February 13, 2013

TO: Social Services Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Ahron Hakimi,
Executive Director

By: Robert M. Snoddy,
Regional Planner III

SUBJECT: SSTAC Meeting – Wednesday, February 13, 2013

AGENDA

Date: Wednesday, February 13, 2013
Time: 11:00 a.m. to noon
Place: Kern COG Board Room

To join this meeting via the Internet: https://www3.gotomeeting.com/join/963231894. To join by telephone: (773) 945-1017 Access code: 963-231-894 Audio pin: Shown after joining meeting; Meeting ID: 963-231-894

1. Self-introductions
2. Approve agenda
3. Environmental Justice Public Outreach Strategy – City of Taft
4. Federal Transit Administration Sections 5310/5316/5317 Grant Programs
5. Unmet Transit Needs Process
6. Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan - Update
7. Other business
   a. General items of interest for SSTAC members
   b. Items for future agendas
   c. Next meeting date schedule for April 10, 2013
8. Adjournment – noon
Mr. Snoddy called the meeting to order at approximately 11:05 a.m. and a sign-in sheet was circulated.

1. SELF INTRODUCTIONS:

   SSTAC:

   Bob Snoddy             Kern COG
   Linda Wilbanks         Kern Regional Transit
   Joe West               CTSA
   Yolanda Prado          KC Aging & Adult Serv.
   Emery Rendes           Golden Empire Transit
   Dave Kyle              BARC (Phone)

2. There was no quorum, so no motion was made.

3. Environmental Justice Public Outreach Strategy - City of Taft

   Mr. Snoddy advised the committee that he will be participating in the City of Taft’s Environmental Justice Public Outreach Strategy steering committee. He stated that he would update the committee as the process moves forward.

   This item was for information only.

4. Federal Transit Administration Section 5310/5316/5317

   Mr. Snoddy provided information to the committee on details of the 5310/5316/5317 grants.

   Mr. Snoddy answered questions from the committee.

   This item was for information only.

5. Unmet Transit Needs process

   Mr. Snoddy stated that he has received Unmet Transit Needs hearing dates from the majority of the cities, he will be contacting the cities that he has not heard from to gather the dates of their hearings.

   This item was for information only.
6. **Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan – Update**

Mr. Snoddy informed the committee that when filling out the 5310 grant applications, they need to site Kern COG’s Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan.

There was a brief discussion amongst the committee and Mr. Snoddy answered questions from the committee.

This item was for information only.

7. **Other Business**

Ms. Wilbank’s asked if the un-met needs reports will be handed out in April. Mr. Snoddy stated that they would be provided at the April meeting.

Ms. Wilbank’s stated that it is imperative that the City put in some safety measures at the crosswalk on Chester and 22nd street. Mr. Snoddy stated that he would contact Arnold Ramming at the City of Bakersfield.

8. **Adjournment**

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:56. The next meeting of the SSTAC will be April 10, 2013.
May 8, 2013

TO: Social Services Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director

By: Robert M. Snoddy, Regional Planner III

SUBJECT: SSTAC Meeting – Wednesday, May 8, 2013

AGENDA

Date: Wednesday, May 8, 2013
Time: 11:00 a.m. to noon
Place: Kern COG Board Room

To join this meeting via the Internet: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/459385413. To join by telephone: 1 (773) 897-3016 Access code: 459-385-413 Audio pin: Shown after joining meeting; Meeting ID: 963-231-894

1. Self-introductions
2. Approve agenda
3. Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan -Update
4. Federal Transit Administration Sections 5310/5316/5317 Grant Programs
5. Unmet Transit Needs Process
6. Crosswalk discussion
7. Other business
   a. General items of interest for SSTAC members
   b. Items for future agendas
   c. Next meeting date schedule for June 12, 2013
8. Adjournment – noon
Ms. Wilbanks called the meeting to order at approximately 11:05 a.m. and a sign-in sheet was circulated.

1. **SELF INTRODUCTIONS:**

   **SSTAC:**

   - Bob Snoddy (Kern COG)
   - Linda Wilbanks (Kern Regional Transit)
   - Chris Beebout (NAPD)
   - Anne Weber (phone) (Mtn Comm Family Res Ctr.)
   - Dave Kyle (phone) (BARC)
   - Yolanda Prado (Commission on Aging)
   - Joe West (CTSA)
   - Emery Rendes (GET)
   - Olivia Kent (Independent Living Center)
   - Troy Hightower (Kern COG)
   - Brad DeBranch (Kern COG)
   - Heather Menninger (AMMA Consulting)
   - Dennis Brooks (AMMA Consulting)

2. **Approve Agenda**

   A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Joe West and seconded by Emery Rendes. The agenda was approved – ayes all.

