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This plan is a detailed look at TCAG's continued effort to gather public input in addition to our commitment to safety education, transparency, and excellence in outreach initiatives. State and federal regulations (23 CRF 450.316) have a set of defined requirements that must be followed regarding public participation, however TCAG elects to go above and beyond mandates; endeavoring to consult and collaborate in creative and meaningful ways with Tulare County communities in navigating transportation planning and funding strategies.

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## I. Introduction

### *Tulare County Association of Governments*

#### **Location**

Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) is located within the County of Tulare, which is comprised of 4,824 square miles. It is in the southern portion of the San Joaquin Valley. The Valley is between the Coastal Range on the west and the Sierra Nevada Range on the east. The Valley extends from Sacramento on the north, to the Tehachapi Range on the south. The San Joaquin Valley is one of the richest farmlands in the world producing a wide variety of agricultural products. Tulare County has approximately one third (1/3) of the area in the Valley. The remaining portion is in the Sierra Nevada Range. This offers an abundance of scenic and recreational opportunities for residents and visitors. The land in the Valley produces a wide variety of agricultural products. Tulare County ranks third in the nation in total agricultural income. The population of Tulare County is concentrated in the Valley. There are eight incorporated cities accounting for 70 percent of the county's total approximate population of 479,977.

## Organization Structure

The TCAG Board of Governors directs Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG). This Board is composed of one representative from each of the eight city councils, a transit representative, the five members of the County Board of Supervisors, and three members-at-large. These seventeen members act as the Council of Governments (COG), the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA), and the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). These members, plus the District 6 Director of Caltrans, sit as the Policy Advisory Committee. Additionally, there is the Tulare County Transportation Authority which is governed by the elected members of the TCAG Board of Governors to act on Measure R (the Tulare County ½ percent sales tax) issues.





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plus the District 6 Director of Caltrans, sit as the Policy Advisory Committee. This body offers advice on issues that will be presented to the Board of Governors. Additionally, the Tulare County Transportation Authority is governed by the elected members of the TCAG Board of Governors. The Authority is designated to act on Measure R (the Tulare County ½ percent sales tax) issues.

*The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)* makes recommendations to the Board of Governors. This committee is comprised of representatives from each of the eight cities, the Tulare County Resource Management Agency, Caltrans, the Tule River Tribal Council and TCAG Staff. This committee meets once a month prior to TCAG Board meetings to review upcoming Board agenda items and to discuss outstanding issues of regional significance.

*The Social Service Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC)*, responsible for the annual review of the Unmet Transit Needs in the County, is another permanent committee of TCAG that meets quarterly. This review results in a recommendation of findings to the TCAG Board of Governors, who then considers the recommendation and makes the final Unmet Needs Determination. This council meets quarterly and represents the following agencies and groups of people: disabled transit users, youth transit user, transit users over 60 years of age, social service providers for Seniors, social service providers for the disabled, social service providers for persons of limited means, consolidated transportation service agency for non-urbanized areas, consolidated transportation service agency for urbanized areas and the Center for Independent Living.

*The Measure R Citizens Oversight Committee (COC)* meets quarterly and additionally as needed and is responsible for providing input on implementation of the Measure R Expenditure Plan and to advise the TCAG Board if and when the Plan needs to be augmented and to ensure that the funds are being spent in accordance with the Plan. This committee is comprised of non-elected citizens from the following groups: the County of Tulare, the eight incorporated cities, a major private sector employer (nominated by the Tulare County Economic Development Corporation), the building industry (nominated by the Tulare County Building Association), the agriculture industry (nominated by the Tulare County Farm Bureau), the Hispanic community (nominated by the Tulare-Kings Hispanic Chamber of Commerce), an advocacy group representing bicyclists, pedestrians and/or transit (selected through application), a professional in the field of audit, finance and/or budgeting (selected through application) and an environmental advocacy group (selected through application).

There are also non-Board appointed committees that provide the public and other agencies and organizations the opportunity to participate in planning processes:

*Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC)* meets monthly or as needed and is responsible for advising the TCAG Board regarding the development and maintenance of active transportation interests within Tulare County. This committee is comprised of members from the following groups: Planning and Public Works Staff from the County

and eight incorporated cities, bicycle facility users, local service clubs, law enforcement officials, Tulare County Public Health, local citizens and TCAG staff.

### *Transit Forum*

The transit operators in Tulare County are represented on the TCAG Board of Governors and the Technical Advisory Committee by an elected official of the operator's decision-making body and by a technical staff person respectively. In addition, the Transit Forum is composed of representatives from each of the agencies that provide transit operations and TCAG Staff. The Forum meets every two months to exchange information and discuss transit related issues.

### **Public Outreach Mission**

TCAG's mission is to be proactive, creative, and innovative in public outreach; developing plans, guidelines and public input opportunities that will appropriately address the needs of Tulare County communities with cultural competence at the forefront of outreach endeavors.

TCAG staff actively engages with the public for feedback through various methods and are proud of the continually growing list of partnering organizations that serve Tulare County residents. During public engagement, TCAG takes federal and state laws into consideration as well as best practices and community needs.

### **Public Outreach Annual Review**

TCAG is committed to ensuring that outreach efforts meet the needs of Tulare County communities and seek improvement in outreach efforts over time. TCAG will review outreach strategies annually in June of each year and incorporate results of reviews into subsequent Public Participation Plan updates, using the data gleaned to continue improving future outreach strategies. This review process will occur as part of the Overall Work Plan (OWP) Development. Visit [WWW.TULAECOG.ORG](http://WWW.TULAECOG.ORG) for the most recent Public Participation Plan Annual Review.

<https://tularecog.org/tcag/planning/public-participation-plan/>



**Bike raffle winners at Porterville Parenting Network after a Bike Safety Class for Parents held in collaboration with Porterville Police Department.**

## **Public Outreach Initiatives**

Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) has a robust outreach program designed to connect with Tulare County communities and work alongside respective area non-profits, to consider transportation needs in a collaborative way. With the great diversity of Tulare County residents, TCAG has a unique ability to partner with many different organizations to provide plans, services and solutions that enrich the lives of many. Some of the common issues expressed in local rural communities which make it difficult for residents to walk, bike, and utilize public transportation include safety concerns, inadequate lighting, lack of safety equipment resources and inadequate infrastructure. Many of the outreach events have been created in response to these requests and concerns which are often unique and specific to Tulare County. TCAG is very proud to recognize the various groups that partner in hosting or participating in community outreach events. These include the following:

**Air Quality Art Contests:** TCAG has collaborated with the Tulare County Office of Education, local school districts, libraries, Imagine U Children’s Museum, Tulare County Arts Consortium, and various other agencies to engage TK-12<sup>th</sup> grade students in considering and drawing how they can improve air quality through active transportation. This art contest is hosted by TCAG annually and in 2019, seven bikes, helmets and safety lights were earned by student winners selected by the ATAC. Their bikes and safety equipment were funded by community partners, local bicycle clubs and consultants.

**Partnership/membership with Create Tulare County Coalition (Create TC):** Create TC is the local part of a statewide initiative called Create California. The collaboration with Create TC provides the opportunity to engage with many different types of agencies that are involved with the coalition, addressing issues facing youth in Tulare



County with regard to access to educational experiences and the arts. With a tremendous number of rural communities, transportation can be a barrier to educational access for students. Some of the projects of Create TC include creating an arts mobile unit, County wide art contests and youth pathways programs.

**Bike Safety Classes for Parents:** Great collaboration efforts have proven successful with Parenting Network and Porterville Police Department. Two safety classes have been held thus far in English and Spanish. These events were designed to address specific needs in the city of Porterville as a result of a growing trend of young bicyclist injuries and unsafe riding practices on fixed gear bikes. The events educate parents how to properly fit helmets, provide families that are unable to afford the proper safety equipment for bikes with needed supplies, and allow the opportunity for the Porterville Police Department to speak with parents about safety and local laws; bridging the gaps between the two groups to collaborate and educating the public in biking, starting first with parent education.

**Adult Bike Safety Classes:** In total, forty-two people signed up to participate in the Adult Bike Safety Class which was created to reach unsheltered and low-income residents. During Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) monthly meetings to discuss bike and pedestrian related issues, public health provides an update regarding bike and pedestrian fatalities within Tulare County. The committee proposed that an outreach event be created to target those most at risk for bike and pedestrian related injuries and fatalities which were older adults of limited means. TCAG partnered with Visalia Rescue Mission (VRM) and hosted the event there along with various other community partners. Many who participate in the programs associated with VRM use bikes as a primary means of transportation. Other participating agencies included Tulare County Health & Human Services, Tulare County Public Health, Visalia Transit and California Highway Patrol. At this event, generous consultant and community partner donations helped pay for:

- ✓ Front and rear dual setting LED bike lights
- ✓ High quality “U style” bike locks
- ✓ Event refreshments
- ✓ 9 Raffle prizes which included three transit passes, various snack baskets and baked goods
- ✓ Certificates of Achievement for completing the bike safety course

Several community partners collaborated and pooled resources to make the event successful:

- ✓ Volunteers from VRM Bike Crew gathered to help with minor bike repairs, provided safety vests and to fit helmets for attendees.
- ✓ TCAG provided bike helmets, reflective stripe safety backpacks, clip on red LED bike lights, tire pressure gauges and other informational materials.

- ✓ Visalia Transit came with a transit route bus to help attendees learn how to load their bikes on the bus rack and learn more about transit.
- ✓ Tulare County Health and Human Services provided information regarding MediCal, CalFresh and related services.
- ✓ Tulare County Public Health provided timely health and safety information and give away items for participants.
- ✓ Jim Barnes of VRM Bike Crew facilitated the bike safety course, teaching participants about hand signals, riding on the right and obeying traffic signs. Additionally, Jim led the group on a practice route to demonstrate their learnings.
- ✓ TCAG facilitated the graduation ceremony and refreshments where attendees were given their lights, locks, and certificates.
- ✓ Remaining bike safety supplies went to the Whitman Community Village Center Bike Program for kids.

The Bike Safety Class inspired helpful dialogue around safety issues and great feedback was received. The VRM coordinator expressed desire for the Bike Safety Class to become an annual event in the future. Additionally, one participant, upon receiving his certificate of completion, said "I have never earned anything before, until today." Many others expressed their gratitude for the refreshments, coffee, and tea during that cold fall morning. An overwhelming amount of thanks were expressed for the bike lights and locks, as theft is a common problem and safety equipment can be costly and difficult to obtain.

One of the most notable outcomes was that participants were able to retain and later recite back the information that they learned with regard to hand signals, obeying traffic rules and riding on the right side of the road.

**Tule River Bike Rodeos:** Since the 2015 Public Participation Plan, one of the greatest TCAG successes has been the partnership with the Tule River Tribe for bike rodeos. For these events, TCAG mapped out bicycle courses complete with markings and signage to practice with live traffic on the main reservation roadway. Children ages 2 through 15 learned how to ride using hand signals, obeying traffic signs and practical bike safety habits in an area with limited active transportation infrastructure. The event was held in collaboration with Tule River Tribe Recreation Center staff, Tule River Police and Fire Department. All agencies set up stations to teach about safety and to encourage safe active transportation. Bike helmets and bike safety equipment were provided at the events by TCAG and generous community partner donations. These bike rodeos led to TCAG participation in other Tule River reservation events. Additionally, TCAG has created a Public Participation plan to specifically address the needs of Tule River Tribe. To view this plan, visit <https://tularecog.org/tcag/planning/public-participation-plan/> .



Ivanhoe Community Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety Workshop at Ivanhoe Elementary in collaboration with Berkeley SafeTREC, California Walks, County of Tulare, Highway Patrol and California office of Traffic Safety.

**Bike Rodeos in Disadvantaged Communities:** TCAG has partnered with various communities to hold bike rodeos or bike safety education programs for children. Some of these partnerships include Visalia Whitman Village Bike Rodeo with Jim Barnes of former Jeff Barnes Brain Injury Foundation, Poplar Bike Rodeo with Southern Sierra Cyclist bicycle club and Woodlake Bike Rodeo in partnership with the local Kiwanis. These events provided an opportunity to distribute much needed safety equipment and to teach bike safety to children and their parents. These activities have taken place in collaboration with local non-profits, bicycle clubs, California Highway Patrol, Tulare County Sheriff, and other local law enforcement.

**Transit and Unmet Needs Outreach:** Outreach to the communities of Tulare County take place yearly to give the opportunity for TCAG to address needs including the needs of those that are a part of disadvantaged communities. For example, TCAG forged a partnership with a College of the Sequoias to remove transportation barriers for Tulare County residents to attend classes there. Many students rely on transit and would not have had the ability to attend college without transportation. Additionally, TCAG staff works with other public agencies and organizations which represent Limited English Proficient (LEP) persons, elderly, disabled and minorities to maintain a two-way dialogue regarding transportation processes and issues that are important to them. Transit agencies include, Visalia Transit, Tulare Transit, TCAT, Porterville Transit, Dinuba Transit, and Woodlake Dial-A-Ride. TCAG staff work with local non-profit organizations, advocacy groups, and public agencies that provide

assistance to minority, low-income, and LEP persons to educate and inform them regarding transportation processes.

Public meetings are held in locations that are accessible to transit riders and people with disabilities and are scheduled at times that are convenient for members of the public to attend.

TCAG issues news releases regarding important transportation processes regularly on their website, which is available in Spanish using Google translate.

Also, TCAG advertises public meetings at additional venues (libraries, senior centers, schools, etc.), through TCAG's Facebook page, Instagram, Twitter, and e-mail. TCAG staff regularly uses social media to reach the public. Twitter followers increased by 144% since January 2015, and 64% since June 2015. The TCAG Facebook page had an increase in the number of people who liked it 136% from January 2015, and 61% since June 2015. In July 2015, TCAG launched its redesigned website, which featured mobile-friendly, interactive, streamlined, and simplified content. In 2019, TCAG began an additional update to the website for additional security measures and to improve the user experience.

TCAG staff uses the Social Service Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) as a forum to address transit needs for traditionally under-served persons.

TCAG staff use exhibits and printed material to highlight and inform the public of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), Unmet Transit Needs hearing, and other transportation planning processes.

Also provided to the public are non-English language translation services at meetings or for written documents when necessary or upon request. In line with these accommodations, TCAG's monthly agenda provides a notice that if someone needs special assistance to participate in the meeting, including auxiliary aids, translation requests, or other accommodations, or to access the agenda and documents in the agenda packet, they can contact our office at least 3 days prior to the meeting.

TCAG staff uses the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), through the Tule River Tribe's representative, as a forum to keep the Tribe informed of transportation issues both significant to the Tribe and to the County as a whole.

Unmet Transit Needs posters are placed on all the transit buses in the county and on some of the bus shelters. These notices are also sent to the list of community partners show in Appendix E, Table 1.

There are notices placed in Visalia or Porterville newspapers to advertise the Unmet Transit Needs public hearing. Two hearings for the public to submit unmet transit needs comments are held in Visalia and Porterville. Comments can also be submitted via the TCAG website, U.S. mail, social media by telephone and at the public hearings.

There are comment cards on the posters that are self-addressed and stamped already for the public to just complete and send in. All information is in English and Spanish.

**Electric Vehicle Implementation Study (EVIS):** The EVIS study provided an analysis of recommended locations and cost of EV charger implementation; a barriers and opportunity section, with best practices for EV charger implementation; and a funding matrix for EV charging stations. The case studies highlighted twelve sites to be considered for EV charger implementation throughout Tulare County.



Willdan, the EVIS consultant, reached out to various key stakeholders in Tulare County and developed a list of potential sites to be visited and evaluated. Interviews were held with stakeholders from Self Help Enterprises (Senior Community Development Specialist, Director of Asset Management and Senior Asset Management Specialist), City (i.e., city managers, General Service Agency directors, city engineers, transit managers) and County representatives (Resource Management Agency Director, Assistant Director of Planning, General Services Director).

**Rocky Hill Study:** The Rocky Hill Study developed two design concepts that determined the most feasible and effective improvements for the section of Rocky Hill Drive between Spruce Road and Yokohl Drive. The study provided information on the existing conditions of Rocky Hill Drive and identified methods to increase safety for all road users. The study identified possible funding opportunities, constraints, and project costs to promote implementation of the design concepts.

Extensive community outreach efforts were made to foster dialogue and gain perspective on community users, stakeholders, and agency concerns related to mobility and transportation on Rocky Hill Drive. All community outreach efforts were intended to maximize public involvement. In summary, the following public outreach efforts were made as part of this feasibility study:

- Hell of a Half Marathon Public Workshop - August 18, 2018
- TCAG Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) Meeting - August 23, 2018
- Stakeholder Meeting - August 29, 2018
- Public Survey - October 2018.
- Tribal Consultation
- Final Open House - January 16, 2019

**Regional Active Transportation Plan (RATP) Public Outreach:** Public outreach for development of the Regional ATP focused on three phases: 1) as the project was kicking off; 2) during the needs assessment process; 3) during the review and comment period for the public draft version of the plan.

*Project kick-off:*

This phase consisted of the development project fact sheet which was made available in English and Spanish and online form made available to members of the public. Members of the public were encouraged to contact TCAG staff with any questions or suggestions.

