

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
REGIONAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Committee Purpose

The purpose of the Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) is to review and make recommendations on key activities associated with regional transportation plans and other planning issues, including SB 375 implementation. The goal of the Kern COG RPAC is to seek all points of view from Kern COG members and agency partners working to reach consensus on issues.

Committee Membership and Voting

Members of the RPAC are Planning Directors, Community Development Directors or their designees from each of Kern Council of Governments' member jurisdictions. If the member agency does not have the equivalent of a Planning Director, the manager/administrator from that jurisdiction/agency shall designate a representative and alternate from the management level.

In addition to member jurisdiction representatives, the RPAC shall have additional voting representatives from Golden Empire Transit District and Caltrans District 6.

Community At-Large Voting Members

Three at large members shall represent varied economic, social and geographic sectors. At large members could include appointed representatives from business groups, non-profit organizations, the military and tribes. The at-large members shall be appointed by the Kern COG Board of Directors.

Ex-Officio Non-Voting Member

One permanent ex-officio non-voting member shall consist of the Executive Officer of the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).

Recruitment Process for Community At-Large Voting Members

- As vacancies occur, postings of Community At-Large Member will be noticed for 30 days.
- Potential members must submit an application to the Secretary of the Kern COG Board of Directors (Executive Director).

- The Executive Director shall review all RPAC candidate applications, verify the information and evaluate eligibility. Candidate applications for membership to the RPAC will be forwarded to the Kern COG Board of Directors.
- The Kern COG Board of Directors will review the candidate applications and appoint members to the RPAC.

Community At-Large Member Term of Appointment

- The term of appointment of the Community At-Large Members shall be two (2) years.
- At the discretion of the Kern COG Board, Community At-Large Members may reapply and be appointed for two (2) additional (2) year terms, not to exceed six (6) consecutive years.

Eligibility

- U.S. citizen 18 years of age or older who resides within Kern County.
- Not an elected official at any level of government.
- Not an appointed official at any level of government i.e. city or county Planning Commission, Local Agency Formation Commission, etc.
- Not a public employee, private contractor, consultant or employee of a consultant doing business with the Kern County, nor of any of the incorporated cities in Kern County, Golden Empire Transit, Caltrans, or the Kern Council of Governments.
- Restricted to individuals without economic interest in Kern COG projects.

**KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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APPLICATION FORM**

Name of Applicant:

RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Street Address:	
City:	
State/Zip Code:	Phone:
E-mail:	Cell Phone:

EMPLOYMENT/REFERRING ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Employer/Referring Organization:	
Title:	
Address:	
City:	
State/Zip Code:	Phone:
E-mail:	Fax:
Reference:	
Phone Number of Reference:	

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please briefly explain why you are interested in serving as a Community At-Large Member of the RPAC.

List past/present professional/community affiliations, including any elected positions previously held
(please list dates served).

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

By signing this application form, I hereby certify that:

1. I am a U.S. citizen 18 years of age or older who resides within Kern County;
2. I am not an elected official at any level of government;
3. I am not an appointed official at any level of government i.e. city or county Planning Commission, Local Agency Formation Commission, etc.;
4. I am not a public employee, private contractor, consultant or employee of a consultant doing business with Kern County, nor of any of the incorporated cities in Kern County, Golden Empire Transit, Caltrans, or Kern Council of Governments; and
5. I have no economic interest in Kern COG projects.

REQUIRED SIGNATURE

I declare under penalty of perjury the above information is true and correct.

Dated: _____ Applicant: _____

Resume or letters of recommendation may be attached.

RETURN COMPLETED, SIGNED APPLICATION TO:

**Ahron Hakimi
Executive Director
Kern Council of Governments
1401 19th Street, Suite 300
Bakersfield, CA 93301**

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Noon Thursday, June 12, 2025