3. **Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan – Update**

   Mr. Snoddy introduced Heather Menninger and Dennis Brooks of AMMA Consulting to update the SSTAC member about the Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan update. Ms. Menninger provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the information she and Mr. Brooks have compiled as of the meeting date. There was a lengthy discussion on public transportation services types and public needs for those services county-wide. After the discussion, Ms. Menninger gave her remaining public outreach schedule for local social service agencies and stakeholders.

4. **Federal Transit Administration Section 5310/5316/5317 Grant Programs**

   Mr. Snoddy advised the SSTAC members that Kern COG staff was aware of only one FTA Section 5317 (New Freedom) grant application by the County of Kern’s Regional Transit. Kern Regional applied for a three-year operational assistance grant to help fund an extension of its Lake Isabella service to Ridgecrest via Walker Pass. Mr. Snoddy also informed the members that three Kern County agencies had applied for approximately $800,000 of FTA Section 5310. Those agencies included Bakersfield ARC, North of the River Recreation and Park District (NOR), and Desert Area Resource and Training (DART).
5. **Unmet Transit Needs Process**

Mr. Snoddy provided those attending members a copy of this year’s Kern COG Unmet Transit Needs staff report with supporting public hearing documents from those agencies funded by Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds. Mr. Snoddy reported that a hard-copy of the report will be mailed to every SSTAC member who was unable to attend this meeting in-person. Ms. Wilbanks advised the members that Kern Regional Transit’s unmet transit needs public hearing will be held on June 11, 2013. She will release the public hearing documents via E-mail to the SSTAC members as soon as she can receive approval. With the Kern Regional Transit documents, the SSTAC members will be scheduled to make a county-wide unmet transit needs determination on Wednesday, June 12, 2013.

6. **Crosswalk Discussion**

Mr. Snoddy reported to the members that he had E-mailed Ryan Starbuck from the City of Bakersfield Public Works Department regarding the member’s interest in improving the crosswalk safety at 22nd Avenue and Chester Avenue. Mr. Snoddy reported that at this time, he had not received a response but he will continue his efforts and report back at the next meeting in June.

7. **Other Business**

There was no other business.

8. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:30 p.m.
June 12, 2013

TO: Social Services Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Ahron Hakimi,
     Executive Director

By: Robert M. Snoddy,
     Regional Planner III

SUBJECT: SSTAC Meeting – Wednesday, June 12, 2013

PLEASE NOTE: A quorum is mandatory for this meeting. If you are unable to attend either in person or by telephone, please request an alternate from your agency to attend in your place and notify SSTAC Secretary Bob Snoddy either by phone at (661) 861-2191 or E-mail at snoddy@kerncog.org.

Date: Wednesday, June 12, 2013
Time: 11:00 a.m. to noon
Place: Kern COG Board Room

Agenda

To join this meeting via the Internet: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/773297741. To join by telephone: 1(267) 507-0017 Access code: 773-297-741 Audio pin: Shown after joining meeting; Meeting ID: 773-297-741

1. Self-introductions
2. Approve agenda
3. Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan - Update
4. Unmet Transit Needs Process
5. Crosswalk discussion
6. Other business
   a. General items of interest for SSTAC members
   b. Items for future agendas
   c. Next meeting date schedule for October 9, 2013
7. Adjournment – noon
Ms. Wilbanks called the meeting to order at approximately 11:08 a.m. and a sign-in sheet was circulated.

1. **SELF INTRODUCTIONS:**

   **SSTAC:**
   - Bob Snoddy, Kern COG
   - Blanca Reese, Kern County Aging & Adult Services
   - Sandra Scherr, Caltrans District 6
   - Linda Wilbanks, Kern Regional Transit
   - Susanne Campbell, Kern COG
   - Joe West, CTSA
   - Emery Rendes, GET
   - Olivia Kent, Independent Living Center
   - Linda, Mt. Family Resource Ctr
   - Dave Kyle, BARC

2. **Approve Agenda**
   
   A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Joe West and seconded by Emery Rendes. The agenda was approved – ayes all.

3. **Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan – Update**
   
   Mr. Snoddy stated that he is currently working with AMMA Consulting Transit on Chapter nine.
   
   He advised that the project should be completed in July and he will email the information to the committee.

4. **Unmet Transit Needs Process**

   Mr. Snoddy stated that he had distributed the records of the unmet transit needs from the agencies to the committee.

   Ms. Wilbanks stated that Kern Regional Transit delivered their unmet needs report to the Kern County Board of Supervisors on June 11th. The finding adopted was there were no unmet needs that were reasonable to meet.

   Ms. Wilbanks noted that if any committee members would like a copy of the resolution or the minutes to please contact Bob Snoddy.

   Mr. Snoddy stated that Kern COG staff has found that there are no unmet transit needs that are reasonable to meet within Kern County.

