

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2025 AT 10:00 A.M.

PRIMARY MEETING LOCATION:

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

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SECONDARY MEETING LOCATIONS (for Teleconference):

City of Arvin
200 Campus Drive Arvin, CA. 93203

City of California City – City Hall
21000 Hacienda Blvd., California City, CA 93505

City of Ridgecrest
100 W. California Ave., Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Caltrans District 6 – Regional Planning
1352 W. Olive Avenue
Fresno, CA 93778-2616

I. ROLL CALL:

- II. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Committee on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Committee. Committee members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification; make a referral to staff for factual information or request staff to report back to the Committee at a later meeting. **SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD PRIOR TO MAKING A PRESENTATION.**

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- III. APPROVAL OF DISCUSSION SUMMARY:** Minutes from meeting of November 5, 2025. ROLL CALL VOTE.

IV. Biennial Local Streets and Roads 2025 (Flickinger)

Comment: A statewide biennial local streets and roads report is completed to help direct road maintenance funding to local jurisdictions. Caltrans has requested that Kern COG contribute their proportionate share of Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs) Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program funding of \$5,140.

Action: Recommend to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee authorize Executive Director to sign attached letter agreeing to Kern COG to contribute \$5,140 toward the expense

of the Biennial Local Streets and Roads 2025 Survey report and to sign the corresponding resolution. ROLL CALL VOTE.

V. **FY 2023-24 TDA Public Transit Claim – City of Shafter**
FY 2024-25 TDA Public Transit Claim – City of Arvin (Banuelos)

Comment: According to California Public Utilities Code Section 99260 et seq., and Kern COG TDA Rules and Regulations, eligible organizations may submit a claim for the purpose of supporting public transit systems and streets and roads. City of Shafter and City of Arvin have submitted TDA Public Transit claims which total \$ 1,312,127.

Action: Review TDA Public Transit Claims for City of Shafter and City of Arvin and recommend approval to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee. ROLL CALL VOTE.

VI. **Cycle 8 Active Transportation Program – Upcoming Statewide Call for Projects** (Invina-Jayasiri)

Comment: The California Transportation Commission (CTC) anticipates initiating the statewide Cycle 8 Active Transportation Program (ATP) Call for Projects at their March 19-20, 2026, meeting, with a project application due date of June 22, 2026.

Action: Information.

VII. **Regional Early Action Planning 2.0 Grant Status** (Napier)

Comment: The Governor in AB 130, 2025-2026 Budget extended the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2.0 grant deadlines as follows:

- Expenditure deadline: Extended by six (6) months from June 30, 2026 to December 31, 2026.
- Final invoice submission deadline: Extended by fifteen (15) months from March 31, 2026 to June 30, 2027 (for expenditures up to December 31, 2026).
- Final report submission deadline: Extended by six (6) months from December 31, 2026 to June 30, 2027.
- In addition, for MPOs only – If an MPO has unexpended funds after the expenditure deadline, the department may, no later than December 31, 2027 (previously 2026), reallocate those funds to another eligible MPO, for reimbursement for other expenditures incurred by the expenditure deadline, up to their original allocation amount.

All other terms, including reporting deadlines, remain unchanged.

Action: Request the three aforementioned agencies provide a report at the February 4, 2026 meeting, to update the TTAC on the current status of the projects. ROLL CALL VOTE.

VIII. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. January 16, 2026: Project Delivery Letters for Active Transportation Program (ATP), Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program (CMAQ), and Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) projects are due January 16, 2026 to cvalle@kerncog.org

- B. January 16, 2026: Project Delivery Letters for TDA Article 3 projects are due January 16, 2026 to ienriquez@kerncog.org

IX. MEMBER ITEMS

- A. Caltrans Report

- X. **ADJOURNMENT** – The January 2026 (December 31, 2025) meeting will be dark. The next meeting will be held on February 4, 2026.

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

DISCUSSION SUMMARY FOR NOVEMBER 5, 2025 MEETING

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

Wednesday
November 5, 2025
10:00 A.M.

SECONDARY MEETING LOCATIONS

(Teleconference):

- City of Arvin - 200 Campus Drive Arvin, CA. 93203
- City of California City – City Hall - 21000 Hacienda Blvd, California City, CA 93505
- City of Ridgecrest - 100 W. California Ave., Ridgecrest, CA 93555

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

I. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Samuel Lux	City of Arvin
Paul Archer	City of Bakersfield
Anu Doravari	City of California City
Brandon Rodriguez	City of Delano
Steve Barnes	Golden Empire Transit
Yolanda Alcantar	County of Kern
Yerlys Hernandez	City of McFarland
Don Marsh	City of Tehachapi
Terry Roberts	City of Ridgecrest
Alex Gonzalez	City of Shafter
Teresa Binkley	City of Taft
Kameron Arnold	City of Wasco
David Deel	Caltrans

OTHER:

Andrea Nason	Caltrans
Jill Tognazzini	Caltrans
Gavin Grimes	City of Bakersfield
Joe Barragan	City of California City
Jenny Pen-Bell	County of Kern
Logan Clairday	County of Kern
Julio Olivares	County of Kern
Angie Benavides	County of Kern
Viviana Alapisco	City of Delano
Kevin Hacker	City of Wasco
Ramon Pantoja	BHT Engineering

STAFF:

Rob Ball	Irene Enriquez
Cesar Valle	Angie Banuelos
Rochelle Invina-Jayasiri	

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MINUTES. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD PRIOR TO MAKING A PRESENTATION.

- III. **APPROVAL OF DISCUSSION SUMMARY:** Minutes from meeting of September 3, 2025. There were no comments or questions from the committee members. Mr. Arnold made a motion to approve the discussion summary, Chairman Archer seconded the motion. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri performed a roll call vote, and the motion was carried out unanimously.

IV. **Congestion Mitigation And Air Quality (CMAQ) Program – Workshop Follow-Up**

Mr. Valle reported Kern COG held a CMAQ Workshop on October 15th. Attendees discussed the applications under review. The staff report includes activities since the workshop and upcoming activities. After coordination with Caltrans District 6, local roads are eligible under CMAQ/CRP. However, under Chapter 5 of Kern COG Project Delivery Policies and Procedures local roads are not CMAQ/CRP eligible. The Flowchart to Change Functional Classification, Functional Classification Change Request Form, and updated local road project list are provided as part of the staff report.

