

Tulare County Association of Governments	Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 Time: 1:00 p.m. Place: Tulare County Board of Supervisors 2800 W. Burrel Avenue Visalia, CA 93291
Technical Advisory Committee	Date: Thursday, April 15, 2021 Time: 1:30 PM Place: Tulare County Association of Governments 210 N. Church Street, Suite B (Sequoia Conference Room) Visalia, CA 93291
<p>NOTE: This meeting will allow Board Members and the public to participate in the meeting via Teleconference, pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (March 17, 2020), available at https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.17.20-N-29-20-EO.pdf</p> <p>Zoom Meeting Direct Link: https://bit.ly/2Zt4BQY</p> <p>Toll Free Call in: 1(888) 475-4499 Meeting ID: 744 710 0343 Passcode: 82243742</p> <p>Call in only instructions: Enter your meeting ID followed by #, Enter # for participant ID, Enter the passcode followed by #.</p>	

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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 –ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

Request Approval of the Transportation Consent Calendar Action Items IV-A through IV-C and IV-E

- A. Action: Adoption of Resolutions: Approve Transportation Development Act (TDA) Claims for the Cities of Exeter, Farmersville, Lindsay, Porterville, and County of Tulare for Fiscal Year 2020/21 (Pages 01-12)
- B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) State Exchange Authorization for Fiscal Year 2020/21 (Pages 13-16)
- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) State Exchange and Federal Programming Distribution for Fiscal Year 2020/21 (Pages 17-21)
- D. Information: Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Roundtable Appointments (Pages 23-24)
- E. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Appointment of Two (2) Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Members (Pages 25-28)
- F. Information: Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) Competitive Programs Update (Pages 29-30)
- G. Information: Update on Timing and Funding Implications of the Federal SAFE Vehicles Regulation (Pages 31-32)

V. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Presentation: State Government Relations Firm Politico Group (No Page)
- B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve Formula for Sub-allocation of Large Urbanized Area (UZA) Federal Transit Funds (Pages 33-36)
- C. Action: Approve Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5311 Funding Apportionments (Pages 37-38)
- D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Program COVID-19 Relief Funding to SR-99 (Delano) and SR-99/Caldwell Ave Interchange and Program STBGP Funding to Riggins Ave. (Pages 39-42)
- E. Information: Implementation Status of Federally Funded Projects (Pages 43-45)
- F. Information: Status of State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Allocations and California Transportation Commission (CTC) Update (Pages 47-48)
- G. 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

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 TCAG Board or public wishes to comment or ask questions. Items pulled from the Calendar will be considered separately. The TCAG/Transportation Authority Board may provide guidance and/or direction to staff on any item listed as information.

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 March 15, 2021 TCAG Board Meeting (Pages 49-53)
- B. Action: Minutes of March 11, 2021 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting (Pages 55-57)
- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve Renewal of Census Regional Data Center Joint Statistical Agreement (Pages 59-65)
- D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 10 to the Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP) (Pages 67-81)

VIII. ASSOCIATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Information: Legislative Update (Pages 83-93)
- B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve Amendment to Contract with Politico Group for State Lobbying Services (Pages 95-98)
- C. Presentation: Report from Congressman Nunes' Office (No Page)
- D. Presentation: Report from Assemblyman Mathis' Office (No Page)
- E. Presentation: Report from Senator Hurtado's Office (No Page)
- F. Presentation: Report from Congressman Valadao's Office (No Page)
- G. Action: Appoint Member to San Joaquin Valley Rail Committee (SJVRC) (Pages 99)
- H. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approving the Distribution of Funds from the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Grant Program (Pages 101-104)
- I. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve the FY 2021/2022 Overall Work Plan (OWP) for the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) (Pages 105-111)
- J. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Appointments of Member and Alternate Member-At-Large for Position No. 3 (Pages 113-117)
- K. Information: Preview of Upcoming Los Arroyos 1 Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Grant Application Between Self-help Enterprises (SHE); City of Farmersville, Tulare County Regional Transit Agency (TCRTA) and Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) (Pages 119-120)
- L. Information: Update on Sustainable Corridors Committees (SCCs) Enhancement Strategies (Pages 121-122)
- M. Information: Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Audit Year Ending June 30, 2020 (Pages 123)
- N. Information: Regional Transit Coordination Update (Pages 125)
- O. Information: Update on 2020 Census Complete Count Outreach (Pages 127-130)

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. None

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 – SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION

(Gov. Code, § 54956.9, subd. (d)(2))

No. of potential cases: 9

XI. ADJOURN

The next scheduled Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Board meeting will be held on **Monday, May 17, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.** at the **Tulare County Board of Supervisors, 2800 W. Burrel Avenue, Visalia, CA 93291**. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) will meet on **Thursday, May 13, 2021 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

BOARD OF GOVERNORS	AGENCY	ALTERNATE
Larry Micari	Tulare County-District 1	Paula Clark
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Rudy Mendoza	City of Woodlake	Florencio Guerra Jr
Greg Gomez	Public Transit Provider*	<i>Vacant</i>
Tyrone Holscher	Member-at-Large*	Shea Gowin
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<i>Vacant</i>	Member-at-Large*	<i>Vacant</i>
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

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Elizabeth Forte, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolutions: Approve Transportation Development Act (TDA) Claims for the Cities of Exeter, Farmersville, Lindsay, Porterville, and County of Tulare for Fiscal Year 2020/21

BACKGROUND:

The Transportation Development Act (TDA) was passed in 1971 and provides transit funding for local agencies from two sources. The Local Transportation Fund (LTF) is derived through a ¼ cent of general sales tax collected statewide. The State Transit Assistance (STA) Fund is derived from a statewide sales tax on gasoline and diesel fuels, and augmented by funds received via SB 1. Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) approves the apportionments, accounting for transfer agreements between agencies, for transit services for each fiscal year. TCAG reviews the claims and instructs the County Auditor on the payment of funds to each respective agency. Many requirements exist for approving claims, including items such as budget information and farebox recovery ratios, to vehicle safety inspection reports and compliance with fiscal and performance audits.

It should be noted that STA funds are allocated annually by the State Controller, and LTF funds are a result of sales tax revenues; the available amount of TDA funding available for 2020/21 is an estimate. Claim amounts in excess of actual receipts will not be paid out; conversely, excess revenues can be claimed via a claim amendment or in the following fiscal year.

DISCUSSION:

The claims information for the cities of Exeter, Farmersville, Lindsay, Porterville, and County of Tulare is listed below:

City of Exeter

Local Transportation Fund (LTF)

Planning Contributions:	\$20,445.11
Coordination & Implementation:	\$5,202.94
Streets and Roads:	\$439,906.66

City of Farmersville

Local Transportation Fund (LTF)

Planning Contributions:	\$21,129.08
Coordination & Implementation:	\$5,377.00
Streets and Roads:	\$479,533.39

City of Lindsay*

Local Transportation Fund (LTF)

Planning Contributions:	\$24,382.13
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Coordination & Implementation: \$6,204.85
Streets and Roads: \$534,453.94
*Pending confirmation at council meeting April 16, 2021

City of Porterville

Local Transportation Fund (LTF)

Planning Contributions: \$110,575.97
Coordination & Implementation: \$28,139.74
Streets and Roads: \$2,408,703.83

State Transit Assistance (STA) \$47,000.00

County of Tulare

Local Transportation Fund (LTF)

Planning Contributions: \$267,823.50
Coordination & Implementation: \$68,156.62
Streets and Roads: \$6,137,418.39

State Transit Assistance (STA) \$268,312.00

State of Good Repair (SGR) \$245,770.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the claims for the cities of Exeter, Farmersville, Lindsay, Porterville, and County of Tulare as presented.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Failure to approve the claims will have a negative impact on local agencies' ability to receive funds as well as on TCAG's operating budget.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolutions of Approval of 2020/2021 Transportation Development Act (TDA)
Claims for the Cities of Exeter, Farmersville, Lindsay, Porterville, and County of Tulare

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

In the matter of:

APPROVAL OF 2020/21 TRANSPORTATION)	
DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) LOCAL)	
TRANSPORTATION FUND (LTF) CLAIMS)	Resolution No. 2021-XXX
FOR CITY OF EXETER)	

WHEREAS, the State of California, through legislative action, has established the Transportation Development Act as enacted and amended by statute which authorized the creation of a State Transit Assistance Fund and Local Transportation Fund in each Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA); and

WHEREAS, such RTPAs are authorized to approve disbursement of State Transit Assistance Funds and Local Transportation Funds under this Act; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) has been duly authorized as the RTPA for Tulare County; and

WHEREAS, TCAG has adopted rules and regulations for administration of its duties under the Transportation Development Act; and

WHEREAS, the City of Exeter has submitted claims for the following:

- a) Local Transportation Fund Planning Contributions: \$20,445.11
- b) Local Transportation Fund Coordination & Implementation: \$5,202.94
- c) Local Transportation Fund Streets and Roads: \$439,906.66; and

WHEREAS, claim amounts submitted do not exceed the estimated allocation amounts for 2020/2021; and

WHEREAS, the proposed expenditures are in conformity with the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and incorporated Sustainable Communities Strategy; and

WHEREAS, comments were solicited, and two public hearings held by the Tulare County Association of Governments to receive Unmet Transit Needs requests; and

WHEREAS, the City of Exeter did not have any Unmet Transit Needs Reasonable to Meet; and

WHEREAS, TCAG staff has reviewed all claims and found them to be in order and compliant with the Transportation Development Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Transportation Development Act (TDA) claims of the City of Exeter in the amounts specified above is approved and funds shall be allocated as received.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of April, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

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

In the matter of:

APPROVAL OF 2020/21 TRANSPORTATION)	
DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) LOCAL)	
TRANSPORTATION FUND (LTF) CLAIMS)	Resolution No. 2021-XXX
FOR CITY OF FARMERSVILLE)	

WHEREAS, the State of California, through legislative action, has established the Transportation Development Act as enacted and amended by statute which authorized the creation of a State Transit Assistance Fund and Local Transportation Fund in each Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA); and

WHEREAS, such RTPAs are authorized to approve disbursement of State Transit Assistance Funds and Local Transportation Funds under this Act; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) has been duly authorized as the RTPA for Tulare County; and

WHEREAS, TCAG has adopted rules and regulations for administration of its duties under the Transportation Development Act; and

WHEREAS, the City of Farmersville has submitted claims for the following:

- a) Local Transportation Fund Planning Contributions: \$21,129.08
- b) Local Transportation Fund Coordination & Implementation: \$5,377.00
- c) Local Transportation Fund Streets and Roads: \$479,533.39; and

WHEREAS, claim amounts submitted do not exceed the estimated allocation amounts for 2020/2021; and

WHEREAS, the proposed expenditures are in conformity with the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and incorporated Sustainable Communities Strategy; and

WHEREAS, comments were solicited, and two public hearings held by the Tulare County Association of Governments to receive Unmet Transit Needs requests; and

WHEREAS, the City of Farmersville did not have any Unmet Transit Needs Reasonable to Meet; and

WHEREAS, TCAG staff has reviewed all claims and found them to be in order and compliant with the Transportation Development Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Transportation Development Act (TDA) claims of the City of Farmersville in the amounts specified above is approved and funds shall be allocated as received.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of April, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

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

In the matter of:

APPROVAL OF 2020/21 TRANSPORTATION)
DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) LOCAL)
TRANSPORTATION FUND (LTF) CLAIMS)
FOR CITY OF LINDSAY)

Resolution No. 2021-XXX

WHEREAS, the State of California, through legislative action, has established the Transportation Development Act as enacted and amended by statute which authorized the creation of a State Transit Assistance Fund and Local Transportation Fund in each Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA); and

WHEREAS, such RTPAs are authorized to approve disbursement of State Transit Assistance Funds and Local Transportation Funds under this Act; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) has been duly authorized as the RTPA for Tulare County; and

WHEREAS, TCAG has adopted rules and regulations for administration of its duties under the Transportation Development Act; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lindsay has submitted claims for the following:

- a) Local Transportation Fund Planning Contributions: \$24,382.13
- b) Local Transportation Fund Coordination & Implementation: \$6,204.85
- c) Local Transportation Fund Streets and Roads: \$503,866.96; and

WHEREAS, claim amounts submitted do not exceed the estimated allocation amounts for 2020/2021; and

WHEREAS, the proposed expenditures are in conformity with the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and incorporated Sustainable Communities Strategy; and

WHEREAS, comments were solicited, and two public hearings held by the Tulare County Association of Governments to receive Unmet Transit Needs requests; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lindsay did not have any Unmet Transit Needs Reasonable to Meet; and

WHEREAS, TCAG staff has reviewed all claims and found them to be in order and compliant with the Transportation Development Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Transportation Development Act (TDA) claims of the City of Lindsay in the amounts specified above is approved and funds shall be allocated as received.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of April, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

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

In the matter of:

APPROVAL OF 2020/21 TRANSPORTATION)
DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) Local)
Transportation Fund (LTF) CLAIMS FOR)
CITY OF PORTERVILLE)

WHEREAS, the State of California, through legislative action, has established the Transportation Development Act as enacted and amended by statute which authorized the creation of a State Transit Assistance Fund and Local Transportation Fund in each Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA); and

WHEREAS, such RTPAs are authorized to approve disbursement of State Transit Assistance Funds and Local Transportation Funds under this Act; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) has been duly authorized as the RTPA for Tulare County; and

WHEREAS, TCAG has adopted rules and regulations for administration of its duties under the Transportation Development Act; and

WHEREAS, the City of Porterville has submitted claims for the following:

- a) Local Transportation Fund Planning Contributions: \$110,575.97
- b) Local Transportation Fund Coordination & Implementation: \$28,139.74
- c) Local Transportation Fund Streets and Roads: \$2,408,703.83
- d) State Transit Assistance: \$47,000.00; and

WHEREAS, claim amounts submitted do not exceed the estimated allocation amounts for 2020/2021; and

WHEREAS, the proposed expenditures are in conformity with the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and incorporated Sustainable Communities Strategy; and

WHEREAS, comments were solicited, and two public hearings held by the Tulare County Association of Governments to receive Unmet Transit Needs requests; and

WHEREAS, the City of Porterville did not have any Unmet Transit Needs Reasonable to Meet; and

WHEREAS, TCAG staff has reviewed all claims and found them to be in order and compliant with the Transportation Development Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Transportation Development Act (TDA) claims of the City of Porterville in the amounts specified above is approved and funds shall be allocated as received.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of April, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

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

In the matter of:

APPROVAL OF 2020/21 TRANSPORTATION)
DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) LOCAL)
TRANSPORTATION FUND (LTF) CLAIMS)
FOR COUNTY OF TULARE)

Resolution No. 2021-XXX

WHEREAS, the State of California, through legislative action, has established the Transportation Development Act as enacted and amended by statute which authorized the creation of a State Transit Assistance Fund and Local Transportation Fund in each Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA); and

WHEREAS, such RTPAs are authorized to approve disbursement of State Transit Assistance Funds and Local Transportation Funds under this Act; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) has been duly authorized as the RTPA for Tulare County; and

WHEREAS, TCAG has adopted rules and regulations for administration of its duties under the Transportation Development Act; and

WHEREAS, the County of Tulare has submitted claims for the following:

- a) Local Transportation Fund Planning Contributions: \$267,823.50
- b) Local Transportation Fund Coordination & Implementation: \$68,156.62
- c) Local Transportation Fund Streets and Roads: \$6,137,418.39
- d) State Transit Assistance: \$268,312.00
- e) State of Good Repair: \$245,770.00; and

WHEREAS, claim amounts submitted do not exceed the estimated allocation amounts for 2020/2021; and

WHEREAS, the proposed expenditures are in conformity with the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and incorporated Sustainable Communities Strategy; and

WHEREAS, comments were solicited, and two public hearings held by the Tulare County Association of Governments to receive Unmet Transit Needs requests; and

WHEREAS, the County of Tulare had one Unmet Transit Need Reasonable to Meet; and

WHEREAS, the County of Tulare fulfilled the Unmet Transit Need; and

WHEREAS, TCAG staff has reviewed all claims and found them to be in order and compliant with the Transportation Development Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Transportation Development Act (TDA) claims of the County of Tulare in the amounts specified above is approved and funds shall be allocated as received.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of April, 2021 by the following vote:

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NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM IV-B

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Leslie Davis and Gabriel Gutierrez, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP)
State Exchange Authorization for Fiscal Year 2020/2021

BACKGROUND:

The Intermodal Surface Transportation Enhancement Act (ISTEA) established the Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) in 1991. The program was continued in the six-year Federal Highway Act, TEA-21 (with extensions), SAFETEA-LU, and now MAP-21. Through the program, TCAG receives funds for surface transportation improvements in Tulare County. In the past, TCAG has chosen to exchange its annual RSTP allocation for State Highway Account funds ("State Cash"). State Highway Account Funds have fewer restrictions, shorter environmental processes, and no local match requirements when compared to federal funds. The exchange is allowable under law due to the rural classification of Tulare County.

As a result of the 2010 Census, Visalia, Tulare, Exeter, Farmersville and surrounding unincorporated communities were combined into the Visalia/Tulare Urbanized Area (UZA). This area exceeds the 200,000 population threshold for designating the area as urban. This also designated the Visalia UZA as a Transportation Management Area (TMA). The new designation resulted in additional planning requirements for TCAG. The designation also eliminates the ability to exchange STP funds for state cash. This has a direct impact to the following member agencies: Visalia, Tulare, Exeter, Farmersville, and the County (partial).

DISCUSSION:

The Tulare County Association of Governments' FY 2020/21 estimated apportionment is \$6,326,916 (prior year amount \$6,370,866). From the total amount, the County of Tulare was designated \$887,784, leaving a total of \$5,439,132 to be apportioned to the incorporated cities and the County based upon population. The \$887,784 County amount is rural set aside as established in 1990 and required in the California Streets and Highway Code (Article 5-182.6). The amount has remained the same since 1990.

As a result of the new TMA designation, approximately \$3,263,662 can be exchanged for state funds. The amount is designated as RSTP Small Area funds. The County would have a direct contract with the state for \$887,784 with the remaining balance of approximately \$2,375,878 for TCAG to distribute to the member agencies qualifying for this portion of RSTP funds.

The distribution and process for the remaining portion of urban STP funds will be discussed in Item IV-C.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends the Regional STP Small Area funds be exchanged for State Highway Account funds to the full amount allowed by the State of California (Caltrans).

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution adopting the authorization of the exchange of RSTP funds.

