

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING POLICY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting for September

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

THURSDAY
September 17, 2020
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman Ochel Krier at approximately 6:30 p.m.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

- II. Members Present:** Gurrola, Parlier, Lessenevitch, Vallejo, Mower, Alvarado, Krier, P. Smith, Reyna, Couch
Congestion Management Agency Ex-Officio Members: Navarro, Alcalá, Kersey
Members Absent: Crump, McFarland, Scrivner
Others: Heckman, Harvey, Barnes
Staff: Ahron Hakimi, Rob Ball, Becky Napier, Veronica McCulloch, Bob Snoddy, Susanne Campbell, Linda Urata, Raquel Pacheco

- 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**

Acting Chairman Mr. Krier asked if there were public comments. There were none.

- 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 – August 20, 2020

B. Response to Public Comments

C. TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT AND STREETS AND ROADS CLAIM FOR KERN TRANSIT AND COUNTY OF KERN

D. KERN COG SENATE BILL NO. 1 TRANSIT – AMEND KERN COG RESOLUTION NO. 20-20 AUTHORIZING KERN COG’S REGIONAL STATE OF GOOD REPAIR CALL FOR PROJECTS

E. ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM TIMELINE, CYCLE 5

F. UPDATE: SB 375 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REDUCTION FROM PASSENGER VEHICLES AND ADOPTION TIMELINE FOR THE 2022 RTP

G. SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY GRANTS AND KERN COG ASSISTANCE REQUESTS

EMAIL REQUESTS DUE TO KERN COG FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

H. SB 743 – VMT ANALYSIS REQUIREMENT – TRANSPORTATION MODELING COMMITTEE (TMC) REPORT

I. MOBILITY INNOVATIONS AND INCENTIVES PROGRAM - STATUS REPORT

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

MOTION BY DIRECTOR REYNA TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR COUCH. MOTION CARRIED WITH ROLL CALL VOTE.

V. 2019 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – DRAFT AMENDMENT NO. 15

Ms. Pacheco addressed the committee with the following statement:

Amendment No. 15 includes revisions to the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program and the Transit Program. The public review period ends September 18. The Kern COG Executive Director will consider approval of the amendment on September 21. State and federal approval is required. At this time, I ask that the Chair please open the public hearing, allow for public comment, and then close the public hearing.

Acting Chairman Mr. Krier opened the public hearing for comment. No comments received. The public hearing was closed.

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

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

Mr. Navarro representing Caltrans District 6 gave the following report on projects in progress:

- **CTP(California Transportation Plan) 2050 –**
 - Need to register; live Q&A
 - 9/25 from 11:30am to 1:00pm via zoom
 - 60-day public comment period ends 10/22

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.

Punch List – Most of the punch list items have been completed except one. Anticipated completion is September 30, 2020

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

***Segment 4B**

Runs through Lost Hills to the Aqueduct.
Out for bid Nov 2020 (11/5) Open bids January 2021

***Segment 4C:**

Browns Material Road to Aqueduct
Applied for \$10m in TCEP
RTL July 2022; Beg Con Spring 2023; Compete Fall 2025

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.

Work scheduled for September: Fine grade approach slabs, strip deck overhang and soffit, rebar and place concrete on approach slabs, followed by cure time.

Estimated Completion Date: 10-27-2020

Michael Dennison, Project Manager, (559) 230-3151
Hin Hartanto, Resident Engineer, (760) 937-3243

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 –Rebar placement, CRCP placement continues to the October 15, 2020. Traffic is split from Cottonwood Rd to P Street.

Eastbound –Rebar placement, CRCP Placement continues to the October 15, 2020. Cottonwood Off-ramp is closed.

Anticipate Project Completion – 3/31/2021

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

06-48464 – Belle Terrace Overcrossing : Construct Auxiliary Lane; Replace Bridge

Current Scheduled Completion Date: Approx. 2/28/2021 WD (429 of 553) Progress – 78%

CRCP construction is ongoing for the auxiliary lane.

Paul N. Pineda, Project Manager, 559-287-2128
Clay Lomax, RE, (661) 331-7215

06-48466 – Bakersfield Freeway Connector (BFC) : Rt 58/99 Modify Interchange

Contract Scheduled Completion Date: 12/06/2021

WD Progress @351 WD's – 58.5%

Work is progressing on the project. The majority of the activity continues to be structure work.

Paul N. Pineda, Project Manager, 559-287-2128

06-48465 – Stockdale Hwy & Enos (SR43) Roundabout

Essentially complete. Lighting conflicts have been resolved installation is now complete. Punch-list concerns have been given to the CM and forwarded to the Contractor.

