

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

DISCUSSION SUMMARY FOR JANUARY 4, 2023 MEETING

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

Wednesday  
January 4, 2023  
10:00 A.M.

Chairman Schlosser called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 a.m. A roll call was conducted by Ms. Invina-Jayasiri for attendance.

**I. ROLL CALL**

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Luis Topete Pedro Nunez Yolanda Alcantar Travis Reed Alex Gonzalez Jay Schlosser Kameron Arnold Steve Barnes	City of Bakersfield City of Delano County of Kern City of Ridgecrest City of Shafter City of Tehachapi City of Wasco Golden Empire Transit
MEMBERS ONLINE:	Christine Viterelli Richard Walker Lorena Mendibles	City of Arvin City of California City Caltrans
OTHER:	Cindy Parra Pedro Ramirez	Bike Bakersfield Caltrans
STAFF:	Ahron Hakimi Raquel Pacheco Rob Ball Joe Stramaglia	Rochelle Invina-Jayasiri Bob Snoddy Irene Enriquez

- 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:**

- a. Minutes from meeting of October 5, 2022, and
- b. Minutes from joint meeting with Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) on November 2, 2022

There were no comments or questions from the committee members. Ms. Alcantar made a motion to approve the discussion summary, Mr. Barnes seconded the motion. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri performed a roll call vote and motion carried unanimously with one abstention from Mr. Reed.

**IV. FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP) AMENDMENT**

Ms. Pacheco stated the upcoming amendment to the 2023 FTIP will include revisions to the State Highway / Regional Choice Program, Transit Program, and Non-Motorized Program. The amendment will also include an update to the FTIP narrative as requested by the Federal Highway Administration. The amendment documentation will be emailed to the TTAC when the public review period begins January 6th.

This item is for information only.

**V. CYCLE 6 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM – STATEWIDE CALL FOR PROJECTS**

Mr. Snoddy stated the ATP Cycle 6 statewide call for projects resulted in 19 Kern region submitted applications for a value of **\$69 million**. The table in the staff report has been updated to include the ranking values for each application. The County of Kern project that ranked 91 is highlighted in yellow. This project has been approved for state funding. Projects recommended for the MPO list are highlighted in blue. This selection is based on Kern COG policy and has been financially constrained to the CTC adopted ATP Cycle 6 Fund Estimate. Kern COG’s revised share is estimated at \$16,798,000 over a 4-year programming cycle from 2023-24 through 2026-27. Kern COG staff recommends that the remaining \$133,000 be added to the Kern River Parkway Multi-Use Safety and Connectivity project to offset part of the local funding. This item is for information and will be presented in February as an action item.

Ms. Alcantar announced that the Mt. Vernon SRTS Project no longer needs the ATP funds because it has received funding from a separate program and will be using that funding instead of ATP funding. City of Bakersfield’s is the next project on the list. Mr. Hakimi asked staff to confirm with CTC staff on the process of awarding the next project in line, and Ms. Alcantar to email staff regarding the change of funding sources.

This item is for information only.

**VI. KERN COG SENATE BILL NO. 1 TRANSIT – CALTRANS STATE OF GOOD REPAIR**

Ms. Enriquez presented Kern COG staff apportioned FY 2022-23 funds initiated by Caltrans State of Good Repair (SGR) Program staff totaling \$1,487,518. Since the Kern COG SGR regional apportionment adoption, the Golden Empire Transit District (GET) has requested its FY 2022-23 “50 percent” apportionment (based on the apportionment schedule below -\$140,154.60) be transferred to the City of Tehachapi to assist in an SGR eligible project.

The action is for the Committee to Recommend the Transportation Planning Policy Committee amend the FY 2022-23 State of Good Repair regional program of projects by resolution to memorialize the transfer FY 2022-23 SGR “50 percent” fund from Golden Empire Transit District (GET) to the City of Tehachapi and request the chairman and executive director to authorize the transfer by signature. Mr. Reed made a motion to approve the recommendation, and Ms. Alcantar seconded the motion. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri performed a roll call vote and the motion carried unanimously.

**VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS –**

- a. Ms. Pacheco reminded that the Project Delivery Letters for Active Transportation Program, Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program, and Regional Surface Transportation Program projects are due By January 13 to her email, [rpaceco@kerncog.org](mailto:rpaceco@kerncog.org)
- b. Mr. Snoddy also reminded that the Project Delivery Letters for TDA Article 3 projects are due January 13, 2023 to [bsnoddy@kerncog.org](mailto:bsnoddy@kerncog.org)

- c. Mr. Ball announced 2022 RTP, FTIP, Air Quality Conformity documents are federally approved.
- d. Mr. Hakimi stated Kern COG did not receive Federal Rural Grant for the SR 58 Truck Climbing Lanes but will be applying again for multiple grants for the same project.
- e. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri reminded that the next CTC meeting is on January 25-26, 2023 in Rocklin.

**VIII. MEMBER ITEMS –**

- a. Ms. Mendibles had a few announcements to share:
  - i. Clean California Cycle 2 Call for Projects later this month and applications will be due in April 2023. More information will be emailed.
  - ii. Caltrans District 6 & 9 are partnering to host a Sustainable Planning Grant Workshop on January 31, 2023 at the Fresno District office. The workshop will be a hybrid format and Information will be emailed.
  - iii. Andrea Nason is a new Regional Planner that will be handling Kern COG's OWP, and Pedro Ramirez is a new Senior Investment Planner and that will be working on grant opportunities for partner agencies and the district.
- b. Mr. Barnes announced the GET Micro-Transit service to entire City of Bakersfield area effective January 1, 2023

**IX. ADJOURNMENT –** Meeting adjourned at 10:24am. The next meeting will be held on February 1, 2023.