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

In the matter of:

EXCHANGING 2020/2021 REGIONAL)	
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM)	
FUNDS FOR STATE HIGHWAY ACCOUNT)	Resolution No. 2021-XXX
FUNDS)	

WHEREAS, MAP-21 designates Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds for distribution to counties and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs); and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) is the designated MPO for Tulare County; and

WHEREAS, as result of the 2010 Census, the cities of Visalia, Tulare, Exeter, Farmersville and a portion of the unincorporated county have been designated as a Transportation Management Area (TMA) for the Visalia Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, California's *Intermodal Surface Transportation Enhancement Act (ISTEA)* implementing legislation created the option for Counties and MPOs with 1990 urbanized area populations of 200,000 or less to exchange all of their RSTP funds for non-Federal State Highway Account funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis; and

WHEREAS, the new designation results in only a portion of RSTP available for state exchange for the 2020/2021 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, California's *Intermodal Surface Transportation Enhancement Act (ISTEA)* implementing legislation also created the option for Counties and MPOs with 1990 urbanized area populations over 200,000 to exchange what is determined as the remaining rural portion of their RSTP funds (Small Area Funds) in the non-urbanized areas for non-Federal State Highway Account funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis; and

WHEREAS, a portion of Tulare County is not located in the Visalia Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director of the Tulare County Association of Governments is authorized to sign all necessary agreements related to this action on behalf of the TCAG Board of Governors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the TCAG Board of Governors approves the exchange of its 2020/2021 RSTP Small Area funds for State Highway Account funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the County of Tulare desires to exchange its portion of eligible RSTP funds, this Board will support said exchange.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member ____, seconded by Member __, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of April, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM IV-C

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Gabriel Gutierrez and Leslie Davis, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP)
State Exchange and Federal Programming Distribution for Fiscal Year 2020/21

BACKGROUND:

The Intermodal Surface Transportation Enhancement Act (ISTEA) established the Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) in 1991. The program was continued in the six-year Federal Highway Act, TEA-21 (with extensions), SAFETEA-LU, and now MAP-21. Through the program, TCAG receives funds for surface transportation improvements in Tulare County. In the past, TCAG has chosen to exchange its annual RSTP allocation for State Highway Account funds ("State Cash"). State Highway Account Funds have fewer restrictions, shorter environmental processes, and no local match requirements when compared to federal funds. The exchange is allowable under law due to the rural classification of Tulare County.

As a result of the 2010 Census, Visalia, Tulare, Exeter, Farmersville and surrounding unincorporated communities were combined into the Visalia/Tulare Urbanized Area (UZA). This area exceeds the 200,000 population threshold for designating the area as urban. This also designated the Visalia UZA as a Transportation Management Area (TMA). The new designation resulted in additional planning requirements for TCAG. The designation also eliminates the ability to exchange STP funds for state cash. This has a direct impact to the following member agencies: Visalia, Tulare, Exeter, Farmersville, and the County (partial).

DISCUSSION:

The Tulare County Association of Governments' 2020/21 estimated apportionment is \$6,326,916 (prior year amount \$6,370,866). From the total amount, the County of Tulare was designated \$887,784, leaving a total of \$5,439,132 (prior year amount \$5,483,082) to be apportioned to the incorporated cities and the County based upon populations. The \$887,784 County amount is rural set aside as established in 1990 and required in the California Streets and Highway Code (Article 5-182.6). The amount has remained the same since 1990.

With the approval of Resolution (Item V-B), TCAG would authorize the exchange of approximately \$2,375,878. (\$3,263,622 less County set aside of \$887,784) of RSTP dollars for state cash. The remaining \$3,063,254 of TCAG's total RSTP allocation is required to remain "federalized" and be programmed as projects in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approve the distribution of FY 2020/21 STP funds for both state exchange and federal programming in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP).

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact for TCAG. For agencies required to have federal funds, there is likely an increase for administration costs.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution authorizing the distribution of STP funds.
2. 2020/2021 Surface Transportation Program (STP) Funds Table

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

Attachment 1

In the matter of:

DISTRIBUTING THE REGIONAL SURFACE)	
TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FUNDS)	Resolution No. 2021-XXX
FOR FY 2020/2021)	

WHEREAS, MAP-21 designates Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds for distribution to Counties and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs); and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) is the designated MPO for Tulare County; and

WHEREAS, RSTP funds in the amount of \$887,784 are available to the County of Tulare for the 2020/2021 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the RSTP fund amount available to the County of Tulare and TCAG for the 2020/2021 fiscal year has been estimated as apportioned in the amount of \$6,326,916; and

WHEREAS, the estimated RSTP fund amount available to TCAG is \$5,439,132 for the 2020/2021 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the RSTP funds available to the County of Tulare and TCAG for 2020/2021 fiscal year have not been finalized; and

WHEREAS, California's *Intermodal Surface Transportation Enhancement Act (ISTEA)* implementing legislation created the option for Counties and MPOs with 1990 urbanized area populations over 200,000 to exchange what is determined as the rural portion of their RSTP funds (Small Area Funds) in the non-urbanized areas for non-Federal State Highway Account funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis; and

WHEREAS, a portion of Tulare County is not located in the Visalia/Tulare Urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the Urbanized Area amount available to TCAG for federal programming is \$3,063,254; and

WHEREAS, the Small Area (Rural) amount available to TCAG for exchange is \$3,263,662; and

WHEREAS, TCAG approved the exchange and distribution of Small Area STP Funds for State Highway Account Funds on June 17, 2013 via Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director of the Tulare County Association of Governments is authorized to sign all necessary agreements related to this action on behalf of the TCAG Board of Governors.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the TCAG Board of Governors approves the distribution 2020/2021 RSTP apportionments for Small Area state exchange and the allocation and programming of federalized urban area funds for programming into the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP).

NOW, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if member agencies desire to exchange federalized portions of eligible RSTP funds for other types of funds under agreed upon conditions, this Board will support said exchange.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon the motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting on the 19th day of April, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

2020/2021 Surface Transportation Program (STP) Funds

Distributed by City Limit Populations

Agency	Population (Jan 1, 2020)	% of Total Population	STP Distribution for 2020/21	Adj for Prior Yrs	Final STP Distribution for 2020/21
Dinuba	25,994	5.4156761678%	\$294,566	\$0	\$294,566
Exeter	11,030	2.2980267804%	\$124,993	\$0	\$124,993
Farmersville	11,399	2.3749054642%	\$129,174	\$0	\$129,174
Lindsay	13,154	2.7405479846%	\$149,062	\$0	\$149,062
Porterville	59,655	12.4287205429%	\$676,015	\$0	\$676,015
Tulare	67,834	14.1327605281%	\$768,700	\$0	\$768,700
Visalia	138,649	28.8865924826%	\$1,571,180	\$0	\$1,571,180
Woodlake	7,773	1.6194525988%	\$88,084	\$0	\$88,084
Non-Incorp.	144,489	30.1033174506%	\$1,637,359	\$0	\$1,637,359
Totals:	479,977	100.0%	\$ 5,439,132	\$ -	\$5,439,132

Updated by LD

\$5,439,132

\$0

\$5,439,132

Total STP apportionment	\$	6,326,916	Updated 3-23-21
County set aside (Cal S&H Code)	\$	887,784	
Balance	\$	5,439,132	

County STP total

County Population Distribution	\$	1,637,359
County set aside	\$	887,784
Total	\$	2,525,143

\$6,326,916 total

Note: The County is responsible for \$887,784 of the \$2,478,907 through direct contract with Caltrans

Summary

Total Amount	\$6,326,916
Rural Amount	\$3,263,662
Net Urban Amount	\$3,063,254

updated by LD 3/18/21

Rural Amount calculation Summary

\$2,375,878	Countywide allocation
\$887,784	County only
\$3,263,662	

Urban STP Distribution for 2020/21		Rural STP Distribution for 2020/21		NET TCAG STP Distribution for 2020/21	
	%		%		
		\$294,566	9%	\$294,566	
\$124,993	4%				
\$129,174	4%				
		\$149,062	5%	\$149,062	
	0%	\$676,015	21%	\$676,015	
\$768,700	25%				
\$1,571,180	51%				
		\$88,084	3%	\$88,084	
\$ 469,208	15%	\$2,055,936	63%	\$1,168,152	
\$3,063,254	100%	\$3,263,662	100%	\$2,375,878	

\$6,326,916

Less County \$887,784

remains constant

1. Requires an FTIP
Amendment1. Requires no action
from agency2. It is now a
Caltrans Local
Assistance project2. No difference
from current practice3. TCAG contact
Gabriel Gutierrez3. TCAG contact
Leslie Davis

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AGENDA ITEM IV-D

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Ben Kimball, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

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

BACKGROUND:

Every 4 years TCAG updates their 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.

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 at the January TCAG Board meeting. One of the provisions of the SCS PPP for stakeholder outreach is the establishment of an RTP Roundtable committee.

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 to be 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 2022 RTP Roundtable. These Guidelines will serve to guide the development of the 2022 RTP update and 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:

There are no new appointments for your consideration (as of the publishing of this agenda item). We still have several vacancies. Those future appointments will be placed on the consent agenda for consideration. Current members are listed in the table shown.

Positions	Name
County of Tulare	Aaron Bock
Dinuba	Crystal Flores
Exeter	Lisa Wallis-Dutra
Farmersville	Lisa Wallis-Dutra

Lindsay	Michael Camarena
Porterville	Jason Ridenour
Tulare	Mike Miller
Visalia	Nick Mascia
Woodlake	Rebecca Griswald
LAFCo	Julie Allen
Public Transportation	Richard Tree, Dan Fox
Agriculture	Vacant
Environmental Advocate	Adam Livingston (Sequoia Riverland Trust)
Bicycle/Pedestrian advocate	Mark Wall (Southern Sierra Cyclist)
Health Advocate	Vacant
Goods Movement	Vacant
Disabled Access/ADA	Vacant
SJV Air District	Vacant
Caltrans, District 6	David Deel
Tribal Governments	Vacant
Building/Development	Mike Lane
Environmental Justice Community	Bianca Escobedo
Banking, finance or real estate	Vacant
Affordable Housing Advocate	Betsy McGovern-Garcia
Broad-based business or economic development organizations	Vacant
At-Large 1	Vacant
At-Large 2	Vacant

RECOMMENDATION:

No action needed

ALTERNATIVES:

None

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

Work Element: 602.01 – Regional Transportation Plan

AGENDA ITEM IV-E

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Giancarlo Bruno, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Appointment of Two (2) Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Members

BACKGROUND:

The Transportation Development Act (TDA) requires each local transportation planning agency (TPA) to provide for the establishment of a Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC). The SSTAC is responsible for advising the TPA on transit issues, particularly those related to transportation services for riders with specialized needs, and for making recommendations on which comments received as part of the annual 'Unmet Transit Needs' process constitute unmet transit needs that are reasonable to meet. These recommendations provide the basis for the formal Unmet Transit Needs Finding adopted by the TCAG board for submittal to Caltrans.

Membership is comprised of 10 members representing local transit operators, social services providers, and potential transit users from certain transit reliant populations. Terms are staggered, with two (2) members' terms due to expire on June 30, 2021.

DISCUSSION:

Currently there are two (2) SSTAC members whose terms are expiring on June 30, 2021. Each of the expiring seats is designated for representatives of social service providers, one for a representative of a social service provider to people with disabilities, and the other for a representative of a social service provider to people of limited financial means.

These seats are currently held by Norma Verduzco of Family HealthCare Networks and Albert Cendejas of CSET, respectively.

Both have been active members throughout their present terms and both have expressed a desire to serve another term in their present positions.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Albert Cendejas and Norma Verduzco to serve on the SSTAC for a three (3) year term concluding on June 30, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to TCAG. The SSTAC is required under state law.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution: Appointments to the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council
2. Social Services Transportation Advisory Council Member Roll

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

In the matter of:

APPOINTMENT TO THE SOCIAL SERVICES)
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL)
FOR TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA)

Resolution No. 2021-XXX

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) was established in accordance with Article 3, Section 99238 of the California Public Utilities Code (PUC) which outlines the composition, duties, responsibilities, and terms of service of the SSTAC; and

WHEREAS, Section 99238 further stipulates that members of the SSTAC shall be appointed by the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA), including filling vacancies on the council as they occur; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) is the RTPA for the County of Tulare; and

WHEREAS, the terms of SSTAC members Albert Cendejas and Norma Verduzco expire on June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, both members Cendejas and Verduzco have indicated a willingness to serve an additional three-year term.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby reappoints the following members to serve on the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council in the positions described below, both for terms expiring June 30, 2024:

Representative of a Local Social Service Provider to People of Limited Financial Means: Albert Cendejas of CSET

Representative of a Local Social Service Provider to People with Disabilities: Norma Verduzco of Family HealthCare Network

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon the motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting on the 19th day of April 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel, III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

**SOCIAL SERVICES
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY
COUNCIL**

Member Categories
April 2021

1. One representative of potential transit users who are 60 years of age or older.
Dan Fox (term ends 6/22)
2. One representative of potential transit users that are disabled.
Rebecca Donabed (term ends 6/23)
3. Two representatives of local social service transit providers for seniors/social service transportation providers.
Michael Esquibel, Resources for Independence Central Valley (term ends 6/23)
John Mauro, Tulare County HHSA (term ends 6/22)
4. **Two representatives of local social service transit providers for the disabled/social service transportation providers.**

Mark Michaelian, Able Industries (term ends 6/24) ‡
Norma Verduzco, Family Health Care Network (term ends 6/21)
5. **One representative of a local social service provider for persons of limited means.**
Albert Cendejas, Community Services Employment Training (CSET) (term ends 6/21)
6. Two representatives from local transit providers.
Teresa Ortega, County of Tulare (term ends 06/23)
Angelina Soper, City of Visalia (term ends 06/22)
7. One representative of potential transit users from local youth.
Carlos Garza (term ends 6/22)

‡ Term renewed 3/21

Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM IV-F

April 19, 2021

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), Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP), and Active Transportation Program (ATP).

DISCUSSION:

TCAG staff participated in the discussions leading up to the adoption of the 2020 Local Partnership Program, 2020 Trade Corridor Enhancement Program, and 2021 Active Transportation Program Guidelines. Draft guidelines for each of the 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	Other Information
Local Partnership Program	Minimum: \$2,000,000 Maximum: \$25,000,000	2020/21 2021/22 2022/23	<i>Competitive Program:</i> On November 12, 2020, TCAG was awarded \$9 million in LPP Competitive Program funds for the Commercial Avenue Interchange Project. <i>Formulaic Program:</i> At the March 2021 CTC meeting, \$5.1 million (\$1.387M for ROW and \$3.774M for Construction) in LPP formula funds were approved for programming on the Avenue 280 Widening (Santa Fe to Lovers Lane) project.
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,	2020/21 2021/22 2022/23	A TCEP grant application for right-of-way funding for the Tulare City Widening Project was submitted in August 2020. The grant

	had a \$217 million target (27% of overall funding available). Different programing target proposals are currently under consideration.		application requested \$18.6 million for right of way costs. Unfortunately, this project was not selected for funding under this cycle of the TCEP program.
Active Transportation Program	There are no minimum or maximum funding limitations for the Active Transportation Program. The program is divided into three funding components – the Statewide, Small Urban and Rural, and MPO Components. TCAG agencies are eligible to compete for ATP funding under the Statewide and MPO Components.	2021/22 2022/23 2023/24 2024/25	Agencies from the Tulare County region submitted a total of 18 projects for funding consideration. The total ATP funding request was \$66.3 million for projects totaling \$75.7 million. The Statewide ATP funding recommendations were approved by the CTC at their March 2021 meeting. One project from the TCAG region was approved for funding. The project is the Butterfield Stage Corridor (W. North Grand Ave. to College Ave.) awarded \$7.1 million. Staff is currently in the process of finalizing the MPO component recommendations.

Federal BUILD Grant

As announced in September 2020, 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-G

April 19, 2021

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 included 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 greater emissions possible under the SAFE Vehicles Rule, it could not be used to demonstrate regional or project-level conformity with the Clean Air Act until updated.

California, along with at least 23 other states, 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. See also:

<https://calcog.org/how-the-safe-rule-will-affect-transportation-infrastructure-in-california/>

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 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. Five of the eight 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 (2021 v1.0.0) was released on January 15, 2021. 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.

DISCUSSION:

An executive order issued in the first days of the new administration set a target of review by applicable federal agencies of SAFE Rule Part One, by April, 2021, and Part Two, by May, 2021. As of preparation of this agenda item, no such initial reviews have been published. Review does not mean replacement. The formal rulemaking process to revise or replace the SAFE Vehicles Rule could still be quite lengthy.

With regard to emissions modeling, at a recent meeting between valley MPO staff and consultants, ARB and US EPA, there was consensus that MPOs could continue to use the current version of EMFAC (2014) for upcoming Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) updates if actual modeling for the RTPs begin by the sunset date of that model in August of 2021. This appears to be a viable option for TCAG. It fits within our current RTP update schedule. The discussions have also included questions about the ability of valley regions to process subsequent plan amendments. Valley representatives reported that ARB and EPA staff thought minor amendments involving non-exempt projects, that can use existing conformity determinations, should be able to proceed.

There has also been progress on review of the model itself. ARB recently adopted adjustments to NOx emissions factors that could help valley regions meet conformity. There is also discussion with EPA about database adjustments within the model.

It appears that the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) continues to have trouble demonstrating conformity using EMFAC 2017. Since SCAG is the largest MPO in California (and the nation), this issue is likely to remain at the forefront for ARB, EPA and other involved agencies. A meeting is being coordinated between SCAG, Valley, ARB and EPA staff to align approaches using the same tools to address the same issues.

Staff will continue to carefully monitor and report on developments that affect transportation planning and infrastructure funding. These will include known issues such as the SAFE Vehicles Regulation and emissions modeling discussed above as well as potential new issues arising from shifting legislative and regulatory priorities at various governmental levels.

ATTACHMENT(S):

None

AGENDA ITEM V-B

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Elizabeth Forte, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve Formula for Sub-allocation of Large Urbanized Area (UZA) Federal Transit Funds

BACKGROUND:

TCAG is the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Tulare County region. There are many responsibilities as an MPO, the most fundamental being the development of the Regional Transportation Plan, programming of all federal transportation funds, and transportation modeling and air quality conformity analysis.

