ were made available to each agency on the basis of population.

During the FHWA certification review process held in April 2020 it was required by FHWA that we change our STBGP allocation process from a population-based process to a competitive selection process.

In accordance with the recommendation from FHWA, TCAG staff prepared the draft STBGP competitive project selection guidelines and application form. The documents were presented to the TCAG Board at their June 2020 meeting. The documents were also made available for review and comments to the eligible recipients, Caltrans District 6, Caltrans HQ, and FHWA.

DISCUSSION:

Implementation of the STBGP project selection guidelines would affect the allocation of urban funds only. Rural funds will continue to be exchanged for state funds as described above. Proposed criteria regarding eligible recipients and project selection are included here. For other criteria such as match requirements, eligible projects, screening criteria, etc., please refer to Attachment 1:

Eligible Recipients: Visalia, Tulare, Farmersville, Exeter, and portions of the County of Tulare located within the Visalia Urbanized Area boundary (Visalia UZA). Caltrans is also an eligible agency for projects located within the Visalia UZA.

Project Selection: As currently drafted, TCAG will evaluate STBGP applications received and award projects in accordance with the following scoring criteria:

- Project addresses operations and maintenance (50 points)
- Project improves safety (10 points)
- Project relieves congestion (10 points)

¹ These are federal funds and agencies are required to following the federal authorization process to obligate these funds.

- Project is construction-ready (5 points)
- Leveraging funds (25 points)

Total Possible Points: 100

Projects would be awarded in the order of the scores received (highest to lowest) until all available funding is utilized. Projects not selected will be placed on a contingency list and will remain eligible for funding should awarded projects fail to obligate funds in a timely manner. Projects on the contingency list will remain eligible for funding until the next STBGP call for projects.

Funding capacity is available in 22/23 and 23/24. The first call for projects is planned for some time in early 2021. Upon approval of the funding recommendations by the TCAG Board, the projects will be programmed in the 2021 FTIP.

The first iteration of the draft guidelines were presented to the eligible recipients, Caltrans, and FHWA in July 2020. Since then, TCAG staff has been working with each of the agencies to address their comments and concerns. On October 1, 2020, TCAG staff hosted a meeting with the agencies to discuss the revisions made to the draft guidelines and application and to address any other issues of concern. Attachment 2 lists the all the comments received and the TCAG staff's responses to the comments. The final STBGP guidelines and application will be presented to the TCAG Board in December 2020 for final approval.

ATTACHMENT:

1. STBGP Project Selection Guidelines and Application Form
2. Comments and Responses

Tulare County Association of Governments
Surface Transportation Block Grant Program
Competitive Project Selection Guidelines

Purpose of the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP)

The STBGP provides flexible funding that localities may use for projects to preserve and improve conditions and performance on any Federal-aid highway, bridge and tunnel projects on any public road, pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, and transit capital projects, including intercity bus terminals. The STBGP promotes flexibility in local transportation decisions and provides flexible funding to best address regional and local transportation needs.

Eligible costs for funds under this program include preliminary engineering, right-of-way acquisition, capital costs, and construction costs associated with an eligible activity.

Eligible Recipients

STBGP funding is available to local agencies in the TCAG region whose projects are fully or partially¹ located within the Visalia Urbanized Area Boundary (Visalia UZA). Per the attached Visalia UZA map, this includes the following jurisdictions: Visalia, Tulare, Farmersville, Exeter, and portions of the County of Tulare located within the Visalia UZA. Caltrans is also an eligible agency for projects located within the Visalia UZA.

Project Selection

TCAG will evaluate STBGP applications received via a call for projects and award projects in accordance with the following scoring criteria. The maximum points available for each criteria is shown in parentheses.

1. Project addresses operations and maintenance (50 points)
2. Project improves safety (10 points)
3. Project relieves congestion (10 points)
4. Project is construction-ready (5 points)
5. Leveraging Funds (25 points)

Projects are awarded in the order of the scores received (highest to lowest) until all funding is exhausted. Those projects not selected will be placed on a contingency list and will remain eligible for funding should awarded projects fail to

¹ "Partially" located refers to projects located adjacent to the Visalia UZA and demonstrate direct benefits to the urbanized area.

obligate funds in a timely manner. Projects on the contingency list will remain eligible for funding until the next STBGP call for projects.

The minimum match requirement for the STBGP program is 11.47 percent. If available, toll credits may be used to cover the match requirement. Projects requesting toll credits will not be eligible to receive leveraging points.

Cost Increases

Cost increases on projects from original applications will be borne by the implementing agency. In circumstances where an agency feels the cost increase is warranted from STBGP funds, the agency and TCAG staff can present that request to the TCAG Board for case-by-case approval.

Eligible Projects

Please see Attachment 2 for a listing of eligible projects.

Screening Criteria

Proposed STBGP projects must meet all of the following screening requirements, where applicable.

- Project must be included in a local agency-adopted resolution supporting the project.
- Project is eligible for RSTP funding as set forth in 23 USC 133, as amended (see Attachment 2).
- Project applicant is an eligible recipient as described above.
- The project must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements.
- The project must be consistent with the currently approved Regional Transportation Plan.
- The applicant must have financial capacity to complete, operate, and maintain the project.
- Funds required from other sources must be reasonably expected to be available within the time frame needed to carry out the project.

Visalia Urbanized Area Map



Attachment 2

ELIGIBLE STBGP PROJECTS (Title 23 USC Section 133)

1. Eligible Projects and Activities:

- Location of Projects (23 U.S.C. 133(c)): STBG projects may not be undertaken on a road functionally classified as a local road or a rural minor collector unless the road was on a Federal-aid highway system on January 1, 1991, except-
 - (1) For a bridge or tunnel project (other than the construction of a new bridge or tunnel at a new location);
 - (2) For a project described in 23 U.S.C. 133(b)(4)-(11) and described below under "Eligible Activities" (b)(4) through (11);
 - (3) For transportation alternatives projects described in 23 U.S.C. 101(a)(29) before enactment of the FAST Act (these are described in 23 U.S.C. 133(h) and in separate TA Set-Aside guidance.); and (4) As approved by the Secretary.
- Eligible Activities (23 U.S.C. 133(b)): Subject to the location of projects requirements in paragraph (a), the following eligible activities are listed in 23 U.S.C. 133(b):
 - (1) Construction, as defined in 23 U.S.C. 101(a)(4), of the following:
 - i. Highways, bridges, and tunnels, including designated routes of the Appalachian development highway system and local access roads under 40 U.S.C. 14501;
 - ii. Ferry boats and terminal facilities eligible under 23 U.S.C. 129(c);
 - iii. transit capital projects eligible under chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code;
 - iv. Infrastructure-based intelligent transportation systems capital improvements, including the installation of vehicle-to-infrastructure communication equipment;
 - v. Truck parking facilities eligible under Section 1401 of MAP-21 (23 U.S.C. 137 note); and
 - vi. Border infrastructure projects eligible under Section 1303 of SAFETEA-LU (23 U.S.C. 101 note).
 - (2) Operational improvements and capital and operating costs for traffic monitoring, management, and control facilities and programs. Operational improvement is defined in 23 U.S.C. 101(a)(18).
 - (3) Environmental measures eligible under 23 U.S.C. 119(g), 328, and 329, and transportation control measures listed in Section 108(f)(1)(A) (other than clause (xvi) of that section) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7408(f)(1)(A)).
 - (4) Highway and transit safety infrastructure improvements and programs, including railwayhighway grade crossings.

- (5) Fringe and corridor parking facilities and programs in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 137 and carpool projects in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 146. Carpool project is defined in 23 U.S.C. 101(a)(3).
- (6) Recreational trails projects eligible under 23 U.S.C. 206, pedestrian and bicycle projects in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 217 (including modifications to comply with accessibility requirements under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.)), and the Safe Routes to School Program under Section 1404 of SAFETEA-LU (23 U.S.C. 402 note).
- (7) Planning, design, or construction of boulevards and other roadways largely in the right-of-way of former Interstate System routes or other divided highways.
- (8) Development and implementation of a State asset management plan for the National Highway System (NHS) and a performance-based management program for other public roads.
- (9) Protection (including painting, scour countermeasures, seismic retrofits, impact protection measures, security countermeasures, and protection against extreme events) for bridges (including approaches to bridges and other elevated structures) and tunnels on public roads, and inspection and evaluation of bridges and tunnels and other highway assets.
- (10) Surface transportation planning programs, highway and transit research and development and technology transfer programs, and workforce development, training, and education under chapter 5 of title 23, United States Code.
- (11) Surface transportation infrastructure modifications to facilitate direct intermodal interchange, transfer, and access into and out of a port terminal.
- (12) Projects and strategies designed to support congestion pricing, including electronic toll collection and travel demand management strategies and programs.
- (13) Upon request of a State and subject to the approval of the Secretary, if Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) credit assistance is approved for an STBGeligible project, then the State may use STBG funds to pay the subsidy and administrative costs associated with providing Federal credit assistance for the projects.
- (14) The creation and operation by a State of an office to assist in the design, implementation, and oversight of public-private partnerships eligible to receive funding under title 23 and chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code, and the payment of a stipend to unsuccessful private bidders to offset their proposal development costs, if necessary to encourage robust competition in public-private partnership procurements.
- (15) Any type of project eligible under 23 U.S.C. 133 as in effect on the day before the FAST Act was enacted. Among these are:
 - i. Replacement of bridges with fill material;
 - ii. Training of bridge and tunnel inspectors;
 - iii. Application of calcium magnesium acetate, sodium acetate/formate, or other environmentally acceptable, minimally corrosive anti-icing and

deicing compositions for bridges (and approaches to bridges and other elevated structures) and tunnels;

- iv. Projects to accommodate other transportation modes continue to be eligible pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 142(c) if such accommodation does not adversely affect traffic safety;
- v. Transit capital projects eligible for assistance under chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code, including vehicles and facilities (publicly or privately owned) that are used to provide intercity passenger bus service;
- vi. Approach roadways to ferry terminals to accommodate other transportation modes and to provide access into and out of the ports;
- vii. Transportation alternatives previously described in 23 U.S.C. 101(a)(29) and described in 23 U.S.C. 213;
- viii. Projects relating to intersections having disproportionately high accident rates, high levels of congestion (as evidenced by interrupted traffic flow at the intersection and a level of service rating of "F" during peak travel hours, calculated in accordance with the Highway Capacity Manual), and are located on a Federal-aid highway;
- ix. Construction and operational improvements for any minor collector if the minor collector and the project to be carried out are in the same corridor and in proximity to an NHS route; the construction or improvements will enhance the level of service on the NHS route and improve regional traffic flow; and the construction or improvements are more cost-effective, as determined by a benefit-cost analysis, than an improvement to the NHS route;
- x. Workforce development, training, and education activities discussed in 23 U.S.C. 504(e);
- xi. Advanced truck stop electrification systems. Truck stop electrification system is defined in 23 U.S.C. 101(a)(32);
- xii. Installation of safety barriers and nets on bridges, hazard eliminations, projects to mitigate hazards caused by wildlife;
- xiii. Electric vehicle and natural gas vehicle infrastructure in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 137;
- xiv. Data collection, maintenance, and integration and the costs associated with obtaining, updating, and licensing software and equipment required for risk-based asset management and performance based management, and for similar activities related to the development and implementation of a performance based management program for other public roads;
- xv. Construction of any bridge in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 144(f) that replaces any low water crossing (regardless of the length of the low water crossing); any bridge that was destroyed prior to January 1, 1965; any ferry that was in existence on January 1, 1984; or any road bridge that is rendered obsolete as a result of a Corps of Engineers flood control or channelization project and is not rebuilt with funds from the Corps of

Engineers. Not subject to the Location of Project requirement in 23 U.S.C. 133(c); and

xvi. Actions in accordance with the definition and conditions in 23 U.S.C. 144(g) to preserve or reduce the impact of a project on the historic integrity of a historic bridge if the load capacity and safety features of the historic bridge are adequate to serve the intended use for the life of the historic bridge. Not subject to the Location of Project requirement in 23 U.S.C. 133(c)

**Tulare County Association of Governments
Surface Transportation Block Grant Program
Competitive Project Selection
Application**

An electronic copy of the application may be emailed to ggutierrez@tularecog.org.

General Application Questions

Implementing Agency's Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

General Project Information

Project Name: _____

Summary of Project Scope Summary of existing conditions, project scope, location, what the project is intended to do and the expected benefits:

Project Delivery Schedule

Phase	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	Total
	STBGP Funds				
PE					
ROW					
CON					
Subtotal					
	Local Funds _____				
PE					
ROW					
CON					
Subtotal					
	Other Funds _____				
PE					
ROW					
CON					
Subtotal					
	Total				
PE					
ROW					
CON					
Grand Total					

Leveraging Funds: Points for leveraging funds will be awarded based on the amount of non-STBGP funding pledged to the project. A maximum of 25 points are available as follows:

Points	Amount Leveraged
5 Points	More than 11.47% to less than 15% of total project cost
10 Points	More than 15% to less than 20% of total project cost
15 Points	More than 20% to less than 30% of total project cost
20 Points	More than 30% to less than 40% of total project cost
25 Points	More than 40% of total project cost

*Agencies may continue to request toll credits (if available) to meet the required federal match requirement of 11.47%. However, if toll credits are used to meet the required match, no leveraging points will be awarded to the project.

Narrative Questions

Project addresses operations and maintenance: Explain how the project addresses the operation and/or maintenance of existing infrastructure. Describe current condition of roads and/or assets and how the project will improve current condition, including estimated lifespan and pavement condition index information, if applicable. (50 points)

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Project improves safety: Explain how the project addresses safety and/or security issues and demonstrate how the project improvements will remedy potential safety hazards. Include data to clearly demonstrate these issues. (10 points)

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Project relieves congestion: Explain how the project relieves congestion and/or expands the current infrastructure system without negatively affecting conformity requirements. (10 points)

Project is construction-ready: Points will be awarded to project applications which: 1) show an adequate level of planning and coordination conducted for the project and that the project is clear of apparent controversy; and 2) describes the project's current level of readiness to proceed; and 3) describes the agency's ability and commitment to deliver the project on time and within budget. (5 points)

**TCAG Draft STBGP Guidelines
Response to Comments and Proposed Changes**

Commenting Agency	Topic	Comment	Proposed Changes to Draft Guidelines and Application
City of Exeter	Air Quality	Recommends that Air Quality selection criteria be removed from the application. States that air quality is not relevant to STBGP funds like it is CMAQ.	Based on the comments and recommendations received, the Air Quality project selection criteria has been removed from the draft STBGP guidelines and application.
Caltrans	Air Quality	30 points are awarded for Safety (10 pts), Air Quality (10 pts) and Congestion (10 pts) improvements. The HSIP and CMAQ programs set aside funds specifically for these types of projects. Allocating 30 points under the STBGP competitive process for these project qualities, may be redundant and take points away from projects that otherwise can't compete for these other types of funding programs.	
City of Visalia	Air Quality	Commenter states that street rehabilitation projects have minimal impacts to air quality and recommends reducing air quality benefit points from 10 to 5 points	
County of Tulare	Air Quality	Recommends that Air Quality and Congestion Relief questions be combined into one question and that combined points for both sections be 20 points. Also recommends that additional criteria addressing the project's economic benefits or connectivity to population centers such as schools, retail, recreation centers, etc. be added to the application.	
County of Tulare	Application Submittal	Requests that TCAG allow STBGP application packet to be submitted in electronic format only as opposed to hard copies and one electronic copy.	Electronic application submittals will be accepted in lieu of hard copies.
County of Tulare	Disadvantaged Communities	Recommends that the points available for project's benefiting a disadvantaged community be increased. Commenter suggests that additional points come from decreasing the amount of points available for leveraging.	Based on comments and recommendations received from Caltrans and FHWA, the disadvantaged communities project selection criteria has been removed from the draft guidelines and application.
City of Exeter	Disadvantaged Communities	Recommends points for project benefits to disadvantaged communities be increased to 10 points.	

