



Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 3, 2018
Time: 10:00 a.m.

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Meeting Location:
Madera County Transportation Commission
2001 Howard Road, Suite 201
Madera, CA 93637

Directors	MPOs
Tony Boren	Fresno Council of Governments
Matt Fell for Patrick Pittenger	Merced County Association of Governments
Ted Smalley	Tulare County Association of Governments
Ahron Hakimi	Kern Council of Governments
Terri King	Kings County Association of Governments
Troy McNeil for Patricia Taylor	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. April 5, 2018 Directors' Meeting

T. Boren

There was a motion to approve the April 5, 2018 Directors Committee Minutes.

First Motion: Ms. Terri King
Second Motion: Mr. Ahron Hakimi
No Nays
Motion Carried

Fresno
Council of
Governments
Tony Boren - Chair

Merced County
Association of
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 direction received from EPA regarding 1997 Ozone Plan. FTIP amendments types 1, 2, and 3 will be accepted. Ms. Alex Mariucci is working on revising conformity boilerplate. Further, Mr. Niblock reported on upcoming deadlines relating to SB150 and SB373. There is a May 4th deadline for feedback on SCS Evaluation Guidelines circulated by ARB staff, and a May 7th deadline for an ARB report to describe progress made on SB375 and SCS implementation in general. Mr. Niblock noted that most MPOs are struggling with the size of data request and recommends that MPOs respond by directing ARB staff to the information provided over the years on the 2014 RTP plan. Lastly, Mr. Niblock requested volunteers to participate in a director meeting with Kurt Karperos, ARB Deputy Executive Officer. Discussion followed.

3. Valley Voice DC 2018

M. Sigala

Initial Discussion of Logistics and Legislative Platform

Mr. Michael Sigala announced the date for Valley Voice D.C. would be September 12-14, 2018. Directors agreed to retain Len Simon (Simon and Company) as lobbyist. Discussion on platform items was deferred to closed Directors session.

4. California Transportation Funding—SB 1

Program and Project Funding Updates:

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

2018 TCEP funding recommendations are as follows:

- MCAG - \$30m for 99 Livingston Widening, Northbound project
- KernCOG - \$25m for Centennial Corridor project
- StanCOG - \$21m for SR-132 West project
- SJCOG - \$9m for Port of Stockton's Fyffe Avenue Grade Separation project; \$15m for City of Tracy Central Valley Gateway projects

2018 Local Partnership Program funding recommendations are as follows:

- StanCOG - \$3m
- MCAG - \$5m
- TCAG - \$2.5m

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

No report was provided.

- **ITIP (TCAG & StanCOG)**

No report was provided.

5. Regional Project Prioritization

A. Chesley/ T. Smalley

Update and Discussion

Mr. Andrew Chesley reviewed scoring from the "Project Fact Sheet" form that was circulated at the previous meeting. Discussion regarding Valley project prioritization ensued.

6. Valleywide Overall Work Program FY 2018-19

M. Sigala

a) Receive and Consider Approving

Mr. Michael Sigala provided OWP FY 2018-19 to Directors for review.
There was a motion to approve the Valleywide Overall Work Program FY 2018-19.

First Motion: Mr. Ahron Hakimi
Second Motion: Mr. Ted Smalley
No Nays
Motion Carried

7. 2018 Annual Policy Conference (May 9-11)

C. Malekos

Receive Update

Ms. Rosa Park and Ms. Cindy Malekos (this item was moved to the beginning of meeting) provided a brief update on the upcoming conference. For more information, visit <http://sjvcogs.org/events/>.

8. CalEnviroScreen and ATP Funding

T. Boren

Discuss

Mr. Tony Boren followed up on a discussion regarding the Bay Area calling for modifications to the CalEnviroScreen process. Mr. Boren encouraged the Valley collectively to not be in favor of this effort. Discussion followed.

Additionally, Mr. Boren highly recommended the Valley to take advantage of the next cycle of ATP funding. He noted a few specific projects that would likely be funded under the program.

9. AHSC Round Three Technical Assistance

K. Williams

Enterprise Community Partners will provide an update on Round 3 submittals and next steps for the San Joaquin Valley

Ms. Kristine Williams, Central Valley Program Officer, and Ms. Sally Greenspan, Statewide AHSC Program Director, provided a presentation overviewing Enterprise Community Partners technical advisory services to the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) program. Further discussion followed regarding opportunities for the Valley, the next AHSC round, what roles MPO staff can take on, and next steps.

10. Sustainable Communities Workshop(s)

C. Love Lazard

Institute for Local Government will provide an update on upcoming workshops in the San Joaquin Valley

Ms. Christal Love Lazard requested direction from the Directors in order to design workshops that would be beneficial to MPOs. Workshops will be held during Summer 2018 and would involve coordination with MPO staff.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

11. Caltrans Directors' Report

S. Ehlert/D. Agar

Mr. Ken Baxter reported on SB1 funding programs and the U.S. Department of Transportation BUILD Transportation Program, which has \$1.5 billion in available finding.

12. San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail

D. Leavitt

Mr. Dan Leavitt announced that SJJPA was awarded \$500.5M for new stations and track improvements to increase connectivity and frequency of service to the Sacramento region as a result of SB1 and highlighted new lines of service. Next board meeting, May 25th in Modesto.

13. California High Speed Rail

D. Gomez

14. Goods Movement Planning

M. Sigala

Mr. Michael Sigala reported on a California Freight Mobility Plan workshop held in Kern.

15. Rural Transit Alternatives Study/UC Davis

M. Sigala

Currently closing up Caltrans funding grant and the next phase is the ARB grant project, which is expected to begin June 2018.

16. California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley

I. Herrera

The next Partnership meeting will be held in June in Tulare County.

OTHER ITEMS

17. Director Items

Mr. Andrew Chesley discussed StanCOG serving as “ex-officio” member on San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission; SJCOGs proposal to use LTF solely for public transit; and items discussed during Mega-Region meeting.

18. Public Presentations for Items not on Agenda

Mr. Scott Carson (FHWA) announced that Stew Sonnenberg, liaison for northern MPOs, would be retiring at the end of month. Mr. Carson will let MPOs know who their new FHWA liaison will be once it is determined.

Meeting Adjourned at Approximately 12:00 P.M.

Appendix A – Additional Meeting Attendees

In Attendance:	
Individual(s)	Organization(s)
Michael Sigala	Valleywide Coordinator, Sigala Inc
Ken Baxter (ph)	Caltrans D10
Ryan Niblock	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Trai Her-Cole (ph)	Fresno COG
Scott Carson (ph)	FHWA
Cindy Malekos (ph)	StanCOG
Rene Guitierrez	ACE Train
Dan Leavitt	San Joaquin JPA
Christal Love Lazard	Institute for Local Government
Stephanie Maynard	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Rudy Serrato	Sigala Inc
Jennifer Khy	Sigala Inc
Robert Phipps	KernCOG
Coral Abbott	Strategic Growth Council
Kristine Williams	Enterprise Community Partners
Sally Greenspan	Enterprise Community Partners
Jeff Findley	Madera County Transportation Commission
Becky Napier (ph)	KernCOG
Will Barret (ph)	American Lung Association