



Tulare County Association of	Date:	Monday, January 25, 2021
Governments	Time:	1:00 p.m.
	Place:	Tulare County Human Resources &
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		2500 W. Burrel Avenue
		Visalia, CA 93291
Technical Advisory Committee	Date:	Thursday, January 21, 2021
	Time:	1:30 PM
	Place	Tulare County Association of Governments
		210 N. Church Street, Suite B
		(Sequoia Conference Room)
		Visalia, CA 93291

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- I. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

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

Convene as the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee

Dinuba Exeter Farmersville Lindsay Porterville Tulare Visalia Woodlake County of Tulare

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

IV. TRANSPORTATION CONSENT CALENDAR -INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Information: Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) Competitive Programs Update (Pages 01-02)
- B. Information: Implementation Status of Federally Funded Projects (Pages 03-04)
- C. Information: Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Roundtable Appointments (Pages 05-06)
- D. Information: Update on Timing and Funding Implications of the Federal SAFE Vehicles Regulation (Pages 07-08)

TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS V.

- A. Information: Status of State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Allocations and California Transportation Commission (CTC) Update (Pages 09-10)
- B. Information: Caltrans Monthly Report

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

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

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VII. ASSOCIATION CONSENT CALENDAR –ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS Request Approval of the Association Consent Calendar Action Items VII-A through VII-D.

- A. Action: Minutes of December 14, 2020 TCAG Board Meeting (Pages 11-16)
- B. Action: Minutes of December 10, 2020 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting (Pages 17-20)
- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 8 to the FY 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP) (Pages 21-36)
- D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Allow TCAG Staff to Provide Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities Grant Technical Assistance to San Joaquin Valley (SJV) **Applicants** (Pages 37-40)

VIII. ASSOCIATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Information: Legislative Update

В.	Presentation: Report from Congressman Nunes' Office	(No Page)
C.	Presentation: Report from Assemblyman Mathis' Office	(No Page)
D.	Presentation: Report from Senator Hurtado's Office	(No Page)
E.	Action: Adoption of Resolution: Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan	(Pages 45-48)
F.	Public Hearing: 2022 Public Participation Plan	(No Page)
G.	Action: Adoption of Resolution: Draft 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan	(Pages 49-58)

- H. Public Hearing: 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan (No Page) I. Information: Regional Transit Coordination Update (Pages 59-60)
- (Pages 61-64)
- J. Information: Conflict of Interest Code (Form 700) Due April 1, 2021 K. Information: Member-At-Large and the Alternate Member-AT-Large for Position

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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

XI. ADJOURN

The next scheduled Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Board meeting will be held on Monday, February 22, 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, February 18, 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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TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

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Vacant	Member-at-Large*	Vacant	
Diana Gomez	Caltrans*	Michael Navarro	

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Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM IV-A

January 25, 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) and Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP).

DISCUSSION:

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

Funding Program	Minimum and Maximum Funding Request	Programming Cycle	Grant Submittal Deadline	Other Information
Local Partnership Program (Competitive)	Minimum: \$2,000,000 Maximum: \$25,000,000	2020/21 2021/22 2022/23	June 30, 2020	The LPP Competitive Program grant application for the Commercial Avenue Interchange Project was submitted on June 30, 2020. The grant application requested \$25m in LPP competitive grant funds. On November 12, 2020, it was announced that TCAG was awarded \$9 million in LPP funds.

Trade Corridor Enhancement Program	The TCEP utilizes a corridor- based programming target approach. Last cycle, the Bay Area/Central Valley regional corridor, which Tulare County is part of, had a \$217 million target (27% of overall funding available). Different programing target proposals are currently under consideration.	2020/21 2021/22 2022/23	August 3, 2020	A TCEP grant application for right-of-way funding for the Tulare City Widening Project was submitted in August 2020. The grant application requested \$18.6 million for right of way costs. Unfortunately, this project was not selected for funding under this cycle of the TCEP program.
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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.

Active Transportation Program

On February 15, 2021, the CTC will announce the project funding recommendations for statewide component of the 2021 ATP Program. There were 17 projects from the Tulare County region submitted for ATP funding consideration. Those projects not selected for funding under the statewide component are eligible to compete for funding under the MPO funding component administered by TCAG.

RECOMMENDATION:

Information item only. No action needed at this time.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Work Element: 604.01 – Transportation Improvement Program

Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM IV-B

January 25, 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)**, formally known as STP, is a major source of funds that may be used by local agencies for projects to preserve and improve the transportation system consistent with regional priorities. The funds may be utilized on any Federal-aid highway, including the National Highway System (NHS), bridge projects on any public road, transit capital projects, and intracity and intercity bus terminals and facilities. In Tulare County, these funds have been primarily used for street and highway construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, resurfacing, and operational improvements. Local agencies navigate a sometimes complicated federal aid funding process to request and spend these funds in a timely manner. However, through our partnership with Caltrans, TCAG has helped local agencies with the timely and efficient delivery of their projects.

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

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

DISCUSSION:

STBGP

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 fiscal year 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 fiscal years 20/21 and 21/22 remain committed to three projects described in the table below.

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
21/22	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

CMAQ

Two roundabout projects are scheduled for obligation this year and are currently on schedule for submittal by April 1, 2021:

City of Dinuba: Roundabout at Alta and Nebraska

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

City of Woodlake: Roundabout at Sierra and Castle Rock

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

August Redistribution

Each year, when certain federal transportation funding remains unspent before deadlines, those funds revert to a federal pool and are redistributed to states like California that have completed all requirements and are prepared to use the additional federal funds before the end of the federal fiscal year. This process is known as August Redistribution. These funds are distributed to Caltrans and to local transportation agencies, like TCAG. The TCAG region received over \$1.2 million in August Redistribution funds in FY19/20. This is the largest amount of August Redistribution funds ever received by TCAG. Over the last three fiscal years, TCAG has averaged \$450,000.

ATTACHMENT:

None

Work Element: 604.01 – Transportation Improvement Program

Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM IV-C

January 25, 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 last month's 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 the 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

Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM IV-D

January 25, 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.

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

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

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. <u>As long as this concurrence holds</u>, 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 (202x) is under development. Testing has begun on a beta version in which MPO staff and consultants are participating. Emphasis is currently on the functionality of the new software. ARB is still updating the data needed to run actual emissions scenarios. It may be possible to shift straight to that model and bypass EMFAC 2017 if the new model shows better results. The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), the largest MPO in the nation, is also having issues with EMFAC 2017. This means the matter should continue to receive high priority from ARB and other state agencies.

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

DISCUSSION:

The change in the White House resulting from the November elections signals a drastic change in federal environmental priorities. The new administration is expected to make the regulation of greenhouse gas emissions a top priority. The SAFE Vehicles Rule will certainly be targeted for replacement. However, just as it took years to replace certain Obama-era regulations through formal rulemaking, the same may be true of replacing the most recently established regulations.

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

Work Element: 610.01 – Air Quality Planning and Analysis

Tulare County Association of Governments

AGENDA ITEM V-A

January 25, 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 December 2nd-3rd. The next CTC meeting will also be held via webinar/teleconference on January 27th-28th. 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:

January CTC Meeting

The agenda for the January CTC meeting was not released prior to the publishing of the TCAG agenda. Items of interest for the Tulare County region will be discussed at the TCAG meeting.

December CTC Meeting

Local Partnership Program (LPP):

Programming of \$9 million of competitive LPP funding for the construction of the SR-99/Commercial Interchange.

Active Transportation Program (ATP):

Allocation of \$1 million for the construction of the Greenway Belt Trail connection on the east side of Visalia, north of SR-198.

2020 RTIP/STIP

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

2020 RTIP/STIP

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

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

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Work Element: 604.01 Transportation Improvement Program

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

AGENDA ITEM VII-A

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Executive Minutes December 14, 2020

		Present	
Board Members	Alternates	Member/Alternate	Agency
Kuyler Crocker	Paula Clark	M	Tulare County-Dist. 1
Pete Vander Poel (Chair)	William Cushing	M	Tulare County-Dist. 2
Amy Shuklian	Bill Whitchlatch		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		City of Dinuba
Frankie Alves	Dave Hails	M	City of Exeter
Paul Boyer	Ruben Macareno	M	City of Farmersville
Pamela Kimball	Brian Watson	M	City of Lindsay
Martha A. Flores (Vice-Chair)	Milt Stowe	M	City of Porterville
Terry Sayre	Carlton Jones	M	City of Tulare
Bob Link	Phil Cox		City of Visalia
Rudy Mendoza	Emmanuel Llamas	M	City of Woodlake
Greg Gomez	Virginia Gurrola	M	Rep. from Public Transit
Tyrone Holscher	Shae Gowin		Member-At-Large*
Walter Stammer Jr.	Pamela Whitmire	M	Member-At-Large*
Wanda Ishida	Marlene Sario		Member-At-Large*
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Counsel and TCAG Staff Present (X)

- X Jeff Kuhn, Tulare County Deputy Counsel
- X Ted Smalley, Executive Director

Diana Gomez

- X Benjamin Kimball, Deputy Executive Director
 Benjamin Giuliani, Executive Officer-LAFCO
- X Leslie Davis, Finance Director
- X Elizabeth Forte, Principal Regional Planner
- X Roberto Brady, Principal Regional Planner
- X Derek Winning, Senior Regional Planner
- X Gabriel Gutierrez, Senior Regional Planner
- X Kasia Thompson, Associate Regional Planner

X Steven Ingoldsby, Associate Regional Planner

Caltrans*

- X Giancarlo Bruno, Regional Planner
- X Gail Miller, Associate Regional Planner/EH
 - Barbara Pilegard, Associate Regional Planner/EH
 - Maria Garza, Associate Regional Planner/EH
 - Michele Boling, TCAG Accountant III
- X Brideget Moore, TCAG Analyst III
- Amie Kane, Administrative Clerk II
- X Servando Quintanilla, Administrative Clerk
- X Holly Gallo, Office Assistant III

TRANSPORTATION WORKSHOP (11:00 A.M.)¹

Mr. Smalley opened the preceding Transportation Workshop at 11:02 a.m.

Michael Navarro

A. Member Agency Presentations

Mr. Lollis with the city of Porterville provided a presentation, "The Mighty 190" highlighting the planned improvements over the next 15 years for the California State Route 190.

B. Caltrans Presentation

Mr. Shaath and Mr. Kipoor provided details highlighting the Tulare City Widening, Commercial Avenue projects, Highway 99 interchange, and the Lovers Lane rehabilitation.

¹ Workshop Agenda Item E: Director's Report was shortened during the Workshop in the interest of time. Mr. Smalley noted that the remainder of the presentation would be given during the regular TCAG Board meeting.

C. TCAG's Walk & Roll Art Contest Winners

Ms. Moore announced the winners of this year's art contest and shared photos of winners along with their artwork. Ms. Moore explained that outreach efforts had been difficult this year due to Covid-19 and that staff safely delivered bikes and safety gear to the student winners. Ms. Moore also took the opportunity to thank sponsors 4-Creeks and QK for their generous donations.