*Needs assessment process:*

TCAG compiled lists of priority bike and pedestrian projects from each of the TCAG member agencies for inclusion in the plan. TCAG also conducted a public needs assessment process for the plan which consisted of gathering input from the public on the barriers, obstacles, and challenges to walking and biking; the needs and concerns of pedestrians and cyclists; and ideas and suggestions for improving conditions.

*Public draft plan:*

The public draft plan was made available for a month-long comment period. The plan was presented to the public at six different community meetings held at various locations throughout the County. During this time, the document was also presented to

the TCAG Board for comments. Comments received on the draft plan were incorporated as appropriate into the final version of the plan.



**Porterville Community Bike Rodeo with Porterville Police Department, CASA of Tulare County and Tulare County Sheriff department and many more.**

### **Public Participation & Covid 19**

Covid 19 created a tremendous impact on Tulare County transportation planning and funding initiatives, especially in the realm of safety outreach. TCAG increased administrative staffing in 2020 to meet the demands.

Due to safety concerns, TCAG refocused grass roots methods into increased online presence and outreach on social media. This effort increased engagement on some platforms over 200%.

Additionally, TCAG endeavored to do a website overhaul to create a more user-friendly experience and make public information more easily accessible. TCAG staff added features such as announcements on front scrolling tiles, a more organized and secure format and google translate to assist website visitors. Meeting information was also made available within a few clicks.

### **Purchase of Public Input Community Engagement Hub**

Public Input provided new and innovative ways for TCAG to connect with Tulare County residents. While TCAG is still exploring capabilities, the program has been used for virtual participation at public meetings in rural communities, to coordinate social media content and stream to YouTube, schedule car seat safety clinics, register participants

for outreach events safely, gather information from interested parties, survey the public regarding the Regional Transportation Plan and more. Public Input capabilities and features are indicated in the image below.

Engagement Hub	Subscription Level: Complete
All survey question formats	✓
Map-based engagement suite	✓
Qualitative analysis toolkit	✓
Inbound email management	✓
Social media integrations	✓
Last-mile translation	✓
Events & Virtual Public Meetings	✓
Data analysis & dynamic reports module	✓
Custom domains, URL's, & text codes	✓
Inter-agency collaboration module	✓
AI-Enabled comment tagging	✓
Scannable paper surveys	✓
Census-backed demography	✓
Enterprise permission management	✓
Resident Database (CRM)	Subscription Level: Complete
Track participants across surveys & projects	✓
360° Participant Histories	✓
Custom activity logging	✓
Meeting and event capture	✓
Participant segmenting	✓
Inter-agency database sharing	✓
Enterprise permission management	✓
Auto-generated demographic and census segments	✓
Custom fields and attributes	✓
SSO & Two-factor authentication	

### Translation Services

TCAG provides website translation through google translate, our social media posts are provided in English and Spanish, and public meeting information accommodation verbiage is provided on most agendas in English, Spanish, and Tagalog.

Additionally, TCAG contracts with Language Line Solutions to provide translation services upon request in over 240 languages.



## LanguageLine Language List

### Languages available for phone or audio interpreting\*

Acholi	Duala	Italian	Marathi	Shona
Afar	Dutch	Jakartanese	Marka	Sichuan Yi
Afrikaans	Dzongkha	Jamaican Patois	Marshallese	Sicilian
Akan	Edo	Japanese	Masalit	Sinhala
Akateko	Ekegusi	Jarai	Mbay	Slovak
Albanian	Estonian	Javanese	Mien	Slovene
Amharic	Ewe	Jingpho	Mirpuri	Soga
Anuak	Farsi	Jinyu	Mixteco	Somali
Apache	Fijian	Juba Arabic	Mizo	Soninke
Arabic	Fijian Hindi	Julia	Mhong	Sorani
Armenian	Finnish	Kaba	Mongolian	Spanish
Assyrian	Flemish	Kamba	Moroccan Arabic	Sudanese Arabic
Azerbaijani	French	Kam Muang	Mortlockese	Sunda
Bahasa	French Canadian	Kanjobal	Napoletano	Susu
Bahdini	Fukienese	Kannada	Navajo	Swahili
Bajuni	Fulani	Karen	Nepali	Swedish
Bambara	Fuzhou	Kashmiri	Ngambay	Sylheti
Bantu	Ga	Kayah	Nigerian Pidgin	Tagalog
Barere	Gaddang	Kazakh	Norwegian	Taiwanese
Basque	Gaelic-Irish	Kham	Nuer	Tajik
Bassa	Gaelic-Scottish	Khana	Nupe	Tamil
Belorussian	Garre	Khmer	Nyanja	Telugu
Bemba	Gen	Kiche	Nyoro	Thai
Benaadir	Georgian	Kikuyu	Ojibway	Tibetan
Bengali	German	Kimiri	Oromo	Tigré
Berber	German Penn. Dutch	Kinyarwanda	Pampangan	Tigrigna
Bosnian	Gheg	Koho	Papiamentu	Toishanese
Bravanese	Gokana	Korean	Pashto	Tongan
Bulgarian	Greek	Krahn	Plautdietsch	Tooro
Burmese	Gujarati	Krio	Pohnpeian	Trique
Cantonese	Gulay	Kunama	Polish	Turkish
Catalan	Gurani	Kurmanji	Portuguese	Turkmen
Cebuano	Haitian Creole	Kyrgyz	Portuguese Brazilian	Tzotzil
Chaldean	Hakka China	Laotian	Portuguese Cape Verdean	Ukrainian
Chamorro	Hakka Taiwan	Latvian	Pugliese	Urdu
Chaochow	Hassaniyya	Liberian Pidgin English	Pulaar	Uyghur
Chin Falam	Hausa	Lingala	Punjabi	Uzbek
Chin Hakha	Hawaiian	Lithuanian	Putian	Vietnamese
Chin Mara	Hebrew	Luba-Kasai	Quechua	Visayan
Chin Matu	Hiligaynon	Luganda	Quichua	Welsh
Chin Serthang	Hindi	Luo	Rade	Wodaabe
Chin Tedim	Hindko	Maay	Rakhine	Wolof
Chipewyan	Hmong	Macedonian	Rohingya	Wuzhou
Chuukese	Hunanese	Malay	Romanian	Yemeni Arabic
Cree	Hungarian	Malayalam	Rundi	Yiddish
Croatian	Ibanag	Maltese	Russian	Yoruba
Czech	Icelandic	Mam	Samoan	Yunnanese
Danish	Igbo	Mandarin	Sango	Zapoteco
Dari	Ilocano	Mandinka	Seraki	Zarma
Dewoin	Indonesian	Maninka	Serbian	Zo
Dinka	Inuktitut	Manobo	Shanghaiese	Zyphe

\*Some languages may not be available at the time of your call. Not all languages are available in all regions. Additional languages and dialects may be available. Rare languages may require additional interpreter connect time or may require an appointment. If you have a question regarding language availability, please contact your Account Executive or Customer Care.

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### Regional Transportation Plan Outreach During Covid 19

Covid 19 presented challenges regarding the Regional Transportation Plan outreach. Outreach and community events shuttered and canceled one after another for months on end. TCAG was able to creatively partner with local food distribution sites to reach rural communities and connect with residents safely. Additionally, TCAG attended city council meetings to present the RTP to those in attendance and welcomed feedback from residents in attendance. Staff attended Covid 19 vaccine clinics, community service project events and any event that could reasonably and safely be attended by TCAG staff. Regional Transportation Plan Events are indicated below. A total of 30 events were set up. Nine events were canceled or didn't work out due to circumstances out of our control. A total 21 events were attended by November 2021.

### 2022 RTP COMMUNITY OUTREACH LISTING

Date	Staff	Location	Agency	Type	Notes
9/21/2021	Brideget Moore Ben Kimball Holly Gallo	Orosi	Tulare County Public Health	Vaccination Clinic	Set up table with posters, flyers, and promotional items; participants approached voluntarily to take survey
9/22/2021	Holly Gallo	Lemon Cove	Lemon Cove First Presbyterian	Food Pantry	Set up greeting area with posters and promotional items. Not permitted to survey on site; participants directed to website
9/22/2021		Three Rivers	Three Rivers Food Pantry	Food Pantry	Did not attend; Cancelled due to KNP Complex fires
9/23/2021		Earlimart	First Assembly church	Telephone call	Did not attend; Contacted agency, never heard back for confirmation

<b>9/28/2021</b>	Brideget Moore Giancarlo Bruno Holly Gallo	Cutler	Opengate Ministries	Food Pantry	Not permitted to survey onsite; promotional items and links to survey distributed to participants after registration at pantry
<b>9/28/2021</b>	Ben Kimball	Dinuba	City of Dinuba	City Council Meeting	RTP presentation during city council meeting; attendees invited to participate in survey
<b>10/1/2021</b>	Sheela Bhongir Holly Gallo	London	Foodlink	Food Pantry	Not permitted to survey onsite; promotional items and links to survey were included in each food distribution box (approx. 100)
<b>10/5/2021</b>		Woodlake	Woodlake Food Pantry	Food Pantry	Did not attend; Contacted agency, never heard back for confirmation
<b>10/7/2021</b>		Dinuba	Opengate Ministries	Food Pantry	Did not attend; postponed
<b>10/11/2021</b>		Tonyville	Foodlink	Food Pantry	Did not attend; not permitted at this location
<b>10/14/2021</b>	Ben Kimball Brideget Moore Giancarlo Bruno	Tipton	Foodlink	Food Pantry	Not permitted to survey onsite; promotional items and links to survey were distributed to participants in line prior to distribution

<b>10/14/2021</b>	Brideget Moore Giancarlo Bruno Sheela Bhongir	Farmersville	Foodlink	Nutrition on the Go	Not permitted to survey onsite; promotional items and links to survey were distributed to participants in line prior to distribution
<b>10/19/2021</b>		Tulare	City of Tulare	City Council Meeting	Did not attend due to staff injury, rescheduled
<b>10/20/2021</b>	Giancarlo Bruno Holly Gallo	Earlimart	Foodlink	Nutrition on the Go	Not permitted to survey onsite; promotional items and links to survey were distributed to participants in line prior to distribution
<b>10/20/2021</b>		Plainview	Foodlink	Food Pantry	Did not attend; not permitted at this location
<b>10/21/2021</b>	Sheela Bhongir Holly Gallo	Porterville	Foodlink	Nutrition on the Go	Not permitted to survey onsite; promotional items and links to survey were distributed to participants in line prior to distribution
<b>10/21/2021</b>	Servando Quintanilla Holly Gallo	Woodville	Foodlink	Food Pantry	Did not attend; distribution could not be located/was cancelled after confirmation
<b>10/21/2021</b>	Servando Quintanilla Holly Gallo	Poplar	Poplar Church of God	Food Pantry	Not permitted to survey onsite; promotional items and links to survey were distributed to participants as

					the waited for food distributions
<b>10/23/2021</b>	Holly Gallo Maria Garza Giancarlo Bruno Brideget Moore	Visalia	Make a Difference Day	CSET community volunteer event	Set up booth for volunteer to visit and distributed RTP survey information and promotional items
<b>10/25/2021</b>	Ben Kimball Ted Smalley John Lollis Martha Flores	Tule River Tribe Reservati on	Tule River Tribal Council	Tribal Council Meeting	RTP presentation during tribal council meeting; attendees invited to participate in survey
<b>10/25/2021</b>	Ben Kimball	Farmersvil le	City of Farmersville	City Council Meeting	RTP presentation during city council meeting; attendees invited to participate in survey
<b>10/26/2021</b>	Ben Kimball	Lindsay	City of Lindsay	City Council Meeting	RTP presentation during city council meeting; attendees invited to participate in survey
<b>10/26/2021</b>	Holly Gallo	Exeter	Exeter Food Closet	Food Pantry	Set up greeting area with promotional items and links to survey on site
<b>10/27/2021</b>	Holly Gallo Ben Kimball	Goshen	Drive-Thru Harvest Festival	Goshen Family Services	at TCAG booth in Drive-Thru Festival
<b>10/27/2021</b>	Giancarlo Bruno	Linnell Camp	Foodlink	Food Pantry	Promotional items and links to survey were distributed to participants
<b>10/28/2021</b>		Richgrove	Foodlink	Food Pantry	Did not attend; cancelled
<b>11/1/2021</b>	Ben Kimball	Visalia	Tulare County Regional	Technical Advisory	RTP presentation during TAC meeting;



			Transit Agency	Committee Meeting	attendees invited to participate in survey
<b>11/2/2021</b>	Ben Kimball	Porterville	City of Porterville	City Council Meeting	RTP presentation during city council meeting; attendees invited to participate in survey
<b>11/8/2021</b>	Ben Kimball	Woodlake	City of Woodlake	City Council Meeting	RTP presentation during city council meeting; attendees invited to participate in survey
<b>11/16/2021</b>	Ben Kimball	Tulare	Tulare	City Council Meeting	RTP presentation during city council meeting; attendees invited to participate in survey

## Federal Requirements

- Transportation and Conformity Regulations of Title 40 CFR Part 93.105. This law governs interagency consultation for determinations in development of implementation plans. With this process, collaborative effort must be had between MPOs, State Department of Transportation, State and local air quality agencies and EPA.
- Title 23 CFR Part 450.316. This requires MPOs to not only develop but to follow through with the documented participation plan. This plan should describe the established guidelines and process in the following areas: providing individuals, affected public agencies, representatives of public transportation employees, public ports, freight shippers, providers of freight transportation services, private providers of transportation (including intercity bus operators, employer-based commuting programs, such as carpool program, vanpool program, transit benefit program, parking cash-out program, shuttle program, or telework program), representatives of users of public transportation, representatives of users of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities, representatives of the disabled, and other interested parties with reasonable opportunities to be involved in the metropolitan transportation planning process.
- Title 23 CFR Part 450.322(g)(1) and (2) This law regulates the methods of monitoring and evaluating the performance of multimodal transportation systems, to determine recurring and non-recurring congestion and to provide solutions if

needed, and an evaluation of whether the plan was successful. In addition, support for the effective performance measures must be determined to assess the extent of congestion and what methods of congestion reduction and mobility enhancement strategies for movement of people and goods. These measures must be specific to the needs of the area, established by the State and local officials.

- Title 23 CFR Part 450.216(a)(1). This law establishes the need for long-range statewide transportation plans, with a minimum 20-year forecast period at the time of adoption, which provides for the development and implementation of the multimodal transportation system for the State. The long-range statewide transportation plans shall consider and include, as applicable, elements and connections between public transportation, non-motorized modes, rail, commercial motor vehicle, waterway, and aviation facilities, particularly with respect to intercity travel.
- Title 23 USC Part 134(g)(4). This governs MPOs working together in the coordination of plans and TIPs if an area is designated at a nonattainment area for ozone or carbon monoxide compliance with the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.).
- Title 23 USC Section 135(e). These guidelines to work with local agencies regarding transportation through regional transportation needs (if applicable), taking into consideration Indian tribal governments, Federal land management agencies, while considering the coordination of transportation plans, the transportation improvement program, and planning activities with related planning activities being carried outside of metropolitan planning areas and between states.
- Title VI of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964. Under this law, no person in the United States shall, on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefit of, or be subject to discrimination under any program, actively receive federal financial assistance. TCAG provides translation for those that speak limited English. Tulare County has a high percentage of low-income and minority groups. TCAG actively participates in community events and educational classes to engage those that are that fall within this target group. Other laws included in this area that TCAG complies is Title 49 CFR part 21.5, Title 42 USC Chapter 21 Section 2000(d).
- Executive Order 12898 regarding Environmental Justice (1994). This law guides agencies to develop strategies for implementing environmental justice for minority populations and low-income populations to address disproportionately high adverse human health or environmental effects.
- Executive Order 13166 regarding Improving Access to Services for Persons with limited English Proficiency. The Executive Order requires Federal agencies to examine the services they provide and ensure that limited English proficiency (LEP) individuals receive the fundamental mission/services of the agency. Any needs must be identified, and development and implementation of services must be provided.

- Executive Order 13175 regarding Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribes. This policy was to create collaborative relationship between the agencies. Indian tribes are recognized as self-governments that are to be respected and included in policy-making decisions.



**Tule River Tribe Reservation Center Bike Rodeo-October 2019.**

- US DOT Order 5610.2 (1997) The Department of Transportation (the Department or U.S. DOT) is issuing an update to Departmental Order 5610.2(a) (Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations). This Order updates the Department's original Environmental Justice Order, which was published April 15, 1997. The Order continues to be a key component of the Department's strategy to promote the principles of environmental justice in all Departmental programs, policies, and activities.
- US DOT Order 6640.23 (1998) The Department of Transportation (the Department or U.S. DOT) is issuing an update to Departmental Order 5610.2(a) (Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations). This Order updates the Department's original Environmental Justice Order, which was published April 15, 1997. The Order continues to be a key component of the Department's strategy to promote the principles of environmental justice in all Departmental programs, policies, and activities.
- 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act prohibits discrimination based upon disabilities. Reasonable accommodations are provided to individuals with disabilities to attend, participate, and communicate in meetings. All locations meet ADA compliance.

