

KERN COG PUBLIC WORKSHOP

**Thursday, September 15, 2016
6:00 PM to 6:20 PM
Kern COG Board Room**

CALVANS UPDATE

Presented by: Ronald Hughes, Director

- **Vanpool Growth in Kern County**
- **Signing of MOU with US Department of Labor**
- **Future growth potential**
- **Questions/Comments**

*Kern Council of Governments
1401 19th Street, Suite 300
Bakersfield California*

**AGENDA
KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING POLICY COMMITTEE**

**KERN COG CONFERENCE ROOM
1401 19TH STREET, THIRD FLOOR
BAKERSFIELD CA 93301**

**THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 15, 2016
6:30 P.M.**

WEB SITE: www.kerncog.org

6:00 P.M. WORKSHOP: CALVANS UPDATE BY RONALD HUGHES, DIRECTOR

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I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

II. ROLL CALL: Flores, B. Smith, Wood, Pascual, Wilke, Cantu, Mower, Prout, Krier, P. Smith, Wegman, Couch, Scrivner, Kiernan, Miller, Parra

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A. Approval of Minutes – August 18, 2016

B. Response to Public Comments (None)

C. August TDA Public Transit and Streets and Roads Claims Totaling \$8,230,555 (Snoddy)

Comment: Review and recommendation of August TDA Public Transit and/or Streets and Roads claims totaling \$8,230,555. The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee has reviewed this item.

Action: Approve FY 2016-17 TDA Public Transit and Streets and Roads claims received for \$8,230,555 and authorize Chair to sign Resolution numbers 16-33 and 16-34. ROLL CALL VOTE.

D. Active Transportation Program Timeline, Cycle 3 (Smith)

Comment: The Active Transportation Program (ATP) is administered by the California Department of Transportation to fund projects that promote non-motorized transportation such as walking and bicycling. The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee has reviewed this item.

Action: Information.

E. TDA Article 3 Program of Projects for FY 2016-17 (Smith)

Comment: The Kern Council of Governments, acting in the capacity as the state-designated Regional Transportation Planning Authority, administers funding for the Transportation Development Act Article 3 program (Article 3). Article 3 funds are used to pay for bicycle and pedestrian safety programs, bicycle parking, and bicycle and pedestrian travel facilities. Eligible Article 3 claimants are the eleven incorporated cities within Kern County and the County of Kern. The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee has reviewed this item.

Action: Approve Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Transportation Development Act Article 3 Program of Projects. VOICE VOTE.

F. CMAQ Policy Update – Version 3 (Stramaglia)

Comment: The Kern COG Project Delivery Policy includes a section on the Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality Program (CMAQ) and will be updated in anticipation of a future CMAQ Call for Projects. The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee has reviewed this report.

Action: Information.

G. Supplemental Funding for Regional Active Transportation Plan (Smith)

Comment: Kern COG was awarded funding from the Active Transportation Program to produce an Active Transportation Plan for the Kern region. Supplemental funding has been received from Golden Empire Transit, Kern Transit and City of Bakersfield.

Action: Accept and receive funding for additional Active Transportation Plan activity from Golden Empire Transit, Kern Transit and the City of Bakersfield. Authorize Chair to sign Agreement with the City of Bakersfield. VOICE VOTE.

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

V. APPROVAL OF: 2017 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP); 2014 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) AMENDMENT NO. 1; AND CORRESPONDING CONFORMITY ANALYSIS (Pacheco)

Comment: A summary response to comments has been prepared. Comments received have been incorporated, as appropriate, into the final documents available on the Kern COG website at <http://www.kerncog.org/federal-transportation-improvement-program>. The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee has reviewed this item.

Action: Adopt the 2017 Federal Transportation Improvement Program, 2014 Regional Transportation Plan Amendment No. 1, and corresponding Conformity Analysis and authorize Chair to sign Resolution No. 16-35.
ROLL CALL VOTE

VI. BOARD MEMBER'S MEETING REPORTS: (None)

VII. CALTRANS' REPORT: (Report on Projects in Progress)

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

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X. ADJOURNMENT

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING POLICY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting of August 18, 2016

KERN COG CONFERENCE ROOM
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA

AUGUST 18, 2016
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jennifer Wood at approximately 6:40 p.m. due to workshop going long.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

II. ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Flores, Wood, Pascual, Wilke, Mower, Prout, Krier, P. Smith, Wegman, Couch, Miller, Parra

Members Absent: B. Smith, Cantu, Scrivner, Kiernan

Alternates: Hanson

Others: 8

Staff: Hakimi, Collins, Ball, Snoddy, Napier, Urata and VanWyk

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Mr. Dennis Fox spoke regarding California Air Resources Board.

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- A. Approval of Minutes – July 21, 2016
- B. Response to Public Comments (None)
- C. August FY 2016-17 TDA Public Transit and/or Streets and Roads Claims Totaling \$21,091,476
- D. SB 375 Greenhouse Gas Reduction Target Setting Timeline Update
- E. CMAQ Policy Update – Version 2
- F. Information from the Business and Industry Roundtable

***** END CONSENT CALENDAR*****

MOTION BY DIRECTOR SMITH, second by Director Flores, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR. Motion carried with a roll call vote.

V. PUBLIC HEARING – UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS IN KERN COUNTY

Mr. Snoddy started with thanking all the member agencies for the outstanding job they did. He then stated that the California Public Utilities Code Section 99401.5 requires that Kern Council of Governments annually identify any unmet transit needs and those that are reasonable to meet. Kern COG will conduct a public hearing tonight prior to making any final determination. Prior to making any allocation from the Transportation Development Act funds to uses other than public transportation or pedestrian/bikeway facilities, Kern COG is legally required to determine whether unmet transit needs have been identified within its jurisdiction. Through newspaper advertisements, members of the public were requested to provide their input. Public input was also obtained through public hearings held in the cities, County of Kern, and Golden Empire Transit District (GET). Kern COG's Social Services Transportation Advisory Committee (SSTAC) reviewed the results of these public hearings. GET held its unmet transit needs public hearing on April 5, 2016. The GET Board found that there were no unmet transit needs that are reasonable to meet. Kern Transit held its unmet transit needs hearing on April 12, 2016 and no unmet transit needs were identified at that hearing. City-operated transit systems in Kern County held unmet transit needs public hearings between February and April 2016. None of the cities reported unmet transit needs that were reasonable to meet. At its June 8, 2016 meeting, the SSTAC reviewed a countywide analysis of unmet transit needs provided by Kern COG staff and determined that there are no unmet transit needs that are reasonable to meet within Kern County. Tonight is the public hearing for FY 2016-17's unmet transit needs assessment and determination, at which time Kern COG should decide through resolution, one of the following: 1) There are no unmet transit needs; or 2) There are no unmet transit needs that are reasonable to meet; or 3) There are unmet transit needs, including those that are reasonable to meet.