TCAG is also the Designated Recipient of federal transit funds apportioned to the Large Urbanized Area (UZA) in our region. The Large UZA in Tulare County encompasses the Cities of Visalia, Tulare, Exeter, Farmersville, and several unincorporated communities.

Transit funds are apportioned at the federal level to urbanized areas (and states, for rural populations). The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and Caltrans manage funding apportionments for the Small Urban and rural areas. It is TCAG's responsibility to approve the sub-allocation of urbanized areas funds apportioned to a UZA to the agencies within the UZA.

Currently, there is a formula used that splits the Large UZA apportionment into two: an apportionment for the City of Visalia and one for the City of Tulare. After the apportionment, Visalia works with the County, Farmersville, and Exeter to credit them a share of the apportionment since they are included in the urbanized area.

DISCUSSION:

Per federal guidance, the Designated Recipient sub-allocates federally-apportioned transit funds based on the needs of the agencies and the region. Agency needs and funding decisions could vary year to year. Staff recommends adopting a formula for sub-allocation of funds. The formula, if adopted, would remain in place until the Board desired to amend the distribution.

Federal Transit Administration funds are allocated to urbanized areas in the country based on the following formula:

- 50% Bus Revenue Vehicle Miles
- 25% Population
- 25% Population Density (persons per square mile)

The current formula used to split the Visalia UZA funds into two is:

- 20% Bus Revenue Vehicle Miles

40% Population

40% Ridership

In fiscal year 2019/2020, the Large UZA's federal apportionment of \$6,857,195 was split between Visalia and Tulare by formula: \$5,200,490 and \$1,656,705, respectively.

Per transfer agreements between Visalia and each of the other agencies in the UZA (Exeter, Farmersville, and the County), a federal credit was issued to each: \$52,765 (Exeter), \$87,010 (Farmersville), \$126,597 (County).

These funding divisions are not necessarily "apples to apples." The larger UZA split is based off a posted federal apportionment and the transfer agreements are based on actual operating costs and revenues for that year's service. Implementing the formula proposed with this staff report for all agencies at the time of the initial apportionment will make the division of funds amongst each agency occur up-front and be more transparent.

Considering the formula factors, population density would be difficult to calculate annually, and other relevant data for calculating the funding allocation is more readily available. Regarding using ridership as a factor in a funding allocation, it is not part of the federal funding allocation and is not a reflection of the cost of running transit – hours and miles are generally used as the proxy for cost. Ridership is considered a measure of performance, but it is also important to consider the characteristic differences and transit needs of residents within cities versus spread throughout the county. Staff recommends the following for the formula for sub-allocating funds:

40% Bus Revenue Vehicle Miles

40% Population

20% Ridership

This formula, if approved, would be used to sub-allocate funds among all agencies in the Large UZA, starting this fiscal year, 2020/2021.

This item was presented in March for action, but was delayed to April.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a formula for the sub-allocation of federal transit funds under the purview of the Designated Recipient, using factors of 40% Bus Revenue Vehicle Miles, 40% Population, and 20% Ridership.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to TCAG. This formula would adjust the sub-allocation of federal Large Urbanized Area funds within the Visalia UZA.

ATTACHMENT:

1. Resolution approving formula for sub-allocation of Large UZA federal transit funds.
2. UZA map

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

In the matter of:

APPROVE FORMULA FOR SUB-)	
ALLOCATION OF LARGE URBANIZED)	
AREA (UZA) FEDERAL TRANSIT FUNDS)	Resolution No. 2021-XXX

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) is the Designated Recipient of Federal Transit administration Urbanized Area Program Formula Funds for the Visalia Urbanized Area (UZA); and

WHEREAS, the Designated Recipient receives and/or sub-allocates Urbanized Area Program Formula Funds; and

WHEREAS, the formula used to sub-allocate Urbanized Area Program Formula funds in the Visalia UZA has been reviewed and an update is necessary for transparency and to reflect current regional needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that for Federal Fiscal Year 2021 and future years until this resolution is superseded, the sub-allocation for Urbanized Area Program Formula Funds IS by formula as follows:

40% Bus Revenue Vehicle Miles

40% Population

20% Ridership.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon the motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting on the 19th day of April 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

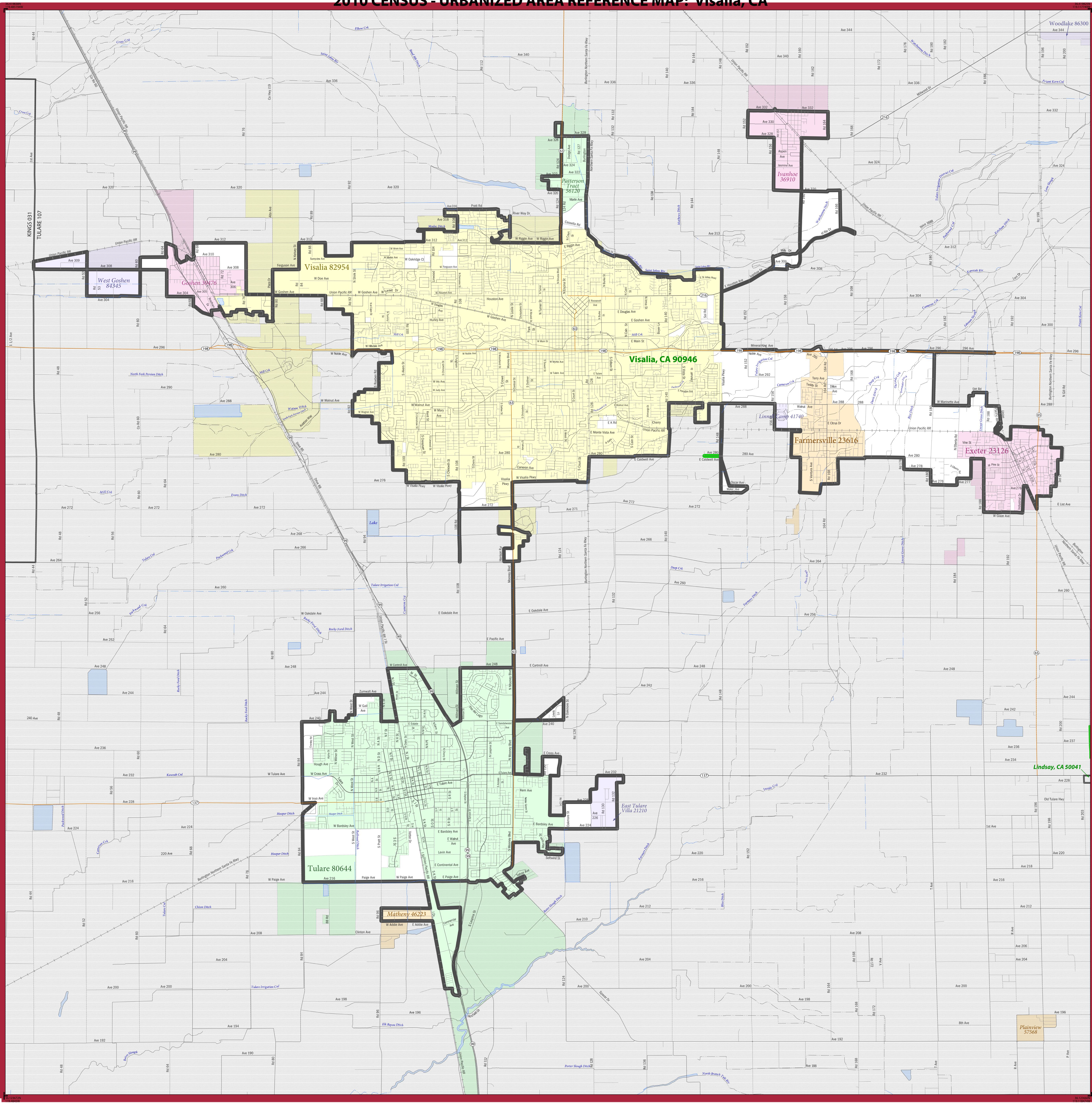
ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel, III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

2010 CENSUS - URBANIZED AREA REFERENCE MAP: Visalia, CA



SYMBOL DESCRIPTION	SYMBOL	LABEL STYLE
International	-----	CANADA
Federal American Indian Reservation	L'ANSE RES 1880
Off-Reservation Trust Land	T1880
Urbanized Area	-----	Dover, DE 24580
Urban Cluster	-----	Tooele, VT 88057
State (or statistically equivalent entity)	-----	NEW YORK 36
County (or statistically equivalent entity)	-----	ERIE 029
Minor Civil Division (MCD) ^{1,2}	-----	Bristol town 07485
Consolidated City	MILFORD 47500
Incorporated Place ^{1,3}	Davis 18100
Census Designated Place (CDP) ²	Incline Village 35100

DESCRIPTION	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	SYMBOL
Interstate	-----	Water Body	Pleasant Lake
U.S. Highway	-----	Military	Fort Belvoir
State Highway	-----	Outside Subject Area	
Other Road	-----		
Railroad	-----		
Perennial Stream	-----		
Intermittent Stream	-----		

Where international, state, county, and/or MCD boundaries coincide, the map shows the boundary symbol for only the highest-ranking of these boundaries.

1 A " " following an MCD name denotes a false MCD. A " " following a place name indicates that a false MCD exists with the same name and FIPS code as the place; the false MCD label is not shown.

2 MCD boundaries are shown in the following states in which some or all MCDs function as general-purpose governmental units: Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Vermont, and Wisconsin. (Note that Illinois and Nebraska have some counties covered by nongovernmental precincts and Missouri has most counties covered by nongovernmental townships.)

3 Place label color corresponds to the place fill color.
Label colors: Davis Davis Davis Davis Davis

SUBJECT AREA COUNTIES ON MAP SHEET
06107 Tulare

All legal boundaries and names are as of January 1, 2010. Urban areas are based on results from the 2010 Decennial Census. The boundaries shown on this map are for Census Bureau statistical data collection and tabulation purposes only; their depiction and designation for statistical purposes does not constitute a determination of jurisdictional authority or rights of ownership or entitlement.

Geographic Vintage: 2010 Census (reference date: January 1, 2010)
Data Source: U.S. Census Bureau's MAF/TIGER database (TAB10)
Map Created by: Geography Division: March 11, 2012

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Economics and Statistics Administration U.S. Census Bureau

Projection: Albers Equal Area Conic
Datum: NAD 83
Spheroid: GRS 80
1st Standard Parallel: 34 06 27
2nd Standard Parallel: 40 25 20
Central Meridian: -119 18 20
Latitude of Projection's Origin: 32 31 43
False Easting: 0
False Northing: 0

PARENT SHEET 1
Total Sheets: 1
Index Sheets: 0
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UA NAME: Visalia, CA
UA CODE: 90946
ENTITY TYPE: Urbanized Area (UA)
ST: California (06)

2010 CENSUS UA REF MAP (PARENT)
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Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM V-C

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Elizabeth Forte, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Approve Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5311 Funding Apportionments

BACKGROUND:

Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Funds are a major source of funding for transit 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. FTA 5311 funds are specifically for rural transit providers that provide service outside of large and small census-designated urbanized areas.

DISCUSSION:

There have been several funding allocations for Tulare County transit providers in the last year. In addition to the typical transit funds, listed below as “New FTA Allocation”, there have been supplemental funds provided through the Federal CARES Act, Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA), and American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). After these Acts are approved, the amounts apportioned to our agencies are published at various times. The funding amounts for our urban transit providers (Visalia, Porterville, and Tulare) have already been published as follows:

Funding Program	Visalia	Porterville	Tulare
CARES Act	\$13,204,690	\$7,785,449	\$4,156,671
CRRSAA	\$0	\$0	\$0
ARPA	\$1,861,803*	\$739,290	\$587,937*
New FTA Allocation	\$4,373,468	\$2,660,843	\$1,372,699
Total	\$19,439,961	\$11,185,632	\$6,117,307

Funding for Visalia includes Exeter and Farmersville.

*Estimated

The funds for rural transit providers have more steps before finalization. Whereas the urban funds go directly from the FTA to Visalia, Porterville, and Tulare, funds for rural providers are sent in a lump sum, first to California, and then through TCAG for the region. TCAG is responsible for the final apportionment of the rural transit funds that come to the region in one lump sum. When the second allocation of rural CARES Act funding came to TCAG for allocation in August 2020, for example, the funds were distributed based on each agency's cost (i.e. funding was distributed so that each agency received CARES funding that would cover 29% or more of their operating costs). Rural transit operators can have anywhere from \$200,000 to \$4,000,000 per year in operating costs, depending on the agency, so amounts were developed on a

percentage basis. All of these funds (urban and rural) have been used for operations costs to date.

There is additional complexity to new rural transit funds; all agencies that receive rural transit funds (Dinuba, Woodlake, Tulare County, and a small portion of Porterville) are now members of the TCRTA. These agencies are scheduled to transfer operations to the TCRTA, either July 1, 2021 or July 1, 2022, depending on operations contract status. The funds are not transferable once received.

TCAG has been notified of two new amounts available for rural transit in our region:

CRRSAA: \$2,533,398
New FTA Allocation: \$958,259
(ARPA has not yet been determined.)

As of the date this agenda went to print, TCAG staff has been working with transit staff on a strategy for apportioning these new funds. Since agencies have a majority or all of their operating costs covered for this year, it is proposed that the funds be used for bus purchases for TCRTA. The final details of this recommendation will be before the Board at the meeting. While one agency may technically receive and manage the full funding amount for bus purchase project, it is expected that each agency will have a contribution to the project documented for TCRTA to consider when developing its service plan, rates, and budget.

Funding Program	County	Woodlake	Dinuba
CARES Act	\$2,068,205	\$133,352	\$429,348
CRRSAA	TBD	TBD	TBD
ARPA	Future	Future	Future
New FTA Allocation	TBD	TBD	TBD
Total	\$2,068,205	\$133,352	\$429,348

Funding for the County includes Lindsay.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve project proposed for regional 5311 funding apportionment.

ATTACHMENT:

None.

Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM V-D

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Ben Giuliani, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Program COVID-19 Relief Funding to SR-99 (Delano) and SR-99/Caldwell Ave Interchange and Program STBGP Funding to Riggins Ave.

BACKGROUND:

California is receiving \$911.8 million from the federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act for highway infrastructure programs. At their March 24th meeting, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) voted to split the funding at the usual 60% State/40% Regional share for federal funding. Of the 60% State funding, \$468.3 million will go to the State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) and \$60.8 million will go to the Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP). For the regional shares, the CTC split the funding 50/50 between the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP) with \$182.4 million each.

The CTC also adopted guidelines for programming the new RTIP funding. New projects need to be submitted to the CTC by April 23rd to then be adopted into the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) at the June 23rd CTC meeting. The Tulare County portion of the COVID-19 relief funding will be \$2,971,678 from the RTIP/STIP and \$2,149,022 from the STBGP.

DISCUSSION:

Caltrans has an upcoming SHOPP project that would rehab SR-99 from the Kern County border to .7 miles north of Court Avenue in Pixley (SR-99 (Delano)) at a cost of \$74.3 million. As part of the project, temporary traffic lanes are needed in the median. Rather than just build temporary lanes, Caltrans now plans to build permanent lanes which will result in 13.5 miles of 4 to 6 lane widening at a cost of \$103.3 million. This will result in significant cost savings compared to constructing permanent travel lanes in a separate project. At an estimated \$14 million per mile, the cost of a separate widening project would be \$189 million. However, capacity increasing projects are not allowed to be funded through the SHOPP so other sources of funding (\$29 million) need to be added for the cost of upgrading the temporary lanes to permanent travel lanes.

At the April 1st San Joaquin Valley COG Directors meeting, the directors unanimously voted that all remaining Prop 1B, SR-99 bond savings be applied to the SR-99 (Delano) project. The cost savings is estimated to be \$18 million to \$25 million depending on the close out costs of a few remaining SR-99 projects that have finished construction. In addition to the SR-99 bond savings funding, Caltrans has requested \$2 million for design funding and \$2 million for construction support from TCAG.

Staff is recommending that \$2,971,678 from the RTIP/STIP and \$1,028,322 from the STBGP portion of the COVID-19 relief funding be applied to the SR-99 (Delano) project with the remainder of the COVID-19 STBGP funding (\$1,120,700) being applied to the

SR-99/Caldwell Ave Interchange project. In addition, there is \$3.1 million available in regular STBGP funding. Staff is recommending that this funding be programmed to the Riggins Avenue widening project in Visalia.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve programming \$4 million of the COVID-19 relief funding (RTIP and STBGP) to the SR-99 (Delano) project, \$1,120,700 of COVID-19 relief funding (STBGP) to the SR-99/Caldwell Ave Interchange project and \$3.1 million of regular STBGP funding to the Riggins Ave. widening project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to the TCAG budget. However, approval of the funding will result in project savings of an estimated \$86 million in addition to allowing for this project to be constructed decades earlier than originally anticipated.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution: Approve Programming of the COVID-19 Relief Funding and STBGP Funding

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

In the matter of:

APPROVING PROGRAMMING OF COVID)	
RELIEF FUNDING AND SURFACE)	
TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT)	Resolution No. 2021-XXX
PROGRAM (STBGP) FUNDING)	

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

WHEREAS, the federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) includes \$911.8 million of funding for highway infrastructure funding in the State of California under direction of the California Transportation Commission (CTC); and

WHEREAS, the Commission adopted guidelines for the management of the CRRSAA transportation funding at their March 24, 2021 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the CRRSAA transportation funding is split with 60% going to the State and 40% going to the regions; and

WHEREAS, TCAG is due to receive \$2,971,678 of CRRSAA funding through the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and \$2,149,022 funding through the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP); and

WHEREAS, Caltrans has requested \$4 million in funding from TCAG for the SR-99 (Delano) project; and

WHEREAS, there is \$3.1 million available in existing STBGP funding; and

WHEREAS, TCAG, as a funding agency, wishes to delegate authorization to execute any funding agreements or amendments and final project selection to the TCAG/TCTA Executive Director.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1) TCAG recommends that \$2,971,678 of CRRSAA/STIP funding and \$1,028,322 of CRRSAA/STBGP funding be allocated to the SR-99 (Delano) project.
- 2) TCAG recommends that \$1,120,700 of CRRSAA/STBGP funding be allocated to the SR-99/Caldwell Ave Interchange project.
- 3) TCAG recommends that \$3.1 million of STBGP funding be allocated to the Riffin Ave widening project.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon the motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting on the 19th day of April, 2021 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 V-E

April 19, 2021

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)**, formerly 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.

