



## San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Agencies' Directors' Committee

### Meeting Agenda

Thursday, March 7, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Via Zoom:

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#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Enclosure

1. February 1, 2024, 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, Valley Voice March 13-14*  
*b. Federal*

Gus Khouri  
Jen Covino



4. Committee Updates  
*a. Valley Legislative Affairs Committee (VLAC)*  
*b. SJV Swap Meet*  
*c. Housing and Land Use*  
*d. Travel Modelers Group*

Robert Phipps  
Gabriel Gutierrez  
Kim Anderson  
Rob Ball

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| 5. SJV REAP Program<br><i>Receive update</i>              | Michael Sigala &<br>Robert Phipps | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. 2024 Annual Policy Conference<br><i>Receive update</i> | Ted Smalley                       | <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.*

- |   |                           |
|---|---------------------------|
| 7. Caltrans Directors' Report                         | Diana Gomez/Grace Magsayo |
| 8. California High Speed Rail                         | Toni Tinoco               |
| 9. San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail                 | Dan Leavitt               |
| 10. San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District | Tom Jordan                |
| 11. Miocar Car Sharing                                | Michael Sigala            |
| 12. California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley |                           |

**OTHER ITEMS**

13. Director Items
14. 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 necessary.***

**Next Directors' Meeting: Thursday, April 4, 2024.**

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## Meeting Minutes

## ITEM 1

Thursday, February 1, 2024

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Location: Zoom Videoconference

Directors	MPO
Ted Smalley – Chair	Tulare County Association of Governments
Robert Phipps – Vice Chair	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
Becky Napier for 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. January 11, 2024, Directors' Meeting

Ted Smalley

There was a motion to approve the January 11, 2024, Directors' Committee minutes.

First Motion: Stacie Guzman

Second Motion: Robert Phipps

Motion Carried

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## DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

### 2. RTP/Sustainable Communities Strategies/Air Quality

R. Niblock

Ryan Niblock reported no updates from CARB on SCS plan approvals from last cycle. Proposed PM 10 budget updates are currently being worked on with CARB, the next IAC call is at 1pm on February 21<sup>st</sup>. Hot Spot analysis are under review by Trinity Consulting. Ryan Niblock reported a meeting with Mike Jones of Caltrans regarding performance metric targets for PM 1 (pavement conditions), PM 2 (safety), and PM 3 (congestion mitigation). Most MPOs accepted statewide targets. California was recently asked to establish a new target for PM 3. California chose a low target that likely could be met by the CMAQ policy already in place in the San Joaquin Valley, where 20 percent of funds are allocated to projects that meet a certain dollar per pound of emissions.

### 3. Budget, Policy, and Legislative Updates

#### *State of California*

G. Khouri

No report provided.

#### *Washington D.C.*

J. Covino

Jen Covino provided an update on Community Project Funding requests, the portal(s) will open in early March 2024, guidance is forthcoming. USDOT has an EV grants webinar on February 14<sup>th</sup>. New TIFIA loan program guidelines are forthcoming. FTA has a webinar on February 8<sup>th</sup> for surplus property disposition changes. Direct pay webinar is tomorrow. An expansion of the low-income housing tax credit program was passed yesterday.

### 4. Committee Updates

#### a. *Valley Legislative Affairs Committee (VLAC)*

Robert Phipps reported discussing the California platform with the group. Current work efforts are on a project list summary.

#### b. *SJV Swap Meet*

No report provided.

#### c. *Housing and Land Use*

No report provided.

#### d. *Travel Modelers Group*

Ben Raymond reported on the TranForm grant submittal.

### 5. SJV REAP Program

M. Sigala & R. Phipps

Robert Phipps reported that Fresno COG has submitted the REAP MOU amendment three to the valley COGs that allows for immediate funding to COGs currently in need. The last round of funding, \$4.3 million, from HCD is still pending. A small lot planning study is underway. The next workshop is in March that will highlight jurisdictional case studies of REAP.