D. TCAG Staff Presentations

Mr. Smalley recognized Mr. Crocker, Ms. Kimball, and Mr. Link and awarded them for their service to TCAG.

E. Director's Report

Mr. Smalley introduced Mr. Scott Lane, Federal lobbyist to provide an update. Mr. Lane congratulated TCAG on being awarded the BUILD Grant. Mr. Lane highlighted the passing of the Covid-19 stimulus packages, transit funding, and state and local funding. Presentation on State legislative issues was provided by Ms. Kiana Valentine, with Politico Group. Ms. Valentine provided a brief background on her work in transportation, housing, and advocacy work. Ms. Valentine discussed Covid-19 impacts, climate focus on transportation issues, and infrastructure goals within the State.

F. Special Recognition

Mr. Smalley announced that the employee of the year award for 2020 would be awarded to Mr. Steven Ingoldsby.

I. WELCOME

The Tulare County Association of Governments Board Meeting was called to order by Chair Vander Poel at 1:00 p.m. on December 14, 2020 at the Tulare County Board of Supervisors, 2800 W. Burrel Avenue, Visalia, CA, 93291.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Steven Ingoldsby, TCAG Staff led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments opened/closed at 1:01 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 Items IV-A through IV-C

- A. Action: Approval of Transportation Development Act (TDA) Audit Extension for Member Agencies
- B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Competitive Project Selection Guidelines and Application Form
- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of TCAG Expedited Project Selection Procedures (EPSP) Update

Upon a Motion by Member Kimball, and seconded by Member Mendoza, the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee unanimously approved the Transportation Consent Calendar Action Items IV-A through IV-C. Absent: Shuklian, Townsend, Link, Reynosa, Holscher, and Ishida.

- D. Information: Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Roundtable Appointments
- E. Information: Update on Timing and Funding Implications of the Federal SAFE Vehicles Regulation
- F. Information: Implementation Status of Federally Funded Projects

V. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Information: Draft 2021 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and Corresponding Air Quality Conformity Analysis

Mr. Gutierrez reported that the FTIP was a four-year program of federally funded and regionally significant transportation projects. Mr. Gutierrez stated that the FTIP was updated every two years and must include financial plans, open to public comment, and allow a 30-day public review period. Mr. Gutierrez explained that the public hearing for the 2021 FTIP would be held immediately after the report.

B. Public Hearing: Draft 2021 Federal Transportation Program (FTIP) and Corresponding Quality Conformity Analysis

Chair Vander Poel opened the public hearing at 1:07 p.m., read the official statement, and invited any members wishing to speak to do so. Seeing none Chair Vander Poel closed the public hearing at 1:10 p.m.

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

Mr. Smalley provided an update announcing that the city of Visalia had received allocation for the greenway belt trail connection, and programing funds of about \$9 million dollars was awarded for the construction of the SR-99 / Commercial Interchange project. Mr. Smalley recognized Mr. Giuliani's leadership on assisting with getting the funds awarded.

D. Information: Introduction of the 2022 Public Participation Plan

Ms. Moore stated that the Public Participation Plan had been distributed and disseminated to a local newspaper and social media to solicit comments from the public, adding that the public comment period had began on December 14, 2020. Ms. Moore explained that a public hearing regarding the draft plan would be held at the upcoming TCAG Board meeting scheduled to take place on January 25, 2021.

E. Information: Introduction of the 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan

Mr. Kimball explained that the item was a parallel public participation plan that specifically addresses the needs and outreach between the Tule River Tribe and TCAG. Mr. Kimball reported that the plan includes some proposals, outreach activities and grant applications that could help with outreach.

F. Information: Caltrans Monthly Report

Mr. Navarro announced Caltrans planning grant guide and virtual workshop, release of equity statement and development of a task force in this regard and strategic plan. Mr. Navarro provided an overview of 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 Mendoza, and seconded by Member Valero, the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee unanimously reaffirmed all actions while sitting as the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee. Absent: Shuklian, Reynosa, Link, Holscher, and Ishida.

VII. ASSOCIATION CONSENT CALENDAR-ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

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

- A. Action: Minutes of October 19, 2020 TCAG Board Meeting
- B. Action: Minutes of October 15, 2020 TCAG Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 6 to the FY 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP)

- D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Reaffirm Agreement with RSG, Inc. for Calibration and Validation of Activity-Based Model (ABM) for Fiscal Years 2020/2021 and 2021/2022
- E. Action: Approve the 2021 Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG), and Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting Calendar and Reconfirm the Cancellation Policy

Upon a motion by Member Valero, and seconded by Member Stammer, the Association unanimously approved the Association Consent Calendar Items VII-A through VII-E. Absent: Shuklian, Reynosa, Link, Holscher, and Ishida.

VIII. ASSOCIATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Information: Legislative Update
 - Mr. Kimball stated the lobbyists presentations that were presented during the workshop adequately covered the current legislative update and he had nothing additionally.
- B. Presentation: Report from Congressman Nunes' Office No representative present, report not given.
- C. Presentation: Report from Assemblyman Mathis' Office No representative present, report not given.
- D. Presentation: Report from Senator Hurtado's Office No representative present, report not given.
- E. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Revised Staff Services Agreement with Tulare County Providing Staff Services for Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) and Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)

Ms. Davis explained that the staff services agreement was being updated from the 2009 agreement between LAFCO and TCAG and that Legal Counsel had prepared an agreement to reflect the changes and language consistent with the proposed combining of staff services.

Upon a Motion by Member Boyer, and seconded by Member Valero, the Association unanimously approved the revisions as recommended. Absent: Shuklian, Reynosa, Link, Holscher, and Ishida.

F. Action: Authorize Purchase of Community Engagement Software

Mr. Bruno explained that the Community engagement software would assist staff in managing public outreach, facilitating virtual meetings, and would make it easier for interested members of the public to participate in the planning process.

Upon a Motion by Member Valero, and seconded by Member Flores, the Association unanimously approved the purchase of the Community Engagement Software as recommended. Absent: Shuklian, Reynosa, Link, Holscher, and Ishida.

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

Ms. Moore reported that the Member-at-Large position No. 3 term was set to expire December 31, 2020 and that Member Ishida wished to be reinstated. Ms. Moore explained that when the agenda went to print the alternate member had voiced wanting to serve again but only recently rescinded that request and so the alternate member would be vacant. Ms. Moore announced that the opening had been posted and applications being solicited.

Upon a Motion by Member Valero, and seconded by Member Stammer, the Association unanimously approved the reinstatement of Member-at-large position as presented. Absent: Shuklian, Reynosa, Link, Holscher, and Ishida.

H. Information: Regional Transit Coordination Update

Ms. Forte reported that multiple subcommittees were created for TCRTA: Technical Operations, Finance, Policy and Procedure. Ms. Forte explained the executive director position, the status of recruitment, and that they would be housed within the TCAG office. An additional item would be presented to approve the Executive Director for TCRTA.

I. Action: Authorize Position Creation and Recruitment of Executive Director for the Tulare County Regional Transit Agency (TCRTA)

Mr. Smalley stated that the TCRTA Board had approved a job description and salary range and recommended authorization to initiate recruitment of the Executive Director position for the TCRTA. Mr. Smalley added that some minor revision may need to be made to the job description and so was also seeking approval for authority for the TCAG Director to make those as needed.

Upon a Motion by Member Gomez, and seconded by Member Flores, the Association unanimously approved Item VIII-I as recommended. Absent: Shuklian, Reynosa, Link, Holscher, and Ishida.

J. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 7 to the FY 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP)

Ms. Davis outlined that proposed amendment to the FY 2020/2021 OWP and explained that it would allocate 7 month's salary plus benefits for an Executive Director, services, and supplies needed.

Upon a Motion by Member Flores, and seconded by Member Stammer, the Association unanimously approved amendment No. 7 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP. Absent: Shuklian, Reynosa, Link, Holscher, and Ishida.

K. Information: Housing Planning Funds Update

Mr. Ingoldsby discussed housing funds and technical assistance available to member agencies. Mr. Ingoldsby outlined eligible activities for funding allocations and stated that member agencies could reach out to TCAG for assistance to submit applications.

L. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Authorization for the Executive Director of the Tulare County Association of Governments to Sign the San Joaquin Valley Regional Early Action Planning Committee for Housing Memorandum of Understanding

Mr. Ingoldsby explained the regional planning activities that the planning committee would be working on and stated that Fresno COG was the fiscal agent for the group; therefore, for TCAG to access funds the MOU would need to be signed. TCAG Staff are recommending authorization for the TCAG Executive Director to sign the San Joaquin Valley Regional Early Action Planning Committee for Housing MOU.

Upon a Motion by Member Valero, and seconded by Member Alves, the Association unanimously approved Item VIII-L as presented. Absent: Shuklian, Reynosa, Link, Holscher, and Ishida.

M. Action: Authorize Participation in the California Inland Port Feasibility Analysis – Phase II

Mr. Winning provided background of phase 1 of the inland port and transition to truck and transition to the Bay area with reduced costs. Mr. Winning outlined the possible locations and potential grant match opportunities. Mr. Winning described what phase 2 would mean to goods movement and elevating the central valley to a major goods movement hub and attract manufacturing.

Upon a Motion by Member Boyer, and seconded by Member Kimball, the Association unanimously approved Item VIII-M as recommended. Absent: Shuklian, Reynosa, Link, Holscher, and Ishida.

N. Information: Tulare County Association of Governments' 2020 Walk and Roll Art Contest Winners

Ms. Moore stated that the information for this item was presented earlier in the Workshop and nothing more to report.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

A. None

X. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Information: Items from Staff

1. TCAG Director's Report

Mr. Smalley took the opportunity to thank TCAG staff for all their hard work even during a difficult year TCAG has been very successful in financing many projects through bonds, grants, and continued efforts.

2. Other Items

None

B. Information: Items from Board Members

1. Tulare County Water Commission Update

Vice-Chair Flores stated that the next meeting was scheduled for January 10, 2021, after which time an update would be provided.

2. San Joaquin Valley Policy Council Update

None

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

None

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

Member Valero reported that a meeting was had in December to discuss REAP funding, the MOU with Fresno COG, web landing page and technical advisory committee. Member Valero stated that valley wide planning and funding amounts that are expected to be received for Tulare County were outlined.

5. TCAG Transit Report

Member Gomez stated that he had nothing to add at the time. Ms. Forte reported that Visalia Transit would be looking to reinstate bus fares in February and most agencies would likely follow.

6. Other Items

None

C. Request from Board Members for Future Agenda Items

None

XI. ADJOURN

The TCAG Meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:58 p.m.

