

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2026 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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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

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 February 4, 2026. ROLL CALL VOTE.

IV. FY 2026/27 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) APPORTIONMENT ESTIMATE (Plank)

Comment: Pursuant to California Code of Regulations Section 6644, Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG) shall determine and advise all prospective claimants of the amounts of all area apportionments from the Transportation Development Act (TDA) Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and State Transit Assistance Fund (STAF) for the following fiscal year. The total funding for fiscal year 2026/27 is estimated to be \$64,647,218.

Action: Information only.

V. **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 only.

VI. **2025 FEDERAL TRANSPORTION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP) AMENDMENT – TIMELINE** (Valle)

Comment: Upcoming amendment schedule for next 2025 FTIP Amendment.

Action: Information only.

VII. **FY 2025-26 TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM – GOLDEN EMPIRE TRANSIT DISTRICT**
FY 2023-24 TDA STREET AND ROADS CLAIM – CITY OF SHAFTER
FY 2019-20 TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2019-20 TDA STREET AND ROADS CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2020-21 TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2020-21 TDA STREET AND ROADS CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2021-22 TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2021-22 TDA STREET AND ROADS CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2022-23 TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2022-23 TDA STREET AND ROADS CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT (Banuelos)

Comment: The Fiscal Year 2025-26 Transportation Development Act (TDA) public transit claim for Golden Empire Transit District (\$40,000,413), Fiscal Year 2023-24 TDA street and roads claim for City of Shafter (\$1,366,188), and Fiscal Year 2019-20 through Fiscal Year 2022-23 TDA public transit and streets and roads claims for City of Taft (\$2,322,943) were received and reviewed by the deadline.

Action: Review TDA Public Transit and Street and Roads Claims for Golden Empire Transit District, City of Shafter and City of Taft and recommend approval to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee. ROLL CALL VOTE.

VIII. **TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AND INNOVATION ACT PROGRAM (TIFIA)** (Pacheco)

Comment: FHWA Notice N4510.900 transmits the redistribution of Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act Program (TIFIA) funds pursuant to the Fiscally Responsible Highway Funding Act of 2024. The Notice distributes \$1,195,141 in TIFIA funds to the Kern region.

Action: Recommend that the Transportation Planning Policy Committee direct staff to program TIFIA toward the Northbound State Route 99 Auxiliary Lane project. ROLL CALL VOTE.

IX. TRANSIT AND INTERCITY RAIL CAPITAL PROGRAM (TIRCP) CYCLE 8 STATEWIDE CALL FOR PROJECTS (Enriquez)

Comment: The California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) published the statewide 2024 Cycle 7 Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) statewide call for projects on February 23, 2026, with a project application due date of May 18, 2026.

Action: Information only.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Selection of TTAC Officers for the next year during the April 1ST meeting.

XI. MEMBER ITEMS

A. Caltrans Report

XII. ADJOURNMENT – The next meeting will be held on April 1, 2026.

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

DISCUSSION SUMMARY FOR FEBRUARY 4, 2026 MEETING

Kern COG Board Room/Microsoft Teams Meeting
1401 19th Street, Suite 300
Bakersfield, California

Wednesday
February 4, 2026
10:00 A.M.

SECONDARY MEETING LOCATIONS

(Teleconference):

- 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 10:01 A.M. A roll call was conducted by Ms. Pacheco for attendance.

I. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Christine Viterelli	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
Don Marsh	City of Tehachapi
Michael James	City of Shafter
Teresa Binkley	City of Taft
Braden Duran	Caltrans

OTHER:

Terry Roberts	City of Ridgecrest
Yerlys Hernandez	City of McFarland
Angela Willis	County of Kern
Jenny Pen-Bell	County of Kern
Logan Clairday	County of Kern
Julio Olivares	County of Kern
Enoc Mendoza	County of Kern
Jessica Chavez	County of Kern
Joe Barragan	City of California City
Viviana Alapisco	City of Delano
Kelly Eagan	Caltrans
Gabriel Garcia	Bakersfield (DHF)
Yameli Moreno	Bakersfield (DHF)
Bonita Steele	Kern CCD
Stephen Pelz	Housing Authority of Kern
David Tokarski	DKS Associates

Jim Damkowitch
Ramon Pantoja
Juan Pantoja
Steve Hernandez

DKS Associates
BHT Engineering
BHT Engineering
Chavez Foundation

STAFF:

Jay Schlosser
Raquel Pacheco
Karl Davisson
Ed Flickinger

Rob Ball
Ceasar Valle
Stephan Sanchez

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

IV. **2025 Kern Electric Vehicle Charging Station Blueprint Update Final Report**

Ms. Pacheco detailed Kern COG was awarded a grant from the California Energy Commission (CEC) to develop the 2025 Kern Electric Vehicle Charging Station Blueprint Update, and the Final Report is now complete.

