

**AGENDA**  
**KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**  
**October 16, 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

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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 September 18, 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** (Enriquez)

**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. **FY 2025-2026 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM AND FINANCIAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 1: RESOLUTION NO. 25-23** (Napier)

**Comment:** Pursuant to Kern COG policy, the Council shall review and approve amendments to the Overall Work Program (OWP) and Financial Plan (budget). Amendment No. 1 represents a net budgetary increase of \$525,852.

**Action:** Approve the Amendments No. 1 to the FY 2025-2026 Overall Work Program and Financial Plan and authorize the Chairman to sign Resolution No. 25-23. 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: Omni Family Health**

Address: 4900 California Avenue, Suite 400 B

Bakersfield, CA 93309-7081

Contact: Francisco Castillon

Telephone Number: (661) 459-1900

Email Address: fcastillon@omnifamilyhealth.org

**Federal Agency: Health Resources and Services Administration**

Assistance Listing Number: 93.224

Funding Opportunity Number: HRSA-26-004

Title: Service Area Competition

Description: For over 47 years Omni Family Health has worked to improve the health

outcomes of underserved communities and populations by providing affordable health care to all regardless of ability to pay.

**Federal Funds:** \$9,500,276.00

**State Funds:**

**Program Income:**

**Total Funds:** \$9,500,276.00

**Applicant: Superior Court of California, County of San Joaquin**

Address: 180 E. Weber Avenue

Stockton, CA 94202-2726

Contact: Jennie Rodriguez-Moore

Telephone Number: (209) 992-5515

Email Address: jmoore@sjcourts.org

**Federal Agency: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration**

Assistance Listing Number: 93.243

Funding Opportunity Number: TI-19-002

Title: SAMHSA Treatment Drug Courts

Description: San Joaquin Drug Court Expansion Project

**Federal Funds:** \$1,818,602.00

**State Funds:**

**Program Income:**

**Total Funds:** \$1,818,602.00

**Action:** Information Only.

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

**IV. MEMBER AGENCY OVERDUE TDA AUDITS (Schlosser)**

**Comment:** Discussion of Member Agencies that are overdue with Transportation Development Act Audits.

**Action:** Adopt a policy permitting Kern COG to retain member TDA funds on a member-by-member basis in the event of excess expense to Kern COG resulting from inaction on the part of the member agency. Retained funds shall be limited to the direct expenses to Kern COG and shall be a maximum of \$10,000 per year of delinquency. 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 November 20, 2025.

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of the Meeting of September 18, 2025

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

THURSDAY  
September 18, 2025  
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Smith at 6:57 p.m.

**I. ROLL CALL:**

**Members Present:** Ayon, Calderon, Espinoza, Gorman, Hawkins, B Smith, P. Smith  
**Congestion Management Agency Ex-Officio Members:** Gunn, Williams, Parra, Warney  
**Members Absent:** Couch, Morse, Noerr, Parlier, Reyna, Solorio-Ruiz  
**Others:** None  
**Staff:** Schlosser, Napier, Romero-Valdivia, Ball, Enriquez, Valle, Raymond, Invina-Jayasiri, Banuelos, Pacheco, McNutt

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None.

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**A. Approval of Minutes – July 17, 2025**

**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** (Enriquez)

**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 Stie Hosts as Funded by the California Energy Commission Agreement ARV-20-010-01** (Enriquez)

**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, CTC Frito-Lay North America, Inc.; authorize Chair to sign. ROLL CALL VOTE.

**F. Local Clearinghouse:**

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**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 \*\*\***

MOTION BY DIRECTOR P. SMITH TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A THROUGH F, SECOND BY DIRECTOR AYON, MOTION CARRIED WITH A UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

**IV. BOARD MEETING INVOCATION (Schlosser)**

**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:** After discussion, Chairman B. Smith made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to have a "Moment of Silence" after the Pledge of Allegiance; second by Director Calderon, motion carried with a unanimous roll call vote.

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

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

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

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

Executive Director Schlosser made the following comments:

- Report on Valley Voice Meeting in Washington DC September 9-11
  - Executive Director Schlosser asked Director Ayon if he had any comments. Director Ayon stated that the Valley Voice trip to Washington DC was a great experience. He recognized Executive Director Schlosser for making his voice count and fighting for funding for Kern and the Valley with the Department of Transportation
  - Executive Director Schlosser stated that he felt the Valley Voice trip was able to make progress on the Air Quality issue the Valley is facing. He stated that there was universal support to fix the problem so that MPOs can pass their Regional Transportation Plans.
  - Executive Director Schlosser stated that he also had meetings with Valadao, Fong, and Obernolte's Chief of Staff.
- Meeting with SCAG – October 3, 11:00 a.m., Salt Creek Grill in Valencia. Executive Director Schlosser requested that 2-3 Board Members attend the meeting. Chairman Smith, Director Hawkins and Director Calderon state they would like to attend.
- Executive Committee Meeting
- Board Folder Items
  - Timeline
  - Completed Project Listing
  - RTP Outreach Flier

**IX. MEMBER STATEMENTS: None.**

**X. CLOSED SESSION: None.**

**XI. ADJOURNMENT: Seeing no other comments, the meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m. - NEXT MEETING – OCTOBER 16, 2025.**

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

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Jay Schlosser, Executive Director

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Bob Smith, Chairman

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



## III. D. COG

October 16, 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 extend the term of the MOU. The amendment to the MOU does not alter the scope of work. However, the Schedule of Projects 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. 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 December 6, 2025 (“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 June 30, 2027
2. All other terms of the agreement, as previously amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment No 3 to be executed, the day and year first-above written.

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director  
"Kern COG"

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Bob Smith, Chair  
"Kern COG"

APPROVED AS TO FORM

\_\_\_\_\_  
Brian Van Wyk, Deputy  
County Counsel

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment No 3 to be executed,  
the day and year first-above written.

"KERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT"

RECOMMENDED AND APPROVED  
AS TO CONTENT:

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Rozanne Hernandez]  
Dean of Instruction, CTE, Bakersfield College

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Melissa Thornsberry  
Chief Financial Officer

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## III. E. COG

October 16, 2025

TO: Kern Council of Governments

FROM: Jay Schlosser  
Executive Director

BY: Becky Napier, Deputy Director - Administration

SUBJECT: KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS CONSENT AGENDA ITEM: III. E.  
FY 2025-2026 Overall Work Program and Financial Plan Amendment No. 1:  
Resolution No. 25-23.

### DESCRIPTION

Pursuant to Kern COG policy, the Council shall review and approve amendments to the Overall Work Program (OWP) and Financial Plan (budget). Amendment No. 1 represents a net budgetary increase of \$525,852.

### DISCUSSION

Attached are the worksheets documenting the details of FY 2025-2026 OWP and Financial Plan, Amendment No. 1. Staff recommends the following significant changes:

#### Financial Plan

The revision includes an increase in federal funds of \$2,800,036 to \$2,952,150.

The revision includes an increase in state funds of \$4,363,131 to \$4,665,108.

#### Overall Work Program

The Final Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Carryover Numbers were included in this Amendment No. 1. Twenty-three (23) Work Elements using Federal Grants, State Grants, Regional Planning, and Local Contracts and will reconcile to the Financial Plan and Fiscal Year 2025-26 Overall Work Program.

The revision is detailed as follows:

\*There was an increase in Federal Grants by \$152,114. There was an increase in State Grants by \$301,977. There was a decrease in Regional Planning by \$278,239 and an increase in Local Contracts by \$350,000 for a total net increase of \$525,852. Detailed changes listed on the supporting pages of this staff report.

### ACTION

Approve Amendment No. 1 to the FY 2025-2026 Overall Work Program and Financial Plan and authorize Chairman to sign Resolution 25-23. ROLL CALL VOTE.

BEFORE THE KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF KERN

RESOLUTION 25-23

In the matter of:

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE FY 2025-2026 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM AND FINANCIAL PLAN

WHEREAS, each Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is required to develop a detailed Overall Work Program (OWP); and

WHEREAS, the OWP is designed to meet the comprehensive planning requirements of the Department of Transportation, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Environmental Protection Agency, and state agencies; and

WHEREAS, the OWP has been developed in accordance with guidelines established by the Intermodal Planning Group; and

WHEREAS, Kern COG has adopted an OWP and Financial Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 1 will result in increased net total budgetary appropriations of \$525,852 as detailed in the attachments, attached hereto and made a part of this Resolution No. 25-23 by this reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Amendment No. 1 to the FY 2025-2026 Overall Work Program/Financial Plan is hereby authorized.

AUTHORIZED AND SIGNED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Bob Smith, Chair  
Kern Council of Governments

ATTEST:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Kern Council of Governments, duly authorized at a regularly scheduled meeting held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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Jay Schlossr  
Executive Director  
Kern Council of Governments

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Revised October 7, 2025

Account No./Title	2025-26 Adopted	Amendment No. 1	Amendment No. 2	2025-26 Revised
REVENUE				
4140-Federal Grants	\$2,800,036	\$152,114		\$2,952,150
3955-State Grants	\$4,363,131	\$301,977		\$4,665,108
4220-Regional Planning/Admin.	\$1,191,486	\$(278,239)		\$913,247
4220-Local Contracts	\$61,446	\$350,000		\$411,446
5370-Miscellaneous	\$25,000			\$25,000
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 8,441,099	\$ 525,852		\$ 8,966,951
EXPENDITURES				
Personnel:				
6110-Regular Salaries & Wages	\$2,288,724			\$2,288,724
6200-Extra-Help Wages	\$50,414			\$50,414
6410/6600-Fringe Benefits	\$1,313,000			\$1,313,000
SUBTOTAL-PERSONNEL	\$ 3,652,138	\$ -	\$ -	
SUBTOTAL-7500 - PROFESSIONAL				
	\$4,329,982	\$ 77,232		
SERVICES & SUPPLIES				
6841-Communications	\$15,120			\$15,120
6900-Insurance	\$30,000			\$30,000
6970 Maintenance-Equipment	\$9,000			\$9,000
7001-Maintenance-Structures	\$2,000			\$2,000
7400-Memberships	\$44,675			\$44,675
7450-Office Supplies	\$25,706			\$25,706
7525-Data Processing	\$49,295			\$49,295
7600-Public/Legal Notices	\$91,829			\$91,829
7630-Leases-Equipment				
7650-Leases-Structures	\$172,519			\$172,519
7700-Special Dept. Expense	\$6,000			\$6,000
7730-Training & Development	\$29,327			\$29,327
7740-Travel Expenses	\$50,786			\$50,786
7750-Personal Vehicle Mileage	\$11,849			\$11,849
7970-Kern County Indirect Costs	\$3,000			\$3,000
7990-Depreciation Expense	\$21,000			\$21,000
7995-Bad Debt Expense				

SUBTOTAL-SERVICES & SUPPLIES	\$562,106		\$ 562,106
SUBTOTAL-8601-CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$17,000	\$4,615	\$ 21,615
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 8,561,226	\$ 81,847	\$ 8,643,073
Depreciation Adjustment			
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-\$120,127	\$444,005	\$ 323,878

## Kern Council of Governments

## SCHEDULE OF FY 2024-2025 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM AMENDMENTS

Revised: October 7, 2025

Work Element Title	WE No.	Approved Budget	Amendment No. 1	Amendment No. 2	Revised Budget
Air Quality Modeling/Transportation Management	101.1	71,697	-	\$	71,697
Environmental Review and Monitoring Program	102.1	16,232	-	\$	16,232
Community and Environmental Inventory Mapping System	201.1	492,425	4,615	\$	497,040
Mapping Services and Technical Support	201.1	-	-	\$	-
2025-2026 Sustainable Communities Public Participation	203.1A	164,605	29,455	\$	194,060
2025-2026 Sustainable Communities Performance Measures	203.2A	105,583	61,038	\$	166,621
2025-2026 Sustainable Communities Mobility Innovations and Incentives Planning	203.3A	70,535	9,898	\$	80,433
2025-2026 Sustainable Communities Strategy Forecast and Travel Model Activity Program	203.4A	93,058	10,676	\$	103,734
Regional Housing Need Allocation Plan	203.5	22,065	-	\$	22,065
Regional Transportation Plan/Congestion Management Process	601.1	412,917	74,910	\$	487,827
RTP/CIP Financial Element	601.2	48,230	-	\$	48,230
Regional Transportation Community Survey & Outreach	601.3	102,796	(76,512)	\$	26,284
Federal Performance Measures Data and Analysis	601.4	49,132	(26,520)	\$	22,612
Transportation Improvement Program	602.1	343,340	-	\$	343,340
Project Planning & Development Assistance for Federal-Aid Projects	602.2	291,168	-	\$	291,168
Transportation Systems Monitoring and Coordination	603.1	54,489	-	\$	54,489
Traffic Count Program	603.2	104,991	-	\$	104,991
Mobility Innovations and Incentives	6.303	55,682	-	\$	55,682
Kern Electric Vehicle (EV) Blueprint	603.4	1,283,972	-	\$	1,283,972
MD&HD Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure	-	-	-	\$	-
Regional Travel Demand Model Maintenance	604.1	480,201	1,000	\$	481,201
Regional Growth Forecast Model Data & Analysis	604.2	160,059	25,000	\$	185,059
Regional Travel Demand Model Analysis	604.3	23,626	-	\$	23,626
Corridor/Major Investment/Impact Studies	605.1	10,701	-	\$	10,701
KARGO C-CAMS	605.2	1,222,647	335,131	\$	1,557,778
Transit, Aviation and Passenger Rail Planning	606.1	331,742	-	\$	331,742
Kern Trans-Sierra Transit Climate Adaptation Plan {2024/25}	606.2	1,050,264	(367,365)	\$	682,899
TIRCP Administration	606.3	-	350,000	\$	350,000
Active Transportation and Complete Streets Program	608.1	57,510	-	\$	57,510
Kern Active Transportation Plan (ATPlan) Program	-	-	-	\$	-
Transportation Demand Management	609.1	355,563	-	\$	355,563
Freight Planning	610.1	63,441	-	\$	63,441
Phase II KARGO Sustainability Study	-	-	-	\$	-
I-5 Freight ZERO Pilot Study	-	-	-	\$	-
Grant Writing	801.1	152,411	-	\$	152,411
Regional Technical Assistance	902.1	8,506	-	\$	8,506