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

Item VII-B

TCAG Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

Tulare County Association of Governments - 210 N. Church Street, Suite B, Visalia, CA 93291 <u>December 10, 2020</u> – Summary Meeting Minutes

ATTENDANCE LIST

City of Dinuba	Absent
City of Exeter	Eddie Wendt
Cities of Farmersville, Woodlake	Lisa Dutra-Wallis
City of Lindsay	Michael Camarena
County of Tulare	Johnson Vang
City of Porterville	Javier Sanchez
City of Tulare	Absent
City of Visalia	Dolores Verduzco
Tule River Indian Reservation	Absent
TCAG	Ben Kimball
Caltrans	Lorena Mendibles

Others Present:

TCAG Staff Present: Gail Miller, Benjamin Giuliani, Steven Ingoldsby, Gabriel Gutierrez, Leslie Davis, Ted Smalley, Elizabeth Forte, Roberto Brady, 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 December 10, 2020.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

IV. TRANSPORTATION CONSENT CALENDAR – ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Action: Approval of Transportation Development Act (TDA) Audit Extension for Member Agencies

Ms. Davis stated that TCAG had given a 90-day extension from December 31, 2020 to March 31, 2021 to member agencies to deliver their TDA Audits.

- B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Competitive Project Selection Guidelines and Application Form Mr. Gutierrez stated that the item was an approval of STBGP Guidelines and Application and would be seeking approval of these guidelines and would anticipate a call for projects early next new year.
- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of TCAG Expedited Project Selection Procedures (EPSP) Update

Mr. Gutierrez stated that the item was the process to advance projects in the 4 years of the FTIP without having to prepare an amendment.

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

Mr. Kimball stated that the item was a place holder for RTP Roundtable appointments.

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

Mr. Brady gave a brief update on the SAFE Rule and with new administration in the white house would move to replace the SAFE Rule.

F. Information: Implementation Status of Federally Funded Projects

Mr. Gutierrez gave an update on projects from STBGP funds with the city of Visalia's Tulare Avenue Rehabilitation project at \$1,834,000, County of Tulare's Avenue 152 Rehabilitation project at \$1,775,000 and Caltrans Tulare City Widening project at \$3,000,000. He relayed that these last three projects would be the last projects programed based on population basis and going forward projects would be based on a competitive process. Ms. Forte gave an update on CMAQ projects with the city of Dinuba Roundabout, city of Woodlake Roundabout, and a bus project for the city of Porterville.

V. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Information: Draft 2021 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and Corresponding Air Quality Conformity Analysis

Mr. Gutierrez explained that the item opened public review for the FTIP which started on December 7, 2020 and would go through January 8, 2021. TCAG would hold a public hearing for comments in their January TCAG Board meeting and all public comments would be incorporated into the Final FTIP which would be presented at the February TCAG Board meeting and after the approval from the Board the Final FTIP would be sent out in April to Caltrans and FHWA.

B. Public Hearing: Draft 2021 Federal Transportation Program (FTIP) and Corresponding Air Quality Conformity Analysis

This item serves as a placeholder for a public hearing.

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

Mr. Giuliani stated that CTC had meet the previous week and a couple of projects to note were Active Transportation Program with an allocation of a million dollars for the Green Way Belt Trail connection on the east side of Visalia, and the CTC also approved staff recommendations of the Local Partnership Program for 9 million for the construction of the SR-99/Commercial Interchange.

- D. Information: Introduction of the 2022 Public Participation Plan
 - Ms. Moore stated that the Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan was available for public review and comment, and a public hearing was scheduled for public comment at the TCAG January Board meeting, and all comments would be incorporated into the Final 2022 Public Participation Plan would be brought to the TCAG Board meeting in February for finalization.
- E. Information: Introduction of the 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan
 Mr. Kimball stated that the 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan is a specific plan to reach out to tribes and its constituents.
- F. Information: Caltrans Monthly Report

Ms. Mendibles gave an update on grant application guide for Caltrans that had been finalized and if anybody needed help to please reach out to Caltrans, and if any agencies had questions for Caltrans to please reach Ms. Mendibles. She shared that Caltrans would have a virtual workshop on January 21, 2021.

VII. ASSOCIATION CONSENT CALENAR- ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 6 to the FY 2020/2021 Overall Work Plan (OWP) Ms. Davis stated that Amendment No. 6 to the OWP with an outstanding invoice from the city of Dinuba and asked to put that in the budget so that it can be paid, and would reallocate funds to the City of Visalia for their short range transit plan per approval of Caltrans.

- D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Reaffirm Agreement with RSG, Inc. for Calibration and Validation of Activity-Based Model (ABM) for Fiscal Years 2020/21 and 2021/22 Mr. Brady reported that in September the TCAG Board approved the item; a reaffirmation of the agreement with RSG and the work on the agreement would last for nine months.
- E. Action: Approve the 2021 Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG), and Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting Calendar and Reconfirm the Cancellation policy

Ms. Moore stated that the item confirmed the meeting dates and location for TCAG, and TAC meetings, also due to Covid-19 most meetings would be held in the same place.

VIII. ASSOCIATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Information: Legislative Update

Mr. Kimball stated that TCAG continued to work with lobbyist about bills that relate to transportation. Mr. Smalley stated that there would be a town hall on April 14 and 15 in Tulare County with California Transportation Commission and working with lobbyist to make successful.

- E. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Revised Staff Services Agreement with Tulare County Providing Staff Services for Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) and Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)

 Ms. Davis gave an update on the revised agreement for staffing TCAG and LAFCo.
- F. Action: Authorize Purchase of Community Engagement Software

 Ms. Forte summarized the benefits of a new the purchase of community engagement software program.
- G. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Reappointment of Member-At-Large and the Alternate Member-At-Large for Position No. 3

Ms. Moore gave an update on open positions of Member-At-Large and Alternate Member-At-Large.

- H. Information: Regional Transit Coordination Update
 - Ms. Forte summarized that the TCRTA had created four sub committees and three of them were standing committees, and that TCRTA had approved the job description and salary of the TCRTA Director, also approved was a mission statement for TCRTA.
- I. Action: Authorize Position Creation and Recruitment of Executive Director for the Tulare County Regional Transit Agency (TCRTA)

Ms. Forte stated that the TCAG would interim house the TCRTA Director. Mr. Smalley stated that the TCRTA Director would have to answer to the TCRTA Board just like Mr. Smalley similarly would have to answer to the TCAG Board.

J. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 7 to the FY 2020/2021Overall Work Plan (OWP)

Ms. Davis stated that this Amendment No. 7 to the OWP would incorporate the creation of TCRTA work elements and in addition allocate for salary and supplies.

K. Information: Housing Planning Funds Update

Mr. Ingoldsby gave an update on the REAP and LEAP housing fund. He shared that the LEAP program provides over-the-counter grants complemented with technical assistance to local governments for the preparation and adoption of planning documents, and process improvements that Accelerate housing production and Facilitate compliance to implement the sixth-cycle Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA). Through the REAP program

TCAG is set to receive approximately \$523,837 in the initial application. TCAG would use \$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.

- L. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Authorization for the Executive Director of the Tulare County Association of Governments to Sign the San Joaquin Valley Regional Early Action Planning Committee for Housing Memorandum of Understanding Mr. Ingoldsby stated that the item gave the authorization to the TCAG Director to sign an MOU to San Joaquin Valley Regional Early Action Planning Committee.
- M. Action: Authorize Participation in the California Inland Port Feasibility Analysis Phase II

Mr. Brady gave a report on the California Inland Port project sharing that sponsors had met with State officials and Caltrans and were encouraged to apply for a Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant for the second phase of the study. The project sponsors are requesting \$80,000 in support from the San Joaquin Valley Regional Transportation Planning Agencies to contribute toward the grant's matching requirement.

N. Information: Tulare County Association of Governments' 2020 Walk and Roll Art Contest Winners

Ms. Moore explained that the item was for the Walk and Roll Art Contest for kids K through 12 and will show the winning art during our TCAG Board Meeting.

X. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Information: Items from Staff:

1. TCAG Director's Report

Mr. Smalley noted that TCAG got to continue with project delivery and with bond approval and he looked forward to the new year for projects from cities and that he would express to outgoing TCAG Board members.

XI. ADJOURN

The TCAG Technical Advisory Committee adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

The next scheduled Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Board meeting will be held on Monday, January 25, 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, January 21, 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

AGENDA ITEM VII-C

January 25, 2021 Prepared by Leslie Davis, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Amendment No. 8 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. 8 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to allow TCAG to deliver services as requested by its member agencies.

- 1. Increase work element 601.06, Overall Work Program, in the amount of \$25,000 to program additional PL funding available.
- 2. Increase work element 602.06, Special Transportation Studies, in the amount of \$1,000, to program additional PL funding available.
- 3. Increase work element 602.07, Special Studies (non-federal), in the amount of \$40,000 to provide a Traffic Circulation and Parking Congestion Study for City of Visalia.
- 4. Permission to request a 30-day spending extension for SB 1 funding in work element 602.10-5000 and 602.10-6000 due to delay brought about by COVID 19 pandemic restricting our ability to continue the necessary work to complete the projects within these work elements. Expenses will be counted through March 31, 2021 and billing presented to Caltrans April 30, 2021. The amounts remain the same.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends the approval Amendment No. 8 to the OWP.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No Fiscal Impact to TCAG, funded PL and SB1 dollars.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Resolution approving FY 2020/2021 OWP Amendment No. 8
- 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	Resolution No. 2020-XXX
NO. 8	

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

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 8 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase work element 601.06, Overall Work Program, in the amount of \$25,000 to program additional PL funding available; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 8 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase work element 602.06, Special Transportation Studies, in the amount of \$1,000, to program additional PL funding available; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 8 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to increase work element 601.07, Special Studies (non-federal), in the amount of \$40,000 to provide a Traffic Circulation and Parking Congestion Study for City of Visalia; and

Resolution No: 2019-XXX

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 8 to the FY 2020/2021 OWP is necessary to request a 30-day spending extension for SB 1 funding in work element 602.10-5000 and 602.10-6000 due to delay brought about by COVID 19 pandemic restricting our ability to continue the necessary work to complete the projects within these work elements. Expenses will be counted through March 31, 2021 and billing presented to Caltrans April 30, 2021. The amounts remain the same.