DKS Associates prepared the 2025 Blueprint Update report. The draft report was circulated on December 23, 2025, and comments were due January 20, 2026. The final report can be found on the Kern COG website. David Tokarski from DKS Associates provided a presentation on the Final Report. After the presentation, staff requested that the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee recommend that the Transportation Planning Policy Committee receive and file the 2025 Kern Electric Vehicle Charging Station Blueprint Update.

There were no comments or questions from the committee members. Mr. Rodriguez motioned to approve, and Mr. James seconded the motion. Ms. Pacheco performed a roll call vote, and the motion was carried out unanimously.

V. **Federal Safety Performance Measurement (PM1) “Toward Zero” 2026 Target Update**

Mr. Flickinger stated there is a required federal process to annually monitor transportation safety performance measure progress and provide guidance to member agencies to improve safety on our streets with their transportation expenditures. He provided a presentation on the Draft Safety Performance Target Update and the Kern HSIP Projects.

There were no comments or questions from the committee members. This item was for information only.

VI. REAP 2.0 Grant Status Report

Mr. Davisson recapped at the December 2025 TTAC meeting an action item was adopted requesting that the three member agencies with Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2.0 reimbursement pending provide a status update at the February 4th TTAC meeting.

Grantees provided project status update. City of Shafter's project is complete and has been reimbursed. Mr. Arnold stated the City of Wasco's project is about 95% done on design and bid will be released in April. Mr. Cater provided an update on the City of Bakersfield's project. The first phase is almost done, and ribbon cutting is next week, and the Senior facility will be starting in June. Mr. Pelz added that there will no be issues with spending the funds by the deadline. Ms. Viterelli introduced the City of Arvin's project partners from the Cesar Chavez Foundation and Dolores Huerta Foundation, and Mr. Hernandez provided a presentation on the project, and Ms. Viterelli provided a status on funding sources and other project details, and she noted that REAP allows pre-construction costs not have housing complete for reimbursement. Mr. Garcia and Ms. Moreno provided details on the project outreach. Ms. Viterelli stated the KCCD is the fiscal agent for the project and will be submitting invoices to Kern COG and will submit for pre-construction cost reimbursement by end of year. Mr. Schlosser requests Kern COG staff to meet offline with Arvin team to discuss approved detailed scope and review items eligible for reimbursement.

Staff recommended grantees provide monthly project updates. This item was for information only.

VII. Cycle 8 Active Transportation Program – Upcoming Statewide Call for Projects

Ms. Pacheco stated on January 16, 2026, the Draft 2027 Active Transportation Program guidelines and fund estimate (attachment) were circulated by the California Transportation Commission. The fund estimate is \$619 million for four years of programming including fiscal years 2027-28, 2028-29, 2029-30, and 2030-31. The Commission will consider adopting the guidelines and fund estimate during the March CTC meeting. Commission staff is still providing virtual site visits.

Remaining workshops include a Scoring Rubrics Workshop on February 5th and a Virtual Branch Workshop for Central CA agencies (Caltrans districts: 5, 6, 9 &10) on February 23rd. Branch Workshops are informal, interactive sessions to allow for questions, learn ATP basics, and get tips from Commission staff. Registration is available on the [CTC ATP webpage](#).

Chairman Archer reminded if agencies plan to apply, he encourages agencies to begin preparing applications now. This item is for information only.

VIII. Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Program – Final Program of Projects

Mr. Valle stated Kern COG staff developed two scenarios for the CMAQ Program of Projects. Scenario 1 includes about \$29 million for 15 projects. Scenario 2 includes about

\$29 million for 18 projects. The draft CMAQ Program of Projects was circulated for review in December. Kern COG staff requests that the TTAC recommend approval of Scenario 2 as the Final CMAQ Program of Projects to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee.

There were no comments or questions from the committee members. Mr. James motioned to approve, and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. Ms. Pacheco performed a roll call vote, and the motion was carried out unanimously.

IX. Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Program – Final Contingency Project Policy and Project List

Mr. Valle stated Kern COG staff is proposing to add about \$29 million of contingency CMAQ programming in FFY 28-29 and 29-30 if projects for FFY 26-27 and 27-28 are not delivered. The draft CMAQ Contingency policy and project lists were circulated for review in December. Kern COG staff request that the TTAC recommend approval of the Final CMAQ Contingency Project Policy and Attachment B (scenario2) to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee.

There was discussion on utilizing opportunities on regional projects and the advancement of contingency projects. Ms. Alcantar motioned to approve, and Mr. James seconded the motion. Ms. Pacheco performed a roll call vote, and the motion was carried out unanimously.

X. Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) – Final Program of Projects

Mr. Valle stated the Final RSTP Program of Projects includes about \$31 million for 21 projects. The draft RSTP Program of Projects was circulated for review in December. Kern County requested a funding revision and withdrew a project. Kern COG staff requests that the TTAC recommend approval of the Final RSTP Program of Projects to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee.