Paul N. Pineda, Project Manager, 559-287-2128
Clay Lomax, RE, (661) 331-7215

06-0T20U4 SR 99 NR 2R/Fast Freight Corridor: I-5 to US 99 OC

First phase of Stage 8 will be from PM 0 (I-5 Overcrossing) to PM 5.5 (north of David Copus Onramp) and will split traffic into lane 1 and 3 while work is completed behind K Rail on Lane 2. The majority of the work will be completed at night under closure of Lane 1. This first phase of Stage 8 should take approximately 2 months.

Paul N. Pineda, Project Manager, 559-287-2128
Kris Raber, Resident Engineer, NV5 (661) 800-8362

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

Project is ongoing with construction of NB 99 Ln #3, Ln#4 and shoulder

Tentative Ramp Openings:

B99 Airport Dr. off-ramp scheduled for Mid-End September 2020

NB99 California on-ramp scheduled for Mid-End September 2020

Tentative Traffic configuration changes:

Traffic switch to next phase is tentative for End-September 2020, placing traffic on outside lanes.
On-going delays due to COVID cases experienced with field personnel and sub-contractors

Estimated Project Completion Date: 08-01-2021
Paul N. Pineda, Project Manager, 559-287-2128
Hugo Camberos, Resident Engineer, (559) 905-7113

06-0S510 SR 223/Derby Signal Project – safety project at the east end of town

We received the CPUC permit for the RR improvements last week on Sept 9. That was the last item we needed to go to construction.

The project achieved its Ready to List milestone on Sept 10. The next step is to allocate the construction funding from the CTC.

Projected schedule:

October 15, 2020: Projected Advertise project
November 19, 2020: Projected Open bids dates
February 1, 2021: Projected Approve Construction contract

Contractor procures materials for the signal system, this is projected to take at least 6 months
Expected construction Start: July 2021. Note: contractor can start earlier if the signal system material are obtained earlier than 6 months

Paul N. Pineda, Project Manager, 559-287-2128

06-0U480 SR 46/Poplar - CAPM

Striping operations for this project are anticipated commence week of 9/28. This will include the crosswalk at Poplar. However the RRFB is expected to be delivered by mid-Nov with installation following shortly after.

Hussein Senan, Project Manager, 559-243-3586

Ms. Alcalá from District 9 gave the following report:

- Mojave Maintenance Building is completed and awaiting final inspection from the KC Fire Department. We are hoping for a final approval date sometime in mid-October.
- The Tehachapi Maintenance Building has been entered into the design phase.
- Beginning phase of the Mojave west-side Sidewalk Project to construct ADA-compliant pedestrian facilities. It will be along the edge of SR14, near SR58. Right-of-way and utilities are also in the works.
- Virtual Public meeting on 10/6 @ 6p.m. Updates will be on Caltrans Traffic Advisory, Facebook and Twitter.
- Kick-off of Rosamond and Mojave Pavement Project Rehabilitation. The location will be 14 miles south of Dawn Road overcrossing to ½ mile north of the Silver Queen Road crossing. Begins October 12th or 13th with signage and shoulder work.
- Caltrans has now included an Online Project map in it's Quarterly report. There is a user guide included to assist, please reach out if help is needed. Presentation slides of the report and user guide are included in this month's board folders.
- Catherine Carr has reached out about a Webdex interview to identify opportunities and regional issues for SR202 infrastructure and a SR58 corridor management plan.
- Caltrans is continuously coordinating with agencies for the California wildfires.
- Yosemite is closed tonight and through the weekend due to the fires.

Mr. Hakimi asked for Ms. Alcalá to provide speed limits along the 58 and bring them to the next meeting. Ms. Alcalá said she would.

VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: (Report on Projects and Programs in Progress)

1. AB 2006 (SR 184) was enrolled and sent to the Governor by Assemblyman Salas on September 4, 2020. (COB and Kern to negotiate with Caltrans to relinquish Morning Dr. project, in hopes that all parties will agree).
2. October 21 & 22 – CTC Meeting.
3. GET is offering free rides due to the poor air quality using CMAQ funds.
4. Included in the Board Folders is a letter concerning financial issues related to CalVans. The issues have been discussed by the San Joaquin Valley COG Directors. With the Board's concurrence, staff will place an item, on the October Agenda advising the Board further concerning CalVans.

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.

Director Vallejo said the Delano received a FTA grant for \$1,295,000.

X. ADJOURNMENT- NEXT MEETING – The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m. The next scheduled meeting will be held October 15, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

ATTEST:

Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director

Bob Smith, Chairman

DATE: _____