Caltrans	Disadvantaged Communities	The scoring criteria also allows 5 points for projects that positively impact Disadvantaged communities. These points may be moot, (available to all applicants) as most, if not all communities, in the Central Valley meet the Disadvantaged Community criteria, identified under the ATP program, assuming this is the criteria or definition that will be used.	
FHWA	Disadvantaged Communities	There are no issues from our planning folks. My only concern would be the Title VI compliance. Namely, that if "disadvantaged community" was based on race, color or national origin it could be illegal for federal-aid projects if not supported by data such as a disparity study under similar reasoning as the DBE stuff. (See Western States Paving Co. Inc v. United States, 407 F.3d 983 (9th Cir. 2005).) If disadvantage is based on income there shouldn't be this issue. Also, assigning 4 points for one group and 5 for another in this area could create an additional set of problems (is one group more disadvantaged than another due to their community? How is that measured?). Disadvantage based on immutable class would also likely run afoul of California's Proposition 209, assuming Proposition 16 does not pass in November. TCAG may also want to run it through their legal office.	
City of Visalia	Funding Uncertainty	Commenter is concerned that changing the STBGP to a competitive process will make it difficult to carry out the city's road maintenance program each year due to the uncertainties of funding availability. The uncertainty of receiving funds will make it difficult to plan for and have projects shovel ready since plans may go unfunded if project not selected for funding.	While TCAG understands the city's concerns, the requirement to transition from a population based to a competitive project selection process is based on direction from FHWA. TCAG is confident that as proposed, the new competitive program will provide each of the affected agencies a fair and equal opportunity to receive STBGP funding.

County of Tulare	Leveraging	States that the availability of 30 points for leveraging is too much. Recommends that less emphasis be placed on leveraging funds and more be placed on project benefits and deliverability.	<p>Comments noted. The amount of points available for leveraging have been reduced to 25 points and point structure has been modified to address the non-federal match requirements.</p> <p>Toll credits are not a separate source of funding. The funds used for toll credits come from the overall pot of STBGP funds, therefore, the use of toll credits reduces the overall amount of STBGP funds available for projects. The intent of the leveraging is to increase the amount of STBGP funds available for projects by replacing STBGP funds with non-STBGP funds. Agencies can continue to request toll credits (if available) to meet the match requirements, but these projects would not be eligible to receive leveraging points.</p>
City of Visalia	Leveraging	Commenter suggests that points for leveraging be reduced. States that city typically requests use of toll credits in order for the construction phase to be reimbursed at a 100% and utilizes local funds for the design phase. Commenter contends that if City were to increase their local match then it may impact other maintenance projects related to transportation that are budgeted for on an annual basis. States that in cases where the winning construction bid exceeds the funds available from the program, the City funds the difference.	
City of Exeter	Leveraging	Favors keeping leveraging at 30 points.	
Caltrans	Leveraging	<p>May want to revisit the allocation of the 30 points available for leveraging funds, the application breaks down the 30 points based on percentage of local funds that are used as a match with the incentive being to leverage more funds to obtain a better score. The following issues should be noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -STBGP funds require a minimum local match of 11.47 percent. The current approach provides some points for a match less than 11.47, a match lower than this minimum isn't allowable under the federal program. -The guidelines also reference that toll credits may be available. It should be noted that if you leverage more than a 11.47 percent match, that toll credits can't be used. The Local Assistance Toll Credit Policy requires that the project be fully funded (88.53 federal/11.47 local) to be eligible for toll credits. So if the local agency uses more of their funds (a match larger than 11.47 percent) they will be locked out of toll credit eligibility for their project. 	

City of Visalia	Operations and Maintenance	Recommends that points available for operations and maintenance be increased from 30 to 40 points	Points for operations and maintenance increased to 50 points.
County of Tulare	Project Eligibility	The proposed STBGP guidelines state that STBGP funding is available to local agencies in the TCAG region whose projects are fully or partially located within the Visalia Urbanized Area Boundary (Visalia UZA). The County asks "By partial, how much of a project needs to be within the Visalia UZA to be eligible to apply for the urban portion of STBGP funds?"	<p>"Partially" located within the Visalia Urbanized Area (Visalia UZA) refers to projects located adjacent to the Visalia UZA and which demonstrate direct benefits to the urbanized area.</p> <p>To address the comment related to the types of road facilities that are eligible to use STBGP funds, the guidelines have been revised to make reference 23 USC 133 which clarifies the types of uses and facilities eligible for STBGP.</p>
County of Tulare	Project Eligibility	<p>This part needs clarification.</p> <p>According to 23 U.S.C. 133(c), an STBGP project cannot be on local road or rural minor collectors (equivalent to what was detailed here in this proposed STBGP guidelines). However, there are exceptions to this rule.</p> <p>For example, in 23 U.S.C. 133(c)(2), eligible projects that are exempt from the road classifications requirements above include examples such as "Highway and transit safety infrastructure improvements and programs, including railway-highway grade</p>	
County of Tulare	Project Readiness	Commenter states that project readiness would be difficult to attain since obtaining environmental and right of way clearance would require the project to have a federal project ID. Federal project ID not assigned until federal funds have been formally committed to a project.	<p>TCAG recognizes the issues associated with obtaining the necessary environmental and right of way documents to provide proof of project readiness without the project having a federal nexus. Accordingly, the scoring criteria has been modified as follows: To receive points for this criteria, project applications must describe:</p> <p>1) the adequate level of planning</p>
City of Exeter	Project Readiness	Recommends increasing points for construction readiness from 5 to 10 points.	

Caltrans	Project Readiness	<p>The scoring criteria allows 5 points for construction ready projects and the Environmental Doc and R/W Certifications are requested as part of the application to demonstrate that projects are shovel ready. It should be noted that, in most cases, Caltrans will not begin the Environmental or R/W processes until a nexus can be shown that the project is federally funded for construction. This is usually shown in the form of the project already being programmed in the FTIP for the CON phase. As such, the local agency will not likely be able to produce these requested documents.</p>	<p>and coordination conducted for their project and that the project is clear of apparent controversy; 2) the project's current level of readiness to proceed; and 3) the agency's ability and commitment to deliver the project on time and within budget.</p>
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Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM V-B

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Ted Smalley, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Update on 2020 Transportation Management Area Federal Planning Certification Review and Planning Efforts

BACKGROUND:

As part of each federal census, Urban Metropolitan Planning areas are determined based on population and density of population. When a city or area becomes over 50,000 in population this results in the Urbanized Area designation. When a city or group of cities combined based on the density of population exceeds 200,000 then the area is designated as Transportation Management Area (TMA). Metropolitan Planning Area can include more than one urbanized area.

As a result of the Visalia Urbanized Area exceeding 50,000 people, Tulare County was designated as a Metropolitan Planning Organization in the 1970s. Over the years, the City of Tulare and the City of Porterville became urbanized areas as well. Meanwhile, the Visalia Urbanized area continued to grow. As a result of the 2000 census, the cities of Exeter and Farmersville were added to the Visalia Urbanized area. As a result of the 2010 census, the Urbanized Areas of Tulare and Visalia were combined. This combination resulted in exceeding 200,000. In 2012, TCAG was designated as a TMA.

There are two significant requirements with TMA designation. The first is for the TMA to have an on-going Congestion Management Process (CMP).

Federal requirements also state that in all TMAs, the CMP shall be developed and implemented as an integrated part of the metropolitan transportation planning process as listed in 23 CFR 450.320(a) and (b):

The transportation planning process in a TMA shall address congestion management through a process that provides for safe and effective integrated management and operation of the multimodal transportation system, based on a cooperatively developed and implemented metropolitan-wide strategy, of new and existing transportation facilities...through the use of travel demand reduction and operational management strategies. The development of a congestion management process should result in multimodal system performance measures and strategies that can be reflected in the metropolitan transportation plan and TIP.

The second significant requirement is Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) are required to conduct a transportation certification review every four years. FHWA and FTA conducted the first certification review in 2016.

DISCUSSION:

FHWA and FTA conducted the second certification review for TCAG on April 28, 2020 through April 30, 2020. As a result of COVID and “Stay at home orders” this was the first certification review conducted virtually in California. The review was successful and all agencies were able to adapt to conducting the review virtually. As reported at the August 17, 2020 TCAG meeting, FHWA and FTA issued a letter on July 8, 2020 certifying TCAG’s planning process.

Subsequent to the summary letter, FHWA and FTA issued a summary report dated August 3, 2020. Attached is the Executive Summary. There is a review of findings including commendations, recommendations, and corrective actions. The following efforts are completed, initiated, or will be completed in the next few years:

- Review planning processes each year as part of the budget development process
- Expand the description of the project prioritization process in the RTP
- Prepare a ‘Handbook for transportation funding” in Tulare County that includes how projects are selected
- Revise the Overall Work Program to explain deliverables and milestones
- Establish a competitive selection program for STBG that includes CMP prioritization
- Continue with monthly review of public outreach process
- Prepare a consultation process document for tribal areas
- Amend the current Public Participation Plan to clearly articulate process for consultation with land management agencies
- Include additional remaining funding information for federal listing of obligated projects documentation

Staff in consultation with our federal partners and Caltrans, will continue to evaluate and bring recommendations to the TCAG Board to improve the planning process.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. August 3, 2020 Planning Certification Review Executive Summary
2. July 8th, TCAG Federal Certification Approval Letter



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Federal Highway
Administration

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Administration

Transportation Management Area Planning Certification Review

Tulare County Association of Governments Transportation Management Area



Virtual Certification Review

Tulare County Association of Governments
Quadrennial Transportation Management Area Certification Review
April 28th - 30th, 2020

August 3, 2020
Summary Report



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1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On April 28, 2020 through April 30, 2020, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) conducted the certification review of the transportation planning process for the Visalia urbanized area. FHWA and FTA are required to jointly review and evaluate the transportation planning process for each urbanized area over 200,000 in population at least every four years to determine if the process meets the Federal planning requirements. Due to the *Stay at Home Order* effective on March 19, 2020 for the state of California, the site visit was hosted virtually using the Adobe Connect platform.

1.1 Previous Findings and Disposition

The first certification review for the Visalia urbanized area was conducted in 2016. The previous Certification Review findings and their disposition are provided in Appendix B and summarized as follows.

Finding	Action	Corrective Actions/ Recommendations	Disposition
Meets Federal Requirements	Recommendation	TCAG agreed that an “annual checkup” of the status of all agreements would be included as a routine line-item in the OWP.	Addressed
Meets Federal Requirements	Recommendation	TCAG should, before the next TMA certification review in 2020, document its project prioritization process for RTP development.	Addressed
Meets Federal Requirements	Recommendation	TCAG should conduct an overview of all planning processes to ensure that adequate documentation of internal/external procedures for major planning process components exist, and develop this documentation before the next certification review in 2020. Special emphasis is recommended to ensure that existing processes for tribal consultation with land management and resource agencies, and development of the FTIP are properly documented.	Not addressed



Meets Federal Requirements	Recommendation	TCAG should also document its project prioritization process in RTP and FTIP development. Also, TCAG should carry out an overview of its inventory of data that it may use as part of developing measures for performance based planning mandated by MAP-21 and FAST.	Underway
Meets Federal Requirements	Recommendation	To ensure that the transit operators have a more active voice on the Board, the transit representative and providers should meet regularly to work towards improving transit service. As an example of such an improvement, during the Review Team's meeting with the transit providers, the operators cited the coordination and consolidation of certain aspects of operations where economies of scale can be achieved without compromising service or increasing cost.	Addressed

1.2 Summary of Current Findings

The current review found that the metropolitan transportation planning process conducted in the Visalia urbanized area substantially MEETS WITH CORRECTIVE ACTIONS the Federal planning requirements.

As a result of this review, FHWA and FTA are certifying the transportation planning process conducted by California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Tulare County Association of Governments Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and transit operators operating within the TCAG region subject to addressing corrective actions. There are also recommendations in this report that warrant close attention and follow-up, as well as areas that MPO is performing very well in that are to be commended.

Review Area	Finding	Action	Corrective Actions/ Recommendations/ Commendations	Resolution Due Date
Metropolitan Planning Area Boundaries 23 U.S.C. 134(e) 23 CFR 450.312(a)	Meets Requirement			N/A



MPO Structure and Agreements 23 U.S.C. 134(d) 23 CFR 450.314(a)	Meets Requirement	Recommendation	TCAG should review their bylaws and remove any risk of sub-allocation of federal funds from their procedures.	N/A
Unified Planning Work Program 23 CFR 450.308	Meets Requirement	Recommendation	TCAG should clearly articulate deliverables, milestones, and work product completions in the OWP.	N/A
Metropolitan Transportation Plan 23 U.S.C. 134(c),(h)&(i) 23 CFR 450.324	Meets Requirement	Recommendation	TCAG should clearly connect the RTP goals and policies to the project selection process in the next RTP update.	N/A
Transit Planning 49 U.S.C. 5303 23 U.S.C. 134 23 CFR 450.314	Meets Requirement	Commendation	TCAG is commended for their ADA certification efforts for transit agencies	N/A
Transportation Improvement Program 23 U.S.C. 134(c)(h) & (j) 23 CFR 450.326	Meets Requirement with Corrective Action	Corrective Action	TCAG must review their internal procedures, in coordination with Caltrans, and remove sub-allocation of CMAQ and STBG from their project programming and selection procedures. Additionally, TCAG must ensure that the CMP is implemented into the prioritization of projects for funding in both the RTP and TIP.	October 2022
Public Participation 23 U.S.C. 134(i)(6) 23 CFR 450.316 & 450.326(b)	Meets Requirement	Commendation & Recommendation	The Federal Team commends TCAG for their efforts to increase participation and public awareness of MPO Board meetings. The Federal Team recommends that TCAG incorporate a schedule to periodically review the effectiveness of the public participation plan and incorporate it into the plan update.	N/A



Civil Rights Title VI Civil Rights Act, 23 U.S.C. 324, Age Discrimination Act, Sec. 504 Rehabilitation Act, Americans with Disabilities Act	Meets Requirement	Commendation & Recommendation	The Federal Team commends TCAG for their efforts in meeting the ADA requirements for Civil Rights. TCAG should work to ensure ADA transition plans are being addressed in a timely manner.	N/A
Consultation and Coordination 23 U.S.C. 134(g) & (i) 23 CFR 450.316, 23 CFR 450.324(g)	Does not Meet	Corrective Action	TCAG must develop and document the consultation process for resource agencies including tribal governments and land management agencies.	June 2022
List of Obligated Projects 23 U.S.C. 134(j)(7) 23 CFR 450.334	Meets Requirement	Recommendation	Documentation should include the federal funds remaining and available for subsequent years	N/A
Freight 23 U.S.C. 134(h) 23 CFR 450.306	Meets Requirement			N/A
Environmental Mitigation/Planning Environmental Linkage 23 U.S.C. 134(i)(2)(D) 23 CFR 450.324(f)(10) 23 U.S.C. 168 Appx. A 23 CFR Part 450	Meets Requirement			N/A
Transportation Safety 23 U.S.C. 134(h)(1)(B) 23 CFR 450.306(a)(2) 23 CFR 450.306(d) 23 CFR 450.324(h)	Meets Requirements			N/A
Transportation Security Planning 23 U.S.C. 134(h)(1)(C) 23 CFR 450.306(a)(3) 23 CFR 450.306(d) 23 CFR 450.324(h)	Meets Requirement			N/A
Nonmotorized Planning/Livability 23 U.S.C. 134(h) 23 U.S.C. 217(g) 23 CFR 450.306 23 CFR 450.3224f)(2)	Meets Requirement			N/A
Integration of Land Use and Transportation 23 U.S.C. 134(g)(3) 23 U.S.C. 134 (h)(1)(E) 23 CFR 450.306(a)(5)	Meets Requirement			N/A



Travel Demand Forecasting 23 CFR 450.324(f)(1)	Meets Requirement			N/A
Air Quality Clean Air Act 42 U.S.C. 7401 40 CFR Part 93 23 CFR 450.324(m)	Meets Requirement	Commendation	TCAG is commended for their coordination with San Joaquin Valley MPO's Interagency Coordination group for air quality.	N/A
Congestion Management Process / Management and Operations 23 U.S.C. 134(k)(3) 23 CFR 450.322	Meets Requirement		Refer to the corrective action noted for the TIP	N/A

Details of the certification findings for each of the above items are contained in this report.



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July 8, 2020

Mr. Kuyler Crocker, Board Chairman
Tulare County Association of Governments
210 N. Church St. Suite B
Visalia, CA 93291

Re: Tulare County Association of Governments
Federal Certification Review

Dear Chairmen Crocker:

This letter notifies you that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) jointly certify the planning process for the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Transportation Management Area (TMA). This certification is based on the findings from the Federal Certification Review conducted virtually due to the statewide shelter-in-place order on April 28-30th, 2020.

