

## **2022 PUBLIC OUTREACH**

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### **Regional Transportation Plan Scenarios**

TCAG reviewed the three scenarios from the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) to determine if the assumptions in the scenarios would be adequate starting points for the 2022 RTP/SCS discussion. Each of the 2018 RTP/SCS scenarios exhibited a different model of regional growth and travel preferences, and its effects on specific environmental topics. TCAG reasoned that beginning the 2022 RTP/SCS update with the same or similar scenarios as the 2018 RTP/SCS would highlight changes to the region's transportation and land use priorities over time. The three scenarios that were eventually presented to the public to select a preferred scenario for the SCS and to be included in and inform the 2022 RTP/SCS were: Trend, Blueprint, and Cross Valley Corridor Blueprint. All three scenarios were displayed and discussed at outreach events as well as online via social media and the TCAG website via Public Input.

### **Outreach Strategies and Covid-19**

During in-person outreach events such as the Tulare County Fair, it was ideal for community members to be presented with the scenarios on oversized display boards, demonstrating how TCAG's modeling programs had forecasted certain metrics to change based upon the specific regional growth and travel assumptions contained in that scenario. The display boards included maps demonstrating potential land use and development patterns, as well as the forecasted data regarding metrics focused on estimated Greenhouse Gas reductions per capita, urban residential density, acres of land consumed in new development, prime agriculture land consumed, critical habitat land consumed, vehicle miles traveled per household, emissions, water consumption, energy use, and transit ridership. Through the display boards, participants were informed of the forecasted impacts of each scenario before being asked to complete the survey and select a preferred scenario.

In many outreach instances, however, there was also an accompanying formal public presentation, highlighting the differences between the scenarios. In such instances, distribution of surveys via weblink and QR code followed the presentation, and community members had the opportunity to ask questions (in both English and Spanish) about the scenarios before completing the survey. Examples include attendance at city council meetings following ample public notice to encourage public participation and public community events such as harvest festivals. Additionally, Leadership Council for Justice and Accountability requested paper surveys to distribute to the communities they serve. A large portion of surveys were collected via Public Input through social media, county-wide publications, email blast advertisements, and the TCAG website.

Due to Covid 19, increased safety protocols, mandates, and higher-than-average Covid-19 cases in Tulare County, in person meetings and events dwindled to nearly zero. This put a tremendous strain on the momentum of RTP outreach efforts, but TCAG communicated with local organizations to engage the public with in-person presentations when safe and feasible. In view of these public safety consideration, and in recognizing that not all members of the public could attend in-person public events for various reasons, TCAG partnered with Food Link to extend outreach efforts to local food distribution sites in rural communities with minimal contact.

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The following is a list of all 30 outreach events that were scheduled during the 2022 RTP outreach process:

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
9/28/2021	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
9/28/2021	Ben Kimball	Dinuba	City of Dinuba	City Council Meeting	RTP presentation during city council meeting; attendees invited to participate in survey
10/1/2021	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)
10/5/2021		Woodlake	Woodlake Food Pantry	Food Pantry	Did not attend; Contacted agency, never heard back for confirmation
10/7/2021		Dinuba	Opengate Ministries	Food Pantry	Did not attend; postponed
10/11/2021		Tonyville	Foodlink	Food Pantry	Did not attend; not permitted at this location
10/14/2021	Ben Kimball Brideget Moore	Tipton	Foodlink	Food Pantry	Not permitted to survey onsite; promotional items

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	Giancarlo Bruno				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 Reservation	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	Farmersville	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

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10/26/2021	Holly Gallo	Exeter	Exeter Food Closet	Food Pantry	Set up greeting area with promotional items and links to survey on site
10/27/2021	Holly Gallo Ben Kimball	Goshen	Drive-Thru Harvest Festival	Goshen Family Services	at TCAG booth in Drive-Thru Festival
10/27/2021	Giancarlo Bruno	Linnell Camp	Foodlink	Food Pantry	Promotional items and links to survey were distributed to participants
10/28/2021		Richgrove	Foodlink	Food Pantry	Did not attend; cancelled
11/1/2021	Ben Kimball	Visalia	Tulare County Regional Transit Agency	Technical Advisory Committee Meeting	RTP presentation during TAC meeting; attendees invited to participate in survey
11/2/2021	Ben Kimball	Porterville	City of Porterville	City Council Meeting	RTP presentation during city council meeting; attendees invited to participate in survey
11/8/2021	Ben Kimball	Woodlake	City of Woodlake	City Council Meeting	RTP presentation during city council meeting; attendees invited to participate in survey
11/16/2021	Ben Kimball	Tulare	Tulare	City Council Meeting	RTP presentation during city council meeting; attendees invited to participate in survey
6/27/2022	Ben Kimball	Visalia	County of Tulare	TCAG Board Meeting	RTP/SCS Public Hearing

### Social Media Outreach

In addition to the listed outreach events, online ads were placed through TCAG Facebook and Instagram platforms to further expand the outreach efforts. The RTP Survey information was also posted to TCAG's Twitter account. Ads were placed in both English and Spanish and provided a direct link to the Public Input survey that community members were able to complete with images of the scenarios available for review. These ads were targeted to adults residing within Tulare County.

