San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Agencies’ Directors’ Committee

Meeting Agenda
Thursday, April 2, 2020
Time: 10:00 a.m.

THIS IS A PHONE CONFERENCE MEETING

Teleconference Number: 1-515-604-9094
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. March 5, 2020 Directors’ Meeting
   P. Taylor

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

2. MPO Activity During Coronavirus
   P. Taylor

3. RTP/Sustainable Communities Strategies/Air Quality
   R. Niblock
   a. Update and Discussion
   b. Discussion with Jennifer Gress of the California Air Resources Board

4. California Transportation Funding
   P. Taylor
   Program and Project Funding Updates:
   ▪ Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (SJCOG & MCAG)
   ▪ Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (Fresno COG)
   ▪ State Transportation Improvement Program
5. Ecosystem of Shared Mobility Services in the SJV Project Update  
Caroline Rodier, UC Davis ITC, will provide an update on Valley Flex (Vamos and VOGO in the north Valley)

6. Valley Voice Sacramento  
Follow up Discussion of March 11, 2020 trip  
M. Sigala  
G. Khouri

7. SJV REAP Committee for Housing  
Receive Update  
R. Phipps  
M. Sigala

8. FY 2020-21 Valleywide OWP  
Discuss  
M. Sigala

9. Annual Policy Conference (Postponed to May 19-21, 2021)  
Receive Update  
P. Taylor

10. I-5 Self-Driving Truck Study  
Receive Update  
A. Hakimi

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS  
The following items are for informational purposes and require no action or vote. Written summaries of Informational Items are included in the agenda packet.

11. Caltrans Directors’ Report  
S. Ehlert/D. McElhinney

12. California High Speed Rail  
D. Gomez

13. San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail  
D. Leavitt

14. California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley  
F. Cardoza

OTHER ITEMS

15. Director Items

16. Public Presentations for Items Not on Agenda.  
This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons wishing to address the Committee on items within its jurisdiction but NOT on this agenda. Unscheduled comments may be limited to three minutes. The public may comment on listed agenda items as they are considered.

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Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, March 5, 2020  
Time: 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Location:  
Kern Council of Governments  
1401 19th Street, Suite 300  
Bakersfield, CA 93301

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Please see Appendix A for a list of other attendees

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. February 6, 2020 Directors’ Meeting  
P. Taylor  
There was a motion to approve the February 6, 2020 Directors Committee Minutes.

First Motion: Ahorn Hakimi  
Second Motion: Andrew Chesley  
Motion Carried
DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

2. RTP/Sustainable Communities Strategies/Air Quality  
   
   **Update and Discussion**
   
   R. Niblock reported that Senator Beall introduced SB-1291, meant to address the challenge to adopting the 2021 FTIP. The language does not currently reflect comments provided by CalCOG and Caltrans, however they are strongly working on that. In addition, Caltrans and CalCOG are actively engaged on working with members of the Senate Transportation committee to craft language that supports the 2021 FTIP. Ryan encouraged the COGs to continue the work toward developing the 2021 FTIP. FTIP draft modeling files have been circulated for the first round of SAFE Rule adjustment factors, conformity boiler plate and exempt only TIP. Ryan noted the EPA has not provided guidance on SAFE Rule Part 1 or on the adjustment’s factors CARB provided. San Joaquin COG provided Type Five RTP amendment last month and it is currently in public comment period. SAFE Rule Part 2 is expected to be released on April 1. Ryan reported on EMPAC 17, and summarized the technical differences between EMPAC 14 and EMPAC 17. Impact 17 is scheduled to go in effect August 2021. There was concern about the 2018 SCS approvals by CARB. Bill Higgins added comments on SB-1291 and further discussion ensued.