The overall conclusion of the Certification Review is that the planning process for the Tulare County Association of Governments complies with the spirit and intent of Federal metropolitan transportation planning laws and regulations under 23 USC 134 and 49 USC 5303. The planning process at Tulare County Association of Governments is a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive process and reflects a significant professional commitment to deliver quality in transportation planning.

We would like to thank TCAG's Executive Director, Mr. Theodore Smalley and his staff for their time and assistance in planning and conducting the review. The final Certification Review Report is forthcoming and documents the results of this review which include two corrective actions, seven recommendations, and four commendations for continuing quality improvements and enhancements to the planning process. The Certification Review Team also noted one noteworthy practice. This report will be transmitted concurrently to the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Visalia Transit and Porterville Transit.

If you have any questions regarding the Certification Review process, the Certification action, and/or the forthcoming report, please direct them to either Ms. Jasmine Amanin, Community Planner of the FHWA California Division, at (916) 498-5038, or by email at jasmine.amanin@dot.gov, or Ms. Dominique Kraft, Community Planner of the FTA Region IX, at (415) 734-9469 or by email at dominique.kraft@dot.gov.


Sincerely,

Tashia Clemons
Director, Planning & Environment
Federal Highway Administration

Sincerely,

**RAYMOND S
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Regional Administrator
Federal Transit Administration

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Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM V-C

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Roberto Brady, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Update on Timing and Funding Implications of the Federal SAFE Vehicles Regulation

BACKGROUND:

In August, 2018, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposed the Safer Affordable Fuel Efficient (SAFE) Vehicles Rule. On September 27, 2019 NHTSA published a portion of the SAFE Vehicles Rule in the Federal Register as "Part One." Part One is highly significant in that it includes the withdrawal of California's preemption waiver. That is, California's ability to adopt vehicle emissions standards stricter than federal regulations applicable nationwide.

Part Two of the SAFE Vehicles Rule followed, being published on April 30, 2020. It became effective on June 29, 2020. Essentially, Part Two requires both Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) and CO2 standards to increase in stringency by 1.5% per year for Model Years (MY) 2021-2026 from 2020 levels. This replaces the previous rule that required a 5% annual increase in stringency over the same period.

Because California's current mobile source emissions model, EMFAC, did not account for the new standards applicable under the SAFE Vehicles Rule, no regional or project-level conformity determinations could be issued until EMFAC was updated.

California, along with at least 23 other states, have filed lawsuits challenging aspects of both parts of the SAFE Vehicle Rule. The lawsuits have not requested temporary injunctive relief. This means the rule remains in effect during litigation.

A more extensive summary of SAFE Vehicles Rule impacts is available on the California Association of Council of Governments (CalCOG) website.

(<https://www.calcog.org/index.php?src=directory&view=legislation&submenu=PolicyTracker&srctype=detail&back=legislation&refno=10423>)

DISCUSSION:

On November 20, 2019, the California Air Resources Board (ARB) published off-model adjustment factors for EMFAC output intended to replicate the effects of the implementation of SAFE Vehicles Rule. This was proposed as a way to make conformity determinations for non-exempt plans and projects possible until the emissions model itself could be updated. EPA indicated their concurrence with the off-model adjustment factors in a letter dated March 12, 2020. More recently, they indicated verbally, concurrence that the off-model adjustments also addressed the effects of Part 2. As long as this concurrence holds, federal agencies can approve conformity determinations in California and implications to transportation funding can be avoided. As of the publishing of this agenda item, no significant changes have occurred

affecting SAFE Vehicle Rule implementation by California MPOs. Staff will report subsequent changes, if any, at the meeting. The federal concurrence applies to adjustment factors for both EMFAC 2014 and EMFAC 2017. California MPOs, including TCAG, are transitioning to EMFAC 2017 as the model required for developing conformity demonstrations.

The more central issue becomes the characteristics of EMFAC 2017 itself. A number of Valley MPOs have been unable to meet regional conformity with EMFAC 2017. While TCAG does appear to still meet conformity using the newer model, it can still be affected if other regions in the same air basin do not meet conformity. Valley MPO staff and our consultants are working with ARB to develop possible solutions. A new version of EMFAC (202x) is under development. Testing has begun on a beta version in which MPO staff and consultants are participating. Emphasis is currently on the functionality of the new software. ARB is still updating the data needed to run actual emissions scenarios. It may be possible to shift straight to that model and bypass EMFAC 2017 if the new model shows better results. The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), the largest MPO in the nation, is also having issues with EMFAC 2017. This means the matter should continue to receive high priority from ARB and other state agencies.

In late August, ARB released a new version of EMFAC 2017 (v. 1.0.3) and a new web platform. The issues addressed in this update may be of importance to MPOs as they include input of custom speed profiles over multiple years. This is relevant to regional conformity modeling. Testing of TCAG's current regional transportation scenarios shows minimal change due to the update and does not affect our ability to demonstrate conformity.

Staff will continue to carefully monitor and report on developments that affect these timeframe estimates as well as on statewide efforts to minimize potential funding impacts.

ATTACHMENT(S):

None

AGENDA ITEM V-D

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Benjamin Giuliani, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Status of State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Allocations and California Transportation Commission (CTC) Update

BACKGROUND:

The CTC is responsible for the programming and allocating of funds for the construction of highway, passenger rail and transit improvements throughout California. The CTC met via webinar/teleconference on August 12th-13th. The next CTC meeting will also be held via webinar/teleconference on October 21st-22nd. The STIP is a biennial document, which covers five years of programming for transportation projects in California. The STIP is comprised of Regional Transportation Improvement Programs (RTIPs) from each of the counties in California and the Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP) that is developed by Caltrans. The RTIPs account for 75% and the ITIP accounts for 25% of the total STIP funding.

DISCUSSION:

October CTC Meeting

The CTC agenda was not released prior to the publication of the TCAG agenda. An update regarding Tulare County items of interest will be given at the TCAG Board meeting.

August CTC Meeting

State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP):

\$73.451 million of ITIP and STIP funding for the widening of SR-99 from 1.2 miles south of Avenue 280 to Prosperity Avenue (4.6 miles). This project also includes the replacement of the J Street on-ramp and replaces the hook ramps on the east side of the highway at Tagus.

Active Transportation Program (ATP):

\$980,000 for the North Valencia safe routes to school project in Woodlake.

The KC Vista Park safe and accessible pathways project is proposed to be added to the substitution list for California Conservation Corps (CCC) projects funding through the ATP. AB 97 directs \$4 million per year of ATP funds to CCC projects. If a project is removed from the program list or if there is enough cost savings, the Dinuba project is next in line to be funded (\$143,000).

State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP):

Caltrans is requesting an additional \$4.3 million in funding for improvements to three bridges on SR-201 and SR-216.

2020 RTIP/STIP

The CTC adopted the 2020 STIP at the March 25th meeting. TCAG's RTIP was included as proposed.

2020 RTIP/STIP

Project	Agency	Phase	FY 20/21	FY 21/22	FY 22/23	FY 23/24	FY 24/25
SR-65 Realignment and operational improvements	Caltrans	PS&E				\$1.5m	
SR-99/Caldwell Interchange	Caltrans	R/W Con			\$4.6m	\$7.0m	
SR-99/Commercial Interchange	Caltrans	R/W Con	\$5.5m	\$7.4 m ¹			
SR-99 Widening (Tagus-Prosperity)	Caltrans	Con	\$69.491 m ²				
SR-99 Widening (City of Tulare)	Caltrans	E&P PS&E	\$4.15m ³		\$6.37 m ⁴		

¹Additionally, \$29.4 million from Measure R and \$16 million from BUILD

²\$62.327 million from Caltrans' Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP), \$7.164m from RTIP

³\$2.0 million from ITIP, \$2.15 million from RTIP

⁴\$4.3 million from ITIP and \$2.07 million from Prop 1b savings

PS&E = Plans, Specifications & Estimate, R/W = Right of Way, E&P = Environmental Studies and Permits

ATTACHMENTS:

None

AGENDA ITEM VII-A
TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Executive Minutes September 21, 2020

Board Members	Alternates	Present Member/Alternate	Agency
Kuyler Crocker (<i>Chair</i>)	Paula Clark	<u>M</u>	Tulare County-Dist. 1
Pete Vander Poel	William Cushing	<u>M</u>	Tulare County-Dist. 2
Amy Shuklian	Bill Whitchlatch	<u>M</u>	Tulare County-Dist. 3
Eddie Valero	Derek Williams	<u>M</u>	Tulare County-Dist. 4
Dennis Townsend	Terren Brown	<u>M</u>	Tulare County-Dist. 5
Maribel Reynosa	Linda Launer	<u>M</u>	City of Dinuba
Frankie Alves	Dave Hails	<u>M</u>	City of Exeter
Paul Boyer	Ruben Macareno	<u>M</u>	City of Farmersville
Pamela Kimball	Brian Watson	<u>M</u>	City of Lindsay
Martha A. Flores	Milt Stowe	<u>M</u>	City of Porterville
Terry Sayre	Carlton Jones	<u>M</u>	City of Tulare
Bob Link (<i>Vice-Chair</i>)	Phil Cox	<u>M</u>	City of Visalia
Rudy Mendoza	Emmanuel Llamas	<u>M</u>	City of Woodlake
Greg Gomez	Virginia Gurrola		Rep. from Public Transit
Tyrone Holscher	Shae Gowin	<u>M</u>	Member-At-Large*
Walter Stammer Jr.	Pamela Whitmire	<u>M/A</u>	Member-At-Large*
Wanda Ishida	Marlene Sario		Member-At-Large*
Diana Gomez	Michael Navarro	<u>M/A</u>	Caltrans*

* Caltrans serves as an ex-officio member of the TCAG Policy Advisory Committee. At-large TCAG members and the Public Transit Provider representative are not members of the Tulare County Transportation Authority or Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Authority.

Counsel and TCAG Staff Present (X)

<u>X</u> Jeff Kuhn, Tulare County Deputy Counsel	<u> </u> Kasia Thompson, Associate Regional Planner
<u>X</u> Ted Smalley, Executive Director	<u>X</u> Steven Ingoldsby, Associate Regional Planner
<u>X</u> Benjamin Kimball, Deputy Executive Director	<u> </u> Giancarlo Bruno, Regional Planner
<u>X</u> Benjamin Giuliani, Executive Officer-LAFCO	<u>X</u> Gail Miller, Associate Regional Planner/EH
<u>X</u> Leslie Davis, Finance Director	<u> </u> Barbara Pilegard, Associate Regional Planner/EH
<u>X</u> Elizabeth Forte, Principal Regional Planner	<u> </u> Maria Garza, Associate Regional Planner/EH
<u>X</u> Roberto Brady, Principal Regional Planner	<u> </u> Michele Boling, Accountant III
<u> </u> Mark Hays, Senior Regional Planner	<u>X</u> Brideget Moore, Staff Services Analyst
<u> </u> Derek Winning, Senior Regional Planner	<u>X</u> Amie Kane, Administrative Clerk II
<u> </u> Gabriel Gutierrez, Senior Regional Planner	<u>X</u> Servando Quintanilla, Administrative Clerk

I. WELCOME

The Tulare County Association of Governments Board Meeting was called to order by Chair Vander Poel at 1:00 p.m. on September 21, 2020 at the Tulare County Board of Supervisors, 2800 W. Burrel Avenue, Visalia, CA, 93291.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Vander Poel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments opened/closed at 1:05 p.m. No public comments received.

Convene as the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee

IV. TRANSPORTATION CONSENT CALENDAR - ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

Request Approval of the Transportation Consent Calendar Action Item IV-A

A. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve the 2020/21 Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) State of Good Repair Project List

B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Reaffirm 2019 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment Numbers 14 and 20

Upon a Motion by Member Link, and seconded by Member Shuklian, the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee unanimously approved the Transportation Consent Calendar Action Items IV-A through IV-B. Absent: Gomez and Ishida.

C. Information: Senate Bill (SB1) Competitive Programs Update

D. Information: Implementation Status of Federally Funded Projects

E. Information: Status of State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Allocations and California Transportation Commission (CTC) Update

V. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Roundtable Appointments

Ms. Miller explained that the purpose of the Roundtable was to support TCAG in development and preparation of the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy, however the final decision on the RTP adoption would be the responsibility of the TCAG Board. Ms. Miller provided an overview of the positions on the Roundtable and the proposed candidates recommended for approval.

Upon a Motion by Member Flores, and seconded by Member Valero, the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee unanimously approved the SCS/RTP Roundtable Appointments as presented. Absent: Gomez and Ishida.

B. Information: Draft 2020 Public Participation Plan

Ms. Moore stated that the Public Participation Plan was used to solicit public comment on transportation related issues and would be used during the upcoming Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy to improve outreach and make special efforts to reach disadvantaged communities. Ms. Moore explained that after outreach was complete, the plan would be revised and brought back to the TCAG Board for final approval.

C. Information: Estimated Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funds for 2020/2021

Ms. Forte explained that TDA funds come from two sources the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) derived through a ¼ cent general sales tax collected statewide and the State Transit Assistance (STA) fund. Ms. Forte highlighted the estimation provided for LTF, which showed an increase of 1.1% between 19/20 and 20/21 fiscal years; however, the STA funding had decreased by 39% between the same fiscal years due to a reduction in revenue from fuel taxes.

D. Information: Update on Timing and Funding Implications of the Federal Safer Affordable Fuel-Efficient (SAFE) Vehicles Regulation

Mr. Brady provided the monthly update for the ongoing SAFE Vehicle rule. Mr. Brady reported that many California MPOs, including TCAG, were shifting to EMFAC 2017 as the model required to be used in developing conformity demonstrations. Mr. Brady explained although TCAG does appear to still meet conformity, it would still be affected if others regions in the same air basin did not. Mr. Brady explained that he would continue to carefully monitor and report on the unfolding developments.

E. Information: Caltrans Monthly Report

Mr. Navarro stated that working together with TCAG on the BUILD Grant was a great team effort and thanked those involved before he provided an overview of various Caltrans projects being conducted within Tulare County.

VI. REQUEST TO REAFFIRM ALL ACTIONS TAKEN WHILE SITTING AS THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Upon a Motion by Member Townsend, and seconded by Member Valero, the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee unanimously reaffirmed all actions while sitting as the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee. Absent: Reynosa, Kimball and Ishida.

VII. ACTION CONSENT CALENDAR-ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

Request Approval of the Association Consent Calendar Action Items VII-A through VII-C

A. Action: Minutes of August 17, 2020 TCAG Board Meeting

B. Action: Minutes of August 13, 2020 TCAG Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve of Amendment No. 3 to the 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP)

D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve of Amendment No. 4 to the 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP)

Upon a motion by Member Shuklian, and seconded by Member Stammer, the Association unanimously approved the Association Consent Calendar Items VII-A through VII-D. Absent: Gomez and Ishida.

VIII. ASSOCIATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Information: Legislative Update

Mr. Kimball stated that a Valley Voice trip had been held via Zoom by the San Joaquin Valley Policy Council and invited anyone who participated to share their experience.

Member Mendoza reported that the event was a unique opportunity to affect change and voice valley needs, he highlighted the BUILD grant award, water infrastructure, and regional projects.

B. Presentation: Report from Congressman Nunes' Office

No representative present, report not given.

C. Presentation: Report from Assemblyman Mathis' Office

No representative present, report not given.

D. Presentation: Report from Senator Hurtado's Office

No representative present, report not given.

E. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Consultant Selection for Health Impact Assessment and Environmental Justice Reports

Ms. Forte reported that currently a huge effort was underway in preparing the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)/Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS). Ms. Forte explained that as part of those efforts health and environmental impacts of the plan would need to be analyzed and so a request for proposals was released for this work and two proposals were received. Ms. Forte stated that based on adopted evaluation criteria and scoring the staff recommended selection of Raimi + Associates for preparation of the Health Impact Assessment and Environmental Justice Reports.

Upon a Motion by Member Link, and seconded by Member Shuklian, the Association unanimously approved the selection of Raimi + Associates as recommended. Absent: Gomez and Ishida.

F. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Consultant Selection for Regional Activity-based Model Calibration and Validation

Mr. Brady stated that to assist with the upcoming RTP and future modeling and forecasting capabilities, a consultant should be selected to validate the regional activity based model. Mr. Brady explained that a request for proposals was released and two proposals were received. Mr. Brady stated that based on adopted evaluation criteria and scoring the staff recommended selection of RSG, Inc. for preparation of the ABM calibration and validation.