### Tule River Tribe Outreach

Tule River Tribe representatives were invited to attend and participate in meetings on the following dates regarding the RTP either in person or virtually:

June 24, 2021	July 22, 2021	August 12, 2021
September 23, 2021	October 28, 2021	Future meetings TBD 2022

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Tule River Tribe representatives were invited via email to attend and participate in the following meetings for TCAG either in person or virtually:

2021 TCAG/TCTA and TAC Meeting Calendar with Meeting Locations		
<u>TAC Meeting (Thursdays, 1:30 p.m.)</u>	<u>TCAG/TCTA Board Meeting (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 1:00 pm)</u>	<u>Location#</u>
January 21, 2021*	January 25, 2021*	Tulare County Human Resources & Development 2500 W. Burrel Avenue   Visalia, CA 93291
February 18, 2021*	February 22, 2021*	Tulare County Board of Supervisors 2800 W. Burrel Avenue   Visalia, CA 93291
March 11, 2021	*March 15, 2021	Tulare County Board of Supervisors 2800 W. Burrel Avenue   Visalia, CA 93291
April 15, 2021*	*April 19, 2021*	Tulare County Board of Supervisors 2800 W. Burrel Avenue   Visalia, CA 93291
May 13, 2021	May 17, 2021	Tulare County Board of Supervisors 2800 W. Burrel Avenue   Visalia, CA 93291
June 17, 2021	June 21, 2021	Tulare County Board of Supervisors 2800 W. Burrel Avenue   Visalia, CA 93291
July 15, 2021*	July 19, 2021*	TBD
August 12, 2021	August 16, 2021	Tulare County Board of Supervisors 2800 W. Burrel Avenue   Visalia, CA 93291
September 16, 2021	September 20, 2021	Tulare County Board of Supervisors 2800 W. Burrel Avenue   Visalia, CA 93291
October 14, 2021	October 18, 2021	Tulare County Human Resources & Development 2500 W. Burrel Avenue   Visalia, CA 93291
November 11, 2021*	November 15, 2021*	Cancelled
December 02, 2021*	*December 06, 2021*	TBD

\* Exception to standard board meeting dates is due to Holidays or a meeting conflict.

# Meeting locations are subject to change.

^ Times may vary if a workshop precedes a meeting.

**Toll Free Call in: Call in only instructions:** (888) 475-4499 | **Meeting ID:** 744 710 0343 | **Passcode:** 82243742

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March 17, 2022	^March 21, 2022	Tulare County Human Resources & Development 2500 W. Burrel Avenue   Visalia, CA 93291
April 14, 2022*	^April 18, 2022*	Tulare Ag Auditorium 4437 S. Laspina   Tulare CA 93274
May 12, 2022	May 16, 2022	Tulare County Human Resources & Development 2500 W. Burrel Avenue   Visalia, CA 93291
June 23, 2022	June 27, 2022	Tulare County Human Resources & Development 2500 W. Burrel Avenue   Visalia, CA 93291
July 14, 2022*	July 18, 2022*	TBD
August 11, 2022	August 15, 2022	Woodlake Community Center 145 N. Magnolia Street   Woodlake, CA 93286
September 15, 2022	September 19, 2022	Lindsay Wellness Center 860 N. Sequoia   Lindsay, CA 93247
October 13, 2022	October 17, 2022	Porterville Fire Department Training Facility 500 N. Newcomb Street   Porterville, CA 93257
November 17, 2022*	November 21, 2022*	TBD
December 15, 2022*	^December 19, 2022*	Tulare Ag Auditorium 4437 S. Laspina   Tulare CA 93274

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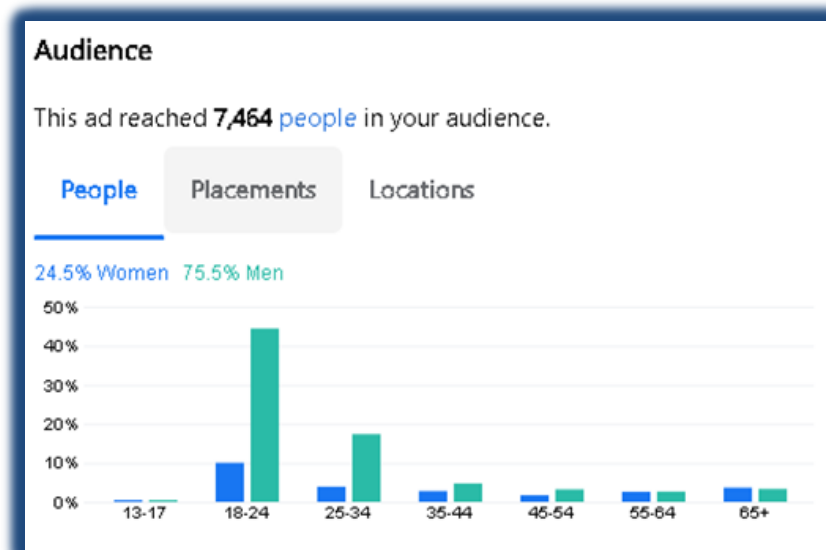
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### Survey Results

Due to Covid 19, The RTP/SCS survey was available in a hard copy form on a limited basis due to requirements to reduce frequently touched surfaces to combat community spread and minimize having people congregate in enclosed spaces from different households to fill out surveys. A digital survey was made available with language translation options via Public Input. Social media ads were boosted for 10-20 days in a combination of English and Spanish verbiage. The first ad (see images in below in section 1A- Social Media Survey Analytics) received a total of 1,190 post engagements and reached 7,464 users. The Second ad (See image below in section 2A- Social media Survey Analytics) received a total of 825 post engagements and reached 8,626 users, totaling 16,090 residents reached via social media.

#### **1A. Social Media Survey Analytics**



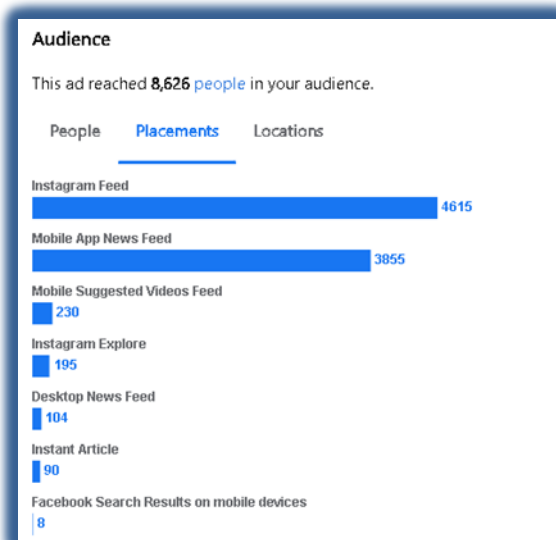
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### 2A. Social Media Survey Analytics