The action requested is that the TTAC recommend excluding local road projects from the CMAQ Call for Projects to ensure compliance with the guidelines specified in Chapter 5 of the Kern COG Project Delivery Policies and Procedures. The committee members discussed the proposed action and policy. The TTAC recommended considering the City of Wasco's project as a non-local road project in this CMAQ Call for Projects since the City of Wasco has started the process of updating the Caltrans CRS Functional Classification Map.

Chairman Archer proposed to add local road projects to the CMAQ Call for Projects contingency list, with the condition that applicants may only request funding authorization once all eligibility requirements are met. Also consider the City of Wasco's project as a non-local road project in this CMAQ Call for Projects. Mr. Arnold motioned to approve, and Mr. Marsh seconded the motion. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri performed a roll call vote, Mr. Deel abstained, Mr. Lux and Ms. Alcantar voted no, and Chairman Archer, Ms. Doravari, Mr. Rodriguez, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Hernandez, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Gonzales, Ms. Binkley, Mr. Marsh, and Mr. Arnold voted yes.

V. **Project Delivery Policy Letters – ATP, CMAQ, RSTP**

Mr. Valle reported Kern COG Project Delivery Policy states that projects in the current fiscal year need to be submitted for funding authorization by January 31st. If agencies plan to submit projects for funding authorization beyond January 31st, lead agencies are asked to submit a letter with a revised submittal schedule by January 16. Per approval from the Kern COG Board on October 19, 2023, the project delivery letters are required to be signed by the City Manager or Department Head.

A sample project delivery letter and project list are provided as part of the staff report. This item is for information only.

VI. **Cycle 8 Active Transportation Program – Upcoming Statewide Call For Projects**

Ms. Invina-Jayasiri provided an update on the Cycle 8 ATP Call for Projects. Virtual site visits with the CTC staff is still available. The Commission considers adoption of the Guidelines and ATP fund estimate in March CTC meeting and applications due in June 2026. She also announced a list of upcoming 2027 Cycle 8 Active Transportation Program workshops, and the Active Transportation Resource Center will be presenting a one-day training on Intro to Active Transportation Planning and Design on January 28, 2026 at Kern Council of Governments.

This item is for information only.

VII. FY 2024-25 TDA Public Transit Claim – City of Delano

Ms. Banuelos stated According to California Public Utilities Code Section 99260 et seq., and Kern COG TDA Rules and Regulations, eligible organizations may submit a claim for the purpose of supporting public transit systems and streets and roads. The City of Delano has submitted a TDA Public Transit claim which totals \$ 1,391,606.

Staff requests for the Technical Transportation Advisory Committee to review TDA Public Transit Claim for City of Delano and recommend approval to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee.

Mr. BARNED motioned to approve, and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri performed a roll call vote, and the motion was carried out unanimously.

VIII. 2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program – Final

Ms. Enriquez reported Staff is circulating the 2026 RTIP Final as part of Attachment A to request a recommendation for approval. Since the circulation of the Draft 2026 RTIP Capital Improvement Program, two changes have been made:

1. SR 58 Truck Climbing Lane Phase 2 – “PM 71.8-74.9” was added to the project description; \$25.371 RIP funding previously showing in FY 29/30 alone is now split between FY 29/30 and FY 30/31.

2. The funding shown in the “Total for 2026 RTIP Submittal” row was corrected.

Attachment A is the Final 2026 RTIP Capital Improvement Program. Staff requests TTAC recommend adoption of the 2026 RTIP Capital Improvement Program to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee as shown in Attachment A.

Mr. Arnold motioned to approve, and Mr. Hernandez seconded the motion. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri performed a roll call vote, and the motion was carried out unanimously.

IX. FY 2025-26 FTA Section 5310 Program of Projects

Ms. Enriquez stated Non-profit agencies providing transportation services are eligible to apply for funding from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) through the Section 5310 program. Applications for twelve (12) separate projects were received from two (2) urban agencies for a total of \$1,663,000.

Staff recommend the members of the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee review the FY 2025-26 FTA Section 5310 Program of Projects (POP) and recommend to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee certify the POP as consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan and the Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan.

Mr. Barnes motioned to approve, and Mr. Arnold seconded the motion. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri performed a roll call vote, and the motion was carried out unanimously.

X. Mobility Innovations and Incentives Program - Status Report

Ms. Enriquez provided a report on the mobility innovations and incentives program for the period July 1, 2025, to September 30, 2025. The report shows that as of September 30, 2025, there is a 279.20% increase in charging spaces (1,181 spaces) throughout Kern County over the July 2016 base month and year, when Kern COG began tracking electric

vehicle charging spaces. Six new locations have been identified in this reporting period, adding 131 charging spaces. She also provided an update on the EV Ready Communities project, the Fast Charge California Project application extension, staff participation in committees and workgroups, and shared information on upcoming activities.

This item is for information only.

XI. Project Delivery Policy Letters – TDA Article 3

Ms. Enriquez stated per the “Kern COG Project Delivery Policies & Procedures Chapter 2: Implementation Procedures Overview,” project delivery letters are due January 16, 2026, for Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 projects. Per approval from the Kern COG Board on October 19, 2023, the project delivery letters are required to be signed by the City Manager or Department Head.

A sample project delivery letter and project list are provided as part of the staff report. This item is for information only.

XII. Long Range Transportation Plan Project Listing Revisions Summary

Mr. Ball stated in November 2023, a draft 2026 CIP transportation project listing was approved by the TTAC and TPPC for use and development of the draft 2026 RTP development process. Staff is providing some updates to the approved list since 2023. Updates include some corrections to project dates, costs and incorporation of new near term funded projects. The CIP also includes unfunded projects identified as part of the Kern Area Regional Goods-movement Operations (KARGO) Study.

As Kern COG staff moves forward with public outreach and for the 2026 RTP, the CIP will continue to be subject to public comments, updates to project listings that have been delivered and other corrections or additions prior to the scheduled circulation of the entire document in Spring of 2026.