- 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments. The 1990 amendments to the Clean Air Act were designed to curb four major threats to both the environment and the health of millions of Americans: acid rain, urban smog, toxic air pollution and the hole in the Earth's ozone layer. 30 years later, great progress has been made on all four fronts.
- 2005 Safe, Accessible, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). This act reauthorizes federal surface transportation programs through the end of FY2009/10/2005--Public Law. Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users or SAFETEA-LU - Title I: Federal-Aid Highways - Subtitle A: Authorization of Programs - (Sec. 1101) Authorizes appropriations through FY2009 for highway programs out of the Highway Trust Fund (HTF), including: (1) the Interstate maintenance program; (2) the National Highway System (NHS); (3) the bridge program; (4) the surface transportation program; (5) the congestion mitigation and air quality improvement program; (6) the highway safety improvement program; (7) the Appalachian development highway system program; (8) the recreational trails program; (9) the federal lands highways program; (10) the national corridor infrastructure improvement program; (11) the coordinated border infrastructure program; (12) the national scenic byways program; (13) construction of ferry boats and ferry terminal facilities; (14) the Puerto Rico highway program; (15) the projects of national and regional significance program; (16) the high priority projects program; (17) the safe routes to school program; (18) the deployment of magnetic levitation transportation projects; (19) the national corridor planning and development and coordinated border infrastructure programs (FY2005 only); (20) highways for life; and (21) highway use tax evasion projects.
- Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21). MAP-21 creates a streamlined and performance-based surface transportation program and builds on many of the highway, transit, bike, and pedestrian programs and policies established in 1991.



**Winners of 2019 K-12 Walk & Roll Air Quality Art Contest.**

## State Requirements

These requirements outline the ways in which MPOs engage the public, ensuring fair and equal access to participation in the planning process.

- Government Code Section 11135. No person in the State of California shall, on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, ethnic group identification, age, mental disability, physical disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, or sexual orientation, be unlawfully denied full and equal access to the benefits of, or be unlawfully subjected to discrimination under, any program or activity that is conducted, operated, or administered by the state or by any state agency, is funded directly by the state, or receives any financial assistance from the state.
- Government Code Section 65080. Each transportation planning agency designated under Section 29532 or 29532.1 shall prepare and adopt a regional transportation plan directed at achieving a coordinated and balanced regional transportation system, including, but not limited to, mass transportation, highway, railroad, maritime, bicycle, pedestrian, goods movement, and aviation facilities and services. The plan shall be action-oriented and pragmatic, considering both the short-term and long-term future, and shall present clear, concise policy guidance to local and state officials. The regional transportation plan shall consider factors specified in Section 134 of Title 23 of the United States Code. Each transportation planning agency shall consider and incorporate, as appropriate, the transportation plans of cities, counties, districts, private organizations, and state and federal agencies.

## Consultation and Coordination

The Tulare County Association of Governments needs to consult with groups responsible for other types of planning activities that are affected by transportation in the area (i.e., state and local planned growth, economic development, environmental protection, land use management, conservation and historic preservation, airport operations and freight interests) and other agencies such as Indian Tribal governments, federal land management agencies and project sponsors. These provisions address both the MPO's preparation of the RTP/SCS and the FTIP.

Crucial decisions whether or not to support or fund a transportation program or project in the region are made in the development of the RTP/SCS. In contrast, the FTIP defines project budgets, schedules and phasing for those programs and projects that are already part of the RTP/SCS. The FTIP does not provide any additional information regarding environmental impacts beyond those found in the program level environmental analysis prepared for the RTP/SCS. Further environmental review occurs at the project delivery agency or jurisdiction with project specific environmental impacts report.

Starting at the RTP/SCS development stage, TCAG staff concurrently consults with appropriate agencies regarding the FTIP. TCAG consults with many agencies in the preparation of the RTP/SCS. For the FTIP, this consultation includes:



- Communication of the schedule of upcoming amendments and FTIP adoptions;
- Special Workshops;
- Coordination with agencies for review of preliminary draft documents to agencies before releasing draft documents for public review;
- Presentations on the Draft Formal Amendments to the standing committees and the TCAG Board.

Title 23 CFR part 450.216(a), (b) and (c) require MPO's to involve the federally recognized Native American Tribal Government in the development of the RTP and FTIP. RTPA's shall comply as well. The title requires that the participation plan shall be developed by the MPO in consultation with all interested parties and shall, at a minimum, describe explicit procedures, strategies, and desired outcomes. The requirement of including interested parties in the development of the participation plan and the RTP would include federally recognized (and other) tribes. TCAG is fully committed to working with tribes as required.

Title 23 CFR part 450.322(g)(1) & (2) requires that the MPO consult, as appropriate, with agencies responsible for land use management, natural resources, environmental protection, conservation, and historic preservation when developing policies and guidelines concerning the RTP/SCS. The consultation shall involve, as appropriate: (1) comparison of transportation plans with state conservation plans or maps, if available; or (2) comparison of transportation plans to inventories of natural or historic resources, if available. In addition, the discussion of required mitigation measures shall be developed in consultation with federal, state, and tribal land management, wildlife, and regulatory agencies.

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires consultation with agencies, governments and individuals that could possibly be impacted by projects in the RTP/SCS. TCAG is fully committed to working with federal, state, local, and tribal agencies as required.

Title 23 CFR Part 450.316(a) states the following concerning participation and consultation: "The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) shall develop and use a documented participation plan that defines a process for providing citizens, affected public agencies, representatives of public transportation employees, freight shippers, providers of freight transportation services, private providers of transportation, representatives of users of public transportation, representatives of users of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities, representatives of the disabled, and other interested parties with reasonable opportunities to be involved in the metropolitan transportation planning process." TCAG is fully committed to working with all affected groups as required.

- The Brown Act Government Code Section 54950-54962. Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, Agendas are posted at-least 72 hours before meetings. Closed Sessions are listed on the agenda. All meetings are held at non-discriminatory

and ADA compliant locations. Agendas mention the location and time of scheduled meetings and the topics that will be discussed. This provides the ability for any parties interested in attending being given advance notice, in order to attend. Time is provided for public comment and for actions or decisions to be made by the governing board, or committee.

- Title 23 CFR Part 450.316(a) states the following concerning participation and consultation: “The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) shall develop and use a documented participation plan that defines a process for providing citizens, affected public agencies, representatives of public transportation employees, freight shippers, providers of freight transportation services, private providers of transportation, representatives of users of public transportation, representatives of users of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities, representatives of the disabled, and other interested parties with reasonable opportunities to be involved in the metropolitan transportation planning process.”

### *Participation Goals, Strategies and Procedures*

There are many ways that TCAG’s vigorous public information process not only serves to meet federal requirements, but also allows for a fruitful exchange of ideas with various agencies and individuals that result in the development of innovative programs or projects that directly benefit Tulare County residents. TCAG recognizes that the involvement of the public and agencies, organizations, and various groups, of whom represent the public is pivotal to the creation of successful strategies, programs or plans that will assist Tulare County in addressing public transportation. TCAG actively participates in public outreach and navigates unconstrained by collaboration through meetings or in-person contact. Since there is no one size fits all approach, TCAG has many types of outreach methods and continues to seek out new and additional ways to reach the public.

Listed below are goals, strategies, and procedures of TCAG’s public participation planning processes:

Goal: Raise the public’s level of understanding of transportation planning processes in the County. Allow for feedback and collaboration from various agencies and private citizens.

Strategy: Use a variety of presentation methods and modes of communication to disseminate information to the public.

Procedures:

- TCAG utilizes Social Media accounts on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter to highlight important transportation issues and announcements.
- Announcements in both English and Spanish, are made through various radio, theater, and newspaper ads.
- News stories and important public documents are posted on the TCAG website (<https://www.tularecog.org/>) for the RTP, FTIP, OWP and

Special Planning Studies to keep the public and other organizations informed and to provide access to the reports.

- TCAG has found great success in partnering with various agencies and organizations to educate and inform the public regarding transportation processes.
- TCAG takes great consideration in responding to the public's requests or questions in a timely and professional manner.
- Use of maps, charts, and other visualization techniques to convey transportation related information.
- Utilizing various established community events such as the Tulare County fair and the Tulare County Health fair, where large amounts of residents gather that enable diverse feedback and data collection from the community. All information is provided in Spanish and English.
- Public Notices are posted at the TCAG office as well as meeting locations.
- The TCAG Board serves as a venue for informing the public on a variety of issues, projects, and programs.
- The TCAG Technical Advisory Committee serves as a venue for informing the public on a variety of issues, projects, and programs.
- The TCAG Regional Transportation Plan Roundtable serves as a venue for informing the public on a variety of issues, projects, and programs.
- The TCAG Active Transportation Advisory Committee serves as a venue for informing the public on a variety of issues, projects, and programs.
- The TCAG Rural Communities Committee focuses on issues surrounding environmental justice and disadvantaged communities and serves as a venue for informing the public on a variety of issues, projects, and programs.
- The TCAG Congestion Management Process Committee serves as a venue for informing the public on a variety of issues, projects, and programs.
- The Measure R Citizen's Oversight Committee serves as a venue for informing the public on a variety of issues, projects, and programs.
- The TCAG Modeling Committee serves as a venue for informing the public on a variety of issues, projects, and programs.
- The TCAG Social Services Transportation Advisory Council serves as a venue for informing the public on a variety of issues, projects, and programs.
- The Sustainable Corridor Committee serves as a venue for informing the public on a variety of issues, projects, and programs.
- The Tulare County Regional Transit Agency serves as a venue for informing the public on a variety of issues, projects, and programs.

Goal: Increase opportunities for public involvement in transportation planning processes.

Strategy: Provide varied opportunities for public review and input and be responsive to that input.

Procedures:

- Provide timely public notice of meetings.
- Conduct or attend project/process focused meetings outside the usual monthly TCAG Board meeting to gather public input.
- Work with other public agencies and organizations to gather public input regarding transportation processes and issues.
- Post information on social media accounts to encourage public involvement for comments and questions.
- Respond to public input in a professional, timely and accurate manner.

Goal: Involve traditionally under-served persons such as low-income and minority households, the elderly, those addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Native American tribal governments and communities in transportation planning processes.

Strategy: Provide forums and seek alternative methods to reach out and address the transportation related needs of traditionally under-served persons.

Procedures:

- Use SSTAC as a forum to address transit needs for traditionally under-served persons.
- Provide non-English language translation at meetings or for written documents when necessary or upon request.
- Provide non-English translation for individuals to come into the TCAG office and for those that call on the phone.
- TCAG meeting locations should be reasonably accessible to those addressed by the ADA.
- Use TAC, through the Tule River Tribe's representative, as a forum to keep the Tribe informed of transportation issues both significant to the Tribe and to the County as a whole.
- Conduct formal consultation with the Tule River Tribe Council at least once a year to determine if Tribal transportation issues are being adequately addressed.
- Work with other public agencies and organizations which represent traditionally under-served persons to maintain a two-way dialogue regarding transportation processes and issues that are important to them.

Goal: Involve, collaborate with, and provide the opportunity for feedback/comments from other public agencies, organizations and other groups which represent various segments of the public in transportation planning processes.

Strategy: Provide forums and seek alternative methods to seek input and involvement from other public agencies, organizations, and groups.

Procedures:

- Provide opportunities for member public agencies to be kept informed and involved in transportation planning processes through TAC and other TCAG committees.
- Provide opportunities for resource agencies to be kept informed and involved in transportation planning process through various TCAG committees.
- Attend meetings and give presentations to other public agencies, organizations and other groups regarding transportation processes and issues.





## II. Public Participation Plan

### Tulare County Association of Governments

As a Metropolitan Planning Organization, TCAG is responsible for coordinating with agencies and the public in developing policies, adopting plans and programs that benefit Tulare County in its entirety. TCAG is committed to gathering input from the public, member agencies, state & federal agencies, as well as with local organizations. This enables the various needs of Tulare County to be determined so that adequate and effective transportation planning can be made.

Tulare County Association of Governments participates in various outreach initiatives throughout the county in order to glean feedback from various agencies as well as the general public. TCAG has made a conscious effort to diversify the means by which Tulare County communities can participate. Outreach methods still include public meetings but have branched out to avenues of outreach that make it easier for the public to engage regarding transportation needs.

Public participation assists TCAG in decision-making that empowers individuals of varied economic status and cultural backgrounds. In seeking public participation within the county, TCAG has been able to develop various transportation programs that benefit those in the greatest need of assistance. Not only do these programs meet state and federal requirements but have created a positive impact in the communities reached and requests for additional or annual collaboration have systematically followed. In addition, the long-lasting partnerships that have been created through communication and collaboration with these respective communities helps TCAG to address the transportation needs of the county.

The 2022 Public Participation Plan is not intended to be a static document. It will need to be periodically reviewed to evaluate its effectiveness in promoting public participation in TCAG's transportation planning processes. The Plan will be comprehensively reviewed every four years (at a minimum) as part of the adoption of an RTP update. The next currently scheduled RTP update is in 2026. This will ensure that the next Public Participation Plan will be reviewed and revised as necessary preceding the public outreach efforts for the development of each successive RTP update. In addition, the 2022 Public Participation Plan may be subject to additional updates due to changes in state and federal law and to address any needed changes as a result of input from the public, other public agencies, organizations, and other stakeholders which represent various segments of the public in transportation planning processes.

In Attachment A, Public Outreach Chart, TCAG defines a public participation program for each document it produces. Final documents will reflect the needs and desires of affected communities within the region. This includes establishing procedures and responsibilities for:

- A. Informing, involving, and incorporating public opinion into the planning process;
- B. Consultative involvement of designated agencies on technical data and modeling used in developing regional plans and determining transportation improvement program and regional transportation improvement program conformity;
- C. Clearly designating a lead staff person who is knowledgeable about the entire planning process to be responsible for the public involvement program; and
- D. Providing adequate funds and schedule expenditures to implement the public participation program.



TCAG at the 2019 Tulare County Fair collecting public input on survey, sharing Census information, promoting bike and pedestrian safety practices and the Walk & Roll Student Art Contest.

## *Level I Procedures*

Level I procedures address routine documents that serve as a subset of or facilitate more significant plans or determinations. These documents are implementing long-range direction provided by plans and documents that went through a more intensive public review procedure (Level II or III). The following documents are subject to the minimum levels of public outreach under these policies. These procedures become effective once an initial draft document has been produced.

## All Documents and Formal Meetings

These include the following:

- A. Regional Transportation Plan amendments

- B. Federal Transportation Improvement Program amendments (excluding technical or administrative modifications)
- C. State Transportation Improvement Program amendments
- D. Regional Transportation Improvement Program
- E. Air quality conformity determinations
- F. Miscellaneous studies
- G. Transit plans & studies
- H. Environmental Documents, as defined by the California environmental Quality Act and/or the National Environmental Policy Act 1
- I. Congestion Management Program amendments
- J. Active Transportation Plan (ATP)

The following methods describe how TCAG conducts outreach at Level 1.

1. No person shall be denied participation.
2. A legal notice or display ad will be placed in the advertising sections of at least one newspaper of general circulation within the affected community, including a Spanish-language publication, if possible.
3. Display ads will be placed as deemed necessary and targeted specifically to affected communities to encourage involvement and address key decision-making points.
4. Non-traditional approaches, such postal and electronic mailings to non-profit organizations, churches and chambers of commerce will be used to encourage involvement of the underserved and transit dependent in project development and public workshops. Spanish-language advertising will be included in these non-traditional approaches.
5. Public meetings are defined as those regular TCAG meetings normally held monthly.
6. Public workshops are defined as forums established specifically for the public to gain information and provide input on TCAG documents and processes. This definition does not include technical workshops for member

agency staff or elected officials even though they are technically open to the public.

7. Announcements dealing with documents and/or meetings and workshops shall be posted on the TCAG web site and social media sites.
8. A mailing list of individuals who have expressed interest shall be maintained.
9. Meeting notices shall be mailed or e-mailed to individuals who have expressed interest.
10. TCAG shall provide appropriate assistance, auxiliary aids and/or services when necessary to afford disabled individuals an equal opportunity. Individuals with disabilities will be provided an opportunity to request auxiliary aids.
11. TCAG shall provide audio/visual presentations along with its maps, charts, and graphics whenever practical to help the public better understand the plans, programs, projects, or determinations it adopts.
12. TCAG shall provide an interpreter, when requested, at any and all public hearings and workshops, and shall maintain its subscription to a language line for day-to-day public inquiries.
13. TCAG's web site shall maintain a link to a translation service for information contained on the agency site.
14. Projects must be evaluated for their potential for public interest. Projects likely to have considerable public interest must also include Level III requirements.
15. A copy of draft transportation plan amendments and draft transportation improvement program amendments, environmental documents, and the Congestion Management Program amendments will be made available for review at Tulare County Association of Governments. Individual copies of all documents will also be distributed to any interested parties for a fee to offset printing charges.

## *Level II Procedures*

### **Additional Public Involvement Requirements**

Level II procedures address core agency plans, programs, and declarations. These documents are subject to a higher level of public outreach than Level I documents



under these policies. These procedures become effective before an initial draft document has been produced. The following documents must also meet the public involvement requirements listed in Level I:

- A. Congestion Management Program
- B. State Transportation Improvement Program
- C. Federal Transportation Improvement Program
- D. Corridor Studies
- E. Transit Studies
- F. Cross Valley Corridor
- G. Regional Housing Needs Assessment
- H. Public involvement procedure amendments

The following describe how TCAG conducts outreach at Level II.

