

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND  
CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

KERN COG CONFERENCE ROOM  
1401 19TH STREET, THIRD FLOOR  
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA

WEDNESDAY  
February 28, 2018  
10:00 A.M.

Chairman Schlosser called the meeting to order at approximately 10 a.m. A “sign-in” sheet was provided.

**I. ROLL CALL**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Neath	Kern County
Ryan Starbuck	City of Bakersfield
Jeremy Bowman	City of Wasco
Jay Schlosser	City of Tehachapi
Steve Barnes	GET
Michael Navaro	Caltrans
Christine Viterelli	City of Arvin
Joe West	NOR/CTSA
Alex Gonzalez	City of Shafter
Bard Lower	City of Ridgecrest
Craig Jones	City of Taft

STAFF:

Ahron Hakimi	Kern COG
Peter Smith	Kern COG
Tami Jones	Kern COG
Robert Snoddy	Kern COG
Raquel Pacheco	Kern COG
Joe Stramaglia	Kern COG
Rob Ball	Kern COG
Becky Napier	Kern COG

OTHER:

Yolanda Alcantar	County of Kern
Cindy Parra	Bike Bakersfield
Yesenia Ocampo	California Walks
Adam Ojeda	City of Arvin

- II. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Committee on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Committee. Committee members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification, make a referral to staff for information or request staff to report to the Committee at a later date.

SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD PRIOR TO MAKING A PRESENTATION

None

**III. APPROVAL OF DISCUSSION SUMMARY:** Meeting of January 31, 2018. Mr. Lower made a motion to approve the discussion summary. Mr. Bowman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**IV. ARVIN AND MARICOPA PUBLIC TRANSIT AND STREETS AND ROADS CLAIMS TOTALING \$690,472**

Mr. Snoddy explained that he was waiting on some additional documentation for item and asked the item be tabled until the next meeting of the TTAC.

Item six was tabled until the next meeting of the TTAC.

**V. FY 2017-18 KERN REGION LOW CARBON TRANSIT OPERATORS PROGRAM (LCTOP) CALL FOR PROJECTS FOR \$1,171,580**

There was discussion among the committee regarding the LCTOP call for projects.

Mr. Snoddy advised that the funds McFarland would be receiving will be designated for Arvin.

The action requested was to recommend the Transportation Planning Policy Committee adopt the LCTOP FY 2017- 18 Program of Projects by resolution at the March 15, 2018, regular scheduled meeting. Mr. Jones Made a motion to approve with the modification that Arvin will be receiving the funds designated for McFarland. Mr. Lower seconded the motion.

**VI. KERN COG SENATE BILL NO. 1 – CALL FOR PROJECTS**

Mr. Snoddy stated that the Caltrans State of good Repairs (SGR) Program allocates annual funds from Senate Bill No. 1 legislation to the Kern region included \$1,268,489 apportioned for State of Good Repair funds and \$5,644,093 apportioned for State Transit Assistance funds. Mr. Snoddy circulated a draft SGR/STA program of projects (POP) several representatives of eligible member agencies noted that there were discrepancies in the draft POP. Mr. Snoddy advised the members that he would work with each member agency submittal and verify with the member agency staff that the apportionment project description and funding amount was accurate.

The action requested was to recommend that the Kern COG Transportation Planning Policy Committee approve the amended Kern region FY 2017-18 SGR/STA Program of Projects. Mr. Jones made a motion to approve the amended FY 2017-18 SGR/STA program of projects. Mr. Lower seconded the motion.

**VII. FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP) AMENDMENT – TIMELINE**

Ms. Pacheco stated that the upcoming amendment will include revisions to the Regional Surface Transportation Program, Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program, and Transit Program. This amendment will delete CMAQ contingency projects from last cycle to make room for the new projects CMAQ projects that were approved at the February 15<sup>th</sup> Kern COG Board meeting. Kern COG encourages agencies to consider advancing RSTP and CMAQ projects from FY 18/19 and FY 19/20 to FY 17/18 by beginning to draft the paperwork required for early delivery. Ms. Pacheco advised that the FTIP Amendment will be available for review beginning on Friday.

This item is for information only.

**VIII. 2019 FTIP ADMINISTRATIVE DRAFT**

Ms. Pacheco stated that the technical review period for the 2019 FTIP Administrative Draft began February 20<sup>th</sup> and comments are due March 8<sup>th</sup>. Every two year Kern COG must create a comprehensive update of the FTIP. Agencies are asked to evaluate their projects and submit comments or revision requests.

This item is for information only.