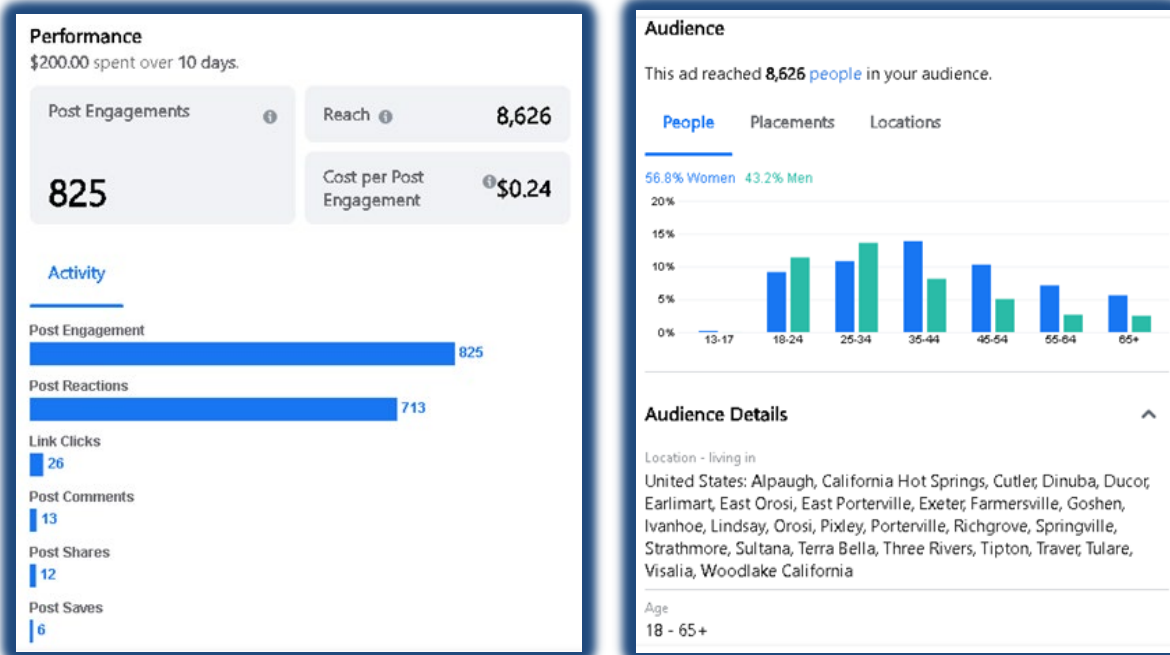
## SOCIAL MEDIA SURVEY ANALYTICS

Survey 2 - 10 days





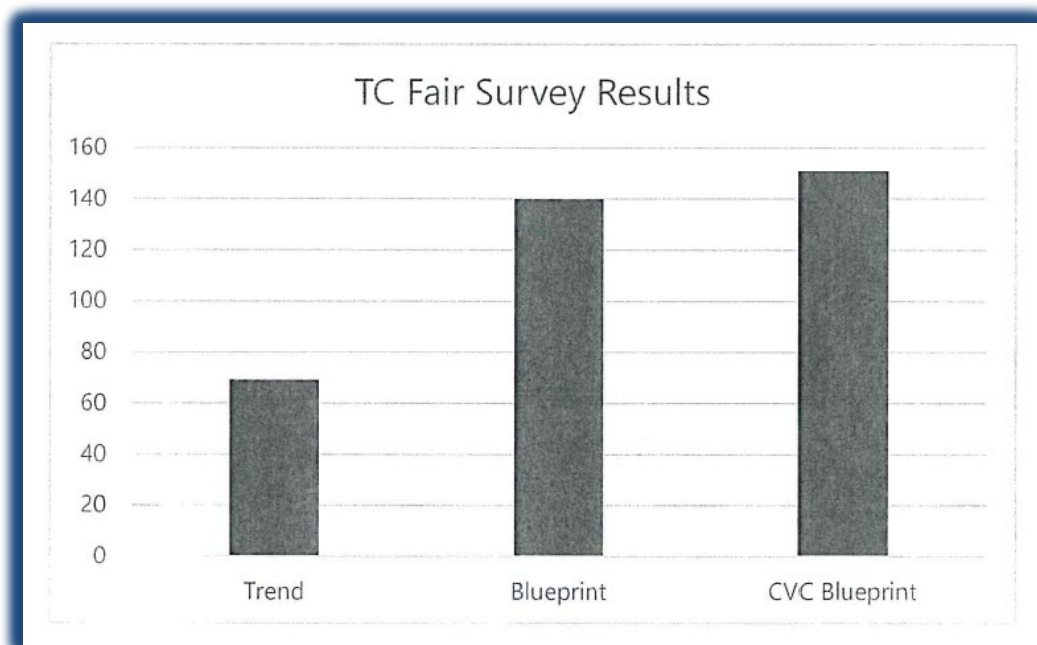
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### 2021 Tulare County Fair

TCAG staff conducted verbal surveys with members of the public at the 2021 Tulare County Fair September 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>. Image 3A below indicates results of surveys from the event.