### 6. 2024 Annual Policy Conference

T. Smalley

Ted Smalley noted elected officials have been invited. An agenda is forthcoming.

## INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

### 7. Caltrans Directors' Report

D. Gomez/G. Magsayo

Mark Samuelson, District 10 provided the update. Mr. Samuelson noted Grace Magsayo is the new Acting Director of District 10. The SR 99 Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan (CMCP), managed lane recommendations have been completed. A promotion video highlighting the outreach activity of the CMCP is being developed. A milestone's timeline has been submitted to the Directors' Committee. An INFRA grant for a I-5 truck parking study has been awarded. ATP cycle 7 is due on March 21<sup>st</sup>. Caleb Brock, District 6, reported the Kern County Centennial Corridor ribbon cutting next Friday.

- 8. California High Speed Rail** T. Tinoco  
No report provided.
- 9. San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail** M. Hanebutt  
Michael Hanebutt thanked the group for their support of several Caltrans Sustainable Planning Grant applications. The annual business plan draft will be out for review later this month. Ridership continues to rise, about 85% of pre-pandemic levels.
- 10. San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District** T. Jordan  
Tom Jordan noted ongoing work on an ozone plan. A FHWA EV charging grant for \$56 million has been awarded to the Air District.
- 11. MioCar EV Car Sharing** M. Sigala  
No report provided.
- 12. California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley**  
Rosa Park noted Vito Chiesa is seeking an update on board nominations.

**OTHER ITEMS**

- 13. Director Items**  
Rosa Park noted Patricia Taylor is now the Chair of the Self-Help Coalition.
- 14. Public Presentations for items not on the agenda**  
No public comment.

**Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:50 A.M.**

Appendix A – Additional Meeting Participants

Individual	Organization
Roberto Brady	Tulare County Association of Governments
Sabrina Bradbury	CalCOG
Caleb Brock	Caltrans District 6
Jen Covino	Simon and Company
Nick St Cook	StanCOG
Rise Donlon	Kings County
Steve Dial	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Tom Dumas	Caltrans District 10
Jeff Findley	Madera County Transportation Commission
Elizabeth Forte	Merced County Association of Governments
David Gellman	Simon & Company
Elisabeth Hahn	Stanislaus Council of Governments
Michael Hanebutt	San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority
Paul Herman	Fresno Council of Governments
Simran Jhutti	Fresno Council of Governments
Steven Ingoldsby	Tulare County Association of Governments
Tom Jordan	SJVAPCD
Ryan Niblock	San Joaquin Council of Governments
Meg Prince	Merced County Association of Governments
Ben Raymond	Kern Council of Governments
Mark Samuelson	Caltrans District 10
Gabbie Sefranek	Caltrans District 10
Monica Streeter	Stanislaus Council of Governments
Gilbert Valencia	FHWA CA
Michael Sigala	Sigala Inc, Valleywide Coordinator

### ITEM 3.b



Covino Smith & Simon  
1155 15th Street NW Suite 405  
Washington, DC 20005

To: San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Agencies' Directors' Committee  
From: Jen Covino, President  
David Gellman, Advisor  
Date: March 1, 2024  
Subject: Federal Budget, Policy, and Legislative Update

See below for a review of developments at the federal level of interest to the Central Valley. Topics include enactment of a new Continuing Resolution (CR) extending Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 funding, an update on the FY 2025 earmarking process, additional office hours on Direct Pay hosted by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), FY 2024 State Revolving Fund (SRF) allocations for the State of California, and upcoming federal funding opportunities. Please let us know if we can answer any questions or provide further information.

#### Congress Passes Fourth Continuing Resolution of FY 2024

This week, Congress passed the *Extension of Continuing Appropriations and Other Matters Act, 2024* ([H.R. 7463](#)). The measure extends authority for the following four spending bills through Friday, March 8, 2024:

- Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies;
- Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies;
- Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies; and
- Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies.

The eight remaining spending bills would be funded through Friday, March 22, 2024. Those measures include:

- Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies;
- Defense;
- Financial Services and General Government;
- Homeland Security;
- Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies;
- Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies;
- Legislative Branch; and
- State and Foreign Operations.