DISCUSSION:

STBGP

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. Beginning in federal fiscal year (FFY) 22/23, TCAG will begin distributing federal STBGP funds on a competitive basis. The first call for projects is scheduled for spring of 2021. Selected projects will be programmed in the 2021 FTIP. STBGP funds in FFY 20/21 remain committed to the two projects described in the table below. Staff is working with Caltrans to identify a project to program the FFY 21/22 funds.

FFY	Agency	Project Name	Project Description	Amount of STBGP Funds
20/21	Visalia	Tulare Avenue Rehabilitation	In City of Visalia, on Tulare Avenue from Demaree Avenue to Cotta Street; rehabilitate roadway	\$1,834,000 Construction (RFA on schedule for submittal in April)
	County of Tulare	Avenue 152 Rehabilitation Project	Near community of Tipton, on Avenue 152 between the road alignment of Road 136 and Road 168; rehabilitate roadway	\$1,775,000 Construction (RFA Submitted)

HSIP

On March 30, 2021, the project selection results for Cycle 10 of the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) were released. Statewide, 429 applications were received requesting \$490 million of HSIP funds. There were 266 projects, totaling \$228 million in HSIP funds selected for funding. In the Tulare County region, there were 4 projects selected for funding. Information regarding the selected project is shown on the table below:

Agency	Project Description	Project Location	Funds Awarded	Project Cost
Porterville	Replace existing traffic signal, add protected left turn phasing for all intersection legs, provide accessible curb ramps at all corners, and add/modify signs.	Olive Avenue & Porter Road/Cloverleaf Street Intersection.	\$579,420	\$666,000
Tulare County	Relocate existing crosswalk along Sutter Avenue to the North Spring Road intersection; install Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) system with advance warning beacons; upgrade markings; and install curb ramps.	Sutter Avenue Pedestrian Crossing to Earlimart Middle School.	\$179,300	\$179,300
Tulare County	Install/Upgrade edgelines and centerlines stripe with thermoplastic stripe with enhanced wet night visibility. Upgrade pavement marking with thermoplastic pavement marking.	Road 100 from Visalia City Limits to 0.50-mile south of Avenue 256 (3 miles); Road 140 from Avenue 256 to Avenue 280 (3 miles); and Road 192 from Avenue 120 to Avenue 144 (4 miles).	\$249,966	\$308,600
Tulare County	Replace existing non-standard, damaged, or obsolete guardrails.	Eight locations along Road 236, Avenue 144, Road 196 north and south of Lort Drive, Road 12, Road 228, and at Road 140/Avenue 272, and Burnett Road/Avenue 152.	\$981,800	\$981,800
Total			\$1,990,486	\$2,135,700

CMAQ

Two roundabout projects have been scheduled for obligation this year. One is currently on schedule for submittal by April 1, 2021:

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

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

The following project has been delayed but is on schedule for obligation by this summer:

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

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

To help ensure that our region's CMAQ funds are expended timely and before statewide funding runs out, a Porterville project for three electric buses has been advanced to this fiscal year and is in process. The funding for this project is: CMAQ: \$2,055,000; Match: \$693,000.

ATTACHMENT:

None

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AGENDA ITEM V-F

April 19, 2021

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 March 24th-25th. The next CTC meeting will also be held via webinar/teleconference on May 12th-13th. 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:

March CTC Meeting

State Highway Operation and Protection (SHOPP) allocations:

\$3.948 million to upgrade bridge railings and install approach railings on the Ave 48 overcrossing of SR-99 in Pixley

\$5.594 million to repair Transportation Management System elements at various locations in Madera, Fresno, Kings, Kern and Tulare Counties

January CTC Meeting

There were two delegated Caltrans SHOPP allocations:

\$3.75 million for SR-190 from 1 mile east of Camp Nelson Rd to .5 mile west of Quaking Aspen campground, removal of fire damaged trees and brush, repair culverts, clean drainage systems, apply erosion control measures and repair fire damaged pavement.

\$1.839 million for SR-63 and SR-137 installing rumble strips at various locations.

2020 RTIP/STIP

The CTC adopted the 2020 STIP at the March 25th, 2020 meeting. TCAG's RTIP was included as proposed. A timeline for the 2022 RTIP/STIP will be listed in this agenda item for the May TCAG meeting.

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 March 15, 2021

Board Members	Alternates	Present Member/Alternate	Agency
Larry Micari	Paula Clark	M	Tulare County-Dist. 1
Pete Vander Poel (Chair)	William Cushing	M	Tulare County-Dist. 2
Amy Shuklian	Bill Whitchlatch	M	Tulare County-Dist. 3
Eddie Valero	Derek Williams	M	Tulare County-Dist. 4
Dennis Townsend	Terren Brown	M	Tulare County-Dist. 5
Maribel Reynosa	Linda Launer	A	City of Dinuba
Frankie Alves	Dave Hails	M	City of Exeter
Paul Boyer	Ruben Macareno	M	City of Farmersville
Ramona Caudillo	Hipolito Cerros	M	City of Lindsay
Martha A. Flores (Vice-Chair)	Milt Stowe	M	City of Porterville
Terry Sayre	Jose Sigala	M	City of Tulare
Phil Cox	Brian Poochigian	M	City of Visalia
Rudy Mendoza	Florencio Guerra Jr.		City of Woodlake
Greg Gomez	<i>Vacant</i>		Rep. from Public Transit
Tyrone Holscher	Shea Gowin	M	Member-At-Large*
Walter Stammer Jr.	Pamela Whitmire	M/A	Member-At-Large*
<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Vacant</i>	-	Member-At-Large*
Diana Gomez	Michael Navarro	A	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> X </u> Steven Ingoldsby, Associate Regional Planner
<u> X </u> Ted Smalley, Executive Director	<u> X </u> Giancarlo Bruno, Regional Planner
<u> X </u> Benjamin Kimball, Deputy Executive Director	<u> X </u> Sheela Bhongir, 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> X </u> Barbara Pilegard, Associate Regional Planner/EH
<u> X </u> Elizabeth Forte, Principal Regional Planner	<u> X </u> Maria Garza, Associate Regional Planner/EH
<u> X </u> Roberto Brady, Principal Regional Planner	<u> X </u> Michele Boling, TCAG Accountant III
<u> X </u> Derek Winning, Senior Regional Planner	<u> X </u> Brideget Moore, TCAG Analyst III
<u> X </u> Gabriel Gutierrez, Senior Regional Planner	<u> X </u> Amie Kane, Administrative Clerk II
<u> X </u> Kasia Thompson, Associate Regional Planner	<u> X </u> Servando Quintanilla, Administrative Clerk
	<u> X </u> Holly Gallo, Office Assistant III

I. WELCOME

The Tulare County Association of Governments Board Meeting was called to order by Chair Vander Poel at 1:00 p.m. on March 15, 2021 at the Tulare County Board of Supervisors, 2800 W. Burrell Avenue, Visalia, CA, 93291.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor Valero led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments opened/closed at 1:02 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: Appointment of Two (2) Members to the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC)

Upon a Motion by Member Valero, and seconded by Member Townsend, the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee unanimously approved the Transportation Consent Calendar Action Item IV-A. Absent: Shuklian, Reynosa, Alves, Mendoza, and Gomez.

B. Information: Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Roundtable Appointments

C. Information: Implementation Status of Federally Funded Projects

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

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

V. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Presentation: Transit Provider Updates

Ms. Forte announced that transit providers would be giving updates. Mr. Miller with TCAT explained additional options on contracts, restrictions with regard to TCRTA, and Covid 19 Safety implementations.

Ms. Thompson with Tulare city transit stated that Tulare had installed auto passenger count and acknowledged that ridership had decreased due to Covid-19. Ms. Thompson stated that Tulare transit had provided passengers free rides, and installed safety barriers for drivers with Cares Act funds.

Ms. Soper, with Visalia city transit discussed that free rides would be offered for Covid-19 vaccine appointments.

Mr. Tree, with Porterville city transit gave a short presentation highlighting electrical transit vehicles, vans, micro-transit, and the needs to expand charging station infrastructure to support the growing fleet in Porterville.

B. Information: 2020/2021 Unmet Transit Needs

Mr. Bruno provided a brief overview and background of unmet needs and reviewed the outreach efforts to collect unmet needs comments for the public hearings.

C. Public Hearing: 2020/2021 Unmet Transit Needs

Public Hearing opened at 1:19 p.m. by Chair Vander Poel

Unmet transit needs opening statement was read by Chair Vander Poel which invited anyone to submit testimony before the Board. The same statement was read aloud by Mr. Quintanilla in Spanish.

Seeing no one wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed at 1:24 p.m. by Chair Vander Poel.

D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve Formula for Sub-allocation of Large Urbanized Area (UZA) Federal Transit Funds

Ms. Forte stated that there is one large UZA in the region, called the Visalia UZA however, this area also encompasses areas in Farmersville, Exeter, Tulare, and unincorporated areas such as Ivanhoe and Goshen. Ms. Forte explained that currently, the formula used splits the large UZA apportionment into two: an apportionment for the City of Visalia and one for the City of Tulare. After the apportionment, Visalia worked with the County, Farmersville, and Exeter to credit each with a share. Ms. Forte outlined the proposed changes to how the apportionment would be distributed. Much discussion was had amongst the Board and Member Cox's requested that this action item be carried over until April to give additional time to review the formula and proposal. Member Shuklian seconded the motion, therefore this item would be carried forward for action April 2021.

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

Mr. Giuliani stated that the next meeting would be held March 24th and provided an overview of CTC projects.

F. Information: Caltrans Monthly Report

Mr. Navarro provided an update on the Caltrans planning grant process and stated that apportionments would be announced in June. Mr. Navarro stated that the CAPTI draft plan had been posted for public input and that the comment period was currently open. Lastly, Mr. Navarro outlined the various Caltrans projects being conducted within Tulare County.

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

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: None.

VII. ASSOCIATION CONSENT CALENDAR-ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

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

A. Action: Minutes of February 22, 2021 TCAG Board Meeting

B. Action: Minutes of February 18, 2021 TCAG Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 9 to the Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP)

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

VIII. ASSOCIATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Information: Legislative Update

Mr. Kimball reviewed the definition of rural and urban and how that affects funding, outlined the federal infrastructure bill and the expected trip in the Fall to Washington D.C. Mr. Kimball discussed how CAPTI would impact greenhouse gas reduction targets and climate change measures. Mr. Kimball stated that CALCOG and Self-help Counties Coalition work with agencies to pursue funding opportunities and grants.

Mr. Smalley stated that the state lobbyist would come and speak regarding CAPTI and earmarks at the federal level. Mr. Smalley explained what the process would be to consider shovel ready projects which could extend Measure R funds.

B. Presentation: Report from Congressman Nunes' Office

No representative present, report not given.

C. Presentation: Report from Assemblyman Mathis' Office

Rachel Ray, field representative for Assemblyman Mathis' office, provided an update on the assemblymen's current activities highlighting his involvement in presenting the Woman of the Year award. Ms. Ray also outlined recent legislation that had been worked on such as, but not limited to, AB-159 for wounded heroes, AB-88 the economic stimulus bill and expansion of paid sick leave for Covid-19.

D. Presentation: Report from Senator Hurtado's Office

Jacob Villagomez, district representative for Senator Hurtado's office, provided an update on recent legislation and noted that spring recess was scheduled to begin March 25, 2021.

E. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Draft 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan

Mr. Kimball reported that this item was previously brought before the Board and carried over to allow time to collaborate with the Tribe and turned it over to Member Flores to discuss the revisions. Member Flores discussed revisions to the Tribal Public Participation Plan

highlighting changes to some verbiage under the Economic Development portion of the plan outlined on page 56.

Upon a motion by Member Flores, and seconded by Member Townsend, the Association unanimously approved the Draft 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan. Absent: Mendoza, and Gomez.

F. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Appointment of the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (SJJPA) Alternate Member

Mr. Smalley discussed the opening for that Alternate Member for the SJJPA position that became vacant after Mayor Bob Link retired. Member Valero volunteered to serve as the SJJPA Alternate.

Upon a motion by Member Townsend, and seconded by Member Flores, the Association unanimously approved Member Valero to serve as the SJJPA Alternate Member. Absent: Mendoza, and Gomez.

G. Information: Member-At-Large and Alternate Member at Large for Position No. 3

Ms. Kane reported on the Member at Large and Alternate member at Large position stating that since the item went to print, applications had been received and would come back to the Board for action in April.

H. Information: Draft Overall Work Plan (OWP) for Fiscal Year 2021/2022

Ms. Davis outlined the adjustments to the OWP and stated that the TCRTA funding was a new budget that had been added and increases to the SB-1 funds had also increased. Ms. Davis announced that the final version would come back the following month.

I. Information: Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Audit Year Ending June 30, 2020

Ms. Davis stated that the audit was completed with no findings and that TDAs had not yet been completed but should be done before the end of March.

J. Information: Regional Transit Coordination Update

Ms. Forte announced that the Executive Director position close on March 17th and highlighted the outlets that the job had been posted. Ms. Forte outlined free fares and rides to Covid-19 vaccination appointments and the grants for the county for free rides for anyone under the age of 18. Ms. Forte explained that TCRTA would be looking at having a consultant look at the free fares and provide analysis.

K. Information: Miocar Early Results Report

Mr. Bruno discussed the UC Davis statistics regarding services provided by Miocar service. He provided an overview of the demographic profile of uses, purposes of the reservations, and possible expansion into additional sites.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

A. California State Transportation Agency Letter Regarding Equitable Distribution of Federal HR 133 Highway Funds

Mr. Smalley explained that the letter highlighted that the stimulus money should be distributed equitably.

X. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Information: Items from Staff

1. TCAG Director's Report

Mr. Smalley explained that a partnership with Caltrans for trash pick-up would begin in the Porterville area. Mr. Smalley reminded agencies that Measure R advances would begin the following month, and staff would be working with agencies to advance projects.

2. Other Items

None

B. Information: Items from Board Members**1. Tulare County Water Commission Update**

Member Flores provided an update regarding domestic water tank update, water sustainability and projections and new programs, funding, and limits. Ms. Flores discussed the location of the tanks, drought issues, priority issues and adding the issue of grants to green energy.

2. San Joaquin Valley Policy Council Update

Member Townsend stated that a new Chair and Vice-Chair had been elected, and that planning for a Washington D.C. trip in August would be ongoing.

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

Member Shuklian reported that the next meeting was scheduled to be held March 26, 2021; after which she would be able to provide an update.

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

Member Valero stated that no meeting was held, and he had nothing to report.

5. TCAG Transit Report

No report given

6. Other Items

None

C. Request from Board Members for Future Agenda Items

None

XI. ADJOURN

The TCAG Meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:32 p.m.

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

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Item VII-B
TCAG Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
Tulare County Association of Governments - 210 N. Church Street, Suite B, Visalia, CA 93291
March 11, 2021 – Summary Meeting Minutes

ATTENDANCE LIST

City of Dinuba	George Avila
City of Exeter	Eddie Wendt
Cities of Farmersville, Woodlake	Lisa Durta-Wallis
City of Lindsay	Michael Camarena
County of Tulare	Karla Artega
City of Porterville	<i>Absent</i>
City of Tulare	<i>Absent</i>
City of Visalia	Dolores Verduzco
Tule River Indian Reservation	<i>Absent</i>
TCAG	Ben Kimball
Caltrans	Lorena Mendibles

Others Present:

TCAG Staff Present: Steven Ingoldsby, Ted Smalley, Elizabeth Forte, Roberto Brady, Ben Giuliani, Giancarlo Bruno, Brideget Moore, Holly Gallo, 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 March 11, 2021.

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: Appointment of Two (2) Members to the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC)

Mr. Bruno gave an update on the appointments of two members for SSTAC first is a returning member Mark Michaelian from Able Industries and second is member Michael Esquibel is an outreach specialist with Resources for Independence Central Valley.

B. Information: Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Roundtable Appointments

Mr. Kimball stated that there are no new appointments for the RTP this month and this item would continue onto next month and through the rest of the year.

C. Information: Implementation Status of Federally Funded Projects

Mr. Giuliani reported that STBGP would have a competitive call for projects coming this Spring. Ms. Forte reported that there would be two projects coming up soon and CMAQ projects were selected last month and would be added to the FTIP in May.

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

Mr. Giuliani detailed that the ATP announced that Porterville received money for two projects with one project being a subset of the other. The overall project is the 7.1 million-dollar

Butterfield Stage Corridor project within the city limits and would go to CTC for programming at the next meeting.

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

Mr. Brady gave an update on the Federal SAFE Vehicle Regulation and that TCAG doesn't have any issues meeting conformity.

V. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Presentation: Transit Provider Updates

Mr. Kimball stated that this item is for presentations that would be given at the Board meeting.

B. Information: 2020/2021 Unmet Transit Needs

Mr. Bruno stated that the TDA of 1971 is the primary state law governing public transportation in California and that TDA requires the local governments identify the unmet transit needs within its jurisdiction and determine which of those needs are reasonable to meet.

C. Public Hearing: 2020/2021 Unmet Transit Needs

Mr. Kimball stated that this item is for public hearing comments for Unmet Needs.

D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve Formula for Sub-allocation of Large Urbanized Area (UZA) Federal Transit Funds

Ms. Forte explained that the UZA is split between 4 cities and the county and as the MPO TCAG staff is clearing the formula and recommended that the funds be divided into 20 percent bus revenue vehicle miles traveled, 40 percent population, and 40 percent ridership.

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

Mr. Giuliani reported that the CTC would meet again on March 24 and 25 and the agenda is not out yet also one item to note that will be on the agenda is the distribution of the federal covid relief funding.

F. Information: Caltrans Monthly Report

Ms. Mendibles gave an update on SB 1 grants.

VII. ASSOCIATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 9 to the Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP)

Ms. Davis summarized the Amendment No.9 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP would be necessary to allow TCAG to deliver services as requested by its member agencies and following is redistribution of PL and TDA funding in order to spend effectively in the areas most needed.

VIII. ASSOCIATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Information: Legislative Update

Mr. Kimball reported that the next big item from Washington D.C. is the transportation discussion on an infrastructure bill and wants to make sure if there is funding for our region. Mr. Smalley commented on earmarks topics and update on SR 99 widening.

E. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Draft 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan

Mr. Kimball discussed that this item would continue to be on the agenda as the Tule River Tribe and the City of Porterville continue to have meetings.

F. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Appointment of the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (SJJPA) Alternate Member

Mr. Smalley gave an update on the SJJPA alternate member position that was vacated by the retirement of Bob Link from the City of Visalia.

G. Information: Member-At-Large and Alternate Member at Large for Position No. 3

Mr. Smalley explained that this item is for the open vacancies for member at larger and alternate member at large positions on the TCAG Board and TCAG is waiting to receive applications for these vacancies.

H. Information: Draft Overall Work Plan (OWP) for Fiscal Year 2021/2022

Ms. Davis stated this is the draft OWP for the FY 2021/2022 and highlighted some additional funding from SB1, TCRTA, and an increase to the budget of \$264.736. The final draft will be brought back to the April Board meeting.

I. Information: Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Audit Year Ending June 30, 2020

Ms. Davis announced that the TCAG audit had been completed on February 26, 2021 with no findings and the TDA audits are still ongoing and would be presented at the April Board meeting.

J. Information: Regional Transit Coordination Update

Ms. Forte gave an update on the TCRTA Executive Director search and wanted to highlight the fare free system with all county agencies.

K. Information: Miocar Early Results Report

Mr. Bruno gave an updated on the steady growth of Miocar members and reported findings from surveys taken by Miocar members.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

A. California State Transportation agency Letter Regarding Equitable Distribution of Federal HR 133 Highway Funds.

Mr. Smalley discussed the Federal HR 133 distribution structure within the state of California.

XI. ADJOURN

The TCAG Technical Advisory Committee adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

The next scheduled Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Board meeting will be held on **Monday, April 19, 2021, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.**, at the **Tulare County Board of Supervisors 2800 W. Burrel Ave, Visalia, CA 93291**. The Technical Advisory Committee will meet on **Thursday, April 15, 2021 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**.

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AGENDA ITEM VII-C

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Roberto Brady, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve Renewal of Census Regional Data Center Joint Statistical Agreement

BACKGROUND:

The State of California participates in a national State Data Center program by entering into an agreement with the United States Bureau of the Census and by maintaining the legislatively-mandated State Data Center (SDC) as the lead agency and official liaison. The SDC is located within the Demographic Research Unit of the California Department of Finance.

The joint objectives of this program are:

- To expand the utility of Census Bureau data for research, administration, planning, and decision-making by the State of California, local governments, the business community, academia, and other interested users.
- To improve access to and extend the use of Census Bureau statistical resources and related products.
- To moderate costs to data users, particularly in obtaining computerized data.
- To provide a feedback mechanism to identify needed improvements in census data products, to facilitate planning, and to identify techniques for assisting users in accessing and using Census Bureau data.

The draft Joint Statistical Agreement (JSA, Attachment 2) describes the terms of participation by TCAG as an affiliate data center within the California State Data Center Network.

DISCUSSION:

The proposed JSA renewal would cover calendar years 2021 through 2024. The defined objectives and duties are very similar to the previous JSA. Over the years, accessing census data has become increasingly centralized and web-based. However, there remains an important role for a State Data Center Network affiliate in our region. That is, to assist users with search and analysis tools that are regularly updated to access increasingly rich and complex data and to facilitate the access to census hard copy materials, when necessary. This role continues to compliment other TCAG core duties in transportation planning and local assistance.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends the approval of the renewal of the Census Data Center Joint Statistical Agreement and authorization of the Executive Director to execute said agreement with the California Department of Finance as set forth in the draft resolution (Attachment 1).

FISCAL IMPACT:

Resources to carry out TCAG's duties under the JSA already are accounted for in Work Element 670.05, Local Coordination for Fiscal Year 2020-21.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Draft Resolution approving the renewal of the Census Data Center Joint Statistical Agreement and authorization of the Executive Director to execute said agreement with the California Department of Finance.
2. Draft Joint Statistical Agreement

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

In the matter of:

APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF A STATE)	
CENSUS DATA CENTER JOINT STATISICAL)	
AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA)	Resolution No. 2021-XXX
DEPARMENT OF FINANCE)	

WHEREAS, the State of California participates in a national State Data Center program by entering into an agreement with the United States Bureau of the Census and by maintaining the legislatively-mandated State Data Center (SDC) as the lead agency and official liaison. The SDC is located within the Demographic Research Unit of the California Department of Finance; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Statistical Agreement describes the terms of participation by TCAG as an affiliate data center within the California State Data Center Network; and

WHEREAS, the proposed JSA renewal would cover calendar years 2021 through 2024. The defined objectives and duties are very similar to the previous JSA. Over the years, accessing census data has become increasingly centralized and web-based. However, there remains an important role for a State Data Center Network affiliate in our region. That is, to assist users with search and analysis tools that are regularly updated to access increasingly rich and complex data and to facilitate the access to census hard copy materials, when necessary. This role continues to compliment other TCAG core duties in transportation planning and local assistance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the renewal of the Census Data Center Joint Statistical Agreement and authorization of the Executive Director to execute said agreement with the California Department of Finance is approved.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of April, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

JOINT STATISTICAL AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
AND
THE TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Background:

The State of California participates in a national State Data Center program by entering into an agreement with the United States Bureau of the Census and by maintaining the legislatively-mandated State Data Center (SDC) as the lead agency and official liaison. The SDC is located within the Demographic Research Unit of the California Department of Finance.

The joint objectives of this program are:

- To expand the utility of Census Bureau data for research, administration, planning, and decision-making by the State of California, local governments, the business community, academia, and other interested users.
- To improve access to and extend the use of Census Bureau statistical resources and related products.
- To moderate costs to data users, particularly in obtaining computerized data.
- To provide a feedback mechanism to identify needed improvements in census data products, to facilitate planning, and to identify techniques for assisting users in accessing and using Census Bureau data.

This agreement describes the terms of participation by the Tulare County Association of Governments as an affiliate data center within the California State Data Center Network.

Responsibilities of the Tulare County Association of Governments:

The Tulare County Association of Governments will provide the following services to Tulare County:

1. Provide staff to support the functions of the SDC program. Primary functions include responding to all inquiries (telephone, mail, e-mail, as well as in person) and providing technical assistance and data consultation.
2. Maintain a publicly-accessible online or physical collection of Census Bureau data and information.
3. Utilize Census Bureau's online resources and publications to access census data to respond to user inquiries.
4. Refer inquiries to other SDC Network participants when appropriate.
5. Notify the SDC Network of census workshops that could benefit other SDC network members.
6. Attend one SDC Network meeting each year as staffing and budget permits.
7. Actively participate in the census and survey operations with the SDC and the Los Angeles Regional Office of the Census Bureau. This includes informing the public about the decennial census, the economic census, the American Community Survey, and other Census Bureau surveys.
8. Provide feedback to the SDC on Census Bureau data products content and format. Communicate data needs of local users.
9. Complete an annual questionnaire to report census-related activities during the prior calendar year to the SDC.
10. Maintain an e-mail address and Internet web access.
11. The following Council of Governments (Association of Bay Area Governments, Sacramento Area Council of Governments, San Diego Association of Governments and Southern California Association of Governments) act as Regional Data Centers (RDC) within the California SDC Network. Affiliates who are members of these organizations are encouraged to develop a working relationship with the Regional Data Center (RDC) in their area. Electronic data files and other products should be acquired from the appropriate RDC.

These are the minimum requirements for participation. Any additional activities related to the SDC program must be consistent with the purposes of the program.

Responsibilities of the California Department of Finance:

The California State Data Center within the Demographic Research Unit of the California Department of Finance will provide the following services to the Tulare County Association of Governments:

1. Enter into formal agreements with the Census Bureau and each SDC Network participating organization for the purpose of directing the SDC program within California.
2. Provide appropriate staff support for the SDC program.
3. Provide training, data consultation, and technical assistance to the SDC Network.
4. Distribute data products provided by the Census Bureau.
5. Maintain an up-to-date computer file inventory of Census Bureau data.
6. Coordinate and develop a statewide workshop program with the Los Angeles Regional Office of the Census Bureau involving the participation of the affiliate data centers.
7. Inform SDC Network of national activities, new products, workshops and other related events through annual meetings, newsletters, e-mail messages, telephone calls and special mailings.
8. Coordinate all decennial census and survey operations and encourage the active involvement of the affiliate data centers.
9. Utilize the Department of Finance website to provide custom tabulations and links to census products and programs.
10. Host and coordinate the annual SDC Network meeting.
11. Provide customized programming and product development on a cost-reimbursable basis, if appropriate.

Costs:

The parties agree that no funds will be transferred between the parties pursuant to this agreement. It is expected that each party shall provide the necessary resources (budget permitting) to carry out all the activities associated with participation in the SDC program.

The period of performance is January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024. Either party may cancel the agreement by giving written notice to the other party not less than 30 days prior to the proposed cancellation date. This agreement may be amended at any time by mutual written consent of the parties.

This agreement becomes effective on the date signed by all parties.

This agreement may be executed in numerous counterparts, all of which shall be considered one and the same agreement. For purposes of this agreement, facsimile or electronic signatures shall be considered original signatures.

State of California
Department of Finance
Demographic Research Unit

BY: Walter Schwarm

(Signature)

Chief, Demographic Research Unit

(Title)

(Date)

Tulare County Association of Governments

By:

(Type or print)

(Signature)

(Title)

(Date)

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AGENDA ITEM VII-D

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Leslie Davis, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 10 to the FY 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP)

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.10 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to allow TCAG to deliver services as requested by its member agencies. This amendment incorporates adjustments to FHWA PL and FTA 5303 as requested by Caltrans based on the Final Fiscal Year allocations.

1. Increase Work Element No. 601.04, Office Expense/Fixed Assets, to include additional due for the EV Charging Station in the amount of \$9,000.
2. Redistribution, from Work Element No. 601.06, OWP & Budget, to Work Element No. 602.01, Regional Transportation Plan in the amount of \$75,000 to spend down the PL funding allocation.
3. Reduce Work Element No. 602.02, Traffic Forecasting/Model Development, in the amount of \$58,122 due to reduced final allocations.
4. Reduce Work Element No. 602.04 Transit Planning and Coordination, in the amount of \$8,335 due to reduced final allocations.
5. Redistribution from Work Element No. 602.07, Special Transportation Project Studies (non-fed) to Work Element No. 825.01, TCRTA the amount of \$100,000 committed from TCAG to assist with the implementation of the Tulare County Regional Transit Authority.
6. Increase Work Element No. 670.10, Regional Housing, in the amount of \$483,145 to reflect the REAP funding allocation.
7. Decrease Work Element No. 680.03, 2020 Census complete County Outreach, in the amount of \$29,864 to reflect the remaining amount received for the FY 20/21.
8. Increase Work Element No. 825.01, TCRTA in the amount of \$159,433 to record the approved budget for the remainder of the FY 20/21 and pledged funding from TCTA toward implementation of the Tulare County Regional Transit Authority.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends the approval of Amendment No. 10 to the OWP.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase to budget is offset by REAP funding, Measure R and TCAG reserves.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution approving FY 2020/2021 OWP Amendment No. 10
2. OWP summary documents as affected by Approval

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

In the matter of:

APPROVING FY 2020/2021 OVERALL WORK)
PLAN (OWP) AMENDMENT NO. 10)

Resolution No. 2021-XXX

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. 10 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to allow TCAG to deliver services as requested by its member agencies; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 10 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase Work Element No. 601.04, Office Expense/Fixed Assets, to include additional due for the EV Charging Station in the amount of \$9,000; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 10 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to redistribute, from Work Element No. 601.06, OWP & Budget, to Work Element No. 602.01, Regional Transportation Plan in the amount of \$75,000 to spend down the PL funding allocation; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 10 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to reduce Work Element No. 602.02, Traffic Forecasting/Model Development, in the amount of \$58,122 due to reduced final allocations; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 10 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to reduce Work Element No. 602.04 Transit Planning and Coordination, in the amount of \$8,335 due to reduced final allocations; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 10 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to redistribute from Work Element No. 602.07, Special Transportation Project Studies (non-fed) to Work Element No. 825.01, TCRTA the amount of \$100,000 committed from TCAG to assist with the implementation of the Tulare County Regional Transit Authority; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 10 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase Work Element No. 670.10, Regional Housing, in the amount of \$483,145 to reflect the REAP funding allocation; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 10 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to decrease Work Element No. 680.03, 2020 Census complete County Outreach, in the amount of \$29,864 to reflect the remaining amount received for the FY 20/21; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 10 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase Work Element No. 825.01, TCRTA in the amount of \$159,433 to record the approved budget for the remainder of the FY 20/21 and pledged funding from TCTA toward implementation of the Tulare County Regional Transit Authority.

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. 10.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of April ,2021 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

2020/2021 Overall Work Program

SUMMARY

REVENUES	DOLLARS	EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
Member Dues (191,500)	191,500	TCAG Staff	2,315,626	236
Local Contribution 1,116,090	1,116,090	City of Dinuba	129,708	
TDA	282,000	City of Exeter	57,591	
FHWA PL (carryover)	164,439	City of Farmersville	33,127	
FHWA PL	960,396	City of Lindsay	33,127	
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	26,662	City of Porterville	33,127	
FTA Section 5303	164,450	City of Tulare	33,627	
FTA Section 5304	105,416	City of Visalia	73,627	
FTA Section 5305		City of Woodlake	33,127	
DMV	3,000	County of Tulare	375,313	
City of Dinuba		Insurance	6,246	
City of Exeter		Memberships	13,830	
City of Farmersville		Office Expense	28,656	
City of Lindsay		Consultant	788,539	
City of Porterville		Publications/ Legal Notice/Dues	9,705	
City of Tulare		Training	15,650	
City of Visalia	13,658	Transportation and Travel	60,220	
City of Woodlake		Print Services	22,859	
County of Tulare	9,994	County Counsel	22,000	
Measure R	532,912	Auditor	2,500	
LAFCO	255,500	Motorpool		
TCAG Reserves	289,777	Rent	162,447	
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	707,005	Special Dept Expense	1,186,008	
Other Grants (Census & Reap)	552,281	Dues/Subscriptions	6,500	
TCRTA	93,419	Utilities	17,339	
		Office Equipment	8,000	
Total Revenues	5,468,499	Total Expenditures	5,468,499	236.3
Toll Credits(5303) (Not Revenues)	21,921			
Toll Credits(PL) (Not Revenues)	129,019			

* FHWA PL Funding

Carryover
Current Year funding:
Total Funding

\$164,439
\$992,518
\$1,156,957

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	TCRTA	Oth Funding and Grants	TOTAL	FHWA PL Toll Credits	FTA 5303 Toll Credits
601.01 TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION			262,000														262,000		
601.02 TCAG ADMINISTRATION		217,430															217,430		
601.04 OFFICE EXPENSES/FIXED ASSETS	27,366	491,273															518,639		
601.06 OWP & BUDGET				25,000	11,000												36,000	4,129	
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				14,029	187,887												201,916	23,160	
602.02 TRAFFIC FORECASTING/MODEL DEVELOPMENT				3,597	225,681												229,278	26,298	
602.03 REGIONAL BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN PLANNING					51,830		72,785										124,615	5,945	8,348
602.04 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION					43,000	26,662	91,665										161,327	4,932	13,572
602.04-0045 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION-City of Tulare 2020 SRTP								105,416				13,658					119,074		
602.06 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES	56,580				1,000												57,580	115	
602.07 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES NON FEDERAL	85,895		20,000									9,994					115,889		
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			97,764												99,179	11,214	
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																523,145	523,145		
680.02 FILM PROMOTION	50,000																50,000		
680.03 CENSUS PROJECT																29,136	29,136		
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		
825.01 TCRTA	100,000												159,433		93,419		352,852		
TOTALS	\$481,277	\$1,116,090	\$282,000	\$164,439	\$960,396	\$26,662	\$164,450	\$105,416		\$707,005	\$3,000	\$23,652	\$532,912	\$255,500	\$93,419	\$552,281	\$5,468,499	\$129,019	\$21,921

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	125,660										136,340		262,000
601.02 TCAG ADMINISTRATION	125,000										33,000	59,430	217,430
601.04 OFFICE EXPENSES/FIXED ASSETS										270,254		248,385	518,639
601.06 OWP & BUDGET	35,000											1,000	36,000
601.08 ADVOCACY	69,000										105,000	42,100	216,100
601.09 PERFORMANCE MEASURES	12,000												12,000
602.01 REGIONAL TRANSP. PLAN	121,916											80,000	201,916
602.02 TRAFFIC FORECASTING/MODEL DEVELOPMENT	177,878										35,000	16,400	229,278
602.03 REGIONAL BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN PLANNING	106,615											18,000	124,615
602.04 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION	81,315											80,012	161,327
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	56,580											57,580
602.07 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES NON FED	29,994		24,463					40,000		21,432			115,889
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	4,874										19,645		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 TRANSPORATION 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	50,179										36,000	13,000	99,179
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	106,457	33,128	33,128	33,127	33,127	33,127	33,127	33,127	33,127	33,127		118,543	523,145
680.02 FILM PROMOTION										50,000			50,000
680.03 CENSUS PROJECT	9,000											20,136	29,136
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
825.01 TCRTA	202,227											150,625	352,852
TOTALS	\$2,434,434	\$129,708	\$57,591	\$33,127	\$33,127	\$33,127	\$33,627	\$73,627	\$33,127	\$375,313	\$688,539	\$1,543,152	\$5,468,499

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							262,000											262,000
601.02 TCAG ADMINISTRATION				184,430		33,000												217,430
601.04 OFFICE EXPENSES/FIXED ASSETS	27,366			221,019	270,254													518,639
601.06 OWP & BUDGET									35,000		1,000							36,000
601.08 ADVOCACY	111,100	29,400				75,600												216,100
601.09 PERFORMANCE MEASURES									12,000									12,000
602.01 REGIONAL TRANSP. PLAN									201,916									201,916
602.02 TRAFFIC FORECASTING/MODEL DEVELOPMENT									194,278		35,000							229,278
602.03 REGIONAL BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN PLANNING									51,830			72,785						124,615
602.04 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION									43,000			118,327						161,327
602.04-0045 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION-City of Tulare SRTP												105,416				9,200	4,458	119,074
602.06 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES	56,580								1,000									57,580
602.07 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES NON FEDERAL	85,895						20,000									9,994		115,889
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				2,812											21,707			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 UPDATEFY 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					61,764		36,000							99,179
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																523,145		523,145
680.02 FILM PROMOTION		50,000																50,000
680.03 CENSUS PROJECT																29,136		29,136
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
825.01 TCRAT	100,000															252,852		352,852
SUBTOTALS	401,877	79,400	3,000	719,612	270,254	126,224	282,000	0	1,027,835	0	97,000	191,112	105,416	293,633	413,372	1,392,806	64,958	5,468,499
TOTALS	481,277		3,000	1,116,090			282,000		1,124,835			296,528		707,005		1,457,764		5,468,499