Staff is requesting TTAC provide comments to staff on this 2nd draft list by November 21, 2025. This item is for information only.

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS –

- A. Discuss January 2026 (December 31, 2025) meeting date – Ms. Invina-Jayasiri explained the January 2026 meeting date would be dark. Committee members agreed to hold a December 3, 2025 meeting.
- B. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri shared the remaining events on 2026 RTP/SCS Community Outreach Events flyer
- C. Ms. Invina-Jayasiri reminded the Caltrans FY 2026-27 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Applications are due November 21, 2025

XIV. MEMBER ITEMS:

- A. Mr. Deel provided a Caltrans Report including more information on the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Applications, a CalSTA/Caltrans IIJA Reauthorization Transportation Funding Subworking Group Meeting on November 18th, and the SB 1 Guidelines Kickoff meeting on November 20th.

XV. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 10:44 A.M. The next meeting will be held on December 3, 2025.



IV. TTAC

December 3, 2025

TO: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC)

FROM: Jay Schlosser,
Executive Director

By: Rob Ball, Planning Director
Ed Flickinger, Regional Planner III

SUBJECT: TTAC AGENDA ITEM: IV.
Biennial Local Streets and Roads 2025 Survey

DESCRIPTION:

A statewide biennial local streets and roads report is completed to help direct road maintenance funding to local jurisdictions. Caltrans has requested that Kern COG contribute their proportionate share of Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs) Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program funding of \$5,140.

DISCUSSION:

Since 2008 the biennial Statewide Local Streets and Roads survey has been sent out by the Save California Streets Coalition. Save California Streets is comprised of several organizations including the California League of Cities. More information can be found on <http://www.savecaliforniastreet.org> along with the 2022 report and previous reports. Kern COG's member agencies participated in the 2025 survey.

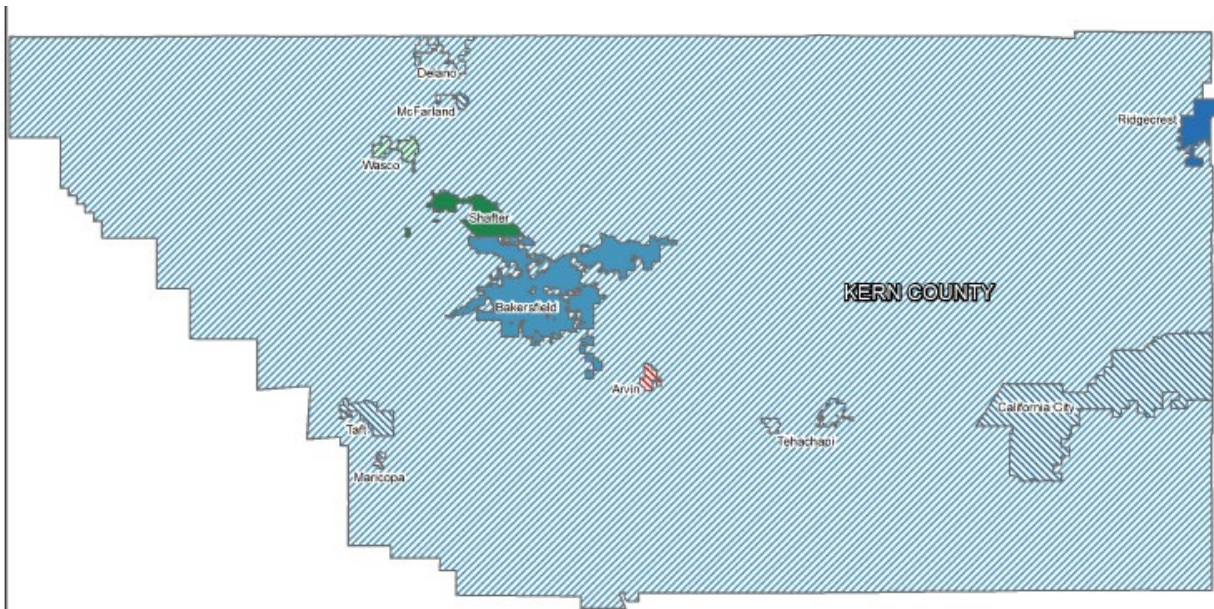
The survey was sent by email from a consultant to public works personnel. Some of the information requested was:

- Pavement condition data
- Safety, traffic & regulatory data (e.g. storm drains, ramps etc.)
- Funding/expenditure projections

The survey shows (see the below table and map) a decline in Pavement Condition Index (PCI) from 2020 from 65 to 63 in the 2022 survey.

Table 2.4 Summary of PCI Data by County (includes Cities) for 2008–2022

County (Cities Included)	Centerline Miles	Lane Miles	Area (sq)	Average Weighted PCI*							
				2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2020	2022
Alameda	3,596	8,150	73,382,886	66	67	68	66	68	68	68	67
Alpine	151	302	2,139,517	40	45	45	44	44	41	58	58
Amador	477	945	3,598,703	31	34	33	33	56	51	51	50
Butte	1,816	3,644	28,691,159	70	67	65	66	65	60	60	55
Calaveras	831	1,340	8,201,768	55	53	51	51	51	50	52	44
Colusa	761	1,247	13,240,593	61	60	60	62	63	60	61	61
Contra Costa	3,348	7,012	65,788,024	72	70	71	68	69	71	70	68
Del Norte	323	646	4,418,399	70	68	64	63	63	60	60	67
El Dorado	1,399	2,684	21,458,907	62	58	63	63	62	63	63	63
Fresno	6,335	12,563	112,879,098	74	70	69	69	64	61	60	59
Glenn	848	2,017	11,940,355	68	68	68	68	68	68	62	50
Humboldt	1,163	2,354	16,791,631	61	56	64	64	63	56	57	53
Imperial	3,024	6,103	76,823,230	74	72	57	57	58	55	58	56
Inyo	1,133	1,832	13,681,682	75	57	60	62	62	61	62	62
Kern	5,725	12,615	117,170,333	66	63	64	64	63	63	65	63
Kings	1,324	2,710	21,044,749	63	62	62	62	59	60	61	61
Lake	643	1,275	8,629,265	33	31	40	40	40	38	37	35
Lassen	431	879	6,282,324	55	69	66	66	63	60	61	61
Los Angeles	21,192	57,160	472,476,391	68	67	66	66	67	67	68	67
Madera	1,829	3,663	24,879,499	48	48	47	47	46	44	44	40
Marin	1,068	2,151	20,882,530	61	61	61	63	64	67	65	67
Mariposa	365	724	4,606,318	53	44	44	53	65	65	66	51
Mendocino	1,132	2,249	16,243,134	51	49	37	35	35	32	36	47
Merced	2,349	4,975	39,594,831	57	58	58	58	56	56	57	57
Modoc	1,018	2,036	19,339,238	42	40	56	46	59	59	63	64
Mono	737	1,473	9,613,552	71	68	66	67	64	65	66	64
Monterey	1,907	3,859	30,940,471	63	45	50	50	50	49	52	50
Napa	778	1,568	8,926,445	53	60	59	59	59	59	56	60
Nevada	806	1,625	10,348,493	72	71	72	71	70	68	67	69



