

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING POLICY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting for May

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

THURSDAY
May 21, 2020
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman B. Smith at approximately 6:30 p.m.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

II. ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Gurrola, Lessenevitch, Crump, P. Smith, B. Smith, Krier, Mower, Alvarado, Reyna, Vallejo, Scrivner

Congestion Management Agency Ex-Officio Members: Navarro, Kersey, Heckman, Parra

Members Absent: McFarland

Others: John Spaulding

Staff: Ahron Hakimi, Rob Ball, Becky Napier, Veronica McCulloch, Bob Snoddy, Raquel Pacheco, Ben Raymond, Greg Palomo, Fasika Montalvo

III. 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

Chairman Smith asked if there were public comments. There were no public comments.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA/OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: All items on the consent agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial by Kern COG staff and will be approved by one motion if no member of the Committee or public wishes to comment or ask questions. If comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered in the listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Committee concerning the item before action is taken. **ROLL CALL VOTE.**

A. **Approval of Minutes – March 19, 2020**

B. **Response to Public Comments**

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

D. **MAY TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM FOR ARVIN, GOLDEN EMPIRE TRANSIT DISTRICT, AND RIDGECREST TOTALING \$25,189,018**

E. **CALTRANS ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (ATP) CYCLE 5 CALL FOR PROJECTS**

F. **FY 2019-20 KERN REGION LOW CARBON TRANSIT OPERATORS PROGRAM (LCTOP) CALL REVISED PROGRAM OF PROJECTS FOR \$1,795,982**

***** END CONSENT CALENDAR - ROLL CALL VOTE ****

MOTION MADE BY DIRECTOR CRUMP TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR.
SECONDED BY DIRECTOR VALLEJO. MOTION CARRIED WITH A ROLL CALL VOTE.

VI. BOARD MEMBER'S MEETING REPORT: (None)

VII. CALTRANS' REPORT: (Report on Projects in Progress)

- New District 6 Deputy Director of Planning and Local Assistance:
 - Michael Navarro
Michael.Navarro@dot.ca.gov
(559) 840-7954 cell
(559) 445-5868 office
- Sharri Bender Ehlert, District 6 Director retiring as June 30th, 2020
- 2020 SHOPP was adopted at CTC on 5/13.
 - Indicates approximately \$409m in projects within Kern Co.
 - <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/transportation-programming/state-highway-operation-protection-program-shopp-minor-program-shopp>
- Agreement for 2018 BUILD Grant for SR 46 Segment 4B was signed by Caltrans Director.

06-0S550_Lerdo Canal Median Gap Closure: Median deck closure near Bakersfield at the Lerdo Canal on SR 99. Funding: SHOPP

Project was completed and accepted on April 30th.

NR 2R/Fast Freight Corridor: I-5 to US 99 OC

Placed CRCP from 0.2 to 1,000' north of SR 166. Drainage has been completed in SR 166 and ramp is projected to be opened in about 3 weeks. Subgrade and base has been completed up to PM5.5 with the exception of David Copus Road ramps which remain open to traffic. HMA will be completed by next week in all of these areas. Expect to Close David Copus Road in 3 weeks and begin CRCP placement. Union Avenue CRCP has been completed, placed Barrier at Union Bridge, and guardrail is in place. They will remove K Rail and Stripe next week and Union Offramp will be open to the public. Project to go into final Phase Stage 8 for #2 lane reconstruction by end of June. Project is expected to be completed by December of 2020.

06-0Q280 SR 99: Palm Ave OC to Beardsley Canal Bridge

Project remains to be suspended due to the COVID-19 Pandemic

Tentative Ramp Openings:

- SR 204 (99NB merge) closed and anticipated to open June due to suspension of COVID-19
- NB99 Olive Dr. closed opening has been pushed due to suspension of COVID-19

Tentative Closures:

The closures of NB99 Airport Dr. and WB California have been postponed due to COVID-19 and which prevent further restrictions on the public roadway during suspension.

The project will continue to progress on non-controlling items, maintenance and SWPPP. Project CCA is anticipated 5/20/21.

06-484644 – Belle Terrace Overcrossing

The contractor continues pouring concrete for the retaining walls on NB 99. The Belle Terrace Bridge is partially constructed, and the Eastern abutment is currently being constructed.

06-484654 – Stockdale Hwy & Enos (SR43) Roundabout

The roundabout is currently open. K-Rail is in place for current stage construction; however, all legs of the project are currently functioning. Lighting conflicts have been resolved and the contractor is currently proceeding with installation. (The COVID outbreak may slow down the delivery of the light standards, thus delaying the job completion) The punch list is currently being developed.

06-44254-Route 46 Conventional Highway Segment 4A: Widen SR 46 from a 2-lane to a 4-lane conventional highway between Lost Hills Rd and I-5.

Funding: RIP

Demo. Striping, Erosion Control, Electrical are going to continue this week and next week Lane or Ramp may be closed for striping operations. Estimated project completion is this month.

06-0Q19A-Cache Creek Bridge Replacement: Replace bridge on SR 58 8 miles east of Tehachapi, from the Sand Canyon overhead to 0.5 miles east of Cache Creek. Funding: SHOPP.

Work currently includes forming abutments, fine grading wingwalls, and installing bridge rebar. Work for next month includes abutment rebar, abutment cure time, backfill abutments and pioneer access for precast girders. Estimated project completion is August 2020.

06-0G851 Gap Closure Rehab: SR 58 Roadway Rehabilitation (3R). In Bakersfield from Route 58/99 Separation to Cottonwood Road.

Funding: SB-1. In Construction.

Westbound – Lane closure and shoulder construction may be completed at the end of next month. Union Ave on-ramp is closed for two months. Eastbound – Lane and shoulder construction may commence within two weeks, traffic will be split from P Street to Cottonwood Road for three months. Traffic lane may be closed at night from 10 pm to 5 am.

Michael Dennison, Project Manager, (559) 230-3151
Amarjit Dhaliwal, Resident Engineer, (661) 391-4766

06-0S470_Cottonwood East Rehab: Pavement rehabilitation (2R) on SR 58 in Bakersfield from the Cottonwood Road undercrossing to just east of the SR 58/184 separation. Funding: SHOPP.

Project complete and is now in Closeout. Achieved May 6th.

IIIX. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT: (Report on Projects and Programs in Progress)

- Report on May 13 & 14 - California Transportation Commission Meeting via Teleconference
- June 24 & 25 – California Transportation Commission Meeting in Sacramento
- August 12 & 13 – California Transportation Commission Meeting in Oakland

IX. MEMBER STATEMENTS: On their own initiative, Council members may make a brief announcement or a brief report on their own activities. In addition, Council members may ask a question of staff or the public for clarification on any matter, provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, or request staff to report back to the Council at a later meeting concerning any matter. Furthermore, the Council, or any member thereof, may take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

X. ADJOURNMENT- NEXT MEETING – The next scheduled meeting will be held June 18, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

ATTEST:

Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director

Bob Smith, Chairman

DATE: _____