Upon a Motion by Member Valero, and seconded by Member Stammer, the Association unanimously approved the selection of RSG, Inc. as recommended. Absent: Gomez and Ishida.

G. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Consultant Selection for State Lobbying Services

Mr. Smalley stated that the previous consultant for lobbying services, Connie Conway had since begun a federal position with the USDA and there for a new consultant would need to be selected. Mr. Smalley explained that a proposal from Kiana Valentine from the Politico Group was received to perform similar services for \$1,000 per month and that additional services, such as grant writing could be provided based on time and materials. Mr. Smalley outlined that the services would be provided for the fiscal years 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 with an open to extend the contract for up to three additional years on a year-by-year basis.

Upon a Motion by Member Townsend, and seconded by Member Flores, the Association unanimously approved the selection of Kiana Valentine of the Politico Group as recommended. Absent: Gomez and Ishida.

H. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve Position Classification and Compensation for an Office Assistant III

Mr. Smalley explained the increase of duties and scope of work being done by administrative support staff at TCAG, and stated that because of the complexity and number of Boards being supported another staff person would be needed. Mr. Smalley provided an overview of the expected salary range and the potential financial impact for the FY 2020/21.

Upon a Motion by Member Shuklian, and seconded by Member Valero, the Association unanimously approved the addition of an Office Assistant III as recommended. Absent: Gomez and Ishida.

I. Action: Reaffirm September as Railroad Safety Month

Mr. Quintanilla provided a brief history on how several member agencies along with TCAG in partnership with Operation Lifesaver proclaimed September as Railroad Safety Month in 2016. Mr. Quintanilla stated that each year TCAG along with member agencies reaffirm this proclamation to bring awareness to rail safety.

Upon a Motion by Member Valero, and seconded by Member Stammer, the Association unanimously approved to reaffirm September as Railroad Safety Month. Absent: Gomez and Ishida.

J. Information: Miocar Update

Ms. Forte provided an update on the Miocar vehicle car share programs operations and explained that from mid-March to late July 2020, Miocar had suspended its operations while it sought to secure longer term funding. Ms. Forte stated that Miocar resumed service on July 29, 2020, was looking to expand services and had since been incorporated as a nonprofit group.

K. Information: CalVans Update

Ms. Forte provided an update on CalVans explaining that the vanpool agency had been in operations for nearly 20 years however, within the last few months CalVans was facing significant financial issues which could lead to major operational deficiencies. Ms. Forte explained that CalVans had proposed discontinuing federal National Transit Database (NTD) reporting that could lead to loss of funds to Tulare County. Since that time more discussions were had between staff and the CalVans Board and that proposal was not adopted and so NTD reporting would be continued but additional work remains to be done to improve the operating budget of CalVans.

L. Information: Regional Transit Coordination Update

Ms. Forte announced that the city of Dinuba would be joining the Tulare County Regional Transit Agency (TCRTA) and should be approved at the TCRTA meeting to be held later in the day. Ms. Forte reported that the TCRTA had approved a memorandum of understanding with the city of Porterville to provide part-time personnel services, allowing the transit manager in Porterville to begin work on consolidating services.

M. Information: Housing Update

Mr. Ingoldsby provided background on the California State 2019-20 Budget Act in which funds were allocated for all regions for planning activities that accelerated housing production. Mr. Ingoldsby explained that TCAG would likely receive approximately \$1,427,500 in funds and was proposing to use \$255,000 of Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) funds to complete a variety of planning related housing items. Mr. Ingoldsby reported that TCAG would propose to use the remaining funds to distribute directly to member agencies to help fund their planning related housing efforts.

N. Information: Update on 2020 Census Complete Count Outreach

Mr. Brady provided an update on the Census Complete Count efforts and shared that due to COVID-19, many outreach efforts had shifted to local advertising and radio media campaigns. Mr. Brady reported that as of 9/2/2020 the Census Self-Response rates were at 63.0% for Tulare County; lower than the National rate of 67.5%. Mr. Brady stated that staff would continue to assist with Census outreach and report back during each monthly Board meeting.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Department of Transportation Letter Regarding Unmet Transit Needs

Mr. Smalley stated that the letter simply was approving the Unmet Transit needs for the 2020/2021 Fiscal Year.

X. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Information: Item from Staff

1. TCAG Director's Report

Mr. Smalley took the opportunity to thank the Board for the approval of staffing positions at TCAG. Mr. Smalley also thanks Mr. Ben Giuliani for his hard work on applying for the BUILD Grant that was recently awarded, adding that it was exciting to be awarded and and the great partnership with Caltrans.

Mr. Smalley stated that staff would continue to move forward with the Bond efforts and that a presentation would be given during the TCTA meeting.

Mr. Smalley reported that COVID-19 had impacted the revenue from the Gas Tax pretty hard and that staff would continue to monitor those impacts.

2. Other Items

None

B. Information: Items from Board Members

1. Tulare County Water Commission Update

Ms. Flores reported that the meeting had been canceled and would provide an update after the next meeting was held.

2. San Joaquin Valley Policy Council Update

Member Mendoza was not present, no report was given.

3. San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (SJJPA) – Amtrak Update

Member Shuklian reported that the September meeting would be held Friday, after which time she could provide an update.

4. San Joaquin Valley (SVJ) Housing Task Force Update

Member Valero reported that he had not been present during the last meeting but appreciated Mr. Ingoldsby's update that was provided earlier in the meeting.

5. TCAG Transit Report

Member Gomez was not present, no report was given.

6. Other Items

None

C. Request from Board Members for Future Agenda Items

None

XI. ADJOURN

The TCAG Meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:25 p.m.

**ADJOURN AS THE TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS AND CONVENE AS THE
TULARE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

Item VII-B
TCAG Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
Tulare County Association of Governments - 210 N. Church Street, Suite B, Visalia, CA 93291
September 17, 2020 – Summary Meeting Minutes
ATTENDANCE LIST

City of Dinuba	George Avila
City of Exeter	Eddie Wendt
Cities of Farmersville, Woodlake	Lisa Dutra-Wallis
City of Lindsay	Michael Camarena
County of Tulare	Herman Beltran
City of Porterville	Javier Sanchez
City of Tulare	Jan Bowen
City of Visalia	Dolores Verduzco
Tule River Indian Reservation	<i>Absent</i>
TCAG	Benjamin Kimball
Caltrans	Lorena Mendibles

Others Present: Arron Bock

TCAG Staff Present: Giancarlo Bruno, Roberto Brady, Gail Miller, Benjamin Giuliani, Steven Ingoldsby, Gabriel Gutierrez, Leslie Davis, Ted Smalley, Brideget Moore and Servando Quintanilla Jr Recording.

SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES

(Minutes reflect agenda items discussed only)

I. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Kimball at 1:30 p.m.

All action and informational documents were distributed for review and discussion. All actionable items would be voted on at the next Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Board meeting, scheduled for September 17, 2020.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Kimball opened up public comment and closed with no public comment.

IV. TRANSPORTATION CONSENT CALENDAR – ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve the 2020/21 Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) State of Good Repair Project List

Mr. Bruno gave an update on the SGR projects list for fiscal year 2020/2021, also got additional information from the city of Visalia and Tulare County.

B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Reaffirm 2019 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment Numbers 14 and 20

Mr. Gutierrez stated that this was a reaffirmation of the FTIP amendment numbers 14, 20, and stated that FHWA had approved amendment number 14 on March 31, 2020 and approved amendment number 20 on July 28, 2020.

C. Information: Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) Competitive Programs Update

Mr. Gutierrez gave an updated on two applications that were submitted for funding; one was Local Partnership Program Competitive for Commercial Avenue Interchange Project and the other was the Trade Corridor Enhancement Program for right-of-way funding for the Tulare City widening project. Both result would be announced on November 12, 2020.

D. Information: Implementation Status of Federally Funded Project

Mr. Gutierrez gave an update on two project that were waiting to receive STBGP funds; one was the Tulare Avenue Rehabilitation project for fiscal year 2020/2021 and the other was Tulare City Widening for fiscal year 2021/2022. Final approval would be in October.

E. Information: Status of State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Allocations and California Transportation Commission (CTC) Update

Mr. Giuliani stated that next CTC meeting was on October 14 and 15.

V. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Roundtable Appointments

Ms. Miller explained that every four year that TCAG had to update the RTP, which also includes the SCS and was continuing to fill position for the RTP Roundtable.

B. Information: Draft 2020 Public Participation Plan

Ms. Moore stated that the PPP would be used during the RTP and SCS to improve outreach and make special efforts to reach disadvantaged communities.

C. Information: Estimated Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funds for 2020/2021

Mr. Smalley specified that the most important thing to note is that STA has projected a decrease of 39 percent due to Covid-19 and reduction of fuel use.

D. Information: Update on Timing and Funding Implications of the Federal SAFE Vehicles Regulation

Mr. Brady reported on the Federal SAFE Vehicle Regulations update and the impact it would have on California's conformity and SB 1291 would defer the update for two more years.

E. Information: Caltrans Monthly Report

Ms. Mendibles gave an update on the California Transportation Plan 2050 and mentioned that it was in draft with Q and A after. She stated that call for Projects for sustainable transportation grants in October.

VII. ASSOCIATION CONSENT CALENAR- ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 3 to the 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP)

Ms. Davis reported on Amendment 3 to increase the work element 602.07 Special Transportation Study in the amount of \$25,463.00 to provide a local match for the city of Exeter's Complete Streets with ADA Compliance and Active Transportation Safety Enhancement Plan awarded grant.

D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 4 to the 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP)

Ms. Davis reported on Amendment 4 to increase the work element 602.07 Special Transportation Project study in the amount of \$21,432.15 to provide payment for invoice #170233 for the Complete Streets Study Phase III conducted by the County of Tulare.

VIII. ASSOCIATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Information: Legislative Update

Mr. Kimball gave an update on the first ever virtual One Voice Washington D.C. trip, stating that they met with a lot of legislative leaders via Zoom with many praises going around for all the great projects going on in the valley. Mr. Smalley also wanted to recognize staff and partners for their great job on the Build Grant.

E. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Consultant Selection for Health Impact Assessment and Environmental Justice Reports

Mr. Smalley stated that Raimi and Associated had been selected for preparation of the Health Impact Assessment and Environmental Justice Report.

- F. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Consultant Selection for Regional Activity-based Model Calibration and Validation**
Mr. Brady stated that TCAG sent out a Request for Proposals and two consultants were selected for the interview process. Based on the evaluation criteria and scoring, TCAG would make a recommendation to the Board to select RSG.
- G. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Consultant Selection for State Lobbying Services**
Mr. Smalley stated that TCAG had authorized consultant Kiana Valentine from Politico Group to perform state government relation services for TCAG fiscal year 2020/21, 2021/22, and 2022/23 with an open to extend the contract for up to three years on a year-to-year basis.
- H. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve Position Classification and Compensation for an Office Assistant III**
Mr. Smalley stated that TCAG had grown over the past years and with careful consideration that he was bringing this item before the Board to add an Office Assistant position to help with the administrative duties.
- I. Action: Reaffirm September as Railroad Safety Month**
Mr. Quintanilla stated that TCAG had partnered with Operation Lifesaver to bring rail safety awareness to Tulare County, and as a result of this partnership the cities of Dinuba, Exeter, Farmersville, Lindsay, and Tulare proclaimed September as Rail Safety Month.
- J. Information: Miocar Update**
Mr. Bruno stated that Miocar had stop operation in March 2020 due to Covid-19 and in July 2020 Miocar had resumed operation in Tulare County with 16 vehicles in service.
- K. Information: CalVans Update**
Mr. Smalley stated that TCAG looked forward to CalVans discussion with CalVans representative, and that CalVans had proposed discontinuing federal National Transit Database (NTD) reporting, however by discontinuing this reporting CalVans will lose funding.
- L. Information: Regional Transit Coordination Update**
Mr. Smalley stated that TCAG would sign an agreement with the city of Porterville to have Rich Tree provide specialized transit planning services, and the city of Dinuba would be joining the TCRTA.
- M. Information: Housing Update**
Mr. Inglodsbey reported that the state had allocated 250 million for all regions, cities, and counties for planning activities that accelerate housing production and as part of that allocation, Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) would receive a one-time grant funding to regional governments and regional entities for planning activities that would accelerate housing projects and facilitate compliance in the implementing the sixth cycle of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation. San Joaquin Valley received 19 million and engaged in a number valley wide efforts. TCAG would receive approximately \$1,427,500 directly. TCAG purposed to use \$225,000 of REAP funds to complete a variety of planning related items, which would include preparation of the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA).
- N. Information: Update on 2020 Census Complete Count Outreach**
Mr. Brady gave an update on 2020 Census Outreach for the month of August, highlighting outreach partnerships with FoodLink, Dolores Huerta Foundation, La Ley KGEN / La Poderosa KTIP radio, and LULAC. As of September 2, 2020, the 2020 Census Self Response rates are Nation 65.2 %, California 67.5%, and Tulare County 63.0%. The 2020 Census collection would continue all the way through October 31, 2020.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

E. Department of Transportation Letter Regarding Unmet Transit Needs

Mr. Kimball stated that TCAG received a correspondence letter from the state that our Unmet Transit Needs process was complete.

XII. ADJOURN

The TCAG Technical Advisory Committee adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

The next scheduled Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Board meeting will be held on **Monday, October 21, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.**, at the **Tulare County Board of Supervisors 2800 W. Burrell Ave, Visalia, CA 93291**. The Technical Advisory Committee will meet on **Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. at the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG), 210 N. Church Street, Suite B, Sequoia Conference Room, Visalia, CA 93291**.

Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM VII-C

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Brideget Moore, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Cancel the November 2020 Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Board Meeting

BACKGROUND:

The 2020 Revised Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG), Tulare County Transportation Authority (TCTA), and Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting schedule was approved by the Governing Board on December 9, 2019. Generally, the TCAG Board meeting is held on the third Monday of each month, with some exceptions. The TAC meeting is held the Thursday prior to the TCAG Board meeting. Due to occasional conflicts, meetings are subject to change with notice. The Chair, in consultation with the Executive Director, may cancel or reschedule a meeting.

DISCUSSION:

TCAG staff in consultation with the TCAG Chair is requesting to cancel the TAC meeting scheduled for November 12, 2020 and the TCAG Meeting scheduled for November 16, 2020.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the cancellation of the November 2020 Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Board Meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

None

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AGENDA ITEM VII-D

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Leslie Davis, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 5 to the FY 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP) and Sign Federal Aid Program Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) Updated Procedures

BACKGROUND:

On June 22, 2020, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) FY 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP) was adopted through Resolution No. 2020-132. Amendments throughout the year are necessary to allow TCAG to deliver services as requested by its member agencies.

DISCUSSION:

Amendment No. 5 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to allow TCAG to deliver services as requested by its member agencies. The Certification of Expenditures for fiscal year 2019/2020 is finalized by Caltrans and the carryover balances have been confirmed. This amendment will program the carryover balances into the OWP for FY 2020/2021.

1. Increase Work Element No. 602.04 Transit Planning and Coordination, in the amount of \$21,662 to include FTA 5303 reconciled carryover.
2. Decrease Work Element No. 602.04-0045 City of Tulare SRTP, in the amount of \$126 to include reconciled FTA 5304 carryover.
3. Decrease Work Element No. 602.10-3020 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant – Sustainability Model Enhancements in the amount of \$4,253 to include SB1 reconciled carryover.
4. Increase Work Element No. 602.10-5000 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Multimodal Data Collection for Short & Long Term Planning in the amount of \$24,519 to include reconciled SB1 carryover.
5. Increase Work Element No. 602.10-6000 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Multimodal Outreach & Safety Program in the amount of \$9,756 to include reconciled SB1 carryover.
6. Decrease Work Element No 602.10-7120 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Regional Active Transportation Plan Update 2020 in the amount of \$149 to include reconciled SB1 carryover.
7. Increase Work Element No. 604.01 Transportation Improvement Program in the amount \$10,000 to include reconciled PL carryover.
8. Increase Work Element No. 605.01 Congestion Management Program in the amount of \$15,000 to include reconciled PL carryover.
9. Increase Work Element No. 610.01 Air Quality Planning & Analysis in the amount of \$10,000 to include reconciled PL carryover.
10. Increase Work Element No. 620.01 Valleywide Coordination in the amount of \$10,000 to include reconciled PL carryover.

11. Increase Work Element No. 650.01 Public Information & Participation in the amount of \$38,440 to include reconciled PL carryover.