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. 8.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member _______, seconded by Member ______, at a regular meeting held on the 25th day of January,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

W.E. 601.06 **Overall Work Program and Budget**

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	
TDA	
FHWA PL (carryover)	25,000
FHWA PL	86,000
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	111,000
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	12,732

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	110,000	11.7
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		
Transportation and Travel		
Print Services	1,000	
County Counsel		
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent		
Special Dept Expense		
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	111,000	11.7

Printing Serives \$1,000 printing of OWP

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

WORK ELEMENT	MEMBER DUES/ TCAG RESERVES	DMV		PLANNING	TDA/Transit FUNDS			FHWA PL FUNDS	FTA		SB 1 Sus		LEGAC GRANT/OTHE		TOTALS
	TCAG CO. SPCL	TCAG	TCAG	CITY/CO. CONSUL	TCAG	CONSUL	TCAG	CITY/CO CONSUL		CONSUL	TCAG	CONSUL	TCAG/CITY		
601.01 TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION					230,000									,	230,000
601.02 TCAG ADMINISTRATION			184,430	33,000											217,430
601.04															
OFFICE EXPENSES/FIXED ASSETS 601.06	32,000	1	207,385	270,254											509,639
OWP & BUDGET 601.08							110,000	1,000							111,000
ADVOCACY	111,100 29,400			75,600											216,100
601.09 PERFORMANCE MEASURES							12,000								12,000
602.01 REGIONAL TRANSP. PLAN							71,916								71,916
602.02								05.000							
TRAFFIC FORECASTING/MODEL DEVELOPMENT 602.03							262,400	25,000							287,400
REGIONAL BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN PLANNING 602.04							71,830		72,785						144,615
TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION					32,000		43,000		126,662						201,662
602.04-0045 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION-City of Tulare SRTP 602.06										105,416			9,200	4,458	119,074
SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES	56,580						1,000								57,580
602.07 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES NON FEDERAL	185,895				20,000								9,994		215,889
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 COMMUNTIES 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 18/19 602.10-7020			4,358								33,637				37,995
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 19/20 603.02			5,716								44,135				49,851
INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS 604.01		-					6,000								6,000
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 605.01		-					139,713								139,713
CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM 610.01							136,350	15,000							151,350
AIR QUALITY PLANNING & ANALYSIS			1,415				96,764	36,000							134,179
620.01 VALLEYWIDE COORDINATION		ļ	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	26,366		13,634												40,000
680.02 FILM PROMOTION	50,000														50,000
680.03 CENSUS PROJECT													59,000		59,000
700.01 MEASURE R ADMINISTRATION & PLANNING													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													93,419		93,419
SUBTOTALS	432,877 79,400 512,277	3,000 3,000	719,612	270,254 126,224 16,090	282,000 282,00	0	1,095,957	0 87,000 1,182,957	199,447 304,8		293,633	413,372 005			4,913,242 4,913,242

EXPENDITURES FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM

WORK		<u> </u>											
ELEMENT 601.01	TCAG	Dinuba	Exeter	Farmersville	Lindsay	Porterville	Tulare	Visalia	Woodlake	County	Consultant	Other/Print/Legal/T&T	TOTAL
TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION 601.02	93,660										136,340		230,000
TCAG ADMINISTRATION 601.04	125,000										33,000	59,430	217,430
OFFICE EXPENSES/FIXED ASSETS 601.06										270,254		239,385	509,639
OWP & BUDGET 601.08	110,000											1,000	111,000
ADVOCACY 601.09	69,000										105,000	42,100	216,100
PERFORMANCE MEASURES	12,000												12,000
602.01 REGIONAL TRANSP. PLAN	66,916											5,000	71,916
602.02 TRAFFIC FORECASTING/MODEL DEVELOPMENT	236,000										35,000	16,400	287,400
602.03 REGIONAL BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN PLANNING	126,615											18,000	144,615
602.04 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION	121,650											80,012	201,662
602.04-0045 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION-City of Tulare SRTP	9,074										110,000		119,074
602.06 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES	1,000	56,580											57,580
602.07 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES NON FED	29,994		24,463					40,000		21,432		100,000	215,889
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												140,000	
<u>20-21</u> 602.10-1221	18,938										60,000		78,938
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 COMMUNTIES 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	85,179										36,000	13,000	134,179
620.01 VALLEYWIDE COORDINATION	55,000										13,000	11,200	79,200
620.02 GOODS MOVEMENT	19,262												19,262
650.01 PUBLIC INFORMATION & PARTICIPATION	79,018											46,140	125,158
670.01 ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION	1,000											***	1,000
670.05 LOCAL COORDINATION	183,125											6,950	190,075
670.07 ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT	3,000											0,000	3,000
670.1 REGIONAL HOUSING	40,000												40,000
REGIONAL HOUSING 680.02 FILM PROMOTION	40,000									E0 000			
680.03	0.000									50,000		50.000	50,000
CENSUS PROJECT 700.01	9,000	40									00	50,000	59,000
MEASURE R ADMINISTRATION & PLANNING 700.02	244,979	40,000					_			_	60,500	25,500	370,979
SANTA FE TRAIL CONNECTION 800.01	500						500	500		500	500		2,500
LAFCO 825.01	165,000											90,500	255,500
TCRTA TOTALS	83,419 \$2,390,626	\$96.580	\$24,463				\$500	\$40,500		\$342.186	\$688,539	10,000 \$1,329,848	93,419 \$4,913,242

REVENUES

CAL	YFAR	2020/2021	OVERALL	WORK	PROGRAI

					FISCAL YEAR	2020/2021 OVERALL	WORK PROGR	AM											
WORK	Member Dues/	Local	TDA/Transit	FHWA	FHWA	FTA Section	FTA Section	FTA Section		SB1 Sustainable		By Cities	Measure R			Oth Funding		FHWA	FTA
ELEMENT 601.01	TCAG Reserves	Contrib.	Admin	PL (carryover)	PL	5303 (carryover)	5303	5304	5305	Communities	DMV	Special Planning	DIF	LAFCO	TCRTA	and Grants	TOTAL	PL Toll Credits	5303 Toll Credits
TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION			230,000														230,000		l
601.02 TCAG ADMINISTRATION 601.04		217,430															217,430		i
601.04 OFFICE EXPENSES/FIXED ASSETS	32,000	477,639															509,639		İ
601.06 OWP & BUDGET		,		25,000	86,000												111,000	12,732	
601.08				25,000	86,000													12,/32	1
ADVOCACY 601.09	140,500	75,600															216,100		
PERFORMANCE MEASURES 602.01				5,289	6,711												12,000	1,376	
REGIONAL TRANSP. PLAN 602.02					71,916												71,916	8,249	
TRAFFIC FORECASTING/MODEL DEVELOPMENT				3,597	283,803												287,400	32,965	l
602.03 REGIONAL BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN PLANNING					71,830		72,785										144,615	8,239	8,348
602.04 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION			32,000		43,000	26,662	100,000										201,662	4,932	14,528
602.04-0045 TRANSIT PLANNING AND COORDINATION-City of Tulare 2020 SRTP			3-13-3					105,416				13,658					119,074	.,,,,=	
602.06								105,416				13,636							i e
SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES 602.07	56,580				1,000												57,580	115	
SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT STUDIES NON FEDERAL	185,895	-	20,000		1						-	9,994	1		1		215,889		
602.08 CITY OF FARMERSVILLE COMPLETE STREETS & MULTI MODAL ACCESS STUDY 602.10-1100	18,926									146,074							165,000		
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																			İ
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 COMMUNTIES PLANNING GRANT- MULTIMODAL DATA COLLECTION FOR SHORT &																			
LONG TERM PLANNING FY 18/19 602.10-5020		2,812								21,707							24,519		
SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-MULTIMODAL DATA COLLECTION FOR SHORT & LONG TERM PLANNING FY 19/20 602.10-6000		1,147			1,010					16,650							18,807	116	
602.10-000 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT-MULTIMODAL OUTREACH & SAFETY PROGRAM FY 18/19 602.10-7020 602.10-7020		4,358								33,637							37,995		
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		i
603.02 INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS				6,000													6,000	688	ĺ
604.01 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM				10,000	129,713												139,713	16,025	
605.01																			
CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM 610.01				15,000	136,350												151,350	17,360	<u> </u>
AIR QUALITY PLANNING & ANALYSIS 620.01		1,415		14,029	118,735												134,179	15,228	
VALLEYWIDE COORDINATION 620.02		69,200		10,000													79,200	1,147	
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		<u> </u>
670.05 LOCAL COORDINATION		190,075	1		1 7												190,075		1
670.07 ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT											3.000						3,000		1
ADAINDONED VEHICLE ADATEMENT 670.1 REGIONAL HOUSING	26,366	13.634									3,000						40.000		
680.02		13,034									1		1						
FILM PROMOTION 680.03	50,000				1						1		1	1	1		50,000		t
CENSUS PROJECT 700.01															1	59,000	59,000		
MEASURE R ADMINISTRATION & PLANNING 700.02													370,979				370,979		
SANTA FE TRAIL CONNECTION													2,500				2,500		
700.03 MEASURE R MITIGATION BANKING																			
800.01 LAFCO				·		·				·				255,500			255,500		1
825.01 TCRTA														,	93 419		93.419		1
TOTALS	\$512,277	\$1,116,090	\$282 000	\$164,439	\$1,018,518	\$26,662	\$172,785	\$105,416		\$707,005	\$3,000	\$23,652	\$373,479	\$255,500	\$93,419	\$59,000	\$4,913,242	\$135,685	\$22.877
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2020/2021 Overall Work Program

SUMMARY

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues (191,500)	191,500
Local Contribution 1,116,090	1,116,090
TDA	282,000
FHWA PL (carryover)	164,439
FHWA PL	1,018,518
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)	26,662
FTA Section 5303	172,785
FTA Section 5304	105,416
FTA Section 5305	
DMV	3,000
City of Dinuba	
City of Exeter	
City of Farmersville	
City of Lindsay	
City of Porterville	
City of Tulare	
City of Visalia	13,658
City of Woodlake	
County of Tulare	9,994
Measure R	373,479
LAFCO	255,500
TCAG Reserves	320,777
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	707,005
Other Grants (Census)	59,000
TCRTA	93,419
Total Revenues	4,913,242
Toll Credits(5303) (Not Revenues)	22,877
Toll Credits(PL) (Not Revenues)	135,685

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	2,390,626	244
City of Dinuba	96,580	
City of Exeter	24,463	
City of Farmersville		
City of Lindsay		
City of Porterville		
City of Tulare	500	
City of Visalia	40,500	
City of Woodlake		
County of Tulare	342,186	
Insurance	5,500	
Memberships	13,830	
Office Expense	22,500	
Consultant	688,539	
Publications/ Legal Notice/Dues	700	
Training	15,650	
Transportation and Travel	60,220	
Print Services	22,859	
County Counsel	22,000	
Auditor	2,500	
Motorpool		
Rent	160,885	
Special Dept Expense	972,704	
Dues/Subscriptions	6,500	
Utilities	16,000	
Office Equipment	8,000	
Total Expenditures	4,913,242	244.2

* FHWA PL Funding

 Carryover
 \$164,439

 Current Year funding:
 \$992,518

 Total Funding
 \$1,156,957

W.E. 602.06 Special Transportation Project Studies

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	
TDA	
FHWA PL (carryover)	
FHWA PL	1,000
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	56,580
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	
Other Grants	
Total Revenues	57,580
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)	115

EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	1,000	0.1
City of Dinuba	56,580	
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 Expen	se	
Dues/Subscriptions		·
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	57,580	0.1

City of Dinuba Complete Streets Study

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	185,895
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	
Other Grants	
Total Revenues	215,889
Toll Credits(5303) (Not Revenues)	
Toll Credits(PL) (Not Revenues)	
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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	100,000	
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment	_	
Total Expenditures	215,889	3.2