Congressional leaders [struck](#) a deal on Wednesday to avoid a partial government shutdown, following a meeting with President Joseph Biden at the White House earlier in the week. The group agreed to consider a package of six spending bills that would run through the end of the fiscal year on September 30, 2024 and be subject to the discretionary spending limits established by the *Fiscal Responsibility Act* (P.L. 118-5) next week, prior to expiration of the first batch of appropriations measures. Lawmakers are expected to reconcile the House and Senate versions of the following bills and release text this weekend or early next week:

- Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies;
- Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies;
- Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies;
- Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies;
- Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies; and
- Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies.

On the Senate floor, Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer delivered [remarks](#) that offered, “Next week, we hope to bring the first six funding bills to the floor and send them to the President’s desk before March 8th...we hope to finish funding all of the government by March 22nd.” We will continue to keep you updated on important developments related to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 budget and appropriations process.

### Lawmakers Prepare for FY 2025 Earmarking Process

Following a resolution on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 budget, we expect that lawmakers will quickly shift gears to focusing on FY 2025 appropriations bills. Our team encourages you to be prepared with potential project concepts for submission as Community Project Funding (CPF) requests in the House and Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) requests in the Senate this month. The Office of Senator Laphonza Butler and Congressman Jim Costa have already released their forms to accept requests from stakeholders across California and in the 21<sup>st</sup> Congressional District, respectively. Senator Butler’s office will accept CDS requests until March 12, 2024, while Congressman Costa’s will accept CPF requests on a rolling basis for the time being. See below for links to the request forms from both offices:

- Office of Senator Laphonza Butler:
  - [Webpage](#)
  - [Request Form](#)
- Office of Congressman Jim Costa:
  - [Webpage and Request Form](#)

We anticipate that additional members of the Central Valley Congressional delegation will initiate their individual processes to accept requests from stakeholders in the days and weeks





ahead. We caution that neither the House Appropriations Committee, nor their Senate counterparts have released formal guidance for the upcoming cycle. Members of Congress are advising constituents to rely on FY 2024 [House Appropriations guidance](#) or [Senate Appropriations guidance](#) to inform their planning for the time being. Please reach out to us directly if you have any questions or interest in submitting requests. We look forward to working with you.

### Internal Revenue Service Hosts Additional Direct Pay Office Hours

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) announced additional office hours to support eligible entities in completing the mandatory pre-filing registration process to receive elective payment, or Direct Pay, for clean energy tax credits authorized by the *Inflation Reduction Act* (P.L. 117-169).

The [White House website](#) explains that “[elective pay](#)” provisions will enable “tax-exempt and governmental entities, for the first time, be able to receive a payment equal to the full value of tax credits for building qualifying clean energy projects. Unlike competitive grant and loan programs, in which applicants may not receive an award, direct pay allows entities to get their payment if they meet the requirements for both direct pay and the underlying tax credit. For more information about using direct pay on projects that are receiving grants and forgivable loans, [click here](#).”

The Biden Administration’s description clarifies eligible activities, reading:

“Applicable entities can use direct pay for 12 of the Inflation Reduction Act’s tax credits, including for generating clean electricity through solar, wind, and battery storage projects; building community solar projects that bring clean energy to neighborhood families; installing electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure; and purchasing clean vehicles for state or city vehicle fleets. See a [full list of applicable tax credits for direct pay](#).”

The sessions will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on the following dates. We have provided the full schedule and links to registration below for your review:

- March 6, 2024: [Registration](#)
- March 13, 2024: [Registration](#)
- March 20, 2024: [Registration](#)
- March 27, 2024: [Registration](#)
- April 3, 2024: [Registration](#)
- April 10, 2024: [Registration](#)
- April 17, 2024: [Registration](#)
- April 24, 2024: [Registration](#)







We encourage all units of local government to explore how direct pay may be applicable to your planned projects.

