

**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  
June 5, 2019  
10:00 A.M.

Chairman Schlosser called the meeting to order at approximately 10:02 a.m. A "sign-in" sheet was provided.

**I. ROLL CALL**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bard Lower	City of Ridgecrest
Joe West	NOR/CTSA
Bob Neath	County of Kern
Ed Galero	City of Delano
Wayne Clausen	City of Shafter
Craig Jones	City of Taft
Jeremy Bowman	City of Wasco
Mario Gonzales	City of McFarland
Stuart Patteson	City of Bakersfield
Lorena Mendibles	Caltrans
Jay Schlosser	City of Bakersfield
Shawn Monk	City of California
Christine Viterelli	

STAFF:

Ahron Hakimi	Kern COG
Joe Stramaglia	Kern COG
Peter Smith	Kern COG
Raquel Pacheco	Kern COG
Linda Urata	Kern COG
Robert Snoddy	Kern COG
Rochelle Invina	Kern COG
Becky Napier	
Rob Ball	
Veronica McCulloch	Kern COG

OTHER:

Yolanda Alcantar	County of Kern
Biridiana Bishop	City of Wasco

- 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.**

There were not any public comments.

**III. APPROVAL OF DISCUSSION SUMMARY:**

## **Minutes from Meeting of May 1, 2019.**

Mr. Clausen made a motion for approval of the minutes, Mr. Patteson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **IV. INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS (ITS) KERN UPDATE – MONITORING PROGRAM**

Ms. Pacheco addressed the committee and provided the following information:

This is the annual project status report per the ITS Plan Monitoring Program. Updates to Table 12-1 Kern Region Prioritized Project List were due May 17th. No updates were received.

Table 11-4 Change Request Form was included with this staff report in response to two comments made about possibly adding new projects to Table 12-1.

This item is for information only.

### **V. HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM – ADDITIONAL FUNDING**

Kern COG staff developed a draft timeline and fund estimate to facilitate programming new Highway Infrastructure Program or HIP funds. Since there is a call for projects underway, staff recommends moving forward with programming the additional HIP to federal fiscal year 20/21 and 21/22. However, in certain cases the additional HIP funds can also be applied to existing projects, in federal fiscal year 18/19 and 19/20, to account for potential increases to project costs that can be processed via an E-76 modification. Kern COG staff recommends approval of the fund estimate as shown in Table 1.

The action requested is that the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee recommend approval of the Highway Infrastructure Program Timeline and Fund Estimate to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee.

Mr. Patteson made a motion to approve the Highway Infrastructure Program Timeline and Fund Estimate. Mr. Lower seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **VI. PROJECT ACCOUNTABILITY TEAM REPORT**

1. June 17th is the agenda deadline for the August California Transportation Commission meeting.
2. July 15th at 2:00 PM is the next Project Accountability Team meeting.
3. July 15th at 5:00 PM is the deadline for TDA Article 3 applications.
4. August 15th at 5:00PM is the deadline for Regional Surface Transportation Program and Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program applications with local agency adopted resolution. Please take a look at the available Council and Board meetings for your agency to schedule the resolution approval prior to August 15th.
5. Attached to this staff report is the revised SB 152 bill text.
6. An email was sent to agencies announcing the approval of 2019 FTIP Amendment that allows “request for authorization” packages to be submitted for Cycle 9 Highway Safety Improvement Program projects.

7. Caltrans and the California Transportation Commission have efforts underway to promote delivery of bridge projects. The reason for including this topic is that the consequence to not delivering projects is not only affecting the current project but the ability of the agencies to apply for future funding in the program as well as future funding in other programs.

8. 77% of project funding has been authorized. One note is that the City of Delano Regional Surface Transportation Projects request for authorization was submitted at the end of April and the latest update is that the state has run out of money. City of Delano is in the queue waiting for August Redistribution.

This item is for information only.

#### **VII. JUNE TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT AND STREETS AND ROADS CLAIMS: THE CITIES OF BAKERSFIELD AND TAFT PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM FOR \$519,405**

Mr. Snoddy presented the June TDA Public Transit and Street and Roads Claims for the cities of Bakersfield and Taft for \$519,405.

The action requested is to review TDA Public Transit claim received as of May 17, 2019, for \$519,405 and recommend approval to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee.