1. Public review by various funding agencies submitting projects for the transportation improvement program will be accepted up to the final determination.
2. A copy of draft transportation plans and draft transportation improvement programs, environmental documents, and the Congestion Management Program will be made available for review at the Tulare County Association of Governments. Individual copies of all documents will also be distributed to any interested parties for a fee to offset printing charges.
3. Public comments and responses, and the disposition of any comments, will be made part of final transportation plans, transportation improvement programs, and environmental documents.
  - a. **Prepare written summary/verbal presentation** – Staff will review all comments, synthesize them, and prepare a narrative summary highlighting key points.
  - b. **List all comments** – Using a summary chart format, staff will review and summarize all comments, categorizing them by topic and type of comments (e.g., question, fact, desire, opinion).

- c. **Respond to comments** – Staff will respond, in writing within 30 days, to significant comments. Those responses will be made part of the final document.
  - d. **Provide the full record** – The decision-making body will be given copies of the meeting notes, the transcript (for public hearings) or recorded transcripts.
4. Transportation improvement programs and environmental documents will be made available for public review for no less than a 30-day public review period.
  5. Programs, projects, or plans routed through the State Clearinghouse shall adhere to the public information requirements of the Clearinghouse and also be made available for no less than 30 days.
  6. If regionally significant changes are made to the transportation plan, transportation improvement programs, and environmental documents during the review and comment period, the plan(s) will be made available for 30-day public review and comment prior to final adoption.
  7. Minor amendments to the transportation improvement programs will have a 14-day public review period and may be approved by the executive director.
  8. Regionally significant changes to the transportation plan, transportation improvement programs, and environmental documents during the review and comment period shall also be advertised via press release to all media outlets, through electronic notice to TCAG's address database and on the TCAG web site as deemed necessary prior to final adoption.
  9. The executive director or his/her designee will coordinate with the State to improve public awareness of the State Transportation Plan and/or the State Transportation Improvement Plan.
  10. Records relating to the transportation plans, transportation improvement programs, and environmental impact reports will be made available for public review upon request.
  11. Technical and policy information relating to the transportation plans, transportation improvement programs, and environmental impact reports will be made available for public review upon request.
  12. Staff will hold formal public workshops on the Regional Transportation Plan in convenient locations throughout the region. These public meetings/workshops will be announced in a variety of formats, including

public notices, display ads, press releases and direct mail and/or electronic mail notices in the affected communities.

13. All project plan amendments not considered administrative in scope shall be advertised via public notice and held for a 30-day review period.
14. Refer to the California Transportation Commission's Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines regarding addendums, supplemental and subsequent environmental documents to the Regional Transportation Plan.



**TCAG Staff at Tulare County Fair Booth- sharing transit, Calvans rideshare, Amtrak, bike and pedestrian safety, and Air Quality Art Contest information. Feedback was received regarding barriers to active transportation.**

### *Level III Procedures*

#### **Anticipated High-Profile Projects**

The following must also meet the criteria listed in levels I and II. Level III procedures address plans that provide long-range direction for the organization or that TCAG staff determines to be potentially controversial based on their environmental impacts, project

scope or other determining factors. These documents are subject to the highest levels of public outreach under these policies. These procedures become effective before an initial draft document has been produced. TCAG staff:

1. Develop a Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy.
2. Help form a citizens' advisory committee.
3. Develop a calendar of public workshops.
4. Identify the appropriate media contact to respond to media inquiries.
5. Develop regular email blasts specific to the plan or project and send them at regular intervals.
6. Coordinate a news conference and/or press release highlighting the plan/program and coordination between TCAG and public participation. Press releases will be sent to the appropriate radio stations, television channels, and newspapers.

Metropolitan transportation planning requires that where a metropolitan planning area includes Federal public lands and/or Indian Tribal lands, the affected Federal agencies and Indian Tribal governments shall be involved appropriately in the development of transportation plans and programs. Discussion on environmental mitigation activities of the long-range transportation plan shall be developed in consultation with tribes.

Senate Bill 375 increased the minimum level of public participation required in the regional transportation planning process, including collaboration between partners in the region during the development of a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) and/or an Alternative Planning Strategy (APS). Public participation pursuant to SB 375 shall include the following:

1. Outreach efforts encouraging the active participation of a broad range of stakeholders in the planning process, consistent with the agency's adopted Federal Public Participation Plan. This includes, but is not limited to, affordable housing advocates, transportation advocates, neighborhood and community groups, environmental advocates, home builder representatives, broad-based business organizations, landowners, commercial property interests, healthy and active lifestyle advocates, and homeowner associations.
2. Consultation with other regional congestion management agencies, transportation agencies, and transportation commissions.
3. Regional public workshops will be held with information and tools providing a clear understanding of policy choices and issues. To the extent practicable, each

workshop shall include urban simulation computer modeling to create visual representations of the SCS and APS.

4. Preparation and circulation of a draft SCS (and APS, if one is required) not less than 55 days before adoption of a final RTP.
5. A process enabling the public to provide a single request to receive notices, information, and updates.
6. During the development of the SCS (and APS, if applicable), at least two informational meetings will be held for members of the Board of Supervisors and City Councils. Only one informational meeting is needed if it is attended by representatives of the Tulare County Board of Supervisors and City Councils that represent a majority of the cities representing a majority of the population in the incorporated areas of the county.
  - a. The purpose of the meeting (or meetings) will be to discuss the SCS (and APS, if applicable), including key land use and planning assumptions, with the members of the Board of Supervisors and City Councils and to solicit and consider their input and recommendations.
  - b. Notices of these meetings are to be sent to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and City Clerks.
7. In preparing an SCS, TCAG will consider spheres of influence that have been adopted by the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). TCAG will also consult with LAFCO regarding special districts within the region that provide property-related services such as water or wastewater services, and will consult with these regional special districts, as appropriate, during development of a SCS (and APS if applicable).



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## **SECTION 3**

### **III. Process for Receiving Public Comments**

The following public involvement techniques may be used to inform and educate the public and/or gather information.

#### *A. Formal Public Meetings/Workshops*

Formal public meetings and/or workshops may be held during the process. The format for the workshops will be at the discretion of TCAG. All TCAG meetings and public workshops will be held in buildings accessible to persons with disabilities. The format options include:

- 'Theater' style with a presentation followed by audience response.
- 'Open-house' style with individual comments provided directly to a recorder, typed in by the participant, or via written comment sheets; or
- A mixed format with an 'open house' style meeting followed by a 'theater' style comment period.
- Combining the workshop with a regular or special meeting put on by a local agency, such as a City Council or Planning Commission regular meeting, or other similar group meetings.

In each case, TCAG shall provide audio/visual presentations along with maps, charts, and graphics, whenever practical, to help the public better understand the plans, programs, or projects it adopts.



## *B. Small Group Sessions*

A meeting of selected citizens, businesses, advocates (which could include healthy and active lifestyle advocates) and/or neighborhood residents may be invited to participate in small group sessions to discuss options and give opinions on specific transportation topics. Sessions could be held in local community facilities including schools, rural clinics, or civic facilities. Participants may be presented with materials and asked to respond. The following are types of small groups that might be involved in the process:

**Plan/Program Advisory Committee (PAC)** - An advisory committee established for the development of a plan or program may consist of a broadly representative group of citizens who understand other citizens' concerns, needs, and wants, technical and administrative staff from various organizations, and officials from appropriate local and state entities.

A PAC with citizen participation can be a valuable asset. Generally, PACs provide and consider citizen input and advice regarding regional goals and objectives, problems and needs, and to discuss potential options and solutions regarding the activity and to be responsive to the citizen input.

PAC members may be expected to attend several public and neighborhood meetings. They may also be asked to assist, provide support and be responsible for the dissemination of information, and give testimony to the benefits and importance of the activity to the community, actively seek informed responses from the community regarding transportation problems and priorities, and elicit potential solutions.

TCAG will specifically consider the need for a PAC with regard to major transportation plans, studies, programs, and projects. If the Board elects to form a PAC, the PAC shall be organized with a special effort to appoint persons who are or will represent the needs of the persons traditionally underserved such as low income, minorities, elderly and disabled. The ways and means of determining PAC membership, committee structure, and specific roles and responsibilities for an activity shall be presented to the TTAC and Board for their approval. Membership will not be permanent; thus, PAC members will serve for the length of the development and completion of a plan or program.

**Stakeholders** - Interview or meet with individuals or groups who have a vested interest in the outcome of a TCAG-developed plan or program. Interviews and meetings would be conducted to identify issues and concerns. Such groups may include business, neighborhood, environmental, and others.

PAC and stakeholder meetings may include the use of various public involvement techniques to keep the group informed, obtain information, identify preferences, and resolve conflicts.

**Focus Groups** - TCAG may use this approach to uncover information that is difficult to access. This includes uncovering attitudes, opinions, and emotions on specific issues or

topics from a group of 'screened' participants. This method may also be used to clarify issues so as to develop surveys.

### *C. Internet*

Social media and the various platforms on the internet are some of the most powerful methods of communication. TCAG utilizes the latest technology to keep the public advised of events or opportunities to be involved. This has been a successful method of feedback for programs or comments. Many organizations utilize this method as well, so TCAG can reach a great portion of Tulare County and beyond using the internet. TCAG provides access to plans and programs through the Internet. When applicable, e-mail addresses are provided to enable public access to communicate with the appropriate agency or individual to submit comments or questions. Some of the various methods for gathering or requesting comments are:

1. TCAG website
2. Twitter
3. Facebook
4. Instagram

### *D. Fairs and Festivals*

TCAG has found great success interacting at public venues. In-person contact with the community at fairs and festivals has enabled TCAG to express the importance of the public's involvement in the process of various areas: transportation planning, programming and projects as set forth in the RTP, as well as the FTIP. Participants are encouraged to view exhibits, ask questions, consider the information, and give comments. Fairs create interest and dramatize a plan, program or TIP project through visualized graphics, audiovisuals, and interaction with TCAG staff.



**At the Tule River Breast Cancer Color Run, TCAG promoted pedestrian safety and the Air Quality Art Contest for kids. (Reservation Road, Tule River Reservation.**

### *E. Public Opinion Surveys*

TCAG actively engages the public to gather Surveys reports in order to gauge public opinion and knowledge of plans, programs or any elements that being developed will be positively accepted or whether changes may need to be considered. An appropriately sized random sample is drawn from the targeted population and surveyed to develop a sense of general public attitudes. Surveys are completed in various ways: formal methods: such as a direct mailing to citizens, businesses, and community organizations are conducted. Informal methods: such as a self-administered questionnaire attached within a draft document, surveys conducted through various internet platforms as well.

### *F. Public Notices*

Public notices are circulated through the various local newspaper organizations.

### *G. Phone/In-person Comments*

A period of time may be provided to allow citizens to telephone or walk in their comments. TCAG's phone number and address will be provided to the media and may

be included on documents related to the plan or program. TCAG will summarize verbal comments.

### *H. Telephone*

TCAG has a phone line specific to providing language translation for the public. Over 240 language translations are available either in-person for individuals that come into our office or for those that call the TCAG office mail line.



#### IV. Public Involvement Policy Evaluation

- A. Significant changes to TCAG's Public Involvement Procedures shall be published and available for a 45-day public review and comment period before final adoption.
- B. TCAG staff and the public will review the public review process every four years.

##### *Evaluation Methodology*

In order to regularly evaluate the Public Involvement Procedures, five performance measures are proscribed:

1. The accessibility of the outreach process to serve diverse geographic, language and ability needs.
2. The extent or reach of the process in involving and informing as many members of the public as possible.
3. The diversity of participants in the outreach process and its ability to reflect the broad range of ethnicities, incomes, and abilities of residents in the Tulare County region.
4. The impact of public outreach and involvement on the plan/program and on policy board actions.
5. The satisfaction with the outreach process expressed by participants. For each of these five performance measures, a set of quantifiable indicators has been established. They will be applied as appropriate to each plan/program's level requirements.



### **A. Accessibility Indicators:**

- ☐ Meetings are held throughout the county.
- ☐ 100 percent of meetings are reasonably accessible by transit.
- ☐ All meetings are accessible under Americans with Disability Act requirements.
- ☐ Meetings are linguistically accessible to 100 percent of participants with three working days' advance request for translation. (*Meeting announcements will offer translation services with advance notice to participants speaking any language with available professional translation services.*)

### **B. Reach Indicators**

- ☐ Number of comments logged into comment tracking and response system.
- ☐ Number of individuals actively participating in outreach program.
- ☐ Number of visits to the specific section of the TCAG website.
- ☐ Number of newspaper articles mentioning the plan/program.
- ☐ Number of radio/television interviews or mentions on the plan/program.

### **C. Diversity indicators**

- ☐ Demographic of targeted workshop/charette/meeting roughly mirror the demographics of the Tulare County region.
- ☐ Percentage of targeted organizations and groups participating in at least one workshop/charette/meeting.
- ☐ Participants represent a cross-section of people of various interests, places of residence and primary modes of travel.

### **D. Impact Indicators**

- ☐ 100 percent of written comments received are logged into a comment tracking system, analyzed, summarized, and communicated in time for consideration by staff and the policy board.
- ☐ 100 percent of significant written comments are acknowledged so that the person making them knows whether his or her comment is reflected in the outcome of a policy board action, or, conversely, why the policy board acted differently.

### **E. Participant Satisfaction**

(This information would be obtained via an online and written survey available on the TCAG web site, and at each workshop/charette/public meeting involving the plan or program in question.)

- ☐ Accessibility to meeting locations.
- ☐ Materials presented in appropriate languages for targeted audiences.
- ☐ Adequate notice of the meetings provided.



- ☐ Sufficient opportunity to comment.
- ☐ Educational value of presentations and materials.
- ☐ Understanding of other perspectives and priorities.
- ☐ Clear information at an appropriate level of detail.
- ☐ Clear understanding of items that are established policy versus those that are open to public influence.
- ☐ Quality of the discussion.
- ☐ Responsiveness to comments received.



## V. Legal and Display Ad Minimum Requirements

### *Legal Notice*

- Date, time, and place of public hearing or meeting;
- Identity of the hearing body or officer;
- General explanation of the matter to be considered;
- General description, in text or by diagram, of the location of the real property, if any, that is the subject of the hearing or meeting;
- The following statement when appropriate – “Individuals with disabilities may call to request auxiliary aids necessary to participate in the public meeting/hearing.”

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### *Notice of Intent to Adopt*

- Period during which comments will be received;
- Date, time, and place of any public meetings or hearings on the proposed project;
- Brief description of the proposed project and its location;

- Address where copies of the proposed negative declaration are available for review;
- The following statement when appropriate – “Individuals with disabilities may call TCAG to request auxiliary aids necessary to participate in the public meeting/hearing.”

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### *Notice of Determination*

#### **Filed with Tulare County Clerk's Office and State Clearinghouse**

- Information identifying the project, including common name and location;
- Brief description of the project;
- Date on which TCAG determines the project will not cause any significant adverse environmental effects;
- Address where copy of the negative declaration may be examined;
- The following statement – "TCAG has complied with the California Environmental Quality Act in the preparation of this negative declaration;"
- The following statement when appropriate – “Individuals with disabilities may call TCAG to request auxiliary aids necessary to participate in the public review process.”

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### *Notice of Preparation Filed with the State Clearinghouse*

- Description of project;
- Project location on a map;
- Discussion of probable environmental effects of project;
- The following statement when appropriate - "Individuals with disabilities may call TCAG to request auxiliary aids necessary to participate in the public review process."

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### *Notice of Completion Filed with the State Clearinghouse*

- Description of project;
- Project location;
- Date, time, and place of any public meetings or hearings on the proposed project;
- Address where copies of the Draft EIR are available for review;
- Period during which comments will be received;
- The following statement when appropriate - "Individuals with disabilities may call TCAG to request auxiliary aids necessary to participate in the public review process."

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### *Sample Notice*

Notice of Public Hearing  
Date

Before the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) in the matter of STATE  
PURPOSE OF PUBLIC HEARING:

A. WHEREAS, TCAG, in its capacity as the INSERT DESIGNATION will hold a public hearing to receive public comments regarding the INSERT PLAN, PROJECT, PROGRAM and

B. WHEREAS, NAME DOCUMENT AND PURPOSE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

- A. A PUBLIC HEARING will be held in the STATE LOCATION, STATE ADDRESS at STATE TIME, on STATE DATE, for the purpose of receiving public comments and testimony regarding INSERT PLAN, PROJECT, OR PROGRAM. This hearing will be a part of a regularly scheduled meeting of the Tulare County Association of Governments.
- B. The INSERT PLAN, PROJECT, OR PROGRAM will be considered for INSERT ACTION by the Tulare County Association of Governments following the public hearing.
- C. Any person wishing to present testimony related to INSERT PLAN, PROJECT, OR PROGRAM may be heard or may submit written comments to TCAG for inclusion in the official record of the hearing. Individuals with disabilities may call TCAG to request auxiliary aids necessary to participate in the public review process.

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### *Display Ads*

Newspaper display ads, which may be inserted anywhere in the paper and are not confined to the classified section, will be used for the following documents: Regional Transportation Plan; Regional Transportation Improvement Program; Federal Transportation Improvement Program; all corridor studies; transit studies, including the unmet transit needs process; and all special studies. These advertisements should run at the beginning, middle, and toward the end of the document development process. They will announce either a public input period, draft review availability or a final review period. Display ads should be no smaller than 2 columns in width by no less than 4 inches deep. If financial constraints allow, display ads should run 2 columns wide by 7 inches deep or larger. Given the larger canvas with which to work, display ads should contain at least one art element by which to draw the eye. This should include, but not necessarily be limited to the TCAG logo. The number of different fonts used should be limited to two.