There were no comments or questions from the committee members. Mr. Rodriguez motioned to approve, and Ms. Alcantar seconded the motion. Ms. Pacheco performed a roll call vote, and the motion was carried out unanimously.

XI. Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) – Final Contingency Project Policy and Project List

Mr. Valle stated Kern COG staff is proposing to add about \$30 million of contingency RSTP programming in FFY 28-29 and 29-30 if projects for FFY 26-27 and 27-28 are not delivered. The draft RSTP Contingency policy and project lists were circulated for review in December. Kern COG staff request that the TTAC recommend approval of the Final RSTP Contingency Project Policy and Attachment A to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee.

Mr. Rodriguez asked about updating policy since there were agencies that did not submit contingency projects, and Mr. Schlosser provided an explanation and staff will be working

on policy procedures after this cycle. Mr. James motioned to approve, and Mr. Arnold seconded the motion. Ms. Pacheco performed a roll call vote, and the motion was carried out unanimously.

XII. Project Accountability Team Report

Mr. Valle reported highlights from the January 13th Project Accountability Team meeting include: 1. Overview Draft CMAQ and RSTP Program of Projects, 2. The 2027 Federal Transportation Improvement Program Administrative Draft which will be discussed in the next agenda item, and 3. 2026 CTC Preparation Schedule for ATP Allocation submittal.

This item is for information only.

XIII. 2027 FTIP Administrative Draft

Mr. Valle announced the technical review period for the 2027 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Administrative Draft begins February 9th and comments are due March 2nd. Kern COG staff will circulate, under separate cover, a notice to TTAC members and other project delivery staff that the Administrative Draft documents have been posted to the Kern COG website. KCOG staff will also be meeting with member agencies to discuss 2025 FTIP projects that will be in the 2027 FTIP, the current call for projects, and development guidance from the FSTIP workshop.

This item is for information only.

XIV. Project Delivery Letters – ATP, CMAQ, RSTP

Mr. Valle reported Project Delivery letters were due by January 16th. A total of 11 projects have not yet been submitted for funding authorization representing \$15.6 million in federal/state programming. Regions can only use their obligational authority until May 1st, then it is “first-come-first served” until the obligational authority is gone. However, on March 15th, if the overall OA usage is less than 35%, then a decision to allow agencies to use the Local OA pool will be made by Local assistance. One Kern County Letter is missing and due by February 5th to meet the February Transportation Planning Policy Committee agenda preparation deadline. Mr. Valle requested the Chairman to ask for project updates. Each agency provided a status update, and City of Tehachapi was requested to provide status report at the April TTAC.

This item is for information only.

XV. Transportation Development Act Article 3 Outstanding Project Report 2026

Mr. Valle reported Kern COG received project delivery letters for all 17 outstanding TDA Article 3 projects, which represent \$2,440,789 in funding. Letters were requested at the November and December 2025 TTAC meetings. All agencies with outstanding projects provided project delivery letters.

Under Kern COG’s Project Delivery Policies, TDA Article 3 projects must be invoiced within three years of award, or the funds will return to the unallocated reserve for a future call for projects. Funding expiration dates are included in the attachment.

Ms. Alcantar showcased a new bike rack design with repair station which included Kern County and Kern COG logos. Kern County is willing to share design specifications with

member agencies. Kern County project is complete and needs to submit invoice. Mr. Arnold requested offline meeting to discuss reimbursement due to incomplete PG&E relocation. Mr. Schlosser said to meet with Ms. Enriquez.

This item is for information only.

xvi. Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP)

Ms. Pacheco announced the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) anticipates publishing the 2026 Cycle 8 Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program or TIRCP statewide call for projects on February 20, 2026, with a project application due date of May 14, 2026.

TIRCP available funding has not been released. Kern COG will notify agencies once CalSTA releases the budget information. The California State Transportation Agency has scheduled two virtual Guidelines Workshops. There is also the option of time-limited meetings with applicants to discuss project concepts and quantifications. A Cycle 8 TIRCP timeline is included in the staff report. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Irene Enriquez.

Mr. Arnold asked about funding and Ms. Pacheco and Mr. Schlosser provided an explanation. This item is for information only.

xvii. ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

xviii. MEMBER ITEMS

A. Caltrans Report by Mr. Duran - he is the new TTAC representative.

- Caltrans is reviewing Sustainable Grants and Mr. Duran is aware that Kern COG submitted the ATP grant
- Draft OWP is due February 27 to Caltrans
- Cycle 5 SB 1 grants virtual office hours are now available
- February 23rd ATP Workshop
- New Caltrans Engagement Portal
- SR 155 Rehab project City of Delano Council presentation
- Buy America changes, open office hours soon
- Mr. Duran to send March 4th DBE small business event at Fresno Convention Center
- Mr. Duran can provide project status updates as needed
- Mr. Arnold asked about the construction schedule for SR 43/SR 46 roundabout Mr. Duran noted that project awarded in December with contract approval scheduled for January and he will check on construction schedule

xix. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 12:14pm. The next meeting will be held on March 4, 2026.