Additionally, The Federal Aid Program Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) procedures have recently been updated. As such, every local agency participating in the Federal Aid Program is required to complete, sign and return an updated *DBE Implementation Agreement for Local Agencies, Exhibit 9-A*. Staff recommends direction to complete and sign the Federal Aid Program DBE Procedures update.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends the approval amendment #5 to the OWP and direction to complete and sign the Federal Aid Program DBE Procedures.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Planning Funds, FTA 5303, FTA 5304 and SB1 formula grants are used to fund these work element changes.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution approving FY 2020/2021 OWP Amendment No. 5
2. OWP summary documents as affected by approval
3. DBE Implementation Agreement for Local Agencies

BEFORE THE
TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of:

APPROVING FY 2020/2021 OVERALL)	Resolution No. 2020-XXX
WORK PLAN (OWP) AMENDMENT)	
NO. 5 AND SIGN FEDERAL AID)	
PROGRAM DISADVANTAGE)	
BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE))	
UPDATED PROCEDURES)	

WHEREAS, The Regional Transportation Planning Agency Board of Governors adopted the FY 2020/2021 Overall Work Program (OWP) on June 22, 2020, with approval of Resolution 2020-132; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 5 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to allow TCAG to deliver services as requested by its member agencies. The Certification of Expenditures for fiscal year 2019/2020 is finalized by Caltrans and the carryover balances have been confirmed. This amendment will program the carryover balances into the OWP for FY 2020/2021; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 5 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase Work Element No. 602.04 Transit Planning and Coordination, in the amount of \$21,662 to include FTA 5303 reconciled carryover. Decrease Work Element No. 602.04-0045 City of Tulare SRTP, in the amount of \$126 to include reconciled FTA 5304 carryover; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 5 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to decrease Work Element No. 602.10-3020 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant – Sustainability Model Enhancements in the amount of \$4,253 to include SB1 reconciled carryover; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 5 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase Work Element No. 602.10-5000 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Multimodal Data Collection for Short & Long Term Planning in the amount of \$24,519 to include reconciled SB1 carryover; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 5 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase Work Element No. 602.10-6000 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Multimodal Outreach & Safety Program in the amount of \$9,756 to include reconciled SB1 carryover; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 5 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to decrease Work Element No 602.10-7120 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Regional Active Transportation Plan Update 2020 in the amount of \$149 to include reconciled SB1 carryover; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 5 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase Work Element No. 604.01 Transportation Improvement Program in the amount \$10,000 to include reconciled PL carryover; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 5 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase Work Element No. 605.01 Congestion Management Program in the amount of \$15,000 to include reconciled PL carryover; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 5 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase Work Element No. 610.01 Air Quality Planning & Analysis in the amount of \$10,000 to include reconciled PL carryover; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 5 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase Work Element No. 620.01 Valleywide Coordination in the amount of \$10,000 to include reconciled PL carryover; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 5 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase Work Element No. 650.01 Public Information & Participation in the amount of \$38,440 to include reconciled PL carryover; and

WHEREAS, The Federal Aid Program Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) procedures have recently been updated. Direction to complete, sign and return an updated *DBE Implementation Agreement for Local Agencies, Exhibit 9-A*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the TCAG 2020/2021 Overall Work Program (OWP) is amended as shown in Attachment "2" and is herein referenced as Amendment No. 5 and direction to complete, sign and return updated DBE Implementation Agreement for Local Agencies.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of October, 2020 by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

Attachment 2

W.E. 602.04 Transit Planning and Coordination

REVENUES		DOLLARS	EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
Member Dues			TCAG Staff	121,650	13.0
Local Contributions			City of Dinuba		
TDA	32,000		City of Exeter		
FHWA PL (carryover)			City of Farmersville		
FHWA PL	43,000		City of Lindsay		
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	26,662		City of Porterville		
FTA Section 5303	100,000		City of Tulare		
FTA Section 5304			City of Visalia		
FTA Section 5305			City of Woodlake		
DMV			County of Tulare		
City of Dinuba			Insurance		
City of Exeter			Memberships		
City of Farmersville			Office Expense		
City of Lindsay			Consultant		
City of Porterville			Publications and Legal Notice		
City of Tulare			Training	1,650	
City of Visalia			Transportation and Travel	1,700	
City of Woodlake			Print Services	5,000	
County of Tulare			County Counsel		
Measure R			Auditor		
LAFCO			Motorpool		
TCAG Reserves			Rent		
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant			Special Dept Expense	71,662	
Other Grants			Dues/Subscriptions		
			Utilities		
			Office Equipment		
Total Revenues	201,662		Total Expenditures	201,662	13.0
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	14,528				
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	4,932				

Training

2 CalAct Conferences \$1,150

Misc Training \$500

Transportation/Travel

2 CalAct Conferences \$1,200

Misc Training \$500

Print Services

\$5,000 printing services

Special Dept Expense

\$50,000 CalVans contribution

W.E. 602.10-3020 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant - Sustainability Model Enhancements FY 19/20

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	6,394
TDA	
FHWA PL (carryover)	
FHWA PL	
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	
FTA Section 5303	
FTA Section 5304	
FTA Section 5305	
DMV	
City of Dinuba	
City of Exeter	
City of Farmersville	
City of Lindsay	
City of Porterville	
City of Tulare	
City of Visalia	
City of Woodlake	
County of Tulare	
Measure R	
LAFCO	
TCAG Reserves	
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	49,353
Other Grants	
Total Revenues	55,747
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff		
City of Dinuba		
City of Exeter		
City of Farmersville		
City of Lindsay		
City of Porterville		
City of Tulare		
City of Visalia		
City of Woodlake		
County of Tulare		
Insurance		
Memberships		
Office Expense		
Consultant	55,747	
Publications and Legal Notice		
Training		
Transportation and Travel		
Print Services		
County Counsel		
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent		
Special Dept Expense		
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	55,747	

Local Contributions

SBI match FY 19/20 \$6394

Other Grants

SBI grant funding FY 19/20 \$49,353

Consultant

Sustainability Model Enhancements (FY 19/20) \$55,747

W.E. 602.10-5000		Sustainable Communities Planning Grant - Multimodal Data Collection for Short & Long Term Planning FY 18/19		
REVENUES	DOLLARS	EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
Member Dues		TCAG Staff		0.0
Local Contribution	2,812	City of Dinuba		
TDA		City of Exeter		
FHWA PL (carryover)		City of Farmersville		
FHWA PL		City of Lindsay		
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)		City of Porterville		
FTA Section 5303		City of Tulare		
FTA Section 5304		City of Visalia		
FTA Section 5305		City of Woodlake		
DMV		County of Tulare		
City of Dinuba		Insurance		
City of Exeter		Memberships		
City of Farmersville		Office Expense		
City of Lindsay		Consultant	24,519	
City of Porterville		Publications and Legal Notice		
City of Tulare		Training		
City of Visalia		Transportation and Travel		
City of Woodlake		Print Services		
County of Tulare		County Counsel		
Measure R	0	Auditor		
LAFCO		Motorpool		
TCAG Reserves		Rent		
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	21,707	Special Dept Expense		
Other Grants		Dues/Subscriptions		
		Utilities		
		Office Equipment		
Total Revenues	24,519	Total Expenditures	24,519	0.0
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)				
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)				

Local Contributions & TCAG Reserves

SBI match FY18/19 \$2,256

Other Grants

SBI grant funding FY 18/19 \$17,410

Labor

Multimodal Data Collection for Short&Long Term Planning (FY 18/19) \$2,000

Consultant

Multimodal Data Collection for Short&Long Term Planning (FY 18/19) \$17,666

**W.E. 602.10-6000 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant - Multimodal Outreach & Safety Program
18/19**

FY

REVENUES	DOLLARS	EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
Member Dues		TCAG Staff	19,430	2.1
Local Contribution	4,358	City of Dinuba		
TDA		City of Exeter		
FHWA PL (carryover)		City of Farmersville		
FHWA PL		City of Lindsay		
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)		City of Porterville		
FTA Section 5303		City of Tulare		
FTA Section 5304		City of Visalia		
FTA Section 5305		City of Woodlake		
DMV		County of Tulare		
City of Dinuba		Insurance		
City of Exeter		Memberships		
City of Farmersville		Office Expense		
City of Lindsay		Consultant		
City of Porterville		Publications and Legal Notice		
City of Tulare		Training		
City of Visalia		Transportation and Travel		
City of Woodlake		Print Services	4,109	
County of Tulare		County Counsel		
Measure R		Auditor		
LAFCO		Motorpool		
TCAG Reserves		Rent		
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	33,637	Special Dept Expense	14,456	
Other Grants		Dues/Subscriptions		
		Utilities		
		Office Equipment		
Total Revenues	37,995	Total Expenditures	37,995	2.1
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)				
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)				

Local Contributions

SBI match FY18/19 \$3,239

Other Grants

SBI grant funding FY 18/19 \$25,000

Labor

Multimodal Outreach & Safety Program (FY 18/19) \$19,430

Printing

Multimodal Outreach & Safety Program (FY 18/19) \$4,109

Special Dept Exp

Advertising \$4,700

W.E. 602.10-7120 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant - Regional Active Transportation Plan Update 2020 FY 19/20

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	5,716
TDA	
FHWA PL (carryover)	
FHWA PL	
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	
FTA Section 5303	
FTA Section 5304	
FTA Section 5305	
DMV	
City of Dinuba	
City of Exeter	
City of Farmersville	
City of Lindsay	
City of Porterville	
City of Tulare	
City of Visalia	
City of Woodlake	
County of Tulare	
Measure R	
LAFCO	
TCAG Reserves	
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	44,135
Other Grants	
Total Revenues	49,851
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	15,000	1.6
City of Dinuba		
City of Exeter		
City of Farmersville		
City of Lindsay		
City of Porterville		
City of Tulare		
City of Visalia		
City of Woodlake		
County of Tulare		
Insurance		
Memberships		
Office Expense		
Consultant		
Publications and Legal Notice		
Training		
Transportation and Travel		
Print Services		
County Counsel		
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent		
Special Dept Expense	34,851	
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	49,851	1.6

Local Contributions

SBI match FY19/20 \$5,735

SB1 Grant

SBI grant funding FY 19/20 \$44,265

Labor

(FY 19/20) \$15,000

Special Dept Expense

(FY 19/20) \$35,000

W.E. 604.01 Transportation Improvement Program

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	
TDA	
FHWA PL (carryover)	10,000
FHWA PL	129,713
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	
FTA Section 5303	
FTA Section 5304	
FTA Section 5305	
DMV	
City of Dinuba	
City of Exeter	
City of Farmersville	
City of Lindsay	
City of Porterville	
City of Tulare	
City of Visalia	
City of Woodlake	
County of Tulare	
Measure R	
LAFCO	
TCAG Reserves	
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	
Other Grants	
Total Revenues	139,713
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	16,025

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	119,993	12.8
City of Dinuba		
City of Exeter		
City of Farmersville		
City of Lindsay		
City of Porterville		
City of Tulare		
City of Visalia		
City of Woodlake		
County of Tulare		
Insurance		
Memberships		
Office Expense		
Consultant		
Publications and Legal Notice	500	
Training		
Transportation and Travel	9,220	
Print Services		
County Counsel		
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent		
Special Dept Expense	10,000	
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	139,713	12.8

Transportation & Travel

16 RTPA./CTC @ \$500 each \$8,000

18 Caltrans @ \$40 \$720

Misc Travel 2@2 \$500

W.E. 605.01 Congestion Management Program (CMP)

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	
TDA	
FHWA PL (carryover)	15,000
FHWA PL	136,350
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	
FTA Section 5303	
FTA Section 5304	
FTA Section 5305	
DMV	
City of Dinuba	
City of Exeter	
City of Farmersville	
City of Lindsay	
City of Porterville	
City of Tulare	
City of Visalia	
City of Woodlake	
County of Tulare	
Measure R	
LAFCO	
TCAG Reserves	
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	
Other Grants	
Total Revenues	151,350
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	17,360

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	118,000	12.6
City of Dinuba		
City of Exeter		
City of Farmersville		
City of Lindsay		
City of Porterville		
City of Tulare		
City of Visalia		
City of Woodlake		
County of Tulare		
Insurance		
Memberships		
Office Expense		
Consultant	15,000	
Publications and Legal Notice		
Training	1,000	
Transportation and Travel	1,000	
Print Services		
County Counsel		
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent		
Special Dept Expense	16,350	
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	151,350	12.6

Consultants

\$15,000 Traffic Count Data Collection
25 intersection locations, 50 locations per year

Training

Misc Training

Transportation/Travel

Misc Training

Special Dept Expense

CMP Committee Mtgs \$600
HCS \$750

W.E. 610.01 Air Quality Planning and Analysis

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	1,415
TDA	
FHWA PL (carryover)	14,029
FHWA PL	118,735
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	
FTA Section 5303	
FTA Section 5304	
FTA Section 5305	
DMV	
City of Dinuba	
City of Exeter	
City of Farmersville	
City of Lindsay	
City of Porterville	
City of Tulare	
City of Visalia	
City of Woodlake	
County of Tulare	
Measure R	
LAFCO	
TCAG Reserves	
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	
Other Grants	
Total Revenues	134,179
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	15,228

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	85,179	9.1
City of Dinuba		
City of Exeter		
City of Farmersville		
City of Lindsay		
City of Porterville		
City of Tulare		
City of Visalia		
City of Woodlake		
County of Tulare		
Insurance		
Memberships		
Office Expense		
Consultant	36,000	
Publications and Legal Notice		
Training	1,000	
Transportation and Travel	2,000	
Print Services		
County Counsel		
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent		
Special Dept Expense	10,000	
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	134,179	9.1

Consultant

\$16,000 for Air Quality Consultant Contract

\$20,000 Air Quality conformity coordination/8 Valley coord efforts

Training

Valleywide air quality meetings and state updates/training on conformity

Transportation & Travel

Valleywide air quality meetings and state updates/training on conformity

W.E. 620.01 Valleywide Coordination

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	69,200
TDA	
FHWA PL (carryover)	10,000
FHWA PL	
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	
FTA Section 5303	
FTA Section 5304	
FTA Section 5305	
DMV	
City of Dinuba	
City of Exeter	
City of Farmersville	
City of Lindsay	
City of Porterville	
City of Tulare	
City of Visalia	
City of Woodlake	
County of Tulare	
Measure R	
LAFCO	
TCAG Reserves	
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	
Other Grants	
Total Revenues	79,200
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	1,147

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	55,000	5.9
City of Dinuba		
City of Exeter		
City of Farmersville		
City of Lindsay		
City of Porterville		
City of Tulare		
City of Visalia		
City of Woodlake		
County of Tulare		
Insurance		
Memberships		
Office Expense		
Consultant	13,000	
Publications and Legal Notice		
Training		
Transportation and Travel	1,200	
Print Services		
County Counsel		
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent		
Special Dept Expense	10,000	
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	79,200	5.9

Consultant

\$13,000 Regional Policy Council Coordination Consultant and website maintenance

Transportation/ Travel

8 Fall Policy Conference

W.E 602.04-0045 Transit Planning and Coordination- City of Tulare 2020 Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP)

REVENUES		DOLLARS	EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
Member Dues			TCAG Staff	9,074	1.0
Local Contributions			City of Dinuba		
TDA			City of Exeter		
FHWA PL (carryover)			City of Farmersville		
FHWA PL			City of Lindsay		
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)			City of Porterville		
FTA Section 5303			City of Tulare		
FTA Section 5304	105,416		City of Visalia		
FTA Section 5305			City of Woodlake		
DMV			County of Tulare		
City of Dinuba			Insurance		
City of Exeter			Memberships		
City of Farmersville			Office Expense		
City of Lindsay			Consultant	110,000	
City of Porterville			Publications and Legal Notice		
City of Tulare	13,658		Training		
City of Visalia			Transportation and Travel		
City of Woodlake			Print Services		
County of Tulare			County Counsel		
Measure R			Auditor		
LAFCO			Motorpool		
TCAG Reserves			Rent		
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant			Special Dept Expense		
Other Grants			Dues/Subscriptions		
			Utilities		
			Office Equipment		
Total Revenues	119,074		Total Expenditures	119,074	1.0
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)					
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)					