### *Sign -In Sheets*

Have a sign-in sheet available and make sure information is legible. This will become part of TCAGs official record, and this information will become a part of the mailing list. At a minimum, include name, address (street, city, zip), daytime contact telephone number and e-mail address. The information needed from the sign-in sheet may vary from meeting to meeting. If quite a bit of information is needed, consider developing an information card that attendees can complete at their seat.

### *Have TCAG Materials Available*

Several items will help the public to understand the purpose of the agency, the project and TCAGs role. Many questions as can be answered prior to the meeting, which will save time during the meeting.

- Comment Sheets
- Project Information Guide
- TCAG Information Guide
- Presentation-specific support materials

### *Visual Aids*

- PowerPoint presentation
- Slides
- Enlarged diagrams and graphs
- Enlarged maps
- Videos
- Handouts

### *Anticipate Questions*

Anticipated questions should be developed and answered when the Project Information Guide is created. However, it is likely the audience will have many more. The process of transportation planning is not an easy one to grasp. Many members of the audience will have wishes and desires that simply cannot be fulfilled. How staff responds to questions or statements of desire will make a difference with their opinion of Tulare COGs efforts to involve the public. TCAG staff should create ways of telling the audience the planning process instead of telling the audience “No, we can’t.” There are creative ways to help the audience understand that transportation planning is a dynamic give-and-take process.



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# SECTION 6

City of Lindsay- Sweet Brier Plaza  
 Photo by Bridget Moore, TCAG Analyst III

## VI. APPENDICES

### Appendix A – Table 1- Outreach Chart

TCAG PUBLIC OUTREACH CHART 2020										
	OWP (Budget)	RTP/SCS	RTP/SCS Amend.	RTP/SC SEIR	RTIP	FTIP	TIP Amend.	Special Studies	RHNA	AQ Conform.
<b>Document and Process Inception</b>										
Display Ads		★				★		★	★	
Direct Mail		★				★		★		
Email		★						★	★	
Press Release		★						★		
Public Meeting	★									
Public Workshop		★				★		★		
<b>Draft Document Process</b>										
Display Ads		★						★	★	
Direct Mail		★						★		
Email		★				★		★	★	
Press Release		★			★	★		★	★	
Public Meeting	★	★			★			★		★
Public Workshop		★			★	★		★		
<b>Final Document Process</b>										
Display Ads		★						★	★	★
Direct Mail	★	★						★		★
Email		★			★	★		★	★	★
Press Release		★			★	★		★		★
Public Meeting	★	★			★	★		★		★
<b>Review Periods</b>										
14- Day Review Period			★				★			
30-Day Review Period	★	★	★		★	★	★	★	★	★
45-Day Review Period				★						
65- Day Review Period		★								
Legal Notice		★	★	★			★			★
Public Hearing		★	★	★			★			★

## Appendix B – Federal Transportation Improvement Program - Development and Circulation

### Expedited Project Selection Procedures (EPSP):

EPSP allows eligible projects to be moved between FTIP fiscal years within the four-year FTIP as long as the project cost and scope do not change. TCAG staff is federally authorized to utilize EPSP without additional State or federal approval action.

### Amendment Type 1 – Administrative Modification:

Administrative modifications are defined in the current agreement between Caltrans and FHWA/FTA (original agreement November 17, 2008) on Administrative Modifications and include such changes as minor changes in project cost, scope, schedule, or funding sources. They require action and approval by TCAG (delegated to the Executive Director or TCAG Chair). As delegated by Caltrans, TCAG has agreed to the following procedures:

- I. Prior to the MPO (TCAG) approval of FTIP/FSTIP administrative modifications, TCAG may consult with Caltrans on proposed changes.
- II. Caltrans may provide cursory review of the administrative modification prior to the MPO's approval.
- III. TCAG shall send copies of the approved administrative modifications to Caltrans, FHWA, FTA, and other stakeholders. Caltrans will post the approved administrative modification on the Division Transportation Programming Website.
- IV. Caltrans will regularly review the MPO's (TCAG's) approved administrative modifications and will reject changes that do not comply with the attached procedures. In such cases the MPO (TCAG) must correct all noncompliance.
- V. Caltrans will withdraw its delegation from the MPO (TCAG) if it is found to be consistently noncompliant with the modification

Federal agencies are notified but do not take approval action. Public notification of the administrative modification is posted on TCAG's website (<https://www.tularecog.org/>) at the time of the action and subsequently posted on the Caltrans website (<https://dot.ca.gov/programs/transportation-programming/ftip-fstip-amendment-approvals/tcag>) after TCAG approval.

### Amendment Type 2 – Amendment (Funding Changes):

Type 2 amendments include project cost changes that are greater than what is allowed in an Administrative Modification. Public notice of the amendment is posted at least 14 days prior to action (delegated to the Executive Director or TCAG Chair) on the TCAG website. The amendment is distributed to local agencies through the TAC and reaffirmed by the Board at the next available meeting following approval by the Executive Director or TCAG Chair (any

amendments to the Measure R Expenditure Plan are still subject to direct action by the Tulare County Transportation Authority). TCAG Board approval is required for amendments over \$25 million. The TCAG Chair may approve an amendment over \$25 million if loss of funding may occur. These amendments require approval by TCAG, Caltrans and FHWA. The approved amendment is forwarded to Caltrans and FHWA for approval both in hard copy and electronic format.

Amendment Type 3 – Amendment (Exempt Projects):

Type 3 amendments include adding or deleting projects that are exempt from regional air quality emissions analysis. These amendments typically include transit or safety projects. Public notice of the amendment is posted at least 14 days prior to action (delegated to the Executive Director or TCAG Chair) on the TCAG website. The amendment is distributed to local agencies through the TAC and reaffirmed by the Board at the next available meeting following approval by the Executive Director or TCAG Chair (any amendments to the Measure R Expenditure Plan are still subject to direct action by the Tulare County Transportation Authority). These amendments require approval by TCAG, Caltrans and FHWA. The approved amendment is forwarded to Caltrans and FHWA for approval both in hard copy and electronic format.

Amendment Type 4 – Amendment (Conformity Determination that Relies on a Previous Regional Emissions Analysis):

Type 4 amendments include adding or deleting projects that have already been appropriately modeled for air quality purposes as part of the RTP. Federal approving agencies can use a previous analysis of the project's impact on air quality for approval purposes. These amendments may be accompanied by an RTP amendment to maintain consistency. The legally noticed public comment period is 30 days. The legal notice of the public hearing is posted in a newspaper of general circulation and posted on the TCAG website. These notices may be combined as long as they are compliant with state and federal noticing provisions. The amendment is distributed to local agencies through the TAC. These amendments require approval by TCAG, Caltrans and FHWA. The approving TCAG resolution and amendment is forwarded to Caltrans and FHWA for approval both in hard copy and electronic format.

Amendment Type 5 – Amendment (Conformity Determination and New Regional Emissions Analysis):

Type 5 amendments are the highest-level amendment and involve adding or deleting new projects that result in new modeling for air quality impacts or significantly changing the design concept, scope, or schedule of an existing project. These are accompanied by a new Air Quality Conformity document that demonstrates conformity with applicable air quality requirements. If applicable, these amendments may be accompanied by an RTP amendment to maintain consistency. The legally noticed public comment period is 30 days. The legal notice of the public hearing is posted in a newspaper of general circulation and

posted on the TCAG website. These notices may be combined as long as they are compliant with state and federal noticing provisions. The amendment is distributed to local agencies through the TAC. These amendments require approval by TCAG, Caltrans and FHWA and are distributed to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District. The approving TCAG resolution and amendment is forwarded to Caltrans and FHWA for approval both in hard copy and electronic format. 'Local agencies' include the Cities of Dinuba, Exeter, Farmersville, Lindsay, Porterville, Tulare, Visalia and Woodlake, Tulare County and the Tule River Indian Tribe. FTIP updates follow the same process as Type 5 amendments. Copies of all amendments and updates are posted on the TCAG website (<https://www.tularecog.org/>) and hardcopies are provided to other agencies, organizations, or individuals upon request.

## Appendix C – Development and Update of the Public Participation Plan

Pursuant to Map-21, an MPO's Public Participation Plan must be developed in consultation with 'all interested parties'. Listed below is the step-by-step process to be used to update the Plan:

- On May 1, 2020, notice of the 45-day public review period and the public hearing was posted in the Porterville Sun Gazette. The Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan was mailed and/or e-mailed to all identified Resource Agencies, the Tule River Tribe and other interested agencies, organizations, or individuals. In addition, a letter was sent to all remaining agencies, organizations, and individuals on TCAG mailing lists notifying them that the Draft Plan was available for review and is posted on the TCAG website (<https://www.tularecog.org/>).
- June 15, 2020, Public Hearing held at the Tulare County Board of Supervisors 2800 W Burrel Ave. Visalia, CA 93291. All comments are addressed with the comments and responses included in Appendix B of the final 2022 Public Participation Plan, and anticipated adoption of the updated plan.

## Appendix D – Responses to Comments

January 25, 2021

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**Re: TCAG RTP 2022 Public Participation Plan**

Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability (“LCJA”) appreciates the opportunity to provide feedback regarding the proposed public participation plan for the 2022 RTP. LCJA works alongside and supports the most impacted communities to advocate for sound policy and eradicate injustice to secure equal access to opportunity regardless of wealth, race, income, and place. We work with community leaders from rural, unincorporated communities to ensure that all residents have access to safe and affordable drinking water, clean air, effective transportation options, and affordable quality housing.

The Draft 2022 Public Participation Plan includes good strategies and details on how TCAG staff and partner agencies and groups will conduct meaningful outreach and engagement with Tulare County residents and communities. We also commend TCAG staff for voicing its objective that their public participation plans work for disadvantaged communities and tribes. We feel it important, however, that the plan includes adequate strategies and information regarding how COVID-19 affects the ability to ensure participation in this process. Our understanding of the plan as written assumes that meetings, outreach, and engagement will be conducted as business as usual, with no information regarding COVID-19 safe strategies and tactics. We recommend the following strategies and recommendations to ensure that the RTP/SCS process promotes equitable access and participation as long as the pandemic prohibits safe in-person participation and beyond.

**1. Ensure remote and inclusive participation is available for all public meetings, RTP/SCS committee meetings and provide opportunities for virtual outreach activities in addition to in-person outreach when safe to do so.**

Providing remote opportunities for participation is important in order to reach all Tulare County residents who face barriers to in-person participation, such as health concerns or lack of transportation to attend in-person meetings. In 2020, residents we work alongside with voiced



concerns that it was difficult to participate in some public meetings because of lack of virtual and remote participation access. We recommend that meetings use Zoom, WebEx, or other video and phone-in conferencing platforms that enhance the public's ability to engage and participate in meetings. Two-way conferencing is an

effective way to ensure engagement and meaningful participation by community members who do not have the opportunity to engage in-person.

Additionally, we recommend modifying one of the procedures' language under the following RTP goal: "Involve traditionally under-served persons such as low-income and minority households, the elderly, those addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Native American tribal governments and communities in transportation planning processes." We recommend the procedure be modified into: Provide non-English language translation at meetings or for written documents at all times, including providing interpretation and translation during virtual meetings (i.e., providing those services through Zoom interpretation services). Translation and interpretation should be provided regardless of advanced requests because oftentimes, residents who need those services are unaware that they can request them in the first place, do not meet the time requirements to request such services, or have not reviewed meeting agendas before the deadline to request translation. We understand that timely requests for translation is important for County staff, however, given the significant population in Tulare County that is monolingual, guaranteed translation services will improve the goal of involving underserved persons. We also urge TCAG to incorporate ASL translation/interpretation services to align and go beyond ADA compliance. Further consultation with community groups and disabled residents is encouraged to create methods to engage with the disabled community.

In addition to written and live feedback, we recommend adopting a procedure that allows the public to leave voicemail messages to a dedicated phone line before and during a public meeting or as a longstanding platform throughout the RTP process for soliciting feedback. Many public agencies use this method to allow residents who cannot provide comments during the meetings since they are often held during the workday. It is very convenient for residents who want to provide their feedback but cannot because of time constrictions and it will also improve TCAG's ability to solicit meaningful feedback.

2. Use creative methods of digital engagement to seek input from Tulare County residents. Virtual outreach activities and meetings during the RTP process is one procedure that will complement TCAG's strategy of using "a variety of presentation methods and modes of communication to disseminate information to the public" (2022 RTP, pg. 20). TCAG currently

posts notices of meetings on Facebook and other social media platforms well in advance of the date. Dissemination of these social media notices should also be provided in Spanish and other languages because social media is widely used by many Tulare

County residents. Tulare HHSA's Spanish social media posts during this pandemic have been positively received by Spanish monolingual residents we work with. We encourage TCAG to follow suit and provide posts in Spanish and other prominent languages used in the County to increase the number of residents who receive nothing of important meetings and opportunities to be involved.

The pandemic has made it difficult but not impossible for disadvantaged communities to participate in public planning and activities that require their expertise and lived experiences. We recommend that TCAG staff meets people where they are as a way to solicit and promote participation. Many community groups are still hosting their community meetings remotely through video conferencing. We further encourage TCAG to consult with community-based organizations on outreach and engagement initiatives that will further involve DAC participation in this planning process. By partnering with CBOs that are already mentioned in the participation plan and others, TCAG can access community meetings and virtual gatherings to present educational information regarding the transportation planning process.

3. Advanced and detailed noticing will increase the level of participation in the planning process.

TCAG has continuously adopted effective means of noticing such as partnering with newspapers to release public notices. In addition to Brown Act requirements that require notices be released 72 hours in advance, we recommend that notices of public meetings and all relevant documents and materials be provided in multiple languages, including Spanish and ASL. Partnering with CBOs in these efforts will also disseminate public notices further since CBOs have trusted relationships with hard-to-reach communities.

We look forward to participating in the RTP/SCS planning process as members of the committees and promoting participation among communities we work with. Overall, we ask that TCAG includes strategies and information into their Public Participation Plan about how they will engage and disseminate information with COVID-19 in mind. It's critical during this time to be inclusive of residents who cannot put their health at risk (especially if they are in vulnerable groups) or are not aware of decision-making opportunities. With that in mind, even before the pandemic residents had a hard time actively engaging on their own

because public meetings are often inaccessible to them because of lack of transportation or inability to travel and/or public notices were not reaching them. With COVID-19 centering around public participation efforts, residents won't have to give up any access to this important process and TCAG will further it's

goals of being accessible to all groups, including hard to reach communities, underserved communities, and disabled populations. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Blanca Escobedo Policy Advocate

### **Caltrans Comments**

INSERT COMMENTS FOR 2020 AND UPDATED RESPONSES

### **Letter from Caltrans**

After RTP Adoption



## APPENDIX E- Outreach Community Partners

**Table 1**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create Tulare County</li> <li>• Census 2020 partners</li> <li>• Visalia CHP</li> <li>• Tule River Tribe</li> <li>• Visalia Transit</li> <li>• Tulare County Health &amp; Human Services</li> <li>• Tulare County Public Health</li> <li>• Caltrans</li> <li>• Whitman Village</li> <li>• Visalia Rescue Mission</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parenting Network</li> <li>• Porterville Police Department</li> <li>• College of the Sequoias</li> <li>• SSC</li> <li>• Visalia Public Library</li> <li>• Army Corp of Engineers</li> <li>• Tulare County Office of Education</li> <li>• Tulare County OES</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arts Consortium</li> <li>• Jim Barnes Brain Injury Foundation</li> <li>• Tulare County Sheriff Dept.- PAL Program</li> <li>• Child Welfare Services of Tulare County</li> <li>• Amtrak</li> <li>• CalVans</li> </ul> |
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**Table 2**  
**TRANSIT OUTREACH PARTNERS**

Business Name & Contact	Address	City	State	Zip
Visalia Chamber of Commerce	222 N. Garden Street, #300	Visalia	CA	93291
Tulare County Library	200 W. Oak Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Anthony Community Center	345 N. Jacob Street	Visalia	CA	93291
Visalia Emergency Aid Council	217 NE 3rd Avenue; P.O. Box 651	Visalia	CA	93279
Visalia City Hall - West	707 W. Acequia Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Central Valley Regional Center	5441 W. Cypress Avenue	Visalia	CA	93277
College of the Sequoias - Bookstore	915 S. Mooney Boulevard	Visalia	CA	93277
Visalia Medical Clinic	5400 W. Hillsdale Drive	Visalia	CA	93291
Tulare County Board of Supervisors	2800 W. Burrel Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Tulare County Office of Education	6200 S Mooney Boulevard; P.O. Box 5091	Visalia	CA	93277
Visalia Convention Center	303 E. Acequia Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Boys and Girls Club	215 W. Tulare Avenue	Visalia	CA	93277
Fresno Pacific University Visalia Campus	245 Plaza Drive	Visalia	CA	93291
Visalia Youth Services	711 N. Court Street., Suite B	Visalia	CA	93291
Resources for Independence Central Valley	425 E. Oak Ave, Suite 202	Visalia	CA	93291
R-N Market	737 S. Lovers Lane	Visalia	CA	93292
Able Industries	8929 W. Goshen Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Vallarta Supermarket	3112 N. Dinuba Boulevard	Visalia	CA	93291