IV. TTAC

March 4, 2026

TO: TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FROM: Jay Schlosser, Executive Director

By: Sarah Plank, Fiscal Services Officer

SUBJECT: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee Agenda Item: IV.
FY 2026/27 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA)
APPORTIONMENT ESTIMATE

DESCRIPTION:

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations Section 6644, Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG) shall determine and advise all prospective claimants of the amounts of all area apportionments from the Transportation Development Act (TDA) Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and State Transit Assistance Fund (STAF) for the following fiscal year. The total funding for fiscal year 2026/27 is estimated to be \$64,647,218.

DISCUSSION:

Based on funding **estimates** prepared by the Kern County Auditor-Controller Office for the Local Transportation Fund #24075 and by the California State Controller’s Office for the State Transit Assistance Fund #24076, Kern COG anticipates TDA funding for FY 2026/27 to be as follows:

	FY 2026/27	FY 2025/24	Change (\$)	Percent (%)
LTF Fund 24075	\$55,738,848	\$59,036,030	(\$3,297,182)	-5.59%
STAF Fund 24076	<u>\$8,908,370</u>	<u>\$ 9,817,928</u>	<u>(\$ 909,558)</u>	-9.26%
TOTAL	<u>\$64,647,218</u>	<u>\$68,853,958</u>	<u>(\$4,206,740)</u>	<u>-6.11%</u>

Attached are specific estimates by area of apportionment. Prospective claimants are reminded that the amounts cited represent **estimates** and that available funding will vary with actual tax receipts. In addition, these estimates will be revised in response to new local population estimates

provided by the California Department of Finance in May 2026. Finally, the State Transit Assistance Fund estimate is subject to the discretion of the state budgetary process and should be accepted with caution. This information has been forwarded to staff representatives of each prospective claimant.

ACTION: Information only.

Attachments: Kern COG FY 2026/27 Estimated Apportionment (TDA Schedule "A" and "B")
Kern County Auditor-Controller (FY 2026/27 Local Transportation Fund estimate)
California State Controller (FY 2026/27 State Transit Assistance Allocation
Preliminary Estimate)

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT "SCHEDULE A"
LTF - STAF FUNDING ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT FACTORS
FY 2026/27 AS OF 3/4/2026

TDA SCHEDULE "A" FY 2026/27 ESTIMATES	POPULATION BASIS As Of 1/1/2025 in E-5	POPULATION RATIO	L.T.F. POPULATION APPORTIONMENT	S.T.A.F. 99313 POPULATION APPORTIONMENT	S.T.A.F. REVENUE BASIS	S.T.A.F. REVENUE RATIO	S.T.A.F. 99314 REVENUE APPORTIONMENT	L.T.F. & S.T.A.F TOTAL ESTIMATED APPORTIONMENT
ARVIN	19,651	2.16%	\$ 1,132,377	\$ 181,299	62,152	0.77%	\$ 3,916	\$ 1,317,592
BAKERSFIELD (1)	411,109	45.16%	\$ 22,505,416	\$ 3,792,864	-	0.00%	\$ -	\$ 26,298,280
CALIFORNIA CITY	13,079	1.44%	\$ 753,670	\$ 120,666	25,760	0.32%	\$ 1,625	\$ 875,961
DELANO	52,484	5.77%	\$ 3,024,359	\$ 484,214	279,451	3.45%	\$ 17,608	\$ 3,526,181
GOLDEN EMPIRE TRANS (1)	N/A	-	\$ -	\$ -	5,882,508	72.68%	\$ 370,662	\$ 370,662
MARICOPA	1,004	0.11%	\$ 57,855	\$ 9,263	-	0.00%	\$ -	\$ 67,118
MCFARLAND	13,965	1.53%	\$ 804,725	\$ 128,840	12,106	0.15%	\$ 763	\$ 934,328
RIDGECREST	27,940	3.07%	\$ 1,610,026	\$ 257,773	159,250	1.97%	\$ 10,034	\$ 1,877,832
SHAFTER	22,226	2.44%	\$ 1,280,760	\$ 205,056	57,568	0.71%	\$ 3,628	\$ 1,489,444
TAFT	6,953	0.76%	\$ 400,662	\$ 64,148	360,169	4.45%	\$ 22,695	\$ 487,505
TEHACHAPI	11,092	1.22%	\$ 639,170	\$ 102,334	28,252	0.35%	\$ 1,781	\$ 743,285
WASCO	27,028	2.97%	\$ 1,557,472	\$ 249,359	31,839	0.39%	\$ 2,007	\$ 1,808,838
KERN CO.-IN (1)	148,215	16.28%	\$ 8,113,770	\$ 1,367,423	-	0.00%	\$ -	\$ 9,481,193
KERN CO.-OUT	155,554	17.09%	\$ 8,963,697	\$ 1,435,129	1,194,767	14.76%	\$ 75,284	\$ 10,474,110
METRO-BAKERSFIELD CTSA	N/A	N/A	\$ 1,611,536	\$ -	-	-	\$ -	\$ 1,611,536
ESTIMATED TOTAL	910,300	100%	\$ 52,455,495	\$ 8,398,367	8,093,822	100%	\$ 510,003	\$ 61,363,865
PROOF	910,300	100%	\$ 52,455,495	\$ 8,398,367	8,093,822	100%	\$ 510,003	\$ 61,363,865
KERN COG ADMINISTRATION	N/A	1%	\$ 557,388	\$ -	N/A		\$ -	\$ 557,388
KERN PEDESTRIAN/BIKEWAY	N/A	2%	\$ 1,103,629	\$ -	N/A		\$ -	\$ 1,103,629
KERN COG PLANNING (2)	N/A	3%	\$ 1,622,335	\$ -	N/A		\$ -	\$ 1,622,335
ESTIMATED TOTAL	N/A		\$ 55,738,848	\$ -	N/A		\$ 8,908,370.00	\$ 64,647,218

