

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
REGIONAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
TRANSPORTATION MODELING COMMITTEE

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

WEDNESDAY  
July 1, 2020  
1:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 1:34 p.m.

**I. ROLL CALL**

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Paul Johnson Shawn Monk Alexander Lee Suzanne Forrest Mark Staples Ricardo Perez Eric Dhanens Stephanie Smith	Bakersfield California City McFarland Shafter Taft GET Community Member Tejon Tribe
STAFF:	Becky Napier Ben Raymond Rob Ball	Kern COG Kern COG Kern COG
OTHERS:	Troy Hightower Johanna Commado Colin Rambo Susanna Kormendi Josh Champlin Paul Candelaria Catherine Carr Chris Mynk	TDH Associates TDH Associates Tejon Tribe City of Bakersfield County of Kern County of Kern Caltrans District 9 Delano

- 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**

Committee Member Dhanens made a motion to approve the discussion summary for June 4, 2020, seconded by Committee Member Forrest with all in favor.

**IV. 2020-2050 GROWTH FORECAST DRAFT REPORT (Raymond)**

Mr. Raymond provided information summarizing the 2020-2050 Growth Forecast distribution by Kern's Regional Statistical Areas (RSAs). Charts and a map were presented as part of the staff report. A presentation was given on this information during the June 4 RPAC Meeting.

Committee Member Lee made a motion to approve the sub-regional distribution for use in 2022 RTP Development, seconded by Committee Member Monk with all in favor.

**V. UPDATE: SB 375 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REDUCTION FROM PASSENGER VEHICLES AND ADOPTION TIMELINE FOR THE 2022 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (Ball)**

Mr. Ball explained 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 375 per capita greenhouse gas reduction targets. Mr. Ball informed the Committee that ARB has still not given final approval of the Technical Review of the 2018 Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS). He also stated that there is Guidance for the developing the 2022 RTP.

Mr. Hightower asked if Rob could share information about the conference call with CARB that was held on June 15. Mr. Ball stated that it was a San Joaquin Valley MPO conference call discussing new guidelines for the Technical Review of the 2022 SCS. This was an information item.

**VI. ELECTION OF OFFICERS (Napier)**

Ms. Napier stated that each year the Regional Planning Advisory Committee selects a Chairman and a Vice Chairman. She opened nominations for Chairman. Committee Member Forrest nominated Ricardo Perez to remain as Chairman. Mr. Perez thanked the Committee but said he had to respectfully decline because of his workload at GET. Mr. Perez then nominated Mr. Staples as Chairman. Mr. Staples accepted the nomination but advised that he would not be available in person for most meetings due to his Planning Commission Meeting usually falling on the same day. The Committee was asked if there were any issues, there were none expressed. Committee Member Forrest made a motion to close nominations, seconded by Committee Member Perez. Chairman Staples opened nominations for Vice-Chairman. Committee Member Monk nominated himself and stated that he would like to service as Vice-Chairman. Committee Member Forrest made a motion to accept the nomination of Mr. Monk for Vice-Chairman, seconded by Committee Member Dhanens with all in favor.

**Mark Staples, Chairman**  
**Shawn Monk, Vice-Chairman**

**VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Colin Rambo of the Tejon Tribe asked the Committee if there was interest in a project the Tribe has been working on. He stated that the Tribe has been identifying the original aboriginal names of roads, meadows, streams, etc. in the region. He stated that the Tribe would like to provide signing for these areas of interest and potentially have pictorial displays in some rest stops. There was discussion and recommendations given to Mr. Rambo. He stated that he would send Mr. Ball an email to request a policy for the 2022 RTP.

Stephanie Smith of the Tejon Tribe announced that the Casino EIS is open for public comment until July 27, 2020.

**VIII. MEMBER ITEMS**

None.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:09 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the RPAC is August 5, 2020. Chairman Staples reminded the Committee that this meeting may be dark.