

**AGENDA**  
**KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**  
**September 18, 2025**  
**6:30 P.M.**

**PRIMARY MEETING LOCATION**  
**TELECONFERENCING AVAILABLE**

Kern Council of Governments  
Board Room  
1401 19<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 300  
Bakersfield, CA 93301

**SECONDARY MEETING LOCATIONS**

Ridgecrest City Hall  
Conference Room B  
100 W. California Avenue  
Ridgecrest, CA 93555

**TPPC/Kern COG Board**

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- I. **ROLL CALL:** Ayon, Calderon, Couch, Espinoza, Gorman, Hawkins, Morse, Noerr, Reyna, Parlier, B. Smith, P. Smith, Solorio-Ruiz

Congestion Management Agency Ex-Officio Members: Carr, Gunn, Parra, Warney

- II. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Council on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Council. Council 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 Council at a later meeting. **SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD PRIOR TO MAKING A PRESENTATION.**

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- III. **CONSENT AGENDA/OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:** All items on the consent agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial by Kern COG staff and will be approved by one motion if no member of the Council or public wishes to comment or ask questions. If comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered in the listed sequence with an opportunity for any

member of the public to address the Council concerning the item before action is taken. **ROLL CALL VOTE.**

A. **Approval of Minutes July 17, 2025** ROLL CALL VOTE.

B. **Concurrence in Actions of TPPC**

C. **Response to Public Comments**

D. **AMENDMENT TO EV READY COMMUNITIES' MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN KERN COG AND KERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT KCCD/ BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE AS FUNDED BY THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION AGREEMENT ARV-20-010-01**

**Comment:** Amendments to the EV Ready Communities Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) between Kern Council of Governments and various site hosts to extend the termination date, County Counsel has approved the agreement as to form.

**Action:** Approve the Amendment to Memoranda of Understanding between Kern Council of Governments and Kern Community College District/Bakersfield College; authorize Chair to sign. ROLL CALL VOTE

E. **AMENDMENTS TO EV READY COMMUNITIES' MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN KERN COG AND THE SITE HOSTS AS FUNDED BY THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION AGREEMENT ARV-20-010-01**

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**Action:** Approve the Amendments to Memoranda of Understanding between Kern Council of Governments and the following agencies and corporations: cities of Arvin, California City, Delano, McFarland, CCT-Best Western Taft, CCT-Tony's Firehouse Pizza, and Frito- Lay North America, Inc.; authorize Chair to sign. ROLL CALL VOTE.

F. **Local Clearinghouse:**

**The State Clearinghouse (SCH) notifies state and local elected officials and agencies and the public of the grant applications through the Submissions page of the Office of Planning and Research Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs website email and via email notifications to registered users of the website. This notification process allows elected officials and agencies and the public the opportunity to review applications and the option to comment on a particular application. Since the SCH does not receive a complete copy of the federal assistance full proposal or budget, any person wishing to review a proposal further must contact the applicant directly for more information. Kern COG takes no position on any of the projects presented but provides the information for public consideration only.**

**Applicant: Self-Help Enterprises**

Address: 8445 West Elowin Court

Visalia, CA 93291

Contact: Liz Vidrio

Telephone Number: (559) 651-3634

Email Address: lizv@selfhelpenterprises.org

**Federal Agency: Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture**

Assistance Listing Number: 10.433

Funding Opportunity Number: USDA-RD-HCFP-HPG-2025

Title: Housing Preservation Grant (HPG)

Description: Housing Preservation Grant Program for low-income households, providing loans/grants for owner occupied housing rehabilitation.

**Federal Funds:** \$500,000

**State Funds:** \$7,000,000

**Program Income:** \$1,159,451

**Total Funds:** \$8,659,451

**Action:** Information Only.

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

**IV. BOARD MEETING INVOCATION**

**Comment:** Following a request from Board Member Ayon, this item seeks to consider the addition of an invocation to the Kern Council of Governments agenda on a recurring basis.