### EPA Announces FY 2024 State Revolving Fund Allocations for California

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently [announced](#) \$5.8 billion worth of Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 [allocations](#) to states from the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law* (P.L. 117-58) through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF). Total funding includes \$2.6 billion for the CWSRF and \$3.2 billion for the DWSRF. Within the DWSRF, EPA will allocate approximately \$248 million in General Supplemental funding to California and \$82.4 million to the state through the Emerging Contaminants set-aside. Under the CWSRF, California will receive \$162.6 million in General Supplemental funding and \$15.2 million to address emerging contaminants. EPA expects to announce the state's allocation for the DWSRF Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement set-aside later this spring. We encourage you to reach out to your state partners if you are interested in pursuing SRF funding for your local water infrastructure projects or initiatives.

### DOT Updates Notice of Funding Opportunity Calendars for 2024

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) recently updated its [calendar](#) with expected releases of Notices of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs) for agency grant programs through the fall. Separately, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) updated its 2024 NOFO [calendar](#) with further detail on anticipated releases of solicitations for rail programs. We have provided the full updated schedules below for your awareness and planning, noting new programs where applicable.

#### **March**

##### Office of the Secretary

Asset Concessions and Innovative Finance Assistance (NEW)

##### Federal Highway Administration

Low Carbon Transportation Materials Grants (NEW)

Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (NEW)

##### Federal Transit Administration

Pilot Program for Transit Oriented Development Planning

Passenger Ferry Boat Program

Electric or Low-Emitting Ferry Pilot Program

Ferry Service for Rural Communities Program

##### Federal Railroad Administration

Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Program





Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration  
Natural Gas Infrastructure Safety and Modernization Grants

### **May**

Federal Railroad Administration  
Railroad Crossing Elimination Program  
Restoration and Enhancement Program

### **Spring**

Office of the Secretary  
Thriving Communities Program

### Federal Highway Administration

National Culvert Removal, Replacement, and Restoration Grant Program

### Spring/Summer

Office of the Secretary  
Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grants Program

### **Summer**

Office of the Secretary  
Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program  
Natural Infrastructure Project Assistance (MEGA)  
Nationally Significant Freight & Highway Projects (INFRA)  
Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program (Rural)  
Neighborhood Access and Equity Grants  
Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program

### Federal Highway Administration

Charging & Fueling Infrastructure Grants (Community Charging)  
Charging & Fueling Infrastructure Grants (Corridor Charging)  
National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) 10% Set Aside  
Reduction of Truck Emissions at Port Facilities Grant Program  
Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation (PROTECT) Discretionary Grant Program

### Federal Aviation Administration

Airport Terminal Program

### **September/October**

Federal Railroad Administration





Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail Program-National

**Fall**

Office of the Secretary

Local and Regional Project Assistance Grants (RAISE)

**Current Funding Opportunities**

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

**Federal Emergency Management Agency**

[DHS FEMA FY 2024 Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation Revolving Loan Fund](#)

(State Deadline: April 30, 2024)

**U.S. Department of the Interior**

**Bureau of Reclamation**

[DOI USBR FY 2023 and 2024 WaterSMART Planning and Design Grants](#)

(FY 2024 Funding Deadline: April 2, 2024)

[DOI USBR FY 2023 and 2024 WaterSMART Large-Scale Water Recycling Projects](#)

(Second Deadline: May 31, 2024)

[DOI USBR FY 2024 and 2025 WaterSMART Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects](#)

(Second Application Deadline: July 9, 2024)

[DOI USBR FY 2023 and 2024 WaterSMART Cooperative Watershed Management Program Phase I](#)

(Second Deadline: September 3, 2024)

[DOI USBR FY 2024 and 2025 WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grants \(WEEG\)](#)

(FY 2025 Funding Deadline: October 30, 2024)

[DOI USBR FY 2023 and 2024 WaterSMART Large-Scale Water Recycling Projects](#)

(Third Deadline: November 26, 2024)

[DOI USBR FY 2024 and 2025 WaterSMART Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects](#)

(Third Application Deadline: January 14, 2025)

