

**AGENDA  
KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

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

**THURSDAY  
February 16, 2023  
6:30 P.M.**

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and the Kern Council of Governments Board of Directors Meetings**

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- I. **ROLL CALL:** Ayon, Trujillo, P. Smith, Crump, Creighton, Krier, B. Smith, Vasquez, Blades, Prout, Reyna, Couch, Scrivner

Congestion Management Agency Ex-Officio Members: Warney, Helton, Navarro, Parra

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A. **Approval of Minutes – January 19, 2023**

B. **Concurrence in Actions of TPPC**

C. **Response to Public Comments**

D. **Equipment and Materials Disposal** (Heimer)

**Comment:** Request to dispose of outdated equipment.

**Action:** Approve inventory list for dissemination and disposal. ROLL CALL VOTE

E. **Local Clearinghouse:**

**Applicant: Big Stop Market Inc.**

Address: 127 S Shafter Ave.

Shafter, CA 93263

Contact: Kamila Duncan

Federal Agency: USDA Rural Development

Funding Opportunity No.: RBCS-22-01-HBIIP

Title: Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program

Description: Fueling station project requesting \$94,375 in Federal funds; providing \$324,988 in Matching funds, to install 1 UST and 1 E85 dispenser for 1 fueling station across 1 state.

**Federal Funds:** \$94,375.00

**Total Funds:** \$419,363

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

- IV. **CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY: (None)**
- V. **KERN MOTORIST AID AUTHORITY: (None)**
- VI. **MEETING REPORTS: (None)**
- VII. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: (Report on Programs and Projects in Progress)**
  - A. Warrant Register
  - B. Timeline
- VIII. **MEMBER STATEMENTS:** On their own initiative, Council members may make a brief announcement or 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.
- IX. **CLOSED SESSION: None.**
- X. **ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING** – The next scheduled meeting will be March 16, 2023.

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of Meeting for January 19, 2023

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

THURSDAY  
January 19, 2023  
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Smith at 7:13 p.m.

**I. ROLL CALL:**

**Members Present:** Ayon, Scrivner, Crump, Krier, Creighton, Prout, Reyna, B. Smith, P. Smith, Trujillo, Vasquez

**Congestion Management Agency Ex-Officio Members:** Parra Warney, Navarro, Helton

**Members Absent:** Blades, Couch

**Others:**

**Staff:** Hakimi, Napier, Ball, VanWyk, Campbell, Stramaglia, Snoddy, Enriquez, Pacheco, Urata, Flickinger, Invina,

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Chairman Smith asked for public comments. There were none.

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**A. Approval of Minutes – November 17, 2022**

**B. Concurrence in Actions of TPPC**

**C. Response to Public Comments**

**D. Kern COG’s 2022 Regional Award of Merit Ceremony (Campbell)**

**Action:** Information.

**E. Amendment #1 to EV Ready Communities Memorandum of Understanding between Kern COG and the City of Arvin as funded by the California Energy Commission Agreement ARV-20-010-01 (Urata)**

**Action:** Approve the Agreement between Kern Council of Governments and the City of Arvin; authorize Chair to sign. ROLL CALL VOTE

**F. EV Ready Communities Kern County Electric Vehicle Charging Station Blueprint**

**Implementation Sub-Agreement between Kern COG and Biking for Fun, Inc. dba Bike Bakersfield (Urata)**

**Action:** Approve the sub-agreement between Kern Council of Governments and Biking For Fun, Inc. dba Bike Bakersfield, and adopt Resolution 23-03 authorizing the Executive Director to sign. ROLL CALL VOTE

**G. Metro Bakersfield Long-Range Transit Plan (Enriquez)**

**Action:** Approve the contract for Metropolitan Bakersfield Long Range Transit Plan to the sole bidder, Nelson Nygaard Consulting Associates in the amount not to exceed \$338,861 and authorize the Chairman to sign the contract. ROLL CALL VOTE

**H. Local Clearinghouse:**

**Applicant: CSUB Auxillary for Sponsored Programs Administration**

Address: 9001 Stockdale Highway  
Bakersfield, CA 93311-1022  
Contact: Daphne Evans

Federal Agency: Bureau of Reclamation  
Catalog No.: 15.564  
Title: CVP Conservation Program & CVPIA Habitat Restoration Program FY23  
Description: Floodplain habitat enhancement at the Bakersfield Environmental Studies Area (BESA), lower Kern River, Kern County, CA

**Federal Funds:** \$834,361.00

**Total Funds:** \$937,201.00

**Applicant: Crimson Renewable Energy, LLC**

Address: 17731 Mullux Road  
Bakersfield, CA 93311  
Contact: Harry Simpson

Federal Agency: USDA Rural Development  
Catalog No.: 10.754  
Title: Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program  
Description: A fuel terminal project to install 5 dispensers and 2 loading bays to offer B20 biodiesel

**Federal Funds:** \$399,521.00

**Total Funds:** \$968,572.00

**Applicant: Rani Alhabroun**

Address: 3601 Stockdale Highway  
Bakersfield, CA 93309  
Contact: Rani Alhabroun

Federal Agency: Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number  
Catalog No.: 10.754  
Title: Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIIP) for Fiscal Year 2022  
Description: \$1,200,000.00 is needed to install underground storage tanks with pumps and canopy and equipment and construction costs.

**Federal Funds:** \$200,000.00

**Total Funds:** \$400,000.00

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

MOTION BY DIRECTOR SCRIVNER TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A THROUGH H, SECOND BY DIRECTOR REYNA, MOTION CARRIED WITH A UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

**IV. CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY: (None)**

**V. KERN MOTORIST AID AUTHORITY: (None)**

**VI. MEETING REPORTS: (None)**

**VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Executive Director Hakimi made the following report:

1. San Joaquin Valley Policy Council meeting – Friday, January 27, 2023
2. Kern Regional Award of Merit Celebration – Thursday, March 2, 2023 (Please RSVP ASAP)
3. San Joaquin Valley Policy Conference – April 24 – 26, 2023 - Great Wolf Lodge - Manteca

**VIII. MEMBER STATEMENTS:**

**IX. CLOSED SESSION:**

None.

**X. ADJOURNMENT:** Seeing no other comments the meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m. **NEXT MEETING – February 16, 2023.**

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

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Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director

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Bob Smith, Chairman

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_



## III. D. TPPC

February 16, 2023

TO: Kern Council of Governments

FROM: Ahron Hakimi,  
Executive Director

BY: Michael Heimer,  
Regional Planner

SUBJECT: KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS CONSENT AGENDA ITEM: III. D.  
Equipment and Materials Disposal

DESCRIPTION:

Request to dispose of outdated equipment.

DISCUSSION:

When disposing of outdated or non-functioning equipment, Kern COG's policy is to invite member agencies first – and other governments or non-profit organizations second – to choose among available pieces. Any items left at the end of that process are taken to a recycling facility. Kern COG has numerous computer components that have been replaced and are now ready for disposal. A complete asset listing follows.

- Five (5) Lenovo ThinkPad P72 laptop computers
- Fifteen (15) Lenovo ThinkPad T480 laptop computers
- Two (2) Lenovo Flex 2-15 laptop computers

ACTION:

Approve inventory list for dissemination and disposal. ROLL CALL VOTE