**Action:** Should the Board wish to add an invocation to the agenda moving forward, Staff recommends the addition of a "Moment of Silence, Prayer, or Reflection" be added to the agenda following roll call. Under this approach, Staff will not be coordinating a formal invocation. ROLL CALL VOTE.

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

**VI. KERN MOTORIST AID AUTHORITY (None)**

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

**VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: (Report on Programs and Projects in Progress)**

A. Timeline

**IX. 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.

**X. CLOSED SESSION:** None.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING** – The next scheduled meeting will be October 16, 2025.

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of the Meeting of July 17, 2025

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

THURSDAY  
July 17, 2025  
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Smith at 6:53 p.m.

**I. ROLL CALL:**

**Members Present:** Ayon, Calderon, Gorman, Hawkins, Noerr, Parlier, Reyna, B Smith, P. Smith

**Congestion Management Agency Ex-Officio Members:** Gunn, Williams, Parra, Warney

**Members Absent:** Couch, Espinoza, Morse, Solorio-Ruiz

**Others:** Franz

**Staff:** Schlosser, Napier, Romero-Valdivia, Ball, Enriquez, Valle, Ball, Raymond, Enriquez

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None.

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**A. Approval of Minutes – June 19, 2025**

**B. Concurrence in Actions of TPPC**

**C. Response to Public Comments**

**D. Local Clearinghouse:**

**Applicant: City of Bakersfield**

Address: 1600 Truxtun Avenue

Bakersfield, CA 93301-5141

Contact: Mr. Juan Heredia

**Federal Agency: Community Oriented Policing Services**

Assistance Listing Number: 16.070

Funding Opportunity Number: O-COPS-2025-172386

Title: FY 25 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act (LEMHWA)

Implementation Projects

Description: Mental Health & Wellness Resources

**Federal Funds: \$140,000.00**

**Total Funds:** \$140,000.00

**Applicant: Lake Isabella Investment Group, LP**

Address: 531 Mill Road  
Auburn, CA 95603  
Contact: Karen Buckland

**Federal Agency: USDA Rural Development**

Description: Lake Isabella Senior Apartments (45 elderly units) and Lake Isabella Senior II Apartments (40 elderly units), both existing multifamily communities located in Lake Isabella, CA.

**Federal Funds:** \$3,107,938.00

**Total Funds:** \$16,162,238.00

**Applicant: Kern County Sheriff's Office**

Address: 1350 Norris Road  
Bakersfield, CA 93308-2231  
Contact: Timothy Armijo

**Federal Agency: Community Oriented Policing Services**

Assistance Listing Number: 16.070

Funding Opportunity Number: O-COPS-2025-172386

Title: FY 25 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act (LEMHWA)  
implementation Projects

Description: Kern County Sheriff's Mental Health and Wellness Implementation Project

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

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

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

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

**Federal Agency: Department of Education**

Assistance Listing Number: 84.031

Funding Opportunity: ED-GRANTS-060325-003

Title: Applications for New Awards; Developing Hispanic-Serving Institutions Program

Description: DHSI CSUB Proposal 2025

**Federal Funds:** \$2,993,181.00

**Total Funds:** \$2,993,181.00

**Applicant: San Joaquin Community Hospital**

Address: 2615 Chester Avenue  
Bakersfield, CA 93301-2014  
Contact: Christine Lollar

**Federal Agency: Office on Violence Against Women**

Assistance Listing Number: 16.888

Funding Opportunity: O-OVW-2025-172291

Title: OVW Fiscal Year 2025 Grants to Prevent and Respond to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Sex Trafficking Against Children and youth Program

Description: Adventist Health – Safe Youth; Preventing & Responding to Domestic & Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Sex Trafficking Against Children and Youth

**Federal Funds:** \$500,000.00

**Total Funds:** \$500,000.00

**Applicant: West Kern Community College District/Taft College**

Address: 29 Cougar Court

Taft, CA 93268-1437

Contact: Jaime Lopez

**Federal Agency: Department of Education**

Assistance Listing Number: 84.0131S

Funding Opportunity: ED-GRANTS-060325-003

Title: DHSI FY 2025 Competition for New Awards

Description: Taft College Accelerating Degree Engagement, and Learning Achievement through Navigation, Transfer, and Empowerment (ADELANTE) Cougars: Accelerating Completion and increasing Workforce-based Options

**Federal Funds:** \$3,000,000.00

**Total Funds:** \$3,000,000.00

**Applicant: Kern CCD obo Cerro Coso Community College**

Address: 3000 College Heights Blvd.