Information and Data Management	903.1	124,812	-	\$	124,812
Interregional Transportation Coordination	904.1	149,518	9,869	\$	159,387
Local Clearinghouse Review Program	904.2	5,181	-	\$	5,181
Local Reimbursement	1001.1	75,328	18,257	\$	93,585
Legislative Program	1001.2	36,774	1,400	\$	38,174
Transportation Development Act (TDA) Program	1001.3	131,654	-	\$	131,654
Information Services and Tribal Consultation	1001.4	47,330	65,000	\$	112,330
Overall Work Program (OWP) Development and Monitoring	1001.5	84,467	-	\$	84,467
KMAA System Administration and Operations	2001.1	36,506	-	\$	36,506
511 System Administration and Operations	2002.1	24,940	-	\$	24,940
T O T A L		\$ 8,416,098	525,852		8,941,950
CARRYOVER FUNDS		\$ 1,283,972		\$	301,977
FY 2024-25 ESTIMATED FUNDS		\$ 7,132,127		\$	8,639,974
TOTAL (CONTROL)		\$ 8,416,099			\$ 8,941,951

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 201.1 - COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL**  
**INVENTORY MAPPING SYSTEM**

**Purpose & Goal\***

To prepare and consolidate a comprehensive community and environmental planning inventory and quickly identify environmental factors in plans, programs, and studies through Geographic Information Systems (GIS). The GIS mapping program is designed to both maintain map layers such as land use, imagery, and roads for RTP and SCS analysis as well as providing supporting data for use in the transportation demand model.

\*Meets Core Planning Functions including the Regional Transportation Plan and Federal Transportation Improvement Program.

**Previous Work**

1. Restarted Kern Geographic Information Network (Kern GEONET) coordination meetings (FY 2024-25);
2. Kern COG GIS Program updates (FY 2024-25);
3. Updated local jurisdiction land use data for modeling inputs for 2026 RTP (FY 2024-25);
4. Kern Multi-Agency Aerial Imagery Project 2020 distribution;
5. Enabled use of 1937- partial 1952 Kern aerial photography in GIS.

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Maintain RHNA mapping tool for municipal & developer use	June	5%
2	Identify, compile and maintain mapping data in a single database. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June	35%
3	Integrate Kern COG Enterprise GIS with public online map tools. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	December	20%
4	Update Disadvantaged Communities Mapping. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG)	April	5%
5	Update historical aerial imagery for modern GIS systems. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG/Consultant).	June	15%
6	Coordinate partnership activity for multi-agency imagery collection and distribution. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June	5%
7	Create, maintain and analyze planning maps for RTP and other documents. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	Continuous	15%

**End Products (Schedule)**

1. Update Disadvantaged Communities mapping. (April 2026)
2. Kern COG ArcGIS Online integration. (monthly)
3. Maintain layers such as new development for RTP modeling inputs (June 2026)
4. Historical aerial imagery 1952 update (June 2026)
5. Map and analyze data for Kern COG documents (monthly)

## Revenue Budget

FTA										TOTAL	TOLL CREDITS NOT REVENUE			
	PL	PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	STIP PPM	Local			PL	PL carryover	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover
Kern COG	\$379,040				\$115,500				\$494,540		\$43,476	\$0	\$13,248	\$0
Consultant					\$2,500				\$2,500		\$0	\$0	\$287	
Total	\$379,040	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$118,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$497,040		\$43,476	\$0	\$13,535	\$0

## Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS							TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
FHWA PL	18,952	132,664	75,808	18,952	56,856	18,952	56,856	\$ 379,040
FHWA PL C/O	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
FTA 5303	5,900	41,300	23,600	5,900	17,700	5,900	17,700	\$ 118,000
FTA 5303 C/O	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
Local	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 24,852	\$ 173,964	\$ 99,408	\$ 24,852	\$ 74,556	\$ 24,852	\$ 74,556	\$ 497,040

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 203.1A– SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**Purpose & Goal**

The goal of this program is to fulfill the requirements of the SB 375 Regional Transportation Plan Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), as well as the 2017 Regional Transportation Guidelines for consultation and coordination by all interested parties. This program contributes to Caltrans' mission and overarching objectives for SB 1 formula grant resources: sustainability, preservation, mobility, safety, innovation, economy, health and social equity. It also contributes to Sustainable Communities Grant Specific Objectives: to encourage local and regional multimodal transportation and land use planning that furthers the region's RTP/SCS, contributes to the State's GHG reduction targets and other State goals. This Work Element uses 2025/26 SB 1 formula grant funding.

**Previous Work**

1. Public Outreach for the Kern Area Regional Goods-movement Operations (KARGO) Climate Change Adaptation Mitigation Study (C-CAMS) for inclusion in the 2026 Regional Transportation Plan (FY 2024-25)
2. Online Surveys (FY 2024-25).
3. 2025 Community Survey (February 2025).
4. 2018 and 2022 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategies;
5. Public Information Policies and Procedures Update for 2026 Regional Transportation Plan – May 2023.
6. Online Surveys – May 2024, September 2024

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

	Task	Completion Date	% Effort
1	Design public outreach content and timing, ensure that the planning process successfully integrates environmental justice and local developer feedback into decision making to refine transportation plans, produce public outreach reports and data analysis for the RTP/SCS. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	35%
2	Identify transportation needs of target populations, including disadvantaged communities and Environmental Justice communities; Quantitatively assess benefits and burdens of transportation plans. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG)	June 30	20%
3	Continue government to government relationship with the Tejon Tribe and other tribal communities for the RTP/SCS process. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG)	June 30	10%
4	Using a subscription service, design and develop at least two online surveys for development of the RTP/SCS (Fall and Spring). (Responsible Agency: Kern COG)	June 30	15%
5	Provide planning support to member agencies in development of grants and applications. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG)	During Fiscal Year	20%

### End Products (Schedule)

1. Regional Community Survey (Consultant) (March/April 2026) (\$75,000)
2. FY25-26 SCS status and modeling report (twice a year).
3. FY25-26 Final SCS initial model methodology report (on a four-year cycle)
4. FY25-26 Final SCS land-use model forecast report (on a four-year cycle)

### Revenue Budget

AGENCY	Formula Funds				TOTAL
	FY 25-26 SB-1F	FY 24-25 SB-1F Carryover	FY 23-24 SB 1F Carryover	Local	
Kern COG	\$ 70,725	\$ 18,247	\$ 7,830	\$13,656	\$110,458
Consultant	\$ 75,000			\$ 8,603	\$ 83,603
Total	\$ 145,725	\$ 18,247	\$ 7,830	\$22,259	\$194,061

### Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS					TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	
SB-1F 25-26	\$ 51,004	\$ 29,145	\$ 14,573	\$ 21,859	\$ 29,145	\$ 145,725
SB-1F 24-25 Carryover	\$ 6,386	\$ 3,649	\$ 1,825	\$ 2,737	\$ 3,649	\$ 18,247
SB 1F 23-24 Carryover	\$ 2,741	\$ 1,566	\$ 783	\$ 1,175	\$ 1,566	\$ 7,830
Local	\$ 7,791	\$ 4,452	\$ 2,226	\$ 3,339	\$ 4,452	\$ 22,259
TOTAL	\$ 67,921	\$ 38,812	\$ 19,406	\$ 29,109	\$ 38,812	\$ 194,061

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2024-2025**  
**Work Element # 203.2A– 2025-2026 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES**  
**PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

**Purpose & Goal**

The goal of this program is to fulfill the requirements of the SB 375 Regional Transportation Plan Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), as well as the Regional Transportation Guidelines for performance measure monitoring. Kern COG was cited in the State 2010 Guidelines as a Best Practice for a Small/Medium/Rural MPO. This program contributes to Caltrans' mission and overarching objectives for SB 1 formula grant resources: sustainability, preservation, mobility, safety, innovation, economy, health and social equity. It also contributes to Sustainable Communities Grant Specific Objectives: to encourage local and regional multimodal transportation and land use planning that furthers the region's RTP/SCS, contributes to the State's GHG reduction targets and other State goals. This Work Element uses 2025-26 SB 1 formula grant funding.

**Previous Work**

1. 2014, 2018-2024 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategies Integrated Performance Measure Analysis

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	SCS Performance Measure Analysis Program – for environmental justice and all communities in support of SCS development. SCS system level integrated performance measure analysis (see also 601.4). (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	30%
2	SCS update of disadvantaged communities mapping as needed using Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) U.S. EPA EJScreen Tool. SCS disadvantaged communities/environmental justice performance measure analysis. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	15%
3	SCS smart mobility framework performance measure analysis; SCS health equity performance measure analysis. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	15%
4	SCS public outreach scenario comparison performance measures. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	15%
5	Project level performance measures to support the transportation improvement program and grant applications. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	During Fiscal Year	15%
6	Research on developing and monitoring health performance and other emerging measures in coordination with stakeholders. Include established Environmental Justice and Business and Industry Roundtable Stakeholder groups in development of performance measures. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%

### End Products (Schedule)

1. FY25-26 SCS performance status and modeling report (bi-annual)
2. FY25-26 SCS development and modeling for disadvantaged communities for the SCS environmental justice performance report (on a four-year cycle)
3. FY25-26 SCS roundtable stakeholder meeting(s) report (on a four-year cycle)
4. FY25-26 Draft SCS integrated performance measures analysis (on a four-year cycle)
5. FY25-26 Final SCS integrated performance measures analysis (on a four-year cycle)

### Revenue Budget

AGENCY		FHWA			FTA				TOTAL	
	PL	PL carryover	FY 25-26 SB-1F	FY 24-25 SB-1F Carryover	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	STIP PPM	Local	
Kern COG			\$93,473	\$54,037					\$19,111	\$166,621
Consultant										\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$93,473	\$54,037	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$19,111	\$166,621

### Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS						TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
SB-1F 25-26	28,042	14,021	14,021	14,021	14,021	9,347	\$ 93,473
SB-1F 24-25	16,211	8,106	8,106	8,106	8,106	5,404	\$ 54,037
Local	5,733	2,867	2,867	2,867	2,867	1,911	\$ 19,111
TOTAL	\$ 49,986	\$ 24,993	\$ 24,993	\$ 24,993	\$ 24,993	\$ 16,662	\$ 166,621

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 203.3A – SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES MOBILITY**  
**INNOVATIONS AND INCENTIVES PLANNING**

**Purpose & Goal\***

The goal of this program is to fulfill the requirements of the SB 375 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) to support SCS development by identifying advanced transportation technology projects to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in all communities, and specifically in CalEnviroscreen-identified disadvantaged communities, especially racial minority, and low-income communities (see also WE 603.3). This program contributes to Caltrans' mission and overarching objectives for SB 1 formula grant resources: sustainability, preservation, mobility, safety, innovation, economy, health, and social equity. This program contributes to Sustainable Communities Grant-Specific Objectives: (a) to encourage local and regional multimodal transportation and land use planning that furthers the region's RTP/SCS and (b) contributes to the State's GHG reduction targets and other State goals. This Work Element uses 2025-2026 SB 1 formula grant funding.

**Previous Work**

1. Electric Vehicle Charging Spaces in Kern County by Zip Code Report (November 2024, June 2026).
2. Public electric vehicle events or training workshops (June 2025).
3. Project delivery, grant research, and write grants (FY 2024-25);
4. 2018 and 2022 Regional Transportation;
5. 2013-2023 San Joaquin Valley Electric Vehicle Partnership member;
6. 2013-2023 San Joaquin Valley Natural Gas Partnership member;
7. 2018-2020; 2022-2024 Kern COG TRANSITions Transit Symposium;
8. 2021 TRANSITions Webinar Series.
9. 2016-2023 National Drive Electric Week Events and Media Campaigns;
10. 2021-2023 First Responder Training Workshops;
11. Kern Electric Charging Space Inventory (2016 Baseline).