Chair opened public hearing, no comments received, Chair closed public hearing.

MOTION BY DIRECTOR COUCH, second by Director Smith, TO FIND THAT THERE ARE NO UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS THAT ARE REASONABLE TO MEET IN KERN COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN RESOLUTION NO. 16-32. Motion carried with a roll call vote.

VI. NEW OWP WORK ELEMENT 603.3: ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION AND DEMAND MANAGEMENT

Ms. Urata stated that she's covering the Active Transportation and Demand Development, which is a new work element in our 2016-17 Overall Work Program. We are spending this year looking for ways to promote Advanced Clean Transportation Technologies. The workshop presentation tonight was a great segue into this item. She wanted to thank the people at Telephonics for giving us the Level I charging station out in the lobby as a display. She then went over some items in the board's folders that she said was for your information and to be shared with your staff. She also reminded them that there is another new work element 801.1 which is grant writing and she is available to write up to four grants this year. Also a part of the 603.3 work element we are budgeted for doing workshops, so this includes part of our education effort this year. This is an information item only.

Director Parra asked if there are incentives for electric bikes. Ms. Urata said yes there are and it's been mainly used by Police Departments. As part of Kern COG's outreach program we will be working on an electric bike outreach program.

VII. BOARD MEMBERS MEETING REPORTS (None)

VIII. CALTRANS' REPORT: (Report on Projects in Progress)

Ms. Miller stated that she has four projects to report on: The Lost Hills Lane Replacement on SR 5 between Lerdo overcrossing and the I-5 and SR 46 separation is a SHOPP project. The work that's been completed so far is the southbound traffic has been switched, the southbound concrete removal and roadway excavation was completed from Kern River canal undercrossing to the Merced Avenue overcrossing. Scheduled upcoming work will be the number two lane working on some asphalt and concrete pavement work and the project's anticipated to be completed in January of 2017. The Bakersfield Bridge Preventative Maintenance Project on SR 204 between I-99 and SR 178, the work that's been completed is: the deck treatment, coal plane and paving. Scheduled work for the upcoming weeks is scaffolding at the Kern River Bridge and paint work there will be ongoing for a few months. There's also some existing scour damage at various piers at that bridge. Anticipated completion date is

next March. The Cherry Avenue truck climbing lanes on Highway 119 near Taft from Elk Hills Road to Tubin Road. Work that's been completed is installation of the environmental fence, removed stripes and restriped, replaced temporary k-rail, remove ADL soils, roadway excavation and the embankment is complete. Work coming up is installing drainage system on the Northside of Highway 119 and installing erosion control and place the aggregate base and it should be done in December. We have the Kern and Tulare Vehicle Detection System, which is installing traffic monitoring stations in Kern and Tulare Counties at various locations. Contractor is installing the pole boxes and anticipated completion is also December.

Chair said that she really appreciates the eastbound Highway 58 work to repair the ruts in the road. It is so much better. Please pass our thanks on.

IX. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Hakimi told Director Wilke that there's a sketch in his folder tonight that outlines the project that Ms. Miller just reported on.

The CTC met yesterday and today in San Diego, during that meeting they announced that they will be coming to Bakersfield next month September 14-15 at the Bakersfield Convention Center's Potato Room and that room is being provided free of charge by the City of Bakersfield and he thanked them. Many of you have already been asked to participate in that program. On September 15th there will be a trip to visit some work that was done on the Union Pacific train lines and you all have been contacted. If you are interested in going on that trip, please get your check into Laurie tonight if possible or within the next couple of weeks.

Researchers from UC Davis were in our office yesterday, they are working on an 8-County San Joaquin Valley Shared Mobility Study. It is funded by a state grant and is studying how advanced technologies such as Uber, Lyft and Bike Sharing can be used to benefit our disadvantaged communities that have limited access to transit. The study is scheduled to be completed next year.

Freight is a major emphasis of the new Federal Fast Act as well as a major source of air quality issues in the Valley. Kern COG staff is actively participating in the I-5/99 Freight Corridor Study and the San Joaquin Valley Sustainable Goods Movement Strategy throughout the San Joaquin Valley. The study is working to identify existing and future freight corridors and advanced technology solutions. This fall, an I-5 pilot project will demonstrate an advanced safety technology by a company called Peloton that can increase fuel efficiency and reduce emission of trucks up to 50%. For more info, see the handout in your folders.

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Mayor Flores wanted to thank staff for all their work and he also is looking forward to hosting the KCAC meeting on Monday. He also wants to invite you all out to the groundbreaking Ceremony for the Walnut Drive extension, the Garden in the Sun Park and the Jewett Square Improvement. Director Smith said the crews were out to clean up and their Mountain Festival is this weekend. It's cooler, come on up.

XI. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director

ATTEST:

Jennifer A. Wood, Chair

DATE: _____

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

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

WEDNESDAY
AUGUST 31, 2016
10:00 A.M.

Chairman Schlosser called the meeting to order at approximately 10 a.m. A “sign-in” sheet was provided.

I. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Neath	Kern County
Steve Woods	GET
Wayne Clausen	City of Shafter
Joe West	NOR/CTSA
Ted Wright	City of Bakersfield
Alec Kimmel	Caltrans
Bob Wren	City of Wasco
Jay Schlosser	City of Tehachapi

STAFF:

Ahron Hakimi	Kern COG
Peter Smith	Kern COG
Joe Stramaglia	Kern COG
Tami Jones	Kern COG
Raquel Pacheco	Kern COG
Rochelle Invina	Kern COG

OTHER:

Viviana Zamora	City of Delano
Dean Meester	Caltrans

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None

- III. APPROVAL OF DISCUSSION SUMMARY:** Meeting of August 3rd, 2016. Mr. Neath noted that the August 3rd minutes stated that Chairman Schlosser called the meeting to order. He advised that Chairman Schlosser was not in attendance and that he had chaired the meeting. Mr. Neath made a motion to approve the discussion summary upon correction of the error. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. Motion carried.

IV. AUGUST TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT AND STREETS AND ROADS CLAIMS TOTALING \$8,230,555

Mr. Snoddy presented the August TDA public transit and streets and roads claim for the TTAC to review.

The action requested is to review TDA Public Transit and/or Streets and Roads claims received as of August 22, 2016 for \$8,230,555 and recommend approval to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee.

Mr. Wren made a motion to recommend approval. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. Motion carried.

V. ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM TIMELINE, CYCLE 3

Mr. Smith advised that the Active Transportation Program (ATP) is administered by the California Department of Transportation to fund projects that promote non-motorized transportation such as walking and bicycling.

This item was for information only.