Pavement Condition Index

Reported	Estimated
Good (71-100)	Good (71-100)
At Lower Risk (61-70)	At Lower Risk (61-70)
At Higher Risk (50-60)	At Higher Risk (50-60)
Poor (0-49)	Poor (0-49)

(C) March 2023 NCE. GIS mapping data modified from US Census Bureau TIGER Cartographic Boundary Shapefiles (<https://www.census.gov/geographies/mapping-files/time-series/geo/cartographic-boundary.html>), accessed September 2020. Boundaries represent incorporated city limits from U.S. Census data and are approximate in shape and area.

Agency	Average PCI
Arvin	45.8
Bakersfield	64
California City	51
Delano	67.9
Kern County	63
Maricopa	51
Mcfarland	57.5
Ridgecrest	52.9
Shafter	71.2
Taft	52
Tehachapi	62.3
Wasco	70.7

Attached is a strategy that was provided at the April 5, 2023 and at the June 4, 2025 TTAC to help our member agencies catch-up on their road maintenance with emphasis on preventive maintenance.

ATTACHMENTS: Funding strategy for road maintenance
 Agreement letter
 Resolution 25-30

ACTION:

Recommend to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee authorize Executive Director to sign attached letter agreeing to Kern COG to contribute \$5,140 toward the expense of the Biennial Local Streets and Roads 2025 Survey report and to sign the corresponding resolution.
 ROLL CALL VOTE.

“Fix It First!” Pavement and Bridge Funding Strategy Stretches Road \$\$\$

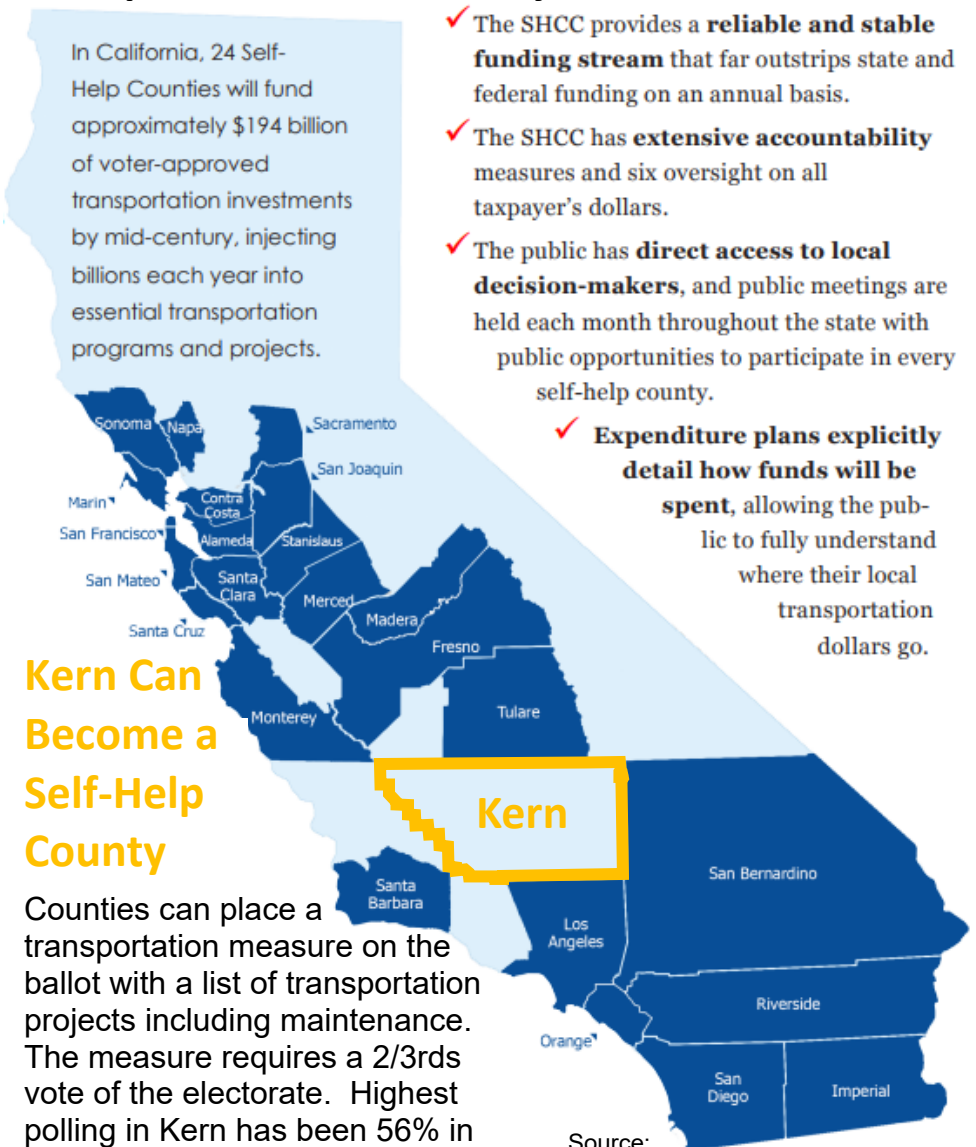
Preventive maintenance is crucial to roadway and bridge longevity. Expensive damage occurs to cars because of poor road conditions. The public demands that we “Fix it First.” Here are prioritized tips to catch up on roadway maintenance:

- 1) Oil all local roads every 2-years if possible – This stabilizes roads at their current level of degradation and helps prevent further deterioration.
- 2) After regular maintenance is fully funded, use every eligible road maintenance funding source to repair, rehabilitate, or rebuild the worst roadways in your jurisdiction even though the funds may be eligible for other projects.
- 3) Implement a Pavement Management System
- 4) Once all roadways are up to a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) of 80 out of 100, and regular maintenance is fully funded, SB1 LSRP, RSTP, & TDA funds can be freed up and used for other eligible transportation priorities.