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	SCS Mobility Innovations Program- Respond to inquiries related to mobility innovations, alternative fuel vehicles and infrastructure. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG)	June 30	5%
2	Host or sponsor public workshops on mobility innovations, funding resources or technician trainings. (Responsible Agencies: Kern COG, Stakeholder Groups).	June 30	15%
3	Meet with member agencies and other public agencies to determine interest in shared mobility options, alternative fuel vehicles and fueling or charging infrastructure, and FAST Alternative Fuel Corridor designations to better tailor outreach, awareness, and education efforts to meet local needs. (see also WE	June 30	10%

	603.3). (Responsible Agencies: Kern COG, Stakeholder Groups).		
4	Attend the Advanced Clean Transportation Expo (2026), the NorCal Clean Tech Forum or other related conferences either in person or online. Advocate for new investment in Kern County. (see also WE 603.3). (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	May 31	10%
5	Monitor and track charging station and alternative fuel infrastructure development to document 2019 Kern EV Charging Station Blueprint progress. (Responsible Agencies: Kern COG, Stakeholder groups).	May 31	10%
6	Coordinate, host, sponsor and participate in local activities to support the development of zero emission vehicle market or infrastructure. Partner with local agencies as appropriate, attend meetings, and workshops with consideration for DACs. (see also WE 603.3) (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	30%
7	Partner with local agencies as appropriate, attend meetings, and serve on committees with consideration for DACs. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
8	Promote mobility innovations, alternative fuel vehicles and infrastructure activities and events through media releases, paid public awareness campaigns and public outreach. (see also WE 603.3) (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%

### End Products (Schedule)

1. Zero Emission public awareness campaign (October 2025, June 2026).
2. Electric Vehicle Charging Spaces in Kern County by Zip Code Report (November 2025, June 2026).
3. Public electric vehicle events or training workshops (June 2026).
4. Conference, meeting, or workshop participation (June 2026).

### Revenue Budget

AGENCY		FHWA			FTA				TOTAL	
	PL	PL carryover	FY 25-26 SB-1F	FY 24-25 SB-1F Carryover	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	STIP PPM	Local	
Kern COG			\$62,445	\$8,762					\$9,226	\$80,433
Consultant										\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$62,445	\$8,762	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,226	\$80,433

### Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS								TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
SB-1F 25-26	3,122	9,367	6,245	6,245	6,245	18,734	6,245	6,245	\$ 62,445
SB-1F 24-25	438	1,314	876	876	876	2,629	876	876	\$ 8,762
Local	461	1,384	923	923	923	2,768	923	923	\$ 9,226
TOTAL	\$ 4,022	\$ 12,065	\$ 8,043	\$ 8,043	\$ 8,043	\$ 24,130	\$ 8,043	\$ 8,043	\$ 80,433

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 203.4A – SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY FORECAST**  
**AND TRAVEL MODEL ACTIVITY PROGRAM**

**Purpose & Goal**

The goal of this program is to fulfill the requirements of the SB 375 Regional Transportation Plan Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), as well as the 2017 Regional Transportation Guidelines for consultation and coordination by all interested parties. This program contributes to Caltrans' mission and overarching objectives for SB 1 formula grant resources: sustainability, preservation, mobility, safety, innovation, economy, health and social equity. It also contributes to Sustainable Communities Grant Specific Objectives: to encourage local and regional multimodal transportation and land use planning that furthers the region's RTP/SCS, contributes to the State's GHG reduction targets and other State goals. This program, similar to work elements 604.2 & 604.3 will focus on SCS Socio-economic, Land Use, and Travel Model Forecasting Activity – for environmental justice and all communities in support of SCS development. This Work Element uses 2025-26 SB 1 formula grant funding.

**Previous Work**

1. SCS status and modeling report (FY 2024-25)
2. Draft SCS initial model methodology submittal (FY 2024-25)
3. Draft SCS land-use model forecast report (FY 2024-25)
4. 2018 and 2022 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy;
5. 2024-2050 Regional Growth Forecast – April 2024;
6. SCS Status and Modeling Reports – April 2024, November 2024
7. Draft SCS Initial Model Methodology – June 2024

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Increase number of TAZs as needed. Calculate a build-out analysis of all general plans in Kern County by TAZ. (Responsible Party: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
2	Coordinate modeling assumptions through Regional Transportation Modeling Committee/Regional Planning Advisory Committee. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
3	Refine UPLAN land-use model for distribution of regional growth forecast. (Responsible Party: Kern COG).	June 30	25%
4	Provide modeling/support for regional transportation decision-making, air quality conformity modeling and local projects and programs. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG)	June 30	25%
5	Conduct environmental justice analysis of the short-range program and long-range plans to evaluate and determine transportation impacts. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
6	Prepare data for SCS technical modeling methodology to meet SB 375 requirements. (Responsible Party: Kern COG).	June 30	15%
7	Participate in San Joaquin Valley Model Improvement Program. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%

8	Assess the intermodal feasibility of proposed aviation, highway, public transit, goods movement, and non-motorized transportation projects. Continue to monitor and update proposed at-grade and grade-separated rail safety projects (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
9	Identify short- and long-range strategies and actions to meet projected demands (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%

### End Products (Schedule)

1. FY25-26 SCS status and modeling report (twice a year) December 2025, June 2026).
2. FY25-26 Final SCS model methodology report (on a four-year cycle) (December 2025)
3. FY25-26 Final SCS land-use model forecast report (on a four-year cycle) (December 2025)

### Revenue Budget

AGENCY	Formula Funds		TOTAL	
	FY 25-26 SB-1F	FY 24-25 SB-1F Carryover	Local	
Kern COG	\$ 82,384	\$ 9,422	\$ 11,928	\$ 103,734
Consultant			\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ 82,384	\$ 9,422	\$ 11,928	\$ 103,734

### Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS									TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
SB-1F 25-26	\$ 4,119	\$ 4,119	\$ 16,477	\$ 20,596	\$ 8,238	\$ 16,477	\$ 4,119	\$ 4,119	\$ 4,119	\$ 82,384
SB-1F 24-25	\$ 471	\$ 471	\$ 1,884	\$ 2,356	\$ 942	\$ 1,884	\$ 471	\$ 471	\$ 471	\$ 9,422
Local	\$ 596	\$ 596	\$ 2,386	\$ 2,982	\$ 1,193	\$ 2,386	\$ 596	\$ 596	\$ 596	\$ 11,928
TOTAL	\$ 5,187	\$ 5,187	\$ 20,747	\$ 25,934	\$ 10,373	\$ 20,747	\$ 5,187	\$ 5,187	\$ 5,187	\$ 103,734

**Kern Council of Governments  
OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026  
Work Element # 601.1 – REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN/  
CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROCESS**

**Purpose & Goal\***

Using a collaborative, comprehensive, continuous four-year cycle, amend and update the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) to address short- and long-term multi-modal transportation needs over a 20+ year timeframe in compliance with applicable federal and state requirements, using an integrated document approach. Some of the requirements addressed by the RTP include Federal Code Title 23 Part 450.320 congestion management process (CMP) and California Government Code Sec. 65080(b)(2) sustainable communities strategy (SCS).

\*Meets several Federal Planning Factors, Core Planning Functions including the Regional Transportation Plan, Federal Transportation Improvement Program, air quality conformity, Performance Management and State of Good Repair.

**Previous Work**

1. Request for Proposal for the 2026 RTP/SCS Program Environmental Impact Report; (August 2025)
2. Contract Award with Consultant for PEIR; (November 2024)
3. Conformity analysis for RTP and Federal Transportation Improvement Program (2022 RTP and 2025 FTIP)
4. RTP development status reports (January 2025, June 2025)
2. Modeling runs in support of RTP Development; Amendments; Revenue Projections; Capital Improvement Program and mapping; (June 2025)
3. Capital Improvement Program; (June 2025)
4. Conformity analysis including RTP amendments; and (June 2025)
5. 2022 RTP/SCS Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR);
6. 2018, 2022 RTPs, SCSs, CMPs, supportive studies (freight, transit, complete streets, etc.), and inclusive of programmatic environmental documents;
7. 2018, 2020 Regional Transportation Improvement Programs;
8. 2021, 2023, and 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program, amendments, and Conformity Analysis;
9. 2020, 2022, 2024 Federal approval of the Federal Transportation Improvement Program, RTP and related Conformity Analysis and amendments;
10. 2020, California Air Resources Board acceptance of the SCS.

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Continue the four-year cycle update process for the RTP/SCS, including: status reports, revised modeling, revenue projections, Capital Improvement Program (CIP) list development, mapping, visualizations and element updates (Responsible Agency: Kern COG/Consultant).	June 30	20%

2	Preparation of Draft 2026 RTP/SCS Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) and response to comments (Responsible Agency: Kern COG/Consultant).	June 30	15%
3	Review and revise conformity analysis, as necessary and re-adopt resolution documenting air quality conformity (Responsible Agency: Kern COG/Consultant).	June 30	10%
4	Review RTP guidelines and updates to maintain compliance with state and federal mandates, goals, policies and implementing actions of the RTP (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	March 31	10%
5	Assess the intermodal feasibility of proposed: aviation, highway, public transit, goods movement and non-motorized transportation projects. Continue to monitor and update proposed at-grade and grade-separated rail safety projects (Responsibility Agency: Kern COG);	December 30	10%
6	Identify short- and long-range strategies and actions to meet projected demands; When updating the RTP, include Freight Movement analyses findings, as well as ITS studies (Responsible Agency: Kern COG/Consultant);	June 30	10%
7	Evaluate the federal congestion management process for consistency with the Regional Transportation Plan (Responsible Agency: Kern COG);	December 30.	5%
8	Coordinate the system planning process with Caltrans Districts 6 and 9; Coordinate with member agencies to implement the currently adopted Regional Transportation Plan (Responsible Agency: Kern COG);	June 30	5%
9	Determine a means to address federal surface transportation funding requirements for ground access improvements (Responsible Agency: Kern COG);	June 30	5%
10	As necessary, revise, amend and update the Regional Transportation Plan, assuring compliance with state and federal air quality requirements (California Clean Air Act, Federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990, and State Implementation Plan) as well as the Air Quality Attainment Plan adopted by the two local air districts (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
11	Coordinate development of the RTP/SCS with representatives from Department of Defense on infrastructure and connectivity needs for the Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET). Coordinated with the Federal Land Management Agency on infrastructure and connectivity needs related to access routes and other public roads and transportation services that connect to Federal lands. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%

### End Products (Schedule)

1. RTP development status reports (January 2026, June 2026)
2. DRAFT 2026 RTP (March 2026)
3. Modeling runs in support of RTP Development; Amendments; Revenue Projections; Capital Improvement Program and mapping; (June 2026)
4. 2026 RTP PEIR (June 2026) (Consultant)

### Revenue Budget

AGENCY	FHWA			FTA					TOTAL	TOLL CREDITS NOT REVENUE			
	FY 25-26 PL	FY 24-25 PL Carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	STIP PPM	Local		PL	PL carryover	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover
Kern COG	\$44,107	\$16,151			\$88,515				\$148,773	\$5,059	\$9,137	\$10,153	\$0
Consultant	\$275,541	\$63,513							\$339,054	\$31,605	\$0	\$0	
Total	\$319,648	\$79,664	\$0	\$0	\$88,515	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$487,827	\$36,664	\$9,137	\$10,153	\$0

## Funding by Task

SOURCE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	TOTAL
FY 25-26 FHWA FL	\$ 63,930	\$ 15,982	\$ 31,965	\$ 31,965	\$ 31,965	\$ 47,947	\$ 31,965	\$ 15,982	\$ 15,982	\$ 15,982	\$ 15,982	\$ 319,648
FY 24-25 FHWA FL	\$ 15,933	\$ 3,983	\$ 7,966	\$ 7,966	\$ 7,966	\$ 11,950	\$ 7,966	\$ 3,983	\$ 3,983	\$ 3,983	\$ 3,983	\$ 79,664
FTA 5303	\$ 17,703	\$ 4,426	\$ 8,852	\$ 8,852	\$ 8,852	\$ 13,277	\$ 8,852	\$ 4,426	\$ 4,426	\$ 4,426	\$ 4,426	\$ 88,515
STIP PPM	\$ -											\$ -
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 97,565	\$ 24,391	\$ 48,783	\$ 48,783	\$ 48,783	\$ 73,174	\$ 48,783	\$ 24,391	\$ 24,391	\$ 24,391	\$ 24,391	\$ 487,827



**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 601.3 –REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMUNITY**  
**SURVEY & OUTREACH**

**Purpose & Goal**

To gain public input on the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Community Strategy (RTP/SCS) process and integrate U.S. Department of Transportation Environmental Justice regulations and Title VI requirements into Kern COG's planning processes. This Work Element uses PL and STIP PPM funds to encourage local and regional multimodal transportation and land use planning, provide education and outreach to disadvantaged communities and strive to achieve sustainability, preservation, mobility, improved health and social equity.

**Previous Work**

1. Public Outreach for the Kern Area Regional Goods-movement Operations (KARGO) Climate Change Adaptation Mitigation Study (C-CAMS) for inclusion in the 2026 Regional Transportaton Plan (FY 2024-25);
2. Public workshops/Community meetings (FY 2024-25);
3. Website and newspaper advertising (FY 2024-25);
4. Regional community survey 2009 through 2025 (Received and filed April 2025);
5. Continued government-to-government coordination with the Tejon Indian Tribe (FY 2024-25);
6. Updated Public Information Policies and Procedures for 2026 RTP – May 2023.
7. 2010, 2012, 2016, 2018, 2020, 2023 Environmental Justice and Social Equity Roundtable;
8. California Central Valley Tribal Transportation Environmental Justice Collaborative Project (FY 2008-09);
9. Tribal Notification Area Map for San Joaquin Valley (GIS map); and
10. Tejon Indian Tribe designated as a member of the Regional Planning Advisory Group 2023.