**IX. INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS (ITS) KERN UPDATE ARCHITECTURE MAINTENANCE**

Ms. Pacheco stated that Kern COG staff, Kimley Horn & Associates, and most importantly stakeholders have been developing an updated ITS Plan for the Kern Region. The ITS Plan requires periodic maintenance to remain relevant. At the January 31st TTAC meeting, Kern COG staff presented the need for direction from the TTAC and RPAC on two unresolved issues: A. Who is the Maintenance Manager? and B. Who decides acceptance of changes? The Kern COG Project Team requests the TTAC's direction on the two issues. The Kern COG Project Team will then develop a Draft ITS Kern Maintenance Plan that will be circulated to the stakeholder group for review in March and presented at the April 4, 2018 TTAC meeting.

Mr. Lower made a motion that Kern COG will be the Maintenance manager and the TTAC will be responsible for accepting any changes. Mr. Bowman seconded the motion.

**X. REMINDER: BIENNIAL LOCAL STREETS AND ROADS SURVEY – DUE MARCH 30, 2018**

Mr. Ball stated that the statewide biennial local streets and roads survey, used in local transportation funding for each jurisdiction, is due the end of March, and available online at <http://www.savecaliforniastreet.org> (select the "Click here to participate" button). Mr. Ball reminded the committee that this survey is due by March 30<sup>th</sup>.

This item was for information only.

**XI. RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT THE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING POLICY COMMITTEE SUPPORT ASSEMBLY BILL 1764**

Ms. Napier stated that as result of two tragic accidents on State Route (SR) 184 in the vicinity of Foothill High School, state, local and Kern High School District officials have been collaborating on the most expeditious ways to improve safety for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists at the accident location. Ms. Napier explained that Collaborative efforts between state, local and Kern High School District officials agreed that relinquishing SR 184 to the County of Kern and the City of Bakersfield would allow for much quicker responses to the users of the roadway.

Ms. Napier explained that In order to proceed with the Relinquishment Assessment Report of SR 184 by Caltrans resolutions in support of the legislation are required from the County of Kern, City of Bakersfield, the Kern COG Board and the Kern COG Transportation Technical Advisory Committee.

The action requested Motion to approve a resolution of The Kern Council Of Governments Transportation Technical Advisory Committee Recommending that the Transportation Planning Policy Committee Support Assembly Bill (AB) 1764 To Amend Section 484 Of The Streets and Highways Code, Relating To State Highways and authorize the Secretary to sign the Resolution. Mr. Neath made a motion to approve. Mr. Lower seconded the motion.

**XII. ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM PROJECT PROGRESS REPORTS**

Mr. Smith stated that the Active Transportation Program requires timely progress reports. He stated that Kern COG had received a report from Caltrans that the majority of applicants were delinquent on reporting requirements. Mr. Smith provided a list of those agencies that are delinquent.

This item was for information only.

**XIII. UPDATE ON TIMELINE FOR TARGET SETTING FOR SB 375 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REDUCTIONS FROM PASSENGER VEHICLES AND THE 2018 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

Mr. Ball stated that the California Air Resources Board (ARB) has delayed adoption of the SB375 Targets for a third time to March 22, 2018 (ARB meeting notice and staff report are available

online at <https://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/sb375/sb375.htm>), and Kern COG is postponing release of the Draft 2018 RTP to April 2018.

This item was for information only.

**XIV. FY 2018/2019 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT APPORTIONMENT ESTIMATE**

Mr. Snoddy stated that the total Transportation Development Act (TDA) funding for fiscal year 2018/2019 is estimated to be \$41,150,811.

This item was for information only.

**XV. KCOG REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM POLICY UPDATE**

Mr. Stramaglia advised the committee that Kern COG staff had started the process to update the Regional Significance Project list. Mr. Stramaglia advised that there was a workshop scheduled on March 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M..

This item was for information only.

**XVI. Kern Regional Transportation Modeling Committee (TMC) A Subcommittee of the Kern COG TTAC - Meeting Notes for Information.**

This item was for information only.

**XVII. MEMBER ITEMS**

Chairman Schlosser advised Caltrans District 9 is going to send the District Director to the next Kern COG Board meeting on March 15<sup>th</sup> to discuss transportation needs in Eastern Kern. They will be at Kern COG prior to the Board meeting for any committee members that would like to attend that meeting.

Chairman Schlosser circulated a letter that he had sent to Congressman McCarthy's office. He stated that the letter suggested reducing some of the complexity associated Caltrans and Federal monies for small projects. He shared with committee the discussion that he had with Kyle Lombardi from Congressman McCarthy's office. He suggested to committee members that if they were in agreement with the letter, that it would be beneficial for them to reach out to their Congressman.

**XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The next scheduled meeting will be April 4, 2018. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:47.