



San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Agencies' Directors' Committee

Meeting Agenda

Thursday, October 12, 2023

Time: 10:00 a.m.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Enclosure

1. September 7, 2023, Directors' Meeting

Ted Smalley



DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

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

Ryan Niblock

3. Budget, Policy, and Legislative Updates
a. California
b. Federal, Valley Voice DC

Gus Khouri
Jen Covino

4. SJV REAP Program
Receive update

Michael Sigala &
Robert Phipps



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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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| 5. Caltrans Directors’ Report | Diana Gomez/Dennis Agar |
| 6. California High Speed Rail | Garth Fernandez/Toni Tinoco |
| 7. San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail | Dan Leavitt |
| 8. TradePort California | Simran Jhutti |
| 9. San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District | Tom Jordan |
| 10. Miocar Car Sharing | Michael Sigala |
| 11. California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley | Eduardo Gonzalez |

OTHER ITEMS

- 12. Director Items
- 13. Public presentations for items not on the 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 executive session if needed.

Next Directors’ Meeting: Thursday, November 2, 2023

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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 7, 2023

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Location:

Zoom Conference

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

Please see Appendix A for a list of other attendees

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. August 3, 2023, Directors' Meeting

Ted Smalley

There was a motion to approve the August 3, 2023, Directors' Committee minutes.

First Motion: Ahron Hakimi

Second Motion: Stacie Guzman

Motion Carried

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DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

2. RTP/Sustainable Communities Strategies/Air Quality

R. Niblock

Ryan Niblock noted the meeting with federal partners before the start of this meeting. He noted work continues on the highway funding sanction item and working with EPA on the approval schedule. In terms of the RTP/SCS, Ryan will reach out to CARB to better understand any roadblocks for each agency. Discussion ensued regarding next week's Valley Voice DC meetings and their relationship to the highway sanction item. Tom Jordan noted the approval of the SIP by the Regional Administrator for EPA will ultimately cease the sanctions clock. SJ COG and Fresno COG reported having staff level approval for their SCS's subject to CARB board approval.

3. Budget, Policy, and Legislative Updates

State of California

G. Khouri

Gus Khouri reported the legislature is nearing their end of session. ACA 1, proposing to lower the voter approval threshold to 55 percent has passed the house and is in the senate. AB 7 (Friedman) codifies executive orders for CAPTI. Amendments were made out of senate appropriations and the bill needs to go back to the house appropriations committee. AB 985 (Arambula), this the air district bill; there were substantial amendments, and we need to reassess our oppose position. State senator Mike Maguire is going to succeed Toni Atkins as president pro-tem of the senate. Discussion ensued about the TIRCP transit subsidy and the long-term viability of this approach.

Washington D.C.

J. Covino

Jen Covino provided the latest version of the itinerary for Valley Voice DC and reviewed the various meetings. Discussion ensued regarding the trip logistics.

4. Directors' Retreat

T. Smalley

Tony Boren noted that the moderator for the retreat will be contacting Directors via phone to further discuss retreat topics. Diane Nguyen provided information on food for the retreat. The Directors approved coordinated meals for the group.

5. SJV REAP Program

M. Sigala & R. Phipps

Michael Sigala reviewed current valleywide work efforts. There are 15 technical assistance assignments; most of the TA requests are for ADU assistance. Michael reviewed the various other work efforts underway and pending webinars. The revised funding MOU was noted for the third round of REAP I funding.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

6. Caltrans Directors' Report

D. Gomez/D. Agar

Michael Navarro, District 6, noted the State Transportation Secretary and Director visit to Fresno last week. The kickoff meeting for the SR 99 Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan was held on August 24th. FY 23-24 Caltrans Planning Grant awards were recently announced. Nine of the 16 District 6 applicants were awarded. Reconnecting Communities grant applications are due on September 28th. Marlon Regisford, District 10, noted five awards out of eight applicants in the district for Planning Grants. MPDG Stockton Viaduct application was submitted. ATP cycle seven call for proposals is anticipated for Spring 2024.

7. California High Speed Rail

T. Tinoco

Toni Tinoco noted seven structure completions for the year. A new construction site is slated for Fresno in October. Wasco structures are slated for completion this calendar year. A RFP was recently released for train sets and related services. Benjamin Bellnap (sp) was appointed inspector general for HSR.

8. San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail

D. Leavitt

Michael Hanebutt provided an update. He noted six recent grant awards from Caltrans Planning Grants and AHSC. A Reconnecting Communities grant application in Ceres was recently submitted. A bikeway event with the City of Sacramento was noted for October 4th.

9. TradePort California

S. Jhutti

Simran Jhutti noted the final report for phase III has been submitted to Caltrans for review. Tony Boren noted another round of federal funding as likely.

10. San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District

T. Jordan

No report provided.