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Design public outreach content and timing, ensure that the planning process successfully integrates environmental justice and federal land management agencies into decision making, produce public outreach reports and data analysis for the RTP/SCS. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	25%
2	Identify transportation needs of target populations, including disadvantaged communities and Environmental Justice communities; Quantitatively assess benefits and burdens of transportation plans. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	15%
3	Continue government-to-government relationship with the Tejon Tribe and other tribal communities for the RTP/SCS process. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	15%

4	Continue government-to-government relationship with Tejon Tribe with the goal of developing an agreement with policies and procedures that outline roles, responsibilities and key decision points. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	15%
5	Prepare and conduct the annual quality of life community survey. (Responsible Agency: Consultant).	May 31	10%
6	Updated Public Information Policies and Procedures	September 30	20%

### End Products (Schedule)

1. Outreach at Community Events (July 2025 – June 2026).
2. Newspaper advertising (July 2025 – June 2026).
3. Public workshops and community meetings (July 2025 – June 2026).
4. Regional community survey (Consultant) (March/April 2026) (\$75,000 – STIP PPM).
5. GIS maps of minority and low-income populations (June 2026).
6. Integrate U.S. Department of Transportation Environmental Justice regulations into the Regional Transportation Plan process (June 2026).
7. Monitor Integrated Performance Measures Analysis from 2022 Regional Transportation Plan (June 2026).
8. Revise environmental justice modeling metro and non-metro TAZs and job centers TAZs (June 2026).

### Revenue Budget

AGENCY	FHWA		STIP PPM	TOTAL		TOLL CREDITS NOT REVENUE	
	FY 25-26 PL	PL carryover		Local		PL	PL carryover
Kern COG	\$ 7,784			\$ -	\$ 7,784	\$ 893	\$ -
Consultant	\$ 18,500				\$ 18,500	\$ 2,122	
Total	\$ 26,284	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,284	\$ 3,015	\$ -

### Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS						TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
25-26 FHWA PL	\$ 6,571	\$ 3,943	\$ 3,943	\$ 3,943	\$ 2,628	\$ 5,257	\$ 26,284
STIP PPM	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 6,571	\$ 3,943	\$ 3,943	\$ 3,943	\$ 2,628	\$ 5,257	\$ 26,284

**Kern Council of Governments  
OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-26  
Work Element # 601.4 – FEDERAL PERFORMANCE MEASURES DATA AND  
ANALYSIS**

**Purpose & Goal\***

Establish and monitor a variety of highway safety, bridge, pavement and overall system performance measures within the transportation planning process. Provides for data gathering and analysis to promote a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance the region's economy, health and livability.

\*Meets several Federal Planning Factors, Core Planning Functions including the Regional Transportation Plan, and Performance Management.

**Previous Work**

1. Federal Safety Performance Measure (PM1) "Toward Zero" 2024 Target Update (February 2025);
2. Federal Performance Measure (PM3) Targets for Travel Time, Delay and Vehicle Occupancy (November 2024);
3. Federal Safety Performance Measurement (PM1) "Toward Zero" 2024 Target Update (January 2024);
4. Completion of PM 1-3 targets (2023-24);
5. Participated in PM1-3 Webinars and Trainings (2023-24);
6. 2022 Completed Local Road Safety Plans for 9 cities (2024);
7. 2014, 2018 and 2022 Environmental Justice Measures Analysis;
8. 2021, 2023 Project Delivery Policies and Procedures; and
9. Health Equity Performance Measures (2022).

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	PM 1 – Consider and adopt two measures to assess motorized fatalities: (1) Number of fatalities; (2) Rate of fatalities. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	February	10%
2	PM 1 – Consider and adopt two measures to assess motorized serious injuries: (1) Number of serious injuries; (2) Rate of serious injuries. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	February	15%
3	PM 1 – Consider and adopt one measure for non-motorized safety performance: (1) Number of non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries. <b>Note:</b> Pedestrian and non-motorized fatalities and severe injuries are combined as requested by Caltrans MAP-21 Safety Performance Management (PM 1) Team in accordance with FHWA. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	February	5%
4	PM 2 – Consider and adopt two measures for Interstate System pavement condition: (1) Percentage of pavements on the Interstate System in Good condition; (2) Percentage of pavements on the Interstate System in Poor condition. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	November	5%
5	PM 2 – Consider and adopt two measures for National Highway System (NHS) pavement condition: (1) Percentage of pavements on the NHS (excluding the Interstate System) in	November	5%

	good condition; (2) Percentage of pavements on the NHS (excluding the Interstate System) in Poor condition. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).		
6	PM 2 – Consider and adopt two measures of bridge condition: (1) Percentage of NHS bridges in Good condition; (2) Percentage of NHS bridges in Poor condition. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	November	5%
7	PM 3 – Consider and adopt four system-wide measures: (1) Percentage of reliable person-miles traveled on the Interstate; (2) Percentage of reliable person-miles traveled on the non-Interstate NHS; (3) Percent change in CO2 emissions from 2017, generated by on-road mobile sources on the NHS; (4) A measure evaluating truck travel time reliability on the Interstate system (average truck reliability index). (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	November	5%
8	PM 3 – Consider and adopt three measures to assess the federal Congestion Mitigation Air Quality program; (1) Total emission reductions for applicable criteria pollutants, for non-attainment and maintenance areas. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	November	5%
9	PM 3 – Consider and adopt two measures to assess traffic congestion: (1) Annual hours of peak hour excessive delay per capita; (2) Modal share; specifically, the percent of non-single occupancy vehicle travel, including travel avoided by telecommuting. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	November	5%
10	Update disadvantaged communities mapping as needed. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
11	Implement a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Transit asset Management Plan and Performance Measures (rolling stock, equipment, facilities, infrastructure; and Caltrans transit "State of Good Repair" countywide reporting. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
12	System level integrated performance measures for Environmental Justice, Title VI, and smart mobility framework. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	15%
13	Project Level Performance measures to support the transportation improvement program and grant applications. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
14	Continue developing and monitoring health performance measures in coordination with health advocates. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%

### End Products (Schedule)

1. MPO PM 1 Targets (annually) (February 2026)
2. MPO PM 2 Targets (every-other-year) (August 2025)
3. MPO PM Online Report (annually) (November 2026)

### Future End Products (Schedule)

1. MPO PM 3 Targets (September 2026)

### Revenue Budget

AGENCY	FHWA				FTA				TOTAL		TOLL CREDITS NOT REVENUE			
	FY 25-26 PL	PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	STIP FPM	Local		PL	PL carryover	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover
Kern COG	\$612								\$22,000	\$22,612	\$70	\$0	\$0	\$0
Consultant										\$0				
Total	\$612	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$22,000	\$22,612	\$70	\$0	\$0	\$0

## Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS														TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
FHWA PL	\$ 61	\$ 92	\$ 31	\$ 61	\$ 31	\$ 31	\$ 31	\$ 31	\$ 31	\$ 31	\$ 31	\$ 92	\$ 31	\$ 31	\$ 612
Consultant	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Local	\$ 2,200	\$ 3,300	\$ 1,100	\$ 2,200	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,100	\$ 3,300	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,100	\$ 22,000
TOTAL	\$ 2,261	\$ 3,392	\$ 1,131	\$ 2,261	\$ 1,131	\$ 1,131	\$ 1,131	\$ 1,131	\$ 1,131	\$ 1,131	\$ 1,131	\$ 3,392	\$ 1,131	\$ 1,131	\$ 22,612



**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 602.1 – TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**Purpose & Goal\***

Develop a multimodal transportation system and implement long-range transportation plans in the Kern County area.

\*Meets Core Planning Functions including Regional Transportation Plan, Federal Transportation Improvement Program and Congestion Management Process, air quality, Performance Management and State of Good Repair.

**Previous Work**

1. 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (December 2024);
2. 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program Amendments (June 2025);
3. 2022 Regional Transportation Plan and Amendments;
4. 2023 Regional/Federal Transportation Improvement Program;
5. Amendments to the 2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program;
6. Develop and submit 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program;
7. Develop 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program; and
8. California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS).

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Develop and manage the Federal Transportation Improvement Program, maintain fiscal constraint. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	25%
2	Develop and manage the Regional Transportation Improvement Program. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	December 15	15%
3	Conduct outreach meetings and workshops to develop Transportation Improvement Programs and lists of capital projects. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
4	Coordinate state and federal-aid capital improvement programs including ranking and development, review and approval for project applications. Monitor Sites of Repeated Disaster Damage table when selecting projects. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	15%
5	Conduct conformity analysis, adopt resolution and accept conformity findings and document conformity with various air quality strategies. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
6	Monitor proposed at-grade and grade-separated rail projects. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
7	Evaluate compliance with air quality conformity, state implementation plan, NEPA and title VI in project delivery process. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
8	Monitor California Transportation Commission and legislative proposals related to transportation financing. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
9	Continue CTIPS and participate in statewide programming coordination meetings. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
10	Update transportation improvement project selection policy as needed to include new state and federally mandated air	June 30	5%

	quality and planning policies. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).		
11	Coordinate development of the Transportation Improvement Program with representatives from Department of Defense on infrastructure and connectivity needs for the Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET). Coordinated with the Federal Land Management Agency on infrastructure and connectivity needs related to access routes and other public roads and transportation services that connect to Federal lands. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%

### End Products (Schedule)

1. 2026 RTIP (December 2025)
2. 2025 FTIP Amendments (June 2026)

### Future End Products (Schedule)

1. 2027 FTIP (December 2026)

### Revenue Budget

AGENCY	FHWA				FTA			TOTAL		
	PL	PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	FY 25-26 STIP PFM	Local	
Kern COG								\$343,340		\$343,340
Consultant										\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$343,340	\$0	\$343,340

### Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS											TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
FHWA PL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
FHWA PL C/O	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
STIP PFM	\$ 85,835	\$ 51,501	\$ 17,167	\$ 51,501	\$ 17,167	\$ 17,167	\$ 17,167	\$ 34,334	\$ 17,167	\$ 17,167	\$ 17,167	\$ 343,340
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 85,835	\$ 51,501	\$ 17,167	\$ 51,501	\$ 17,167	\$ 17,167	\$ 17,167	\$ 34,334	\$ 17,167	\$ 17,167	\$ 17,167	\$ 343,340

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 602.2 – PROJECT PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE**  
**FOR FEDERAL-AID PROJECTS**

**Purpose & Goal\***

Assist local agencies with planning and development of federal aid projects consistent with federal Title 23 requirements. Work cooperatively with Caltrans Planning, Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration to facilitate planning, development of federal aid projects to reduce duplication of effort.

\*Meets various Federal Planning Factors, Core Planning Activities including the Regional Transportation Plan and Federal Transportation Improvement Program, Performance Management and State of Good Repair.

**Previous Work**

1. 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (December 2024);
2. 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program Amendments (June 2025);
3. Project Status Reports (CMAQ/RSTP/ATP/TDA Article 3) to local agencies (FY 2024-25);
4. Progress Report for Projects of Regional Significance (FY 2024-25);
5. 2022 Regional Transportation Plan and amendments;
6. 2023 Regional/Federal Transportation Improvement Programs and amendments;
7. Short-range transit plans;
8. Accessing California Transportation Improvement Program System database; and
9. Congestion Management Program Updates.

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Assist local agencies and Caltrans with State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) project planning & development and other state funded programs. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	20%
2	Host local assistance planning & project development and other state funded programs. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
3	Monitor RIP, IIP, RSTP, CMAQ, ATP and other federal-aid projects. Monitor state funded projects including SB 1 programs and projects. Report project development status to Caltrans, CTC and member agencies annually. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	30%
4	Participate with Caltrans Districts 6 and 9 in state highway project planning, development, coordination and programming. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
5	Monitor Caltrans Districts 6 and 9 expenditures and project development activities to assure Kern regional projects are timely and budget constrained. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
6	Develop and submit responses to project planning & development inquiries to local agencies, Caltrans Local Assistance, Caltrans Planning, FHWA, and FTA. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	20%

**End Products (Schedule)**

1. Project status reports (CMAQ/RSTP/ATP/TDA Article 3) to local agencies (November 2025 and February 2026).
2. Progress Report for Projects of Regional Significance (October 2025, April 2026).
3. Project status workshop (June 2026).

## Revenue Budget

AGENCY	FHWA				FTA				TOTAL
	PL	PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	FY 25-26 STIP PPM	Local
Kern COG								\$291,168	
Consultant									\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$291,168	\$0

## Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS						TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
FHWA PL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
FHWA PL C/O	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
STIP PPM	\$ 58,234	\$ 29,117	\$ 87,350	\$ 29,117	\$ 29,117	\$ 58,234	\$ 291,168
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 58,234	\$ 29,117	\$ 87,350	\$ 29,117	\$ 29,117	\$ 58,234	\$ 291,168

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 604.1 – REGIONAL TRAVEL DEMAND MODEL MAINTENANCE**

**Purpose & Goal\***

To develop and maintain the regional travel demand model. The maintenance of the regional travel demand model will ensure Kern COG has updated travel data and projections that will inform decision-making and the RTP. This activity will include a consultant contract for the purposes of maintaining the model. All modeling assumptions will be coordinated with Kern COG's Regional Planning Advisory Committee.

\*Meets several Federal Planning Factors, Core Planning Functions including the Regional Transportation Plan, Federal Transportation Improvement Program, air quality planning and Performance Management.