Labor

\$9,200 Mgmt of SRTP

Consultant

\$110,000 Tulare SRTP

W.E. 650.01 Public Information and Participation

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	446
TDA	
FHWA PL (carryover)	56,689
FHWA PL	68,023
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	
FTA Section 5303	
FTA Section 5304	
FTA Section 5305	
DMV	
City of Dinuba	
City of Exeter	
City of Farmersville	
City of Lindsay	
City of Porterville	
City of Tulare	
City of Visalia	
City of Woodlake	
County of Tulare	
Measure R	
LAFCO	
TCAG Reserves	
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	
Other Grants	
Total Revenues	125,158
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	14,304

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	79,018	8.4
City of Dinuba		
City of Exeter		
City of Farmersville		
City of Lindsay		
City of Porterville		
City of Tulare		
City of Visalia		
City of Woodlake		
County of Tulare		
Insurance		
Memberships		
Office Expense	2,500	
Consultant		
Publications and Legal Notice	200	
Training		
Transportation and Travel		
Print Services	5,000	
County Counsel		
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent		
Special Dept Expense	38,440	
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	125,158	8.4

Office Supplies

Fees and supplies for community outreach events

**EXPENDITURES BY FUNDING SOURCE
FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM**

WORK ELEMENT	MEMBER DUES/ TCAG RESERVES		DMV	LOCAL PLANNING CONTRIBUTION			TDA/Transit Admin FUNDS		FHWA PL FUNDS			FTA TPA		SB 1 Sustainable Communities		LEGACI GRANT/OTHER/TOLL		TOTALS
	TCAG	CO. SPCL.		TCAG	CITY/CO.	CONSUL	TCAG	CONSUL	TCAG	CITY/CO.	CONSUL	TCAG	CONSUL	TCAG	CONSUL	TCAG/CITY	CONSUL	
601.01 TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION							230,000											230,000
601.02 TCAG ADMINISTRATION				184,430		33,000												217,430
601.04 OFFICE EXPENSES/FIXED ASSETS	32,000			207,385	270,254													509,639
601.06 OWP & BUDGET	25,000								60,000		1,000							86,000
601.08 ADVOCACY	111,100	29,400				75,600												216,100
601.09 PERFORMANCE MEASURES									12,000									12,000
602.01 REGIONAL TRANSP. PLAN									71,916									71,916
602.02 TRAFFIC FORECASTING/MODEL DEVELOPMENT									262,400		25,000							287,400
602.03 REGIONAL BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN PLANNING									71,830			72,785						144,615
602.04 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION							32,000		43,000			126,662						201,662
602.04-0045 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION-City of Tulare SRTP												105,402			9,200	4,472		119,074
602.06 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES	1,000																	1,000
602.07 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES NON FEDERAL	145,895						20,000									9,994		175,889
602.08 CITY OF FARMERSVILLE COMPLETE STREETS & MULTI MODAL ACCESS	18,926											146,074						165,000
602.10-1121 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE & HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENTS FY 20/21				9,054										9,884	60,000			78,938
602.10-1221 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY FY 20/21	1,010			22,940										52,060	132,797			208,807
602.10-3020 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-SUSTAINABILITY MODEL ENHANCEMENTS FY 19/20						6,394									49,353			55,747
602.10-5000 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-MULTIMODAL DATA COLLECTION FOR SHORT & LONG TERM PLANNING FY 18/19															24,519			24,519
602.10-5020 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-MULTIMODAL DATA COLLECTION FOR SHORT & LONG TERM PLANNING FY					1,147				1,010					7,843	8,807			18,807
602.10-6000 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-MULTIMODAL OUTREACH & SAFETY PROGRAM FY 18/19				4,358										33,637				37,995
602.10-7020 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-COMPLETE STREETS FY 19/20				10,000		8,230									140,708			158,938
602.10-7120 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT- REGIONAL ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE FY 19/20				5,716										44,135				49,851
603.02 INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS				6,000														6,000
604.01 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM									139,713									139,713
605.01 CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM									136,350		15,000							151,350
610.01 AIR QUALITY PLANNING & ANALYSIS				1,415					96,764		36,000							134,179
620.01 VALLEYWIDE COORDINATION				66,200		3,000					10,000							79,200
620.02 GOODS MOVEMENT									19,262									19,262
650.01 PUBLIC INFORMATION & PARTICIPATION				446					124,712									125,158
670.01 ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION	1,000																	1,000
670.05 LOCAL COORDINATION				190,075														190,075
670.07 ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT			3,000															3,000
670.1 REGIONAL HOUSING	28,941			11,059														40,000
680.02 FILM PROMOTION		50,000																50,000
680.03 CENSUS PROJECT																59,000		59,000
700.01 MEASURE R ADMINISTRATION & PLANNING																310,479	60,500	370,979
700.02 SANTA FE TRAIL CONNECTION																2,500		2,500
800.01 LAFCO																255,500		255,500
SUBTOTALS	364,872	79,400	3,000	720,225	270,254	126,224	282,000	0	1,038,957	0	87,000	345,521	105,402	147,559	416,184	646,673	64,972	4,698,243
TOTALS	444,272		3,000	1,116,703			282,000		1,125,957			450,923		563,743		711,645		4,698,243

EXPENDITURES
FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM

WORK ELEMENT	TCAG	Dinuba	Exeter	Farmersville	Lindsay	Porterville	Tulare	Visalia	Woodlake	County	Consultant	Other/Print/Legal/T&T	TOTAL
601.01 TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION	93,660										136,340		230,000
601.02 TCAG ADMINISTRATION	125,000										33,000	59,430	217,430
601.04 OFFICE EXPENSES/FIXED ASSETS										270,254		239,385	509,639
601.06 OWP & BUDGET	85,000											1,000	86,000
601.08 ADVOCACY	69,000										105,000	42,100	216,100
601.09 PERFORMANCE MEASURES	12,000												12,000
602.01 REGIONAL TRANSP. PLAN	66,916											5,000	71,916
602.02 TRAFFIC FORECASTING/MODEL DEVELOPMENT	236,000										35,000	16,400	287,400
602.03 REGIONAL BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN PLANNING	126,615											18,000	144,615
602.04 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION	125,000											76,662	201,662
602.04-0045 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION-City of Tulare SRTP	9,074										110,000		119,074
602.06 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES	1,000												1,000
602.07 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES NON FED	29,994		24,463							21,432		100,000	175,889
602.08 CITY OF FARMERSVILLE COMPLETE STREETS & MULTI MODAL ACCESS STUDY	25,000											140,000	165,000
602.10-1121 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT- Environmental Justice & Health Impact Assessments FY 20- 21	18,938											60,000	78,938
602.10-1221 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT- SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY FY 20-21	75,000											133,807	208,807
602.10-3020 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT- SUSTAINABILITY MODEL ENHANCEMENTS FY 19/20											55,747		55,747
602.10-5000 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT- MULTIMODAL DATA COLLECTION FOR SHORT & LONG TERM PLANNING FY 18/19											24,519		24,519
602.10-5020 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT- MULTIMODAL DATA COLLECTION FOR SHORT & LONG TERM PLANNING FY 19/20	10,000										8,807		18,807
602.10-6000 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT- MULTIMODAL OUTREACH & SAFETY PROGRAM FY 18/19	19,430											18,565	37,995
602.10-7020 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT- COMPLETE STREETS FY 19/20	10,000											148,938	158,938
602.10-7120 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-FY 19/20	15,000											34,851	49,851
603.02 INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS	5,000											1,000	6,000
604.01 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	119,993											19,720	139,713
605.01 CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM	118,000										15,000	18,350	151,350
610.01 AIR QUALITY PLANNING & ANALYSIS	85,179										36,000	13,000	134,179
620.01 VALLEYWIDE COORDINATION	55,000										13,000	11,200	79,200
620.02 GOODS MOVEMENT	19,262												19,262
650.01 PUBLIC INFORMATION & PARTICIPATION	79,018											46,140	125,158
670.01 ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION	1,000												1,000
670.05 LOCAL COORDINATION	183,125											6,950	190,075
670.07 ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT	3,000												3,000
670.1 REGIONAL HOUSING	40,000												40,000
680.02 FILM PROMOTION										50,000			50,000
680.03 CENSUS PROJECT	9,000											50,000	59,000
700.01 MEASURE R ADMINISTRATION & PLANNING	244,979	40,000									60,500	25,500	370,979
700.02 SANTA FE TRAIL CONNECTION	500						500	500		500	500		2,500
800.01 LAFCO	165,000											90,500	255,500
TOTALS	\$2,280,683	\$40,000	\$24,463				\$500	\$500		\$342,186	\$633,413	\$1,376,498	\$4,698,243

REVENUES FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM																		
WORK ELEMENT	Member Dues/ TCAG Reserves	Local Contrib.	TDA/Transit Admin	FHWA PL (carryover)	FHWA PL	FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	FTA Section 5303	FTA Section 5304	FTA Section 5305	SB1 Sustainable Communities	DMV	By Cities Special Planning	Measure R DIF	LAFCO	Oth Funding and Grants	TOTAL	FHWA PL Toll Credits	FTA 5303 Toll Credits
601.01 TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION			230,000													230,000		
601.02 TCAG ADMINISTRATION		217,430														217,430		
601.04 OFFICE EXPENSES/FIXED ASSETS	32,000	477,639														509,639		
601.06 OWP & BUDGET				25,000	61,000											86,000	9,864	
601.08 ADVOCACY	140,500	75,600														216,100		
601.09 PERFORMANCE MEASURES				5,289	6,711											12,000	1,376	
602.01 REGIONAL TRANSP. PLAN					71,916											71,916	8,249	
602.02 TRAFFIC FORECASTING/MODEL DEVELOPMENT				3,597	283,803											287,400	32,965	
602.03 REGIONAL BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN PLANNING					71,830		72,785									144,615	8,239	8,348
602.04 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION			32,000		43,000	26,662	100,000									201,662	4,932	14,528
602.04-0045 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION-City of Tulare 2020 SRTP								105,416				13,658				119,074		
602.06 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES	1,000															1,000		
602.07 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES NON FEDERAL	145,895		20,000									9,994				175,889		
602.08 CITY OF FARMERSVILLE COMPLETE STREETS & MULTI MODAL ACCESS STUDY	18,926							146,074								165,000		
602.10-1100 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE & HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENTS FY 20/21		9,054								69,884						78,938		
602.10-1221 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY FY 20/21	1,010	22,940								184,857						208,807		
602.10-3020 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-SUSTAINABILITY MODEL ENHANCEMENTS FY 19/20		6,394								49,353						55,747		
602.10-5000 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-MULTIMODAL DATA COLLECTION FOR SHORT & LONG TERM PLANNING FY 18/19		2,812								21,707						24,519		
602.10-5020 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-MULTIMODAL DATA COLLECTION FOR SHORT & LONG TERM PLANNING FY 19/20		1,147			1,010					16,650						18,807	116	
602.10-6000 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-MULTIMODAL OUTREACH & SAFETY PROGRAM FY 18/19		4,358								33,637						37,995		
602.10-7020 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-COMPLETE STREETS FY 19-20		18,230								140,708						158,938		
602.10-7120 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-REGIONAL ACTIVE		5,716								44,135						49,851		
603.02 INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS				6,000												6,000	688	
604.01 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM				10,000	129,713											139,713	16,025	
605.01 CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM				15,000	136,350											151,350	17,360	
610.01 AIR QUALITY PLANNING & ANALYSIS		1,415		14,029	118,735											134,179	15,228	
620.01 VALLEYWIDE COORDINATION		69,200		10,000												79,200	1,147	
620.02 GOODS MOVEMENT				18,835	427											19,262	2,209	
650.01 PUBLIC INFORMATION & PARTICIPATION		446		56,689	68,023											125,158	14,304	
670.01 ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION	1,000															1,000		
670.05 LOCAL COORDINATION		190,075														190,075		
670.07 ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT											3,000					3,000		
670.1 REGIONAL HOUSING	26,366	13,634														40,000		
680.02 FILM PROMOTION	50,000															50,000		
680.03 CENSUS PROJECT															59,000	59,000		
700.01 MEASURE R ADMINISTRATION & PLANNING													370,979			370,979		
700.02 SANTA FE TRAIL CONNECTION													2,500			2,500		
700.03 MEASURE R MITIGATION BANKING																		
800.01 LAFCO														255,500		255,500		
TOTALS	\$416,697	\$1,116,090	\$282,000	\$164,439	\$992,518	\$26,662	\$172,785	\$251,490		\$560,931	\$3,000	\$23,652	\$373,479	\$255,500	\$59,000	\$4,698,243	\$132,703	\$22,877

2020/2021 Overall Work Program

SUMMARY

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues (191,500)	191,500
Local Contribution 1,116,090	1,116,090
TDA	282,000
FHWA PL (carryover)	164,439
FHWA PL	992,518
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	26,662
FTA Section 5303	172,785
FTA Section 5304	251,490
FTA Section 5305	
DMV	3,000
City of Dinuba	
City of Exeter	
City of Farmersville	
City of Lindsay	
City of Porterville	
City of Tulare	13,658
City of Visalia	
City of Woodlake	
County of Tulare	9,994
Measure R	373,479
LAFCO	255,500
TCAG Reserves	225,197
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	560,931
Other Grants (Census)	59,000
Total Revenues	4,698,243
Toll Credits(5303) (Not Revenues)	22,877
Toll Credits(PL) (Not Revenues)	132,703

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	2,282,207	242
City of Dinuba	40,000	
City of Exeter	24,463	
City of Farmersville		
City of Lindsay		
City of Porterville		
City of Tulare	500	
City of Visalia	500	
City of Woodlake		
County of Tulare	342,186	
Insurance	5,500	
Memberships	13,830	
Office Expense	22,500	
Consultant	688,539	
Publications/ Legal Notice/Dues	700	
Training	15,650	
Transportation and Travel	60,220	
Print Services	22,859	
County Counsel	22,000	
Auditor	2,500	
Motorpool		
Rent	160,885	
Special Dept Expense	962,704	
Dues/Subscriptions	6,500	
Utilities	16,000	
Office Equipment	8,000	
Total Expenditures	4,698,243	241.6

* FHWA PL Funding	
Carryover	\$164,439
Current Year funding:	<u>\$992,518</u>
Total Funding	\$1,156,957

Exhibit 9-A: DBE Implementation Agreement for Local Agencies**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CALTRANS)
DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENT**

For the City/County of _____, hereinafter referred to as "SUB-RECIPIENT."

I. Definition of Terms

The terms used in this agreement have the meanings defined in 49 CFR 26.5.

II. Objective/Policy Statement (49 CFR 26.1 and 26.23)

SUB-RECIPIENT intends to receive federal financial assistance from the U. S. Department of Transportation (DOT) through the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and as a condition of receiving this assistance, SUB-RECIPIENT will sign the California Department of Transportation Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Implementation Agreement (hereinafter referred to as Agreement). SUB-RECIPIENT agrees to implement the State of California, Department of Transportation Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program Plan (hereinafter referred to as the DBE Program Plan) as it pertains to Local Agencies. The DBE Program Plan is based on U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR 26 requirements. It is the policy of SUB-RECIPIENT to ensure that DBEs, as defined in 49 CFR 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also SUB-RECIPIENT's policy:

- To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts.
- To create a level playing field on which DBE's can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts.
- To ensure that the DBE participation percentage is narrowly tailored, in accordance with applicable law.
- To ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 CFR 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBEs.
- To help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in Federal-aid contracts.
- To assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the market place outside the DBE Program.

III. Nondiscrimination (49 CFR 26.7)

SUB-RECIPIENT will never exclude any person from participation in, deny any person the benefits of, or otherwise discriminate against anyone in connection with the award and performance of any contract covered by 49 CFR 26 on the basis of race, color, sex, or national origin. In administering the Local Agency components of the DBE Program Plan, SUB-RECIPIENT will not, directly, or through contractual or other arrangements, use criteria or methods of administration that have the effect of defeating or substantially impairing accomplishment of the objectives of the DBE Program Plan with respect to individuals of a particular race, color, sex, or national origin.

IV. Annual DBE Submittal Form (49 CFR 26.21)

SUB-RECIPIENT will provide to the Caltrans District Local Assistance Engineer (DLAE) a completed Local Agency DBE Annual Submittal Form (Exhibit 9-B), by June 30 of each year for the following Federal Fiscal Year (FFY). This form must include the name, phone number, email address of the designated Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Liaison Officer (DBELO), and the choice of Prompt Pay Provision to be used by SUB-RECIPIENT for the following FFY.