Maintaining roads at 80 PCI is 1/10 the cost of having to rebuild a failed roadway, allowing a region to stretch its transportation funds for other priorities. Below are funding programs for pavement and bridge maintenance.

Funding Programs to Improve Federal Performance Measure (PM) 2 Goals: 1) Improve pavement and bridge condition		
Funding Programs	Pavement	Bridge
Local General Fund/Sales Tax	X	
Highway User Tax Account (HUTA)	X	
Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP)	X	
Road Maintenance Rehabilitation Account (RMRA)	X	
Transportation Development Account (TDA/LTF)	X	
Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)	X	X
Highway Bridge Program (HBP)		X
Highway Infrastructure Program (HIP)		X

Kern is the Largest County in the State WITHOUT a Dedicated Local Sales Tax for Transportation & Roadway Maintenance



Source:
Self-Help Counties Coalition (SHCC)



Kern County Roadways and Transportation Pavement Maintenance Scenarios



Select Annual Spending Scenario

- ☒ Current Spending Level (\$55M)
with Focus on Preventative Maintenance
- ☐ Current Spending Level (\$55M)
with Focus on Worst Roads
- ☐ Double Spending Level on
Pavement Maintenance

Pavement Condition



Good

Pavement Condition Index:
70 - 100



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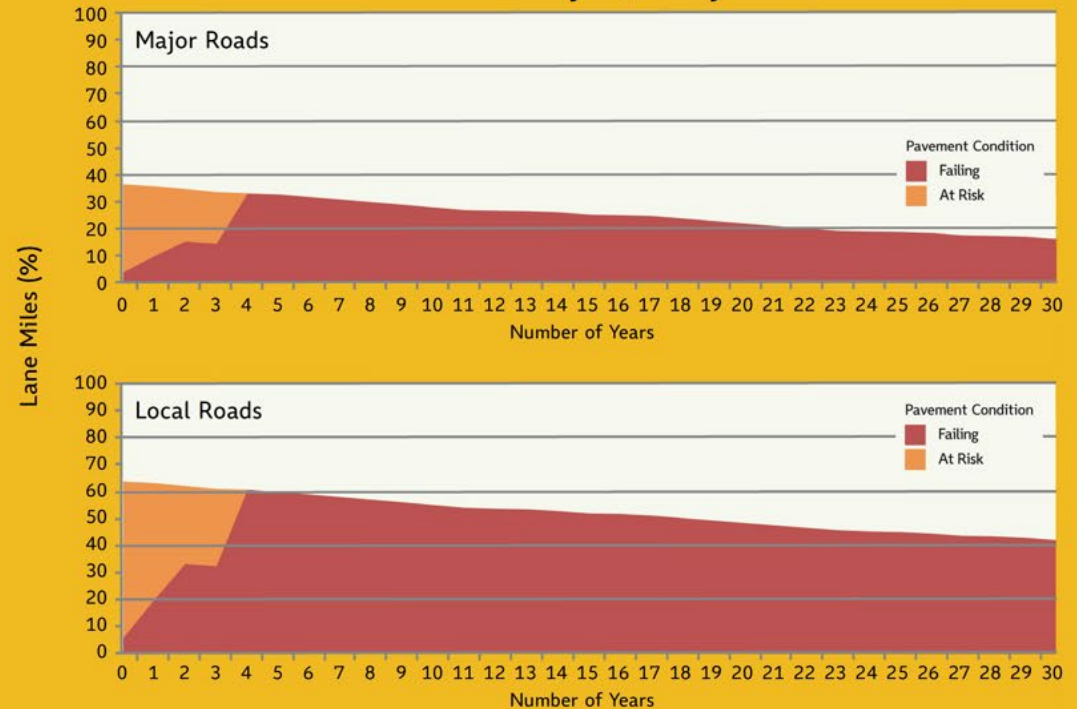
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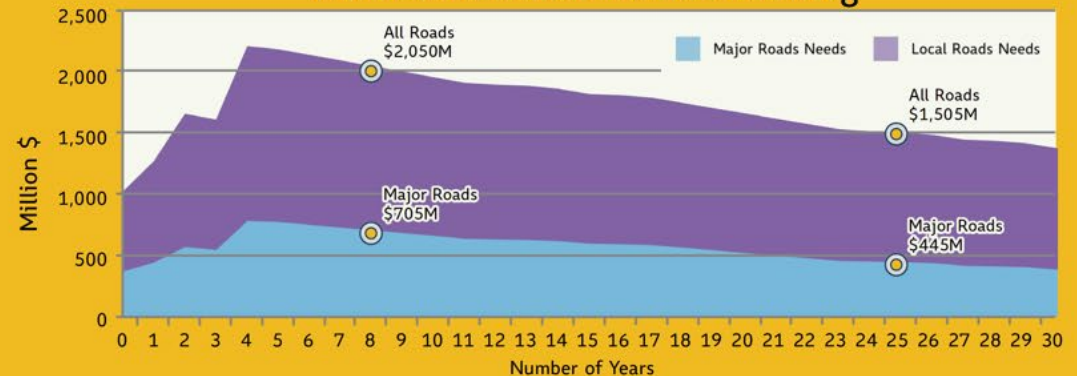
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Roadway Quality



