

**KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND
CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

DISCUSSION SUMMARY FOR April 6, 2022

KERN COG BOARD ROOM/GO TO MEETING
1401 19th Street, Suite 300
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA

Wednesday
April 6, 2022
10:00 A.M.

Chairman Schlosser called the meeting to order at approximately 10:01 a.m. A roll call was conducted by Ms. Invina-Jayasiri for attendance.

I. ROLL CALL
MEMBERS PRESENT:

Christine Viterelli	City of Arvin
Luis Topete	City of Bakersfield
Ed Galero	City of Delano
Yolanda Alcantar	County of Kern
Travis Reed	City of Ridgecrest
Alex Gonzalez	City of Shafter
Craig Jones	City of Taft
Jay Schlosser	City of Tehachapi
Kameron Arnold	City of Wasco
Lorena Mendibles	Caltrans
Steve Barnes	Golden Empire Transit

OTHER:

Ryan Starbuck	City of Bakersfield
Asha Chandu	Bike Bakersfield
Chris Duneheew	City of Wasco
Irene Enriquez	

STAFF:

Ahron Hakimi	Angie Banuelos
Raquel Pacheco	Rochelle Invina-Jayasiri
Joe Stramaglia	Bob Snoddy
Rob Ball	
Linda Urata	

- 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 factual information or request staff to report back 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.

No public comments.

III. APPROVAL OF DISCUSSION SUMMARY: Minutes from meeting of April 6, 2022.

Mr. Barnes made a motion to approve the discussion summary, Ms. Alcantar seconded the motion. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri performed a roll call vote and motion carried unanimously.

IV. TIMELINE FOR: DRAFT 2022 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN WITH DRAFT 6TH CYCLE REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ALLOCATION PLAN; DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT; DRAFT 2023 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM; AND CORRESPONDING DRAFT AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY ANALYSIS

Ms. Pacheco announced the tentative release of the draft documents has been updated to April 22nd. 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 Transportation Technical Advisory Committee recommend that the Transportation Planning Policy Committee approve the revised timeline.

Ms. Alcantar made the motion to recommend approval. Mr. Arnold seconded the motion. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri performed a roll call vote and motion carried unanimously.

V. FY 2021-22 TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM – CITY OF TEHACHAPI

Ms. Banuelos stated Kern COG staff received and reviewed the City of Tehachapi Public Transit TDA claim in the amount of \$171,701. Kern COG staff recommended approval and asked for TTAC to review TDA Public Transit Claim for City of Tehachapi and recommend approval to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee.

Ms. Alcantar made the motion to recommend approval. Mr. Topete seconded the motion. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri performed a roll call vote and motion carried unanimously.

VI. 2022 STATE HIGHWAY OPERATIONAL AND PROTECTION PROGRAM – PROJECTS IN KERN COUNTY

Chairman Schlosser asked for the Committee to review the report including the 2022 SHOPP Project List and maps. For questions, please contact Caltrans or Mr. Stramaglia.

This item was for information only.

VII. THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2022 AND 2023 FTA SECTION 5311 CALL FOR PROJECTS

Mr. Snoddy reported Caltrans notified Kern COG staff that the FY 2022 and FY 2023 FTA Section 5311 Consolidated Regional apportionment will be \$4,312,437. Kern COG staff has notified eligible recipients for 5311 funds of their agency's apportionment. 5311 eligible recipients are encouraged to contact Kern COG staff with their local match amount for this program at their earliest convenience but no later than Friday, April 8, 2022. 5311 grant applications and supporting documents are due to Caltrans no later than Friday, April 29, 2022, (via the BlackCat electronic award program). Please call Mr. Snoddy, Regional Planner at 661-635-2916 or e-mail Bob at bsnoddy@kerncog.org for additional information.

Staff recommended the members of the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee to recommend that the Transportation Planning Policy Committee adopt by resolution FY 2022 and 2023 FTA Section 5311 Program of Projects.

Ms. Alcantar made the motion to recommend approval. Mr. Gonzalez seconded the motion. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri performed a roll call vote and motion carried unanimously.

VIII. CYCLE 6 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM – STATEWIDE CALL FOR PROJECTS

Mr. Snoddy announced at their March 16-17, 2022 meeting, the CTC adopted the 2022 ATP Cycle 6 Fund Estimate and program Guidelines. The statewide budget for the 2022 ATP Cycle 6 Call for Projects is

estimated at \$650,740,000 which is the cumulative total for the 4-year span for this cycle, 2023-24 through 2026-27.

Mr. Hakimi and Mr. Schlosser reminded the TTAC that Kern COG does not do a separate ATP Call for Projects to use the MPO share and therefore does not adopt its own modified guidelines or conduct a separate MPO call for projects. Instead, Kern COG considers the remaining applications for MPO share funding following the statewide applications ranking order already established by the state reviewed applications but not funded with the state share. Mr. Hakimi and Mr. Schlosser encouraged TTAC members in attendance to apply for ATP funding.

Ms. Viterelli asked if the County of Kern can partner with the City of Arvin on an ATP project because the City of Arvin is on probation but would like to apply for an ATP project. Ms. Alcantar said they can set up a meeting to further discuss the project details.

This item is for information only.

IX. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Schlosser held the nominations for Chairperson. Ms. Viterelli nominated Mr. Schlosser and there were no other nominations. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri performed a roll call vote and motion carried unanimously. Mr. Schlosser will continue to be the Chairperson for the next year.

Mr. Schlosser held the nomination for Vice-Chairperson. Ms. Viterelli nominated Ms. Alcantar and there were no other nominations. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri performed a roll call vote and motion carried unanimously. Ms. Alcantar will continue to be the Vice-Chairperson for the next year.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Ball reminded the committee that Kern COG staff will be presenting at city council and Board of Supervisor's meetings to provide an overview on the public comment period of the Draft 2022 RTP with draft 6th cycle RHNA Plan; draft environmental impact report; draft 2023 FTIP; and corresponding draft air quality conformity analysis.

XI. MEMBER ITEMS

Ms. Viterelli announced the City of Arvin received its second FTA 5339 Grant and the project will focus on purchasing 2 electric buses and a micro grid.

Ms. Mendibles wanted to remind that 5311 grant applications and supporting documents are due to Caltrans by April 29, 2022, via BlackCat. If there are any issues or if an agency needs assistance, to contact Ms. Mendibles. She also announced that Kern COG was awarded an FTA 5304 Transit Grant. She will be contacting Mr. Snoddy to set up a meeting on the grant details.

Mr. Schlosser reported that there was a meeting held with City managers and administrators that were impacted by the HSR project last week. The conclusion from the meeting was to create a TTAC sub-committee that would be working group to coordinate and address the HSR issues as a region. Mr. Topete, Ms. Alcantar, Mr. Gonzalez and Mr. Barnes supported the idea of forming an HSR sub-committee. Kern COG staff will prepare an agenda item for the May TTAC meeting for members to discuss the formation of an HSR sub-committee.

XII. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 10:36 am. The next meeting will be held on May 4, 2022.