3. Ecosystem of Shared Mobility Services in the SJV Project Update  
   
   **Update on Valley Go (MioCar in the south Valley)**
   
   Caroline Rodier, UC Davis ITS, provided a brief overview of MioCar in the south Valley, and shared a short video with the group. All 24 vehicles are operating as of December 2019. There are currently 200 active members and about 90 pending members. This started as a research project and it is now moving toward a non-profit model. Caroline discussed data from several surveys that were conducted; 1) user surveys, and 2) post reservation surveys. Most notable were the average active member has five or more reservations, members travel an average of 73 miles per reservation, and the average rental duration is roughly 14 hours. Out of the eight hubs, the Visalia hub has the fastest growing membership followed by Bakersfield. The project is expected to enter in a Gap funding contract with ARB to fund the second year of operations and soon after they will be eligible for expansion funding. In addition, UC Davis has been able to provide internal grant funds received from SB1 toward MioCar. Caroline discussed the ARB Clean Mobility Option grant as an additional source of funding for expanding the existing project.

4. California Transportation Funding  
   
   **Program and Project Funding Updates:**
   
   - **Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (SJCOC & MCAG)**
     No update; an upcoming workshop was noted.
   - **Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (Fresno COG)**
     No update was provided.
   - **State Transportation Improvement Program**
     No update was provided.

5. SHOPP Project Funding Discussion  
   
   **Update and Discussion**
   
   Caltrans District 6 and 10 staff in attendance discussed project cost for recent SHOPP program improvements and projects in the pipeline. Marco Sanchez advised that they will be engaging with local governments to work together on the 10-year plans. There was a request to continue to have a quarterly meeting to discuss SHOPP projects on the list. Laura Gordon confirmed that they are also in constant communication and meeting with the local governments to work side by
side. The was some concern about support cost being too high and there were discussions on what efforts can be done to reduce the cost.

6. **Valley Voice Sacramento, March 10-11**
   
   **Update and Discussion**
   
   Michael Sigala briefly noted that items emailed to the group have been finalized and will be printed and put in binders; brochure, talking points, and additional information. Gus Khouri reviewed the Itinerary noting all meetings have been confirmed, however, because of the assembly budget subcommittee hearing in the morning, it is causing scheduling issues and some appointments have to be rescheduled a little earlier. Unfortunately, Dean Flores was a last minute cancelation and a search for a potential replacement is ongoing. Lunch with the commission and the reception the night before have been confirmed. There was concerns of the unwillingness to travel as the news of the coronavirus expands.

7. **SJV REAP Committee for Housing**
   
   **Receive Update**
   
   Michael Sigala reported that the initial application for the 25 percent has been submitted. Michael passed around a copy of the proposed scope of work for a valleywide research paper on housing trends, barriers and recommendations to the directors and gave a brief overview. The cost for this project is still not known but they are working to find the best solution. Andy had concerns of the cost and the timing to get this moving. Discussion ensued; Michael and Robert to further confer with HCD.

   
   **Receive Update**
   
   No update was provided

9. **I-5 Self-Driving Truck Study**
   
   **Receive Update**
   
   No update was provided

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

10. **Caltrans Directors’ Report**
    
    Marco Sanchez noted Caltrans nominated three ITIP projects to be submitted for ROW; Madera SR 99, Tulare SR 99 and Kern Hwy 46. A new Deputy District Director over program project management and asset management program are currently in the appointment process. There is a list of potential projects for SB 743 that need to go through the VMT analysis, that list is available upon request. Traffic impact study guidelines went out to member agencies including the COG’s and they are consistence with SB 743. An upcoming meeting in Fresno (March 18) regarding SB 743 was noted.

11. **California High Speed Rail**
    
    No update was provided

12. **San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail**
    
    Dan Leavitt thanked the all the MPOs for attending the high speed rail board meeting held on February 18th in Sacramento. The next high speed rail 2020 Business Plan dates are, March 16th in Sacramento, March 24th in Sacramento, and April 21st in Fresno. In addition, the JPA Business plan will be coming out Friday, March 6th.

13. **California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley**
    
    No update was reported
OTHER ITIEMS

14. Director Items

15. Public Presentations for Items not on Agenda

Meeting Adjourned at Approximately 12:00 P.M.

Appendix A – Additional Meeting Attendees

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