[DOI USBR FY 2024 and 2025 WaterSMART Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects](#)

(Fourth Application Deadline: July 8, 2025)

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

**Office of the Secretary**

[DOT FY 2024 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program](#)

(First Planning and Demonstration Grants Deadline: April 4, 2024)

[DOT FY 2024 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program](#)





(Second Planning and Demonstration Grants and Sole Implementation Grants Deadline: May 16, 2024)

[DOT FY 2024 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program](#)

(Third Planning and Demonstration Grants Deadline: August 29, 2024)

## **Federal Highway Administration**

[DOT FHWA FY 2023-2026 Bridge Investment Program: Bridge Project Grants](#)

(FY 2023 and 2024 Deadline: March 19, 2024)

[DOT FHWA FY 2023-2026 Accelerated Innovation Deployment Demonstration Grants](#)

(FY 2024 Notice of Intent Deadline: April 16, 2024)

[DOT FHWA FY 2022-2024 Congestion Relief Program](#)

(Deadline: April 22, 2024)

[DOT FHWA FY 2022-2024 Prioritization Process Pilot Program](#)

(Deadline: May 1, 2024)

[DOT FHWA FY 2023-2026 Accelerated Innovation Deployment Demonstration Grants](#)

(FY 2024 Full Application Deadline: May 28, 2024)

[DOT FHWA FY 2023-2026 Bridge Investment Program: Large Bridge Project Grants](#)

(FY 2025 Deadline: August 1, 2024)

[DOT FHWA FY 2023-2026 Bridge Investment Program: Planning Grants](#)

(FY 2025 Deadline: October 1, 2024)

[DOT FHWA FY 2023-2026 Bridge Investment Program: Bridge Project Grants](#)

(FY 2025 Deadline: November 1, 2024)

[DOT FHWA FY 2023-2026 Accelerated Innovation Deployment Demonstration Grants](#)

(FY 2025 Notice of Intent Deadline: April 15, 2025)

[DOT FHWA FY 2023-2026 Accelerated Innovation Deployment Demonstration Grants](#)

(FY 2025 Full Application Deadline: May 27, 2025)

[DOT FHWA FY 2023-2026 Bridge Investment Program: Large Bridge Project Grants](#)

(FY 2026 Deadline: August 1, 2025)

[DOT FHWA FY 2023-2026 Bridge Investment Program: Planning Grants](#)

(FY 2026 Deadline: October 1, 2025)

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(FY 2026 Deadline: November 1, 2025)

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(FY 2026 Notice of Intent Deadline: April 14, 2026)

[DOT FHWA FY 2023-2026 Accelerated Innovation Deployment Demonstration Grants](#)

(FY 2026 Full Application Deadline: May 26, 2026)

## **Federal Transit Administration**

[DOT FTA FY 2024 Low or No Emission Grant Program and Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program](#)





(Deadline: April 25, 2024)

## Maritime Administration

[DOT MARAD FY 2024 Port Infrastructure Development Program](#)

(Deadline: April 30, 2024)

## U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

[EPA Clean Ports Program](#)

(Optional Notice of Intent Deadline: March 28, 2024)

[EPA Clean Ports Program](#)

(Application Deadline: May 28, 2024)

[EPA FY 2023 Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act \(WIFIA\) Program](#)

(Rolling Deadline)

**REAP Update**  
**March 7, 2024**

- **Robert Phipps will provide a verbal update on funding balances and allocation planning for the remainder of the REAP 1.0 program, which concludes in December 2024.**
- **Technical Assistance** to Valley jurisdictions is available utilizing the following consultants:
  - Mintier Harnish
  - Precision Engineering
  - Rincon Consultants (AFFH)
  - VTA (AFFH)
  - Estolano (AFFH)

22 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, Porterville, Merced, Gustine, and Dos Palos.*