Self Help Enterprises	8445 W. Elowin Court	Visalia	CA	93291
Tulare Works	1845 N. Dinuba Boulevard	Visalia	CA	93291
Visalia Rescue Mission	741 N. Santa Fe Street	Visalia	CA	93292
R&R Library	7000 W. Doe Avenue, Suite C	Visalia	CA	93291
Family Healthcare Network - Oak St.	400 E. Oak Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Parenting Network	330 N. Johnson Street	Visalia	CA	93291
TCOE-SEE Visalia Youth	626 N. Akers Street	Visalia	CA	93291
Visalia Senior Center	345 N. Jacob Street	Visalia	CA	93291
Visalia Learning Center	630 S. Atwood Drive	Visalia	CA	93277
Proteus - Visalia	224 NW 3rd Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
CSET-Visalia	312 NW 3rd Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Family Healthcare Network - Bridge St.	501 N. Bridge Street	Visalia	CA	93291
Family Services	815 W. Oak Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Employment Connection	4025 W. Noble Avenue, Suite B	Visalia	CA	93277
Visalia Adult School	3110 E. Houston Avenue	Visalia	CA	93292
San Joaquin Valley College	8344 West Mineral King Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Social Security Administration	1901 E. Noble Avenue	Visalia	CA	93292
Save Mart Supermarkets	3615 W. Noble Avenue	Visalia	CA	93292
The Creative Center	606 N. Bridge Street	Visalia	CA	93291
Tulare County Personnel Department	2900 W. Burrell Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Tulare County Probation Office	100 E. Center Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Visalia KTAAA	4031 W. Noble Avenue	Visalia	CA	93277
Visalia WIC	1819 N. Dinuba Boulevard	Visalia	CA	93211

Kaweah Delta Mental Health	1100 S. Akers Street	Visalia	CA	93277
Hispanic Chamber of Commerce	119 S. Church Street	Visalia	CA	93291
CASA	1146 N. Chinowth Street	Visalia	CA	93291
Visalia Gleaning Seniors	28600 Road 156	Visalia	CA	93292
Pro-Youth Heart	P.O. Box 387	Visalia	CA	93291
Pro-Youth Heart	505 N. Church Street	Visalia	CA	93291
Independent Study	1821 W. Meadow Lane	Visalia	CA	93277
Alpaugh KTA AAA C/O Visalia KTA AAA	4031 W. Noble Avenue	Visalia	CA	93277
Visalia Adult Integrated Clinic (Mental Health)	520 E. Tulare Avenue	Visalia	CA	93292
CSET - Earlimart	P.O. Box 1350	Visalia	CA	93279
Earlimart Library	312 NW 3rd Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Goshen Elementary School	6505 Avenue 308	Visalia	CA	93291
Turning Point of Central California	201 N. Court Street	Visalia	CA	93291
Family Healthcare Network	401 E. School Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Tulare County Superior Court	11200 Avenue 368	Visalia	CA	93291
Tulare County Superior Court	221 S. Mooney Boulevard	Visalia	CA	93291
Tulare County Superior Court	3400 W. Mineral King, Suite C	Visalia	CA	93291
Tulare County HHSA, Public Health Branch	5957 South Mooney Blvd.	Visalia	CA	93277
Manuel Hernandez Community Center	247 W. Ferguson Avenue	Visalia	CA	93291
Whitendale Community Center	345 N. Jacob Street	Visalia	CA	93291
Visalia Transit Center	425 E. Oak Ave.	Visalia	CA	93291
Tulare Chamber of Commerce	220 E. Tulare Street	Tulare	CA	93274
Tulare Public Library	475 N. M Street	Tulare	CA	93274
City of Tulare Senior Community Center	201 N. F Street	Tulare	CA	93274
Tulare Adult School	575 W Maple Avenue	Tulare	CA	93274

Family Resource Center	304 E Tulare Avenue	Tulare	CA	93274
Employment Connection	304 E Tulare Avenue	Tulare	CA	93274
Tulare WIC/TulareWorks	458 E. O'Neal Avenue	Tulare	CA	93274
United Way	1601 E. Prosperity Avenue	Tulare	CA	93274
Tulare Regional Medical Center	869 N. Cherry Street	Tulare	CA	93274
Kings View Substance Abuse	559 E. Bardsley Avenue; PO Box 688	Tulare	CA	93274
Tulare Hillman Health	1062 S. K Street	Tulare	CA	93274
Tulare Youth Services Bureau	327 S. K Street	Tulare	CA	93274
Tulare City Hall	411 E. Kern Avenue	Tulare	CA	93274
Waukena Joint Elementary School	19113 Road 28	Tulare	CA	93274
Tulare Community Health Clinic	1101 N. Cherry Street	Tulare	CA	93274
Turning Point of Central California	113 S. M Street	Tulare	CA	93274
Boys and Girls Club	948 N. H Street	Tulare	CA	93274
R-N Market	1043 E. Bardsley Avenue	Tulare	CA	93274
Vallarta Supermarket	1111 N. Cherry Street	Tulare	CA	93274
Tulare Transit Center				
Tulare See	3442 E. Bardsley Avenue	Tulare	CA	93274
Tulare City Hall	411 E. Kern Avenue	Tulare	CA	93274
Tulare County WIC	115 E. Tulare Avenue	Tulare	CA	93274
Porterville Public Library	41 W. Thurman Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
Porterville Chamber of Commerce	93 N. Main Street Suite A	Porterville	CA	93257
Porterville College	100 E. College Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
CSET-Porterville	1061 W. Henderson Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257

Tulare County Employment Connection	1063 W. Henderson Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
Proteus INC	54 N. Main Street Suite 10	Porterville	CA	93257
Porterville Senior Center	280 N. Fourth Street	Porterville	CA	93257
Porterville Adult Day Services	227 E. Oak Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
Sierra View Medical Center	465 W. Putnam Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
Family Health Care Network	1107 W. Poplar Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
Boys and Girls Club-Porterville	344 E. Morton Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
Porterville Sheltered Workshop	194 W. Poplar Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
Porterville Development Center	26501 Avenue 140	Porterville	CA	93257
Valley Care Center	661 W. Poplar Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
Porterville WIC	1055 West Henderson Avenue Suite 5	Porterville	CA	93257
Employment Connection One Stop Center	1063 W. Henderson Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
TulareWorks	1055 W. Henderson Avenue Suite 3	Porterville	CA	93257
TCOE-SEE Porterville	1414 W. Olive Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
Porterville Transit Center	61 W. Oak Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
Porterville City Hall	291 N. Main Street	Porterville	CA	93257
Vallarta Supermarket	305 E. Olive Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
Kings View One Stop Tulare	409 N. Main Street	Porterville	CA	93257
Tulare County Superior Court	300 E. Olive Avenue	Porterville	CA	93257
Tule River Tribe Reservation	340 N. Reservation Road	Porterville	CA	93257
Tule River Recreation Center	308 Reservation Road	Porterville	CA	93257
Tule River Tribal Council Office	340 N. Reservation Road	Porterville	CA	93257

Tule River Indian Health Center	380 Reservation Road	Porterville	CA	93257
City of Dinuba-Recreational Center	1390 E. Elizabeth Way	Dinuba	CA	93618
Tulare County Library-Dinuba Branch	150 S. I Street	Dinuba	CA	93618
Dinuba Vocational Center	199 N. L Street	Dinuba	CA	93618
Dinuba Chamber of Commerce	210 N. L Street	Dinuba	CA	93618
Dinuba Senior Center	437 N. Eaton Avenue	Dinuba	CA	93618
Ruiz Foods	501 S. Alta Avenue	Dinuba	CA	93618
Dinuba Rural Health Medical Center	420 E. El Monte Way	Dinuba	CA	93618
Dinuba WIC	1433 E. El Monte Way	Dinuba	CA	93618
Dinuba City Hall	405 E. El Monte Way	Dinuba	CA	93618
Dinuba Adult School	1327 E. Avenue 416	Dinuba	CA	93618
Dinuba Health Care Center	1451 E. El Monte Way	Dinuba	CA	93618
Dinuba Courthouse	640 S. Alta Avenue	Dinuba	CA	93291
City of Dinuba-Public Works	1088 E. Kamm Ave	Dinuba	CA	93618
Dinuba Transit Center	180 E. Merced Street	Dinuba	CA	93618
Tulare Works	1066 N. Alta Avenue	Dinuba	CA	93618
Proteus Youth Services	400 W. Tulare Street	Dinuba	CA	93618
Tulare County Superior Court	640 S. Alta Avenue	Dinuba	CA	93618
Exeter City Hall	137 N. F Street	Exeter	CA	93221
Tulare County Public Library-Exeter Branch	230 E. Chestnut Avenue	Exeter	CA	93221
Exeter Chamber of Commerce	101 W. Pine Street	Exeter	CA	93221
Exeter Health Clinic	1014 San Juan Avenue	Exeter	CA	93221
Boys & Girls Club of the Sequoias	1003 San Juan Avenue	Exeter	CA	93221
Farmersville City Hall	909 W. Visalia Road	Farmersville	CA	93223

Farmersville Health Care Center	660 E. Visalia Road	Farmersville	CA	93223
Farmersville Senior Center	444 N. Gene Avenue	Farmersville	CA	93223
Farmersville WIC	138 E. Front Street	Farmersville	CA	93223
Family Health Care Network	730 N. Farmersville Boulevard	Farmersville	CA	93223
Lindsay City Hall	251 E. Honolulu Street	Lindsay	CA	93247
Lindsay Chamber of Commerce	133 W. Honolulu Street	Lindsay	CA	93247
Lindsay Public Library	157 N. Mirage Avenue	Lindsay	CA	93247
Lindsay Health Care Center	839 N. Sequoia Avenue	Lindsay	CA	93247
Lindsay Senior Center	911 Parkside Avenue	Lindsay	CA	93247
Tulare Works	900 Sequoia Avenue	Lindsay	CA	93247
Lindsay WIC	248 N. Highway 65	Lindsay	CA	93247
McDermont Field House	365 N. Sweetbriar Avenue	Lindsay	CA	93247
El Quinto Sol de America	115 N Elmwood Ave.	Lindsay	CA	93247
Orosi Library	12646 Avenue 416	Orosi	CA	93647
Cutler/Orosi CSET	12691 Avenue 408	Cutler	CA	93615
Family Health Care Network	12586 Avenue 408	Orosi	CA	93647
Cutler/Orosi Senior Center	12691 Avenue 408	Cutler	CA	93615
R-N Market	12760 Avenue 416	Orosi	CA	93647
Family Education Center School	40802 Road 128	Orosi	CA	93615
Earlimart Senior Center	712 E. Washington Avenue	Earlimart	CA	93219
Earlimart Library	P.O. Box 12153	Earlimart	CA	93219
Family Health Care Network	33025 Road 159	Ivanhoe	CA	93235
Ivanhoe Library	15964 Heather Avenue	Ivanhoe	CA	93235



Boys and Girls Club	15892 Azalea Avenue	Ivanhoe	CA	93235
Family Health Care Network	41651 Sierra Drive	Three Rivers	CA	93271
Three Rivers Library	42052 Eggers Road	Three Rivers	CA	93271
Pixley Library	300 N. School Street	Pixley	CA	93274
Strathmore Branch Library	19646 Rd 230	Strathmore	CA	93267
Springville Chamber of Commerce	35627 California 190	Springville	CA	93265
Springville Library	35800 California 190, P.O. Box 459	Springville	CA	93265
Traver Joint School District	36736 Canal Drive, P.O. Box 69	Traver	CA	93673
Alpaugh Library	P.O. Box 69	Alpaugh	CA	93201
Kings River Union School District	3961 Avenue 400	Kingsburg	CA	93631
Family Health Care Network	31180 Road 72	Visalia	CA	93291
Terra Bella Library	23825 Avenue 92	Terra Bella	CA	93270
Family Health Care Network	9416 Road 238	Terra Bella	CA	93270
Tipton Library	301 E. Woods Avenue	Tipton	CA	93272
Woodlake Library	400 W. Whitney Avenue	Woodlake	CA	93286
Woodlake Senior Center	179 N. Magnolia Street	Woodlake	CA	93286
Woodlake Chamber of Commerce	264 N. Valencia Boulevard	Woodlake	CA	93286
Woodlake Family Resource Center	168 N. Valencia Boulevard	Woodlake	CA	93286
Woodlake City Hall	350 N. Valencia Boulevard	Woodlake	CA	93286
Family Health Care Network-Woodlake	201 E. Lakeview Avenue	Woodlake	CA	93286

**Table 3**  
**Census Outreach Community Events Listing**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>
10/2/19	Tulare County HHSA, Aging Services Division	Provided 500 Census pencils and "Know Your Rights About the 2020 Census" (KYR) cards for outreach at Resource Fairs, the Loss Conference, & delivery to Homebound Clients
10/2/19	Tule River Tribe Veterans Stand Down event	Porterville Salvation Army distributed KYR cards and Census pencils to 30 veterans, speaking with them about the Census
10/3/19	City of Porterville CCC	Provided "Know Your Rights About the 2020 Census" cards for the following organizations to use in outreach: EDD (600), Employment Connection (100), PUSD (400), Hot Springs Capineros Senior & Community Center (100), Proteus (200 cards/150 pencils), FHCN (200 cards/120 pencils), and Porterville College (500 cards/500 pencils)
10/4/19	Ivanhoe Health Fair (Harvest Carnival), Ivanhoe	Provided "Census To Go" box (includes KYR cards & Census Hand Tracing project supplies) to Woodlake Family Resource Center for Census outreach booth at event
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>
10/4/19	Cuadrilla de la Semana, Lindsay Vineyard	Attended a Crew of the Week event hosted by La Ley Radio; distributed KYR cards; Radio host talked with people about the Census; live radio coverage
10/5/19	Farmersville Fall Festival, Farmersville	Talked with people about Census at booth; used Census hand tracing project; Census pencils; distributed KYR cards
10/5/19	Reencuentro Purepecha 2019, Farmersville	Provided "Census To Go" box (includes KYR cards & Census Hand Tracing project supplies) to Salvation Army for Census outreach booth at event

10/10/19	Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District CONNECT meeting	Made presentation at meeting of community teamwork partners about the importance of the 2020 Census and opportunities to partner
10/11/19	Cuadrilla de la Semana, Poplar Vineyard	CCC member attended a Crew of the Week event hosted by La Ley Radio; distributed "Know Your Rights About the 2020 Census" cards; talked with people about the Census; live radio coverage
10/12/19	Allensworth Historic Park Rededication, Allensworth	Provided CRPE with 250 "Know Your Rights About the 2020 Census" cards to use at outreach table at event
10/14/19	COS Undocumented Student Action Week event, Visalia	Provided 1,000 KYR cards for Sequoias Adult Education Consortium to use during Census outreach at event
10/16/19	FHCN Health Fair (Dia de la Familia), Terra Bella	Provided 500 KYR cards for FHCN to distribute at event
10/17/19	Sierra View Medical Center, Porterville	Provided Census informational videos to play on hospital lobby and cafeteria video screens
10/18/19	Cuadrilla de la Semana, Earlimart Vineyard	Attended a Crew of the Week event hosted by La Ley Radio; distributed KYR cards; CCC member talked with people about the Census; live radio coverage
10/19/19	Lindsay Health Fair, Lindsay	Provided 500 KYR cards for Sierra View Medical Center to distribute at booth
10/20/19	Festival del Trabajador Agricola "Farmworker Festival", Tulare	Talked with approx. 350 people about Census at booth #1; used Census hand tracing project; distributed KYR cards; USCB Staff provided Census Jobs / recruitment materials at booth #2; several Census announcements made from stage during course of event to estimated 5,000 audience
10/24/19	Annual Red Ribbon / Trunk O Treat event, London	KYR cards distributed by Proteus to people at event
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>
10/25/19	San Joaquin Valley Regional Census Table meeting, Fresno	Participated on panel at regional Census meeting discussing outreach collaboration with local Education Sector partners
10/29/19	Stone Corral Carnival, Seville	Provided "Census To Go" box (includes KYR cards & Census Hand Tracing

		project supplies) to Woodlake Family Resource Center for Census outreach booth at event
10/30/19	Trunk Or Treat, Porterville	Provided 1,200 KYR cards and Census pencils for Porterville Nazarene to distribute at Halloween outreach event
10/31/19	Trunk Or Treat, Tule River Reservation	Tule River Tribe included KYR cards in Census themed Halloween treat bags along with Census themed shoe reflectors and slap bracelets purchased by Tule River Tribe with "Let's Get This Tribe Counted!" slogan
11/1/19	2019 Farmworker Women's Conference, Visalia Convention Center	Provided KYR cards and Census tote bags to SAEC and Woodlake FRC to use at outreach table at event. Census message delivered to attendees by Lupita Lomeli, Univision, at lunch
11/1/19	Dia De Los Muertos, Visalia	Talked with people about Census at booth; used Census hand tracing project; distributed KYR cards
11/1/19 to 11/13/19	Alpaugh Unified School District (Fall Festival 11/1; Food Distribution 11/13; Thanksgiving Dinner)	Provided additional KYR cards, Census tote bags and pencils for school to use at various events and local food distributions
11/5/19	First 5 Tulare County Network of Providers Meeting, Visalia	Made presentation at meeting of First 5 network providers about the importance of the 2020 Census and opportunities to partner. Provided KYR cards and USCB materials regarding the undercount of children and how to make sure they are counted correctly in 2020
11/7/19	City of Porterville CCC Meeting, Porterville	Provided Census materials to the following partners for outreach: Tule River Tribe (300 KYR cards/25 bags/250 pencils for Veterans Day Lunch and Thanksgiving Dinner events); Family Crisis Center (50 bags for homeless outreach Pizza Party 12/21); Hot Springs Community & Senior Center (50 bags/100 cards/100 pencils for Save Dollar Saturday event); Family HealthCare Network (100 cards/150 pencils for Vroom Harvest Festival in Tipton 11/17 and Jamaica (pronounced ha-MY-ka) fiesta event);
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>