#### 3A. 2021 Tulare County Fair Survey Results



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### Public Input Survey

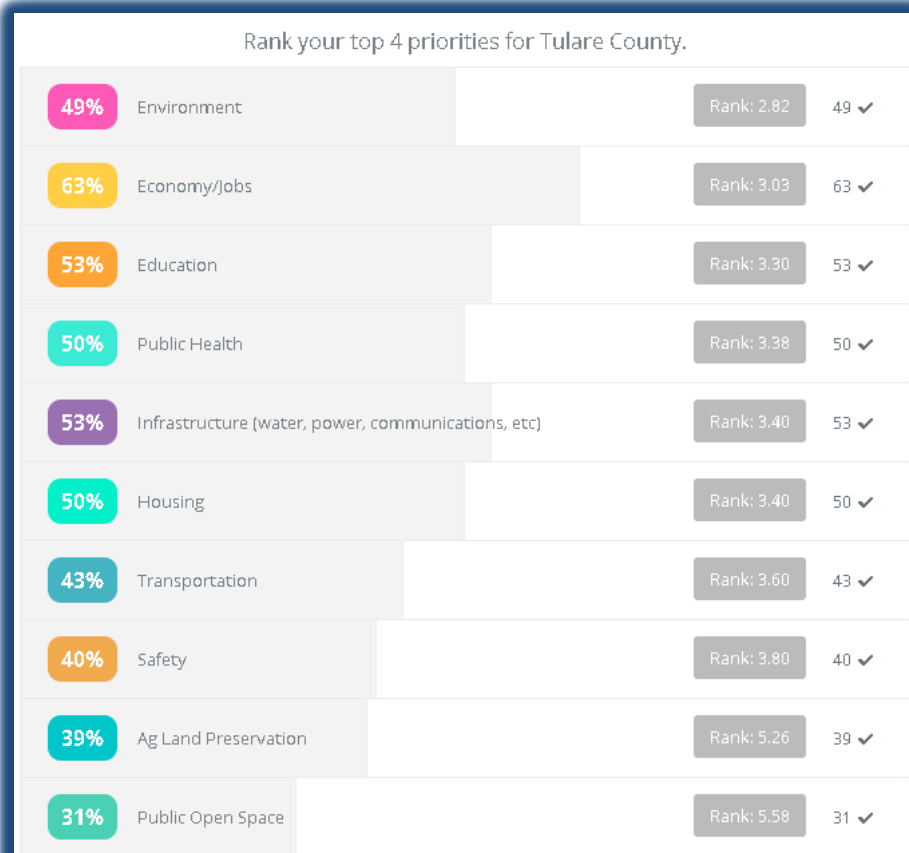
As a result of TCAG's creative outreach efforts, numerous surveys were still completed in various communities despite difficulties resulting from Covid 19. In various communities, TCAG staff attended council meetings, food distribution sites, and other public events to disseminate the RTP survey link and QR code to solicit feedback from Tulare County residents. See images below in section 4A: Public Input Survey Results.