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, on-line, 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 (UF); status – complete, 11 jurisdictions/COGs are utilizing.
  - Condo Construction Analysis (EPS); status – complete and available on-line.
  - Inclusionary Housing Analysis (EPS); status – complete and available on-line.
  - Water Supply/SGMA Analysis (Mintier/Rincon Consultants); status- final study completed, workshop was held on January 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - **NEW.** Small lot planning study is underway with Mintier Harnish.
  - REAP Workshop Series; status – ongoing.
    - **Next workshop March 19, 2024, jurisdictional REAP 1.0 case studies.**
- **Revised third REAP funding application** has been submitted to HCD to allow for a re-allocation of approximately \$1.3M of Valleywide funds to MPOs.
- **REAP TAC Committee** meeting was held on February 13<sup>th</sup>. The March TAC occurred on March 13<sup>th</sup>.

FREE WEBINAR

# BEST OF THE VALLEY

REAP 1.0 Case Studies

San Joaquin Valley  
**REAP**  
REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING

The California Regional Early Action Planning (REAP 1.0) program provided a one time grant of approximately \$20M to the San Joaquin Valley for regional and jurisdictional housing planning activities, and to promote affordable housing production. This webinar features three innovative case studies utilizing REAP funding:

- **San Joaquin County Regional Housing Trust Fund**
- **Fresno County's General Plan Updates in Rural Unincorporated Communities**
- **City of Stockton's Neighborhood Action Plan**



**Tuesday, March 19, 2024**

**1 pm to 2 pm**

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City of Stockton



# 2024

## San Joaquin Valley

# Spring Policy Conference

### ALL PATHS LEAD TO

# YES!



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Hosted by Tulare County Association of Governments

**Keynote Speaker:**  
**Richard "KiKi" Torrez Jr.**



**THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCIES POLICY COUNCIL IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE 2024 POLICY CONFERENCE: ALL PATHS LEAD TO YES! WILL BE HOSTED BY THE TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS APRIL 29 – MAY 1**

Please join us at the Visalia Convention Center in beautiful Downtown Visalia. This in-person event is a must-attend for elected officials, agency staff, transportation consultants, professionals, and anyone interested in shaping the future of the Valley.



This conference is about saying YES! to a vision of a transportation system that works for the San Joaquin Valley. Our diverse lineup of speakers will provide thought-provoking perspectives and attendees will have the opportunity to discover the latest insights, network with industry experts, engage in lively discussions on a wide range of policy topics, such as new technology, housing, social justice, funding, and more!

This can't-miss event is an exciting opportunity to connect with like-minded individuals and gain valuable knowledge. The ticket for the Policy Conference includes a ticket to the Blueprint Awards Luncheon. Registration is discounted through February 2nd, so don't wait to get your tickets!

**[Ticket & Hotel Information Here](#)**

### Location

The Policy Conference will be held at the **Visalia Convention Center**  
303 E Acequia Ave, Visalia, CA 93291



### Directions

From HWY 99  
Take HWY 198 exit.  
Take exit 107A to merge onto CA-63 N toward Cutler Orosi/Kings Cyn.  
Turn left onto CA-63 N/S Court St.  
Turn right onto E Acequia Ave.  
Destination will be on the right.

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open for the 2024**

# SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY BLUEPRINT AWARDS

*Awards will be presented on May 1st at the San Joaquin Valley Annual Policy Conference hosted by the Tulare County Association of Governments.*

**Nominations due April 1, 2024**

**Download Nominations Packet Here** 

## **Award Categories**

### ***Development Projects***

On the ground, existing projects that exemplify the Blueprint principles:

- Residential
- Commercial
- Mixed Use
- Downtown Revitalization
- Transportation Enhancement
- Historic Revitalization

### ***Planning Project or Program***

Recognition of sustainable and innovative planning projects or programs.

### ***Darrel Hildebrand Blueprint Leadership Award***

Awarded to an individual who has shown enthusiasm and tenacity in promoting the Blueprint principles.

### ***Jenny Kenoyer Outstanding Elected Official***

Awarded to an elected official who demonstrates great leadership and advocacy for promoting Blueprint principles.

*For more information, please visit the 2024 San Joaquin Valley Policy Conference web site*

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