VI. TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017

Mr. Smith advised that Kern Council of Governments, acting in the capacity as the state-designated Regional Transportation Planning Authority, administers funding for the Transportation Development Act Article 3 program (Article 3). Article 3 funds are used to pay for bicycle and pedestrian safety programs, bicycle parking, and bicycle and pedestrian travel facilities. Eligible Article 3 claimants are the eleven incorporated cities within Kern County and the County of Kern.

The action requested is to review and recommend approval of the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Transportation Development Act Article 3 Program of Projects to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee.

Mr. Wright made a motion to approve. Mr. Neath seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VII. 2017 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP); 2014 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) AMENDMENT #1; AND CORRESPONDING CONFORMITY ANALYSIS

Ms. Pacheco advised that a summary response to comments has been prepared. Comments received have been incorporated, as appropriate, into the final documents. The Draft Conformity Analysis included two options. The final Conformity Analysis follows Option 2 revised budgets.

The action requested is that the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee recommend approval of the 2017 Federal Transportation Improvement Program, 2014 Regional Transportation Plan Amendment #1, and corresponding Conformity Analysis to the Transportation Planning Policy Committee.

Mr. Wright made a motion to recommend approval. Mr. Neath seconded the motion.

VIII. CMAQ POLICY UPDATE – VERSION

Mr. Stramaglia stated the August 10th CMAQ was well attended. During the meeting a recommendation was developed that would move 10 points from the safety ranking criteria to the air quality ranking criteria. Then, 5 points for safety benefits would be added to the livability ranking criteria. The schedule was revised to allow time for these revisions. Mr. Stramaglia advised that a draft of the revised policy would be sent to the TTAC in mid-September and a final draft would be presented at the October meetings. A request for approval will be requested at the November meetings.

Chairman Schlosser commented CMAQ meeting went very well and was productive.

Mr. Wright thanked Mr. Stramaglia for all of his hard work.

This item was for information only.

IX. MEMBER ITEMS

Ms. Pacheco stated that the next Project Accountability Team meeting is scheduled for September 20th at 10:00 AM. She noted that Caltrans is unable to deliver the SR43 Shoulder improvement project and is releasing \$1 million in CMAQ dollars. Kern COG staff continues to encourage agencies to deliver their projects early in order to avoid loss of funding to the region.

As requested at the last TTAC meeting, Kern COG staff coordinated with Caltrans Local Assistance staff to schedule the next workshop for October 13th at 10:00 AM to discuss two topics: 1. the steps involved in advancing projects with various types of funding; and 2. Consultant Services Procurement and Contract Administration.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled meeting will be Wednesday October 5, 2016. With no further business the committee adjourned at 10:18 AM.



IV. C. TPPC

September 15, 2016

TO: Transportation Planning Policy Committee

FROM: Ahron Hakimi,
Executive Director

By: Robert M. Snoddy,
Regional Planner

SUBJECT: TPPC AGENDA NUMBER IV. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM C.
AUGUST TDA PUBLIC TRANSIT AND STREETS AND ROADS CLAIMS TOTALING
\$8,230,555

DESCRIPTION:

Review and recommendation of August TDA Public Transit and/or Streets and Roads claims totaling \$8,230,555. The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee has reviewed this item.

DISCUSSION:

Below is a list of Public Transit and Streets and Roads claims received by the September 2016 TTAC agenda deadline (August 22, 2016):

<u>Claimants</u>	<u>LTF</u>	<u>STAF</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Kern Transit (FY 2016-17 PT)	\$5,462,050	\$806,183	\$6,268,233
<u>County of Kern (FY 2016-17 SR)</u>	<u>\$1,962,322</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,962,322</u>
Regional Claims Total:	\$7,424,372	\$806,183	\$8,230,555

These claims have been evaluated in accordance with the following criteria: 1) the maximum funding level does not exceed claimants' deferred revenues, plus current year apportionments, less required public transit financing; 2) claimants have conducted a public hearing within its jurisdiction to receive testimony regarding unmet transit needs and have made an appropriate finding by resolution of its governing body; 3) project proposed for funding is in conformity with the Regional Transportation Plan; and 4) claimants have not requested or received funds in excess of its current year expenditure. Staff recommends approval.

The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee and staff recommend approval of the TDA claims submitted to Kern COG by August 22, 2016.

Action:

Approve FY 2016-17 TDA Public Transit and Streets and Roads claims received for \$8,230,555 and authorize Chair to sign Resolution numbers 16-33 and 16-34. ROLL CALL VOTE.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 16-33

In the matter of:

TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIMS – KERN TRANSIT

WHEREAS, the Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG) has received and evaluated a claim from the above-named claimant pursuant to the Transportation Development Act (TDA) and its own rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, Kern COG is authorized by TDA to allocate monies from the Local Transportation Fund and the State Transit Assistance Fund and direct the Kern County Auditor-Controller to disburse said monies to eligible claimants in accordance with the provisions of this resolution, and approved claim, and written Kern COG allocation instructions; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), adopted by Kern COG, has established goals, objectives, and policies for the implementation of transportation systems in Kern County; and

WHEREAS, a triennial performance audit and annual financial/compliance audit of claimant's operations have been completed; and

WHEREAS, claimant's claim, submitted and on file as part of the official Kern COG records, is made a part of this resolution by this reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BUT IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. This allocation is made for the fiscal year 2016-17 to the claimant listed above and in accordance with Schedule A, attached hereto and made a part of this resolution by this reference; and
2. Kern COG hereby makes the following findings:
 - a) Claimant's proposed transit services are responding to transit needs currently not being met in the area of apportionment; and
 - b) Claimant's proposed transit services shall, if appropriate, be integrated with existing transit services; and
 - c) Claimant's proposed budget, as itemized in the claim, designate revenues and expenses conforming with the RTP; and
 - d) The ratio of fare revenue to operating costs is sufficient to enable claimant to meet the requirements of California Public Utilities Code Sections 99268.2, 99268.3, 99268.4, 99268.5, 99268.6, 99268.7, 99268.9, 99268.11, 99268.12, 99268.26, 99268.17, and 99268.19, as applicable; and
 - e) Claimant has made full use of federal funds available under the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended; and
 - f) The sum of claimant's allocation from the Local Transportation Fund and State Transit Assistance Fund does not exceed the amount eligible to be received during the fiscal year. Claimant may, however, be required to repay excess funds, pursuant to California Administrative Code Section 6735; and
 - g) Kern COG has considered claims to offset unanticipated increases in fuel costs, to enhance

existing transit services, to meet high priority regional sub-regional transit needs; and

- h) Claimant has made reasonable efforts to implement the productivity improvements developed pursuant to PUC section 99244; and
 - i) Claimant is not precluded by contract from employing part-time drivers or from contracting with common carriers operating under franchise or license; and
 - j) Claimant has received certification by the California Highway Patrol within the last thirteen months indicating that the operations are in compliance with California Vehicle Code Section 1808.1.
3. Claimant is allocated Local Transportation Fund and State Transit Assistance fund monies in amounts not to exceed that listed on Schedule A, attached hereto and made a part of this resolution by this reference; and
 4. Disbursement of transit monies, allocated for the regional planning process, shall be made from claimant's Local Transportation Fund reserve accounts to the Kern COG planning account as the first priority payment; and
 5. Disbursement of claimant's remaining transit allocation to its local treasury shall be made as the second priority payment in mutually agreed installments; and
 6. The Kern County Auditor-Controller is authorized to make disbursements of Local Transportation fund monies as they become available and in accordance with written Kern COG instructions; and
 7. The Kern COG Executive Director is authorized to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Kern County Auditor-Controller in support of disbursements.