Ridgecrest, CA 93555-9571

Contact: Bobby Becka

**Federal Agency: Department of Education**

Assistance Listing Number: 84.031

Funding Opportunity: ED-GRANTS-060325-003

Title: DHSI FY 2025 Competition for New Awards

Description: BRIDGE to Success Project

**Federal Funds:** 597,559.00

**Total Funds:** \$597,559.00

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

MOTION BY DIRECTOR P. SMITH TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A THROUGH D EXCEPT ITEM D REGARDING LAKE ISABELLA INVESTMENT GROUP LP, SECOND BY DIRECTOR REYNA, MOTION CARRIED WITH A UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

Board Member Noerr discussed the amount of funding related to this project and the expense to tax-payers. Executive Director Schlosser discussed the State Clearinghouse and the COG's responsibility to agendize these items so the public is aware of the grant projects. Executive Director Schlosser stated that staff was going to research if there is any other information that should be included in these items.

Board Member P. Smith made a motion to include this item in the approval of the

Consent Agenda, second by B. Smith, the motion was approved.

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

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

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

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

Executive Director Schlosser made the following comments:

- Board Folder Items
  - Timeline
  - Mini-grant announcement
  - Projects of Regional Significance
  - Letter from Trinity

Executive Director Schlosser turned the meeting over to County Counsel Van Wyk to discuss a Board Member requested item related to prayer at the beginning of the meeting. After a short discussion, this item will be brought back at a later date.

**VIII. MEMBER STATEMENTS:** None.

**IX. CLOSED SESSION:** None.

**X. ADJOURNMENT:** Seeing no other comments, the meeting adjourned at p.m. - **NEXT MEETING – AUGUST 21, 2025 (May be dark).**

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

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Jay Schlosser, Executive Director

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Bob Smith, Chairman

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



## III. D. COG

September 18, 2025

TO: Kern Council of Governments

FROM: Jay Schlosser  
Executive Director

By: Irene Enriquez  
Regional Planner

SUBJECT: Kern Council of Governments Consent Agenda Item: III. D.  
AMENDMENT TO EV READY COMMUNITIES' MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN KERN COG AND KERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT KCCD/  
BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE AS FUNDED BY THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION  
AGREEMENT ARV-20-010-01

### DESCRIPTION:

Amendments to the EV Ready Communities Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) between Kern Council of Governments and various site hosts to extend the termination date, County Counsel has approved the agreement as to form.

### Description:

During the California Energy Commission (CEC) Business Meeting held on January 26, 2022, the commissioners approved augmenting the initial agreement with Kern COG by (a) increasing the award to the requested \$2.5 million (an increase of \$1,792,485), (b) increasing the matching fund requirement to \$833,377, (c) extending the term of the agreement to September 30, 2024, (d) revising the Scope of Work, and (5) revising the Schedule of Products.

The 2019 Kern EVCS Blueprint identified high impact charging station locations within the jurisdictions of Kern COG's member agencies, demonstrating opportunities to benefit disadvantaged communities. Kern Community College District (KCCD) and its Bakersfield College (BC) requested and will receive funding through this opportunity: the cities of Arvin, California City, Delano, McFarland, and Wasco.

Kern COG, along with the KCCD/BC, agreed to retroactively extend the term of the MOU. The amendment to the MOU does not alter the scope of work. However, the Schedule of Projects (Exhibit B) has been updated to fulfill administrative reporting requirements, complete installations, and deliver the projects. The amendment attached outlines the current termination date for KCCD/ BC and the new extension date for each amendment.