#### 4A. Public Input Survey Results

### 2022 Regional Transportation Plan, Sustainable Communities Strategy, Regional Housing Needs Allocation Plan Survey

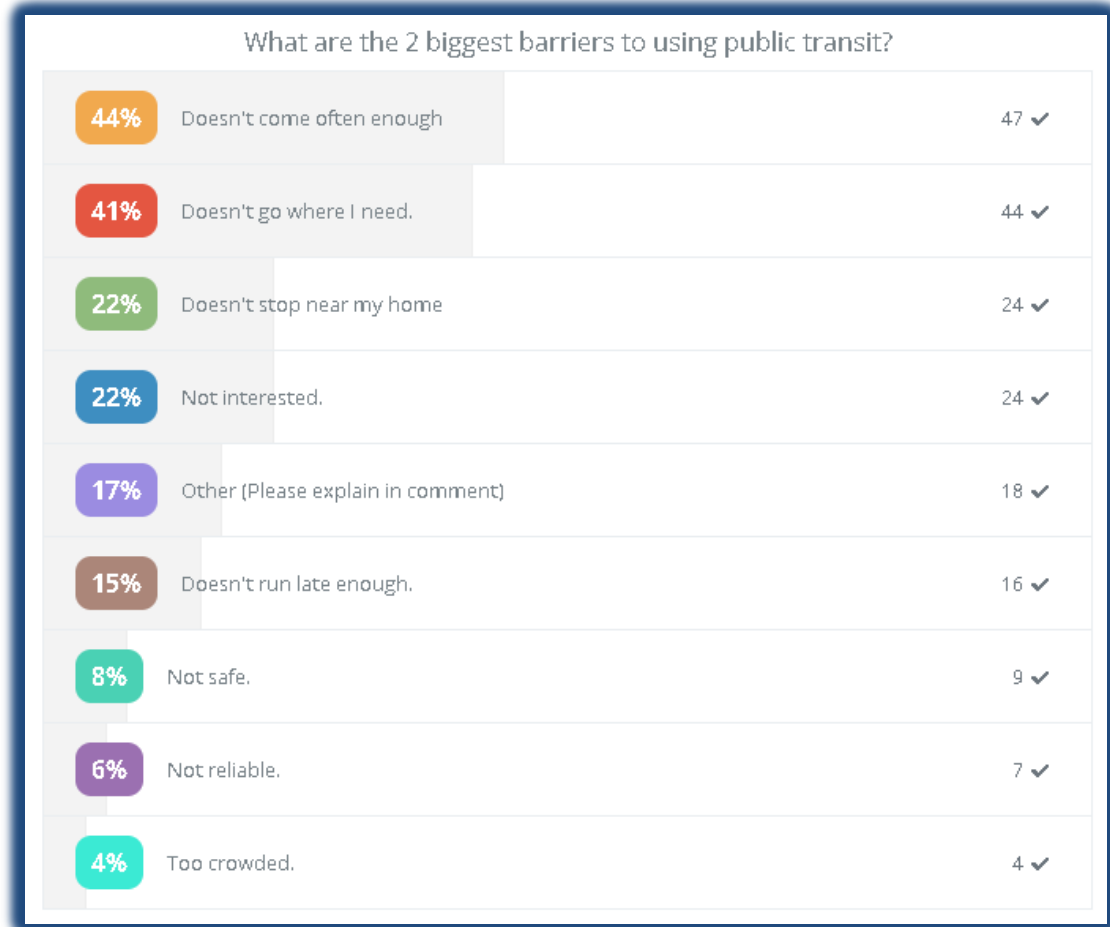
#### Project Engagement

VIEWS	PARTICIPANTS	RESPONSES	COMMENTS
544	142	2,054	62



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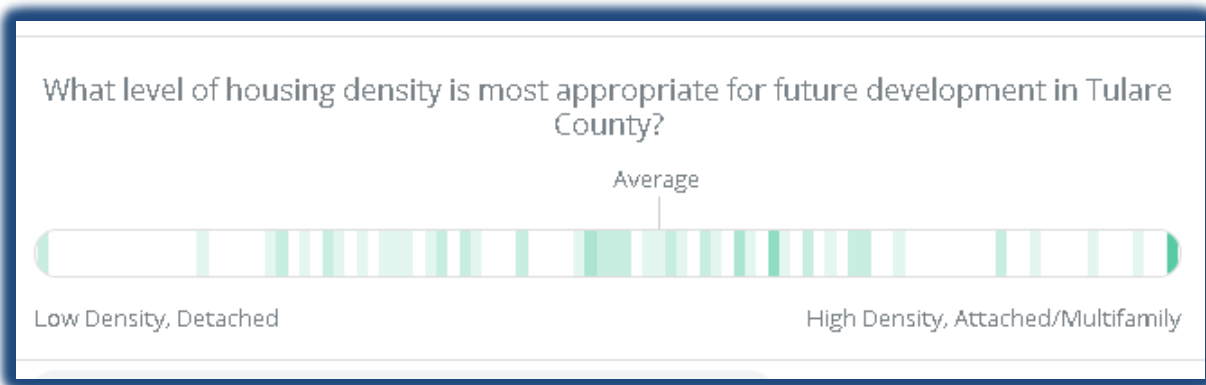
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(Comments in Appendix A)

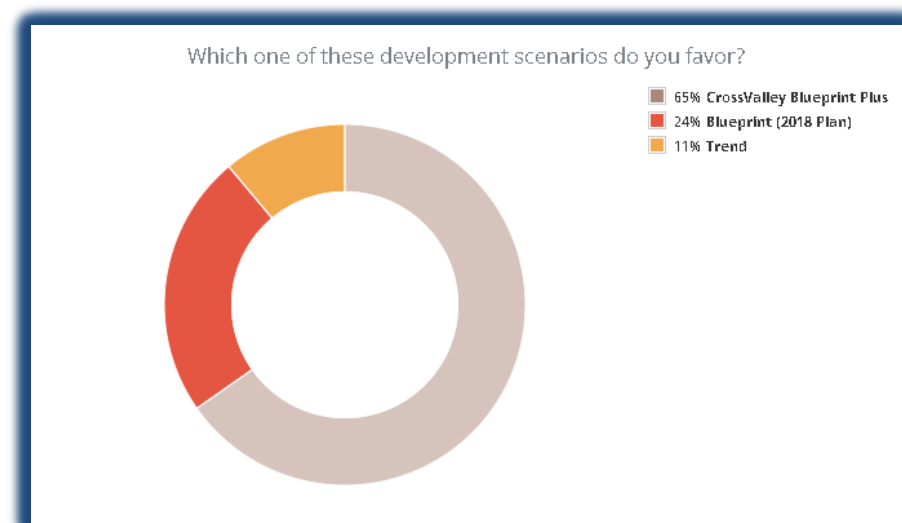
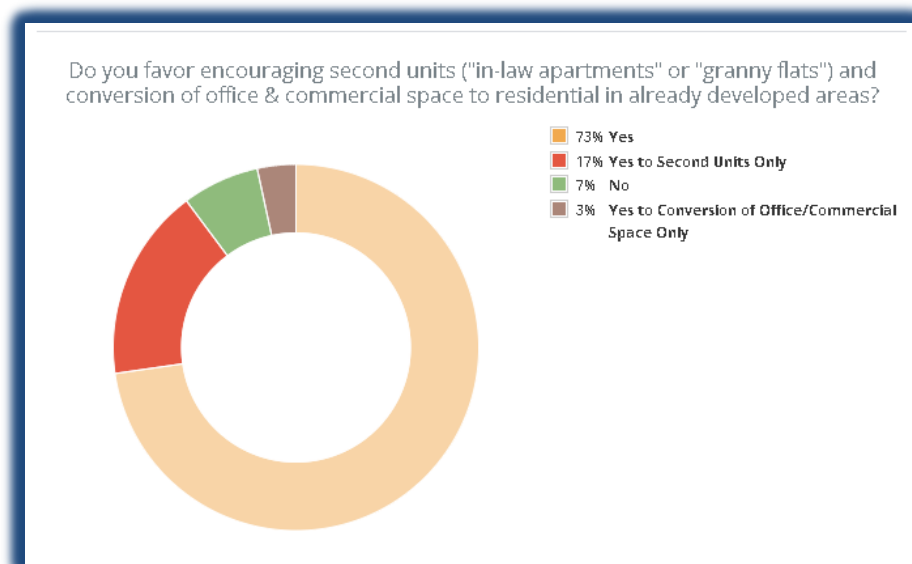
The RTP Should:					
	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Encourage more homes near jobs	29% Strongly Agree	33% Agree	36% Neutral	3% Disagree	- Strongly Disagree
Encourage more jobs near homes	31% Strongly Agree	39% Agree	26% Neutral	4% Disagree	- Strongly Disagree
Encourage water saving development and strategies	59% Strongly Agree	30% Agree	9% Neutral	2% Disagree	- Strongly Disagree
Include many transportation choices	55% Strongly Agree	32% Agree	11% Neutral	3% Disagree	- Strongly Disagree
Preserve farmland	36% Strongly Agree	31% Agree	25% Neutral	5% Disagree	4% Strongly Disagree
Protect open space & environmentally sensitive areas	43% Strongly Agree	39% Agree	14% Neutral	5% Disagree	- Strongly Disagree
Reduce air pollution	68% Strongly Agree	19% Agree	13% Neutral	- Disagree	- Strongly Disagree
Reduce greenhouse gas emissions	60% Strongly Agree	18% Agree	15% Neutral	6% Disagree	1% Strongly Disagree

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(Comments in Appendix B)

