



# SCS Implementation Alternatives for Meeting Transit Needs in the Rural San Joaquin Valley

## Meeting Notes Tuesday, July 26, 2016 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Meeting Host:  
Institute of Transportation Studies, UC Davis

Meeting Location:  
Webinar/Conference Call

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

**M. Sigala**

Michael Sigala gave an introduction to the project, Alternatives for Meeting Transit Needs in Rural San Joaquin Valley. The project will identify how we can better serve rural communities with our transit services, achieve better GHG emissions per capita, and develop alternatives for transit services in the SJV.

### 2. Project Introduction

**C. Rodier/L. Podolsky**

The goal for today's TAC call is to introduce and become familiar with the project. Caroline Rodier and Laura Podolsky gave some project background information. A \$500,000 grant was received from Caltrans to identify options for the SJV to reduce GHG emissions while also improving transportation services. The end goal for the project is to develop a pilot program for a new, technology-driven mobility service. The end goal will be met in 3 phases of work.

Phase 1 (April 2016 – November 2016), which we are in now, is to identify potential pilot locations and technology-driven transit alternatives. Key deliverable for Phase 1 is "Phase 1 Synthesis Report" that will include existing conditions, case study research, and stakeholder meetings and interviews. In Phase 2 (December 2016 – Summer 2017), we will evaluate pilot locations and alternatives and will zoom in on 2 or 3 areas. In Phase 3 (Summer 2017 – Summer 2018), we will pick 1 area to focus on and develop pilot program.

TAC roles and responsibilities are to provide guidance and direction throughout the project, participate in monthly conference calls, help with securing/identifying venues for focus groups, review and comment on draft deliverables, serve as project ambassador, and document time for in-kind match.

### 3. Administrative Items

**M. Sigala**

There is an in-kind staffing contribution to this project of \$100,000. Every month, MPO staff will need to fill out a short form with the number of hours spent on this project for that month. Hours from conference calls, email transmittals, review of project materials, or any other assistance provided to the project may be counted.

One-on-One Meetings with each MPO partner will take place in August. Next TAC meeting be scheduled for the week of September 12<sup>th</sup> – look out for Doodle Survey.

## NEXT MEETING TBD

### In Attendance:

Ryan Niblock	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Melody Lin	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Isael Ojeda	Stanislaus Council of Governments
Natalia Austin	Merced County Association of Governments
Amelia Davies	Madera County Transportation Commission
Peggy Arnest	Fresno Council of Governments
Moses Stites	Fresno Council of Governments
Angie Dow	Kings County Association of Governments
Teresa Nickell	Kings County Association of Governments
Bob Snoddy	Kern Council of Governments
Susan Cambell	Kern Council of Governments
Laura Podolsky	Institute of Transportation Studies, UC Davis
Caroline Rodier	Institute of Transportation Studies, UC Davis
Nicholas Fung	Caltrans D10
Tom Dumas	Caltrans D10
Rob Ball	Kern Council of Governments
Linda Urata	Kern Council of Governments
Rich Green	MCAAG Transit
Esperanza Velasco	Fresno Council of Governments
Lang Yu	Fresno Council of Governments
Savannah Downey	UC Davis
Michael Sigala	Sigala Inc, Valleywide Coordinator