



**Kern Regional Transportation Modeling Committee (TMC)
A Subcommittee of the Kern COG TTAC**

Meeting Notes
August 24, 2011

I. Members Present:

Steven Young	County of Kern Roads
Warren Maxwell	County of Kern Roads
Brian Blacklock	County of Kern Roads
Craig Murphy	County of Kern Planning
Ed Murphy	City of Bakersfield
Karl Davisson	City of Bakersfield
John Ussery	City of Bakersfield
Douglas Bowen	Pacific Traffic Data
Mike McCabe	City of Delano
Wayne Clausen	City of Shafter
Dave Dmohowski	Premier Planning Group
Patty Poire	Western Property
Paul Gorte	City of Taft
Rebecca Moore	LAFCO
David Berggren	Caltrans

Staff Present:

Ben Raymond	Kern Council of Governments
Michael Heimer	Kern Council of Governments
Ed Flickinger	Kern Council of Governments
Rochelle Invina	Kern Council of Governments
Becky Napier	Kern Council of Governments
Vincent Liu	Kern Council of Governments

- II. **Meeting Notes from June 22, 2011 – Action:** Please note that Renee Nelson is from Clean Water and Air Matters, not County of Kern Planning – **Approved with correction.**
- III. **Follow-up memo on items from June 22, 2011 TMC meeting** - Reviewed and discussed no additional follow-up needed.
- IV. **Regional Planning Advisory Committee – Information.** Minutes from Aug 3, 2011 meeting were available for committee review. Required to report climate change forecast. Mailed Census numbers. No questions or comments were made from the committee.
- V. **Status of San Joaquin Valley Guidance Framework Revision – Information.** List of changes and consistency changes incorporated into document. Two changes of Ted James were not incorporated. First was to eliminate Greenprint. A grant has been received and work is already underway on it. Second, Mr. James requested to

eliminate the San Joaquin Planning committee group. The group was already existing. A copy of the letter requesting changes was distributed with the agenda. Mr. James was o.k. with leaving these two provisions in the document. The Policy Council will meet next week to accept document. Kern COG's representatives will be Cheryl Wegman, Mayor Pro Tem of Wasco; Manuel Cantu, Mayor of McFarland; and Harold Hansen, Council Member for the City of Bakersfield as the alternate. The final draft document is available on line at: <http://www.valleyblueprint.org/news/2011/08/04/blueprint-roadmap-revised-final-draft-deliverables-available-aug-4-2011.html>

- VI. 2010 Census/TAZ Household Comparison – Information.** Showed Metro Bakersfield Map. Verified housing units compared TAZ and Census data if correct. Demonstrated methods of verification on the map. Overall census data is correct even though some places TAZ data is more correct. Before used census data from 2000. Now bringing forecast in line with 2010. Validation of income is 2008. Housing data from 2010 is now being used.
- VII. 2nd Draft SCS Conceptual View Centers Map – Information, Map Changes due to Kern COG by August 31.** Incorporated changes. This draft eliminates resource areas within the spheres of influence as requested by Shafter and required by SB 375. Purpose is to provide a conceptual view of some of the strategies being considered as part of the Sustainable Communities (SCS). The map shows village centers, towns, etc. Seek input from locals about General Plan. The existing plan versus potential which is a possibility was discussed and clarified. To provide better clarity the County of Kern suggested that we should break the centers into phased series of maps and provide markups of SCS maps by RPAC meeting. Shafter requested full comments be distributed at the Aug. 31 RPAC meeting. Future issues that need to be discussed include consistency between the SCS and a local general plan. One solution is to make the map more accurately reflect the general plan. Uplan generalized land use designations not specific enough to properly reflect local general plans.
- VIII. Draft Land Use Model Input Layers and Parameters – Information, Map Changes due to Kern COG by August 31.** Goal is for the SCS to meet the target so we don't have to do an Alternative Planning Strategy (APS). The maps distributed are input layers to the Uplan land use model and are based on the same layers used 1.5 years ago as part of the target setting process. The Uplan land use model provides input to the transportation model which provide input into the EMFAC model that outputs CO2. It was suggested that school districts be considered as an attractor. The Census data control total inputs are an input to the Land Use model. Industrial zone is listed as an attractor and represents more of an enterprise zone. All layers constrained to what is depicted on the consolidated general plan layer. Make sure land uses in the combined general plan layer accurate reflect each communities designations. Electronic versions of the input layers and documentation can be found at: <http://kerncog.org/cms/agendas-minutes/transportation-modeling>.
- Requested Action:** Locals should review model input layers by August 31. After comments Kern COG will run new Land Use model. Can then tell what is a better representation of growth for locals versus manually inputting Land Uses.
- IX. Regional Traffic Count Study – Staff Report** was discussed and agreeing to Option 3 – Count locations every 6 months and add historic count locations using the Regional Transportation Monitoring Improvement Plan guidance. It was requested that this item move toward the top of the list since some of the members had to leave during the middle of the discussion. **Requested Action:** Local Jurisdictions need to identify the count locations they want added. **Item continued to the October meeting.**
- X. Kern COG Modeling Activity Report – discussion** to be carried over to next meeting.
- XI. SCS support Studies – discussion** to be carried over to next meeting.
- XII. Other Business/Schedule Next Meeting:**
New time: Wed., October 26, 2011 9:00 AM at Kern COG
- XIII. Adjournment**