**Previous Work**

1. Regional Planning Advisory Committee Agendas and Minutes (at least quarterly) (FY 2024-25);
2. Model maintenance updated networks, scripts, and inputs of transportation model (FY 2024-25);
3. Develop future year model output (FY 2024-25);
4. Model Maintenance contract (FY 2024-25);
5. Acquired training, computer software and hardware for Regional Transportation Model (FY 2024-25);
6. Maintained travel/transit networks, model scripts and planning assumptions in support of modeling for Federal Air Quality Conformity, Regional Transportation Planning and Programming, Environmental Analysis, Cumulative effects analysis, impact fee analysis (FY 2024-25);
7. Transportation investment studies for transit and multiple occupancy vehicle use (2023-24).

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Maintain TAZ boundaries as needed (model maintenance). (Responsible Party: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
2	Maintain transit network in Cube (model maintenance). (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
3	Maintain transit access file using GIS (model maintenance). (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
4	Calibrate & validate outlying communities in Cube model to base year 2023 (model maintenance). Participate in, and monitor the Valley Transport Resiliency Advancement for Neighborhoods' Sustainable Freight Movement Grant (V-(TRANSFRM) lead by Tulare COG. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	20%
5	Develop Milestone years to check for reasonableness. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	20%
6	Bring network and modeling assumptions for the base (existing and future (2050) years into conformance with existing general plans and assumptions (model maintenance). (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%

7	Conduct Title VI environmental justice analysis of the short-range program and long-range plans to evaluate and determine transportation impacts. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
8	Coordinate modeling assumptions and cumulative effect modeling through Regional Planning Advisory Committee. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
9	Conform model for various years requested by ARB through 2050. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).  Note: Model maintenance performed by Kern COG with occasional assistance from consultant as needed.	June 30	20%

### End Products (Schedule)

1. Regional Planning Advisory Committee Agendas and Minutes (at least quarterly).
2. Model maintenance: updated networks, scripts, and inputs of transportation model (ongoing).
3. Environmental Justice Analysis Report (June 2026).
4. Develop future year model output (June 2026).
5. Model maintenance contract and support (Ongoing) (Consultant).

### Revenue Budget

AGENCY	FHWA				FTA				TOTAL	TOLL CREDITS NOT REVENUE			
	25-26 PL	24-25 PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	STIP PPM		PL	PL carryover	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover
Kern COG	\$248,031	\$58,375							\$92,795	\$399,201	\$28,449	\$6,696	\$0
Consultant	\$82,000									\$82,000	\$9,405		
Total	\$330,031	\$58,375	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$92,795	\$481,201	\$37,855	\$6,696	\$0

### Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS									TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
FHWA PL	\$ 16,502	\$ 33,003	\$ 33,003	\$ 66,006	\$ 66,006	\$ 16,502	\$ 16,502	\$ 16,502	\$ 66,006	\$ 330,031
FHWA PL C/O	\$ 2,919	\$ 5,838	\$ 5,838	\$ 11,675	\$ 11,675	\$ 2,919	\$ 2,919	\$ 2,919	\$ 11,675	\$ 58,375
Local	\$ 4,640	\$ 9,280	\$ 9,280	\$ 18,559	\$ 18,559	\$ 4,640	\$ 4,640	\$ 4,640	\$ 18,559	\$ 92,795
TOTAL	\$ 24,060	\$ 48,120	\$ 48,120	\$ 96,240	\$ 96,240	\$ 24,060	\$ 24,060	\$ 24,060	\$ 96,240	\$ 481,201

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 604.2 – REGIONAL GROWTH FORECAST MODEL**  
**DATA & ANALYSIS**

**Purpose & Goal**

Provide growth forecast information to develop and maintain the regional travel demand model. Provides for data gathering and analysis to promote a more safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance the region's economy, health and livability.

**Previous Work**

1. Status and Modeling Report FY24-25 (June 2025).;
2. Updated employment data to 2020 base year (November 2024);
3. Updated household data to 2020 base year (November 2024);
4. Regional Growth Forecast Update 2024-2050 (April 2024);

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Increase number of TAZs as needed. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
2	Redistribute socio-economic data based on latest assumptions to transportation analysis zones (TAZs) and map data for visual verification. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	25%
3	Calculate a build-out analysis of all general plans in Kern County by TAZs. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
3	Coordinate modeling assumptions through Regional Transportation Modeling Committee/Regional Planning Advisory Committee. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
4	Refine and update UPLAN land-use model for distribution of regional growth forecast. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	30%
5	Develop updated land use modeling software tool for redistribution of regional growth forecast. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG, Consultant).	June 30	25%

**End Products (Schedule)**

1. Status and modeling report FY25-26 (June 2026).
2. Updated TAZ data of growth forecast (Fall 2025)

**Revenue Budget**

AGENCY	FHWA			FTA						TOTAL	TOLL CREDITS NOT REVENUE			
	FY 25-26 PL	PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	STIP PPM	Local		PL	PL carryover	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover
Kern COG	\$96,711								\$48,348	\$145,059	\$11,093		\$0	\$0
Consultant									\$40,000	\$40,000	\$0	\$0		
Total	\$96,711	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$88,348	\$185,059	\$11,093	\$0	\$0	\$0

## Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS						TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
FHWA PL	\$ 4,836	\$ 24,178	\$ 9,671	\$ 4,836	\$ 29,013	\$ 24,178	\$ 96,711
PL Carryover	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Local	\$ 4,417	\$ 22,087	\$ 8,835	\$ 4,417	\$ 26,504	\$ 22,087	\$ 88,348
TOTAL	\$ 9,253	\$ 46,265	\$ 18,506	\$ 9,253	\$ 55,518	\$ 46,265	\$ 185,059

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 604.3 – REGIONAL TRAVEL DEMAND MODEL ANALYSIS**

**Purpose & Goal\***

Kern COG's transportation model assists in regional transportation and land use planning decisions. Provides for data gathering and analysis to promote a safer, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance the region's economy, health and livability.

\*Meets several Federal Planning Factors, Core Planning Functions including the Regional Transportation Plan and Federal Transportation Improvement Program, air quality conformity, Performance Management and State of Good Repair.

**Previous Work**

1. Modeling support for Phase 2 of the Kern Area Regional Goods-Movement Operations Study (KARGO) (FY 2024-25);
2. DRAFT – Technical Analysis and Project Prioritization (Adaptation Mitigation/Co-Benefit Analysis Report) (January 2025)
3. KARGO Community Prosperity/Protection Study – Technical Analyses and Project Prioritization Modeling support for Phase 1 of the Kern Area Regional Goods-Movement Operations Study (KARGO) (January 2025);
4. GET Long-Range Transit Plan (2024);
5. Centennial Corridor Study;
6. Wasco High Speed Rail Impact Study;

**Study Design (Tasks and Responsible Agencies)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Provide modeling/support for regional transportation decision-making, air quality conformity modeling, local transportation impact fees and regional and member agency requested corridor studies. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	40%
2	Conduct Title VI environmental justice analysis of the short-range program and long-range plans to evaluate and determine transportation impacts. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
3	Maintain airport ground access routes in the travel demand model. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
4	Participate in San Joaquin Valley Model Improvement Program. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
5	Assess the intermodal feasibility of proposed aviation, highway, public transit, goods movement and non-motorized projects. Continue to monitor and update proposed at-grade and grade-separated rail safety projects. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
6	Identify short- and long-range strategies and actions to meet projected demands. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
7	Provide oversight for modeling support contracts. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%

**End Products (Schedule)**

1. Model support for regional air quality conformity analysis and amendments 2022 RTP (quarterly) (FY 2025-26).
2. Modeling to support development of local transportation impact fees. (annually) (June 2026)
3. Transportation modeling (monthly) (FY 2025-26).
4. Modeling to support development of the Sustainable Communities Strategy (monthly) (June 2026).
5. Model support for regional air quality conformity analysis 2025 FTIP (annually) (FY 2025-26).

## Revenue Budget

AGENCY	FHWA				FTA				TOTAL
	PL	PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	FY 25-26 STIP PPM	Local
Kern COG								\$23,626	
Consultant									\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$23,626	\$0

## Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS							TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
FHWA PL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
STIP PPM	\$ 9,450	\$ 2,363	\$ 2,363	\$ 2,363	\$ 2,363	\$ 2,363	\$ 2,363	\$ 23,626
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 9,450	\$ 2,363	\$ 2,363	\$ 2,363	\$ 2,363	\$ 2,363	\$ 2,363	\$ 23,626

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 605.2 – Kern Area Regional Goods-movement Operation**  
**(KARGO) Climate-Change Adaptation Mitigation Study (C-CAMS)**

**Purpose & Goal\***

Also known as the Tehachapi Pass C-CAMS, the KARGO C-CAMS provides research and ranks mitigation strategies for transportation-related Kern County climate-vulnerable goods-movement corridors and resiliency routes. \*Meets several Federal Planning Factors, Core Planning Functions including the Regional Transportation Plan, Federal Transportation Improvement Program, Performance Management and State of Good Repair.

**Previous Work**

1. See Work Element 605.1.

**3-Fiscal Year Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort*
0	Oversight (COG)	June 30, 2026	3%
1	Vulnerability/Resiliency assessment (Consultant)	June 30, 2024	19%
2	Adaptation Mitigation/Co-Benefit Analysis (Consultant)	June 30, 2024	5%
3	Expedite Implementation (Consultant)	May 30, 2025	54%
4	Public Outreach (Consultant)	May 30, 2025	9%
5	Advisory Committee Meetings (Consultant)	May 30, 2025	9%
6	Draft and Final Project Report, including Board Review (Consultant)	June 30, 2025	1%

\*% effort subject to change based on contract negotiations with consultant.

**End Products (Schedule)**

1. Draft Vulnerability/Resiliency Assessment Report – June 30, 2024
2. Draft Adaptation Mitigation/Co-Benefit Analysis Report – June 30, 2024
3. Annual Expedite Implementation Reports – June 30, 2024, May 30, 2025
4. Annual Public Outreach Report – June 30, 2024, May 30, 2025
5. Advisory Committee Meetings Report – Quarterly

**Future End Products (Schedule)**

1. Draft and Final Project Report – June 30, 2026

**Revenue Budget**

**Suggested Budget (Over the life of the 3-year contract)**

Agency	Caltrans SC Grant	PPM (11.47% match)	Totals
Kern COG	0	\$100,000 (3 years)	\$ 100,000 (3 years)
Consultant	\$2,655,900	\$244,100 (3 years)	\$2,900,000 (3 years)
Total	\$2,655,900	\$344,100 (3 years)	\$3,000,000 (3 years)

## Revenue Budget

AGENCY	FHWA				FTA			TOTAL
	PL	PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	SHA	STIP PPM	Local
Kern COG							\$51,994	
Consultant						\$1,397,486	\$108,298	
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,397,486	\$160,292	\$0

## Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS						TOTAL
	0	1	2	3	4	5	
FHWA PL	-	-	-	-			\$ -
FHWA PL C/O							\$ -
STIP	4,809	30,455	8,015	86,558	14,426	14,426	\$ 160,292
SHA	41,925	265,522	69,874	754,642	125,774	125,774	\$ 1,397,486
Local							\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 46,733	\$ 295,978	\$ 77,889	\$ 841,200	\$ 140,200	\$ 140,200	\$ 1,557,778

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element #606.1 – TRANSIT, AVIATION AND PASSENGER RAIL PLANNING**

**Purpose & Goal\***

To provide comprehensive short and long-range transit planning for the Kern region while improving safety and security for all public transportation riders and airport users.

\*Meets several Federal Planning Factors, Core Planning Functions including the Regional Transportation Plan, Federal Transportation Improvement Program, Performance Management, and State of Good Repair.

**Previous Work**

1. Low-Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) Program of Projects (2025) – Adopted 4/17/25.
2. Kern Region Estimate SB 125 Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) and Zero Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP) year 1 (March 2025)
3. Low-Carbon Transit Operations Program of Projects (2024)- Adopted 04/18/2024
4. Kern COG MOU with Golden Empire Transit District (GET) for planning and programming including TAM and Public Transportation Safety performance targets (February 2024)
5. TIRCP/ZETCP Short Term Financial Plan (Dec 2023)
6. 2017 Active Transportation Plan including Transit Infrastructure Recommendations.
7. Kern County Rural Alternative Transportation plan (June 2020);
8. State of Good Repair Program of Projects (2023).- Adopted 08/17/2023

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Work with Golden Empire Transit District to address service planning. ADA compliance, and services for the elderly and disabled. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
2	Coordinate short and long-range transit and land-use planning efforts for getting Kern County and member cities in the TIP process. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
3	Monitor and/or conduct public workshops to identify local transportation issues, transportation options, recommended actions, and implementation programs. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
4	Identify corridor and subarea studies to be performed. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
5	Implement Kern COG's Low-Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) and State of Good Repair (SGR) Program. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	July	5%
6	Implement Kern COG's Federal Transit Administration's 5310 and 5311 Grant Programs. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
7	Provide technical assistance to transit providers in transit planning, marketing, coordination, and other related issues	June 30	10%

	and conduct quarterly transit operator meetings. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).		
8	Analyze, identify, and recommend improvements in the transit system to better serve people in transition from welfare to work. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
9	Ensure that environmental justice criteria are applied to transit plans. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
10	Assess the need for tribal and farm-worker transportation, including vanpools, in Kern County. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
11	Review Transit Security Plan annually and update as required. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
12	Attend countywide Transit Security and Emergency Management meetings. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
13	Monitor Kern County airport planning efforts and assist with Kern County airport master plan updates when appropriate. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
14	Monitor all passenger rail planning activities within Kern County as appropriate and participate as required. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	2%
15	Coordinate tasks with Work element 608.1 Active Transportation Planning. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	3%
16	Collaboration with Caltrans District 6 to ensure transit priority of infrastructure improvements are identified to enhance existing and future transit services on the state highway system.	June 30	2%
17	Collaborate with Caltrans to improve access and identify funding opportunities for Transit specifically in relation to the High-Speed Rail Station. Ensure that local roadways and infrastructure are enhanced to provide efficient access and accessibility for all residents and visitors.	June 30	3%

### End Products (Schedule)

1. Caltrans State of Good Repair annual Program of Projects (June 2025).
2. Federal Transit Administration (5310 & 5311) annual Program of Projects (June 2025).
3. Caltrans Low Carbon Transit Operators Program (LCTOP) annual Program of Projects (June 2025).
4. Transit Operator Meeting Agendas (December 2024, June 2025).
5. Program staff time for updating Transit Security Plan (June 2025).