AUTHORIZED AND SIGNED THIS 15TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Jennifer A. Wood, 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 15th day of September 2016.

Date: _____

Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director
Kern Council of Governments

Resolution 16-33
TDA-Transit-Kern Transit
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BEFORE THE KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF KERN

RESOLUTION NO. 16-34

In the matter of:

FY 2016-17 TDA STREETS AND ROADS CLAIM – COUNTY OF KERN

WHEREAS, The State of California has declared that public transportation is an essential component of a balanced transportation system and that it is desirable that public transportation systems be designed and operated so as to encourage maximum utilization of the service for the benefit of all the people of the state, including the elderly, handicapped, youth, and citizens of limited means of the ability to freely utilize the system (Section 99220, Public Utilities Code (PUC); and

WHEREAS, The Mills-Alquist-Deddeh Act, also known as the Transportation Development Act (TDA), established public funding for the support of public transportation systems and other purposes consistent with the Act, including local streets and roads, and facilities provided for exclusive use by pedestrians and bicycles (Section 99400(a) PUC); and

WHEREAS, The Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG), as the designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency, is required to ensure that the following factors are identified and considered prior to the allocation of TDA funds for street and road claims or any other purposes not directly related to public transportation services (Section 99401.5, PUC):

- 1) Size and location of identifiable groups likely to be dependent upon transit, including but not necessarily limited to, the elderly, the handicapped and the poor; 2) Adequacy of existing public transportation services; and 3) Potential alternative public transportation and specialized transportation services, and service improvement that would meet travel demand; and

WHEREAS, Kern COG is further required to hold a public hearing to receive testimony identifying or commenting on unmet transit needs within the jurisdiction of claimants that might be reasonable to meet by establishing or contracting for new public transportation or specialized transportation services or expanding existing services (Section 99238.5, PUC); and

WHEREAS, The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), adopted by Kern COG, established goals, objectives, and policies for the implementation of public transportation systems in Kern County, and public testimony received at public hearings, evidence Kern COG's efforts to identify transportation needs pursuant to Section 99238.5, PUC; and

WHEREAS, The RTP, adopted by Kern COG, established goals, objectives, and policies for the implementation of public transportation systems in Kern County; and

WHEREAS, Claimant has filed a claim for street and road funds pursuant to Public Utilities Code Article 8 Section 99400(a); and

WHEREAS, Kern COG, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the TDA and its own rules and regulations, has received and evaluated Claimant's Article 8 street and road claim consistent with the provisions of Section 99400(a), Article 8 of the PUC, and Section 99313.3, Article 6.5 of the PUC; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 99238.5, PUC, Kern COG has held a public hearing to receive testimony identifying and commenting on unmet transit needs within the jurisdiction of claimant; and

WHEREAS, The proposed projects are consistent with claimant's projected TDA revenues and the Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, Claimant proposes to use the funds for projects shown on the claim submitted by claimant and filed in the Kern COG office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Council, after consideration of all available information, including the RTP, the Kern COG transportation needs studies, and testimony received at public hearings, finds that:
 - a) There are no unmet transit needs that are reasonable to meet within the jurisdiction of claimants. No additional unmet transit needs have been identified which can support a public transit service which meets the legally-required farebox recovery ratio (21 Cal. Admin. Code Section 6633.2-6633.9); and b) This claim on the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) for Article 8 is consistent with the RTP.
2. This claim is approved, subject to the following conditions:
 - a) Claimant is herein allocated the LTF and STAF funds available for apportionment shown on Attachment "A," plus any interest and balance from prior years, for use on projects also shown on Attachment "A"); b) Before any streets and roads payments are made to claimant under Articles 8 or 6.5, those allocations approved by this Council for transit, Articles 4 and 6.5, shall be credited to claimant's transit reserve account in trust fund #24075, Article 8, and #24076, Article 6.5; and c) Remaining Article 8 and 6.5 funds shall be credited to and retained in claimant's non-transit streets and roads reserve account in trust fund #24075 and #24076 and shall be transferred or disbursed to claimant in accordance with Attachment "A" of this resolution and written instructions for disbursement issued by Kern COG staff.
3. The Chairman and Executive Director of Kern COG are hereby authorized to perform any and all acts necessary to accomplish the purpose of this resolution, including the submission of allocation instructions to the Kern County Auditor-Controller pursuant to 21 California Administrative Code, Section 6659.

AUTHORIZED AND SIGNED THIS 15TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2016.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Jennifer A. Wood, 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 15th day of September 2016.

Date: _____

Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director
Kern Council of Governments

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IV. D. TPPC

September 15, 2016

TO: Transportation Planning Policy Committee

FROM: Ahron Hakimi,
Executive Director

BY: Peter Smith,
Regional Planner

SUBJECT: TPPC AGENDA NUMBER IV. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM D.
ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM TIMELINE, CYCLE 3

DESCRIPTION: The Active Transportation Program (ATP) is administered by the California Department of Transportation to fund projects that promote non-motorized transportation such as walking and bicycling. The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee has reviewed this item.

DISCUSSION: The ATP is in its third funding cycle. The following is a timeline of activity that will occur at the State level and at Kern Council of Governments:

Active Transportation Program Timeline (CTC)	
Commission hearing and adoption of ATP Guidelines	March 17, 2016
Call for projects	April 15, 2016
Commission adopts ATP Fund Estimate	May 18, 2016
Project applications to Caltrans (postmark date)	June 15, 2016
Staff recommendation for statewide and small urban and rural portions of the program	October 28, 2016
Commission adopts statewide and small urban and rural portions of the program	December 7-8, 2016
Projects not programmed distributed to large MPOs based on Location	December 7-8, 2016
Deadline for MPO project programming recommendations to the Commission	January 27, 2017
Commission adopts MPO selected projects	March 2017
Active Transportation Program Timeline (Kern COG)	
Call for Projects (State issued)	April 15, 2016
Project Application to Caltrans (postmark date)	June 15, 2016
Copy of application to Kern COG	June 15, 2016
Commission adopts statewide and small urban and rural portions of the program	December 7-8, 2016
Kern COG ATP review Committee meets to affirm CTC ranking	Early December, 2016

List of Kern COG projects forwarded to Transportation Technical Advisory Committee	January 4, 2017
List of Kern COG projects forwarded to Transportation Planning Policy Committee. Action affirmed by the Kern Council of Governments	January 19, 2017
Deadline for MPO project programming recommendations to the Commission	January 27, 2017
Commission adopts MPO selected projects	March 2017

By the submittal deadline twenty-four (24) project proposals were tendered to the California Department of Transportation from the Kern Region requesting \$28,127,000 in Active Transportation Program funding. Statewide, 452 applications were submitted, requesting \$1.5 billion. \$240 million is available for allocation in this funding cycle.