V. Race-Neutral Means of Meeting Caltrans Overall Statewide Annual DBE Goal (49 CFR 26.51(a))

Caltrans expects SUB-RECIPIENT to meet the maximum feasible portion of Caltrans Overall Statewide Annual DBE Goal through race-neutral means of facilitating DBE participation. Race-neutral DBE participation includes when a DBE wins a prime contract through customary competitive procurement procedures, is awarded a subcontract on a prime contract that does not carry a DBE goal, or even if there is a DBE goal, wins a subcontract from a prime contractor that did not consider its DBE status in making the award (e.g., a prime contractor that uses a strict low-bid system to award subcontracts). Race-neutral means include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Arranging solicitations, times for the presentation of bids, quantities, specifications, and delivery schedules in ways that facilitate the participation of DBE and other small businesses (e.g., unbundling large contracts to make them more accessible to small businesses, requiring or encouraging prime contractors to subcontract portions of work that they might otherwise perform with their own forces);
2. Providing assistance in overcoming limitations such as inability to obtain bonding or financing (e.g., by such means as simplifying the bonding process, reducing bonding requirements, eliminating the impact of surety costs from bids, and providing services to help DBEs and other small businesses obtain bonding and financing);
3. Providing technical assistance and other services;
4. Carrying out information and communication programs on contracting procedures and specific contract opportunities (e.g., ensuring the inclusion of DBEs and other small businesses on SUB-RECIPIENT mailing lists of bidders; ensuring the dissemination to bidders on prime contracts of lists of potential subcontractors; provision of information in languages other than English, where appropriate);
5. Implementing a supportive services program to develop and improve immediate and long-term business management, record keeping, and financial and accounting capability for DBEs and other small businesses;
6. Providing services to help DBEs and other small businesses improve long-term development, increase opportunities to participate in a variety of types of work, handle increasingly significant projects, and achieve eventual self-sufficiency;
7. Establishing a program to assist new, start-up firms, particularly in fields in which DBE participation has historically been low;
8. Ensuring distribution of your DBE directory through print and electronic means to the widest feasible universe of potential prime contractors; and

9. Assisting DBEs and other small businesses to develop their capability to utilize emerging technology and conduct business through electronic media.

VI. Race-Conscious Means of Meeting Caltrans Overall Statewide Annual DBE Goal (49 CFR 26.51(d))

SUB-RECIPIENT must establish DBE contract goals to meet any portion of Caltrans Overall Statewide Annual DBE Goal that cannot be achieved through race-neutral means.

VII. Quotas (49 CFR 26.43)

SUB-RECIPIENT will not use quotas or set-asides in any way in the administration of the Local Agency component of the DBE Program Plan.

VIII. DBE Liaison Officer (DBELO) (49 CFR 26.25)

SUB-RECIPIENT has designated a DBE Liaison Officer. The DBELO is responsible for implementing the DBE Program Plan as it pertains to the SUB-RECIPIENT, and ensures that the SUB-RECIPIENT is fully and properly advised concerning DBE Program Plan matters. [Specify resources available to the DBELO; e.g., the DBELO has a staff of two professional employees assigned to the DBE program on a full-time basis and two support personnel who devote a portion of their time to the program.] The name, address, telephone number, email address, and an organization chart displaying the DBELO's position in the organization are found in Attachment _____ to this Agreement. This information will be updated annually and included on the DBE Annual Submittal Form.

The DBELO is responsible for developing, implementing, and monitoring the SUB-RECIPIENT's requirements of the DBE Program Plan in coordination with other appropriate officials. Duties and responsibilities include the following:

1. Gathers and reports statistical data and other information as required.
2. Reviews third party contracts and purchase requisitions for compliance with this program.
3. Works with all departments to determine DBE contract goals.
4. Ensures that bid notices and requests for proposals are made available to DBEs in a timely manner.
5. Analyzes DBE participation and identifies ways to encourage participation through race-neutral means.
6. Participates in pre-bid meetings.
7. Advises the CEO/governing body on DBE matters and DBE race-neutral issues.
8. Provides DBEs with information and recommends sources to assist in preparing bids, obtaining bonding and insurance.
9. Plans and participates in DBE training seminars.
10. Provides outreach to DBEs and community organizations to fully advise them of contracting opportunities.

IX. Federal Financial Assistance Agreement Assurance (49 CFR 26.13)

Each agreement SUB-RECIPIENT signs with Caltrans must include the following assurance: The SUB-RECIPIENT shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of any DOT-assisted contract, or in the administration of its DBE Program, or the requirements of 49 CFR 26. The SUB-RECIPIENT shall take all necessary and reasonable steps under 49 CFR 26 to ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. The SUB-RECIPIENT's DBE Program, as required by 49 CFR 26 and as approved by DOT, is incorporated by reference in this agreement. Implementation of this program is a legal obligation and failure to carry out its terms shall be treated as a violation of this agreement. Upon notification to the SUB-RECIPIENT of its failure to carry out its approved program, Caltrans may impose sanctions as provided for under 49 CFR 26 and may, in appropriate cases, refer the matter for enforcement under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and/or the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 (31 U.S.C. 3801 et seq.).

Each contract Sub-recipient signs with a contractor (and each subcontract the prime contractor signs with a subcontractor) must include the following assurance:

The contractor or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy, as the Sub-recipient deems appropriate.

X. DBE Financial Institutions (49 CFR 26.27)

SUB-RECIPIENT must investigate the full extent of services offered by financial institutions owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals in the community to make reasonable efforts to use these institutions, and to encourage prime contractors on DOT-assisted contracts to make use of these institutions.

Information on the availability of such institutions can be obtained from the DBELO. The Caltrans Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program may offer assistance to the DBELO.

XI. Directory (49 CFR 26.31)

SUB-RECIPIENT will refer interested persons to the Unified Certification Program DBE directory available from the Caltrans Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program's [website](#).

XII. Required Contract Clauses (49 CFR 26.13 and 26.29)

For the purpose of this section, contractor also means consultant, and subcontractor also includes subconsultant. For prompt payment, the following State regulations are referenced: the California Business and Professions Code (CBPC), California Public Contract Code (CPCC) and California Civil Code (CCC).

SUB-RECIPIENT ensures that the following clauses or equivalent will be included in each DOT-assisted prime contract:

A. Contract Assurance

The contractor or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy, as SUB-RECIPIENT deems appropriate.

NOTE: This language is to be used verbatim, as is stated in Exhibit 12-G: Required Federal-aid Contract Language. See also 49 CFR 26.13(b).

B. Prompt Payment**Prompt Progress Payment to Subcontractors**

The Local Agency shall require contractors and subcontractors [to pay their subcontractors within seven \(7\) days for construction contracts, and within fifteen \(15\) days for consultant contracts, after receiving each progress payment](#). Any delay or postponement of payment may take place only for good cause and with the Local Agency's prior written approval. Any violation of [these provisions shall subject the violating contractor or subcontractor to the penalties, sanctions and remedies specified in Section 7108.5 of the CBPC and Section 10262 of the CPCC for construction contract, and Section 3321 of the CCC for consultant contract](#). This requirement shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies, otherwise available to the contractor or subcontractor in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by the contractor, deficient subcontractor performance, and/or noncompliance by a subcontractor. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subcontractors.

Prompt Payment of Withheld Funds to Subcontractors

The Local Agency shall ensure prompt and full payment of retainage from the prime contractor to the subcontractor within [seven \(7\) days for construction contracts, or within fifteen \(15\) days for consultant contracts](#) after the subcontractor's work is satisfactorily completed and accepted. This shall be accompanied by including; either (1), (2), or (3) of the following provisions [Local Agency equivalent will need Caltrans approval] in their federal-aid contracts to ensure prompt and full payment of retainage [withheld funds] to subcontractors in compliance with 49 CFR 26.29.

1. No retainage will be held by the Local Agency from progress payments due to the prime contractor. Prime contractors and subcontractors are prohibited from holding retainage from subcontractors. Any delay or postponement of payment may take place only for good cause and with the Local Agency's prior written approval. Any violation of these provisions shall subject the violating contractor or subcontractor to the penalties, sanctions, and other remedies specified in Section 7108.5 of the [CBPC and Section 10262 of the CPCC for construction contracts, and Section 3321 of the CCC for consultant contracts](#). This requirement shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies, otherwise available to the contractor or subcontractor in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by the contractor, deficient subcontractor performance, and/or noncompliance by a subcontractor. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subcontractors.

2. No retainage will be held by the Local Agency from progress payments due to the prime contractor. Any retainage kept by the prime contractor or by a subcontractor must be paid in full to the earning subcontractor [within seven \(7\) days for construction contracts, or within fifteen \(15\) days for consultant contracts](#) after the subcontractor's work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment may take place only for good cause and with the Local Agency's prior written approval. Any violation of these provisions shall subject the violating contractor or subcontractor to the penalties, sanctions, and remedies specified in Section 7108.5 of the [CBPC and Section 10262 of the CPCC for construction contracts, and Section 3321 of the CCC for consultant contracts](#). This requirement shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies, otherwise available to the contractor or subcontractor in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by the contractor, deficient subcontractor performance, and/or noncompliance by a subcontractor. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subcontractors.
3. The Local Agency shall hold retainage from the prime contractor and shall make prompt and regular incremental acceptances of portions, as determined by the Local Agency of the contract work and pay retainage to the prime contractor based on these acceptances. The prime contractor or subcontractor shall return all monies withheld in retention from all subcontractors within [seven \(7\) days for construction contracts, or within fifteen \(15\) days for consultant contracts](#) after receiving payment for work satisfactorily completed and accepted including incremental acceptances of portions of the contract work by the Local Agency. Any delay or postponement of payment may take place only for good cause and with the Local Agency's prior written approval. Any violation of these provisions shall subject the violating prime contractor to the penalties, sanctions, and other remedies specified in Section 7108.5 of the [CBPC and Section 10262 of the CPCC for construction contracts, and Section 3321 of the CCC for consultant contracts](#). This requirement shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies, otherwise available to the contractor or subcontractor in the event of: a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by the contractor; deficient subcontractor performance; and/or noncompliance by a subcontractor. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subcontractors.

[Any violation of these provisions shall subject the violating prime contractor or subcontractor to the penalties, sanctions and other remedies specified therein. These requirements shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies otherwise available to the prime contractor or subcontractor in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by the prime contractor, deficient subcontract performance, or noncompliance by a subcontractor.](#)

XIII. Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM)

The SUB-RECIPIENT will advertise, award and administer Federal-aid contracts in accordance with the current [Local Assistance Procedures Manual \(LAPM\)](#) including [Forms and Exhibits](#).

XIV. Vehicle Manufacturers/Specialized Equipment (§26.49)

If Federal-aid contracts will include vehicle/specialized equipment procurements, SUB-RECIPIENT will require each vendor, as a condition of being authorized to bid or propose on vehicle/specialized equipment procurements, to certify that it has complied with the requirements of 49 CFR 26.69.

XV. Reporting to the DLAE

SUB-RECIPIENT will promptly submit a copy of the Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment (Exhibit 10-O1) at the time of award of the consultant contract.

SUB-RECIPIENT will promptly submit a copy of Consultant Contract DBE Information (Exhibit 10-O2) or the Local Agency Bidder DBE Commitment (Construction Contracts) (Exhibit 15-G) to the DLAE within 30 days after execution of consultant or construction contract.

SUB-RECIPIENT will promptly submit a copy of the Final Report-Utilization of DBE, First-Tier Subcontractors (Exhibit 17-F) of the LAPM, immediately upon completion of each consultant or construction contract.

XVI. Certification (§26.83(a))

SUB-RECIPIENT ensures that only DBE firms currently certified by the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP) will participate as DBEs on Federal-aid contracts.

XVII. Confidentiality

SUB-RECIPIENT will safeguard from disclosure to third parties, information that may reasonably be regarded as confidential business information consistent with federal, state, and local laws.

XVIII. Prompt Payment from the Local Agency to the Contractors (California Public Contract Code §20104.50)

The Local Agency shall make any progress payment within **30 days** after receipt of an undisputed and properly submitted payment request from a contractor on a construction contract. If the Local Agency fails to pay promptly, the Local Agency shall pay interest to the contractor, which accrues at the rate of 10 percent per annum on the principal amount of a money judgment remaining unsatisfied. Upon receipt of a payment request, the Local Agency shall act in accordance with both of the following:

- (1) Each payment request shall be reviewed by the Local Agency as soon as practicable after receipt for the purpose of determining that the payment request is a proper payment request.
- (2) Any payment request determined not to be a proper payment request suitable for payment shall be returned to the contractor as soon as practicable, but not later than **seven (7) days**, after receipt. A request returned pursuant to this paragraph shall be accompanied by a document setting forth in writing the reasons why the payment request is not proper.

By: _____ Date: _____
(Signature)

(Print Name and Title)
ADMINISTERING AGENCY
(Authorized Governing Body Representative)

Phone #: _____

This California Department of Transportation's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program
Implementation Agreement is accepted by:

(Signature of DLAE)

Date: _____

(Print Name of DLAE)

Distribution: (1) Original – DLAE
(2) Signed copy by the DLAE – Local Agency

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Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM VIII-A

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Benjamin A. Kimball, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Legislative Update

BACKGROUND:

Every year, TCAG holds one or more One Voice trips to Washington, D.C. to collaborate with administration and legislative bodies on matters of federal policy and financing. TCAG also participates in legislative efforts and Valley Voice trips conducted by the San Joaquin Valley Policy Council, both to Washington, D.C. for federal matters and Sacramento for state matters.

In addition, TCAG works with the California Councils of Government (CalCOG), the Self Help Counties Coalition (Self Help), the American Planning Association (APA) and the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) to advance the regional agenda and get additional support from the federal and state government.

Assisting TCAG staff in these efforts is our federal lobbyist, Pace Government Solutions, and our state lobbyist Politico Group.

DISCUSSION:

TCAG did not conduct a One Voice Trip in 2020 due to the government shutdowns that resulted from the Coronavirus pandemic. However, TCAG continues to work with our partners in Washington, D.C. to advance our legislative agenda and obtain support for project funding.

TCAG has also been receiving regular correspondence from our Federal Lobbyist Pace Government Solutions with information on the latest legislative actions. Recently, the House of Representatives and the Senate have proposed competing infrastructure bills. Although it is unlikely that either bill will be adopted TCAG continues to work with federal partners to make sure that our interests are included and addressed in any legislation coming out of the federal or state governments.

In September of this year, the San Joaquin Valley Policy Council held it's annual Valley Voice trip to Washington, D.C. in a digital format. From discussions afterward by Policy Council Members, a move to doing more frequent digital Valley Voice trips is being discussed and receiving a lot of support.

TCAG has also been active in working with staff at state agencies to ensure that state funding, programs and projects are tailored to the needs of our region and are available to our agencies. Additional information on these state efforts will be given at the TCAG Board meeting.

ATTACHMENT(S):

None

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AGENDA ITEM VIII-E

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Gabriel Gutierrez, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Consultant Selection for Preparation of the Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy (2022 RTP/SCS)

BACKGROUND:

The Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) is required to comply with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The EIR will identify and analyze the related cumulative impacts of proposed transportation programs and suggest possible methods to mitigate those impacts such that the goals and policies of the RTP/SCS are implemented.

This will be the third Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) for the TCAG region. The first was prepared as part of the 2014 RTP/SCS. SB 375, the California state law that came into effect on January 1, 2009, mandates this RTP component. SB 375 prompts California regions to work together to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from cars and light trucks by requiring the integration of planning processes for transportation, land-use and housing.

The 2022 RTP/SCS PEIR shall be a first-tier, programmatic document that provides a region-wide assessment of the potential significant environmental effects of implementing the projects, programs, and policies included in the proposed 2022 RTP/SCS. Additionally, the PEIR shall effectively evaluate regional-scale impacts and propose effective and feasible mitigation measures so that the document may be used as a first-tier document to facilitate SB 375 specific CEQA streamlining.

DISCUSSION:

On July 1, 2020, TCAG released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for consultant services to prepare the PEIR for the 2022 RTP/SCS. The amount budgeted is \$150,000. Also included in the scope of work is additional on-call environmental services. The additional on-call services would allow the selected consultant to provide assistance to TCAG on other project related tasks not specifically outlined in the RFP scope of services. Any additional services requested by TCAG with a negotiated cost that exceeds the agreement budget will be paid up to an additional amount of \$25,000 with written approval of TCAG.

