

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
REGIONAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TRANSPORTATION MODELING COMMITTEE

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

WEDNESDAY
March 2, 2022
1:30 P.M.

Chairman Staples called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL:

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| MEMBERS PRESENT: | Christine Viterelli | Arvin |
| | Paul Johnson | Bakersfield |
| | Brianna DeLeon | McFarland |
| | Suzanne Forrest | Shafter |
| | Mark Staples | Taft |
| | Keri Cobb | Wasco |
| | Lorelei Oviatt | County of Kern |
| | Lorena Mendibles | Caltrans |
| | Ricardo Perez | GET |
| | Derek Abbott | Community Member |
| | Asha Chandy | Community Member |
| KERN COG STAFF: | Becky Napier | Linda Urata |
| | Ben Raymond | Rob Ball |
| | Raquel Pacheco | Rochelle Invina-Jayasiri |
| OTHERS: | Susanna Kormendi | Bakersfield |
| | Lupita Mendoza | Caltrans |
| | Alexa Kolosky | Kern County Public Works |
| | Chris Boyle | City of Bakersfield |
| | Jacqueline Aguilar | TDH Associates |
| | Troy Hightower | TDH Associates |
| | Thomas Pogue | RGS |
| | Scott Harriman | RGS |
| | Steve Flint | RGS |
| | Ryan Starbuck | Bakersfield |

- 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 Perez made a motion to approve the discussion summary of February 2, 2022, seconded by Committee Member Forrest with all in favor.

IV. UPDATE: SB375 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REDUCTION FROM PASSENGER VEHICLES AND ADOPTION TIMELINE FOR THE 2022 RTP (Raymond)

Mr. Raymond provided an update. This is a regular agenda item provided to the RPAC.

Action: Information.

V. REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING GRANTS (REAP) 2.0 (Napier)

Ms. Napier provided information regarding the status of the REAP 2.0 Guidelines and potential projects that were reviewed by the TTAC. The Committee asked that the projects be brought back when the Guidelines are available from HCD and that there be consideration for assistance with Housing Elements.

Action: Information.

VI. 4th REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF THE REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ALLOCATION (RHNA) METHODOLOGY AND REVIEW OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT RHNA PLAN (Invina-Jayasiri)

Ms. Invina-Jayasiri explained that the California Department of Housing and Community Development found that the latest draft Kern COG RHNA Methodology furthers state housing statutory objectives. Staff recommends adoption of the Final 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation Methodology to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee.

Action: Motion by Committee Member Oviatt to adopt the Final 6th Cycle RHNA Allocation Methodology with an amendment to include a paragraph in the report, before it is presented to the Kern COG Board, on Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and drought effects on the ability of jurisdictions to provide water for the proposed RHNA Allocation; second by Committee Member Forrest; approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

VII. TIMELINE FOR: DRAFT 2022 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN WITH DRAFT REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ALLOCATION PLAN; DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT; DRAFT 2023 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM; AND CORRESPONDING DRAFT AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY (Pacheco)

Ms. Pacheco provided the following report:

The Federal Transportation Improvement Program is a near-term list of transportation projects, while the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan is a long-term blueprint for transportation projects. The Air Quality Conformity Analysis demonstrates that both the near- and long-term lists will not delay the region's efforts to improve the air. The tentative release of the draft documents is expected April 6th. The tentative schedule in the staff report will be used to move these documents through the review process with final approval by federal agencies in December 2022.

The action requested is that the Regional Planning Advisory Committee recommend that the Transportation Planning Policy Committee approve the timeline.

Committee Member Johnson made the motion to recommend that the Transportation Planning Policy Committee approve the timeline; seconded by Committee Member Cobb; approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announcements were made:

- Status of the KARGO 2 Study
- TRANSITions 2022 Transit Symposium – March 9, 2022
- Kern COG MD/HD ZEV Blueprints Working Group Meeting – March 3, 2022

IX. MEMBER ITEMS

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:32 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the RPAC is April 6, 2022.