11. MioCar EV Car Sharing

M. Sigala

Michael Sigala reported ongoing operations in Tulare, Kern, Stockton, and Richmond. Michael noted 111 trip, 2000 hours and 10,000 miles driven in Stockton this past month. Capacity building funds application to CARB will be submitted on September 8th.

12. California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley

E. Gonzales

No report provided. Michael Sigala noted he has reached out to Eduardo for an update on the nomination process.

OTHER ITEMS

13. Director Items

Jeff Findley noted the next CTC meeting will be in Madera on October 18th and 19th. There is a state RTPA meeting on October 17th at MCTC. The CTC meeting will take place at the Department of Education (SR 145) in Madera. Hotel recommendations are forthcoming.

Terri noted she would not be able to attend the CA Partnership meeting tomorrow in Bakersfield.

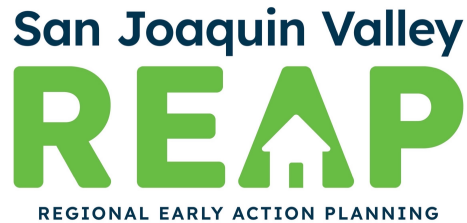
14. Public Presentations for Items not on the Agenda

No public comment.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:11 A.M.

Appendix A – Additional Meeting Participants

Individual	Organization
Roberto Brady	Tulare County Association of Governments
Nick Cook	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Steve Dial	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Tom Dumas	Caltrans District 10
Elizabeth Forte	Merced County Association of Governments
Jose Luis Caceres	Stanislaus Council of Governments
David Gellman	Simon & Company
Paul Herman	San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission
Bill Higgins	CalCOG
Steven Ingoldsby	Tulare County Association of Governments
Simran Jhutti	Fresno Council of Governments
Tom Jordan	SJVAPCD
Ben Kimball	Tulare County Association of Governments
Gus Khouri	Khouri Consulting
Becky Napier	Kern Council of Governments
Michael Navarro	Caltrans District 10
Ryan Niblock	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Robert Phipps	Fresno Council of Governments
Meg Prince	Merced County Association of Governments
Marlon Regisford	Caltrans District 10
Michael Sigala	Valleywide Coordinator, Sigala Inc
Monica Streeter	Stanislaus Council of Governments
Toni Tinoco	CA High Speed Rail
Linda Urata	Kern Council of Governments



**REAP Update
October 12, 2023**

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

- Mintier Harnish
- Precision Engineering
- Rincon Consultants (AFFH)
- VTA (AFFH)
- Estolano (AFFH)

TA contracts were not extended to AECOM and Quad Knopf for FY 2023-24.

19 jurisdictions have requested technical assistance to date: *Arvin, McFarland, Atwater, Kingsburg, Bakersfield, Clovis, Stanislaus County, Hughson, Wasco, Stockton, Madera County, Madera, Merced County, Tulare County, Kings County, Selma, Lodi, Parlier and Porterville.*

Jurisdictions can request technical assistance via a web site portal:

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

- **Additional Valleywide work efforts include:**

- Comprehensive Housing Report; status – complete and available on-line.
- Housing Element Data Sets; status – complete and available on-line.
- ADU Template Program; status – complete, ongoing TA.
- Guide to Recent California Housing Laws and Policies Affecting Local Land-Use Planning; status – complete and available on-line.
- RHNA Insights GIS Tool (HDR); status – complete, deployment of software is occurring.
- Condo Construction Analysis (EPS); status – complete, webinar on October 17th.
- Inclusionary Housing Analysis (EPS); status – complete and available on-line.
- Water Supply/SGMA Analysis (Mintier/Rincon Consultants); status- draft of final study completed.
- REAP Workshop Series; status – ongoing.
 - **Next workshop is October 17th on Condominium Construction in the SJV**

- **The final and third REAP funding application** has been approved by HCD, revised funding memo and MOU has been sent to Valley COGs and distribution of funding is occurring.
- **REAP TAC Committee** meeting was held on September 5th. The October TAC meeting will occur on October 24th.

CONDOMINIUM HOUSING STUDY FOR THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

FREE WEBINAR

Tuesday,
October 17, 2023
1:00 to 2:00 PM

Panelists:

Economic & Planning Systems (EPS)

Teifion Rice-Evans, Principal

Ryan Martinez, Senior Associate



REGISTER

Condominiums offer a multitude of benefits including affordability, homeownership, wealth creation, and density. However, there is a lack of new condo construction throughout the San Joaquin Valley. Condominium construction should be occurring at a bigger scale, why isn't it? The SJV REAP program commissioned a study to analyze this question, identify key reasons for the limited amount of condominium development, and provide land use and policy recommendations to facilitate more condominium production. Register for the free webinar to hear from the experts who conducted this study.

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