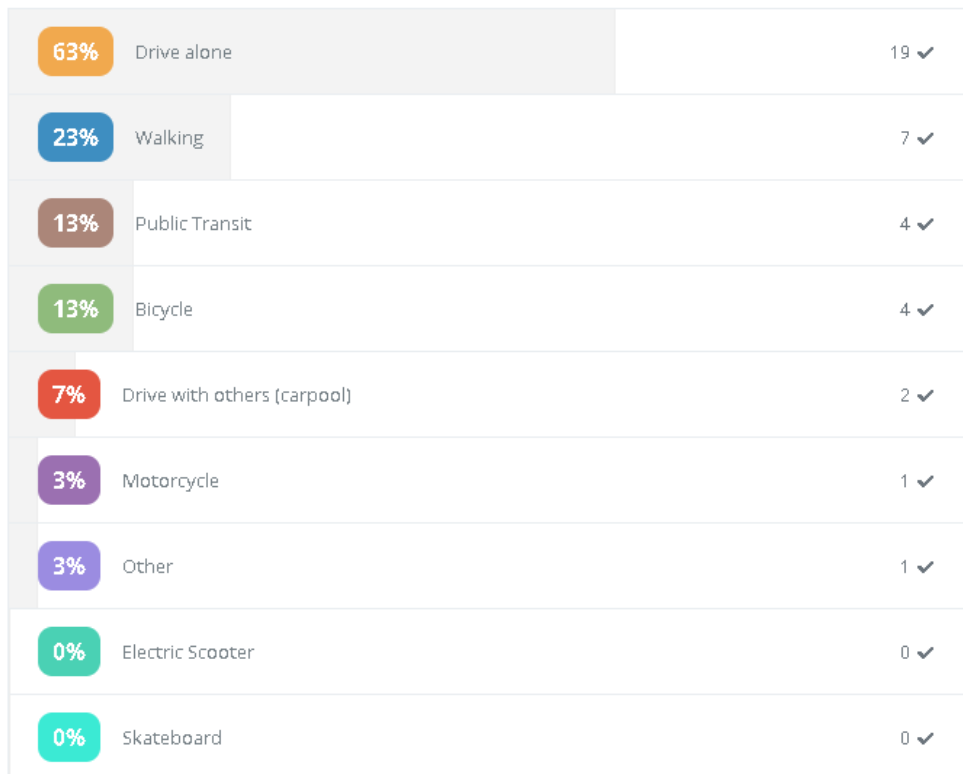


(Comments in Appendix C)



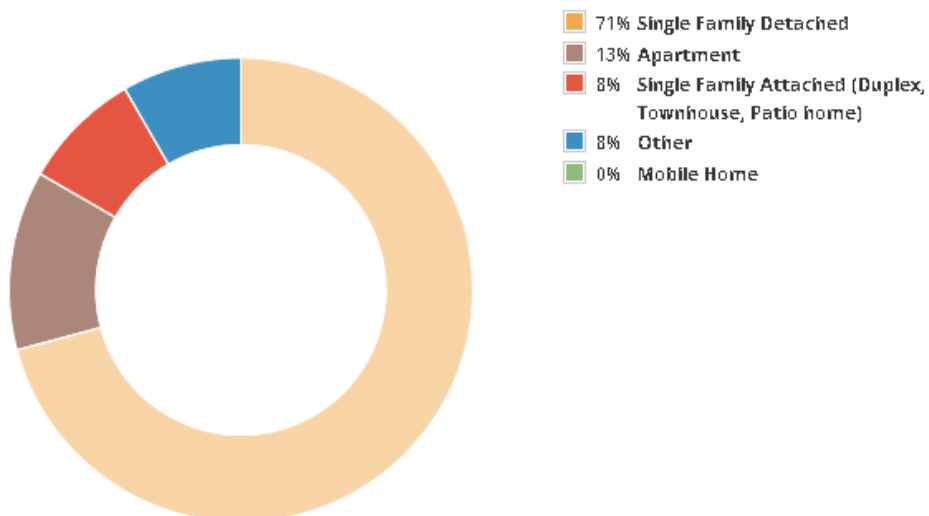
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How do you usually get around? Select any travel mode you use at least once a week.



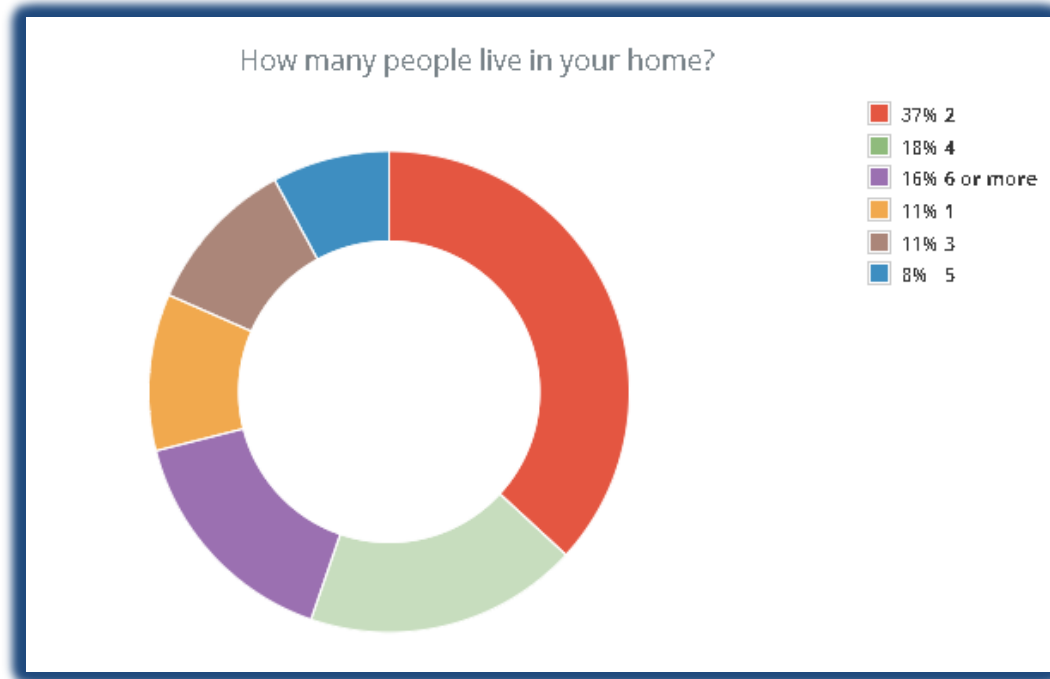
30 Respondents

What type of home do you live in?