### Revenue Budget

AGENCY		FHWA				FTA				TOTAL	TOLL CREDITS NOT REVENUE			
	FY 25-26 PL	FY 24-25 PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	FY 24-26 Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	STIP FPM	Local		PL	PL carryover	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover
Kern COG	\$53,098	\$67,508			\$145,977	\$65,159				\$331,742	\$6,090	\$7,743	\$16,744	\$7,474
Consultant										\$0				
Total	\$53,098	\$67,508	\$0	\$0	\$145,977	\$65,159	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$331,742	\$6,090	\$7,743	\$16,744	\$7,474

Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS																	TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
FMWA PL	\$ 5,310	\$ 5,310	\$ 5,310	\$ 2,655	\$ 2,655	\$ 5,310	\$ 5,310	\$ 2,655	\$ 2,655	\$ 2,655	\$ 2,655	\$ 2,655	\$ 2,655	\$ 1,062	\$ 1,503	\$ 1,062	\$ 1,503	\$ 53,098
FMWA PL CO	\$ 6,751	\$ 6,751	\$ 6,751	\$ 3,375	\$ 3,375	\$ 6,751	\$ 6,751	\$ 3,375	\$ 3,375	\$ 3,375	\$ 3,375	\$ 3,375	\$ 3,375	\$ 1,360	\$ 2,025	\$ 1,360	\$ 2,025	\$ 67,508
FTA 5303	\$ 14,598	\$ 14,598	\$ 14,598	\$ 7,299	\$ 7,299	\$ 14,598	\$ 14,598	\$ 7,299	\$ 7,299	\$ 7,299	\$ 7,299	\$ 7,299	\$ 7,299	\$ 2,920	\$ 4,379	\$ 2,920	\$ 4,379	\$ 145,977
FTA 5303 CO	\$ 6,516	\$ 6,516	\$ 6,516	\$ 3,258	\$ 3,258	\$ 6,516	\$ 6,516	\$ 3,258	\$ 3,258	\$ 3,258	\$ 3,258	\$ 3,258	\$ 3,258	\$ 3,258	\$ 3,258	\$ 3,258	\$ 3,258	\$ 66,159
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 33,174	\$ 33,174	\$ 33,174	\$ 16,587	\$ 16,587	\$ 33,174	\$ 33,174	\$ 16,587	\$ 16,587	\$ 16,587	\$ 16,587	\$ 16,587	\$ 16,587	\$ 8,590	\$ 11,255	\$ 8,590	\$ 11,255	\$ 331,742



## **Kern Council of Governments**

### **OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**

#### **Work Element # 606.2 –Kern Trans-Sierra Transit Climate Adaptation Plan**

##### **Purpose & Goal**

Kern COG was awarded a Caltrans Climate Adaptation Planning Grant in Fiscal Year 2024-25 to conduct a Kern Trans-Sierra Transit Climate Adaptation Plan. In order to reduce the impacts of climate change (closure of mountain passes and flooded roads), the County of Kern (Kern Transit), the rural transit operators, and the social services transportation providers are partnering to conduct a multi-hazard risk assessment of each partner's transportation systems, generate possible adaptation solutions, create a prioritized list of projects using a multi-criteria analysis, and develop an implementation plan for integrating climate change adaptation into the capital improvement process. The project will provide Kern Transit, the rural transit operators, social services operators, and high-speed rail operating within the Kern region with a short-range transit development plan (TDP), a Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan, and a prioritized list of actionable efforts and projects to reduce climate change impacts on our transportation systems. CALSTART will provide an analysis of zero-emission vehicle scenarios for Kern Transit and Eastern Sierra Transit Authority's (ESTA) service through mountain passes. Priorities will be co-created with community input working toward the goals to make out transportation systems more reliant to climate change; benefit the health, safety, mobility, and equity of transportation workforces and general population; and fulfill climate mitigation and adaptation objectives of many local, regional, and state plans.

##### **Project Stakeholders**

Kern Council of Governments is the project lead applicant, and its co-applicant partners include the County of Kern (Kern Transit), cities of Arvin, California City, McFarland, Ridgecrest, Shafter, Taft, Tehachapi, Wasco, the social services transportation providers throughout the Kern region CalSTART, and Caltrans Districts 6 & 9.

##### **Previous Work**

1. Regional Rural Transportation Strategy (2003);
2. Eastern Sierra Public Transportation Study (2005);
3. JARC/NF Program Management Plan (2010);
4. High Occupancy Vehicle/Bus Rapid Transit (HOV/BRT) Study (2012)
5. Commuter Rail Feasibility Study (2012)

6. Metropolitan Bakersfield Transit Center Study (2015)
7. Opportunities for Shared-Use Mobility Services in Rural Disadvantaged Communities in California's San Joaquin Valley: Existing Conditions and Conceptual Program Development (2017)
8. GET Study of Best Practices Regarding Alternatives to Traditional Fixed-Route Transit Services (2018)
9. Kern County electric Vehicle Charging Station Blueprint (2019)
10. Kern County Rural Alternative Transportation Plan (2020)
11. GET Public Transportation Safety Plan (2020)
12. GET Short-Range Transit Plan (2022)
13. Transit Development Plans (TDPs) for:
  - Arvin 1991 1996 1999 2009
  - Taft/Maricopa 1994 2009
  - California City 1991 1997
  - Tehachapi 1993 1999
  - Delano 1991 1997 2005
  - Wasco 1993 1998 2007
  - McFarland 1994 2007
  - Kern River Valley 1995
  - Ridgecrest 1992 1998 2007
  - Lamont 1995 2009
  - Shafter 1993 1998 2007
  - Mojave 1995
  - Kern County 2006 (Frazier Park/Bakersfield Corridor)
  - East Kern 2005
  - West Kern 2007

### 3- Year Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Project Administration- Kick-Off & Invoicing Meeting- Include Caltrans HQ, D6 & 9 (Kern COG)	June 30,2024	2%
2	Consultant Procurement- Develop and Publish RFP, Consultant Contracting (Kern COG)	February 28,2025	2%
3	Existing Conditions- Vulnerability/Resiliency Assessment Draft and Final Report (Consultant)	May 30,2025	5%
4	Analysis-Adaptation Mitigation Analysis Report, Kern Transit ZEB Climate Resiliency Feasibility Study (Consultant)	July 30, 2025	70%
5	Transportation Development Plans-Draft TDPs and CHSTP; Over the road coach use over mountain passes analysis; Mark-up Draft Adaptation Mitigation/Co-Benefits Analysis Report; Draft Pre-Environmental	November 30,2025	6%

	Conceptual Design Drawings/Cost Estimate Report (Consultant)		
6	Public Outreach Stakeholder Outreach Meetings Round 1& 2- Bilingual translation, contact lists- media, tribal and local governments, non-governmental, CBOS, general public	November 30,2026	2%
7	Advisory Committee Meetings- up to 3 meetings (Consultant)	November 30,2026	3%
8	Draft and Final Plan- Daft and Final Document Public Meetings Online (TTAC, RPAC, TPPC) (Consultant) Board Review and Approval.	May 30,2027	10%

### End Products (Schedule)

1. Draft Climate Adaptation Plan -May 30, 2027
2. Draft Adaptation Mitigation Plan/ Co-Benefit Analysis- May 30, 2027
3. Kern Transit ZEB Climate Resiliency Feasibility Study- May 30, 2027
4. Transportation Development Plans (9)- May 30, 2027
5. Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan- May 30, 2027
6. Draft Pre-Environmental Conceptual Design Drawings/Cost Estimate Report- May 30,2027
7. Public Outreach Report- November 30, 2026
8. Advisory Committee Meetings Report- Quarterly
9. Draft and Final Report- May 30, 2027

### End Products (Schedule)

1. Kern Trans-Sierra Transit Climate Adaptation Plan. (June 2027)

### Revenue Budget

AGENCY	FHWA					FTA					TOTAL
	PL	PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	STIP PFM	SHA	Local	
Kern COG	\$0				\$0			\$10,400			\$10,400
Consultant								59,869	\$612,630		\$672,499
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$70,269	\$612,630	\$0	\$682,899

### Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS								TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
FHWA PL									\$ -
FHWA PL C/O									\$ -
STIP PFM	5	91	4,778	35,486	16,251	53	13,562	43	\$ 70,269
SHA	43	796	41,659	309,378	141,683	459	118,238	374	\$ 612,630
Local									\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 48	\$ 888	\$ 46,437	\$ 344,864	\$ 157,934	\$ 512	\$ 131,800	\$ 417	\$ 682,899



**Kern Council of Governments  
OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026  
Work Element #606.3 – TIRCP Administration**

**Purpose & Goal**

Used to report staff hours and associated costs incurred in implementing the programs provided in State Assembly Bill 125 (SB 125), which include the programs of TIRCP and ZETCP. This new WE establishes a basis for cost reimbursement for costs incurred and paid for under KCOG Operating Fund 42905 for implementing, managing, monitoring, and reporting for the SB 125 programs.

**Previous Work**

New program.

**End Products (Schedule)**

1. Implement, manage, monitor SB 125 programs and provide required reporting.

**Revenue Budget**

AGENCY	FHWA					FTA				TOTAL	
	PL	PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	STIP PPM	SHA	Local	
Kern COG	\$0				\$0					\$350,000	\$350,000
Consultant											\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$350,000	\$350,000

**Funding by Task**

SOURCE	TASKS 1	TOTAL
FHWA PL		\$ -
Local	\$350,000	\$ 350,000
TOTAL	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000



**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 608.1 – ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION AND COMPLETE STREETS**  
**PROGRAM**

**Purpose & Goal\***

To conduct complete streets planning studies for non-motorized and pedestrian transportation facilities that encourage non-motorized transportation modes of transportation as a viable, safe, and economical alternative to motorized travel within Kern County.

\*Meets several Federal Planning Factors, Core Planning Functions including the Regional Transportation and Plan Public Participation and Education and Performance Management.

**Previous Work**

1. Kern Active Transportation Alliance Safety Streets Demonstration Video (FY 2024-25)
2. Annual report for ATP Project Delivery (2024)
3. Low-Stress High-Speed Rail Bike Connectivity Plan (2020);
4. Downtown Bakersfield Pedestrian Access to Transit Plan (December 2020)
5. Bicycle Plan and Complete Streets for District 6 (September 2019)

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Review existing bicycle plans from member agencies. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	20%
2	Review and select bicycle and pedestrian projects under California's Active Transportation Program. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	20%
3	Coordinate local bike and pedestrian planning with the California State Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
4	Monitor construction for planned facilities and develop facilities mapping. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
5	Receive comments and suggestions regarding route selection and facility construction priority scheduling from the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
6	Submit plans for public review, receive and respond to public comments. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
7	Consultation with tribal governments and environmental justice/disadvantaged communities for the Kern County Active Transportation Plan. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	10%
8	Analyze bicycle traffic count program data. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%
9	Incorporate transit planning considerations in coordinating bicycle and pedestrian planning. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	5%

## End Products (Schedule)

1. Active transportation facilities maps/lists updates for Draft RTP (4-year cycle, June 2026).
2. Annual report for ATP project delivery (June 2026).

## Revenue Budget

AGENCY		FHWA				FTA				TOTAL	TOLL CREDITS NOT REVENUE			
	FY 25-26 PL	FY 24-25 PL Carryover	FY 23-24 PL Carryover	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	CARB	STIP PFM	Local		PL	PL carryover	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover
Kern COG	\$ 10,350	\$ 34,242	\$ 12,918							\$ 57,510	\$ 1,187	\$ 3,928	\$ -	\$ -
Consultant										\$ -				
Total	\$ 10,350	\$ 34,242	\$ 12,918	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 57,510	\$ 1,187	\$ 3,928	\$ -	\$ -

## Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS									TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
FHWA PL	\$ 2,070	\$ 2,070	\$ 1,035	\$ 1,035	\$ 1,035	\$ 1,035	\$ 1,035	\$ 518	\$ 518	\$ 10,350
FHWA PL C/O	\$ 6,848	\$ 6,848	\$ 3,424	\$ 3,424	\$ 3,424	\$ 3,424	\$ 3,424	\$ 1,712	\$ 1,712	\$ 34,242
23-24 PL C/O	\$ 2,584	\$ 2,584	\$ 1,292	\$ 1,292	\$ 1,292	\$ 1,292	\$ 1,292	\$ 646	\$ 646	\$ 12,918
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 11,502	\$ 11,502	\$ 5,751	\$ 5,751	\$ 5,751	\$ 5,751	\$ 5,751	\$ 2,876	\$ 2,876	\$ 57,510

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 904.1 – INTERREGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COORDINATION**

**Purpose & Goal\***

To coordinate transportation and air quality planning activities among the eight San Joaquin Valley (SVJ) transportation planning agencies, including the advisory SVJ Policy Council; California Department of Transportation (Caltrans); the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SVJAPCD), Inyo and Mono Counties; San Luis Obispo Council of Governments and; the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG).