Pavement Maintenance Backlog





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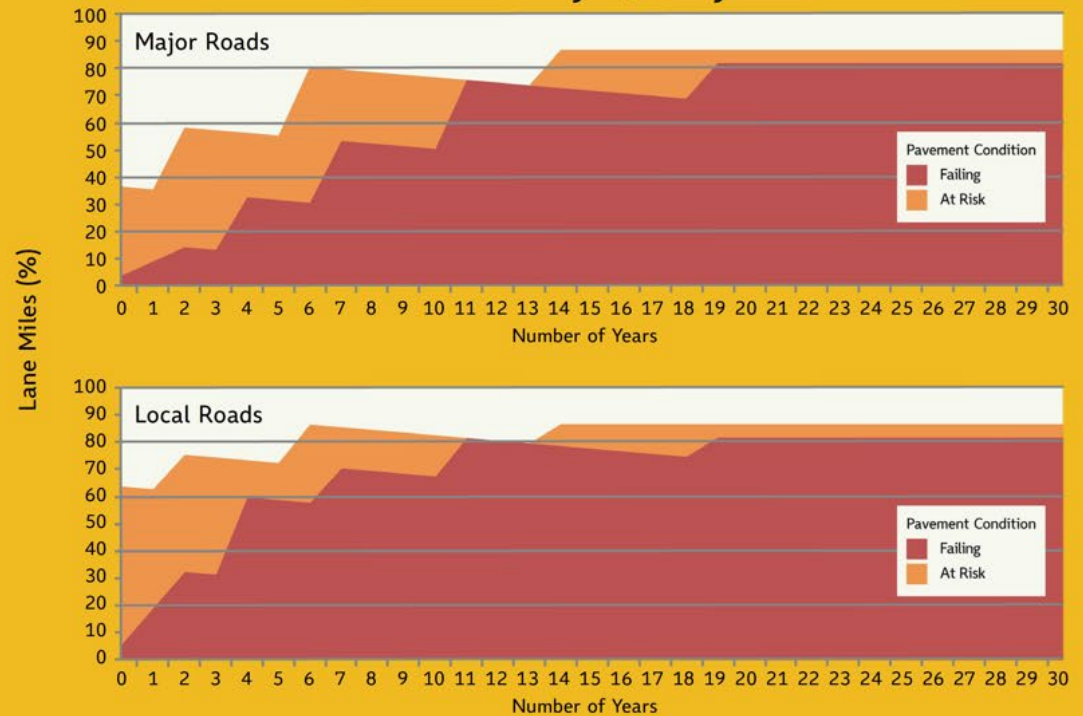
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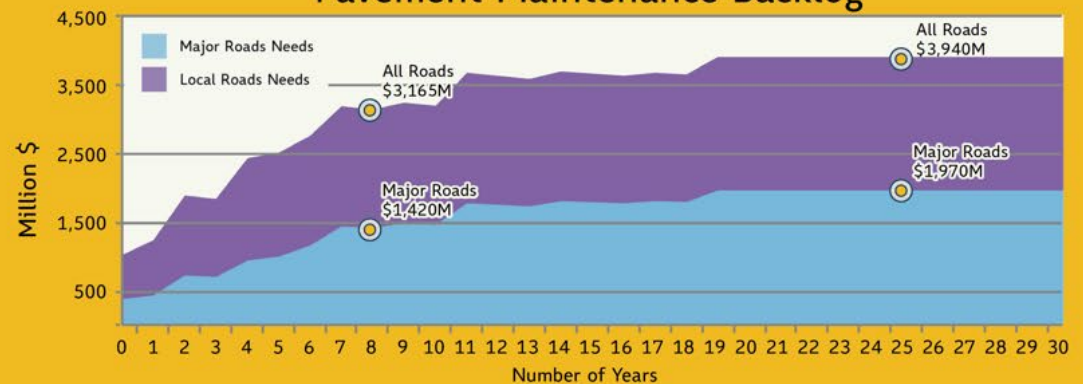
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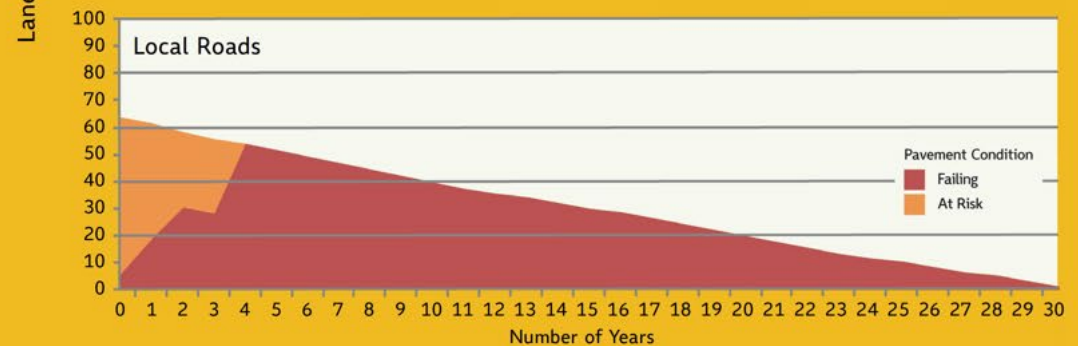
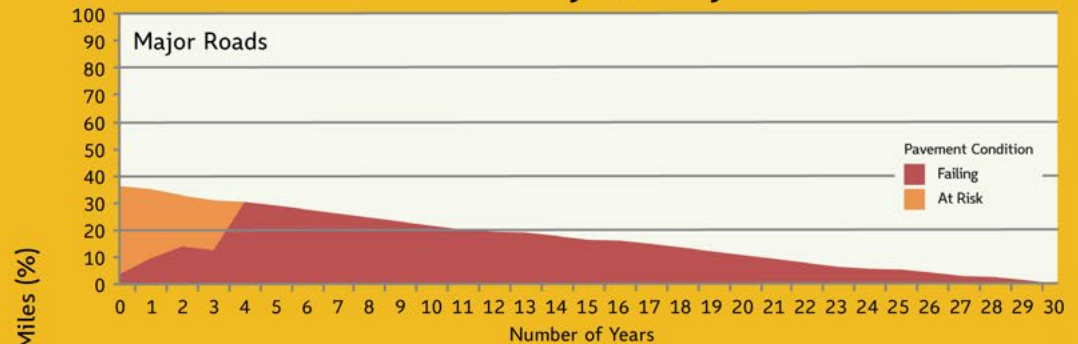
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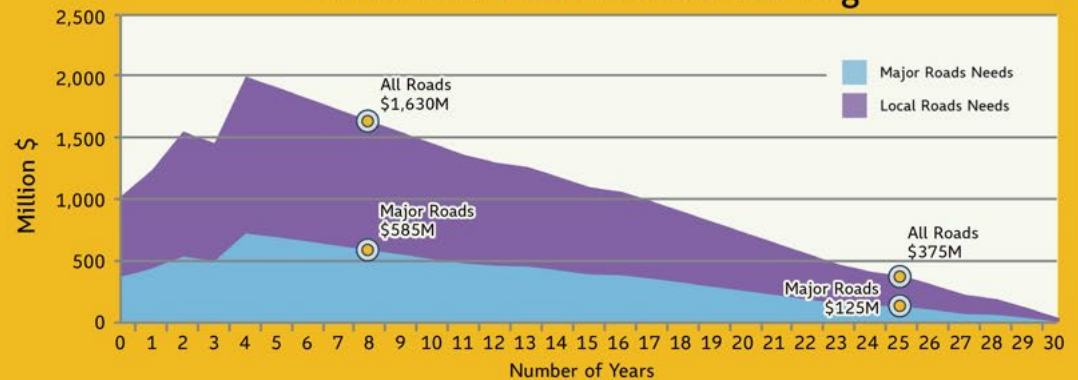
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Roadway Quality