W. E. 602.01 Regional Transportation Plan

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	
TDA	
FHWA PL (carryover)	14,029
FHWA PL	187,887
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	201,916
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	23,160

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	121,916	13.0
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	5,000	
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent		
Special Dept Expense	75,000	
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	201,916	13.0

W.E. 602.02 Traffic Forecasting/Model Development

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	
TDA	
FHWA PL (carryover)	3,597
FHWA PL	225,681
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	229,278
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	26,298

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	177,878	19.0
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	35,000	
Publications and Legal Notice		
Training	5,400	
Transportation and Travel	1,500	
Print Services		
County Counsel		
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent		
Special Dept Expense		
Dues/Subscriptions/Licenses	4,500	
Utilities		
Office Equipment	5,000	
Total Expenditures	229,278	19.0

Consultant

\$35,000 Traffic Modeling Assistance

Training

1 State APA \$500

3 ESRI \$4,500

Misc Training \$400

Transportation/Travel

1 State APA \$1,000

Misc Training \$500

Special Dept Expense

\$10,000 GIS services (special projects)

Dues/Subscriptons/Licenses

TCAG Share Enterprise license for Cube software \$4,500

Office Equipment

Upgrades to modeling workstations

W.E. 602.04 Transit Planning and Coordination

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contributions	
TDA	
FHWA PL (carryover)	
FHWA PL	43,000
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	26,662
FTA Section 5303	91,665
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	161,327
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	13,572
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	4,932

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	81,315	8.7
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	1,650	
Transportation and Travel	1,700	
Print Services	5,000	
County Counsel		
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent		
Special Dept Expense	71,662	
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	161,327	8.7

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. 602.07 Special Transportation Project Studies (Non-Federal)

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	
TDA	20,000
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	9,994
Measure R	
LAFCO	
TCAG Reserves	85,895
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	
Other Grants	
Total Revenues	115,889
Toll Credits(5303) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL) (Not Revenues)	

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	29,994	3.2
City of Dinuba		
City of Exeter	24,463	
City of Farmersville		
City of Lindsay		
City of Porterville		
City of Tulare		
City of Visalia	40,000	
City of Woodlake		
County of Tulare	21,432	
Insurance		
Memberships		
Office Expense		
Consultant		
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	115,889	3.2

County of Tulare

County of Tulare Matheny Tract TCC

Special Dept Exp

Tulare County Regional Transit Agency Implementation moved to 825.01

City of Exeter

Local match for Complete Streets and ADA Compliance & Active Transportation Safety Enhancement Plan, awarded grant

County of Tulare

Complete Streets study final payment

City of Visalia

Traffic Circulation and Parking Congestion Study

W.E. 670.10 Regional Housing

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	
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	
Other Grants (REAP)	523,145
Total Revenues	523,145
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	106,457	11.3
City of Dinuba	33,128	
City of Exeter	33,128	
City of Farmersville	33,127	
City of Lindsay	33,127	
City of Porterville	33,127	
City of Tulare	33,127	
City of Visalia	33,127	
City of Woodlake	33,127	
County of Tulare	33,127	
Insurance		
Memberships		
Office Expense		
Consultant		
Publications and Legal Notice		
Training		
Transportation and Travel		
Print Services		
County Counsel		
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent		
Special Dept Expense	118,543	
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	523,145	11.3

This work element is currently being proposed by the State to pay for RHNA process. These Costs will be adjusted to reflect that when finalized.

W.E. 680.03 Census Project

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	
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	
Other Grants, Census	29,136
Total Revenues	29,136
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	9,000	1.0
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	20,136	
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	29,136	1.0
		1.0

W.E. 825.01 TCRTA

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	
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	159,433
LAFCO	
TCAG Reserves	100,000
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	
Other Grants	
TCRTA	93,419
Total Revenues	352,852
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	83,419	8.9
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	746	
Memberships		
Office Expense	6,156	
Consultant	100,000	
Publications and Legal Notice	9,005	
Training		
Transportation and Travel		
Print Services		
County Counsel		
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent	1,562	
Special Dept Expense	150,625	
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities	1,339	
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	352,852	8.9

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Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM VIII-A

April 19, 2021

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 the Politico Group.

DISCUSSION:

Federal awarding of a federal grant for the Commercial Interchange on SR 99 was the capstone achievement of legislative efforts in 2020. TCAG is analyzing our legislative platform for opportunities and strategies to build our state and federal partnerships and find solutions to our needs. TCAG will be involved in any discussions regarding a federal transportation bill and continue to seek policies and funding that is favorable to our projects, especially those serving disadvantaged communities. Tentative One Voice trips include:

Spring 2021 – Online discussions with federal partners

Fall 2021 – Tentative Plans for an in-person trip in Washington D.C.

TCAG Staff continues work with Government relations firm on critical issues such as 99 funding, policy changes, and other project funding.

Attached is a copy of the Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure for your use and review. A discussion on its impact to projects in the Tulare County Region will be conducted at the Board Meeting, as well as other legislative matters.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. CAPTI Stakeholder Presentation
2. CAPTI Guiding Principles
3. CAPTI Draft Matrix
4. CAPTI State Document

Due to the file size the attachments 1 and 4 are available under separate cover and can be found on the TCAG Website at:

<https://tularecog.org/tcag/about-us/committees/tulare-county-association-of-governments-tulare-county-transportation-authority-tcag-tcta/>

CAPTI Guiding Principles

Within the “fix-it-first” approach and through existing funding frameworks, State of California transportation infrastructure investments should be deployed to do the following, where feasible:

Per EO N-79-20, invest to create new clean transportation options in urban, suburban, and rural settings for all Californians as well as for goods movement by:

- **Building toward an integrated, statewide rail and transit network**, centered around the existing California State Rail Plan that leverages the California Integrated Travel Project to provide seamless, affordable, multimodal travel options in all context, including suburban and rural settings, to all users.
- **Investing in networks of safe and accessible bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure**, particularly by closing gaps on portions of the State Highway System that intersect local active transportation and transit networks or serve as small town or rural main streets, with a focus on investments in low-income and disadvantaged communities throughout the state.
- **Including investments in light, medium, and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) infrastructure** as part of larger transportation projects. Support the innovation in and development of the ZEV market and help ensure ZEVs are accessible to all, particularly to those in more rural or remote communities.

Additionally, per EO N-19-19, invest in ways that encourage further adoption and use of these clean modes of transportation mentioned above by:

- **Strengthening our commitment to social and racial equity by reducing public health and economic harms and maximizing community benefits** to disproportionately impacted disadvantaged communities, low-income communities, tribal communities, and Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) communities, in urbanized and rural regions, and involve these communities early in decision-making. Investments should also avoid placing new or exacerbating existing burdens on these communities, even if unintentional.
- **Making safety improvements to reduce fatalities and severe injuries of all users towards zero** on our roadways, railways and transit systems by focusing on context-appropriate speeds, prioritizing vulnerable user safety to support mode shift, designing roadways to accommodate for potential human error and injury tolerances, and ultimately implementing a safe systems approach.
- **Assessing physical climate risk** as standard practice for transportation infrastructure projects to enable informed decision-making, especially in communities that are most vulnerable to climate-related health and safety risks.
- **Promoting projects that do not increase passenger vehicle travel**, particularly in congested urbanized settings where other mobility options can be provided and where projects are shown to induce significant auto travel. These projects should generally aim to reduce VMT and not induce significant VMT growth. When addressing congestion, consider alternatives to highway capacity expansion, such as providing multimodal options in the corridor, employing pricing strategies, and using technology to optimize operations.

- **Promoting compact infill development while protecting residents and businesses from displacement** by funding transportation projects that support housing for low-income residents near job centers, provide walkable communities, and address affordability to reduce the housing-transportation cost burden and auto trips.
- **Developing a zero-emission freight transportation system** that avoids and mitigates environmental justice impacts, reduces criteria and toxic air pollutants, improves freight's economic competitiveness and efficiency, and integrates multimodal design and planning into infrastructure development on freight corridors.
- **Protecting natural and working lands** from conversion to more intensified uses and enhance biodiversity by supporting local and regional conservation planning that focuses development where it already exists and align transportation investments with conservation priorities to reduce transportation's impact on the natural environment.

CAPTI Implementation Strategies & Actions Matrix

Note: All actions related to the CTC are recommendations that would be introduced into the appropriate CTC program guidelines development process for consideration.

S1. Cultivate and Accelerate Sustainable Transportation Innovation by Leading with State Investments These actions are intended to find opportunities where the State can begin to clearly signal its commitment to funding innovative, sustainable transportation projects, while being mindful of commitments to projects that are well underway.		
	Action	Description
S1.1	Prioritize Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) Projects to Enable Travelers to Opt Out of Congestion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SCCP priorities and criteria will be updated to focus on projects that reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT), such as investments in transit, rail, active transportation, or highway solutions that improve transit travel times and reliability.
S1.2	Promote Innovative Sustainable Transportation Solutions in SCCP by Requiring Multimodal Corridor Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pursue requirement that all projects be a part of a multimodal corridor plan consistent with the CTC's Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan Guidelines.
S1.3	Fast Track New CAPTI-Aligned Projects in Early Planning Phases by Adding Them to The Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New ITIP projects that are in alignment with the ITSP and CAPTI will be added with a portion of future funding capacity.• This will be done in collaboration with local and regional partners and be in addition to continued funding for existing ITIP projects and commitments.
S1.4	Mainstream Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Investments within TCEP	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prioritize projects that improve the movement of freight and reduce emissions by creating or improving zero emissions infrastructure either within the project itself or within the larger trade corridor.

S2. Support a Robust Economic Recovery by Revitalizing Transit, Supporting ZEV Deployment, and Expanding Active Transportation Investments

Following the devastating impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on transit, these actions seek to enable transit's recovery and revitalize the transit system, including the deployment of ZEV transit fleets, which will ultimately be critical to our success in combatting the climate crisis. These actions also intend to expand State investments in active transportation infrastructure, the demand for which has significantly increased in many communities throughout California during the pandemic.

	Action	Description
S2.1	Implement the California Integrated Travel Program (Cal-ITP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update TIRCP Guidelines to support transit providers with implementation of contactless payment and coordination of services via Cal-ITP. • Explore other avenues for incentivizing Cal-ITP adoption, potentially through incentive programs under CARB jurisdiction.
S2.2	Identify A Long-Term Strategic Funding Pathway Across All Funding Opportunities to Realize the State Rail Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead a process to create a strategic investment plan for rail and transit projects statewide for major state funding programs as well as future federal funding opportunities.
S2.3	Accelerate TIRCP Cycles to Support Transit Recovery with Deployment of ZEV Transit/Rail Fleets and Transit/Rail Network Improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a new Clean Fleet and Facilities Network Improvement project category in the TIRCP to provide additional support and funding to transit agencies needing to replace their aging vehicle fleets with ZEVs. • Through this project category, also with agencies to improve network efficiency and integration.
S2.4	Increase Funding to Active Transportation Program (ATP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore the potential for additional funding for the Active Transportation Program from various sources, including federal funding.

S3. Elevate Community Voices in How We Plan and Fund Transportation Projects		
<p>This strategy aims to create more transparent transportation planning processes, while also coordinating across state agencies to develop standards and practices for meaningful engagement and provision of technical assistance resources to those most impacted by projects, including disadvantaged communities, low-income communities, tribal communities, and Black, Indigenous, and Communities of Color (BIPOC).</p>		
	Action	Description
S3.1	Establish Transportation Equity and Environmental Justice Advisory Committee(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create advisory committee(s) focused on transportation equity and environmental justice issues stemming from transportation planning and programming. • The goal is to develop committee(s) that would provide input into transportation planning and programming to relevant state transportation decision-making bodies, such as CalSTA, the CTC, and Caltrans.
S3.2	Strengthen and Expand Coordinated, Targeted Technical Assistance on State Transportation Funding Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caltrans will expand its technical assistance efforts to help state and local agencies improve their capabilities and develop the partnerships needed to better engage CBO's in public outreach efforts. • CTC will provide ongoing technical assistance to applicants on requirements for funding programs, as well as explore structures for ad hoc in-house TA for program applicants.
S3.3	Lift Up and Mainstream Community Engagement Best Practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caltrans will develop tools and partnerships to elevate its efforts to conduct meaningful community engagement. • CTC will host workshops to identify best practices for meaningful community engagement for inclusion in program guidelines.
S3.4	Develop and Utilize Equity Index to Assist in Evaluation or Prioritization of Caltrans Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify metrics and indicators to account for equity-based outcomes for inclusion in the Index tool

S4. Advance State Transportation Leadership on Climate and Equity through Improved Planning & Project Partnerships

These actions outline Caltrans' commitment to change the types of projects it will fund, nominate, and sponsor, as well as how it analyzes project benefits and impacts. This fundamental shift will advance critical climate considerations in transportation, while also working towards eliminating inequities in the transportation system. These actions intend to align the department's planning efforts with the CAPTI Investment Framework, while lifting up regions in the state with fewer resources.

	Action	Description
S4.1	Develop and Implement the California Strategic Investment Strategy (CSIS) to Align Caltrans Project Nominations in with the CAPTI Investment Framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caltrans will develop and implement a new, data- and performance-driven approach in the CSIS to align project nominations with the CAPTI Investment Framework.
S4.2	Align Interregional Transportation Strategic Plan 2021 (ITSP) with CAPTI Investment Framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 2021 ITSP will be updated to integrate CAPTI and the Administration's Regions Rise Together effort.
S4.3	Update the 2023 State Highway System Management Plan (SHSMP) and to Meaningfully Advance CAPTI Investment Framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 2023 SHSMP will be updated to integrate and advance the guiding principles of the CAPTI Investment Framework, ultimately aimed at informing the SHOPP. The update will include the following approaches or considerations: active transportation, climate resiliency, nature-based solutions, greenhouse gas emission reduction, and climate smart decision-making.
S4.4	Re-focus Caltrans Corridor Planning Efforts to Prioritize Sustainable Multimodal Investments in Key Corridors of Statewide and Regional Significance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prioritize sustainable multimodal investments and solutions in the corridor planning process; concentrating corridor planning efforts on those of statewide and regional significance Supporting the development of innovative safety solutions based on the safe systems approach that advance sustainable transportation modes, particularly for rural communities.
S4.5	Develop and Implement Caltrans Climate Action Plan (CCAP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and implement a departmental Climate Action Plan (CCAP) aligned with CAPTI to establish baseline and reduction targets for GHG emissions and VMT
S4.6	Incorporate Zero-Emission Freight Infrastructure Needs in California Freight Mobility Plan (CFMP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update the CFMP and project list to incorporate zero-emission freight infrastructure needs

S5. Support Climate Resilience through Transportation System Improvements and Protections for Natural and Working Lands

Impacts from climate change have the potential to restrict or impede travel in the state and have huge monetary implications for the state's fix-it-first approach. This strategy's actions will incorporate climate risk assessment as a standard practice in the transportation project development process in order to proactively work toward creating a more resilient transportation system.

	Action	Description
S5.1	Develop Climate Risk Assessment Planning and Implementation Guidance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Governor's Office of Planning & Research (OPR) will update the Climate Risk Assessment Guidance.• Caltrans will collaborate with OPR to incorporate the updated guidance into Caltrans planning and project delivery processes.
S5.2	Update SHOPP and SB 1 Competitive Program Guidelines to Incentivize Climate Adaptation and Climate Risk Assessments/Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Following the completion of the OPR/Caltrans Climate Risk Assessment Planning and Implementation Guidance, CalSTA and CTC will evaluate the guidance and pursue inclusion in SHOPP, TIRCP, and SB 1 Competitive Program Guidelines.
S5.3	Explore Incentivizing Land Conservation through Transportation Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The CTC will evaluate the Interagency Natural and Working Lands Climate Smart Strategy for discussion in the public guideline's development process and for potential inclusion in the next scheduled updates to the Regional Transportation Plan and SB 1 Competitive Program guidelines.

S6.1 Support Local and Regional Innovation to Advance Sustainable Mobility

To address the various challenges and barriers to the implementation of Sustainable Community Strategies, this strategy identifies key actions to support the implementation of regional and local planning efforts that align with the framework, with a focus on finding a pathway to implementation for roadway pricing efforts and SB 743 VMT mitigation.

	Action	Description
S6.1	Explore New Mechanisms to Mitigate Increases in Vehicle Miles Travelled (VMT) from Transportation Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CalSTA and Caltrans will work with local and regional transportation agencies to develop new mechanisms—such as mitigation banks—for viable VMT mitigation options for highway capacity projects, particularly with equity and land conservation in mind.• Caltrans will evaluate different models for GHG/VMT mitigation, such as exploring the potential expansion of the Advanced Mitigation Program.
S6.2	Convene an Equitable Roadway Pricing Working Group to Identify Implementation Pathways for Local and Regional Efforts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Convene a working group consisting of other state agencies as well as local and regional partners to identify and provide recommendations for equitable roadway pricing implementation pathways for strategies identified in regional RTP/SCSs that reduce VMT and promote multimodal transportation options.
S6.3	Develop Interagency Framework for Project Evaluation Around Advancing Sustainable Communities Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop a framework to assess transportation projects and determine if they advance the SCS, align with the objectives of the CARB Climate Change Scoping Plan, and advance equity.

S7. Strengthen Transportation-Land Use Connections <p>In order to simultaneously address California's housing crisis while reducing VMT, these actions seek to ensure that transportation programming dollars help incentivize smart housing and conservation policies and decisions, while also supporting the creation of infill development.</p>		
	Action	Description
S7.1	Leverage Transportation Investments to Incentivize Infill Housing Production	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore and identify opportunities in transportation funding programs to incentivize pro-infill housing policies, expanding upon recent successes of programs such as AHSC.
S7.2	Create a Working Group to Explore Potential Action to Address Direct and Indirect Displacement in Transportation Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This interagency working group will explore potential statutory changes to enable transportation programs to incentivize anti-displacement strategies within their funding frameworks.
S7.3	Explore a “Highways to Boulevards” Conversion Pilot Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore pathways for the creation of a new pilot program that intends to address community barriers and divisions made by transportation projects that have amplified racial inequalities by replacing underutilized sections of the state highway system with boulevards that unlock new land for housing development and revitalization. Build off existing planning work at local and regional levels to identify key projects under development that could benefit from additional resources.