ACTION: Information.



September 15, 2016

TO: Transportation Planning Policy Committee

FROM: Ahron Hakimi,
Executive Director

BY: Peter Smith,
Regional Planner

SUBJECT: TPPC AGENDA NUMBER IV. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM E.
TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017

DESCRIPTION: The Kern Council of Governments, acting in the capacity as the state-designated Regional Transportation Planning Authority, administers funding for the Transportation Development Act Article 3 program (Article 3). Article 3 funds are used to pay for bicycle and pedestrian safety programs, bicycle parking, and bicycle and pedestrian travel facilities. Eligible Article 3 claimants are the eleven incorporated cities within Kern County and the County of Kern. The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee has reviewed this item.

DISCUSSION: A call for projects was issued for the Article 3 program on May 4, 2016, with a submittal deadline of July 15, 2016. The total amount of funding available for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 is estimated to be \$720,944, a decrease of nine percent (9%) from FY 2015-2016 due to a decrease in sales tax collected. Six (6) eligible jurisdictions submitted a total of fourteen (14) proposals requesting \$1,069,067.

The project proposals are submitted using standardized ranking criteria. Submitted project proposals are reviewed and field checked by Kern COG staff. Bicycle parking and bicycle and pedestrian safety programs have the highest priority. After all bicycle parking and bicycle and pedestrian safety program requests have been satisfied, seventy percent (70%) of the remaining funding pool is available for bicycle travel facilities, with the remaining thirty percent (30%) available for pedestrian travel facilities. No single jurisdiction may claim more than forty percent (40%) of the fiscal year's available funding. Kern COG staff has reviewed and evaluated the Article 3 project proposals for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 and recommends the following allocations:

Bicycle Parking and Safety Programs (1st Priority)

Jurisdiction	Project	Cost
Bakersfield	Downtown Bakersfield Bike Parking	\$15,000
Bakersfield	Bicycle Education and Outreach	\$10,000
Taft	Bicycle Parking	\$3,000
Wasco	Bicycle Safety	\$2,000
1st Priority Total:		\$30,000

Prior Commitments:

Jurisdiction	Project	Cost
Arvin	Pedestrian Improvements in DiGiorgio Park (Closeout: Phase III of III. \$132,599 total cost. \$44,200 in 2014-2015 and \$44,200 in 2015-2016)	\$44,200
Bakersfield	SW Bakersfield Bikelanes on Various Streets (Closeout: Phase III of III \$145,000 total cost. \$48,333 in 2014-2015 and \$48,333 in 2015-2016)	\$48,333
Bakersfield	Countdown Heads at 50 Locations (Closeout: Phase III of III \$203,000 total cost. \$79,060 in 2014-2015 and \$61,970 in 2015-2016)	\$61,970
Bakersfield	Kern River Bike Path Rehab: Buena Vista to Coffee. (Closeout: Phase II of II: \$125,000 total cost. \$55,737 allocated in 2015-2016)	\$67,263
Tehachapi	Class I Bike Path on North side of Tehachapi Blvd from Hayes to East of Stuber. (Closeout: Phase III of III \$363,475 total cost. \$121,158 in 2014-2015 and \$121,158 in 2015-2016)	\$121,158
Wasco	Griffith Ave Ped. Improvements (Closeout: Phase II of II \$50,000 total cost. \$39,204 allocated in 2015-2016)	\$10,796
Prior Commitments Total:		\$353,720

Bicycle Facilities:

Jurisdiction	Project	Cost
Bakersfield	Bakersfield College Bike Lanes (Phase I of II: \$107,450 total cost, \$21,639 owing in 2017-2018)	\$85,811
McFarland	Browning Road Bike Lanes	\$20,250
Bicycle Facilities Total:		\$106,061

Pedestrian Facilities:

California City	Sidewalk in-fill on Heather Ave (Phase I of II: \$82,181 total cost, \$33,614 owing in 2017-2018)	\$48,567
Kern County	Beale Ave/River Blvd Ped. Improve. (Phase I of III: \$286,000 total cost, 95,333 owing in 2017-2018 and 95,333 owing in 2018-2019)	\$95,333

Taft	Main Street to Rails to Trails Connect (Phase I of II: Total cost \$136,526, 68,263 owing in 2017-2018)	\$68,263
Wasco	7 th Street Pedestrian Improvements	\$19,000
	Pedestrian Facilities Total:	\$231,163
	Grand Total 2016-2017 TDA-3	\$720,944

ACTION: Approve Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Transportation Development Act Article 3 Program of Projects.
VOICE VOTE.



September 15, 2016

TO: Transportation Planning Policy Committee

FROM: Ahron Hakimi,
Executive Director

BY: Joseph Stramaglia,
Project Delivery Team Lead

SUBJECT: TPPC AGENDA NUMBER IV. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM. F.
CMAQ Policy Update – Version 3

DESCRIPTION:

The Kern COG Project Delivery Policy includes a section on the Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality Program (CMAQ) and will be updated in anticipation of a future CMAQ Call for Projects. The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee has reviewed this report.

DISCUSSION:

On April 21, 2016, the Kern Council of Governments Board of Directors approved the requested action of directing Kern COG staff to move forward with updating the current Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) Project Delivery Policy. Version 1 of the revised policy was distributed to TTAC prior to the May 4 TTAC meeting and the Kern COG Directors regularly scheduled monthly meeting of May 19. It was distributed to TTAC members for purposes of the June 1, 2016 Workshop along with comments from the City of Tehachapi. Kern COG staff provided responses to those comments and discussed them in detail at the June 1, 2016 Workshop. Prior to the August 10 workshop, no additional comments have been received either in response to Version 2 of the policy or the updated Summary of Comments.

At the recent August 10 Workshop, participating TTAC members and Kern COG staff discussed a recommendation to reduce points for Safety benefits and transfer those points to emissions benefits. The recommendation includes combining Safety with Livable Communities. The revision moves 10 points from Safety to Emissions benefits and 5 points to the Livable Communities element. Version 3 will be circulated to TTAC members at least one time in September prior to the development of the October TTAC agenda. The final draft will be submitted as part of the October TTAC agenda. The timeline is revised to allow time to develop these recommended revisions to Version 3 with a request for approval in November 2016.

