



Meeting Minutes

ITEM 1

Thursday, September 6, 2018

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Location:

VIA VIDEO TELEPHONE CONFERENCE AT THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT (SVAPCD) OFFICE LOCATIONS:

SVAPCD NORTHERN REGION
4800 Enterprise Way
Modesto, CA 95356

SVAPCD CENTRAL REGION
1990 E Gettysburg Ave
Fresno, CA 93726

SVAPCD SOUTHERN REGION
34946 Flyover Court
Bakersfield, CA 93308

Directors	MPOs
Tony Boren	Fresno Council of Governments
Stacie Dabbs	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
Patricia Taylor	Madera County Transportation Commission
Ryan Niblock for Andrew Chesley	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Rosa Park	Stanislaus Council of Governments

Please see Appendix A for a list of other attendees

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. August 2, 2018 Directors' Meeting

R. Park

There was a motion to approve the August 2, 2018 Directors Committee Minutes.

First Motion: Ahron Hakimi
Second Motion: Tony Boren
Motion Carried

Stanislaus
Council of
Governments
Rosa Park - Chair

Madera County
Transportation
Commission
Patricia Taylor - Vice Chair

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DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- 2. RTP/Sustainable Communities Strategies/Air Quality** R. Niblock
Update and Discussion
Ryan Niblock reported that the SB150 report, which was due on September 1st, was not submitted and he does not know when it will be submitted. He noted that his staff is unaware of what edits are being made to document, or if any additional conclusions or directions will be added to the report. Additionally, Mr. Niblock announced that the District has posted their 2018 PM2.5 Plan online. Lastly, Mr. Niblock addressed the question, “What if Proposition 6 passes and SB1 is repealed?” He admitted that he does not have the answer to this question, however, Caltrans conformity staff, the EPA, and the FHWA are working towards creating a way forward regardless of the November ballot results. He noted that there will be a statewide conformity working group in October to discuss this topic.
- 3. Valley Voice D.C. 2018 (September 12-13)** M. Sigala
Discuss and Review Valley Voice Itinerary
Michael Sigala reviewed the latest version of the itinerary. He noted that all materials for the trip, aside from the itinerary, has been finalized and shipped to Washington, DC. Mr. Sigala requested input on how to handle media outreach, discussion followed. Lastly, Mr. Sigala briefly reviewed final costs for the trip.
- 4. Regional Project Prioritization** A. Chesley/ T. Smalley
Update and Discussion of Matrix Submittals
Discussion on this item was deferred to Directors’ November meeting.
- 5. California Transportation Funding—SB 1**
- A. Discuss Regional Policy Council Action Pertaining to Prop. 6** R. Park
Michael Sigala reported that the Policy Council voted to oppose Proposition 6, and that he sent out the executed resolution and received some inquiries regarding next steps. He noted that Chair Mendoza suggested putting together low-cost videos or other informational material to share via social media. Mr. Sigala requested input from Directors on how to proceed with the opposition position that the Valley took, discussion followed.
- B. Program and Project Funding Updates:**
- **Trade Corridor Enhancements (SJCOG & MCAG)** - No update was provided.
 - **Solutions for Congested Corridors (Fresno COG)** - No update was provided.
 - **ITIP (TCAG & StanCOG)** - No update was provided.
- 6. Climate Investments Workshops** C. Lazard
Institute for Local Government will provide an update on the workshops recently held in the San Joaquin Valley
The Institute for Local Government (ILG) thanked the Directors for helping to organize the Climate Investment workshops that were held in Tulare and Stockton. ILG reported that through the workshops’ group activities they were able to take inventory of the Valleys’ needs, opportunities and constraints and develop action items or direction on local, state and regional levels. ILG noted that the Valley is most likely to be one of the capacity building regions that is focused on over next two years, and requested to be on the next Directors’ meeting agenda in the future to further discuss.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 7. Caltrans Directors’ Report** S. Ehlert/D. Agar
No update was provided.
- 8. San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail** D. Leavitt

Rene Gutierrez provided a reminder that the next SJJPA meeting will be in Merced on September 28th and encouraged the use of rail for those who are planning to attend. Additionally, Mr. Gutierrez reported that the Morning Express averages about 50 passengers per day, and they are looking into adjusting the schedule to increase ridership.

9. California High Speed Rail
No update was provided.

D. Gomez

10. Goods Movement Planning
Michael Sigala announced that there will be a California Freight Advisory Committee meeting on September 12th in Monterey.

M. Sigala

11. Rural Transit Alternatives Study/UC Davis

M. Sigala

Michael Sigala reported that good progress is being made on the roll-out implementation of the study. An RFP to install EV charging infrastructure at Self-Help communities was released in August.

12. California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley
No update was provided.

I. Herrera

OTHER ITEMS

13. Director Items

- Tony Boren inquired if any MPO staff will be participating in CALCOG leadership training.
- Patricia Taylor sought input from Directors regarding the 2019 Spring Policy Conference that will be hosted by MCTC.
- Directors discussed anticipated November ballot results. Ahron Hakimi suggested rescheduling the November 1st Directors' meeting to November 8th so they can discuss the results after the election.
- Rosa Park congratulated Stacie Dabbs on her new position as executive director of MCAG.

14. Public Presentations for Items not on Agenda

There were no public presentations.

Meeting Adjourned at Approximately 11:00 A.M.

Next Directors' Meeting: Thursday, October 4, 2018 (Madera)

Appendix A – Additional Meeting Attendees

In Attendance:	
Individual(s)	Organization(s)
Michael Sigala	Valleywide Coordinator, Sigala Inc
Becky Napier	Kern Council of Governments
Eric Olsen	Caltrans D6
Rene Gutierrez	SJJPA
Matt Fell	Merced County Association of Governments