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### **Resources and Other Public Agencies**

The development of the RTP/SCS, FTIP and Air Quality Conformity has been done in coordination with the San Joaquin Valley Policy Council (SJVPC). The SJVPC is comprised of the eight San Joaquin Valley Councils of Governments, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), California Air Resources Board (ARB), San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD), and California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

The TCAG RTP/SCS Roundtable provided a formal mechanism for obtaining input on the RTP/SCS development from various stakeholders in the community. The 2022 RTP/SCS Roundtable provided input at various critical stages during the RTP/SCS development process. The 2022 RTP/SCS Roundtable included representatives from the eight incorporated cities in Tulare County; The County of Tulare, through its Resource Management Agency; Tulare County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo); and Caltrans. It also included stakeholder representatives for the following community and interest groups: Public Transportation, Agriculture, Environmental Justice Community, Bicyclist/Pedestrian Advocate, Environmental Advocate, Health Advocate, Affordable Housing advocate, Building and Development, Tule River Tribe and two at large members. Representatives for additional stakeholder interest groups were invited to participate but decline to attend.

The Notice of Preparation (NOP) and Notice of Availability (NOA) for the 2022 RTP's Environmental Impact Report (EIR) were distributed to numerous resource agencies, other public agencies, and private companies and groups. Copies of the draft RTP (and the website location where such documents can be downloaded) were also widely distributed. Listed below are many of the agencies, organizations and companies that were sent notices regarding the EIR and RTP/SCS:

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### Federal

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Federal Railroad Administration, Fish & Wildlife Service, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Army Corps of Engineers, Dept. of Energy, National Park Service, Dept. of Health & Human Services, Dept. of Agriculture, Centers for Disease Control, Naval Weapons Center (China Lake)

### State

Caltrans [Programming, Aeronautics, Scenic Highway Program, District 6], California Transportation Commission (CTC), Dept. of Fish & Game, California Highway Patrol, Dept. of Water Resources, Public Utilities Commission (PUC), Energy Commission, Native American Heritage Commission, ARB, Integrated Waste Management Board, Dept. of Education, Dept. of Health Care Services, Dept. of General Services, Dept. of Business, Transportation & Housing, Dept. of Parks & Recreation, Dept. of Conservation, California Archaeological Inventory

### Regional

San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD), Kern COG<sup>1</sup>, Kings COG, Fresno COG, San Joaquin COG, StanCOG, Merced COG, San Luis Obispo COG, Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments, Madera County Transportation Commission, Inyo Transportation Commission

### Local

Tule River Indian Tribe, LAFCO, Tulare County [Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC), Resource Management Agency (RMA), Sheriff, Library, Clerk], Fresno County, Kings County, Kern County, [move highlighted portion here, then insert] ", and the" Cities of Visalia, Tulare, Porterville, Dinuba, Farmersville, Lindsay, Exeter, Woodlake, Kingsburg, Reedley, Orange Cove, Corcoran and Delano. Tulare Irrigation District, College of the Sequoias, Kaweah Delta District Hospital, Kaweah Delta Water Conservation District

### Organizations

Homebuilders Association (HBA) of Tulare-Kings Counties, Visalia Association of Realtors, Visalia Chamber of Commerce, Farm Bureau, Sierra Club, Audubon Society, Citizens for a Healthy Environment, California Trucking Association, Tulare County Association of Realtors, Tulare County Citizens for Responsible Growth

### Companies

Union Pacific Railroad, Genesee and Wyoming, BNSF, San Joaquin Valley Railroad, AT&T, So California Edison, Southern California Gas, PG&E

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<sup>1</sup> COG is an acronym for Council of Governments

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### **Public Notice**

The public comment period for the 2022 RTP/SCS, and the EIR is scheduled to begin May 20, 2022. TCAG will also release its Federal Transportation Improvement Plan (FTIP) and Air Quality Conformity document, which will be reviewed and adopted by the TCAG Board of Governors at the same meeting as the 2022 RTP/SCS. Public comment on all four of these documents (RTP/SCS, EIR to the RTP/SCS, FTIP, and Air Quality Conformity) is expected to end in July 2022. Notice for each of these documents will be posted in major newspapers in Tulare County. A press release will also be circulated to all other known media contacts in Tulare County. All documents will be posted on TCAG's website: <https://www.tularecog.org>. All public noticing and outreach will be conducted in compliance with federal and state regulations and TCAG's adopted Public Participation Plan.

# APPENDIX

## Appendix A

### Comments from Public Input Survey Question: What are the 2 biggest barriers to using public transit?

Does not apply to me. I have a vehicle.

12 days ago

Takes too long - indirect routes to destinations which require a transfer.

13 days ago

Not as age/disability friendly as it could be,

13 days ago

I've looked into public transit but it is usually faster just to walk - and that's saying something

13 days ago

Too time consuming, smelly, and unsanitary

13 days ago

I looked into it, because when we go back to the office, I have a 45-min one-way commute, and would rather ride. With the current bus schedule, I couldn't get there early enough and leave late enough to be in the office for a full day's work. You need busses early and late enough for commuters. If we keep working from home, though, this becomes moot.

13 days ago

More options for bus asses. Such as making bus passes that are for nonconsecutive 30 day uses for those who occasionally ride buses through the year.

16 days ago

I am physically disabled and the stops are too far.

18 days ago

I am physically disabled and have mobility issues. The bus stops are too far for me to limp to them.

18 days ago

Takes too long to get to destination and return home

26 days ago

Takes too long to get to destination

26 days ago

Safety is my priority, ADA, travelers, elderly are easy targets to thieves. I would want to be sure there is security on the buses, and I think that the control of loitering and begging in Stations and on buses. Bus Stations should have code enforcement, for violations. Retired officer and I can tell you from personal experience, Mental illness patients getting on a bus, and not on meds can scare a lot of riders away? Safety is Mandatory for my family to ride!

27 days ago

The current bus times in Porterville is too early. I get off work at 9:30pm and its difficult for me to find a ride home at times. I relied on public transportation to take me home.