11/7/19	City of Porterville CCC Meeting, Porterville (continued)	PUSD Student Services (100 cards/100 pencils for Spirit Release event 11/9); PACC (50 bags for homeless outreach 12/7)
11/8/19	Cuadrilla de la Semana, Earlimart Vineyard	CCC member attended a Crew of the Week event hosted by La Ley Radio; distributed "Know Your Rights About the 2020 Census" cards; talked with people about the Census; live radio coverage
11/8/19	2019 Regional Conference on Immigrant Integration, Fresno	Participated on Census panel at regional conference hosted by the Central Valley Immigrant Integration Collaborative (CVIIC), made connections with potential outreach partners
11/9/19	Porterville Kiwanis Funnel Cake Event / Car Show	Porterville Kiwanis distributed KYR cards at their events and displayed Census poster
11/11/19	Veterans Breakfast, Woodlake	Provided Woodlake Family Resource Center with 50 KYR cards and 200 pencils for outreach at event
11/11/19	Veterans Day Run, Porterville	Provided Sierra View Medical Center with 400 KYR cards to include in runner bags
11/15/19	FoodLink Tulare County, countywide	Provided 5,100 Census grocery tote bags to use in food distributions throughout the county
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>
Ongoing	FoodLink Tulare County, countywide	Provided FoodLink with Census grocery tote bags on to hand out during food distributions throughout the county
Ongoing	Sierra View Medical Center, Porterville	Including a "Sierra View Medical Center supports the Census" sticker with Census logo and message on front cover of Patient Guide
11/21/19	Dolores Huerta Foundation, Tulare	Held Census 2020 Town Hall event in Tulare with Univision media coverage and interview segment with Lupita Lomeli. Distributed Census information/KYR cards
11/24/19	Proteus, London	Incorporated Census focus into Thanksgiving event in London. Distributed Census tote bags, pencils & KYR cards
12/4/19	The Leadership Conference on Civil and	Contacted by Beth Lynk, Census Counts Campaign Director, to ask

	Human Rights, Washington D. C.	permission to use the KYR card format for their Census outreach
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>
12/7/19	Proteus, London	Incorporated Census focus into Christmas event in London. Distributed Census tote bags, pencils & KYR cards
12/10/19	Alpaugh Unified School District, Alpaugh	Provided 100 Census tote bags and 150 pencils to distribute to families in monthly food give away
12/10/19	City of Visalia, Visalia	City of Visalia CCC member announced that they will be putting Census information into the Recreation Guide for early Spring
12/10/19	Self-Help Enterprises	Self-Help Enterprises CCC member reported that they will be partnering with Migrant Education to distribute Census "Know Your Rights" (KYR) to clients
12/10/19	Tulare County Office of Education, countywide	CCC member reported that TCOE has been awarded additional State Census funds and plans to provide additional Questionnaire Assistance Centers at school sites. They also are working to expand use of Census curriculum through the Pulse, Pro Youth and Heart programs. They have launched a Census art contest, with winning art to be put on Visalia buses
12/11/19	HHSA Aging Services	Provided 200 Census totes for Senior Stockings
12/11/19	Woodlake Family Resource Center, Woodlake	Provided Census totes for Dolores Huerta Posada
12/12/19	HHSA Public Health, Terra Bella	Provided Census totes for distribution at La Virgen de Guadalupe Celebration event
12/14/19	Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District, Orosi	Provided 300 Census totes, pencils and KYR cards for Mother/Daughter Conference
12/14/19	Woodlake Family Resource Center, Woodlake	Provided KYR cards, 150 Census tote bags and 200 pencils for distribution at Toys for Joy event in Woodlake
12/18/19	Porterville Kiwanis, Woodville	Provided Census pencils for distribution at Woodville mini parade
12/19/19	Woodlake Family Resource Center, Woodlake	Provided 200 Census tote bags, 200 pencils and 300 KYR cards for



		upcoming events through Woodlake FRC
1/9/20	City of Porterville CCC	Provided KYR cards, Census totes and pencils for the following organizations to use in outreach: Porterville College (200 cards/100 pencils); Family Crisis Center (100 pencils /50 bags); Sierra View Medical Center (100 cards/100 pencils); EDD Vet Program (100 cards, 100 pencils, 50 bags)
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>
1/9/20	Porterville Area Coordinating Council	Provided 200 Census totes for distribution at Project Homeless Connect on 1/24/20
1/9/20	Tule River Tribe	CCC member announced they are including Census information in their election booklet for 1/18/20 Election Day
1/10/20	City of Tulare, Tulare	Provided 200 Census tote bags, 200 pencils and 400 KYR cards for upcoming Census outreach. City of Tulare will be handing out KYR cards at their utility billing window
Ongoing	FoodLink Tulare County, countywide	Provided FoodLink with Census grocery tote bags to hand out during food distributions throughout the county
Ongoing	Sierra View Medical Center, Porterville	Including a "Sierra View Medical Center supports the Census" sticker with Census logo and message on front cover of Patient Guide
Ongoing	City of Tulare, Tulare	City of Tulare will be handing out Know Your Rights About the 2020 Census (KYR) cards at their utility billing window
Ongoing	League of Women Voters, countywide	Handing out KYR cards and providing Census information at various High School outreach presentations
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>
Ongoing	Sequoias Adult Education Consortium, countywide	Providing KYR cards and Census information as part of Navigator team outreach, including at food distribution sites, ESL programs, adult education classes and parent meetings

Ongoing	First 5 Tulare County, countywide	Providing KYR cards and Census information as part of client visits. Working through First 5's 18 funded programs to conduct Census outreach throughout Tulare County
Ongoing	Proteus, Dinuba, London, and Porterville area	Providing KYR cards and Census information as part of client visits and through Proteus educational classrooms
Ongoing	Woodlake Family Resource Center, Woodlake area	Providing KYR cards and Census information as part of client office visits and home visits. Will send KYR cards home with every student in January (est. 2,135 students)
Ongoing	Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District, Cutler-Orosi area	Providing KYR cards and Census materials as part of home visits, through school events and through the Family Education Center
1/14/20	Dolores Huerta Foundation, Lindsay	Provided KYR cards and Census information at town hall meeting in Lindsay
1/15/20	Porterville Kiwanis, Porterville	Provided 300 Census tote bags for bread giveaways and upcoming outreach efforts
1/18/20	Tule River Indian Tribe of California	Included Census information in their election booklet for 1/18/20 Election Day
January - February	League of Women Voters	Handing out KYR cards at the Farmers Market in Visalia for 4 weeks
1/21/20	League of Women Voters, Exeter	Handed out KYR cards and provided Census information at candidate forum in Exeter
1/21/20	Dolores Huerta Foundation, Woodlake	Provided KYR cards and Census information at town hall meeting in Woodlake
1/24/20	Porterville Area Coordinating Council	Provided KYR cards and 200 Census totes for Census outreach at Project Homeless Connect
1/25/20	Central California Environmental Justice Network (CCEJN), Visalia	Provided 300 KYR cards and 200 Census tote bags for Census outreach at the Roots of Resistance Conference held at COS
1/27/20	Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability	Provided 500 KYR cards and 50 Census tote bags for 1/27 meeting in Pixley and for use in upcoming Census outreach

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>
1/30/20	Parenting Network, Porterville area	Provided 500 KYR cards and 300 Census tote bags to conduct Census outreach in conjunction with monthly house visits to approximately 300 families
1/30/20 – 2/27/20	Porterville College	Providing Census information and including Census job recruitment at booths in campus quad area and Student Center
1/30/20	League of Women Voters	Handed out KYR cards and provided Census information at candidate forum at COS
1/31/20	Sierra Health Foundation (SHF), countywide	Provided 9,600 KYR cards for use by organizations partnering with SHF to conduct door-to-door Census outreach in Tulare County communities
1/31/20	Porterville Area Coordinating Council	Provided 200 Census tote bags for church outreach for At-Risk Youth
2/5/20	Proteus, Linnell Camp	Provided KYR cards and Census tote bags for Census outreach at Farmworker Appreciation Day at Linnell Camp
2/10/20 – 2/13/20	Porterville Family Crisis Center	Providing Census information and Census pencils as part of Teen Dating/Violence Awareness month at schools in Porterville, Strathmore, and Terra Bella
2/11/20 – 2/13/20	Sequoias Adult Education Consortium, Tulare	Providing Census information and KYR cards at booth at 2020 World Ag Expo
2/11/20 – 2/13/20	Porterville College	Providing Census information and materials at Rock the Vote & Census Awareness booth at college quad area
2/14/20	Proteus, Porterville	Provided KYR cards and Census tote bags for Census outreach at Farmworker Resource Fair at Santa Fe Elementary School
Ongoing	FoodLink Tulare County, countywide	Provided FoodLink with Census grocery tote bags on to hand out during food distributions throughout the county

Ongoing	Sierra View Medical Center, Porterville	Including a “Sierra View Medical Center supports the Census” sticker with Census logo and message on front cover of Patient Guide
Ongoing	City of Tulare, Tulare	City of Tulare will be handing out Know Your Rights About the 2020 Census (KYR) cards at their utility billing window
Ongoing (through February)	League of Women Voters, countywide	Handing out KYR cards at Visalia Farmers Market & providing Census information at various High School outreach activities
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>
Ongoing	Sequoias Adult Education Consortium, countywide	Providing KYR cards and Census information as part of Navigator team outreach, including at food distribution sites, ESL programs, adult education classes and parent meetings
Ongoing	First 5 Tulare County, countywide	Providing KYR cards and Census information as part of client visits. Working through First 5’s 18 funded programs to conduct Census outreach throughout Tulare County
Ongoing	Proteus, Dinuba, London, and Porterville area	Providing KYR cards and Census information as part of client visits and through Proteus educational classrooms
Ongoing	Woodlake Family Resource Center, Woodlake area	Providing KYR cards and Census information as part of client office visits and home visits.
Ongoing	Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District, Cutler-Orosi area	Providing KYR cards and Census materials as part of home visits, through school events and through the Family Education Center
2/10/20 – 2/13/20	Porterville Family Crisis Center	Providing Census information and Census pencils as part of Teen Dating/Violence Awareness month at schools in Porterville, Strathmore, and Terra Bella
2/11/20 – 2/13/20	Sequoias Adult Education Consortium, Tulare	Providing Census information and KYR cards at booth at 2020 World Ag Expo
2/11/20 – 2/13/20	Porterville College	Providing Census information and materials at Rock the Vote & Census Awareness booth at college quad area

2/11/20	Dolores Huerta Foundation	Provided 1200 CA Census fliers and 1000 KYR cards for door-to-door outreach throughout county
2/14/20	Proteus, Porterville	Provided KYR cards and Census tote bags for outreach at Farmworker Resource Fair at Santa Fe Elementary School
2/18/20 – 2/26/20	Tulare Public Library, Tulare	Held QAC training series for those who will be staffing QACs. Training dates: 2/18, 2/20, 2/25, 2/26 and 2/29
2/19/20	County of Tulare HHSA, countywide	Provided 500 CA Census fliers for use in outreach by Tulare Works division
2/19/20	Sierra View Medical Center, Porterville	Provided 600 KYR cards and 2 We Count! children's Census books for use in hospital waiting areas. Hospital staff is working on playing Census video on lobby screens.
2/21/20	Tulare Kings Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Tulare	Provided KYR cards, Census pencils and CA Census fliers for outreach at the 10 <sup>th</sup> Annual Black History Month Celebration hosted by Southern California Edison
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>
2/21/20	Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District	Provided 20 We Count! children's Census books for use in school district libraries and 200 CA Census fliers for use in outreach.
2/22/20	Tulare County Parks, Pixley	Handed out 100 KYR cards at Pixley Middle School Community Service event at Pixley Park
2/26/20	The Source LGBT+ Center, Visalia	Included Census materials and "I Will Be Counted" buttons at the I Love Arts Bro event at the Cellar Door.
2/26/20	Dolores Huerta Foundation, Dinuba, Orosi and Visalia	Provided 1600 KYR cards and 500 CA Census fliers for use at upcoming Town Hall Meetings in Visalia (3/12), Dinuba (3/17) and Orosi (3/31)
2/26/20	Tulare County Office of Education	Held QAC training for those who will be staffing QACs. Training date: 2/26
2/27/20	Tulare Public Library, Tulare	Provided 2 We Count! children's Census books for use in library story times, plus 200 KYR cards and 80 Census pencils for use in outreach
2/27/20	Tulare County Library, countywide	Provided 36 We Count! children's Census books for distribution to 18

		branch libraries for use in library story times
2/28/20	Tulare County Office of Education	Provided 10 We Count! children's Census books for use in TCOE library and distribution to interested school libraries.
3/2/20	LULAC / Roox Agency, Tulare	Provided 500 KYR cards for use at upcoming Viva Tulare Street Fair (3/20)
3/2/20	Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District	Provided 4090 CA Census fliers for distribution to all students in the district
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>
Ongoing	FoodLink Tulare County, countywide	Provided FoodLink with Census grocery tote bags on to hand out during food distributions throughout the county
Ongoing	Sierra View Medical Center, Porterville	Including a "Sierra View Medical Center supports the Census" sticker with Census logo and message on front cover of Patient Guide
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>
March	City of Tulare, Tulare	City of Tulare included a Census informational piece in their utility bill mailing
March	City of Lindsay, Lindsay	City of Lindsay designed and installed 7 Census banners at high visibility locations throughout city
3/3/20	Goshen Elementary School, Goshen	Provided 2 We Count! children's books (1 English/1 Spanish) for use in school library. Provided 100 Census fliers for distribution to families
3/3/20 – 3/12/20	Sequoias Adult Education Consortium	Providing Know Your Rights About the 2020 Census (KYR) cards, tote bags and Census information as part of Navigator team outreach, including: Lindsay Wellness Center Fair (3/6), CTE Academy – Be College Ready at COS Tulare (3/6), STEM – Tulare (3/10), Alpaugh Food Distribution (3/11), Dental Mobile Unit – Allensworth (3/11), FHCN Mobile Unit – Farmersville (3/12), Sequoia High School Fair (3/12), Preschool Community Resource Fair



		– Crestwood Elementary, Visalia (3/12), ACDC Class Presentation – Men's Unit (3/13)
3/4/20	Woodlake Family Resource Center, Woodlake	Provided 20 We Count! children's books (10 English/10 Spanish) for Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration to read aloud at event and give to families
3/5/20	Porterville Unified School District, Porterville area	Provided 54 We Count! children's books (27 English/27 Spanish) to PUSD for distribution to 27 elementary school libraries in the following districts: PUSD, Strathmore, Sunnyside, Woodville, Burton, Alta Vista, Pleasant View, Rockford, Saucelito, Hope, Terra Bella, Ducor, Springville and Hot Springs
3/5/20	Richgrove Elementary School	Provided 2 We Count! children's books (1 English/1 Spanish) for use in school library.
3/5/20	Terra Bella Elementary School	Provided 2 We Count! children's books (1 English/1 Spanish) for use in school library.
3/9/20	The Sun-Gazette Newspaper, coverage area includes Exeter, Farmersville, Ivanhoe, Lemon Cove, Lindsay, Plainview, Strathmore, Three Rivers, Visalia & Woodlake	Provided Census information for Census article published on 3/11 (article in Spanish may possibly run in Ivanhoe Sol at end of April)
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>
3/10/20	Tulare County CCC meeting	Provided Census tote bags to organizations to support Census outreach: CSET, Proteus, Family HealthCare Network, Tulare County Library, HHSA, City of Visalia, Sequoias Adult Education Consortium, Cutler-Orosi JUSD, First 5 Tulare County, and Woodlake FRC
3/12/20	Alpaugh Elementary School, Alpaugh	Provided 2 We Count! children's books (1 English/1 Spanish) for use in school library. Provided 300 Census tote bags and 200 fliers for distribution to families

3/12/20	Tulare County Office of Education – Educational Resource Services	Provided 28 We Count! children's books (14 English/14 Spanish)
3/12/20	Dolores Huerta Foundation, Visalia	Provided Know Your Rights About the 2020 Census (KYR) cards and Census fliers for Census Town Hall in Visalia
3/12/20	First 5 Tulare County	Provided 300 Census tote bags for distribution to families. First 5 is working through their 18 funded programs to conduct Census outreach throughout Tulare County and is conducting Census social media campaign via Facebook
3/13/20	Cuadrilla de la Semana, Earlimart area	Attended a Crew of the Week event hosted by La Ley Radio; distributed "Know Your Rights About the 2020 Census" cards and tote bags; Radio host talked with people about the Census; live radio coverage
3/19/20 (ongoing)	Woodlake Family Resource Center, Woodlake	Providing Census grocery tote bags and Census coloring books & crayon packs to give away via grab-n-go student lunch distributions
3/20/20	Porterville Unified School District, Porterville	Provided 800 Census grocery tote bags for PUSD schools to give away via grab-n-go student lunch distributions
3/23/20	Proteus, London area	Provided 500 Census grocery tote bags and 2790 Census coloring books (1395 English / 1395 Spanish) to give away via grab-n-go student lunch distributions
3/26/20	Neighborhood Church, Visalia	Provided 500 Census grocery tote bags, Census coloring books and crayon packs via First 5 Tulare County for distribution to area families as part of Family Fun Packs
3/27/20	Goshen Elementary School, Goshen	Provided Census grocery tote bags, Census coloring books & crayon packs to give away via grab-n-go student lunch distributions (approx. 96 on 3/27 plus additional materials for following week)
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event / Meeting</b>	<b>Type of Participation</b>