Staff requests approval of the amendment.

**ACTION:** Approve the Amendment to Memoranda of Understanding between Kern Council of Governments and Kern Community College District/Bakersfield College; authorize Chair to sign. ROLL CALL VOTE.



AMENDMENT No. 2 TO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) READY COMMUNITIES PHASE II-  
BLUEPRINT IMPLEMENTATION (GFO-19-603)

SUBCONTRACTOR TO KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS;  
CEC AGREEMENT GFO-20-010 WITH KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

THIS AMENDMENT (hereinafter “Amendment No. 2”) TO CONTRACT, for reference purposes is made effective as of November 1, 2024, (“Effective Date”) by and between the Kern Council of Governments (hereinafter “**KERN COG**”) and Kern Community College District, and its Bakersfield College, (hereinafter “KCCD”).

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, KERN COG and KCCD entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) dated April 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Parties revised the agreement for the first time on June 16, 2022 to update the budget, scope work, and extend the termination date from October 31, 2024 to December 5, 2025

WHEREAS, the parties wish to amend the MOU as specified herein.

AGREEMENT:

1. The Term of the MOU shall be extended through December 5, 2025.
2. KCCD agrees to carry out Exhibit A: Scope of work in accordance with Exhibit B: Schedule of Products and Due Dates and Exhibit C: Budget. KCCD agrees to comply with the CEC Exhibit C Attachment01: eCAMS Streamlining Terms and Conditions ARV-20-010-01.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment No. 2 to be executed, the day and year first-above written.

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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Jay Schlosser,  
Executive Director "Kern COG"

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Bob Smith, Chair  
"Kern COG"

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Brian Van Wyk, Deputy  
County Counsel

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment No. 2 to be executed, the day and year first-above written.

"KERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT"

RECOMMENDED AND APPROVED  
AS TO CONTENT:



Rozanne Hernandez (Apr 24, 2025 15:45 PDT)

Rozanne Hernandez  
Dean of Instruction, CTE, Bakersfield College



Melissa Thornsberry (Jun 11, 2025 21:13 PDT)

Melissa Thornsberry  
Chief Financial Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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[NAME], Legal Counsel

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## III. E. COG

September 18, 2025

TO: Kern Council of Governments

FROM: Jay Schlosser  
Executive Director

By: Irene Enriquez  
Regional Planner

SUBJECT: Kern Council of Governments Consent Agenda Item: III. E.  
AMENDMENTS TO EV READY COMMUNITIES' MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN KERN COG AND THE SITE HOSTS AS FUNDED BY THE CALIFORNIA  
ENERGY COMMISSION AGREEMENT ARV-20-010-01

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The 2019 Kern EVCS Blueprint identified high impact charging station locations within the jurisdictions of Kern COG's member agencies, demonstrating opportunities to benefit disadvantaged communities. Five (5) Kern COG member agencies along with Frito Lay North America, Inc, (FLNA) and California Clean Transportation, LLC. (CCT) requested and will receive funding through this opportunity: the cities of Arvin, California City, Delano, McFarland, and Wasco.

Kern COG, along with the cities and corporations listed in the table below, agreed to extend the term of the MOU. The amendments to the MOU do not alter the scope of work. However, the Schedule of Projects (Exhibit B) has been updated to fulfill administrative reporting requirements, complete installations, and deliver the projects. The table below outlines the current termination date for each partner and the new extension date for each amendment.

Site Host	Agreement End Date	Amended Agreement End date
City of Arvin	8/31/2025	12/31/2025
City of California City	8/31/2025	10/31/2026
City of Delano	8/31/2025	12/31/2026
City of McFarland	8/31/2025	12/31/2025
CCT- Best Western Taft	8/31/2025	04/30/2026
CCT- Tony's Firehouse Grill	8/31/2025	04/30/2026
Frito- Lay North America, Inc.	11/30/2025	03/31/2026

Staff requests approval of the amendments.