Pavement Maintenance Backlog





January 15, 2026

Dee Lam
Chief, Division of Local Assistance
California Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 942874 MS #1
Sacramento, CA 94274-0001

RE: 2024 – 2026 LSR Statewide Needs Assessment Funding Concurrence

Dear Ms. Lam:

The **Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG)** concurs with the request to contribute to the Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment Report effort led by the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) and the League of California Cities (League). **Kern COG** understands that the region's programming capacity of Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program funding will be reduced by \$5,140 (Agency Contribution) to cover this four-year effort and authorizes the Department to appropriately direct this funding to cover our share of the costs.

We understand that the funding requested is proportionate to the Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs) shares. California's cities and counties will contribute an equal amount as provided by regional agencies to this effort.

Please feel free to contact **Ed Flickinger** by email at eflickinger@kerncog.org if you have any questions regarding **Kern COG's** participation in this program.

Sincerely,

Jay Schlosser, Executive Director
Kern Council of Governments

cc:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 25-30

In the matter of:

AUTHORIZING KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS TO CONTRIBUTE REGIONAL
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FUNDING TO THE ONGOING CALIFORNIA
STATEWIDE LOCAL STREETS AND ROADS NEEDS ASSESSMENT EFFORT

WHEREAS, the Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG) is a regional transportation planning agency and a metropolitan planning organization (MPO); and

WHEREAS, a regional transportation network is comprised of local streets and roads, highways, mass transit, airports, seaports, land ports, and bicycle and pedestrian facilities; and

WHEREAS, each transportation component is critical in ensuring a seamless, safe, and efficient multi-modal transportation network in all local communities across the state; and

WHEREAS, 80% of the roads in California are locally owned and operated by cities and counties, where every trip begins and ends, and the local system is critical for safety and mobility of the traveling public, farm to market needs, multimodal needs, and commerce; and

WHEREAS, while federal and state governments regularly assess their transportation system needs, until 2008, no such data existed for the local component of California's transportation network; and

WHEREAS, transportation infrastructure is underfunded and deteriorating and existing funding sources are not sufficient to meet even basic maintenance needs, but without credible and defensible data, efforts to advocate for increased funding for transportation purposes are difficult at best; and

WHEREAS, the California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment provides critical analysis and information on the local transportation network's condition and funding needs; and

WHEREAS, the results of the 2024 Assessment Update, which indicate that the condition of the local transportation network is deteriorating as predicted in the 2008 California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment, are being used in the California Transportation Commission's efforts to study alternatives to the state gas tax as a mechanism to pay for transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, it costs approximately \$715,000 to update the California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment report every two years; and

WHEREAS, California's regional transportation planning agencies have been financial partners since 2010 and provided ongoing technical support since 2008; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Kern Council of Governments will contribute its proportional share towards the effort in support of the positive work that has been done to date, the usefulness of the findings of the report, and the continued use the report will serve as the collective transportation community advocates for scarce transportation revenues.

AUTHORIZED AND SIGNED THIS 15th DAY OF JANUARY 2026

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Bob Smith, Chair
Kern Council of Governments

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of Kern Council of Governments duly authorized at a regularly scheduled meeting held on the 15th day of January 2026.

ATTEST:

Jay Schlosser, Executive Director

December 3, 2025

TO: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Jay Schlosser,
Executive Director

By: Angelica Banuelos, Administrative Assistant

SUBJECT: TTAC AGENDA ITEM: V.
FY 2023-24 TDA Public Transit Claim – City of Shafter
FY 2024-25 TDA Public Transit Claim – City of Arvin

DESCRIPTION:

According to California Public Utilities Code Section 99260 et seq., and Kern COG TDA Rules and Regulations, eligible organizations may submit a claim for the purpose of supporting public transit systems and streets and roads. City of Shafter and City of Arvin have submitted TDA Public Transit claims which total \$ 1,312,127.

DISCUSSION:

Kern COG staff has received and reviewed the following TDA Public Transit claims by the November 21, 2025, TTAC agenda deadline:

<u>Claimants</u>		<u>LTF</u>	<u>STAF</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
FY 2023-24 Public Transit City of Shafter		\$43,310	\$62,293	\$105,603
FY 2024-25 Public Transit City of Arvin		\$307,379	\$899,145	\$1,206,524
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Regional Total	Claims	\$350,689	\$961,438	\$1,312,127

These claims have been evaluated in accordance with the following criteria: 1) Conformance with the Regional Transportation Plan; 2) Participation in the California Driver Pull Notice Program; 3) Adherence to the applicable farebox return ratio; and 4) Compliance with PUC Section 99314.6 Operations qualifying Criteria. Staff recommends approval.