County of Tulare

County of Tulare Matheny Tract TCC

<u>Special Dept Exp</u>
Tulare County Regional Transit Agency Implementation

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. 602.10-5000		Planning FY 18/19		or Short & Long T	
REVENUES	DOLLARS	EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS	
Member Dues		TCAG Staff	4,874	0.5	
Local Contribution	2,812	City of Dinuba			
TDA		City of Exeter			
FHWA PL (carryover)		City of Farmersville			
FHWA PL		City of Lindsay			
FTA Section 5303 (carryover)		City of Porterville			
FTA Section 5303		City of Tulare			
FTA Section 5304		City of Visalia			
FTA Section 5305		City of Woodlake			
DMV		County of Tulare			
City of Dinuba		Insurance			
City of Exeter		Memberships			
City of Farmersville		Office Expense			
City of Lindsay		Consultant	19,645		
City of Porterville		Publications and Legal Notice			
City of Tulare		Training			
City of Visalia		Transportation and Travel			
City of Woodlake		Print Services			
County of Tulare		County Counsel			
Measure R		Auditor			
LAFCO		Motorpool			
TCAG Reserves		Rent			
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	21,707	Special Dept Expense			
Other Grants		Dues/Subscriptions			
		Utilities			
		Office Equipment			
Total Revenues	24,519	Total Expenditures	24,519	0.5	
Toll Credits(5303&Carryover) (Not Revenues)					
Toll Credits(PL&Carryover) (Not Revenues)					

Local Contributions & TCAG Reserves

SBI match FY18/19 \$2,812

Other Grants
SBI grant funding FY 18/19 \$21,707

Labor

Multimodal Data Collection for Short&Long Term Planning (FY 18/19) \$4,874

Consultant

Multimodal Data Collection for Short&Long Term Planning (FY 18/19) \$19,645

California Department of Transportation Transportation Planning Grants Fiscal Year 2018-2019

PROJECT TIMELINE (REVISED 1-11-2021)

602.10-5000

	Project Title: Multi-Modal Data Collection for Short and Long Term Planning													Grantee TCAG											
		Fund Source									9 FY			2019/20				FY 2020/21							
Task Number		Responsible Party	Total Cost	Grant Amount		Local In-Kind Match		SON	ND J F I	MAN	ИJ.	JAS	ON	DЈ	FM	ΑM	JJ	AS	801	N D	J F	- M	A M	J	Deliverable
1	Project Initiation																								
1.1	Kickoff Meeting	TCAG	\$ 300	\$ 266	\$ 34	\$ -																			Kickoff Meeting Agenda
1.2	RFP and Procurement	TCAG	\$ 700	\$ 620	\$ 80	\$ -																			RFP and Agreement
2	Administration																								
2.1	Invoicing	TCAG	\$ 750	\$ 664	\$ 86	\$ -					П				П									T	Invoices
2.2	Quarterly Reports	TCAG	\$ 500	\$ 443	\$ 57	\$ -																			Quarterly Reports
2.3	Project Management	TCAG	\$ 750	\$ 664	\$ 86	\$ -																			Project Management
3	pplication of TCAG iPeMS for short and long range planning studies																								
3.1	Annual Operations and Maintenance	TCAG & Conslt																							
3.2	Annual HERE Traffic Analytics Data	TCAG & Conslt	\$ 16,807	\$ 14,879	\$ 1,928	\$ -																			Data downloads
4	Multi-Modal Data Collection	i-Modal Data Collection																							
4.1	Traffic Counts and Turning Movements	Consultant	\$ 3,800	\$ 3,364	\$ 436	\$ -																			Count data and reports
4.2	Bike and Pedestrian Counts	TCAG & ConsIt	\$ 3,800	\$ 3,364	\$ 436	\$ -														ш				ı	Count data and reports
4.3	Transit Monitoring	TCAG & ConsIt	\$ 3,800	\$ 3,364	\$ 436	\$ -																			Count data and reports
4.4	Demographics and community Patterns Data Collection	TCAG & Conslt	\$ 7,600	\$ 6,728	\$ 872	\$ -																			Data tables and reports
	TOTALS		\$ 83,807	\$ 74,194	\$ 9,613	\$ -			•																

Multi-Modal Outreach Safety Program 602.10-6000

	Project Title	Fund Source	G	Grant Budget			ent Expens	Prior Exp	oenses	Remain	ing Budget		
Task Number		Responsible Party	Total Budget	Grant Amount	Match Amount	Total Expenses	Grant Expenses	Match Amount	Grant Expenses	Match Amount	Grant Amount	Match Amount	Deliverable
1	Program Management and Administration												
1.1	Kick-off Meeting	TCAG Staff	\$300	\$266	\$34	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$266	\$34	kick off meeting agenda
1.2	Invoicing	TCAG Staff	\$700	\$620	\$80	\$171	\$151	\$20	\$294	\$39	\$174	\$22	Invoices
1.3	Quarterly Reports	TCAG Staff	\$1,000	\$885	\$115	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$85	\$11	\$800	\$104	Quarterly Reports
1.4	Staff Coordination/Program Mgmt.	TCAG Staff	\$4,700	\$4,161	\$539	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,212	\$261	\$1,949	\$278	Meeting Agendas, notes, minutes
2	Bicycle and Pedestrian Outreach												
2.1	Bike Rodeos	TCAG Staff	\$39,000	\$34,527	\$4,473	\$213	\$189	\$24	\$22,094	\$2,508	\$12,244	\$1,941	Photos/ sign in sheets from events
3	Air Quality Outreach												
3.1	Public Engagement & Various Outreach Strategies	TCAG Staff	\$12,237	\$10,833	\$1,404	\$1,232	\$1,091	\$141	\$14,380	\$1,286	(\$4,637)	(\$24)	Community Engagement Software, Air Quality Art Contest, Social media outreach
4	Transit Outreach												
4.1	Transit Outreach	TCAG Staff	\$48,000	\$42,494	\$5,506	\$5,309	\$4,700	\$609	\$21,086	\$2,677	\$16,708	\$2,220	Photos/ sign in sheets from events
	TOTALS		\$105,937	\$93,786	\$12,151	\$6,925	\$6,131	\$794	\$60,151	\$6,782	\$27,504	\$4,575	

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

REVENUES	DOLLARS
Member Dues	
Local Contribution	4,358
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	
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City of Lindsay	
City of Porterville	
City of Tulare	
City of Visalia	
City of Woodlake	
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LAFCO	
TCAG Reserves	
SB1 Sustainable Community Grant	33,637
Other Grants	
Total Revenues	37,995
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EXPENDITURES	DOLLARS	STAFF PERSON MONTHS
TCAG Staff	19,430	2.1
City of Dinuba		
City of Exeter		
City of Farmersville		
City of Lindsay		
City of Porterville		
City of Tulare		
City of Visalia		
City of Woodlake		
County of Tulare		
Insurance		
Memberships		
Office Expense		
Consultant		
Publications and Legal Notice		
Training		
Transportation and Travel		
Print Services	4,109	
County Counsel		
Auditor		
Motorpool		
Rent		
Special Dept Expense	14,456	
Dues/Subscriptions		
Utilities		
Office Equipment		
Total Expenditures	37,995	2.1

Local Contributions
SBI match FY18/19 \$4,385
Other Grants
SBI grant funding FY 18/19 \$33,637

Labor
Multimodal Outreach & Safety Program (FY 18/19) \$19,430
Printing
Multimodal Outreach & Safety Program (FY 18/19) \$4,109
Special Dept Exp
Advertising \$14,456

California Department of Transportation Sustainable Communities Planning Grants Fiscal Year 2018-2019

PROJECT TIMELINE 602.10-6000

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1	Program Management and Adm	inistration																								
1.1	Kick-off Meeting	TCAG Staff	\$0	\$0	\$0														Ш	П		П				kick off meeting agenda
1.2	Invoicing	TCAG Staff	\$336	\$297	\$39		П					П			П			П	П	П	П	П				Invoices
1.3	Quarterly Reports	TCAG Staff	\$96	\$85	\$11							П						П	П	П	П	П			П	Quarterly Reports
1.4	Staff Coordination/Program Mgmt.	TCAG Staff	\$3,473	\$3,075	\$398			П			П	П					П	П	П	П	П	П				Meeting Agendas, notes, minutes
2	Bicycle and Pedestrian Outreac	h																								
2.1	Bike Rodeos	TCAG Staff	\$24,602	\$21,780	\$2,822			П			П	П				П	П	П	П	П	П	П				Photos/ sign in sheets, from events
3	Air Quality Outreach																		_							
3.1	Public Engagement & Various Outreach Strategies	TCAG Staff	\$52,430	\$46,416	\$6,014						П						П	П	П	П	П	П				Public engagement software, air quality art contest, social media outreach
4	Transit Outreach																									
4.1	Transit Outreach	TCAG Staff	\$25,000	\$22,133	\$2,868						П	П				П	П	П	П	TT		П			П	Photos/ sign in sheets, from events
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AGENDA ITEM VII-D

January 25, 2021 Prepared by Derek Winning, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Resolution: Allow TCAG Staff Provide Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities Grant Technical Assistance to San Joaquin Valley (SJV) Applicants

BACKGROUND:

As part of California's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program funds land use, housing, transportation, and land preservation projects that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions to achieve statewide reduction goals. The AHSC Program is administered by the Strategic Growth Council (SGC) and the FY 2019-2020 program will be the sixth round of funding.

The application process for the AHSC Program is quite complex and technical, and the SGC recognized that future applicants will need assistance during the application process. In conjunction with other Valley partners, SJCOG and Enterprise submitted a proposal to bid for the AHSC Technical Assistance Program in the San Joaquin Valley region.

Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. is the project manager for this AHSC grant while SJCOG, Fresno State Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED), California Coalition for Rural Housing (CCRH), and Air District are subconsultants.

DISCUSSION:

In June 2020, the Strategic Growth Council (SGC) announced awards for the FY 19-20 Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Technical Assistance Program. Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. (Enterprise) was one of two non-profit lead organizations to be awarded funding to provide technical assistance for a third round of AHSC. For the San Joaquin Council of Governments, (SJCOG) and other organizations partnered with Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. to submit a proposal to provide technical assistance to Valley AHSC applicants. The Strategic Growth Council awarded the San Joaquin Valley team a grant of approximately \$10,000 to provide assistance in areas such as grant writing, project coordination, and greenhouse gas emissions modeling in the upcoming AHSC application process.