**ACTION:** Approve the Amendments to Memoranda of Understanding between Kern Council of Governments and the following agencies and corporations: cities of Arvin, California City, Delano, McFarland, CCT-Best Western Taft, CTC-Tony's Firehouse Grill and Frito- Lay North America, Inc.; authorize Chair to sign. ROLL CALL VOTE.

AMENDMENT No. 3 TO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) READY COMMUNITIES PHASE II-  
BLUEPRINT IMPLEMENTATION (GFO-19-603)

SUBCONTRACTOR TO KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS;  
CEC AGREEMENT GFO-20-010 WITH KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

THIS AMENDMENT (hereinafter "Amendment No. 3") TO CONTRACT, for reference purposes is made effective as of September 18, 2025, ("Effective Date") by and between the Kern Council of Governments (hereinafter "KERN COG") and CITY OF ARVIN, a municipal government of the State of California (hereinafter "CITY").

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, KERN COG and the CITY entered into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") dated April 15, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Parties amended the agreement for the first time on January 19, 2023, to update the budget, scope work, and extend the termination date from March 31, 2024, to September 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Parties amended the agreement for the second time on September 19, 2024, to extend the termination date from September 30, 2024, to August 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to amend the MOU as specified herein.

AGREEMENT:

1. The Term of the MOU shall be extended through December 31, 2025.
2. Except as expressly amended herein, all provisions of the MOU shall remain in force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Amendment Number 3 to the MOU shall be effective as of the Effective Date.

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS    CITY OF ARVIN.

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Jay Schlosser, Executive Director  
"Kern COG"

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Jeff Jones, City Manager  
City of Arvin

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Bob Smith, Chair  
"Kern COG"

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Brian Van Wyk, Deputy  
County Counsel



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BETWEEN  
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RECITALS:

WHEREAS, KERN COG and the CITY entered into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") dated October 20,2022; and

WHEREAS, the Parties amended the agreement for the first time on September 19, 2024, to extend the termination date from September 30, 2024, to August 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to amend the MOU as specified herein.

AGREEMENT:

1. The Term of the MOU shall be extended through October 31, 2026.
2. Except as expressly amended herein, all provisions of the MOU shall remain in force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Amendment Number 2 to the MOU shall be effective as of the Effective Date.

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS CITY OF CALIFORNIA CITY

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John (Jay) Schlosser, Executive Director  
"Kern COG"

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Christian Lopez,  
City Manager, City of California  
City

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Bob Smith, Chair  
"Kern COG"

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Brian Van Wyk, Deputy  
County Counsel



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RECITALS:

WHEREAS, KERN COG and the CITY entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) dated April 15, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Parties amended the agreement for the first time on September 19, 2024 to extend the termination date from December 15, 2024, to August 31, 2025.

WHEREAS, the parties wish to amend the MOU as specified herein.

AGREEMENT:

1. The Term of the MOU shall be extended through December 31, 2026.
2. Except as expressly amended herein, all provisions of the MOU shall remain in force and effect.

*Signatures follow on next page.*





IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Amendment Number 2 to the MOU shall be effective as of the Effective Date.

"CITY of Delano"

RECOMMENDED AND APPROVED  
AS TO CONTENT:

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Maribel Reyna, City Manager  
City of Delano

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Joe L. Alindajao Esq, Mayor  
City of Delano

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Legal Counsel

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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John (Jay) Schlosser, Executive Director  
"Kern COG"

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Bob Smith, Chair  
"Kern COG"

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Brian Van Wyk, Deputy  
County Counsel

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RECITALS:

WHEREAS, KERN COG and the CITY entered into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") dated September 15, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Parties amended the agreement for the first time on January 19, 2023 to update the budget, scope work, and extend the termination date from March 31, 2024, to September 30, 2024, AND

WHEREAS, the Parties amended the agreement for the second time on August 15, 2024, to extend the termination date from September 30, 2024 to August 31, 2025,

WHEREAS, the parties wish to amend the MOU as specified herein.