3/30/20	Washington Elementary School, Visalia	Provided Census grocery tote bags, Census coloring books & crayon packs to give away via grab-n-go student lunch distributions (approx. 272 on 3/30 plus additional 200 bags for following week)
3/31/20	J.E. Hester Elementary School, Farmersville	Provided 100 Census grocery tote bags via Woodlake FRC to give away with student homework packets
3/31/20	Lulu Blair Kress Preschool, Woodlake	Provided 88 Census grocery tote bags, Census coloring books & crayon packs via Woodlake FRC for distribution with student packets
3/31/20	La Ley / La Poderosa Radio Station	Provided 300 Census grocery tote bags, 500 KYR cards and 400 fliers for delivery at upcoming Cuadrillas de la Semana to be held on Fridays beginning 4/10
4/1/20	First 5 Tulare County	Provided 300 Census tote bags and approx. 220 Census coloring books for distribution to families. Provided 2 We Count! children's Census books (1 English / 1 Spanish) for use in online story reading activity
4/1/20	Houston Elementary School, Visalia	Provided Census grocery tote bags, Census coloring books & crayon packs to give away via grab-n-go student lunch distributions (approx. 475 on 4/1)

## APPENDIX F- Tribal Outreach

### TRIBE OUTREACH LISTING

Date	From	To	Tribe	Type	Notes
05/08/2017	Leslie Davis	Priscilla Quintero	Tule River	Telephone call	Left message
05/09/2017	Priscilla Quintero	Leslie Davis	Tule River	Telephone call	Directed Leslie to Chad McMullen
05/16/2017	Leslie Davis	Chad McMullen	Tule River	Telephone call	Left message
05/16/2017	Leslie Davis	Lalo Franco	Santa Rosa Tachi Yokut	Telephone call	Requested schedule of meeting dates and shared Hector Franco's email
05/17/2017	Leslie Davis	Hector Franco	Santa Rosa Tachi Yokut	Email	Schedule of RTP Roundtable meetings
06/14/2017	Benjamin Kimball	Hector Franco	Santa Rosa Tachi Yokut	Mail	Invitation to participate in the Roundtable discussion, Application, and Schedule of meetings
06/14/2017	Benjamin Kimball	Noah Ignacio	Santa Rosa Tachi Yokut	Mail	Invitation to participate in the Roundtable discussion, Application, and Schedule of meetings
06/14/2017	Benjamin Kimball	Chad McMullen	Tule River	Mail	Invitation to participate in the Roundtable discussion, Application, and Schedule of meetings
06/14/2017	Benjamin Kimball	William Garfield	Tule River Econ. Dev.	Mail	Invitation to participate in the Roundtable discussion, Application, and

					Schedule of meetings
<b>09/12/2017</b>	Benjamin Kimball	Hector Franco	Santa Rosa Tachi Yokut	Mail	Invitation to participate in the Roundtable discussion
<b>09/12/2017</b>	Benjamin Kimball	Wendy Correa	Tule River	Mail	Invitation to participate in the Roundtable discussion
<b>09/12/2017</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Wendy Correa	Tule River	Email	Meeting schedule
<b>10/02/2017</b>	Benjamin Kimball	Chad McMullen	Tule River	Mail	Letter requesting to present RTP/SCS Scenarios
<b>10/02/2017</b>	Benjamin Kimball	Wendy Correa	Tule River	Mail	Letter requesting to present RTP/SCS Scenarios
<b>10/02/2017</b>	Benjamin Kimball	William Garfield	Tule River Econ. Dev.	Mail	Letter requesting to present RTP/SCS Scenarios
<b>10/02/2017</b>	Benjamin Kimball	Noah Ignacio	Santa Rosa Tachi Yokut	Mail	Letter requesting to present RTP/SCS Scenarios
<b>10/02/2017</b>	Benjamin Kimball	Hector Franco	Santa Rosa Tachi Yokut	Mail	Letter requesting to present RTP/SCS Scenarios
<b>10/12/2017</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Andrea Salinas	Santa Rosa Tachi Yokut	Telephone call	F/U to letter mailed requesting to present at council meeting & meeting information (left message)
<b>10/12/2017</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Wendy Correa	Santa Rosa Tachi Yokut	Telephone call	F/U to letter mailed requesting to present at council meeting & meeting information (left message)
<b>10/12/2017</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Andrea Salinas	Santa Rosa Tachi Yokut	Email	F/U to telephone call

<b>10/17/2017</b>	Theodore Smalley, Benjamin Kimball, Wendy Gutierrez	Amanda Peyron	Tule River	Telephone Call	F/U to letter mailed requesting to present at council meeting
<b>10/17/2017</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Amanda Peyron	Tule River	Email	F/U to telephone call & submittal of formal presentation form
<b>11/14/2017</b>	Pamela Kimball, Ben Kimball, Wendy Gutierrez	Tule River Tribal Council		Presentation	RTP Scenario presentation at the council meeting
<b>11/20/2017</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Wendy Correa	Tule River	Email	TAC and Roundtable invitation
<b>11/20/2017</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Charles Dabney	Tule River	Email	TAC and Roundtable invitation
<b>11/28/2017</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Charles Dabney	Tule River	Telephone Call	F/U Call regarding Roundtable and TAC participation
<b>11/30/2017</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Charles Dabney	Tule River	Telephone Call	F/U Call regarding Roundtable and TAC participation
<b>03/21/2018</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Pricilla Quintero	Tule River	Email	Requesting Tule River Transportation/Circulation Element Draft to include in TCAG RTP
<b>03/23/2018</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Pricilla Quintero	Tule River	Telephone Call	Pricilla Quintero provided with contact re: draft request and also forwarded original email to Tanisha
<b>04/24/2018</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Tashina Pearson	Tule River	Email	F/U on Draft request
<b>05/21/2018</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Chairman Peyron	Tule River	Presentation	TCAG Board Meeting
<b>05/29/2018</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Larry DeSoto	Tule River	Phone Call	Regarding Bike Safety Outreach



<b>09/10/2018</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Larry DeSoto	Tule River	Phone Call	Set up meeting regarding Bike Safety
<b>09/19/2018</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Tule River Consultant	Tule River	Email	Regarding Letter of Support
<b>10/3/2018</b>	Wendy Gutierrez	Tule River Consultant	Tule River	Email	Regarding Letter of Support
<b>10/9/2018</b>	Brideget Moore Leslie Davis	Tule River-Mult. Agencies	Tule River	Meeting	Bike Rodeo at the Reservation Recreation Center
<b>10/9/2018</b>	Brideget Moore	Robert Gonzalez-Tule River Fire Dept.	Tule River	Email	Bike Rodeo Planning
<b>10/10/2018</b>	Brideget Moore	Stevee Moya-Recreation Center Coordinator	Tule River	Email	Bike Rodeo Flyer
<b>10/20/2018</b>	Brideget Moore Maria Garcia Garza Michele Boling	Tule River Recreation Center Staff	Tule River	Email	Bike Rodeo – Bike/Pedestrian Safety Event
<b>10/26/2018</b>	Brideget Moore	Stevee Moya-Recreation Center Coordinator	Tule River	Email	Breast Cancer Color Run Air Quality Art Contest/Bike Safety promotion-Outreach Event Planning
<b>10/27/2018</b>	Brideget Moore Maria Garcia Garza	Tule River Recreation Center Staff	Tule River	Event	Breast Cancer Color Run Air Quality Art Contest/Bike Safety promotion-Outreach Event
<b>10/30/2018</b>	Brideget Moore	Stevee Moya-Recreation Center Coordinator	Tule River	Email	Post event follow up- photo sharing
<b>03/5/2019</b>	Brideget Moore	Rondii Nieto-Tribal	Tule River	Email	Transit Unmet Needs Outreach

		Council Public Relations			
<b>03/11/2019</b>	Brideget Moore Servand o Quintanil la	Tribal Council	Tule River	Visit	Transit Unmet Needs Poster Drop off
<b>03/11/2019</b>	Brideget Moore Servand o Quintanil la	Tule River Recreation Center	Tule River	Visit	Transit Unmet Needs Poster Drop off
<b>03/11/2019</b>	Brideget Moore Servand o Quintanil la	Tule River Indian Health Center	Tule River	Visit	Transit Unmet Needs Poster Drop off
<b>04/26/2019</b>	Brideget Moore	Rondii Nieto	Tule River	Email	Census 2020
<b>05/14/2019</b>	Barbara Pilegard	Rondii Nieto Anna Maldonado	Tule River	Meeting	Census 2020
<b>06/4/2019</b>	Barbara Pilegard	Rondii Nieto Anna Maldonado	Tule River	Meeting	Census 2020
<b>06/4/2019</b>	Giancarl o Bruno	Leah Rowton- TMAA Coordinator	Tule River	Email	Human Services Coordinated Plan Outreach
<b>06/6/2019</b>	Giancarl o Bruno	Leah Rowton- TMAA Coordinator	Tule River	Email	Human Services Coordinated Plan Outreach
<b>06/6/2019</b>	Giancarl o Bruno	Leah Rowton- TMAA Coordinator	Tule River	Workshop	Human Services Coordinated Plan
<b>06/7/2019</b>	Giancarl o Bruno	Leah Rowton- TMAA Coordinator	Tule River	Email	Human Services Coordinated Plan Outreach
<b>06/18/2019</b>	Giancarl o Bruno	Leah Rowton-	Tule River	Email	Human Services Coordinated Plan Outreach

		TMAA Coordinator			
<b>06/18/2019</b>	Barbara Pilegard	Rondii Nieto Anna Maldonado	Tule River	Meeting	Census 2020
<b>06/19/2019</b>	Jenna Whitney	Stevee Moya	Tule River	Email	Outreach Opportunities
<b>07/2/2019</b>	Giancarlo Bruno	Leah Rowton-TMAA Coordinator	Tule River	Email	Human Services Coordinated Plan Outreach
<b>07/11/2019</b>	Giancarlo Bruno	Leah Rowton-TMAA Coordinator	Tule River	Email	Human Services Coordinated Plan Outreach
<b>07/15/2019</b>	Giancarlo Bruno	Leah Rowton-TMAA Coordinator	Tule River	Email	Human Services Coordinated Plan Outreach
<b>07/18/2019</b>	Giancarlo Bruno	Leah Rowton-TMAA Coordinator	Tule River	Email	Human Services Coordinated Plan Outreach
<b>07/23/2019</b>	Barbara Pilegard	Rondii Nieto Anna Maldonado	Tule River	Meeting	Census 2020
<b>08/19/2019</b>	Jenna Whitney	Stevee Moya	Tule River	Email	Outreach Coordination
<b>08/22/2019</b>	Brideget Moore	Stevee Moya	Tule River	Email	Outreach Planning & Coordination
<b>08/26/2019</b>	Brideget Moore	Stevee Moya & Juanita Perez	Tule River	Email	Outreach Planning & Coordination
<b>07/23/2019</b>	Barbara Pilegard	Rondii Nieto Anna Maldonado	Tule River	Meeting	Census 2020
<b>08/27/2019</b>	Barbara Pilegard	Rondii Nieto Anna Maldonado	Tule River	Meeting	Census 2020
<b>08/29/2019</b>	Brideget Moore	Stevee Moya & Juanita Perez	Tule River	Email	Outreach Planning & Coordination
<b>09/3/2019</b>	Brideget Moore	Stevee Moya &	Tule River	Email	Outreach Planning & Coordination

		Juanita Perez			
<b>09/5/2019</b>	Brideget Moore	Stevee Moya & Juanita Perez	Tule River	Email	Outreach Planning & Coordination
<b>09/7/2019</b>	Brideget Moore Gabriel Gutierrez Maria Garcia Garza Amie Kane Michele Boling	Tule River Recreation Center Staff	Tule River	Event	Bike Rodeo- Safety Outreach Event
<b>10/1/2019</b>	Barbara Pilegard	Rondii Nieto Anna Maldonado	Tule River	Meeting	Census 2020
<b>10/22/2019</b>	Barbara Pilegard	Rondii Nieto Anna Maldonado	Tule River	Meeting	Census 2020
<b>11/12/2019</b>	Barbara Pilegard	Rondii Nieto Anna Maldonado	Tule River	Meeting	Census 2020
<b>12/10/2019</b>	Barbara Pilegard	Rondii Nieto Anna Maldonado	Tule River	Meeting	Census 2020
<b>1/14/2020</b>	Barbara Pilegard	Rondii Nieto Anna Maldonado	Tule River	Meeting	Census 2020
<b>2/11/2020</b>	Barbara Pilegard	Rondii Nieto Anna Maldonado	Tule River	Meeting	Census 2020
<b>9/2/2020</b>	Brideget Moore	Amanda Peyron	Tule River	Phone Call	Looking for a contact for Tule River to send TCAG Board and TAC info.
<b>12/18/2020</b>	Brideget Moore Ted Smalley Ben Kimball	Vernon Vera	Tule River	Email	Inquiry regarding the Public Participation Plan and Tribal Public Participation Plan

<b>1/22/2021</b>	Brideget Moore Ted Smalley	William Garfield	Tule River	Email	Invite to the January 25 <sup>th</sup> Board meeting.
<b>2/2/2021</b>	Ted Smalley, John Lollis, Kellie Carrillo	Gary Santos, William Garfield, Pricilla Santos	Tule River	Meeting Request	Schedule and Coordination to discuss and collaborate
<b>2/11/2021</b>	Ted Smalley, John Lollis, Kellie Carrillo	Gary Santos, William Garfield, Pricilla Santos	Tule River	Meeting	Discussion & Collaboration
<b>3/9/2021</b>	Ted Smalley Martha Flores-TCAG Board	William Garfield Gary Santos Priscilla Santos	Tule River	Email	Email corrections and clarification of contact information
<b>3/11/2021</b>	Ted Smalley	William Garfield Gary Santos Priscilla Santos	Tule River	Email	Discussion & Collaboration
<b>3/12/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	William Garfield Gary Santos Priscilla Santos	Tule River	Virtual Meeting	Discussion & Collaboration
<b>3/31/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	Stevee Moya Larry DeSoto Juanita Perez	Tule River	Email	Bike Rodeo and Outreach event planning
<b>4/12/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	Stevee Moya	Tule River	Email	Bike Rodeo Planning
<b>4/24/21</b>	Brideget Moore	Stevee Moya	Tule River	Bike Rodeo	Bike Rodeo Event

	Maria Garza Giancarlo Bruno Servando Quintanilla Sheela Bhongir	Larry DeSoto Juanita Perez			
<b>4/27/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	Stevee Moya Larry DeSoto	Tule River	Email	Post bike rodeo photo sharing
<b>5/4/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	Stevee Moya	Tule River	Email	Event participant count inquiry
<b>5/5/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	Cricket McDarmont	Tule River	Email	Participant count report update
<b>5/21/2021</b>	Holly Gallo	William Garfield	Tule River	Email	May RTP Meeting cancellation notice
<b>6/17/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	William Garfield	Tule River	Email	RTP meeting invitation
<b>7/12/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	William Garfield	Tule River	Email	RTP Meeting Adjustment
<b>7/12/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	William Garfield	Tule River	Email	RTP Meeting Invitation
<b>8/5/2021</b>	Holly Gallo	William Garfield Gary Santos Priscilla Santos	Tule River	Email	August TCAG/TCTA Board Meeting Reminder
<b>8/5/2021</b>	Holly Gallo	William Garfield	Tule River	Email	August RTP Roundtable Meeting Reminder
<b>8/16/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	William Garfield	Tule River	Email	RTP Meeting adjustment
<b>8/25/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	William Garfield	Tule River	Email	RTP Meeting adjustment
<b>9/14/2021</b>	Holly Gallo	William Garfield Gary Santos Priscilla Santos	Tule River	Email	September TCAG/TCTA Board Meeting

<b>9/20/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	William Garfield	Tule River	Email	RTP Meeting Invitatio
<b>9/22/2021</b>	Holly Gallo	William Garfield Gary Santos Priscilla Santos	Tule River	Email	Tagus Ranch Groundbreaking
<b>9/23/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	William Garfield	Tule River	Email	RTP Scenarios Presentation
<b>9/23/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	William Garfield	Tule River	Email	RHNA Presentation
<b>9/23/2021</b>	Brideget Moore	William Garfield	Tule River	Email	RTP Survey
<b>10/13/2021</b>	Holly Gallo	William Garfield	Tule River	Email	WTS Central Lunch
<b>10/18/2021</b>	Holly Gallo	William Garfield Gary Santos Priscilla Santos	Tule River	Email	TCAG/TCTA Board Location Reminder