In addition to SJCOG, SJV MPOs, and Enterprise, the San Joaquin Valley technical assistance team is the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (Air District), (CCRH), and the (OCED). For organization purposes, SJCOG is acting in the capacity of a subcontractor under Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. and will be working with other valley MPOs. The Technical Assistance Program is anticipated to start in late Fall 2020 and last until May 2021, when AHSC awards are adopted by the Strategic Growth Council Board.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve a resolution with the other SJV MPO partner agencies in this grant to provide technical assistance services to San Joaquin Valley applicants for the FY 2019-2020 Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities Program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There will be a new grant to the FY 2019/2020 TCAG Overall Work Program (OWP). The scope of work is funded through the FY 2019/2020 California Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and will not exceed \$2,000. There is no local match requirement.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution: Approving the Participation and Allocation of Funding for Staffing the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Technical Assistance Program Awarded to Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. By the California Strategic Growth Council on Behalf of the Valley Metropolitan Planning Organizations and Partners

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

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APPROVING THE PARTICIPATION AND)
ALLOCATION OF FUNDING FOR)
STAFFING THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING)
AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNTIES)
(AHSC) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE) Resolution No.
PROGRAM AWARDED TO ENTERPRISE)
COMMUNITY PARTNERS, INC. BY THE)
CALIFORNIA STRATEGIC GROWTH)
COUNCIL ON BEHALF OF THE VALLEY)
METROPOLITAN PLANNING)
ORGANIZATIONS AND PARTNERS)

WHEREAS, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided funds for the program shown above; and

WHEREAS, the California Strategic Growth Council has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the grant program, establishing necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, the California Strategic Growth Council awarded the grant (RFP No. SGC18104) to Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. on behalf of San Joaquin Valley Metropolitan Planning Organizations (San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG), Stanislaus Council of Governments, Merced County Association of Governments, Madera County Transportation Commission, Fresno Council of Governments, Kings County Association of Governments, Tulare County Association of Governments, and Kern Council of Governments), and partners;

WHEREAS, participating Valley Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and partners, will provide technical assistance to applicants in these respective counties for applying to the sixth round of funding for the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program;

WHEREAS, the technical assistance provided by the participating Valley MPOs represents staffing for the program that is reimbursable to the grant;

WHEREAS, the Valley MPOs routinely share in Valley-wide planning and programming activities pursuant to the September 9, 2009 Memorandum of Understanding between the Valley MPOs and the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District.

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

1. Approves allocating staffing resources to the aforementioned program consistent with the grant requirements; and

- 2. Commits to providing documentation of work completed and other deliverables consistent with the grant requirements, and;
- 3. Shall appoint a Fiscal Officer, or designee, to track and invoice said staffing on a monthly basis and submit to San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG) no later than the 15th of the following month and as required by the grant. Total invoicing shall not exceed the allotted share as stipulated in the grant agreement between Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. and SJCOG.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member, seconded by Member, at a regular meeting held on the 25th day of January, 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-A

January 25, 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:

The successful awarding of a federal grant for the Commercial Interchange on SR 99 was the capstone achievement of legislative efforts in 2020. With a new year upon us and the election process behind us, 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.

Attached is a letter send from Andrew Chesley to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) as he concluded his tenure as Director of the San Joaquin Council of Governments. His remarks frame well the issues that TCAG and other regions are facing with the state and is provided as a reference for your information.

Additional information on legislative matters will be made available at the Board Meeting.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Letter from Andrew Chesley to CARB

Work Element: 601.08 Advocacy



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Richard Corey
Executive Officer
California Air Resources Board
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Executive Officer Corey:

In my closing days before my retirement as an Executive Director of a California MPO, I have a few thoughts on the past, present and future intergovernmental relationship between the California Air Resources Board and the regional transportation community in California. My comments are meant to be helpful and constructive.

The Past

I am nostalgic for the early days of SB 375.

SB 375 ushered in a new and positive approach to the intersection of transportation/land use/housing/ and greenhouse gas emission management in California. In an unusual step the legislature approved, and the Governor signed, not a regulatory or proscriptive piece of legislation, but something meant to strengthen a planning process from the bottom up. Oh, there was nervousness that this would morph into something that the state would use to leverage regional and local agencies and that the carrot of SB 375 would become a stick. If true, you could say that you told your representatives to have faith in the carrot approach... it helps set up how ARB is changing the rules now. But optimism was the mood of the day and we began a truly cooperative and exciting relationship.

The Regional Targets Advisory Committee was formed by CARB and the discussions were spirited and informative. There was excitement in the room where a wide range of interests were represented. Listening and sharing was encouraged. No idea was verboten. Closed minded thinking was discouraged and there were no intellectual straightjackets in sight. And, maybe today we would go back and tinker with the recommendations adopted from that effort, but the end of that process was one that created an esprit de corps for good planning and innovation at the local and regional level.

The Present

The relationship between the California Air Resources Board and Metropolitan Planning Organizations in the state varies from agency to agency. A generalized description of that range would be exasperation to frustration.

CARB's SB 150 report took MPOs to task for not doing enough to reduce GHG emissions (read VMT). Of course, MPOs had adopted Sustainable Community Strategies universally that

met the targets established by CARB. In fact, most had exceeded those targets. MPOs were urged to do more to reduce GHG emissions. MPOs responded to the report by agreeing that the state's aggressive goals for reducing GHG from transportation sources would not be achieved without a more robust state approach to technology and pricing, strategies out of the reach of most MPOs for implementation. And still today we are waiting for the State of California to step up more assertively in these areas to assist MPOs in reducing GHG emissions from transportation/land use sources. (see pages 3 and 4, https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/2019-01/2017 sp vmt reductions jan19.pdf)

In the summer of 2018, MPOs in the San Joaquin Valley adopted Sustainable Community Strategies in the second round of SCS adoptions. It took two years from the time our plan was first submitted until we received our unnecessarily lukewarm concurrence that our plan would achieve the target if implemented (the statutory standard). It has only been in 2020 that these documents have been approved by ARB as meeting the targets. Even though SB 375 establishes a 60-day review period, many of these documents have been subjected to a two-year review. After much back and forth between CARB and MPO staffs almost all documents have been approved without any edits to the strategies. What are you getting for all that effort? The amount of staff time invested to answering, in sometimes minute detail, the operations of computer-based transportation models is truly staggering. And the final approval letters have more the flavor or a reprimand than a congratulations.

The Future

Maybe with new leadership at both my organization and yours, we can save the future from the trajectory we are presently on.

I see a return to the spirit of the Regional Targets Advisory Committee. Potentially the MPOs and respective ARB staff sitting down together at both a technical level and a management level to better streamline and allocate resources for the review and expectations of SCS documents and attachments. For all their tonal challenges the approval letters are a start in that. Let's not lose the momentum and involve some of the same players at management levels in our respective organizations.

Let's not criticize sound local policies that got subsumed by externalities. Both ARB and MPOs have the same issue when it comes to transportation emissions—neither of us control the full scope of regulatory authority to achieve our goals. The SB 150 report did a reasonably good job of acknowledging that there are a number of externalities that MPOs do not control and that it would take new levels of partnership at the state, regional and local levels to achieve the standards.

(See the "More Governmental Partnership" subheading here for more detail on the 150 report. https://calcog.org/sb-375-ghg-emission-gap-explained/)

But in more recent documents, like the draft Mobile Source Strategy, ARB's framing is one of blame, not shared responsibility and partnership. The language notes frame the issue as a failure of SB 375 without acknowledging that ARB identified a 7 percent gap that was outside of the scope of SB 375. I realize that 7 percent conversation is a very difficult one, which is perhaps why ARB has not addressed it directly since the last Scoping Plan update.

To the extent that there is a true air of cooperation between us, I believe that even the most exasperated MPO would be willing to engage in meaningful conversations around this issue. If the health of the earth hangs in the balance, why can't ARB put as much effort into developing quality partnerships that it places in requesting multiple runs of our models looking for mistakes that—at best—will make miniscule reductions in emissions.

In the future we place our resources in the efforts that really matter. Let's minimize the minutiae of transportation models and emphasize the demonstrated effectiveness of existing strategies and model

appropriate methodologies for measuring potential new strategies (which may or may not be based). Let's not focus on who gets credit (MPO or State) for a reduction strategy but on what produces real reductions. For example, a higher percentage of external to external trips are experienced between regional agencies in the San Joaquin Valley. Broader statewide policies for interregional trip consolidation and management are in order, as well as promoting regional agencies to take a more innovative cooperative approach in measuring these trips.

In the future let's remember how we effectively have reduced air pollution from transportation sources in the state through primarily technological changes. Behavioral changes that reduce VMT can be secondarily effective and can be achieved through better coordination of land use and transportation as well as pricing strategies. A slavish commitment to VMT reduction as the primary means of reducing greenhouse gas emissions will prove self-defeating. There are numerous examples of VMT reductions achieved through the demise of economic activity, but fewer and far less convincing examples of VMT reductions resulting in increased economic activity. In regions like the San Joaquin Valley and the Inland Empire the Governor has emphasized economic growth as a way of "regions rising together". These are also regions where historically underrepresented, underserved, and economically disadvantaged populations are numerous. Local and regional leaders are not going to sign onto strategies that reduce economic growth and perpetuate social and economic inequalities to further VMT reductions when technological and more targeted strategies like pricing are available on a statewide basis.

In the future let's talk again about a bottom's up approach and eschew the language and messaging of a regulatory approach. We are all fighting for the right thing; a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions that improves the quality of life of Californians, Americans and the world. Let's fight for this goal in the way SB 375 originally intended; bottoms up with an intergovernmental partnership.

Sincerely,

ANDREW T. CHESLEY

Executive Director

Cc:

Steven Cliff CARB Jennifer Gress CARB Lezlie Kimura-Szeto CARB Samir Sheikh SJVAPCD

San Joaquin Valley Regional Agencies Executive Directors

AGENDA ITEM VIII-E

January 25, 2021 Prepared by Brideget Moore, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Action: Adoption of Üesolution: Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan

BACKGROUND:

The 2022 Public Participation Plan is used to solicit public comment on transportation-related issues of Tulare County for the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) as well as updates and amendments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). The Public Participation Plan was developed as part of the requirements from the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). The 2022 Public Participation Plan (PPP) is an update to the previously adopted 2018 Public Participation Plan.

At the December 14, 2020 TCAG Board meeting, the Draft 2022 PPP was introduced, and the comment period was opened. The Plan was distributed to Caltrans District 6 and Headquarters, Tule River Tribe Representative, the Regional Transportation Plan Roundtable, various other Tulare County agencies and interested parties, as well as advertised on the TCAG website, Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. Additionally, the notice of public hearing and draft plan was posted in the Sun Gazette newspaper.