\*Meets several Federal Planning Factors, Core Planning Functions including the Regional Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program, air quality planning, Performance Management and State of Good Repair.

**Previous Work**

1. San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Agency MOU, Eastern Sierra MOU, and San Luis Obispo Council of Governments MOU;
2. San Joaquin Valley Transportation Modeling Committee (FY 2024-25);
3. Federal Transportation Improvement Program Coordination (FY 2024-25);
4. California State Implementation Plan with SVJAPCD and Kern APCD;
5. SCAG/Kern COG Planning Coordination (FY 2024-25);
6. 2006-2025 San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Agencies' policy conferences; COG Directors monthly meetings; (FY 2024-25);
7. San Joaquin Valley Overall Work Program (FY 2024-25);
8. Kern COG/SCAG coordination meeting – October 2019 and January 2022;
9. Provided comments to the 2040 California Transportation Plan.

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Attend San Joaquin Valley Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (SVJ COGs) meetings and confer with Inyo, Mono, San Bernardino counties and SCAG to discuss transportation issues and participate in long-range planning activities. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	25%
2	Meet and confer with Caltrans Districts 6 and 9 and the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District on transportation and air quality planning processes. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG/Consultant).	June 30	25%
3	Participate in SVJ Regional Policy Council meetings and annual conference. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG/Consultant).	Spring	25%
4	Attend regular California Association of Councils of Governments (CalCOG) meetings with other MPOs and RTPAs statewide. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	Throughout Year	25%

## End Products (Schedule)

1. San Joaquin Valley Regional Transportation Planning Agencies meetings (monthly) (June 2026);
2. San Joaquin Valley transportation/air quality planning process (monthly) (Consultant) (June 2026);
3. San Joaquin Valley transportation planning agencies work plan/Policy Council coordination (monthly) (Consultant) (June 2026);
4. Air quality planning study (bi-monthly) (June 2026)
5. Kern COG/SCAG coordination meetings (as needed).
6. San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Agencies Policy Conference (Spring 2026).

## Revenue Budget

AGENCY	FHWA				FTA				TOTAL		TOLL CREDITS NOT REVENUE			
	PL	PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	STIP PPM	Local		PL	PL carryover	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover
Kern COG									\$44,105	\$44,105	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Consultant	\$112,887								\$2,395	\$115,282	\$12,948			
Total	\$112,887	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$46,500	\$159,387	\$12,948	\$0	\$0	\$0

## Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS				TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	
FHWA PL	\$ 28,222	\$ 28,222	\$ 28,222	\$ 28,222	\$ 112,887
FHWA PL C/O	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
STIP PPM	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Local	\$ 11,625	\$ 11,625	\$ 11,625	\$ 11,625	\$ 46,500
TOTAL	\$ 39,847	\$ 39,847	\$ 39,847	\$ 39,847	\$ 159,387

**Kern Council of Governments  
OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026  
Work Element # 1001.1 – LOCAL REIMBURSEMENT**

**Purpose & Goal**

To provide local reimbursement for travel and promotional costs that are not eligible for federal reimbursement.

**Previous Work**

1. Kern COG-related travel;
2. Distribute promotional items at community events.

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Kern COG provide travel costs that exceed those allowed to employees of the State of California.	June 30	20%
2	Kern COG provide funding for the Annual Regional Awards Ceremony.	March	50%
3	Kern COG provide funding for the purchase of Kern COG promotional items.	June 30	15%
4	Kern COG provide for CalCOG and AMPO annual dues.	June 30	15%

**End Products (Schedule)**

1. Kern COG promotional items (quarterly) (June 2026);
2. Non-reimbursable travel (monthly) (June 2026);
3. Refreshments for Meetings (monthly) (June 2026);
4. Kern COG Regional Awards Ceremony (March 2026); and
5. CalCOG and AMPO Dues (annually) (June 2026).

**Revenue Budget**

AGENCY	FHWA				FTA				TOTAL		TOLL CREDITS NOT REVENUE			
	PL	PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	STIP PPM	Local		PL	PL carryover	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover
Kern COG									\$67,585	\$67,585	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Consultant									\$26,000	\$26,000				
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$93,585	\$93,585	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

**Funding by Task**

SOURCE	TASKS				TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	
Local	\$ 18,717	\$ 46,793	\$ 14,038	\$ 14,038	\$ 93,585
TOTAL	\$ 18,717	\$ 46,793	\$ 14,038	\$ 14,038	\$ 93,585



**Kern Council of Governments  
OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026  
Work Element # 1001.2 – LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM**

**Purpose & Goal**

To improve the Kern region's potential for future state and federal transportation, housing, water, air quality and/or energy-related funding.

**Previous Work**

1. Kern COG's regional federal legislative advocacy trip (FY 2024-25);
2. San Joaquin Valley COGs federal legislative advocacy trip (FY 2024-25);
3. Kern COG's regional state legislative advocacy trip (FY 2024-25);
4. San Joaquin Valley COGs state legislative advocacy trip (FY 2024-25);

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Meetings, correspondence with lobbying consultants; craft legislative proposals and amendments. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG)	June 30	32%
2	Coordinate regional and Valleywide lobbying trips. (Responsible Agency: Consultant)	June 30	35%
3	Develop white papers, fact sheets, talking point summaries, etc. for regional and Valleywide legislative advocacy trips. (Responsible Agency: Consultant)	June 30	33%

**End Products (Schedule)**

1. New legislation related to transportation, housing, water, air quality and/or energy (annually).
2. Legislative amendments regarding transportation, housing, water, air quality and/or energy-related bills (annually).
3. San Joaquin Valley COGs federal legislative advocacy trip. (Consultant) (September 2023).
4. San Joaquin Valley COGs state legislative advocacy trip. (Consultant) (March 2024).

**Revenue Budget**

AGENCY	FHWA				FTA				TOTAL	
	PL	PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	STIP PPM	Local	
Kern COG									\$18,824	\$18,824
Consultant									\$19,350	\$19,350
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$38,174	\$38,174

## Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS			TOTAL
	1	2	3	
Local	\$ 12,216	\$ 13,361	\$ 12,597	\$ 38,174
TOTAL	\$ 12,216	\$ 13,361	\$ 12,597	\$ 38,174

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-2026**  
**Work Element # 1001.4 – INFORMATION SERVICES & TRIBAL CONSULTATION**

**Purpose & Goal\***

To inform and involve the public, member agencies and tribal governments in the decision-making process on issues affecting the Kern region. For example, the Tejon Tribe is developing a casino that will require access to the region's highway and transit system. The federal transportation spending bill provides the tools and resources to significantly advance national safety and other priorities across the Department's programs.

\*Meets several Federal Planning Factors, Core Planning Functions including the Regional Transportation Plan and Public Participation and Education.

**Previous Work**

1. Continued government-to-government coordination with the Tejon Indian Tribe (FY 2024-25);
2. Kern COG staff attended the Tejon Tribe's March 23, 2024, Health Services event.
3. Held a public transportation workshop at Tejon Indian Tribe (July 2024);
4. Established as a voting member for the Tejon Indian Tribe on the Regional Planning Advisory Committee (February 2020);
5. Public Involvement Procedures;
6. Kern News releases;
7. Kern COG's Annual Report;
8. Informational brochures;
9. Public meetings and workshops coordination;
10. Kern COG Areawide Directory;
11. Legislative tracking and reporting;
12. Attend community events; and
13. Multi-media advertising development and distribution, including radio, social media and other Web-based formats.

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Compose and update various brochures, letters, memos, news releases and publications, including the annual Report, Areawide Directory, and Timeline providing information regarding Kern COG, its member agencies and activities. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	25%
2	Maintain a public involvement program that complies with state open meeting laws, and federal transportation spending bill provisions. Maintain involvement with community groups including: Cultiva La Salud; the Dolores Huerta Foundation; Center for Race, Poverty and the Environment; Chambers of Commerce;	June 30	25%

	Leadership Council for Justice and Accountability; environmental justice organizations and others. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).		
3	Engage consultants and coordinate with tribal governments regarding the transportation planning process. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	25%
4	Implement public involvement procedures, including legal notices, announcements, advertisements and conduct related workshops and meetings. Broadcast Kern COG Board meetings on the local government channel. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	June 30	25%

### End Products (Schedule)

1. Informational brochures, annual report and news releases (annually).
2. Board meetings and other broadcasts (monthly) (Consultant – KGOV).
3. Speaking engagements, community events (quarterly).

### Revenue Budget

AGENCY	FHWA				FTA				TOTAL	TOLL CREDITS NOT REVENUE			
	PL	PL carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	STIP PPM		PL	PL carryover	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover
Kern COG	\$37,330								\$37,330	\$4,282	\$0	\$0	\$0
Consultant	\$75,000								\$75,000	\$6,603			
Total	\$112,330	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$112,330	\$12,884	\$0	\$0	\$0

### Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS				TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	
FHWA PL	\$ 28,083	\$ 28,083	\$ 28,083	\$ 28,083	\$ 112,330
FHWA PL C/O	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 28,083	\$ 28,083	\$ 28,083	\$ 28,083	\$ 112,330

**Kern Council of Governments**  
**OVERALL WORK PROGRAM – FY 2025-26**  
**Work Element # 1001.5 – OVERALL WORK PROGRAM (OWP)**  
**DEVELOPMENT AND MONITORING**

**Purpose & Goal**

Prepare and administer the annual work program, budget and quarterly reports; maintain an ongoing transportation planning process; involve local technical staff, administrative officers, Caltrans, tribal governments and elected officials in the transportation planning process.

**Previous Work**

1. Kern COG financial plan and OWP development (FY 2024-25);
2. Prepare amendments to the 2024-25 OWP (FY 2024-25);
3. Public notices, announcements and workshops announcing the OWP (FY 2024-25);
4. OWP monitoring and monthly cost allocation (FY 2024-25); and
5. Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) invoices (FY 2024-25).

**Study Design (Tasks & Responsible Agency)**

Task #	Task	Completion Date	% of Effort
1	Coordinate and prepare the OWP. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	May	25%
2	Prepare and submit OWP amendments as needed. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	November & March	25%
3	Submit monthly OWP reporting and billing to Caltrans, FHWA and FTA. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	Monthly	25%
4	Prepare quarterly reporting for CPG program. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG).	Monthly	15%
5	Close out of the FY 2023-24 OWP. (Responsible Agency: Kern COG)	September	10%

**End Products (Schedule)**

1. Quarterly reporting for 2025-26 fiscal year (quarterly) (June 2026);
2. OWP and related public participation documentation for FY 2025-26 (monthly); and
3. Coordinate 2026-27 OWP preparation (December 2025-May 2026).