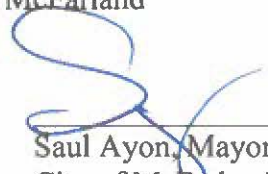
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CITY OF McFarland

  
Diego Viramontes, City Manager  
City of McFarland

  
Saul Ayon, Mayor  
City of McFarland

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## KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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Jay Schlosser Executive Director  
"Kern COG"

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Bob Smith, Chair  
"Kern COG"

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Brian Van Wyk, Deputy  
County Counsel

AMENDMENT No. 2 TO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) READY COMMUNITIES PHASE II-  
BLUEPRINT IMPLEMENTATION (GFO-19-603)

SUBCONTRACTOR TO KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS;  
CEC AGREEMENT GFO-20-010 WITH KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

THIS AMENDMENT (hereinafter "Amendment No. 2") TO CONTRACT, for reference purposes is made effective as of September 18, 2025, ("Effective Date") by and between the Kern Council of Governments (hereinafter "**KERN COG**") and California Clean Transportation LLC, (hereinafter "**Grantee**") at the site host location at Best Western PLUS 203 South 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Taft, CA 93268.

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, KERN COG and the Grantee entered into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") dated April 20, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Parties amended the agreement for the first time on September 19, 2024, to extend the termination date from November 25, 2024, to August 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to amend the MOU as specified herein.

AGREEMENT:

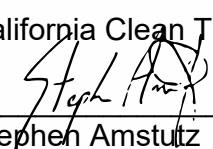
1. The Term of the MOU shall be extended through April 30, 2026.
2. Except as expressly amended herein, all provisions of the MOU shall remain in force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Amendment Number 2 to the MOU shall be effective as of the Effective Date.

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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John (Jay) Schlosser, Executive Director  
"Kern COG"

California Clean Transportation, LLC

  
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Stephen Amstutz  
"Grantee"

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Bob Smith, Chair  
"Kern COG"

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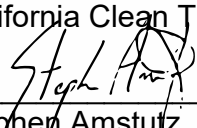
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RECITALS:

WHEREAS, KERN COG and the Grantee entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) dated November 17, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Parties amended the agreement for the first time on September 19, 2024, to extend the termination date from November 30, 2024, to November 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to amend the MOU as specified herein.

AGREEMENT:

1. The Term of the MOU shall be extended through March 31, 2026.
2. Except as expressly amended herein, all provisions of the MOU shall remain in force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Amendment Number 2 to the MOU shall be effective as of the Effective Date.

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Frito-Lay Inc.

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John (Jay) Schlosser,  
Executive Director, “Kern COG”

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Steve Hanson , Senior Director  
Frito Lay, Inc.

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Bob Smith, Chair  
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## IV. COG

September 18, 2025

TO: Kern Council of Governments

FROM: Jay Schlosser  
Executive Director

SUBJECT: Kern Council of Governments Agenda Item: IV.  
BOARD MEETING INVOCATION

### DESCRIPTION

Following a request from Board Member Ayon, this item seeks to consider the addition of an invocation to the Kern Council of Governments agenda on a recurring basis.

### DISCUSSION

During Board Member comments on June 19, 2025, Mayor Ayon of McFarland requested that the Kern COG Board consider adding an invocation to its standing monthly board meetings. County Counsel Van Wyck agreed to consider the legal implications of this request and report back to the Board.

Mr. Van Wyck provided a verbal report on the subject during the July 17, 2025 Kern COG board meeting. He provided several notes of caution suggesting the Board consider the implication of adding an invocation to the board agenda.

Following a brief discussion, Board Chairman Smith referred the matter back to staff. Staff's sole concern (aside from the cautionary notes from Mr. Van Wyck) relates to the effort required for staff to coordinate having a religious leader present to formally lead an invocation.

### ACTION

Should the Board wish to add an invocation to the agenda moving forward, Staff recommends the addition of a "Moment of Silence, Prayer, or Reflection" be added to the agenda following roll call. Under this approach, Staff will not be coordinating a formal invocation. ROLL CALL VOTE.