DISCUSSION:

The Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan was distributed via e-mail to local, state and federal agencies and notice of the availability of the Plan on the TCAG website was emailed and disseminated via local newspaper and social media. The forty-five-day public comment period began December 14, 2020 and a public hearing regarding the Draft Plan will be held at the TCAG Board Meeting on January 25, 2021. Public comments collected will be reviewed and considered for incorporation into the 2022 Draft PPP.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There are no fiscal impacts with the adoption of the 2022 Participation Plan.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Resolution Approving the Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan
- 2. Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan

 Due to the file size this attachment is 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/

Work Element: 650.01 Public Information and Participation

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

In the matter of:

APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT 2022)	
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN)	Resolution No

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, Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Sec. 450.316(a) requires that MPOs develop and use a documented participation plan; and

WHEREAS, the Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan was developed in full compliance with federal guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the 2022 Public Participation Plan is an update of the 2018 Public Participation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan was prepared in full compliance with federal guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan or notice of the location of the Plan on the TCAG website was widely circulated to identified Resource Agencies, Tule River Tribe Representative, social media, local agencies and groups and individuals on TCAG's email distribution list; and

WHEREAS, the public comment period for the Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan was opened on December 14, 2020 and closed on January 25, 2021 with a public hearing held on January 25, 2021; and

WHEREAS, comments were received from the following: (to be added at the January 25th Board Meeting); and

WHEREAS, all comments submitted regarding the Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan through January 25th will be addressed in the Final Plan; and

WHEREAS, there will be an additional update to the Public Participation Plan to address the public participation process in the development of the Sustainable Communities Strategy and Alternative Planning Strategy as required by SB 375 (Steinberg) prior to the adoption of the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that TCAG adopts the Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member $\,$, seconded by Member $\,$, at a regular meeting held on the 25 th day of January, 2021 by the following vote:

ABSENT:		
ABSTAIN:		
NOES:		
AYES:		

TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Pete Vander Poel III, TCAG Chair	
Ted Smalley,	
Executive Director TCAG	

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AGENDA ITEM VIII-G

January 25, 2021 Prepared by Benjamin Kimball, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

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

BACKGROUND:

The 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan is used to solicit public comment on transportation-related issues of the Tulare County for matters regarding the Tule River Tribe as part of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

Having an outreach plan for the tribe, separate from the Public Participation Plan used for the RTP allows TCAG to focus on the unique needs of the tribe and craft outreach to meet their specific circumstances. This is a way of planning outreach that has not been attempted at TCAG in prior years.

On December 2, 2020, the public comment period opened for the Tribal PPP. At the December 14, 2020 Board meeting, the Draft 2020 Tribal PPP was introduced to the Board. The Plan was distributed to Caltrans District 6 and Headquarters, Tule River Tribe Representative, the Regional Transportation Plan Roundtable, various other Tulare County agencies and interested parties, as well as advertised on the TCAG website, Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. Additionally, the notice of public hearing and draft plan was posted in the Sun Gazette newspaper.

DISCUSSION:

The Draft 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan was distributed via e-mail to local, state and federal agencies and notice of the availability of the Plan on the TCAG website was emailed and disseminated via local newspaper and social media. The forty-five-day public comment period began December 2, 2020 and a public hearing regarding the Draft Plan will be held at the TCAG Board Meeting on January 25, 2021. Public comments collected will be reviewed and considered for incorporation into the 2020 Draft Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There are no fiscal impacts with the adoption of the Draft 2020 Participation Plan.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Resolution approving the Draft Tribal Public Participation Plan
- 2. Draft 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan

Work Element: 650.01 Public Information and Participation

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

In the matter of:

APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT 2020 TRIBAL)	
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN)	Resolution No.

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, Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Sec. 450.316(a) requires that MPOs develop and use a documented participation plan; and

WHEREAS, the Draft 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan was developed in full compliance with federal guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Draft 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan and notice of the location of the Plan on the TCAG website was widely circulated to identified Resource Agencies, Tule River Tribe Representative, social media, local agencies and groups and individuals on TCAG's email distribution list; and

WHEREAS, the public comment period for the Draft 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan was opened on December 2, 2020 and closed on January 25, 2021 with a public hearing held on January 25, 2021; and

WHEREAS, comments were received from the following: (to be added at the January 25th Board Meeting); and

WHEREAS, all comments submitted regarding the Draft 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan through January 25th will be addressed in the Final Plan; and

WHEREAS, there will be an additional update to the Tribal Public Participation Plan to address the public participation process in the development of the Sustainable Communities Strategy and Alternative Planning Strategy as required by SB 375 (Steinberg) prior to the adoption of the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the TCAG adopts the Draft 2020 Tribal Public Participation Plan.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member $\,$, seconded by Member $\,$, at a regular meeting held on the 25 th day of January, 2021 by the following vote:

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AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	
	TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
	Pete Vander Poel III,
	TCAG Chair
	Ted Smalley,
	Executive Director, TCAG

Tulare County Association of Governments 2022 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Tribal Outreach Strategy

Introduction

The United States Constitution and treaties recognize Native American communities as separate and independent sovereign nations within the territorial boundaries of the United States. In the Tulare County Region, there is one federally recognized tribal government. Federal legislation requires that federally recognized tribal governments be consulted in the development of Regional Transportation Plans (RTP) and programs (23 U.S.C. §450.312). In particular, the current federal transportation authorization – the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) – reinforces federal emphasis on tribal government participation. President Obama, in his November 5, 2009 Memorandum on Tribal Consultation (Federal Register, Vol. 74, No. 215, November 9, 2009), reiterated the directive for public agencies to incorporate tribal consultation into their plans and programs in a timely and meaningful manner. At the state level, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr.'s administration emphasized the importance of tribal-state relations through the creation of the Office of the Tribal Advisor (Executive Order B-10-112) in 2010. The Tribal Advisor's charge is to serve as a direct link between the tribes in California and the Governor; facilitate communication and consultations between tribes and State Agencies; and, review state legislation and regulations affecting tribes and provide recommendations.

At the regional level, there are minimal guidelines for consultation. How consultation should occur is left to the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and the tribal governments. Over the last decade, the Tulare County Association of Governments, as an MPO, has forged a strong working relationship with the Tule River Tribe based on a framework of communication, service, and joint projects. With each cycle of the RTP process, TCAG has engaged the Tribe in soliciting comments on issues regarding policy, scenario selection and project selection. TCAG has made presentations at the tribal Council Meetings, engaged in active transportation awareness at the reservation and worked with the City of Porterville to provide a number of transportation projects and services.

Caltrans was the first state agency in California to enact an agency-wide policy on tribal consultation. Its objectives are to: (a) establish close coordination and early project involvement with tribal governments to streamline funding, environmental, and project delivery processes in areas on or near reservations; (b) ensure that Caltrans programs do not adversely affect important California Native American sites, traditions, or practices; (c) encourage cooperation between other agencies and local tribal governments; (d) assist with training, information dissemination, and project delivery; and (e) consider the Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance (TERO) from individual tribes for employment and

contracting opportunities for Native Americans on Caltrans projects on or near reservations.

Led by TCAG, the Regional Plan combines an overall vision for the region's future with an implementation program to make the vision a reality. As the Tulare County Region's MPO, TCAG is responsible for developing an RTP every four years. Each cycle of the RTP is an iterative process in which the region's long-term transportation goals and project priorities are revisited and discussed through a public involvement process among diverse stakeholders. The most recent RTP was approved by the TCAG Board of Directors in June 2018 and the next is anticipated to be approved in June 2022.

Tule River Tribal Background (Provided by Gelya Frank of the Tribe).

History

When gold was discovered in 1848, California was under American military occupation in the war against Mexico. Thousands of American prospectors poured into the territory. California statehood followed in 1850 and everything changed for the native people of the Great Central Valley. Although Spain, and later Mexico, had sent forays into the interior of California for a century and a half, the Indians of the foothills of the Sierras were relatively well protected. There were the safest of any California Indians from military expeditions, capture, and forced conversion at the missions. With the Gold Rush and California statehood, disease decimated the population. The ravages of disease were compounded by injustice and starvation. In 1860 the Indian population in California was only 20% of what it had been ten years earlier.

Stories & Legends

Many of the Stories told by the Elders of the Tule River Indian reservation have been handed down from generation to generation. Almost all of these stories reflect the ways and life of the Tule River Tribes. All of the stories however, carry a strong message to the youth and adults in the region. Significant historical facts on these stories come from Painted Rock. This is a formation located next to the Tule River, on the Reservation.

Arts & Crafts

In the old days, basket weaving was not only a common practice but a necessity of every day life. Baskets were used for cooking, gathering and storage. "Baskets were the early Tupperware," says Basket Weaver and Tule River Tribal Member Nicola Larsen. Baskets are made of various materials available on the reservation, such as pine needle, willow, sour berry, etc. Today, Basket weaving is a revived skill that is practiced amongst various Tule River Tribal members.

Language

At one time, there were many different dialects spoken amongst the original inhabitants on Tule River Indian Reservation. Today, some Tule River Tribal members still teach and practice their tribe's dialect to continue the culture. Denise Hunter teaches members of the community the Yowlumne dialect, with some Wukchumne. Her classes are held on Wednesdays at 4pm. For more information she may be contacted at 559.784.0973. Nicola Larsen has been teaching the Yowlumne dialect since 2002. This is a tradition she has carried on from her great grandmother Mary Santiago. Nicola not only covers language, but continues to teach other cultural practices such as acorn making, milk weed fiber making, songs, and so much more. All tribal members are welcome. Her classes are held in a trailer right behind the Education Center every Wednesday at 5pm and every Saturday at 10:30am

Economic Development

The Tule River Economic Development Corporation (TREDC), organized in the state of California and located in Porterville, CA on Tule River Trustee Land. TREDC is a non-profit organization that is owned by the Tule River Indian Tribe, and governed by a Board of Directors comprised by the Tule River Tribal Council. Having started Tule River Economic Development Corporation years prior to the advent of Indian gaming, it is now situated to help the Tribe diversify its revenue potential as well as employment opportunities for members of the Tribe. TREDC's business model is hierarchical with leadership and management oversight of day-to-day operations coming from the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and the Executive Staff. TREDC operates businesses with onsite management for superior customer service. Current Economic Development Projects Include:

- Arrow Falcon Exporters, Inc.
- The Oak Pit
- Eagle Feather Trading Post #1
- Eagle Feather Trading Post #2 (Outside of the Tulare County Region)
- Burger Box

Planning and Transportation Issues

A number of planning issues surround this reservation, as it is located in a remote area far from major highways. Inadequate access to and from the reservation often results in a lack of economic opportunities, as well as insufficient health, social, and cultural services.

Gaming is a traditional social activity among many tribal nations; however, tribal gaming enterprises expanded exponentially nationwide in the early 1990s as a result of the passage of the Federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA). The IGRA was the result of a legal battle between the Cabazon Band of Mission Indians and the State of California over the issue of the definition of sovereignty. The State claimed that Cabazon was

violating state anti-gambling laws, while the tribe asserted its sovereign right to pursue its own economic interests. In 1987, the United States Supreme Court ruled in favor of Cabazon, prompting Congress to pass a federal gaming regulatory act to define how gaming should be conducted nationwide and what role the states should have in that activity. The Tule River Tribe owns and operates a Casino and associated uses on the reservation, but has plans for a new casino on their trust land adjacent to the Porterville Airport and emerging business park. The existing casino provides jobs and economic development for the tribe and its members. Getting casino customers up the hill on narrow, winding roads has been a challenge since the casino was constructed. Although improvements to the road have been made over the years, and the City of Porterville has contracted with the Tribe to provide transit service to and from the casino, the Tribe has worked for years on a plan to relocate it.

The City of Porterville is the closest community to the reservation. Many tribe members live, work and recreate in Porterville and many of their children attend Porterville schools. The City of Porterville has a long-standing relationship with the tribe and contracts with them to provide needed services, including transit. When plans for a new casino near the airport first emerged, the City and Tribe created a Joint Powers Agreement to manage the roads and land within the city limits that were adjacent to the proposed site. This organization was funded by both parties and has an elected board.