**Revenue Budget**

AGENCY	FHWA		FTA							TOTAL	TOLL CREDITS NOT REVENUE			
	FY 25-26 PL	FY 24-25 PL Carryover	RSTP	CMAQ	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover	Sec. 5304	STIP FPM	Local		PL	PL carryover	Sec. 5303	Sec. 5303 carryover
Kern COG	\$81,808	\$2,659								\$84,467	\$9,383	\$305	\$0	\$0
Consultant										\$0				
Total	\$81,808	\$2,659	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$84,467	\$9,383	\$305	\$0	\$0

## Funding by Task

SOURCE	TASKS					TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	
FHWA PL	\$ 20,452	\$ 20,452	\$ 20,452	\$ 12,271	\$ 8,181	\$ 81,808
FHWA PL/CO	\$ 665	\$ 665	\$ 665	\$ 399	\$ 266	\$ 2,659
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 21,117	\$ 21,117	\$ 21,117	\$ 12,670	\$ 8,447	\$ 84,467

Funding Source		Caltrans CalfAid to Airports 9010 (1)	FTA SEC 5304 Rural Carryover (4)	FTA SEC 5303 MPO 25-26 (5)	FTA SEC 5303 MPO Carryover 24-25 (5)	FHWA PL 25-26 8911 (7)	FHWA PL 24-25 Carryover (7a)	FHWA PL 23-24 Carryover (7b)	FHWA RSTP 25-26 (9)	FHWA CMAQ 25-26 8911 (10)	Caltrans ATP (11a)	STIP PPM 25-26 (11b)	SB-1F 25-26 (11c)	SB-1F 24-25 Carryover (11d)	SB-1F 23-24 Carryover (11e)	SHA-CAP (12)	HCD (12a)	CEC (12b)	Toll Credits* (13)	Regional Planning Match (14)	Regional Planning Non-match (14)	Regional Planning (13)	Local Contracts (14)	TOTAL	Personnel Estimate	Contractor Cost Estimate	Services & Supplies Estimate	Capital Equipment	TOTAL BUDGET
Footnotes																													
Air Quality Modeling/Transportation Management	101.1			\$ 32,824		\$ 38,873														\$ 8,224	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 71,697	\$ 71,697	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 71,697
Environmental Review and Monitoring Program	102.1			\$ 8,116		\$ 8,116														\$ 1,862	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,232	\$ 16,232	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,232
Community and Environmental Inventory Mapping System	201.1			\$ 118,000		\$ 379,040														\$ 57,010	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 497,040	\$ 453,375	\$ 2,500	\$ 19,550	\$ 21,615	\$ 497,040
Mapping Services and Technical Support	201.2																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2025-2026 Sustainable Communities Public Participation	203.1A												\$ 145,725	\$ 18,247	\$ 7,830					\$ -	\$ 22,259	\$ -	\$ 22,259	\$ 194,060	\$ 117,262	\$ 75,000	\$ 1,798	\$ -	\$ 194,060
2025-2026 Sustainable Communities Performance Measures	203.2A																			\$ -	\$ 19,111	\$ -	\$ 19,111	\$ 166,621	\$ 166,621	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 166,621
2025-2026 Sustainable Communities Mobility Innovations and Inc	203.3A																			\$ -	\$ 9,226	\$ -	\$ 9,226	\$ 80,433	\$ 80,433	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 80,433
2025-2026 Sustainable Communities Forecast & Travel Model	203.4A																			\$ -	\$ 11,894	\$ 34	\$ 11,928	\$ 103,734	\$ 103,734	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 103,734
Regional Housing Need Allocation Plan	203.5																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,065	\$ 22,065	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,855	\$ -	\$ 22,065
Regional Transportation Plan/Congestion Management Process	601.1			\$ 88,515		\$ 319,648	79,664													\$ 55,954	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 487,827	\$ 147,947	\$ 339,054	\$ 826	\$ -	\$ 487,827
RTIP/CIP Financial Element	601.2					\$ 48,230														\$ 5,532	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 48,230	\$ 48,230	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 48,230
Regional Transportation Community Survey & Outreach	601.3					\$ 26,284														\$ 3,015	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,284	\$ 1,784	\$ 18,500	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ 26,284
Federal Performance Measures Data and Analysis	601.4					\$ 612														\$ 70	\$ -	\$ 22,000	\$ 22,000	\$ -	\$ 22,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,612
Transportation Improvement Program	602.1											\$ 343,340								\$ 39,381	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 343,340	\$ 330,640	\$ -	\$ 12,700	\$ -	\$ 343,340
Project Planning & Development Assistance for Federal-Aid Project	602.2											\$ 291,168								\$ 33,397	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 291,168	\$ 285,868	\$ -	\$ 5,300	\$ -	\$ 291,168
Transportation Systems Monitoring and Coordination	603.1					\$ 41,593														\$ 4,771	\$ -	\$ 12,896	\$ 12,896	\$ 54,489	\$ 47,289	\$ -	\$ 7,200	\$ -	\$ 54,489
Traffic Count Program	603.2								\$ 79,677											\$ -	\$ 10,323	\$ 14,991	\$ 25,314	\$ 104,991	\$ 8,746	\$ 96,245	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 104,991
Mobility Innovations and Incentives	603.3					\$ 53,818														\$ 6,173	\$ -	\$ 1,864	\$ 1,864	\$ 55,682	\$ 21,172	\$ 25,000	\$ 9,510	\$ -	\$ 55,682
Kern Electric Vehicle (EV) Blueprint	603.4																	\$ 1,283,972		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,283,972	\$ 69,996	\$ 1,217,000	\$ 977	\$ -	\$ 1,283,972
MD&HD Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure	603.5																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Regional Travel Demand Model Maintenance	604.1					\$ 330,031	\$ 58,375													\$ 44,550	\$ -	\$ 92,795	\$ 92,795	\$ 481,201	\$ 393,201	\$ 82,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ 481,201
Regional Growth Forecast Model Data & Analysis	604.2					\$ 96,711														\$ 11,093	\$ -	\$ 88,348	\$ 88,348	\$ 185,059	\$ 145,059	\$ 40,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 185,059
Regional Travel Demand Model Analysis	604.3											\$ 23,626								\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Corridor/Major Investment/Impact Studies	605.1					\$ 10,208														\$ 1,171	\$ -	\$ 493	\$ 493	\$ 23,626	\$ 23,626	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,626
KARGO C-CAMS (2023/24)	605.2											\$ 160,292					\$ 1,397,486			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,557,778	\$ 51,494	\$ 1,505,784	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 1,557,778
Transit, Aviation and Passenger Rail Planning	606.1			\$ 145,977	\$ 65,159	\$ 53,098	\$ 67,508													\$ 38,051	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 331,742	\$ 318,742	\$ -	\$ 13,000	\$ -	\$ 331,742
Kern Trans-Sierra Transit Climate Adaptation Plan (FY 25-26) **	606.2											\$ 70,269					\$ 612,630			\$ 8,060	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 682,899	\$ 9,900	\$ 672,499	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 682,899
TIRCP Administration	606.3																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350,000
Active Transportation and Complete Streets Program	608.1					\$ 10,350	\$ 34,241	\$ 12,918												\$ 5,115	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 57,510	\$ 57,354	\$ -	\$ 156	\$ -	\$ 57,510
	608.2																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	608.3																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Transportation Demand Management	609.1									\$ 314,780										\$ -	\$ 40,783	\$ -	\$ 40,783	\$ 355,563	\$ 186,032	\$ 78,000	\$ 91,531	\$ -	\$ 355,563
Freight Planning	610.1					\$ 60,189														\$ 6,904	\$ -	\$ 3,252	\$ 3,252	\$ 63,441	\$ 63,441	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 63,441
Phase II KARGO Sustainability Study	610.2																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
US Freight ZERO Pilot Study	610.3																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Grant Writing	801.1																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 152,411	\$ 152,411	\$ 152,411	\$ 142,273	\$ -	\$ 10,138	\$ -	\$ 152,411
Regional Technical Assistance	902.1					\$ 8,139														\$ 934	\$ -	\$ 367	\$ 367	\$ 8,506	\$ 8,506	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,506
Information and Data Management	903.1					\$ 116,771														\$ 13,394	\$ -	\$ 8,041	\$ 8,041	\$ 124,812	\$ 124,812	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 124,812
Interregional Transportation Coordination	904.1					\$ 112,887														\$ 12,948	\$ -	\$ 46,500	\$ 46,500	\$ 159,387	\$ 41,905	\$ 115,282	\$ 2,200	\$ -	\$ 159,387
Local Clearinghouse Review Program	904.2																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,181	\$ 5,181	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,181
Local Reimbursement	1001.1																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 93,585	\$ 93,585	\$ 93,585	\$ 38,585	\$ 26,000	\$ 29,000	\$ -	\$ 93,585
Legislative Program	1001.2																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 38,174	\$ 38,174	\$ 38,174	\$ 18,824	\$ 19,350	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 38,174
Transportation Development Act (TDA) Program	1001.3																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 131,654	\$ 131,654	\$ 131,654	\$ 130,654	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 131,654
Information Services and Tribal Consultation	1001.4					\$ 47,330														\$ 5,429	\$ -	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000	\$ 112,330	\$ 34,330	\$ 75,000	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ 112,330
Overall Work Program (OWP) Development and Monitoring	1001.5					\$ 81,808	\$ 2,659													\$ 9,688	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 84,467	\$ 84,467	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 84,467
KMAA System Administration and Operations	2001.1																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 36,506	\$ 36,506	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 36,506
511 System Administration and Operations	2002.1																			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,940	\$ 24,940	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,940
SUBTOTAL		\$0	\$ -	\$ 393,432	\$ 65,159	\$ 1,843,737	\$ 242,447	\$ 12,918	\$ 79,677	\$ 314,780	\$ -	\$ 888,695	\$ 384,027	\$ 90,468	\$ 7,830	\$ 2,010,116	\$ -	\$ 1,283,972	\$ 393,819	\$ 113,596	\$ 799,651	\$ 913,247	\$ 411,446	\$ 8,941,951	\$ 4,286,379	\$ 4,387,214	\$ 246,741	\$ 21,615	\$ 8,941,949
ESTIMATED CARRYOVER FUNDS		\$0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 297,695	\$ -	\$ 90,468	\$ 7,830	\$ (94,016)								\$ 3301,977					
FY 2025-26 ESTIMATED FUNDS		\$0	\$ -	\$ 393,432	\$ 65,159	\$ 1,843,737	\$ 242,447	\$ 12,918	\$ 79,677	\$ 314,780	\$ -	\$ 888,695	\$ 384,027	\$ 90,468	\$ 7,830	\$ 2,104,132		\$ 1,283,972	\$ -	\$ 113,596	\$ 799,651	\$ 913,247	\$ 411,446	\$ 8,639,974					
SUBTOTAL		\$0	\$ -	\$ 393,432	\$ 65,159	\$ 1,843,737	\$ 242,447	\$ 12,918	\$ 79,677	\$ 314,780	\$ -	\$ 888,695	\$ 384,027	\$ 90,468	\$ 7,830	\$ 2,010,116	\$ -	\$ 1,283,972	\$ -	\$ 113,596									

\*Toll credits provided by the State of California are being utilized as a match for federal FHWA PL and FTA 5303 funds. The FHWA PL and FTA 5303 amounts shown



## IV. COG

October 16, 2025

TO: Kern Council of Governments

FROM: Jay Schlosser  
Executive Director

SUBJECT: KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AGENDA ITEM: IV.  
Member Agency Overdue TDA Audits

### DESCRIPTION

Discussion of Member Agencies that are overdue with Transportation Development Act Audits.

### DISCUSSION

The Mills-Alquist-Deddeh Act (SB 325) was enacted by the California Legislature to improve existing public transportation services and encourage regional transportation coordination. Known as the Transportation Development Act (TDA) of 1971, this law provides funding to be allocated to transit and non-transit related purposes that comply with regional transportation plans.

TDA established two funding sources, the Local Transportation Fund (LTF), and the State Transit Assistance (STA) fund. Providing certain conditions are met, counties with a population under 500,000 (according to the 1970 federal census) may also use the LTF for local streets and roads, construction and maintenance. The STA funding can only be used for transportation planning and mass transportation purposes.

- **LTF-** Local Transportation Fund (LTF), is derived from a ¼ cent of the general sales tax collected statewide. The State Board of Equalization, based on sales tax collected in each county, returns the general sales tax revenues to each county's LTF. Each county then apportions the LTF funds within the county based on population.
- **STA-** The STA funds are appropriated by the legislature to the State Controller's Office (SCO). The SCO then allocates the tax revenue, by formula, to planning agencies and other selected agencies. Statute requires that 50% of STA funds be allocated according to population and 50% be allocated according to transit operator revenues from the prior fiscal year.

Kern COG is designated as the agency responsible to manage the LTF and the STA funding and to ensure that the required audits are completed. The TDA funds are allocated annually to the member agencies. That process includes allocation of funds to Kern COG to administer the program. One percent

is allocated for Administration, and three percent is allocated for Kern COG Planning. A portion of these funds are used to perform the annual audits required by the program.

As part of Kern COG's annual audit engagement, Kern COG pays Brown Armstrong to annually audit member agencies' TDA funds. In the recent Triennial Performance Audit (FY 2022-2024), Kern COG received the following findings related to member agency audits of TDA funds:

1. Several operators failed to complete fiscal audits by the March 31 deadline during each year of the audit period.
2. The prior TDA Triennial Performance Audit was not submitted by the established deadline of June 30, 2022.

Discussions with Brown Armstrong revealed that of twelve (12) agencies there are only four (4) agencies current with their annual TDA audits. There is one agency that is six (6) years behind. Most other agencies are one (1) to two (2) years behind. Most agencies that are behind have not completed their annual financial audit as required by the State of California. The annual financial audit is required to complete the TDA Audit. The lack of a current TDA audit means that the member agency cannot request TDA funds to operate its transit system.

Brown Armstrong informed us that the extensive delays resulting from the non-performance of the member agencies has impacted their adopted scope and fee to perform the audit services contracted through Kern COG. Brown Armstrong estimates it will take approximately 450 hours to complete overdue audits. The estimated cost to complete the outstanding audits is \$67,500, if the member agencies involved respond with the required documents. The amount for each agency is typically small (<\$10,000) but the aggregate is a substantial cost to Kern COG

Kern COG budgets for and expects minor variations in auditor costs from cycle to cycle, but Kern COG cannot absorb expenses from delinquent audits. Staff is proposing a policy of passing on expenses to the agency or agencies causing the delay. If member agency action (or inaction) result in cost overruns, Kern COG will document and withhold the associated funds from the forthcoming TDA allocation. The goal of the policy is simple; provide a modest disincentive for failing to meet this obligation to have TDA audits performed annually. I hope that in creating this policy, most of the agencies will come into line and we will rarely have to use this enforcement tool. This will also benefit the member agency in using TDA funding to operate their transit system.

### ACTION

Adopt a policy permitting Kern COG to retain member TDA funds on a member-by-member basis in the event of excess expense to Kern COG resulting from inaction on the part of the member agency. Retained funds shall be limited to the direct expenses to KernCOG and shall be a maximum of \$10,000 per year of delinquency. ROLL CALL VOTE.