CMAQ POLICY UPDATE – PROCESS TIMELINE

September 2016	Update CMAQ Policy Version 3 and circulate to TTAC members for their review
October 2016	Circulate draft policy version 3 to the TTAC and TPPC; and
November 2016	Request approval for CMAQ Project Delivery Policy as TTAC and TPPC Items

ACTION: Information.



IV. G. TPPC

September 15, 2016

TO: Transportation Planning Policy Committee

FROM: Ahron Hakimi,
Executive Director

BY: Peter Smith,
Regional Planner

SUBJECT: TPPC AGENDA NUMBER IV. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM G.
SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE FOR REGIONAL ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

DESCRIPTION:

Kern COG was awarded funding from the Active Transportation Program to produce an Active Transportation Plan for the Kern region. Supplemental funding has been received from Golden Empire Transit, Kern Transit and City of Bakersfield.

DISCUSSION:

Kern Council of Governments applied for and received a \$250,000 Active Transportation Program grant to help fund an Active Transportation Plan for the Kern Region. The plan will inventory existing non-motorized transportation facilities, identify deficiencies and prioritize future projects based on safety, need and connectivity.

Subsequent to the grant award, Golden Empire Transit and Kern Transit pledged an additional \$25,000 each to more closely examine the relationship of non-motorized transportation infrastructure and the connectivity of public transit within the public transit agency districts. Kern COG has received this funding.

The City of Bakersfield has pledged \$35,000 for additional Active Transportation Plan activities within that jurisdiction and has prepared a Memorandum of Agreement, which accompanies this staff report.

ACTION:

Accept and receive funding for additional Active Transportation Plan activity from Golden Empire Transit, Kern Transit and the City of Bakersfield. Authorize Chair to sign Agreement with the City of Bakersfield. VOICE VOTE.

AGREEMENT NO. _____

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into on _____, by and between the **CITY OF BAKERSFIELD**, a Charter city and municipal corporation ("CITY" herein), and **KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**, a public entity ("KERN COG" herein).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, in October 2015, KERN COG was awarded \$250,000 in Active Transportation Program grant funds from the California Transportation Commission; and

WHEREAS, these grant funds were awarded to develop a Countywide Active Transportation Plan, which identifies strategies to increase walking, bicycling, and transit use in Kern County; and

WHEREAS, not only will the proposed plan create a vision for local and regional active transportation, it will help the CITY and region be more competitive for future grant opportunities; and

WHEREAS, in June 2016, the CITY received \$35,000 in Rose Foundation grant funds for the Countywide Active Transportation Plan since a substantial portion of the proposed plan will be centered on the Bakersfield Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, CITY desires to contribute the \$35,000 in Rose Foundation grant funds to KERN COG as a contribution to the development of the Countywide Active Transportation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, incorporating the foregoing recitals herein, CITY and KERN COG mutually agree as follows:

1. **FINANCIAL.** CITY will advance KERN COG \$35,000 toward the development of the Countywide Active Transportation Plan ("Plan").

2. **SCOPE OF WORK.** KERN COG will be the lead agency on developing the Plan. CITY will work collaboratively with KERN COG and other agencies on developing the Plan. The consultant, retained by KERN COG to prepare the Plan, Alta Planning + Design, will develop a project schedule in the near future. KERN COG anticipates the Plan will be completed in summer 2017.

3. **GRANT REQUIREMENTS.** KERN COG agrees to the following:

3.1. To repay any portion of the amount granted which is not used for the furtherance of the project(s) referenced herein. If it is determined that KERN COG is not capable of satisfactorily completing the work of the grant, the CITY may, at its discretion, demand repayment of grant funds, withhold payment of future grant funds, and/or declare the grant terminated.

3.2. To notify CITY immediately of any change in its tax or legal status, including but not limited to federal or state tax exemption; or any change to the executive staff, or to staff responsible for achieving the grant purposes.

3.3. Not to expend any of these funds for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, or educational within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 170(c)(2)(B).

3.4. Not to expend any of these funds on lobbying activities prohibited by IRS Section 501(c)(3), nor for electioneering activities such as endorsing, campaigning, or otherwise supporting elected official or candidates for public office.

3.5. To make its books available to the CITY upon reasonable advance notice during the grant period and for one year following the termination of the grant.

3.6. If in the sole judgment of the CITY any contingencies required under this grant are not fulfilled within the grant period, the grant shall expire, and the CITY can demand full or partial repayment of grant funds.

4. COMPLIANCE WITH ALL LAWS. KERN COG shall, at KERN COG's sole cost, comply with all of the requirements of Municipal, State and Federal authorities now in force or which may hereafter be in force, pertaining to this Agreement, and shall faithfully observe in all activities relating to or growing out of this Agreement all Municipal ordinances and State and Federal statutes, rules or regulations, and permitting requirements now in force or which may hereafter be in force including, without limitation, obtaining a City of Bakersfield business tax certificate (Bakersfield Municipal Code Chapter 5.02) where required.

5. AMENDMENTS. This Agreement can be amended, modified or supplemented only in writing by both parties.

6. ASSIGNMENT. Neither this Agreement nor any rights, interests, duties, liabilities, obligations or responsibilities arising out of, concerning or related in any way to this Agreement (including, but not limited to, accounts, actions, causes of action, claims, damages, demands, liabilities, losses,

obligations, or reckonings of any kind or nature whatsoever, for compensatory or exemplary and punitive damages, or declaratory, equitable or injunctive relief, whether based on contract, equity, tort or other theories of recovery provided for by the common or statutory law) may be assigned or transferred by any party. Any such assignment is prohibited, and shall be unenforceable and otherwise null and void without the need for further action by the non-assigning party or parties.

7. INDEMNITY. KERN COG shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless CITY, its officers, agents and employees against any and all liability, claims, actions, causes of action or demands whatsoever against them, or any of them, before administrative or judicial tribunals of any kind whatsoever, arising out of, connected with, or caused by KERN COG, KERN COG's employees, agents, independent contractors, companies or subcontractors in the performance of, or in any way arising from, the terms and provisions of this Agreement whether or not caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder, except for CITY's sole active negligence or willful misconduct.

8. NOTICES. All notices relative to this Agreement shall be given in writing and shall be personally served or sent by certified or registered mail and be effective upon actual personal service or depositing in the United States mail. The parties shall be addressed as follows or at any other address designated by notice:

CITY: CITY OF BAKERSFIELD
City Hall
1600 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301
Telephone: (661) 326-3753

KERN COG: KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
1401 19th Street, Suite 300
Bakersfield, CA 93301
Telephone: (661) 861-2191

9. TERMINATION. This Agreement may be terminated by any party upon ten days' written notice, served by mail or personal service, to all other parties.

