



San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Agencies' Directors' Committee

Meeting Agenda
Thursday, January 12, 2023
Time: 10:00 a.m.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Enclosure

1. December 1, 2022, Directors' Meeting

Diane Nguyen



DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

2. RTP/Sustainable Communities Strategies/Air Quality
Update and discussion

Ryan Niblock

3. Budget, Policy, and Legislative Updates
a) State of California – discuss Valley Voice Sacramento
b) Federal

Gus Khouri
Jen Covino

4. Regional Policy Council Meeting, January 27, 2023
Review and discuss agenda topics

Michael Sigala

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Diane Nguyen - Chair

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Ted Smalley - Vice Chair

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| 5. SJV REAP Program
<i>a. Receive update</i>
<i>b. Discuss February REAP Committee meeting</i> | Michael Sigala &
Robert Phipps | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. SJV 2023 Policy Conference (April 24-26)
<i>Receive update</i> | Yvette Davis | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The following items are for informational purposes and require no action or vote. Listed individuals will provide a brief verbal update at the meeting.

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| 7. Caltrans Directors' Report | Diana Gomez/Dennis Agar |
| 8. California High Speed Rail | Garth Fernandez/Toni Tinoco |
| 9. San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail | Dan Leavitt |
| 10. California Inland Port Study | Simran Jhutti |
| 11. Valleywide Household Travel Survey | Kristine Cai |
| 12. San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District | Tom Jordan |
| 13. Valley GO (MioCar) and Valley Flex (Vamos & VoGo) | Michael Sigala |
| 14. California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley | Eduardo Gonzalez |

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.

ADJOURN MEETING

Directors only closed session if necessary.

Next Directors' Meeting: Thursday, February 2, 2023 (in person, Visalia)

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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 1, 2022

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Location:

Zoom Conference

Directors	MPO
Diane Nguyen– Chair	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Ted Smalley – Vice Chair	Tulare County Association of Governments
Tony Boren (R. Phipps for)	Fresno Council of Governments
Stacie Guzman	Merced County Association of Governments
Rosa Park	Stanislaus Council of Governments
Patricia Taylor	Madera County Transportation Commission
Terri King	Kings County Association of Governments
Ahron Hakimi	Kern Council of Governments

Please see Appendix A for a list of other attendees

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. November 3, 2022, Directors' Meeting

Diane Nguyen

There was a motion to approve the November 3, 2022, Directors' Committee minutes.

First Motion: Ahron Hakimi

Second Motion: Rosa Park

Motion Carried

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DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

2. MPO Activity Related to COVID 19

D. Nguyen

No reports provided.

3. RTP/Sustainable Communities Strategies/Air Quality

R. Niblock

Ryan Niblock reported that the CARB RTP/SCS data tables are due today, December 1, 2022. Regarding the 2018 PM2.5 SIP, Trinity Consultants is reaching out to MPOs for TAZ data.

Mr. Niblock reported that the current calendar year contract with Trinity Consultants is set to expire at the end of December. He requested a motion to approve a one-year extension to the contract.

First Motion: Ahron Hakimi

Second Motion: Rosa Park

Motion Carried

4. Budget, Policy and Legislative Updates

State of California

G. Khouri

Gus Khouri reviewed the 2023 California Legislative Platform. He highlighted key items including highway funding, SR 99, CAPTI, port infrastructure funding, transit operations funding, diesel locomotive rule making, and REAP II. Ahron Hakimi asked about the impending budget deficit. Mr. Khouri reported that ongoing fiscal analysis in the coming month will reveal more. Samir Sheikh, SJVAPCD, noted the proposed locomotive rule making is complicated by applicability for class one rail and passenger rail. Mr. Sheikh will reach out with additional items regarding AQ funding, and policy issues. Ted Smalley noted the need to meet again and further discuss the platform. There is additionally a need to create a process to better communicate with the railroads. Stacie Guzman noted two Merced projects complicated by railroad design review. The need for support for passenger transit into the national parks was also noted.

Washington D.C.

D. Gellman

David Gellman noted federal actions to avoid a rail strike. Regarding appropriations, an omnibus spending bill will likely be passed before the end of the year. He noted the valley proposed earmarks as part of the omnibus agreement, and the need to include them. DOT announced a full RAISE funding announcement by December 14, 2022. The rural awards from the infrastructure grant program and mega grant program are expected to be announced by the end of the year. A Valley support letter for the earmarks will be circulated.

5. SJV REAP Program

R. Phipps/M. Sigala

Michael Sigala noted an uptick in technical assistance requests, mostly related to the ADU template program. There is a workshop next week on Recent California Housing Laws. HDR's GIS Urban Footprint scenario development is in process and nearing completion. The condo construction, inclusionary housing, water supply/SMGA analysis, housing element data sets, and other ongoing Valleywide activities were noted. Robert Phipps reported on the third funding application from HCD, Fresno COG has received the amended master agreement for the remaining \$8.7 million. Michael Sigala noted the \$30k REAP valleywide request to HCD to support the 2023 Policy Conference.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

6. Caltrans Directors' Report

D. Gomez/D. Agar

Dennis Agar, District 10, noted an upcoming Clean California call for projects in the amount of \$100 million. Broadband funding notices are pending. The Move Over highway safety campaign is underway. A 24 Month Lookahead is up and running online to provide updates on current projects. Diana Gomez, District 6, noted a new Clean California manager. She noted a Caltrans employee fatality on Highway 41. Sustainable Transportation Grants will be due in March 2023. The Reconnecting Communities Highways to Boulevards program will allocate \$149 million for multimodal corridors. The TCEP application for the Tulare six lane project was submitted. The release of the SR 99 Multimodal Corridor Plan RFP is pending.

