

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
REGIONAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TRANSPORTATION MODELING COMMITTEE

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

WEDNESDAY
March 6, 2019
1:30 P.M.

Vice-Chairman James called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Susan Forrest Mark Staples Christine Viterelli Chris Mink Asha Chandy Eric Dhanens Ted James Lorena Mendibles	City of Shafter City of Taft (phone) City of Arvin (phone) City of Delano (phone) Community Member Community Member Community Member Caltrans
STAFF:	Ahron Hakimi Becky Napier Rob Ball Linda Urata	Kern COG Kern COG Kern COG Kern COG
OTHERS:	Dave Dmohowski Lupita Mendoza Joshua Champlin Warren Maxwell Yolanda Alcantar	Home Builders Association Caltrans Kern County Kern County Public Works Kern County Public Works

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 meeting. **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 SUMMARIES (This Item was taken after Item IX)

Committee Member Forrest made a motion to approve the discussion summaries from the RPAC meetings of August 1, 2018, October 3, 2018 and January 2, 2019; seconded by Committee Member Chandy with all in favor.

IV. PUBLIC INFORMATION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES UPDATE (Napier)

Ms. Napier explained that the 2017 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Guidelines for Metropolitan Planning Organizations requires Kern COG to develop and/or update a documented participation plan to establish the process by which the public can participate in the development of regional transportation plans and programs. Prior to developing its 2022

RTP, Kern COG is now updating its Public Information Policies and Procedures (PIP). To begin discussion of the update to the PIP, a document in redline and strikeout is provided. This is a comparison of the 2015 PIP to the Draft 2019 PIP.

Ms. Napier stated that a 45-day public comment period will commence on Friday, March 29, 2019 and end on Monday, May 13, 2019.

This item was for information only.

V. KERN ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION BLUEPRINT (Urata)

Ms. Urata explained that Kern COG was awarded a grant of \$200,000 from the California Energy Commission to create a Kern Electric Vehicle Charging Station (EVCS) Blueprint. Kern COG staff, the consultant Center for Sustainable Energy and the Kern EVCS Work Group are working to complete a draft Kern EVCS Blueprint in March 2019.

Ms. Urata explained that the Work Group is tasked with the following work:

- Review documents and provide or process information between the meetings;
- Set goals for EV infrastructure and vehicle deployment throughout Kern county;
- Review and accept the project selection methodology for up to 12 projects incorporated in the plan; and
- Distribute and/or identify contacts for the distribution of a Kern EV Blueprint toolkit.

The Kern EVCS Blueprint Plan will recommend no less than 12 high-impact projects within the jurisdictions of Kern Cog's member agencies and will demonstrate opportunities to benefit disadvantaged communities.

This item was for information only.

VI. ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FUNDING HISTORY (Smith)

Mr. Smith explained that the Active Transportation Program is administered by the California Transportation Commission. There have been four (4) funding cycles since 2014. Mr. Smith stated that since 2014, the Kern region has been awarded \$45,322,177 for Active Transportation Projects. The Committee was given a list of the projects and the associated funding for the four cycles.

This item was for information only.

VII. UPDATE: SB 375 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REDUCTION FROM PASSENGER VEHICLES AND ADOPTION TIMELINE FOR THE 2022 RTP (Ball)

Mr. Ball stated that The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is required to be updated every 4-years and contains a long range 24-year transportation expenditure portfolio fulfilling numerous policies and regulations including but not limited to public involvement, social equity, air quality conformity, congestion management, and Senate Bill (SB) 375 per capita greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction targets.

Preliminary Timeline 2022 RTP

1. March 22, 2018 – ARB adopted new targets for the 3rd cycle to be effective October 1, 2018
2. August 15, 2018 - 2018 RTP/SCS Adopted
3. September 25, 2018 – Kern COG submitted initial comments on the early Draft SB 150 Report
4. October 9, 2018 – Kern COG submitted comments on the Draft SCS Evaluation Guidelines
5. December 3, 2018 – Kern COG received federal approval of the 2018 RTP air quality conformity analysis
6. December 11, 2018 – Kern COG submitted the technical evaluation data requested for making a determination whether the SCS, if implemented, would meet the targets

7. February 7, 2019 – ARB Deputy Executive Officer, Steven Cliff, met with the eight Valley COG Directors on concerns about the Draft ARB SB 375 SCS Evaluation Guidelines
8. February 25, 2019 – Kern COG held a third conference call with ARB answering questions about the technical evaluation data request by ARB

Mr. Ball answered questions from the Committee and the audience.

This item was for information only.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Ball announced the 2019 Spring Transportation Conference to be held May 1, 2019

IX. MEMBER ITEMS

None

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:16 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the RPAC is April 3, 2019.