10. TERM. This Agreement shall remain in full force and effect until the Plan is complete, KERN COG and CITY mutually agree to terminate the Agreement, or CITY terminates this Agreement pursuant to Section 9 above, whichever comes first.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed, the day and year first-above written.

"CITY"
CITY OF BAKERSFIELD

"KERN COG"
KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

By: _____
HARVEY L. HALL
Mayor

By: _____
Print Name: _____

Title: _____

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:
ALAN TANDY
City Manager

By: _____
ALAN TANDY
City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
VIRGINIA GENNARO
City Attorney

By: _____
ANDREW HEGLUND
Deputy City Attorney

COUNTERSIGNED:

By: _____
NELSON SMITH
Finance Director

AH:dll/lsc

Peter Smith

From: Steve Woods <swoods@getbus.org>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 3:17 PM
To: Peter Smith
Subject: RE: Active Transportation Plan funding from GET

Hello

Peter, would you please provide a letter signed by Mr. Ahron Hakimi explaining and acknowledging GET's participation in the Kern Region Active Transportation Plan and how the GET board was approached for this funding. This should adequately explain the disbursement. I have the board's response to the presentation.

Regards,

J. Steven Woods
Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Golden Empire Transit District
1830 Golden State Avenue
Bakersfield CA 93301
swoods@getbus.org
Tel:661.324.9874, Fax:661.869.6394

From: Peter Smith [mailto:PSmith@kerncog.org]
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 10:01 AM
To: Steve Woods
Subject: FW: Active Transportation Plan funding from GET

Good Morning,

I wrote Karen last week about how to get the \$25,000 GET committed to help fund the Kern Region Active Transportation Plan. She said get in touch with you.

How do I go about getting the money? I'm getting ready to let the contract and want to have all the funding in place.

Let me know. Thanks

Peter W. Smith
Regional Planner
Kern Council of Governments
1401 19th Street, Suite 300
Bakersfield, CA 93301
661-861-2191 Phone
661-324-8215 FAX
psmith@kerncog.org

From: Peter Smith
Sent: Thursday, June 16, 2016 9:33 AM



**Kern Council
of Governments**

June 24, 2016

Golden Empire Transit District
1830 Golden State Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

Members of the Board:

Thank you for committing \$25,000 towards the development of an Active Transportation Plan for the Kern Region. The money provided by your Board will help expand the study of how active transportation such as bicycling and walking interface with the transit system and how that interaction may be improved.

At the invitation of your Board, Mr. Peter Smith, Kern COG Regional Planner, addressed the Board at the meeting of April 5, 2016. After explaining the Active Transportation Plan project and responding to questions from Board Members, the Board voted to approve \$25,000 to help fund the project.

Please contact me at your earliest convenience if additional information or clarification is required.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ahron Hakimi".

Ahron Hakimi
Executive Director

Peter Smith

From: Peter Smith
Sent: Friday, July 01, 2016 4:39 PM
To: 'Nickj@co.kern.ca.us'
Subject: Regional Transit \$25,000 contribution to Active Transportation Plan

Good Afternoon,

Thanks for calling me back. Will the following blurb work for you?

The Kern Council of Governments was successful in being awarded an Active Transportation Program grant from the State of California . The Active Transportation Program funds pedestrian and bicycle facilities projects, as well as studies to improve active transportation planning and programming. The grant award was in the amount of \$250,000. KernCOG will hire a consulting firm to inventory existing active transportation facilities, identify deficiencies in the existing system and help prioritize future projects based on safety, connectivity and other pertinent criteria .

To further understand the relationship between active transportation users and transit usage, Kern Transit has pledged \$25,000 in additional funding to the project. The funding will permit additional study as to how the Kern Transit operation interfaces with active transportation, identifying deficiencies in the interface between the two modes of transportation and identify how the interface may be improved. The Kern Transit funding will be used to study issues in the unincorporated areas of Kern County. The Golden Empire Transit District, the public transit service provider in the Metropolitan Bakersfield, area has also committed \$25,000 to the study to study similar issues in the GET service area.

The study will begin in late July 2016 and be completed in June 2017. The Board of Supervisors will be presented with the results at the conclusion of the project.

Thank you for your support.

Please let me know you got this message.

Have a good (long) weekend.

Thanks

Peter W. Smith
Regional Planner
Kern Council of Governments
1401 19th Street, Suite 300
Bakersfield, CA 93301
661-861-2191 Phone
661-324-8215 FAX
psmith@kerncog.org

Peter Smith

From: Nick Jeffers <NICKJ@co.kern.ca.us>
Sent: Tuesday, July 05, 2016 11:52 AM
To: Peter Smith
Subject: Re: Was the blurb I sent last Friday about the Active Transportation plan OK with you.

Was just what I needed. Thanks, Peter.

>>> Peter Smith <PSmith@kerncog.org> 07/05/2016 11:09 AM >>>
Do I need to do something else?

Peter W. Smith
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September 15, 2016

TO: Transportation Planning Policy Committee

FROM: Ahron Hakimi,
Executive Director

By: Rob Ball, Director of Planning;
Joseph Stramaglia, Project Delivery Team Lead;
Raquel Pacheco, Regional Planner;
Becky Napier, Regional Planner;
Vincent Liu, Regional Planner

SUBJECT: TPPC AGENDA NUMBER V.
2017 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP);
2014 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) AMENDMENT #1; AND
CORRESPONDING CONFORMITY ANALYSIS

DESCRIPTION:

A summary response to comments has been prepared. Comments received have been incorporated, as appropriate, into the final documents available on the Kern COG website at <http://www.kerncog.org/federal-transportation-improvement-program>. The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee has reviewed this item.

DISCUSSION:

The Federal Transportation Improvement Program is a near-term list of transportation projects, while the 2014 Regional Transportation Program is a long-term blueprint for transportation projects. The Air Quality Conformity Analysis demonstrates that both the near- and long-term projects will not delay the region's efforts to improve the air. In July, the draft documents were made available. The Draft Conformity Analysis included two options. As a result of the pending approval and promulgation of Air Quality State Implementation Plans; California; San Joaquin Valley; Moderate Area Plan for the 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS, the final Conformity Analysis follows Option 2 revised budgets.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
May 4, 2016	Timeline presented to Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC)
May 19, 2016	Timeline presented to Transportation Planning Policy Committee (TPPC)
July 6, 2016	Public review period begins;
	Revised Timeline and Draft documents presented to TTAC
July 21, 2016	Draft documents presented to TPPC with public hearing
August 4, 2016	Public review period ends
August 31, 2016	Present Final documents to TTAC to recommend approval
September 15, 2016	Present Final documents to TPPC for adoption
September 23, 2016	Send Final documents with response to comments to state and federal agencies for approval
December 2016	Anticipated federal approval

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Comments received have been incorporated, as appropriate, into the final documents. Kern COG staff recommends approval. The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee recommends approval.