NOTES:

(1) THE GOLDEN EMPIRE TRANSIT DISTRICT RETAINS CLAIMANT PRIORITY TO THE CITY OF BAKERSFIELD AND KERN-IN FUNDS.
THE CITY OF BAKERSFIELD AND COUNTY OF KERN SHALL FUND 73.50% AND 26.50% OF GET'S CLAIM, RESPECTIVELY.

(2) PURSUANT TO P.U.C. SECTION 99262, CLAIMANTS MAY DESIGNATE FUNDING FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING PROCESS.
SEE SCHEDULE "B" FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF THIS AMOUNT BY AREA OF APPORTIONMENT.

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
TDA SCHEDULE "B" - PLANNING CONTRIBUTIONS BY AREA OF APPORTIONMENT
FY 2026/27 AS OF 3/4/2026

TDA SCHEDULE "B" FY 2026/27 ESTIMATES	POPULATION BASIS As Of 1/1/2025 in E-5	POPULATION RATIO	PLANNING CONTRIBUTION
ARVIN	19,651	2.16%	\$ 35,022
CALIFORNIA CITY	13,079	1.437%	\$ 23,309
DELANO	52,484	5.77%	\$ 93,537
GOLDEN EMPIRE TRANSIT (GET)	559,324	61.44%	\$ 996,826
MARICOPA	1,004	0.11%	\$ 1,789
MCFARLAND	13,965	1.53%	\$ 24,888
RIDGECREST	27,940	3.07%	\$ 49,795
SHAFTER	22,226	2.44%	\$ 39,611
TAFT	6,953	0.76%	\$ 12,392
TEHACHAPI	11,092	1.22%	\$ 19,768
WASCO	27,028	2.97%	\$ 48,169
KERN TRANSIT (KERN COUNTY)	155,554	17.09%	\$ 277,228
TOTALS	910,300	100%	\$ 1,622,335
PROOF	910,300	100%	\$ 1,622,335



V.
TTAC

March 4, 2026

TO: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee
FROM: Jay Schlosser, Executive Director
By: Rochelle Invina-Jayasiri, Regional Planner
SUBJECT: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee Agenda Item: V.

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 12, 2026. Additional information on items will be circulated as it becomes available. Please check the CTC ATP resource page for more information. Kern COG staff is 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:

[CTC ATP website](#)

[Caltrans ATP website](#)

[Kern COG Project Selection Policy](#) - the ATP section is found in Chapter 6, page 64

Other resources - [Active Transportation Resource Center \(ATRC\)](#) is funded by the California Transportation Commission's Active Transportation Program. The ATRC also provides for infrastructure and non-infrastructure ATP projects.

On January 16, 2026, the Draft 2027 ATP Guidelines and fund estimate (attachment) were circulated. The fund estimate is \$619 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 below 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 Opens call for projects	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

During the February 23, 2026 Branch Workshop, CTC staff shared that after the Call for Projects is announced, CTC staff will no longer be able to help with project application guidance. They also shared the following additional dates:

- March 1, 2026: Call for Evaluators
- March 26, 2026: Submittable Training
- May-June, 2026: Evaluator Trainings

ACTION: Information only.