Mr. Clausen made a motion to approve the TDA Public Transit and Streets and Road claims for Bakersfield and Taft and recommend approval to the TPPC. Mr. Lower seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **VIII. KERN ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION BLUEPRINT**

Ms. Urata presented the Kern Electric Vehicle Charging Station (EVCS) Blueprint update. Comments received have been incorporated as appropriate into the Final Draft Kern EVCS Blueprint guidance document posted at <https://www.kerncog.org/kern-electric-vehicle-charging-station-blueprint>.

The California Energy Commission's Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program (ARFVTP) awarded \$200,000 of Phase I grant funding to Kern Council of Governments in partnership with the Center for Sustainable Energy (CSE) to develop a Kern Electric Vehicle Charging Station (EVCS) Blueprint. The purpose of the Kern EVCS Blueprint (Blueprint) is to accelerate the deployment of zero emission transportation to help reach Kern COG 2018 Regional Transportation Plan air quality goals. A diverse working group was formed to provide guidance, input and feedback on the document.

Phase I is for the development of the planning blueprints by June 30, 2019 to identify the actions and milestones needed to proceed towards implementation. Selection for Phase I funding affords Kern COG the opportunity to submit the completed blueprint to compete for and receive future funding from the CEC under Phase II for implementation of the completed blueprint.

The Blueprint acts as a guidance document for the development of a robust network of electric vehicle charging stations throughout Kern County. The Blueprint proposes two infrastructure deployment scenarios (Scenario A & B) for Kern County to meet its share of the State of California's 2015 Zero-Emission Vehicle Action Plan goal of 1.5 million zero emission vehicles on California Roads by 2025. Scenario A uses the EVIpro tool and projects 1,364 EV charging spaces (682 EVCS) are needed in Kern County by 2025. Scenario B uses projected population and projects 4,426 EV charging spaces (2,387 EVCS) are needed by 2025.

CSE identified high impact projects throughout Kern County organized by project concept (e.g., Workplace, Multi-Unit Dwelling {MUD}, Public Agency, Destinations, and Corridor) and by City or unincorporated territory. Each project concept has its own toolkit, providing step-by-step

guidance and resources for installing EV charging stations. The Blueprint provides an Outreach Brief to suggest activities to increase awareness. The complete document is posted on the Kern COG website: <https://www.kerncog.org/kern-electric-vehicle-charging-station-blueprint/>

The draft Blueprint was presented at meetings of the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee and the Regional Planning Advisory Committee in April 2019. The High-Impact Site Selections were presented to these two committees in May 2019. Final consideration of the Blueprint and its appendices is scheduled for the June 20, 2019 Kern COG Transportation Policy and Planning Committee. A final report will be submitted to the CEC by July 5, 2019.

This item was information only.

**IX. 2020 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CALL FOR PROJECTS**

On April 12, 2019, The Kern Council of Governments initiated a call for RTIP project nominations for funding in future Regional Transportation Improvement Program cycles. A link was provided on the website for reference material. The nomination packets are due by July 26, 2019.

On March 21, 2019, after a year of development, the Kern Council of Governments Board of Directors adopted an update to the RTIP chapter of the Kern COG Project Delivery Policies and Procedures document. Chapter 3 defines the region's RTIP process on the selection, evaluation, prioritization, and programming of projects of regional significance in Kern County. As an agency, we are re-evaluating Projects of Regional Significance for potential funding in the State Transportation Improvement Program.

The next step in this process is to identify a list of projects that can be evaluated, prioritized and integrated into the financially constrained capital improvement program of the Kern COG Regional Transportations Plan. We are asking member agencies to partner and collaborate with Kern COG, Caltrans, and each other to commit to regional projects that will impact the traveling public. The next 2020 RTIP Workshop is scheduled for June 12, 2019 at Kern COG and the RTIP nomination process will be discussed.

This item was for information only.

**X. 2020 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) has initiated the 2020 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (2020 RTIP) process to advance regional projects throughout the state. Mr. Stramaglia briefed the committee on the RTIP program. The next workshop is scheduled for June 12, 2019 where we will talk about the status of projects that are moving forward. There's work on SR 46 and Centennial Corridor, 58/99 and potential work on the 14. Work continues with the project managers to get cost estimates. At the workshop will talk about the Commission and cost-estimate assumptions. There are still other topics such as the nomination process that can be discussed at the workshop.

This item was for information only.

**XI. MEMBER ITEMS –** Rochelle Invina addressed the committee with a reminder about the SB 2 Planning Grants Workshop here at Kern COG and hosted by the State Housing Authority. This is a non-competitive grant available to all member agencies.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT – The next meeting will be held on July 3, 2019.**