ACTION:

Review TDA Public Transit Claims for City of Shafter and City of Arvin and recommend approval to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee. ROLL CALL VOTE.

December 3, 2025

TO: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC)

FROM: Jay Schlosser,
Executive Director

By: Rochelle Invina-Jayasiri, Regional Planner

SUBJECT: TTAC AGENDA ITEM. VI.
Cycle 8 Active Transportation Program – Upcoming Statewide Call for Projects

DESCRIPTION:

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) anticipates initiating the statewide Cycle 8 Active Transportation Program (ATP) Call for Projects at their March 19-20, 2026, meeting, with a project application due date of June 22, 2026.

DISCUSSION:

On August 21, 2025, CTC staff conducted a kick-off workshop to initiate and explain upcoming events for the roll-out of the 2027 Cycle 8 Active Transportation Program Call for Projects. CTC staff is offering virtual site visits on Tuesdays and Thursdays, September 2025 through March 2026. Additional information on items circulated as it becomes available. Please check the CTC ATP resource page for more information. We are providing the following information to reflect upcoming key timeline benchmarks that span from August 2025 all the way through June 2027 for the full cycle. Potential applicants should use the following links to ensure access to up-to-date information for the 2027 Cycle 8 ATP information:

<https://catc.ca.gov/programs/active-transportation-program> and
<https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/active-transportation-program>.

The preliminary Cycle 8 funding is anticipated to be \$550 million for four years of programming for fiscal years 2027-28, 2028-29, 2029-30, and 2030-31. CTC ATP guidelines and fund estimate establish a state funding share and MPO funding share for ATP programming capacity. In response, the Kern Council of Governments has an adopted ATP project delivery policy that defers to the original application review and ranking by the state for all original state submitted applications. Kern COG does not do a separate ATP Call for Projects to use the MPO share and therefore does not adopt its own modified guidelines or requests separate applications. The timeline shown on the following page reflects the statewide call for projects and MPO segment of the process.

The dates below, provided during the August 21, 2025, kick-off workshop, may be subject to revision.

CTC 2027 Cycle 8 Active Transportation Program Timeline

Benchmark Activity	Date
Draft ATP Guidelines and Draft ATP Fund Estimate presented to Commission	January 29-30, 2026
Commission considers adoption of 2027 ATP Guidelines	March 19-20, 2026
Commission adoption of ATP Fund Estimate	March 19-20, 2026
Scoring rubrics posted on Commission website	March 27, 2026
Application Deadline (Submittable-Online Portal)	June 22, 2026
CTC staff recommendation for statewide, small urban & rural components posted	November 2, 2026
CTC adoption for statewide, small urban & rural components	December 3-4, 2026
Deadline for MPO draft project recommendations to CTC	February 19, 2027
Deadline for MPO final project recommendations to CTC	April 23, 2027
CTC recommendations for MPO component are posted	June 2027*
CTC adopts MPO selected projects	June 2027*

**Exact date will coincide with the CTC's adopted 2027 meeting calendar*

Upcoming 2027 Cycle 8 Active Transportation Program Events:

A list of remaining workshops. Information and registration via the [CTC ATP webpage](#).

- December 4, 2025: PSR Equivalency Workshop
- December 10, 2025: Guidelines Workshop
- January 14, 2026: Applications Workshop
- February 5, 2026: Scoring Rubrics Workshop

The Active Transportation Resource Center will be presenting a one-day training on Intro to Active Transportation Planning and Design on January 28, 2026 at Kern Council of Governments. Please see attached flyer for registration details.

ATTACHMENT: ATRC - Intro to Active Transportation Planning & Design Training flyer

ACTION:
Information.



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December 3, 2025

TO: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC)

FROM: Jay Schlosser
Executive Director

By: Becky Napier, Deputy Director - Administration

SUBJECT: TTAC AGENDA ITEM: VII.
Regional Early Action Planning 2.0 Grant Status

DESCRIPTION:

The Governor in AB 130, 2025-2026 Budget extended the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2.0 grant deadlines as follows:

- Expenditure deadline: Extended by six (6) months from June 30, 2026 to December 31, 2026.
- Final invoice submission deadline: Extended by fifteen (15) months from March 31, 2026 to June 30, 2027 (for expenditures up to December 31, 2026).
- Final report submission deadline: Extended by six (6) months from December 31, 2026 to June 30, 2027.
- In addition, for MPOs only – If an MPO has unexpended funds after the expenditure deadline, the department may, no later than December 31, 2027 (previously 2026), reallocate those funds to another eligible MPO, for reimbursement for other expenditures incurred by the expenditure deadline, up to their original allocation amount.

All other terms, including reporting deadlines, remain unchanged.

DISCUSSION:

The Kern COG Board approved the following projects in November 2022:

- \$750,000 Wasco Alley Rehabilitation for ADUs
- \$230,235 Shafter Tract 6713
- \$6,000,000 Bakersfield Senior Center Affordable Senior Housing & Facility
- \$5,690,482 Arvin “Keeping it Green in the San Joaquin”

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) advised Kern COG on July 16, 2024, the REAP 2.0 funding had been reduced by \$30M. The funding reduction was applied evenly to all REAP 2.0 MPO applicants. The revised allocations can be seen in the Excel spreadsheet included below.

Project	Original Sub Allocation	Revised Sub Allocation
Wasco Alley Rehabilitation for ADUs	750,000	705,882
Shafter Tract 6713	230,235	216,692
Bakersfield Senior Center Affordable Housing & Facility	6,000,000	5,647,059
Arvin "Keeping it Green in the San Joaquin"	5,690,482	5,355,748
Total	\$12,670,717	\$11,925,381

The purpose of this report is to advise the TTAC Kern COG's knowledge of the status of the projects. The Shafter Tract 6713 has been completed and the City of Shafter reimbursed \$216,692. During the reporting process in April 2025, there was no acknowledgement by the City of Bakersfield, the City of Arvin or the City of Wasco that any funding has been spent toward the projects.

ACTION:

Request the three aforementioned agencies provide a report at the February 4, 2026 meeting, to update the TTAC on the current status of the projects. ROLL CALL VOTE.