Two proposals were received. One from Impact Sciences, Inc. and the other from Rincon Consultants, Inc. Both proposals met the proposal requirements. Both firms are

qualified to perform the required work and both have completed similar work for TCAG in the past. Impact Sciences completed the EIR for the most recent RTP/SCS in 2018. Rincon Consultants prepared the EIR for the 2014 RTP/SCS. A proposal evaluation team reviewed and scored both proposals based on the RFP evaluation criteria shown below:

- Comprehension of the Project
- Thoroughness of Proposal
- Meeting the RFP Objectives
- Project Delivery Time
- Qualifications and Experience
- References
- DBE Participation Level
- Local Firm Criteria

Both applicants were also interviewed by the proposal team on September 8, 2020. A score consisting of the proposal review and interview was prepared by the evaluation team. The highest scoring of the two firms, in the proposal review process, is recommended for selection. The final scoring results were:

Impact Sciences, Inc.: 164
Rincon Consultants, Inc.: 165

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on evaluation criteria and scoring, TCAG staff recommends selection of Rincon Consultants, Inc. for preparation of the PEIR for the 2022 RTP/SCS.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Expected project costs for FY 2020/21 are budgeted in TCAG's 2020/21 Overall Work Plan (OWP). Future project costs will be budgeted in the upcoming 2021/22 OWP.

ATTACHMENT:

1. Resolution approving consultant selection.

BEFORE THE
TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of:

SELECTION OF A CONSULTING FIRM
TO PREPARE THE ENVIRONMENTAL
IMPACT REPORT FOR THE 2022
TULARE COUNTY REGIONAL
TRANSPORTATION
PLAN/SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES
STRATEGY, AND ADDITIONAL ON-
CALL SERVICES (AS NEEDED)

Resolution No.

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) is a Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) and Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), pursuant to State and Federal designations; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) requested proposals for consultant services to prepare the Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the 2022 Tulare County Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, and additional On-Call Environmental Services (as needed) on July 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, two (2) qualified consulting firms submitted proposals to TCAG; and

WHEREAS, all proposals were evaluated and scored in accordance with approved TCAG scoring criteria as presented in the Request for Proposals (RFP); and

WHEREAS, as part of the 2020/21 Overall Work Program (OWP) approved by TCAG, costs for FY 2020/21 are included in the Regional Transportation Plan Work Element for the preparation of the 2022 RTP/SCS PEIR and future costs up to the budgeted amount of \$150,000 will be included in future OWPs approved by TCAG.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Rincon Consultants, Inc. is selected as the consultant to provide services for the preparation of the Program Environmental Impact Report for the 2022 Tulare County Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, and Additional On-Call Environmental Services (as needed), for a fee not to exceed \$149,999 and an additional \$25,000 for additional on-call work to be determined and approved by TCAG's Executive Director as needed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that TCAG staff work with Rincon Consultants, Inc. to enter into an agreement to prepare the PEIR for the 2022 RTP/SCS and additional on-call environmental services for an amount not to exceed \$174,999.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair of the TCAG Board of Governors be hereby authorized to sign, on behalf of the Association, a contract with the Rincon Consultants, Inc. to provide the required consultant services.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member _____,
seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of
October, 2020 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF
GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

AGENDA ITEM VIII-F

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Elizabeth Forte, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Regional Transit Coordination Update

BACKGROUND:

TCAG led the effort to improve regional transit service by facilitating the creation of a regional transit agency. The Joint Powers Agreement creating the Tulare County Regional Transit Agency (TCRTA) is effective August 11, 2020. Eight member agencies have joined the TCRTA.

DISCUSSION:

The TCRTA is moving forward with a number of items. An implementation plan is being developed to outline the specific items that need to be completed in order to get the agency running, as well as to establish a timeline for those items. Tasks such as fulfilling requirements to receive approval as an operator per the Federal Transit Agency, reviewing existing contracts, and taking an inventory of capital assets are examples. The Board will be presented recommendations regarding potential ad hoc committees to address specific topics, and the search for an Executive Director is likely to begin before the end of the calendar year.

Additional up to date information, if any, will be provided at the Board meeting.

ATTACHMENT:

None

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AGENDA ITEM VIII-G

October 19, 2020

Prepared by Barbara Pilegard and Roberto Brady, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Update on 2020 Census Complete Count Outreach

BACKGROUND:

The U.S. Census Bureau

The U.S. Census Bureau counts each resident of the country, where they live on April 1, every decade. The Constitution mandates the enumeration to determine how to apportion the House of Representatives among the states and to distribute billions of dollars in federal funds to local communities. More than 70 federal programs that benefit California, including education, health, and transportation, use Census numbers as part of their funding formulas.

California Complete Count

California Complete Count – Census 2020 is a statewide outreach and awareness campaign designed to ensure the federal government collects an accurate and complete count of all California residents in the upcoming U.S. Census 2020. California's Census efforts are designed to supplement the U.S. Census Bureau's outreach campaign and through collaboration, avoid duplication of work.

California Census Funding

State leaders have made a significant commitment to California's outreach and communication efforts in support of the U.S. Census 2020 by investing in strategies and activities that will help ensure an accurate and successful count of all Californians, including approximately \$27 million in funding for local governments. The County of Tulare has chosen to participate in this funding program and executed an Agreement with the State of California, California Complete Count – Census 2020 in the amount of \$582,714 on March 26, 2019.

TCAG Sub-contract for Census Outreach

For both the 2000 and 2010 censuses, TCAG was the lead agency in Tulare County for formation of a Census Complete Count Committee and conducting outreach related to the California Complete Count. In terms of census outreach, California is considered to have one of the largest proportions of "hard to reach" populations in the nation. Tulare County is also considered to have one the highest proportions in the state. Tulare County has approached TCAG to again take the lead in these tasks for the 2020 Census. On January 28, 2019, the TCAG Board authorized the Executive Director to

negotiate an agreement with Tulare County to conduct outreach for the 2020 Census. The agreement between TCAG and the County was executed on April 15, 2019.

DISCUSSION:

Tulare County Regional Complete Count Committee

The Tulare County Regional Complete Count Committee (CCC) is comprised of representatives from a wide range of government, education, business, healthcare, media and community based organizations. Due to COVID-19, communications with Tulare County CCC participants continued via email.

Outreach has continued to be shifted towards media, social media, and phone outreach as organizations incorporate Census outreach as part of their modified interactions with clients. Census information and promotional items have also been included as part of various food distribution efforts throughout the county through FoodLink, Dolores Huerta Foundation, La Ley KGEN / La Poderosa KTIP radio, LULAC and other CCC partners.

The local Census media campaign continued in September with local Census messaging included on Univision (KFTV 21 and KTFF 61 television, KOND, KRDA and KLLR radio stations), La Ley KGEN / La Poderosa KTIP radio and Punjabi Radio (KWRU and KLHC). In addition, Census messaging in Punjabi was placed on three billboards located along Highway 99. The local messaging is designed to complement the Census Bureau's national and the State Census Office's statewide media campaign.

As of 10/1/20, the 2020 Census Self-Response rates are: 66.6% (National); 69.2% (California); and 65.0% (Tulare County). The Self-Response rate for Tulare County now equals the final 2010 Self-Response rate of 65%. The Census Bureau has also recently started to report on housing unit enumeration progress information by State. As of 10/1/20, California is listed as being 99.7% enumerated (69.2% from Self-Response plus 30.5% from Nonresponse Follow-up (NRFU) by Census takers). The NRFU workload of the Bakersfield Area Census Office, which serves Tulare County, is listed as being 97.5% completed.

The Census Bureau had planned to extend data collection for the 2020 Census until October 31, however, that ending date was revised last month to September 30. On 9/24, U.S. District Judge Lucy Koh issued an order that suspended both the 9/30 data collection deadline and the 12/31 deadline for delivery of the first set of Census results to the President. On 9/28, the Census Bureau announced a target date of 10/5 to conclude Census Self-Response and field data collection operations. On 10/2, in response to a court ruling on 10/1, the Census Bureau sent a message to Census takers indicating that due to court orders, the 10/5 target date is not operative and data collection operations would continue through 10/31. Nevertheless, the current status remains unclear pending the outcome of appeals.

Census outreach continued in Tulare County through September by CCC partners. A Final Report will be due to the State on November 16.

Census Outreach Budget Update

A summary of outreach expenses is provided in the following table. The amounts shown are not final totals since some costs reflect estimated amounts and invoices have not yet been received from all partner organizations that were allocated Census outreach Mini Grant funds.

Description	Amount	Totals
<i>Total Census Outreach Budget</i>		\$582,714.00
<i>Census Outreach Category</i>		
Mini Grants with Partner Organizations	\$178,057.29	
Outreach Staff Costs	\$64,190.95	
Media Outreach	\$106,350.00	
Outreach Materials	\$170,535.22	
Administration Costs	\$58,271.14	
<i>Subtotal</i>		\$577,404.86
<i>Balance*</i>		\$5,309.14

*Balance to be used for costs in preparing Final Report and Statewide Outreach Reporting Database (SwORD) materials to submit to State by 11/16/20.

Census Outreach Efforts

A description of outreach activities from September 1 through September 30 is provided in the following table.

Date	Event / Meeting	Type of Participation
Month of 9/20	FoodLink Tulare County, countywide	Provided FoodLink with Census grocery tote bags to hand out during food distributions throughout the county
Month of 9/20	Tulare County Parks	Provided Census Disc Golf discs and "Know Your Rights About the 2020 Census" (KYR) cards for distribution at disc golf courses at Mooney Grove, Bartlett and Pixley parks
Month of 9/20	Tulare County Library, countywide	Library website includes Census message and link to Census Bureau website to complete the Census
Month of 9/20	Tulare Public Library, Tulare	Library is handing out Census bookmarks to patrons as part of the library pickup service
Month of 9/20	City of Farmersville	Large Census banner installed across Farmersville Blvd and 2 Census banners installed at Farmersville City Hall
Month of 9/20	City of Visalia	Assisted City regarding the inclusion of a Census flier in the City of Visalia utility bill mailings for September

Date	Event / Meeting	Type of Participation
Month of 9/20	Tulare County HHSA, various locations in Tulare County *Every Friday at various Farmworker sites (9/25 in Ivanhoe) *Wednesdays at various sites (9/9 in Earlimart, 9/30 in Orosi)	Provided Census bags, Census face masks, KYR cards and Census crayons for use in outreach to agricultural workers in conjunction with COVID-19 testing. Census materials also being distributed via the Empowerment Alliance, Altura Health and Coalition Advocating For Pesticide Safety (CAPS).
Month of 9/20	Jakara Movement	Provided funding for 3 Census billboards in Punjabi language along Highway 99 (digital board at northbound Traver, digital board at southbound Traver, static board 3.8 miles south of Tulare)
Month of 9/20	African-American Historical & Cultural Museum of the San Joaquin Valley (AAHCMSJV)	Provided funding for Census video and audio infomercials for advertising via social media platforms and through the ONME Network online TV, CMAC offline TV, OTT third-party platforms and ONME Audio Podcast Network. Census messaging also sent via 4 email blasts to AAHCMSJV subscriber base in Tulare County.
Month of 9/20	Vision Y Compromiso	Provided 300 Census bags, Census face masks and KYR cards for use by Promotoras and Community Health Workers in door-to-door outreach and community activities in conjunction with distribution of PPE
Month of 9/20	Dolores Huerta Foundation	Provided Census bags, Census masks, Census Dr. Seuss coloring pages, KYR cards, USCB Census bags, USCB Census water bottles and USCB Census post-it notes for ongoing countywide outreach including door-to-door outreach, food distribution and weekly events at Visalia and Tulare Swap Meets
Month of 9/20	Central California Environmental Justice Network (CCEJN), Farmersville, Woodlake, Lindsay, Strathmore, Plainview, Tooleville, Tonyville, El Rancho, Cameron Creek Colony, Wells Tract, Linnel Camp, Cutler-Orosi, Alpaugh, Woodville, Poplar, Terra Bella, Hypericum	Provided 1,500 Census bags, 2,600 KYR cards, approx. 1,000 "We Support The Census" posters, 144 Census bears and 155 Census coloring books for use in outreach in collaboration with El Quinto Sol, OLA Raza, Family Resource Centers, and other organizations. Outreach includes putting up posters in businesses, Census caravans, food distributions, and family financial support check distribution in various communities
Month of 9/20	Woodlake Family Resource Center, Woodlake area	Provided 600 Census bags and 600 KYR cards for use in ongoing efforts including food distributions and outreach to families

Date	Event / Meeting	Type of Participation
9/1/20	Tulare Outlet Mall	Worked through the Tulare Kings Hispanic Chamber of Commerce to provide the Tulare Outlet Mall with Census bags to give to shoppers (800 bags distributed)
9/1/20	First 5 Tulare County, countywide	Provided 500 Census bags for use in ongoing “door drop” outreach efforts through their funded programs. Outreach also continuing via social media platforms, website and services to families via Zoom meetings, teleconferences and Face Time.
9/4/20	Cuadrilla de la Semana, Pixley area	Radio staff distributed Census grocery tote bags, KYR cards and Census bears at a Crew of the Week event hosted by La Ley / La Poderosa radio stations
9/10/20	La Ley / La Poderosa Radio Station & LULAC, Ducor	Provided Census bags, Census face masks and KYR cards for use at food distribution event at Ducor Union Elementary School in conjunction with Tulare County Sheriff’s Department Food & Mask Giveaway
9/15/20	Visalia First	Provided 200 Census bags and Census face masks for Homeless Outreach Care Packages for distribution in Visalia and Tulare
9/17/20	La Ley / La Poderosa Radio Station & LULAC, Porterville	Attended event and provided Census bags, Census pencils and KYR cards for use at school supplies distribution event at Century 21 office in Porterville
9/18/20	Cuadrilla de la Semana, orchard near Visalia	Attended a Crew of the Week event hosted by La Ley Radio; distributed Census grocery tote bags, KYR cards and Census bears; Radio host talked with people about the Census; live radio coverage
9/25/20	Cuadrilla de la Semana, orchard near Farmersville	Attended a Crew of the Week event hosted by La Ley Radio; distributed Census grocery tote bags, KYR cards, Census bears, USCB Census bags and USCB water bottles; Radio host talked with people about the Census; live radio coverage

ATTACHMENT(S):

None

Work Element: 680.03 – 2020 Census Complete Count Outreach

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Mr. Ted Smalley
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Dear Mr. Smalley:

In accordance with the Sustainable Communities and Climate Protection Act of 2008, please find enclosed the California Air Resources Board's (CARB) Executive Order G-20-035 and *Technical Evaluation of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Quantification for the Tulare County Association of Governments' SB 375 2018 Sustainable Communities Strategy* (Technical Evaluation). The Executive Order accepts the Tulare County Association of Governments' (TCAG) determination that its 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) would, when implemented, meet the applicable 2020 and 2035 greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets for automobiles and light trucks as established by CARB in 2010, specifically, 5 percent per capita reduction by 2020 and 10 percent per capita reduction by 2035 relative to 2005 levels. The Technical Evaluation describes CARB's assessment, findings, and recommendations. CARB also highlights issues TCAG will need to address in its third-round SCS pursuant to our program's Evaluation Guidelines, which were updated in 2019 and after TCAG adopted this SCS.

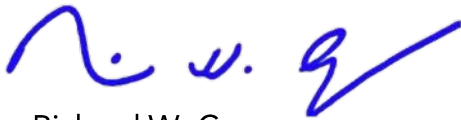
CARB's recent assessment of on-the-ground progress since regions began developing SCSs¹ found that California was not on track to meet the GHG reductions expected under SB 375. This suggests that the Tulare region may not realize the GHG reductions projected in its SCS nor meet its targets, if the plan is not fully implemented. California needs strong commitments to implement vehicle miles traveled (VMT) reduction strategies by every region in the State to meet its SB 375 commitments and support the statewide effort to successfully mitigate the worst impacts of climate change. CARB appreciates TCAG's continued work to advance the sustainability of transportation and land use planning in California, and looks forward to an ongoing partnership to implement this plan.

¹ Prepared pursuant to Senate Bill (SB) 150 (Allen, Chapter 646, Statutes of 2017); California Air Resources Board. *2018 Progress Report: California's Sustainable Communities and Climate Protection Act*. November 2018. Available at: https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/2018-11/Final2018Report_SB150_112618_02_Report.pdf.

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If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Jennifer Gress,
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Sincerely,



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