Attachment: Draft 2027 ATP Fund Estimate

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2027 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (ATP) FUND ESTIMATE (\$ in thousands)

	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	4-Year Total
RESOURCES					
STATE RESOURCES					
Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) ^[1]	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$400,000
State Highway Account (SHA)	34,200	34,200	34,200	34,200	136,800
State Resources Subtotal	\$134,200	\$134,200	\$134,200	\$134,200	\$536,800
FEDERAL RESOURCES					
STBG Set-Aside for Transportation Alternatives Program ^[2]	\$141,400	\$128,400	\$130,700	\$133,100	\$533,600
Recreational Trails	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,900	7,600
Other Federal	19,950	19,950	19,950	19,950	79,800
Federal Resources Subtotal	\$163,250	\$150,250	\$152,550	\$154,950	\$621,000
TOTAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE^[3]	\$297,450	\$284,450	\$286,750	\$289,150	\$1,157,800
ADJUSTMENTS					
Previously Programmed Resources ^[4]	(\$154,130)	(\$184,350)	\$0	\$0	(\$338,480)
Resources Available for 2029 ATP ^[5]	\$0	\$0	(100,000)	(100,000)	(200,000)
PROGRAMMABLE RESOURCES AVAILABLE	\$143,320	\$100,100	\$186,750	\$189,150	\$619,320
DISTRIBUTIONS					
URBAN REGIONS (MPO Administered)					
State	(\$50,061)	(\$40,000)	(\$13,550)	(\$13,547)	(\$117,157)
Federal	(7,268)	(40)	(61,150)	(62,113)	(130,571)
Urban Regions Subtotal	(\$57,328)	(\$40,040)	(\$74,700)	(\$75,660)	(\$247,728)
SMALL URBAN & RURAL REGIONS (State Administered)					
State	(\$12,588)	(\$10,000)	(\$3,550)	(\$3,553)	(\$29,691)
Federal	(1,744)	(10)	(15,125)	(15,362)	(32,241)
Small Urban & Rural Regions Subtotal	(\$14,332)	(\$10,010)	(\$18,675)	(\$18,915)	(\$61,932)
STATEWIDE COMPETITION (State Administered)					
State	(\$65,372)	(\$50,000)	(\$17,100)	(\$17,100)	(\$149,572)
Federal	(6,288)	(50)	(76,275)	(77,475)	(160,088)
Statewide Competition Subtotal	(\$71,660)	(\$50,050)	(\$93,375)	(\$94,575)	(\$309,660)
TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS AVAILABLE	(\$143,320)	(\$100,100)	(\$186,750)	(\$189,150)	(\$619,320)

^[1] SEC. 36 of Senate Bill 1 adds Streets and Highways Code, Section 2032, appropriates \$100 million annually for ATP.

^[2] Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Set-Aside for Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funds are based on the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act through fiscal year 2026-27. Year one includes Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) redistribution funding for STBG eligible projects. Fiscal years 2027-28 to 2030-31 are escalated annually using the average inflationary rate over the entire IIJA funding period (1.8%).

^[3] Total resources available includes future resources for the 2029 ATP.

^[4] Net resources committed as part of prior ATP cycles.

^[5] Resources for future ATP cycle programming.

Note: Individual numbers may not add to total due to independent rounding.

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**2027 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (ATP)
Annual Urban Region Distribution: Four-Year Funding Table**
(\$ in thousands)

	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	4-Year Total
RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR URBAN REGIONS					
PROGRAMMABLE RESOURCES^[1]	\$57,328	\$40,040	\$74,700	\$75,660	\$247,728
URBAN REGION DISTRIBUTION^{[2][3]}					
MTC Region					
State	\$10,718	\$8,564	\$2,901	\$2,901	\$25,085
Federal	1,556	9	13,093	13,299	27,957
MTC Subtotal	\$12,275	\$8,573	\$15,994	\$16,200	\$53,041
SACOG Region					
State	\$3,502	\$2,798	\$948	\$948	\$8,196
Federal	508	3	4,278	4,345	9,135
SACOG Subtotal	\$4,011	\$2,801	\$5,226	\$5,293	\$17,331
SCAG Region					
State	\$25,982	\$20,761	\$7,032	\$7,031	\$60,807
Federal	3,772	21	31,738	32,237	67,768
SCAG Subtotal	\$29,754	\$20,781	\$38,771	\$39,269	\$128,575
Fresno COG (Fresno UZA) Region					
State	\$1,392	\$1,112	\$377	\$377	\$3,258
Federal	202	1	1,701	1,727	3,631
Fresno COG (Fresno UZA) Subtotal	\$1,594	\$1,114	\$2,077	\$2,104	\$6,889
Kern COG (Bakersfield) Region					
State	\$1,255	\$1,003	\$340	\$340	\$2,937
Federal	182	1	1,533	1,557	3,273
Kern COG (Bakersfield) Subtotal	\$1,437	\$1,004	\$1,873	\$1,897	\$6,210
Lake Tahoe (Bi-State) Region					
State	\$200	\$160	\$54	\$54	\$468
Federal	29	0	244	248	522
Lake Tahoe (Bi-State) Subtotal	\$229	\$160	\$299	\$302	\$990
SANDAG (San Diego UZA) Region					
State	\$4,553	\$3,638	\$1,232	\$1,232	\$10,655
Federal	661	4	5,562	5,649	11,875
SANDAG (San Diego UZA) Subtotal	\$5,214	\$3,642	\$6,794	\$6,881	\$22,530
San Joaquin COG (Stockton) Region					
State	\$1,076	\$859	\$291	\$291	\$2,517
Federal	156	1	1,314	1,334	2,805
San Joaquin COG (Stockton) Subtotal	\$1,232	\$860	\$1,605	\$1,626	\$5,322
Santa Barbara (SBCAG)					
State	\$619	\$494	\$167	\$167	\$1,448
Federal	90	0	756	768	1,614
Santa Barbara (SBCAG) Subtotal	\$708	\$495	\$923	\$935	\$3,062
Stanislaus COG (Modesto) Region					
State	\$763	\$610	\$207	\$207	\$1,786
Federal	111	1	932	947	1,990
Stanislaus COG (Modesto) Subtotal	\$874	\$610	\$1,139	\$1,153	\$3,776
TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS	\$57,328	\$40,040	\$74,700	\$75,660	\$247,728