7. California High Speed Rail

T. Tinoco

Toni Tinoco reported a November board meeting where updates were provided. More than 400 miles of environmental review has been completed. Two design contracts are in place in Merced and Bakersfield. Two structures in Fresno and Kings counties will be opened next week. There is a new construction update video online. A Crissy grant application for a Shafter grade separation project will be submitted this week.

8. San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail

D. Leavitt

Dan Leavitt reported good ridership numbers over the thanksgiving holiday. He thanked the group for their support of the TCEP \$40 million Ceres-Turlock double tracking application. A Crissy job training grant application will go out today.

9. California Inland Port Study

S. Jhutti

Simran Jhutti noted MPO/Economic Development upcoming meetings.

10. San Joaquin Valley Household Travel Survey

K. Cai

The project is moving along on schedule. January outreach will include targeted collaborative efforts with MPOs.

11. San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District

S. Sheikh

No report provided.

12. Valley GO (MioCar) and Valley Flex (Vamos & VoGo)

M. Sigala

Michael Sigala requested a director only meeting to further discuss and review Miocar's operation.

13. California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley

E. Gonzales

No report provided.

OTHER ITEMS

14. Director Items

Terri King noted an upcoming Board agenda item to withdraw from Calvans.

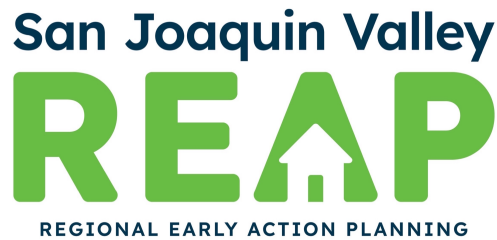
15. Public Presentations for Items not on Agenda

No public comment.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:07 A.M.

Appendix A – Additional Meeting Participants

Individual	Organization
Dennis Agar	Caltrans District 10
Kim Anderson	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Melanie Arriola	Stanislaus Council of Governments
Jasmine Amanin	FHWA CA
Roberto Brady	Tulare County Association of Governments
Kristine Cai	Fresno Council of Governments
Steve Dial	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Tom Dumas	Caltrans District 10
Elizabeth Forte	Merced County Association of Governments
David Gellman	Simon & Company
Diana Gomez	Caltrans District 6
Elizabeth Hahn	Stanislaus Council of Governments
Emma Goldsmith	Stanislaus Council of Governments
Simran Jhutti	Fresno Council of Governments
Bill Higgins	CalCOG
Alec Kimmel	Caltrans District 6
Ben Kimball	Tulare County Association of Governments
Gus Khouri	Khouri Consulting
Becky Napier	Kern Council of Governments
Dan Leavitt	ACE/SJJPA
Ryan Niblock	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Robert Phipps	Fresno Council of Governments
Marlon Regisford	Caltrans District 10
Michael Sigala	Valleywide Coordinator, Sigala Inc
Toni Tinoco	CA High Speed Rail
Samir Sheikh	SJVAPCD
Linda Urata	Kern Council of Governments



REAP Update
January 12, 2023

- **Technical Assistance** to Valley jurisdictions is available utilizing the following consultants:

- AECOM
- Mintier Harnish
- Precision Engineering
- QK (Quad Knopf)

11 jurisdictions have requested technical assistance to date: *Arvin, McFarland, Atwater, Kingsburg, Bakersfield, Clovis, Stanislaus County, Hughson, Stockton, Madera County, and Lodi.*

Jurisdictions can request technical assistance via a web site portal:

<https://sjvcogs.org/reap/reap-technical-assistance/>

- **Additional Valleywide work efforts include:**

- ADU Template Program (Precision Engineering); status – complete, ongoing TA.
- Guide to Recent California Housing Laws and Policies Affecting Local Land-Use Planning (AECOM); status – complete.
- Housing Capacity and Urban Footprint Scenario Development (HDR); status – pending, almost complete.
- AFFH Technical Assistance (Mintier Harnish with Rincon Consultants, Raimi with VTA, and Estolano); status – contracts complete, TA available.
- Condo Construction Analysis (EPS); status – work in process.
- Inclusionary Housing Analysis (EPS); status – work in process.
- Water Supply/SGMA Analysis (Mintier Harnish with Rincon Consultants); status-work in process.

- The ***Comprehensive Housing Report*** is completed and a web landing page for online resources from the housing report, like jurisdictional data sets, has been established.
- **The final and third REAP funding application** has been approved by HCD. An amended master funding agreement has been received by Fresno COG and Fresno COG has submitted a 100 percent invoice to HCD for all remaining REAP 1 funding.
- **Valley MPOs** continue to work on the **sixth cycle RHNA** (regional housing needs allocations) planning. Allocations to jurisdictions have occurred in all 8 counties. The December **REAP TAC** meeting was held on December 13th. The next TAC meeting is on January 10th.
- **REAP workshop series:**
A workshop on ***GIS Housing Capacity and Analysis Tools for the SJV*** is scheduled for February 28, 2022 at 1pm.



SAVE THE DATE

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY POLICY CONFERENCE



JOSÉ HERNÁNDEZ
Keynote Speaker

José Hernández: Former NASA astronaut, aerospace consultant, motivational speaker, and founder of Reaching for the Stars Foundation.

CONFERENCE TOPICS:

- Innovative Transportation Projects
- Housing and Social Equity
- Air Quality
- Valley Infrastructure Priorities



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