



Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 1, 2018
Time: 10:00 a.m.

ITEM 1

Meeting Location:
 CALCOG
 1107 9th Street, Suite 810
 Sacramento, CA 95814

Directors	MPOs
Tony Boren	Fresno Council of Governments
Patrick Pittenger	Merced County Association of Governments
Ted Smalley (ph)	Tulare County Association of Governments
Becky Napier for Ahron Hakimi (ph)	Kern Council of Governments
Terri King (ph)	Kings County Association of Governments
Patricia Taylor (ph)	Madera County Transportation Commission
Andrew Chesley	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Rosa Park (ph)	Stanislaus Council of Governments

Please see Appendix A for a list of other attendees

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. January 11, 2018 Directors' Meeting

T. Boren

There was a motion to approve the January 11, 2018 Directors Committee Minutes.

First Motion: Mr. Andrew Chesley
 Second Motion: Mr. Patrick Pittenger
 No Nays
 Motion Carried

Fresno
 Council of
 Governments
 Tony Boren - Chair

Merced County
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 Governments
 Patrick Pittenger - Vice Chair

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DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

2. RTP/Sustainable Communities Strategies/Air Quality

R. Niblock

Update and Discussion

Mr. Ryan Niblock reported on a Valley staff call, where SB375 and ARB direction was discussed. To recap, Fresno submitted its SCS Technical Methodology Memo to ARB and a meeting was arranged to discuss initial SB 375 GHG reductions per capita and a CO2 adjustment methodology. Mr. Niblock discussed in detail how this methodology would benefit the Valley, but noted he still needed some clarifications from ARB. Further discussion ensued about factors affecting target setting including the schedule of high speed rail and lack of redevelopment. Pricing and project level performance metrics were items noted of importance to ARB.

3. Valley Legislative Affairs Committee

S. Dabbs

Valley Voice Sacramento, March 7, 2018

Ms. Stacie Dabbs provided a brief update on materials and introduced Mr. Mark Watts (Smith, Watts & Hartmann) to further discuss itinerary. Mr. Tony Boren inquired about the Valleys' position regarding SB1, and it was recommended to remain neutral in discussions. Mr. Andrew Chesley inquired about speaker selection and preparation, further discussion ensued. Ms. Rosa Park recommended SJJPA Chairman Vito Chiesa as the speaker for "Intercity Passenger Rail" item.

4. California Transportation Funding—SB 1

Implementation Strategy Updates:

- **Trade Corridor Enhancements (SJCOG & MCAG)**

Merced SR 99 southbound is still in ITIP, while SR 99 northbound is in TCEP. Merced does not have approved SCS, which could impact funding. Madera SR 99 was taken out of STIP and not included in TCEP. Further discussion ensued.

- **Solutions for Congested Corridors (Fresno COG)**

Applications due February 16th.

- **ITIP (TCAG & StanCOG)**

Mr. Ted Smalley recommended pushing for the Madera project to be given priority in the next ITIP if another project gets delayed. A letter to CTC regarding the Madera project will be drafted. Discussion regarding a letter to ARB regarding Merced's SCS and the impact to funding for SR 99 followed.

5. Regional Project Prioritization

T. Smalley/A. Chesley

Continued Discussion on Project Matrix

Mr. Andrew Chesley is currently working on the project matrix and will circulate a draft next week for comments.

6. Directors' 2018 Workshop

T. Boren

Follow Up Discussion

Directors each provided comments regarding the workshop and discussed follow up items. Overall, Directors felt the workshop was productive and provided positive feedback on the moderator and location.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

7. Caltrans Directors' Report

S. Ehlert/D. Agar

Caltrans D6 mentioned planned outreach efforts for SB 1. Caltrans D10 announced the upcoming 2019 Freight Mobility Plan. Public workshops will be schedule for April to June 2018.

8. **San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail** D. Leavitt
Mr. Andrew Chesley discussed the newly created Tri-Valley – San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority.
9. **California High Speed Rail** D. Gomez
10. **Goods Movement Planning** M. Sigala
CFAC meeting scheduled for February 20th. Minor changes to the final report are being made.
11. **Rural Transit Alternatives Study/UC Davis** M. Sigala
Anticipated start-up date for ARB grant project is March/April 2018.
12. **California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley** I. Herrera
Mr. Ismael Herrera will be sending scope of works to MPOs who contributed funding. Partnership Board of Directors meeting scheduled for March 16th.

OTHER ITIEMS

13. **Director Items**
 - Mr. Patrick Pittenger reported that his financial staff has been at Caltrans Headquarters working with auditors to resolve ICAP carryover.
 - Mr. Andrew Chesley mentioned potential uses for excess PL funds. Mr. Chesley also brought up the LTF issue, further discussion followed.
14. **Public Presentations for Items not on Agenda**
There were no public presentations.

**Meeting Adjourned at Approximately 11:45 A.M.
Next Directors’ Meeting: Thursday, March 1, 2018 (Modesto)**

Appendix A – Additional Meeting Attendees

In Attendance:	
Individual(s)	Organization(s)
Ben Kimball (ph)	Tulare County Association of Governments
Stacie Dabbs (ph)	Merced County Association of Governments
Michael Sigala	Valleywide Coordinator, Sigala Inc
Gail Miller (ph)	Caltrans D6
Ken Baxter (ph)	Caltrans D10
Ryan Niblock	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Dan Leavitt (ph)	SJJPA
Ismael Herrera (ph)	California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley
Scott Carson (ph)	FHWA
Mark Watts (ph)	Smith, Watts & Hartmann
Tanisha Taylor	CALCOG
Bill Higgins	CALCOG
Matt Fell	Merced County Association of Governments