^[1] Excludes previously programmed revenues and resources for the 2029 ATP Fund Estimate.

^[2] Distribution based on Urban Region's proportion of total population within all Urban Regions.

^[3] Per Senate Bill 99, guidelines shall include a process to ensure no less than 25 percent of overall program funds benefit disadvantaged communities.

Note: Individual numbers may not add to total due to independent rounding.



March 4, 2026

TO: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee
FROM: Jay Schlosser, Executive Director
By: Ceasar Valle, Regional Planner
SUBJECT: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee Agenda Item: VI.
2025 FEDERAL TRANSPORTION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP)
AMENDMENT - TIMELINE

DESCRIPTION:

Upcoming amendment schedule for next 2025 FTIP Amendment.

DISCUSSION:

Amendments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) are a normal part of the management and use of the FTIP. The upcoming amendment will include revisions to the State Highway/Regional Choice Program, Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP), Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program (CMAQ), and Transit Program. The next amendment schedule is provided below for your reference.

2025 FTIP AMENDMENT	
Public review period begins	Friday, March 6, 2026
TPPC meeting – public hearing	Thursday, March 19, 2026
Public review period ends	Friday, March 20, 2026
Regional approval	Monday, March 23, 2026
State approval	April 2026
Federal approval	May 2026

ACTION: Information only.



VII. TTAC

March 4, 2026

TO: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee
FROM: Jay Schlosser, Executive Director
By: Angelica Banuelos, Administrative Assistant
SUBJECT: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee Agenda Item: VII.

FY 2025-26 TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM – GOLDEN EMPIRE TRANSIT DISTRICT
FY 2023-24 TDA STREET AND ROADS CLAIM – CITY OF SHAFTER
FY 2019-20 TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2019-20 TDA STREET AND ROADS CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2020-21 TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2020-21 TDA STREET AND ROADS CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2021-22 TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2021-22 TDA STREET AND ROADS CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2022-23 TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT
FY 2022-23 TDA STREET AND ROADS CLAIM – CITY OF TAFT

DESCRIPTION:

The Fiscal Year 2025-26 Transportation Development Act (TDA) public transit claim for Golden Empire Transit District (\$40,000,413), Fiscal Year 2023-24 TDA street and roads claim for City of Shafter (\$1,366,188), and Fiscal Year 2019-20 through Fiscal Year 2022-23 TDA public transit and streets and roads claims for City of Taft (\$2,322,943) were received and reviewed by the deadline.

DISCUSSION:

According to California Public Utilities Code Section 99260 et seq., and Kern COG Transportation Development Act Rules and Regulations, eligible organizations may submit a claim for the purpose of supporting public transit systems and streets and roads. Kern COG staff has received and reviewed the following TDA Public Transit claims by the February 20, 2026, TTAC agenda deadline:

<u>Claimants</u>	<u>LTF</u>	<u>STAF</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
FY 2025-26 Public Transit	\$35,193,095	\$6,096,011	\$41,289,106

Golden Empire Transit Bakersfield – Amtrak	(\$1,288,693)		(\$1,288,693)
FY 2023-24 Public Transit City of Shafter	\$1,366,188	\$0	\$1,366,188
FY 2019-20 Public Transit City of Taft	\$109,452	\$140,260	\$249,712
FY 2019-20 Streets & Roads City of Taft	\$305,259	\$0	\$305,259
FY 2020-21 Public Transit City of Taft	\$43,488	\$86,697	\$130,185
FY 2020-21 Streets & Roads City of Taft	\$414,377	\$0	\$414,377
FY 2021-22 Public Transit City of Taft	\$197,789	\$105,180	\$302,969
FY 2021-22 Street & Roads City of Taft	\$298,276	\$0	\$298,276
FY 2022-2023 Public Transit City of Taft	\$249,308	\$135,371	\$384,679
FY 2022-23 Streets & Roads City of Taft	\$237,486	\$0	\$237,486
Regional Claims Total	\$37,126,025	\$6,563,519	\$43,689,544

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 and Street and Roads Claims for Golden Empire Transit District, City of Shafter and City of Taft and recommend approval to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee. ROLL CALL VOTE.