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AGENDA ITEM VIII-B

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Benjamin A. Kimball, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve Amendment to Contract with Politico Group for State Lobbying Services

BACKGROUND:

The Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) works with the Politico Group on a number of statewide lobbying efforts that include working with state partners on legislation, policy, program guidelines, and project funding.

TCAG, Madera CTC and Merced COG have initiated an effort to bring more attention to State Route 99 and encourage the state to help complete the widening project that began years ago. The effort will be known as the "Finish the 99." It should be noted that Tulare County has the longest gap in the system that has not been completed. In order to do the work, the coalition has requested to use the services of the Politico Group under the TCAG contract. This requires an amendment to the contract to include the additional scope of work.

DISCUSSION:

Partner Kiana Valentine would be the primary personnel assigned to the SR 99 Special Project and brings extensive and directly relevant policy, coalition building, and advocacy expertise. During her career working on transportation, housing, land use, and climate change matters, she has built and lead numerous coalition efforts ranging in size from a small group of local government organizations advocating on specific bill to large coalitions such as the Fix Our Roads Coalition that advocated for, and helped negotiate, the successful passage of SB 1. Her experience, expertise, and strong relationships will help deliver positive results on the SR 99 Special Project.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

1. Build a broad-based coalition in support of the SR 99: Finished What We Started effort, including outreach to potential partners and organization of coalition meetings and activities.
2. Develop and execute a strategic advocacy strategy to build support within the Legislature, Administration, and Executive Branch.
3. Coordinate and schedule meetings on behalf of the coalition, including meetings with legislators, the California State Transportation Agency, California Transportation Commission, and other strategic targets.
4. Develop collateral materials, provide input and feedback into the development

of a SR 99 Special Project public affairs effort, and other support as necessary to ensure cohesive strategy and messaging.

RETAINER

A retainer of \$10,000 per year for the SR 99 Special Project, including the aforementioned scope of services, for work completed through December 31, 2021. An additional year is anticipated. TCAG Staff will evaluate the need and costs for a second year when the time comes.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Adopt a resolution approving the proposed change in project scope and cost.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Costs for the work will be paid from TCAG. Madera CTC and Merced COG have verbally agreed to financially support the effort as well. No additional costs will be added to the 2021/22 Overall Work Program (OWP).

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution to approve a change in project scope and cost.

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

In the matter of:

AMENDING CONTRACT FOR THE POLITICO)	
GROUP TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL VALLEY-WIDE)	Resolution No.
ADVOCACY FOR STATE ROUTE 99)	

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) agreed to retain the services of the Politico Group to provide lobbying services; and

WHEREAS, the San Joaquin Valley Policy Council has requested to add to the contract to include additional valley-wide advocacy for State Route 99.

WHEREAS, the San Joaquin Valley Policy Council will provide the necessary funding for the additional scope of work; and

WHEREAS, the TCAG Board of Governors seeks to increase state awareness of the issues on State Route 99 and make improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the TCAG Board of Governors Chairman is hereby authorized to amend the contract with the Politico Group to include:

SCOPE OF SERVICES

1. Build a broad-based coalition in support of the SR 99: Finished What We Started effort, including outreach to potential partners and organization of coalition meetings and activities.
2. Develop and execute a strategic advocacy strategy to build support within the Legislature, Administration, and Executive Branch.
3. Coordinate and schedule meetings on behalf of the coalition, including meetings with legislators, the California State Transportation Agency, California Transportation Commission, and other strategic targets.
4. Develop collateral materials, provide input and feedback into the development of a SR 99 Special Project public affairs effort, and other support as necessary to ensure cohesive strategy and messaging.

RETAINER

A retainer of \$10,000 for the SR 99 Special Project, including the aforementioned scope of services, for work completed through December 31, 2021.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of April, 2021 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-G

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Elizabeth Forte, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Appoint Member to San Joaquin Valley Rail Committee (SJVRC)

BACKGROUND:

The Intercity Passenger Rail Act of 2012 reauthorized regional government agencies' ability to form the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (SJJPA) to take over the management of the existing San Joaquin intercity passenger rail service between Bakersfield-Fresno-Modesto-Stockton-Sacramento-Oakland.

On June 29, 2015, Caltrans and the California State Transportation Agency signed an agreement with the SJJPA which authorized more localized management and governance of the San Joaquin intercity passenger service, one of the busiest Amtrak services in the nation. TCAG is a member of the SJJPA.

DISCUSSION:

The SJJPA is the Governing Board that manages the Amtrak San Joaquin's service. The San Joaquin Valley Rail Committee (SJVRC) can be described as a technical advisory committee to the SJJPA. The stated purpose of the committee is to "discuss and formulate plans, suggestions, and ideas for changes and improvements to passenger train service in the San Joaquin Rail Corridor to pass on to the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority."

TCAG is allocated two representatives on the SJVRC, and one alternate. Representatives must be a resident of the county but cannot be an elected official or employees of the SJJPA member agencies (TCAG). The committee meets approximately twice per year.

Currently, TCAG Board member Tyrone Holscher is an appointed member to the SJVRC, and Walter Stammer, Jr. is the alternate. There is currently one opening for an additional member. The appointee does not have to be a member of the TCAG Board. This item will be presented each month until filled.

RECOMMENDATION:

Appoint a representative to the SJVRC.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

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AGENDA ITEM VIII-H

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Steven Ingoldsby, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approving the Distribution Funding from the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Grant Program

BACKGROUND:

As part of the California State 2019-20 Budget Act, \$250 million was allocated for all regions, cities and counties for planning activities that accelerate housing production. Within this allocation, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) established the Regional Early Action Planning Grant Program (REAP) with \$125 million set for regions. REAP provides one-time grant funding to regional governments and regional entities for planning activities that will accelerate housing production and facilitate compliance in implementing the sixth cycle of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA).

The Budget Act also created a planning grant program specifically for cities and counties called the Local Early Action Planning Grants (LEAP) that is like the SB2 Planning Grants Program. These are noncompetitive funds that would go directly to the cities or County without TCAG involvement.

DISCUSSION:

LEAP Funding: The Local Action Planning Grants (LEAP), provides over-the-counter grants complemented with technical assistance to local governments for the preparation and adoption of planning documents, and process improvements that:

1. Accelerate housing production
2. Facilitate compliance to implement the sixth-cycle Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA)

All TCAG member agencies applied in time for the LEAP Planning Grants.

REAP Funding:

Of the 125 million set for regions, the San Joaquin Valley received approximately 19 million and is engaging in a number of valley wide efforts. TCAG will likely receive approximately \$1,427,500 directly over multiple applications. Fresno COG is the fiscal agent for the regional effort.

TCAG received \$523,145 in the initial application. TCAG intends to use up to \$225,000 of the REAP funds to complete a variety of planning related housing items. These include the following: Prepare the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) "in

house” which in prior cycles was completed by a consultant. Provide technical assistance to member agencies and other entities for housing grant applications and coordinate efforts with the valley and with state agencies for the planning and provision of housing. These are items that in prior years have been funded by member dues.

TCAG proposes to use the remaining funds to distribute directly to member agencies to help fund their planning related housing efforts. TCAG will allocate these funds by formula to its member agencies by using a base of \$100,000 for each member agency with the remaining funds to be distributed by population.

REAP Agreement

Member agencies may need to enter into an agreement with TCAG for the distribution of funds. The agreement may specify, among other things, the amount of funds granted, timeline for expenditure of funds, and the approved use of funds. Expenditure report dates and other requirements may also be identified in the agreement. Quarterly reports will be submitted to TCAG with detailed invoices for reimbursement.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the proposed distribution of Regional Early Action Planning Grant funds and authorize the Executive Director to enter an agreement with member agencies for the distribution of funds if necessary.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution: Approving the Distribution Funding from the Regional Early Action Planning Grant Program

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

In the matter of:

APPROVING THE DISTRIBUTION OF)	
FUNDING FROM THE REGIONAL EARLY)	Resolution No. 2021-XXX
ACTION PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM)	

WHEREAS, as part of the California State 2019-20 Budget Act, funding was allocated for regions, cities and counties for planning activities that accelerate housing production; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Housing and Community Development established the Regional Early Action Planning Grant Program which provides one-time grant funding to regional governments and regional entities for planning activities that will accelerate housing production and facilitate compliance in implementing the sixth cycle of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Housing and Community Development has made available one hundred twenty-five million dollars in local government planning support grants to regional entities and working groups as outlined by the statute; and

WHEREAS, the San Joaquin Valley Regional Early Action Planning Committee for housing is one of the working groups identified in section 50515.02 (b) of the Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, Fresno COG is the fiscal agent on behalf of the San Joaquin Valley Regional Early Action Planning Committee; and

WHEREAS, Fresno COG and the California Department of Housing and Community Development executed grant funding agreement number 19-REAP-14029; and

WHEREAS under the Memorandum of Understanding between the agencies comprising the San Joaquin Valley Regional Early Action Planning Committee for housing, TCAG will receive a portion of the Regional Early Action Planning Grant Program Funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS:

1. Approves up to \$225,000 of the Regional Early Action Planning Grant Program funds to prepare the Regional Housing Needs Assessment Plan and provide technical assistance and regional planning coordination for the provision of housing.
2. Authorizes the distribution of the remaining Regional Early Action Planning Grant Program funds to its member agencies as follows:

\$100,000 base for each agency with the remaining funds distributed in proportion to population.

3. Authorizes the Executive Director to enter an agreement with member agencies for the distribution of funds if necessary and to require any expenditure and/or performance reports as necessary.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon the motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting on the 19th day of April 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel, III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM VIII-I

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Leslie Davis, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve the FY2021/2022 Overall Work Plan (OWP) for the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG)

BACKGROUND:

TCAG staff has completed the 2021/2022 Draft Overall Work Plan and Budget. The OWP contains work elements with detailed tasks as well as revenues and expenditures anticipated by task for the year. Enclosed (*under separate cover*) is a copy of the draft 2021/2022 OWP.

DISCUSSION:

The total estimated expenditures for FY 2021/2022 are \$5,560,304. Of those expenditures, \$587,379 is Measure R, or LAFCO related and \$175,000 is related to TCRTA. A summary of major work products and highlights for FY 2021/2022 were presented at the March 15, 2021 board meeting.

The written letter from Caltrans, FTA and FHWA was received and reviewed and incorporated into the final draft budget.

The increased budget is due to added work element for the Regional Early Action Planning Grant Program (REAP) funding, increase in the Tulare County Regional Transit Agency (TCRTA) budget and additional Tulare County Information Technology costs included in final draft.

The following summary compares the Draft 2021/2022 and Final 2020/2021 (with amendments) Overall Work Programs (OWP).

Item	20/21 OWP	Draft 21/22 OWP	Difference
Budget (non Measure R, TCRTA & LAFCO)	\$ 4,190,844	\$ 4,797,925	\$ 607,081
Measure R, TCRTA, & Lafco Admin	\$ 722,398	\$ 762,379	\$ 39,981
Total Budget	\$ 4,913,242	\$ 5,560,304	\$ 647,062
Membership Dues	\$ 191,500	\$ 191,500	\$ -
LTF Contributions			\$ -
TDA Admin	\$ 282,000	\$ 282,000	\$ -
TDA Planning	\$ 889,681	\$ 889,681	\$ -
Coordination, Mgmt, & Implementation	\$ 226,409	\$ 226,409	\$ -
Total LTF	\$ 1,398,090	\$ 1,398,090	\$ -
Consultants	\$ 688,539	\$ 833,559	\$ 145,020

Attachment “A” is the proposed Final Budget and Contribution Summary for FY 2021/2022.

The proposed Final OWP is presented for Board approval. Upon Board approval, the OWP will be printed and submitted to Caltrans, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration for final approval.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the proposed FY 2021/2022 Overall Work Plan and authorize Executive Director to make technical adjustments.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The TCAG Overall Work Plan would be increased in the amount of \$647,062, compared to fiscal year 2021/2022. The increases are comprised of Measure R funds, federal funds, REAP and TCRTA funding.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution: Adopting the 2021/2022 Overall Work Program
2. Attachment A: proposed Final Budget and Contribution Summary for Fiscal Year 2021/2022 (Under Separate Cover)

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

In the matter of:

ADOPTION OF THE 2021/2022 OVERALL)
WORK PLAN (OWP) AND BUDGET) Resolution No. 2021-XXX

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments' staff has prepared the 2021/2022 Overall Work Plan (OWP); and

WHEREAS, the 2021/2022 Overall Work Plan describes the tasks to be performed by the Tulare County Association of Governments during Fiscal Year 2021/2022; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Board of the Tulare County Association of Governments has determined to approve the 2021/2022 Overall Work Plan, as amended; and

WHEREAS, 23 CFR 450.334 requires that the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (TCAG) certify each year that the planning process is being conducted in conformance with the applicable requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND DETERMINED that the TCAG Board of Governors does hereby adopt the FY 2021/2022 OWP and Budget in accordance with 23 CFR 450.334 and 450.220, Caltrans and the Tulare County Association of Governments, Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Porterville and Visalia Urbanized Areas hereby certify that the transportation planning process is addressing the major issues in the metropolitan planning area and is being conducted in accordance with all the applicable requirements of:

- I. 23 U.S.C. 134 and 135, 49 U.S.C. 5303 through 5306 and 5323(1); as amended by the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users; and
- II. Sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506 (c) and (d)); and
- III. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Title VI Assurance executed by California under 23 U.S.C. 324 and 29 U.S.C. 794; and
- IV. Section 1101(b) of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (Pub. L. 105-178 112 Stat. 107) regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in the FHWA and FTA funded projects (FR Vol. 64 No. 21, 49 CFR part 26); and

- V. The provision of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-336, 104 Stat. 327, as amended) and the U.S. DOT implementing regulations (49 CFR 27, 37 and 38).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director be authorized to make technical adjustments.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of April, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG

2021/2022 Overall Work Program

SUMMARY

REVENUES	DOLLARS	EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
Member Dues	191,500	TCAG Staff	2,333,041	226
Local Contribution	1,116,090	City of Dinuba	33,128	
TDA	282,000	City of Exeter	57,591	
FHWA PL (carryover)	206,636	City of Farmersville	33,127	
FHWA PL	1,003,790	City of Lindsay	33,127	
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	50,000	City of Porterville	33,127	
FTA Section 5303	188,373	City of Tulare	33,227	
FTA Section 5304	80,000	City of Visalia	73,227	
FTA Section 5305		City of Woodlake	33,127	
DMV	3,000	County of Tulare	358,449	
City of Dinuba		Insurance	5,500	
City of Exeter		Memberships	13,830	
City of Farmersville		Office Expense	22,500	
City of Lindsay		Consultant	833,559	
City of Porterville		Publications/ Legal Notice/Dues	700	
City of Tulare		Training	15,650	
City of Visalia	10,365	Transportation and Travel	60,220	
City of Woodlake		Print Services	18,760	
County of Tulare		County Counsel	32,000	
Measure R	506,879	Auditor	2,500	
LAFCO	255,500	Motorpool		
TCAG Reserves	224,421	Rent	165,708	
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	898,605	Special Dept Expense	1,337,706	
Other Grants	543,145	Dues/Subscriptions	6,500	
TCRTA Need budget		Utilities	16,000	
		Office Equipment	8,000	
Total Revenues	5,560,304	Total Expenditures	5,560,304	225.5
Toll Credits(5303) (Not Revenues)	27,341			
Toll Credits(PL) (Not Revenues)	138,836			

* FHWA PL Funding

Carryover	\$206,636
Current Year funding:	\$1,003,790
Total Funding	\$1,210,426

2020/2021 Overall Work Program

SUMMARY

REVENUES	DOLLARS	EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
Member Dues (191,500)	191,500	TCAG Staff	2,390,626	244
Local Contribution 1,116,090	1,116,090	City of Dinuba	96,580	
TDA	282,000	City of Exeter	24,463	
FHWA PL (carryover)	164,439	City of Farmersville		
FHWA PL	1,018,518	City of Lindsay		
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	26,662	City of Porterville		
FTA Section 5303	172,785	City of Tulare	500	
FTA Section 5304	105,416	City of Visalia	40,500	
FTA Section 5305		City of Woodlake		
DMV	3,000	County of Tulare	342,186	
City of Dinuba		Insurance	5,500	
City of Exeter		Memberships	13,830	
City of Farmersville		Office Expense	22,500	
City of Lindsay		Consultant	688,539	
City of Porterville		Publications/ Legal Notice/Dues	700	
City of Tulare		Training	15,650	
City of Visalia	13,658	Transportation and Travel	60,220	
City of Woodlake		Print Services	22,859	
County of Tulare	9,994	County Counsel	22,000	
Measure R	373,479	Auditor	2,500	
LAFCO	255,500	Motorpool		
TCAG Reserves	320,777	Rent	160,885	
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	707,005	Special Dept Expense	972,704	
Other Grants (Census)	59,000	Dues/Subscriptions	6,500	
TCRTA	93,419	Utilities	16,000	
		Office Equipment	8,000	
Total Revenues	4,913,242	Total Expenditures	4,913,242	244.2
Toll Credits(5303) (Not Revenues)	22,877			
Toll Credits(PL) (Not Revenues)	135,685			

* FHWA PL Funding

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

TCAG/TPA Consultant Contracts for the 2021/2022 Overall Work Program

Work Element	Amount	Description of Work	Consultant	Local	Valley	Undetermined/ Other	DBE Amount	DBE %	TCAG Project Manager
601.01 Transit Administration	\$ 45,000.00	TDA Audits for Cities/County	Brown Armstrong		\$45,000.00 100%				Leslie
601.01 Transit Administration	\$ 56,340.00	Remix Software & Services	Remix		\$56,340.00 100%				Leslie
601.01 Transit Administration	\$ 40,000.00	Transit Coordination Implementation	SBLB		\$40,000.00 100%				Leslie
601.02 TCAG Administration	\$ 33,000.00	Outside Auditor	TBD			\$33,000.00 100%			Ben K
601.08 Advocacy	\$ 57,000.00	Federal Government Relations	TBD		\$57,000.00 100%				Ben K
601.08 Advocacy	\$ 43,000.00	State Consultant	TBD		\$43,000.00 100%				Ben K
601.08 Advocacy	\$ 5,000.00	RTP/AQ	CalCog		\$5,000.00 100%				Ben K
602.02 Traffic Forecasting/Modeling Dev	\$ 35,000.00	Traffic Modeling Assistance	TBD			\$35,000.00 100%			Mark
602.04-0045 Transit Planning & Coord	\$ 83,565.00	Visalai SRTP	TBD			\$83,565.00 100%			Elizabeth
602.10 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant	\$ 311,054.00	Various	TBD			\$311,054.00 100%			Various
605.01 Congestion Management Program	\$ 15,000.00	Traffic Count Data Collection	Quality Traffic Data			\$15,000.00 100%			Mark
700.01 Measure R Administration & Planning	\$ 44,000.00	Audit Services	Brown Armstrong		\$44,000.00 100%				Leslie
700.01 Measure R Administration & Planning	\$ 15,000.00	Financial Services	KNN		\$15,000.00 100%				Leslie
700.01 Measure R Administration & Planning	\$ 1,500.00	Arbitrage Services	BLX		\$1,500.00 100%				Leslie
Totals	\$ 784,459.00			\$ -	\$ 306,840.00 39%	\$ 477,619.00 61%			

Measure R Capital Projects

Work Element	Amount	Description of Work	Consultant	Local	Valley	Other	DBE Amount	DBE %	TCAG Project Manager
700.02 Measure R Santa Fe Trail	\$ 100.00					\$100.00			
Totals	\$ 100.00					\$100.00			

TCAG/TPA Fair Share Contributions & Special Contracts for the 2021/2022 Overall Work Program (Not used for DBE calculations)

Work Element	Amount	Description of Work	Consultant	Comments	TCAG Project Manager
620.01 Valleywide Coordination	\$ 13,000.00	Regional Policy Council Coordination	Fresno COG	Fair Share contribution for Valleywide Coordination and Website Maintenance	Ben K
610.01 Air Quality Planning	\$ 36,000.00	Air Quality Conformity consultation	SJCOG	Fair share contribution to Valley-wide air quality consulting - Firm selected by Valley-COG directors	Elizabeth
Totals	\$ 49,000.00				
	\$ 833,559.00				

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Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM VIII-J

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Ted Smalley, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Appointments of Member and Alternate Member-At-Large for Position No. 3

BACKGROUND:

The TCAG Board is made up of eight city representatives, the five individual Tulare County Board of Supervisors, one public transit provider representative, and three At-large Members. The three At-Large Members and their Alternates are appointed by a majority vote of the 8 city representatives and 5 Tulare County Supervisors present at a TCAG Board meeting.