28 days ago

I don't see any issues in the Porterville schedule. It's a regional transit that most likely needs additional buses for example individuals working in other communities.

29 days ago

More challenging in the time of covid.

one month ago

More challenging and unpredictable in the time of covid.

one month ago

Not fast or efficient enough.

one month ago

I live Near Elderwood - No Public transportation comes out this far.

one month ago

Number of COVID cases in the county made public transportation not a safe options

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one month ago

Though I wouldn't use it, I strongly support better regional public transportation

one month ago

Still worried about pandemic. But when I begin to travel again, I plan to use the public transport to Natl Park, trains to travel across the country.

one month ago

I like to get to where I have to go and get right back.

one month ago

Other: there is no public transportation suitable for helping seniors get from Three Rivers to medical appointments in Visalia.

one month ago

Some routes might benefit from higher frequencies. If you take the bus to do your shopping and miss the return bus by 1 or 2 minutes, it is no fun to wait with your shopping bags ~30 more minutes.

one month ago

Does not drop me at exact location or bus stop is too far from destination or bus or no bus stop available

one month ago

ADA safety, and Security due to transient's and Loitering. Majority of the transient's have mental disabilities, which can sometimes be dangerous for the elderly and ADA safety.

2 months ago

Takes too long.

2 months ago

When the lift breaks down, to help Passengers in a Wheelchair get into the bus, it doesn't seem like a priority to get fix and most likely that same bus is being again.

2 months ago

The demands of my job require that I have immediate and flexible transportation of varying distance across Tulare County (personal vehicle)

2 months ago

Takes too long

2 months ago

I live in Visalia, I would like transportation in our community also I canvassed E. Orosi for a vaccine event in Orosi. And residents said transportation was needed.

2 months ago

Lucy

2 months ago

It's too hot to stand outside and wait for the bus to come, I'd rather get in a car that immediately protects me from the sunlight and dust in the air.

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## Appendix B

### Comments from Public Input Survey Question: The RTP Should:

With the drought we are having being of long duration, It could be 20 plus years based on tree ring analysis of over 3,000 years in this area we need to seek more surface water. The current riparian rights exceed the water currently available. We need to conserve water and get as much surface water as fast as possible.

17 days ago

Thank you for your consideration.

18 days ago

Definitely need more homes.

22 days ago

I feel we need water saving first, before new development. We must sustain a water source for all of this to sustain, our livelihood. I feel going green is great to help stop pollution. But I don't agree with jobs, they are everywhere! As for transportation, we have the bus I feel people are afraid of new!

27 days ago

I believe in Change and we need to first encourage water saving. We cannot build new homes without sustainable water source? Jobs are here already, near town, and if not, there are currently TCAT buses available? possible help for understanding to people not use to public transportation. Might need educating.

27 days ago

Porterville Transit needs more reliable electrical equipment

28 days ago

Forest management to reduce fires that are polluting the air every summer.

29 days ago

Greenhouse gases and air pollution are the most significant problems in this area and MUST be addressed by any transportation proposals and options.

one month ago

Water is the number one issue facing the valley. Without it there are no jobs, housing or need for transportation. Air quality is a major deterrent for people living here and this should be the second major priority for the future.

one month ago

Preserve farmland makes sense for valley: jobs, love seeing food growing, but always concerned about poisons used against insects causing illness in farmworkers and those of us who live in and around the farms. City planning to fill in empty spaces rather than make housing in open spaces to make wall to wall sprawl.

one month ago

Encourage jobs to allow working from home as much as possible.

one month ago

Good luck.

2 months ago

Bike lanes for alternative transportation

2 months ago

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## Appendix C

### Comments from Public Input Survey Question: What level of housing density is most appropriate for future development in Tulare County?

I think building all types of density levels is important for the future

5 Agree 2 months ago

Affordable housing

4 Agree 2 months ago

You CANNOT treat Tulare County as one area. Farming/grazing areas, Foothills towns, and valley towns each have very different priorities and needs, and therefore need solutions that fit them. In Three Rivers, the housing problem is the loss of family housing for rent or sale to short-term vacation rentals.

3 Agree one month ago

Smaller lot sizes, narrower residential streets, grid street pattern, direct access from residential to arterials and collectors, smaller homes. Mix of denser single family and multi-family. More water efficient landscaping.

2 Agree 2 months ago

I don't agree in narrower residential streets - most families have up to three cars and don't use their garages for parking. The cars clutter in narrow streets - especially in new developments. Agree on smaller homes perhaps senior complex's for individuals with higher income levels. Absolutely, agree on water efficient landscaping and anything to capture excessive or recycled water.

2 Agree 29 days ago

More housing, more business in communities. This brings revenue for those cities, and raises Equity on older homes if they are maintained. Streets should not be narrow, but agree with all density of levels. Change is beneficial so we do not stay stagnant into the future. I speak of Lindsay, we have farmland, but enough area here for more homes, and retail.

1 Agree 27 days ago

I'm aware that higher density housing creates a more walkable community and its the footprint for the future - but I'm just not ready to have neighbors an arms reach next to me. If the higher density development isn't build correctly what can occur is higher rate of criminal activity in generally. This is unfortunate to residents who just wish to afford their first home or apartment.

1 Agree 29 days ago

Fill in empty spaces in cities before allowing open spaces to fill with unending housing. But build very insulated so living close like gives a sense of privacy. Noise is as bad as air pollution.

2 Agree one month ago

The future for developmental growth should have a variety of density. It should also be affordable.

1 Agree one month ago

Affordable and ability to grow in.

12 days ago

Thank you.

18 days ago

Small lots with medium -high density is good, but only if green space for parks, etc. is included in the plan.

1 Agree one month ago

A mixture of detached houses on smaller lots from 2,500 sq ft to 7,500 sq ft and medium-sized multifamily developments with ample indoor & outdoor common space is best for cities. Regular street grid instead of meandering suburban streets to make walking, biking, and riding transit easier even for residents living in single family homes. Larger lots are appropriate in rural areas.

one month ago

I would like to see walkable, human-scaled communities easy for people, not cars, to get around.

2 months ago