VIII. TTAC

March 4, 2026

TO: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Jay Schlosser, Executive Director

By: Raquel Pacheco, Regional Planner

SUBJECT: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee Agenda Item: VIII.

TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AND INNOVATION ACT PROGRAM (TIFIA)

DESCRIPTION:

FHWA Notice N4510.900 transmits the redistribution of Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act Program (TIFIA) funds pursuant to the Fiscally Responsible Highway Funding Act of 2024. The Notice distributes \$1,195,141 in TIFIA funds to the Kern region.

DISCUSSION:

Caltrans notified Kern COG of the release of FHWA Notice 4510.900 that transmits the redistribution of Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act Program (TIFIA) funds pursuant to the Fiscally Responsible Highway Funding Act of 2024. These funds are one-time funds distributed to California. The Notice distributes \$1,195,141 in TIFIA funds to the Kern region. Kern COG is currently reviewing options for the best use of TIFIA funding. Kern COG staff requests TTAC direction on the following recommendation:

Program TIFIA funding toward the regional project - Northbound State Route 99 Auxiliary Lane project. Kern COG is working to leverage savings from the state when combining the last movement of the State Route 58/99 Interchange ramp with a State Highway Operations and Protection (SHOPP) State Route 99 rehabilitation project. Kern COG staff is proposing to use the funds in conjunction with Thomas Roads Improvement Program (TRIP) to prepare the design for the Northbound State Route 99 Auxiliary Lane project to make the project ready for the savings. The funds are available for obligation until September 30, 2028.

ACTION: Recommend that the Transportation Planning Policy Committee direct staff to program TIFIA toward the Northbound State Route 99 Auxiliary Lane project.



IX. TTAC

March 4, 2026

TO: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Jay Schlosser, Executive Director

By: Irene Enriquez, Regional Planner

SUBJECT: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee Agenda Item: IX.

TRANSIT AND INTERCITY RAIL CAPITAL PROGRAM (TIRCP) CYCLE 8
STATEWIDE CALL FOR PROJECTS

DESCRIPTION:

The California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) published the statewide 2024 Cycle 7 Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) statewide call for projects on February 23, 2026, with a project application due date of May 18, 2026.

DISCUSSION:

The Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program provides grants to fund transformative capital improvements that will modernize California's intercity, commuter, and urban rail systems, and bus and ferry transit systems. Eligible applicants to TIRCP statewide competitive application must be public agencies, including joint powers agencies, that operate or have planning responsibility for existing or planned regularly scheduled intercity or commuter passenger rail service (and associated feeder bus service to intercity rail services), urban rail transit service, or bus or ferry transit service (including commuter bus, vanpool, and micro transit services). Public agencies include local municipalities that operate transit service, construction authorities, transportation authorities, and other similar public entities created by statute.

To be eligible for funding under this program, a project must demonstrate that it will achieve the following objectives:

1. Reduce emissions of greenhouse gases
2. Expand and improve transit service to increase ridership
3. Integrate the rail service of the state's various rail operations, including integration with the high-speed rail system
4. Improve transit safety

CalSTA has not released an official funding estimate for the 2026 Cycle 8 TIRCP program. However, during the February 2026 workshops, CalSTA staff indicated that applicants may assume a total program estimate of at least \$900 million for planning purposes. Kern COG will notify agencies as soon as CalSTA publishes the formal fund estimate and budget information.

Other announcements made regarding the Call for Projects include: the option for time-limited meetings with applicants to discuss project concepts and quantifications. Potential applicants should use the following link to ensure access to up-to-date information for the 2026 Cycle 8 TIRCP call for projects.

CalSTA TIRCP webpage: <https://calsta.ca.gov/subject-areas/transit-intercity-rail-capital-prog>

CalSTA TIRCP draft Guidelines:

https://calsta.ca.gov/-/media/calsta-media/documents/tircp_cycle_8_guidelines_final_v2-a11y.pdf

TIRCP 2026 Cycle 8 Timeline

Item	Date
Release Draft 2026 Cycle 8 Guidelines (PDF)	January 9, 2026
Guidelines Workshops Northern California – Southern California –	February 12, 2026
Closing Date for Comments on Draft Guidelines	February 18, 2026
CalSTA publishes Final Guidelines Draft and Final Guidelines Comparison Document	February 23, 2026
CalSTA Publishes 2026 Cycle 8 Call for Projects	February 23, 2026
Optional and time-limited meetings with applicants to discuss project concepts and quantifications (will be scheduled by request)	March 2-13, 2026
Project Applications Due	May 18, 2026
CalSTA Award Announcement	September 18, 2026

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Irene Enriquez, Regional Planner at (661) 635-2918 or E-mail at ienriquez@kerncog.org.

ACTION: Information only.