Attachment: "Summary of Comments and Responses"

ACTION:

Adopt the 2017 Federal Transportation Improvement Program, 2014 Regional Transportation Plan Amendment #1, and corresponding Conformity Analysis and authorize Chair to sign Resolution No. 16-35. ROLL CALL VOTE

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

RESOLUTION NO. 16-35

In the Matter of:

2017 Federal Transportation Improvement Program and 2014 Regional Transportation Plan Amendment 1, and Corresponding Conformity Analysis

WHEREAS, the Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG) is a Regional Transportation Planning Agency and a Metropolitan Planning Organization, pursuant to State and Federal designation; and

WHEREAS, federal planning regulations require Metropolitan Planning Organizations to prepare and adopt a long range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for their region; and

WHEREAS, a 2014 Regional Transportation Plan Amendment 1 has been prepared in full compliance with federal guidance; and

WHEREAS, a 2014 Regional Transportation Plan Amendment 1 has been prepared in accordance with state guidelines adopted by the California Transportation Commission; and

WHEREAS, federal planning regulations require that Metropolitan Planning Organizations prepare and adopt a short range Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) for their region; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (2017 FTIP) has been prepared to comply with Federal and State requirements for local projects and through a cooperative process between the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans), principal elected officials of general purpose local governments and their staffs, and public owner operators of mass transportation services acting through Kern COG forum and general public involvement; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 FTIP program listing is consistent with: 1) the 2014 Regional Transportation Plan Amendment 1; 2) the 2016 State Transportation Improvement Program; and 3) the Conformity Analysis for the 2017 FTIP and 2014 RTP Amendment 1; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 FTIP contains the MPO's certification of the transportation planning process assuring that all federal requirements have been fulfilled; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 FTIP and 2014 RTP Amendment 1 meets all applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450.

WHEREAS, projects submitted in the 2017 FTIP and 2014 RTP Amendment 1 must be financially constrained and the financial plan affirms that funding is available; and

WHEREAS, the MPO must demonstrate conformity per 40 CFR Part 93 for the RTP and FTIP; and

WHEREAS, the Conformity Analysis for the for the 2017 FTIP and 2014 RTP Amendment 1 supports a finding that the 2017 FTIP and 2014 RTP Amendment 1 meet the air quality conformity requirements for carbon monoxide, ozone and particulate matter; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 FTIP and 2014 RTP Amendment 1 do not interfere with the timely implementation of the Transportation Control Measures; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 FTIP and 2014 RTP Amendment 1 conform to the applicable SIPs; and

WHEREAS, the documents have been widely circulated and reviewed by Kern COG's advisory committees representing the technical and management staffs of the member agencies; representatives of other governmental agencies, including State and Federal; representatives of special interest groups; representatives of the private business sector; and residents of Kern County consistent with public participation process adopted by Kern COG; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted on July 21, 2016 to hear and consider comments on the 2017 FTIP and 2014 RTP Amendment 1 and corresponding Conformity Analysis;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Kern COG adopts the 2017 FTIP, 2014 RTP Amendment 1, and corresponding Conformity Analysis effective upon the effective date of EPA Federal Register titled *Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality State Implementation Plans; California; San Joaquin Valley; Moderate Area Plan for the 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS*.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Kern COG finds that the 2017 FTIP and 2014 RTP Amendment 1 are in conformity with the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments and applicable State Implementation Plans for air quality.

AUTHORIZED AND SIGNED THIS 15th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2016.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Jennifer A. Wood, 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 adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 15th day of September 2016.

Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director
Kern Council of Governments

Date

Summary of Comments and Responses

As part of the development of the TIP, stakeholders, technical staff, and the general public were given the opportunity to comment. The public review period was held July 6, 2016 to August 4, 2016.

2017 Federal Transportation Improvement Program

State Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

Office of Program/Project Management – email dated 7/5/16

Provided update to the 2016 State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP) group project listing.

Response: Revision was incorporated into the final document.

Office of Federal Transportation Management Program – email dated 8/1/16

1. Recommend inserting the link to KCOGs PPP in the body of the text on page 96 and include language stating the POP requirements will be satisfied using the FTIP public review.

Response: Revision was incorporated into the final document.

2. For STIP projects in the financials I am showing \$33,200 in 18/19. You show \$33,700 in revenue and programming. And also on page 14 & 15. Please verify.

Response: The \$500 difference is due to the inclusion of an Inyo County project that has Kern COG STIP-AC dollars - KER140102 In Inyo County: archaeological pre-mitigation for Olancha/Cartago project. No revision needed.

3. In reviewing the State Highway/Regional Choice I found several discrepancies between the list and what is in the Draft FTIP. (Pages 22-25).

KER120105 shows \$7610 in 16/17 RW

KER010103 the DFTIP shows funding in 16/17

KER120106 the DFTIP funding is different

KER120103 shows \$0 in DFTIP for 16/17

KER140102 the DFTIP shows \$500K in 16/17 not 18/19

KER020604 the DFTIP shows the \$55 M in 15/16

KER050104 the funding is different in the DFTIP

KER130101 the DFTIP shows \$7,955 in 16/17

Response: Kern COG uses a Microsoft Access database to develop the list of projects for the Draft Public Review FTIP document. Once the projects are finalized, all changes are then incorporated in the Draft FTIP module of the CTIPS database. No revision is needed to the FTIP document. The CTIPS database will be updated prior to the deadline set by Caltrans.

4. Please include a link to your backup list for grouped projects.

Response: The <http://www.kerncog.org/federal-transportation-improvement-program> link is posted on the cover page of the grouped project listing under Appendix J. No revision needed.

5. Ensure signed Appendix A inserted.

Response: Revision will be submitted with the final document.

6. Ensure certification in Appendix B gets signed.

Response: Signed MOUs are included in Appendix B. No revision needed.

7. Please remember to provide 3 copies of the final FTIP to Caltrans.

Response: Comment acknowledged.

8. Ensure that comments are addressed in final FTIP submittal.

Response: Revision was incorporated into the final document.

Summary of Comments and Responses Continued

City of Bakersfield – letter dated 8/18/16

Revise KER160402 group listing project limits.

Response: *Revision was incorporated into the final document.*

City of Wasco – email dated 7/5/16

Delete KER110602 because projects have been de-obligated previously.

Response: *Caltrans, who administers the Safe Routes to School Program, responded via email that the City of Wasco was correct. Caltrans has deleted the projects from the program. Revision was incorporated into the final document.*

Technical revisions

- Appendix J Grouped Project Listing updated with above noted revisions.
- KER151004 Mojave Active Transportation Program project received a construction phase time extension from the California Transportation Commission. The construction phase was moved from FY 15/16 to FY 16/17.
- Financial Tables updated with above noted revisions.