Individuals are eligible to be At-large members if they are residents of the County and over 18 years of age. At-large Board Members are not appointed based on geographic location in the County. At-large Board Members' terms expire after three-years or upon resignation, whichever comes first. If the position becomes vacant before the three-year term expires, the newly appointed Member will serve for the remainder of the term.

DISCUSSION:

Wanda Ishida served as the Member-at-Large for At-Large position #3. However, she resigned and vacated that At-large seat. At this time, TCAG has vacancies for both the Member and Alternate for At-Large position No. 3, to fill the remainder of the original three-year term. The vacant position notice was posted to the TCAG website on January 25, 2021.

Two applications were received and have been provided as attachments to this staff report.

The following individuals submitted applications:

Pamela K Whitmire (Applying for the Member-at-Large Position)

Julie Allen (Applying for the Alternate Member-at-Large Position)

Pamela K. Whitmire currently serves as an Alternate for Member-at-Large position #2, and if not selected as the Member-at-Large for position #3, will continue to serve as the Alternate for position #2.

<u>YEAR TERM EXPIRES</u>	<u>POSITION NUMBER</u>	<u>APPOINTEE</u>
December 31, 2023	#3	Vacant Member
December 31, 2023	#3	Vacant Alternate

RECOMMENDATION:

Review the applications and appoint one of the two applicants to the Member-at-large and Alternate Member-at-Large positions on the TCAG Board.

ATTACHMENT:

1. Application for Appointment of Pamela K. Whitmire
2. Application for Appointment of Julie Allen
3. Resolution for Appointment of Member-At-Large and Alternate for Position No. 3

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

In the matter of:

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER-AT-LARGE)	
AND THE ALTERNATE MEMBER-AT-)	Resolution No. 2021-XXX
LARGE FOR POSITION NO. 3)	

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments is made up of eight city representatives, Tulare County Board of Supervisors, one public transit provider and three At-Large members; and

WHEREAS, At-Large Board Member terms expire after a three-years. The end of the three year term for each of the At-Large Member falls on a different year for each member and on December 31st, and thus an At-Large Member must be reappointed annually; and

WHEREAS, TCAG Member-At-Large and the Alternate Member-At-Large Position No. 3 terms will expire on December 31, 2023 and the member position has been vacated by Wanda Ishida upon resignation: and

WHEREAS, two applications were submitted for the positions by Pamela K. Whitmire, and Julie Allen.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tulare County Association approves the appointment of _____ as Member At-Large and _____ as Alternate Member-At-Large for Position No. 3 for the term to expire December 31, 2023.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of April, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III
Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley
Executive Director, TCAG



COUNTY OF TULARE
BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES APPLICATION FORM

Name of Applicant: _____
 Home Address _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Supervisorial District No. _____
 Business Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
 Email Address: _____

COMPLETE NAME of Board/Committee/Commission(s) you are interested in serving on as well as the position for which you are qualified (if necessary). If you are applying for Tulare County Mental Health Board, Tulare County Animal Services Advisory Committee or Youth Commission, please note a different application form is required.

List past or present County appointments, as well as any other public service appointments, or elected positions held (please list dates served):

List any other community involvement: _____

Employer/Employment History: _____

What experience or special knowledge can you bring to your area(s) of interest?

Have you spoken with your County Supervisor regarding this position? _____

 Signature

 Date

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors,
 Administration Building,
 2800 W. Burrel Avenue
 Visalia, CA 93291-4582
 Telephone: (559) 636-5000
 FAX: (559) 733-6898

TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

APPLICATION / INFORMATION FORM

List the Board/Commission you are interested in serving on

TCAG - Alternate Public MemberName Julie Allen Address 33311 Globe Dr
Springville, CA 93265Home Phone 559-539-2315 Business Phone 559-288-9411Indicate the Supervisorial District you live in 5

Indicate if you sit on any other Tulare County Boards, Committees, or Commissions

Tulare County LAFCo (Public Member, Act Public Member)
LAFCo representative to SCR/RIP processList any other community involvement Sequoia Riverlands Trust (Sec, Bd of Dir);
Graham Osborn Ditch Co (President); Rotary Club of Porterville (past
president); AAUW-Porterville Branch (past president)Employment Information Retired urban/wildland plannerQualification Long professional experience & community involvement
in land use & resource planning at county & state (CALAFCo)
level. 30+ years land & resource integration - Sequoia National
Forest. Master of City Planning - UCSBReason for Applying I am a forward-looking, active participant in our
community and have been for 20+ years. I believe I will be an even-handed,
informed alternate public member of TCAG, able to contribute to
all that is on TCAG's plate. I believe our community works best when
it works across geographic and administrative boundaries.Signature Julie Allen3-2-21

Date

Please return application to:
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Administration Building,
2800 W. Burrel, Visalia, CA 93291-4582.
(559) 636-5000 * FAX (559) 733-6898

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AGENDA ITEM VIII-K

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Sheela Bhongir, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Preview of Upcoming Los Arroyos 1 Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Grant Application between Self-help Enterprises (SHE), City of Farmersville, Tulare County Regional Transit Agency (TCRTA) and Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG)

BACKGROUND:

The AHSC program is administrated by the Strategic Growth Council and implemented by the Department of Housing and Community Development. Funding for the AHSC Program is providing from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, an account established to receive Cap-and-Trade auction proceeds. The program funds infill projects that reduce Greenhouse Gas (GHG) and Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) through sustainable land use, housing, and transportation practices. The overall vision of the program is to bring together the affordable housing and transportation worlds and further the purposes of AB 32(Chapter 488, Statues of 2006) and SB 375 (Chapter 728, Statues of 2008).

TCAG has partnered with SHE on three successful projects known as the Sequoia Commons 1, Palm Terrace 1 and Sierra Village 1.

PROJECT GOALS:

SHE is currently developing the 54-unit affordable rental community known as Los Arroyos 1. The project also includes a second phase of rental housing which includes an additional 54-units of housing for low-income families and farmworkers. SHE has a desire to expand access to enhanced transportation options for those households. The planned improvements are as follows:

- 1) Approximately 2,105 linear feet of Class IV bike lanes along Farmerville Blvd. leading to the multi-modal hub
- 2) Installation of a quarter mile of sidewalks on Ventura Ave, Freedom Drive and Farmersville Blvd.
- 3) Approximately 3.46-acre multi-modal transit center located north of Front street, west of Farmersville Road and South of the railroad track which will include solar offset as well
- 4) SHE will also coordinate reduced cost transit passes and provide vanpool opportunities in partnership with the California Vanpool Authority
- 5) Increase level of service for Route 9 of Visalia Transit
- 6) Purchase of initial fleet of Micro-Enterprise Vehicles for Joint Point Authority

DISCUSSION:

Last year SHE applied with the same project, however, was not selected for AHSC funding. This year the Los Arroyos 1 project will be submitted with substantial revisions to the GHG calculations and an overall more robust application including transit route enhancements and CalVans partnership. Applicants can apply up to \$30 million in all project area types. In previous years, TCAG has worked with SHE on three successful projects in Goshen, Lindsay and Dinuba. Application is due June 8 and awards to be announced in October. Next month's board meeting will include an MOU for consideration of approval with final project details and responsibilities of the partners working collectively to apply for the Los Arroyos 1 project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

If awarded, the City of Farmersville can gain up to \$30 million to build housing and a multi-modal transit hub.

TCAG staff time is already budgeted to help member agencies obtain grants.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Tulare County Transportation Authority

AGENDA ITEM VIII-L

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Kasia Poleszczuk, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Update on Sustainable Corridors Committees (SCCs) Enhancement Strategies

BACKGROUND:

TCAG Board authorized the formation of four (4) Sustainable Corridor Committees of TCAG for SR 65, 99, 190 and 198 (TCAG-SCCs) at the December 2018 meeting and directed TCAG staff to provide a support to this group. The formation of TCAG - SCCs originated from a common desire of concerned citizens, business leaders and elected officials of Tulare County who wanted to improve the image of major highway corridors in Tulare County. The purpose of each committee is to advise the TCAG Board in all matters pertaining to the enhanced sustainability and beautification of these corridors. Each committee is comprised of agency staff and other stakeholders from the cities and unincorporated communities along corridors in addition to Caltrans. The committees are focused on beautification, landscaping, corridor themes, litter removal and other pertinent corridor issues. In August 2020, the Measure R Expenditure Plan was amended to incorporate the Sustainable Corridors Program with a \$2,000,000 program budget. At November 19, 2020, meeting, staff presented to TCAG Board short-term solutions to enhance visual appeal of the outlined state highways as recommended by the SCCs. These were: corridor screenings, litter removal and "Mighty 190" theme projects. TCAG Board supported the identified projects and authorized staff to develop a multi-year funding program for implementation.

DISCUSSION:

With the formation of SCCs TCAG Board directed staff to outline a list of strategies, as a necessary first step, to enhance visual appeal of the state highways in Tulare County region. The follow is an update on initial strategies developed by the SCCs:

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1. Screening unsightly views - Caltrans has begun designing landscape and irrigation plans to screen first six locations: SR 198 – 1) W. of Rd 152 to Rd 158; SR 99 – 2) "Goshen area" – from N. of SR 198 to Betty Drive; 3) "Pixley area" - from Pixley to Pond Rd., 4) "Teviston area" - NB SR99 near Ave.76 overpass; SR 65 – 5) screenings along SR 65 from Lindsay to Porterville 6);) screenings along SR 190 in Porterville
2. Litter Abatement - In the past months, TCAG in consultation with Caltrans and member agencies, have worked to form a two-year demonstration Measure R Litter Abatement Program (LAP) that could ultimately be adopted and implemented by the TCTA Board. This Program would require a partnership among TCTA, Caltrans District 06 and interested local member agencies. Founded on the principle that litter is a "community problem", a variety of funding

sources (state/regional/local) would be applied to address the situation. To maximize the Caltrans match, the LAP program would be limited to state highways only.

3. Community “Theme” concept - Caltrans has been coordinating with the City of Porterville on designing a theme for the “Mighty 190” corridor. Projects include consistent design features for 152 Rd, Rockford Rd and Westwood roundabouts and 190 signs. TCAG staff will keep both Boards informed of any developments that will occur with these strategies as we move forward.

Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM VIII-M

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Leslie Davis, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Audit Year Ending June 30, 2020

BACKGROUND:

Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) audit was completed for the year ending June 30, 2020 and issued February 26, 2021. The audited financial statements of the governmental activities and the major funds of the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) can be found at <https://tularecog.org/tcag/finance/budgets/> The audit was conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Controller General of the United States.

The TCAG audit by Brown Armstrong Certified Public Accounts did not identify any instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

DISCUSSION:

Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) audit is complete and did not have any material weaknesses or findings for the year-ended June 30, 2020.

Member Agencies: The City of Tulare, City of Lindsay, City of Exeter, City of Farmersville, City of Woodlake, and the City of Visalia TDA audits are completed and did not have any material weaknesses or findings.

Member Agencies: The City of Porterville, City of Dinuba and County of Tulare audits are not completed but are expected to be completed by mid April.

ATTACHMENT:

None

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AGENDA ITEM VIII-N

April 19, 2021

Prepared by Elizabeth Forte, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Regional Transit Coordination Update

BACKGROUND:

TCAG led the effort to help 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) was effective August 11, 2020. Eight member agencies have joined the TCRTA.

DISCUSSION:

The following are highlights of the current activities of the Tulare County Regional Transportation Agency (TCRTA):

1. Applications for the TCRTA Executive Director were due March 17th and interviews will begin in late April.
2. TCRTA agencies have developed a project that will use Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) grant funds to offer free rides for transit riders 18 and younger, 65 and older, and ADA-certified. The grant will also be used to subsidize fares for special events, such as free rides to COVID-19 vaccine appointments and on occasions like Earth Day. It is expected to begin in July 2021.
3. An analysis is underway to evaluate the potential for free fares and to stimulate discussion on different scenarios and possibilities. The draft was underway when this agenda went to print but is scheduled for completion by the end of April.
4. Discussions continue to occur regarding the transfer of operations, administration, funding, and assets from agencies to the TCRTA on a case-by-case basis.
5. Discussion regarding a future microtransit project(s) is underway.

ATTACHMENT:

None

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AGENDA ITEM VIII-O

April 19, 2021

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 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) was 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 was also shifted towards media, social media, and phone outreach as organizations incorporated Census outreach as part of their modified interactions with clients. Census information and promotional items were 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 through mid-October 2020 with local Census messaging included on Univision (KFTV 21 and KTFF 61 television, KOND, KRDA and KLLC 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 was designed to complement the Census Bureau's national and the State Census Office's statewide media campaign.

The final 2020 Census Self-Response rates were: 67.0% (National); 69.6% (California); and 65.4% (Tulare County). The 2020 Self-Response rate for Tulare County exceeded the final 2010 Self-Response rate of 65.0%. The remainder of nonresponding households were enumerated during Nonresponse Follow-up (NRFU) operations by Census takers. The Census Bureau indicates that they achieved 99.9% completion for all States. Census data collection concluded on October 15, 2020.

The Final Report for Tulare County was submitted to the State on December 4, 2020 and was approved by the State Census Office on December 8, 2020.

Over the course of Census outreach in Tulare County, CCC partners and other volunteers distributed a large quantity of Census materials throughout local communities as part of efforts to reach hard to count residents. These include:

- 48,000 Census Grocery Tote Bags
- 230,000 Census Know Your Rights Cards
- 2,500 "We Support the Census/The Census Supports Us" Posters
- 10,760 Census Color Change Pencils
- 5,000 Census Plush Bears
- 1,500 Census Disc Golf Discs
- 15,000 Census Coloring Books
- 10,000 Census Crayon Packs
- 1,800 Census Hand Tracing / Glitter Projects
- 200 We Count! Census Children Books

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. The remaining balance reflects the fact that not all partner organizations were able to fully utilize their Mini Grant funds.

Description	Amount	Totals
<i>Total Census Outreach Budget</i>		\$582,714
<i>Census Outreach Category</i>		
Mini Grants with Partner Organizations	\$158,248	
Outreach Staff Costs	\$70,390	
Media Outreach	\$106,374	
Outreach Materials and Expenses	\$171,149	
QAC Materials and Expenses	\$2,470	
Administration Costs	\$58,271	
<i>Subtotal</i>		\$566,902
<i>Balance</i>		\$15,812

Census Outreach Efforts

A description of outreach activities from October 1 through October 15 is provided in the following table.

Date	Event / Meeting	Type of Participation
10/1-15	FoodLink Tulare County, countywide	Provided FoodLink with Census grocery tote bags to hand out during food distributions throughout the county
10/1-15	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
10/1-15	Tulare County Library, countywide	Library website includes Census message and link to Census Bureau website to complete the Census
10/1-15	Tulare Public Library, Tulare	Library is handing out Census bookmarks to patrons as part of the library pickup service
10/1-15	Jakara Movement	Provided funding for 3 Census billboards in Punjabi language along Highway 99 (digital boards north & south of Traver, static board south of Tulare). Provided funding for operation of Census hotline in Punjabi language.

Date	Event / Meeting	Type of Participation
10/1-15	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.
10/1-15	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
10/1-11	Dolores Huerta Foundation	Provided funding for tacos & popsicles at Census outreach events in Poplar and at Visalia and Tulare Swap Meets. DHF staff assisted people in completing Census forms online as part of event.
10/9	Dolores Huerta Foundation	Provided 300 USCB Census bags, 500 USCB Census water bottles, 500 USCB pencils, 50 USCB yard signs, 250 USCB Census note pads, box of CA Census fliers and 200 USCB Census t-shirts for ongoing countywide outreach including door-to-door outreach and food distribution
10/9	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 100 USCB Census bags, 500 USCB Census water bottles and 500 USCB Census pens 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

ATTACHMENT(S):

None

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