   A motion was made by Emery Rendes that there are no unmet transit needs that are reasonable to meet. Joe West seconded the motion. The motioned carried – ayes all.
5. **Crosswalk Discussion**

Mr. Snoddy referred to the previous discussion held by the SSTAC regarding the crosswalk at 22nd Street and Chester. Mr. Snoddy explained that the intersection is a very dangerous intersection and that he had asked Susanne Campbell of Kern COG to look into some possible resolutions to make the crosswalk safer.

Ms. Campbell addressed the committee. She stated that she had spoken with John Ussery who is an Engineer with the City of Bakersfield regarding the intersection. Ms. Campbell shared that Mr. Ussery stated they have looked into improvements. However, at this time, there are no improvements that can be made. The City will continue to look into ways to make the intersection safer. In the meantime, they will keep the shrubbery cut back so that the crosswalk remains very visible. Ms. Campbell noted that the City of Bakersfield is open to suggestions for improving safety at that intersection.

Mr. Rendes stated that controlling the landscaping will benefit the visibility at the crosswalk.

6. **Other Business**

   a. **General items of interest for SSTAC members**

      Mr. Snoddy suggested inviting Ted Wright to come to the October meeting for an update on the TRIP projects.

      The committee was in agreement.

   b. **Items for future agendas**

      Mr. West asked what the procedure is to join the SSTAC. Mr. Snoddy responded that the procedures are in the manual. He noted that the SSTAC is down 3 members and that they will be looking for new members. Mr. Snoddy stated he would like to have a United Way member on the SSTAC.

      Mr. West made the suggestion of the Alzheimer’s disease Association of Kern County. He said that he would provide the contact information to Mr. Snoddy.

      Ms. Wilbanks advised the committee that if they have any suggestions for possible committee members to please contact Bob Snoddy.

   c. **Next meeting date schedule for October 9, 2013**

7. **Adjournment**

   The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.
June 12, 2013

TO: Transit Operators Committee
FROM: Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director
By: Robert M. Snoddy, Regional Planner III

SUBJECT: Transit Operators Meeting – June 12, 2013

AGENDA

Date: Wednesday, June 12, 2013
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Place: Kern COG Board Room

This meeting is available via a telephone connection at: +1 (786) 358-5420 Access code: 609-815-653
Meeting ID: 609-815-653

1. Self-introductions
2. Unmet Transit Needs - Discussion
3. Transportation Development Act revision – Discussion
4. Triennial Performance Audits - Update
5. Transit Development Plan – Kern River Valley
6. Transit Operators Forum
   a. General items of interest for Transit Operators
   b. Items from Caltrans: ITS for FTA Grant Subrecipients - Discussion
   c. Items for future agendas
   d. Next meeting for October 9, 2013
7. Adjournment – 11:00 a.m.


1. SELF INTRODUCTIONS:

SSTAC:
- Bob Snoddy   Kern COG
- Sandra Scherr   Caltrans
- Linda Hollingsworth   City of Arvin
- Bob Neath   Kern Regional Transit
- Blanca Reese Kern County Aging & Adult Services
- Joe West CTSA/North of the River
- Linda Wilbanks   Kern Regional Transit
- Jim Zervis City of Shafter
- Marvin Williamson City of Delano

1. Self-Introductions

2. Unmet Transit Needs Process

Mr. Snoddy stated that all of the unmet transit need reports for each agency have been completed.

3. Transportation Development Act Revision

Mr. Snoddy stated that a new Transportation Development Act (TDA) manual will be distributed.
Ms. Scherr advised that is should be available within the next few weeks.

4. Triennial Performance Audits - Update

Mr. Snoddy advised that he had mailed out draft forms of the Triennial Performance audits to each member agency. At that time Mr. Snoddy requested that each agency send a response to Derek Wong at PMC and copy Mr. Snoddy by June 14th.

5. Transit Development Plan – Kern River Valley

Mr. Snoddy stated that they received two Transportation Development Grant applications. One application was for Mojave and one for the Kern River Valley, they are both under the operation of Kern Regional Transit. Mr. Snoddy advised that Caltrans stated the Mojave application was not strong enough to be considered. The Kern River Valley project was accepted by Caltrans District 9.
6. **Transit Operators Forum**

- Mr. Snoddy stated that Kern COG has received a notice from Caltrans PTMISEA that they will be receiving approximately seven million dollars towards previously applied for projects. Mr. Snoddy gave a brief overview of what projects will receive the funds.

- Mr. Snoddy advised that there was a call for projects at the June TTAC meeting for reprogramed PTMISEA funds.

- Ms. Scherr stated that 5311 program should be online next year. That will allow operators to submit their applications online rather than paper copies.

7. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:27 a.m. The next meeting of the October 9, 2013.