As the Porterville Industrial Park has grown, access to the area has become an issue of major concern. Existing road and highway access has historically been inadequate to serve the existing and proposed truck trips from the businesses, as well as passenger vehicles from the new Sports Park and Fair Grounds. The construction of a casino in that are would put added strain on a system already struggling. There is little in the way of transit service to this area and current active transportation routes don't extend that far west or south.

Projects being considered in the upcoming 2022 Regional Transportation Plan

In order to help the tribe meet its economic development, safety, and environmental goals, TCAG has been partnering with the City of Porterville, Tulare County and Caltrans to help improve the transportation system in that area.

Past projects that benefit the tribe are shown on the map in yellow and include:

- Operational improvements to Reservation Road
- New Roundabout at SR 190 and Reservation Road
- Park and Ride lot at SR 190 and Reservation Road for transit buses serving the reservation.
- Widening of SR 65 from SR 190 to Teapot Dome Avenue, providing greater access to the industrial park.

Projects being considered in the future are shown on the map in red for roads and orange for active transportation, and include:

- Active Transportation Program funding for sidewalks in the reservation.
- SR 190 Corridor enhancements, per a recent corridor plan.
- Extension of the Tule River Parkway, giving greater access to the west of Porterville on foot or bike.
- The Butterfield Stagecoach Corridor project, bringing and active transportation trail through the community that will provide access to the north eastern portion of the industrial park and serve the Oak Pit restaurant owned by the tribe.
- Cross Valley Corridor Station, bringing people into the area using an alternate mode.



Past Outreach Efforts

Successful outreach for Regional Planning with the Tribe is a mixture of outcomes. We have had successes with some approaches and lacked successful interaction with others.

For years, the tribe has been a member of the TCAG Technical Advisory Committee. The tribe receives regular agendas and monthly meeting information and is invited to participate. Meetings include reviews of all official TCAG business and solicitations of comments by member agencies on all TCAG actions. However, the tribe does not want to participate on this committee, nor do they attend the meetings. Invitations and encouragement to attend continue regularly.

The tribe has also been invited to participate in past RTP Roundtables as a voting member. The Roundtable reviews the work done in preparation of the RTP and makes recommendations to the TCAG Board on related items including policies, scenarios and projects. During the 2018 the tribe was unwilling to participate on the Roundtable, even

when given the option of calling into the meeting to avoid a long trip to the meeting site. During the initial stages of the 2022 RTP, the tribe has already expressed that they will not be participating in Roundtable or other related meetings. Their stated reason was concern over COVID and lockdowns, and the struggles having sufficient staff during these times to do the work, even when given teleconferencing opportunities.

What has worked well in recent efforts is physically going to the reservation and meeting with them at their facilities. During the 2018 RTP outreach efforts TCAG attended a Tribal Council meeting to give and update on the plan and solicit their input on a preferred scenario. The Council was pleased to get this report and offered excellent advice. Meeting their staff at the reservation to examine the sites for an active transportation project went well too. A short time after that, TCAG held a bike rodeo to build awareness in youth on bike safety principles and connect with the community. There was a great deal of support from the tribe and the families there for this event.

This is not unlike the results TCAG has seen with outreach to other groups: not much success bringing them to workshops, but a lot of success when we "go where they already are."

Upcoming Outreach Efforts

As the tribal reservation continues to develop, the need for establishing a government-to-government framework at a regional level has become increasingly apparent. The tribe operates under independent constitutions, has their own system of governance, and establishes and administers their own laws. This sovereign status of tribal governments dictates that the United States, and all agencies operating within it, is expected to engage in government-to-government relationships with Native American tribes. Government-to-government interaction with Native American tribes should follow the principles of coordination, cooperation, and consultation.

Having learned a great deal from the successes of past outreach efforts, TCAG will be engaging the tribe to the maximum extent possible during the 2022 RTP process. Specifically, TCAG will be:

- Continuing efforts to include the tribe in the monthly Technical Advisory Committee
- Continuing efforts to include the tribe in the RTP Roundtable and its meetings
- Continuing efforts to include the tribe in the Rural Communities Committee (focused on environmental justice issues)
- Working with FHWA and Caltrans staff to better understand tribal needs and effective communication techniques
- Contacting the tribe to ask them how they would like to be involved in this process this time around

- Attending Tribal Council meetings to present plan updates and solicit feedback (as far as quarantine measures allow)
- Conduct another bike rodeo to further promoted bike safety and solicit feedback from participants on important RTP issues
- Work in tandem with the City of Porterville to communicate with the tribe and partner on the preparation of plans and projects
- Use Facebook ads and other social media to reach residents directly with plan updates and solicit feedback

AGENDA ITEM VIII-I

January 25, 2021 Prepared by Elizabeth Forte, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Regional Transit Coordination Update

BACKGROUND:

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

DISCUSSION:

The TCRTA continues to move forward in its implementation. An interim budget for the remainder of the 2020/2021 fiscal year has been prepared and accounts established. The staff services agreement between TCAG and the TCRTA that will allow TCAG to house the Executive Director of the transit agency has been drafted. The recruitment for the TCRTA director should be underway next month.

Applications for the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program have been prepared by contract staff from the City of Porterville and approved by TCRTA for submittal to TCAG. CMAQ applications are scheduled for TCAG Board review in February.

ATTACHMENT:

None

Work Element: 601.01 - Transit Administration

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AGENDA ITEM VIII-J

January 25, 2021 Prepared by Amie Kane, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

Information: Conflict of Interest Code (Form 700) Due April 1, 2021

BACKGROUND:

The Tulare County Association of Governments is required to adopt and maintain a conflict of interest code. This code outlines who must disclose information on an annual basis, and what type of information must be disclosed.

DISCUSSION:

The Political Reform Act requires certain officials and employees who serve in positions designated in an agency's conflict of interest code to file a Statement of Economic Interest (Form 700). Appendix A of this staff report provides a listing of positions that are designated to provide a Form 700 by April 1, 2021. Appendix B lists the disclosure categories for those designated positions. The Form 700 is available in an interactive version on the Fair Political Practices Commission website: www.fppc.ca.gov.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Appendix A- Designated Employees
- 2. Appendix B- Disclosure Categories
- 3. Form 700- 2020/2021 Statement of Economic Interests (**Under Separate Cover**)

APPENDIX A (DESIGNATED EMPLOYEES)

DESIGNATED POSITIONS	DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES
Members of TCAG Board	1, 2, 3
Alternate Members of TCAG Board	1, 2, 3
Executive Director	1, 2, 3
Deputy Executive Director	1, 2, 3
Fiscal Manager	1, 2, 3
Principal Planner	1, 2, 3
LAFCo Executive Officer	1, 2, 3
Consultant*	1

^{*} Consultants are included as designated employees and shall disclose pursuant to the broadest disclosure category, subject to the following limitation:

The executive director/executive officer of this local agency may determine in writing whether a particular consultant is a "designated employee" or whether the consultant is hired to perform a range of duties that is limited in scope and thus is not required to fully comply with the disclosure requirements required by this code. Such written determination shall include a description of the consultant's duties and, based upon that description, a statement of the extent of disclosure requirements. The determination of the executive director/executive officer is a public record and shall be retained for public inspection in the same manner and location as this conflict of interest code.

Work Element: 601.02-TCAG Administration

APPENDIX B

2020 CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES

1. Full Disclosure:

All interests in real property located entirely or partly within this Agency's jurisdiction or boundaries, or within two miles of this Agency's jurisdiction or boundaries or of any land owned or used by this Agency. Such interests include any leasehold, ownership interest or option to acquire such interest in real property.

All investments, business positions, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments.

(Intended for board members and high-level decision-making employees with broad duties)

2 Full Disclosure (excluding interests in real property):

All investments, business positions, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments.

3. Interests in Real Property (only):

All interests in real property located entirely or partly within this Agency's jurisdiction or boundaries, or within two miles of this Agency's jurisdiction or boundaries or of any land owned or used by this Agency. Such interests include any leasehold, ownership interest or option to acquire such interest in real property.

4. General Contracting (two options):

A. All investments, business positions, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments, from sources that provide, or have provided in the last two years, leased facilities, goods, supplies, materials, equipment, vehicles, machinery, services, or the like, including training or consulting services, of the type utilized by the County.

(Intended for employees whose duties and decisions invo/ve contracting and purchasing for the entire County)

B. All investments, business positions, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments, from sources that provide, or have provided in the last two years, leased facilities, goods, supplies, materials, equipment, vehicles, machinery, services, or the like, including training or consulting services, of the type utilized by the employee's department or agency.

(Intended for employees whbse duties and decisions involve contracting and purchasing for a specific department or agency of the County)

5. Regulatory, Permit or Licensing Duties:

All investments, business positions, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments, from sources that are subject to the regulatory, permit or licensing authority of, or have an application for a license or permit pending befare, the employee's department or agency, or the County.

6. Grant/Service Providers/Agencies that Oversee Programs (two options):

A. All investments, business positions, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments, or income from a nonprofit organization, if the source is of the type to receive grants or other monies from or through the specific department or agency of the County.

(Intended for employees whose duties and decisions involve awards of monies or grants to organizations or individua/s)

B. All investments, business positions, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments, or income from a nonprofit organization, if the source is of the type to offer or provide consulting, rehabilitative or educational services concerning the prevention, treatment or rehabilitation of persons.

(Intended for employees who a/so approves programs for rehabilitative services)

AGENDA ITEM VIII-K

January 25, 2021 Prepared by Amie Kane, TCAG Staff

SUBJECT:

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

BACKGROUND:

The TCAG Board is made up of eight city representatives, Tulare County Board of Supervisors, one public transit provider and three At-Large members. At-Large Board members are not appointed based on geographic location in the County. At-Large Board Members' term expire after a three-year term or upon resignation, whichever comes first. 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.

TCAG Member-At-Large Position and the Alternate Member-At-Large position No. 3 term expired on December 31, 2020. The positions are currently filled by the following Board members:

Member-At-Large: Wanda Ishida

Alternate Member-At-Large: Marlene Sario

YEAR TERM EXPIRES	<u>POSITION</u>	APPOINTEE/ALTERNATE
	<u>NUMBER</u>	
December 31, 2021	#1	Tyrone Holscher/Shea Gowin
December 31, 2022	#2	Walter Stammer, Jr./Pamela K. Whitmire
December 31, 2023	#3	Wanda Ishida/Marlene Sario

After the agenda went to print in December, the Alternate Member at Large position No. 3 became vacant. The position was posted to the TCAG website and on TCAG's public social media platforms to solicit interest.

DISCUSSION:

Since the December Board meeting, the member-at-large position also became vacant. TCAG will continue to solicit interest on the TCAG website and social media for the Member At Large and Alternate Member At Large No.3 positions.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

No action required at this time.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Work Element: 601.02 TCAG Administration