San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Agencies' Directors’ Committee

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

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

Teleconference Number: 1-515-604-9094
Participant Code: 432-600-639

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. February 6, 2020 Directors’ Meeting
P. Taylor

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

2. RTP/Sustainable Communities Strategies/Air Quality
   Update and Discussion
   R. Niblock

3. 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), and Valley Go (MioCar in the south Valley)

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. SHOIPP Project Funding Discussion
   *Caltrans District 6 and 10 Directors, or their representatives, will be in attendance to discuss project cost for recent SHOIPP improvements*

6. Valley Voice Sacramento, March 10-11
   *Update and Discussion*
   M. Sigala
   G. Khouri

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

   *Receive Update*
   P. Taylor

9. 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.*

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

11. California High Speed Rail
    D. Gomez

12. San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail
    D. Leavitt

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

**OTHER ITEMS**

14. Director Items

15. 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.*

**ADJOURN MEETING**

*Directors Only Closed Session*

Next Directors’ Meeting: Thursday, April 2, 2020 in Visalia

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ITEM 1

Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 6, 2020
Time: 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Location:
Tulare County Association of Governments
210 N. Church Street, Suite B
Tulare, CA 93291

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Please see Appendix A for a list of other attendees

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. January 9, 2020 Directors’ Meeting

There was a motion to approve the January 9, 2020 Directors Committee Minutes.

FIRST MOTION: Terri King
SECOND MOTION: Ahron Hakimi
MOTION CARRIED

P. Taylor
DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

2. RTP/Sustainable Communities Strategies/Air Quality
   Update and Discussion
   Ryan Niblock reported that SAFE Rule Part 1 is out and awaiting EPA final determination on adjustment factors. SAFE Rule Part 2 is at OMB, it will out for public review in 30 to 90 days.
   Adoption of 2021 FTIP, right now we cannot approve conformity. If there is a solution for adjustments to SAFE Rule Part 2, a full FTIP can be accomplished, however time is limited. Ryan is encouraging staff to look at a legislative solution for postponement of the FTIP until SAFE Rule Part 2 is settled. Senator Beall is considering legislative relief similar to what SANDAG did which delayed their SCS for two years. Discussion about exploring an exempt FTIP ensued.
   Project level conformity analysis, FHWA is allowing 126s & 127s to move forward. FHWA is also approving Type Four RTP amendments. Andy Chesley noted doing a type five RTP amendment for the Valley Link project.

3. California Transportation Funding
   Program and Project Funding Updates:
   • Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (SJCOG & MCAG)
     No update; an upcoming workshop was noted.
   • Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (Fresno COG)
     No update was provided.

4. San Joaquin Valley Multiagency Working Group for Housing
   Update and Discussion
   Michael Sigala noted the January 17, 2020 meeting with the Working Group. Since this meeting, Housing and Community Developed release a NOFA for this funding. The Valley commented on the reimbursement issue and use of funds for development versus planning. Mr. Sigala asked for direction on submitting the Initial Application for 25 percent since the reimbursement item was not favorably included in the NOFA; consensus was to proceed with submitting the application.

5. Valley Voice Sacramento
   Update and Discussion
   Gus Khouri reviewed the Itinerary. There is subcommittee hearing on transportation the morning of Valley Voice, which is causing some shifting of meeting appointments. The importance of meeting with High Speed Rail was noted. Invites to the reception were noted as going to all Valley legislators. Michael Sigala noted a policy paper Chair Winn put together and was seeking direction on how to incorporate this into Valley Voice. An Executive Committee meeting is being planned for February 20th to discuss the policy paper.

6. San Joaquin Valley Broadband Preferred Scenario
   Miguel Lopez (OCED/CA Partnership) provided an overview of the Internet for All Now Act of 2017. OCED is leading the effort for a Regional Consortia to engage stakeholders to develop a Preferred Scenario to achieve the goal of 98 percent broadband deployment in each region of California.
   Miguel asked for MPO assistance in reaching out to jurisdictional stakeholders. Discussion ensued.

7. CalCOG RTPA Staff Training
   Andy Chesley noted that CalCOG is offering staff training to MPOs. Board training, social media, legislative activities are some of the items that a collection of Valley MPOs could benefit from. Terri King noted in-house agency training for regional leadership as a need. Andy suggested a few training sessions throughout the Valley for MPO training. Discussion ensued. Andy will follow up with the group and have further discussions with CalCOG.

   *Receive Update*

   Michael Sigala reported that registration and sponsorships are now open online at [www.sjvcogs.org/events](http://www.sjvcogs.org/events). The early registration deadline is April 1st. A more robust update with the preliminary agenda, registration and sponsor counts will be provided at the next meeting.

9. **I-5 Self-Driving Truck Study**

   *Receive Update*

   Ahron Hakimi reported that a contract between KernCOG and UC Davis was approved at their last board meeting. The contract is now with UC Davis and work will commence soon. Discussion ensued about planning monies (SB 1) some MPOs may have to help augment this work.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

10. **Caltrans Directors’ Report**

    S. Ehlert/D. McElhinney

    Laura Gordon noted ROW funding for the Madera and Tulare SR 99 projects has been applied for from the TCEP program. INFRA applications for SR 99 projects were taken off the list. Ahron noted a grade separation CRISSY grant application in Kern County. Employment vacancies at Caltrans were noted. Ken Baxter reported the Revised 99 Business plan will be out for review in approximately two weeks. ATP Cycle 5 will be out soon with an application due date in June 2020 with $440 million available. INFRA is due February 25, 2020.

11. **California High Speed Rail**

    D. Gomez

    The next HSR Board meeting is on February 18, 2020. Ahron noted the Bakersfield-Palmdale EIR will be out in about a month.

12. **San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail**

    D. Leavitt

    {This item was covered first in the meeting}

    Dan Leavitt encouraged Valley MPOs to attend the high speed rail board meeting on February 18th in Sacramento. Support is needed for the Business Plan and the Initial Operating Segment.

13. **Valley Go (MioCar) and Valley Flex**

    M. Sigala

    All MioCars (28) have been deployed as of February 1, 2020. Operational financial numbers and data will now be closely tracked given the full roll out of the program. Caroline Rodier of UC Davis will provide a more comprehensive update presentation at the next Directors meeting. The CMO Voucher car sharing/mobility access program funding is available now with a deadline of April 1, 2020.

14. **California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley**

    F. Cardoza

    The next Partnership meeting is March 20th in Livingston at the Foster Farms banquet room.

**OTHER ITEMS**

15. **Director Items**

    Stacie Guzman noted a new contractor for their Transit System’s operation and maintenance. Terri King noted the rise of Enterprise van pool service in Kings County. Patricia Taylor noted pending federal legislation for implementing green-house gas reduction measures.

16. **Public Presentations for Items not on Agenda**

    Meeting Adjourned at Approximately 12:00 P.M.
Appendix A – Additional Meeting Attendees

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Upcoming SJJPA Board Meeting

Save the Date

Date: March 27, 2020
Time: 1:00 – 3:00pm
Location: Sacramento City Hall Historic Hearing Room
         Building 915 I Street 2nd Floor
         Sacramento, CA, 95814

Agenda and Board Packet will be posted on our website (www.sjjpa.com) on March 20, 2020.

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