



**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

*****Thursday*** – August 5, 2021 – 10:00 A.M.**
IN PERSON AT THE BCAG CONFERENCE ROOM OR
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1. INTRODUCTIONS

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ADDRESS ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA DURING CONSIDERATION OF THAT ITEM.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATION

PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS OR COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA MAY DO SO AT THIS TIME. COMMENTS ARE LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES PER PERSON. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD.
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ITEM

STAFF

3. Minutes from May 6, 2021 TAC Meeting

Ivan Garcia

For review and approval.

4. North Valley Passenger Rail Strategic Plan

Chris Devine
Information

Verbal update on development of the North Valley Passenger Rail Strategic Plan

5. Chico to Sacramento Plan Update

Sara Cain
Information

Update and presentation by BCAG's consultant team Arup

6. 2022 Regional Transportation Improvement Program

Ivan Garcia
Information

Informing committee of development of the 2022 RTIP

7. Caltrans Updates

Caltrans

Project Initiation Documents Completed or in Progress
SHOPP Updates
Local Assistance Updates (Attachment)
Caltrans District Active Transportation Plan

Darleen Mendez
TBD
Jim Day
Colin Fredrickson

8. Other Items

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**Butte County Association of Governments
Transportation Advisory Committee
Draft Summary Meeting Minutes
for May 6, 2021**

The following minutes are a summary of the Transportation Advisory Committee.
The Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting of the Butte County Association of Governments was held at the BCAG offices located at 326 Huss Drive Suite 150 in Chico. The meeting started at 10:00 a.m. via zoom.

Item #3 – April 1, 2021 TAC Meeting

No comments were received.

Item #4 – 2021 Federal Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #03

Staff informed the committee of Amendment #03 to the 2021 FTIP. The purpose of the amendment was to make the following changes:

1. Autry Lane, Monte Vista & Lower Wyandotte Safe Routes to Schools Gap Closure Project.

The purpose of this amendment was to add additional scope to the original Autry Lane & Monte Vista Safe Routes to Schools Gap Closure Project by adding Lower Wyandotte to the scope of improvements. This amendment combined a previous Lower Wyandotte Bicycle and Pedestrian Project from the 2019 FTIP into the Autry Lane & Monte Vista project currently programmed in the 2021 FTIP. This project is located in South Oroville in Butte County.

2. City of Chico: Hegan Lane Business Park Access Improvements Project.

The purpose of this amendment was to change the fund source from Local Advance Construction funds to Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ) funds for \$391,373. The overall costs and project delivery schedule did not change.

Staff informed the committee that BCAG is required to report FTIP amendments to the committee in accordance with its Public Participation Plan procedures. This item was provided for the committee's awareness.

Item #5 – Senate Bill 743 Implementation Study - Update

Staff provided an overview of the SB 743 Implementation Study indicating that a complete document would be available for review later in May. In addition, staff indicated that final acceptance of the study would be presented to the BCAG Board on June 24, 2021. Staff stated that on April 22nd, a third and final stakeholder meeting was held in which BCAG's consultant team reviewed the VMT Mitigation Strategy and Local Plan and Policy Improvement sections.

In addition, the consultant team provided an overview of the VMT screening tool developed as part of the study. Staff emphasized that it is up to each local jurisdiction (lead agency) to develop its own methodologies and thresholds to meet CEQA transportation analysis requirements for land use projects and plans approved by their agency. All material is posted online at BCAG's website for the locals to utilize.

Item #6 – 2021/22 BCAG Overall Work Program and Budget

Staff informed the committee that the BCAG Board of Directors approved the 20/21 Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget at their March 25th Board meeting. Staff indicated that the OWP identifies BCAG's state, federal, and local transportation planning responsibilities to be undertaken for the upcoming fiscal year. The specific work elements were included as part of the memorandum. This item was presented for information.

Item #7 – Chico to Sacramento Inter-City Strategic Plan Update

BCAG's consultant team LSC and Arup provided a presentation on the study efforts underway. The presentation included a brief overview of the study objectives, survey and data concerning the project. The Study is a partnership with BCAG, Caltrans and the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (San Joaquin Amtrak trains). The plan is to identify inter-regional transit connections between Butte County and downtown Sacramento to integrate service with B-Line, the Amtrak San Joaquin and Amtrak Capitol Corridor. This presentation was to keep the committee informed. As the study progresses, additional presentations to the committee will be held.

Item #8 – Caltrans Planning and Local Assistance Updates

Caltrans provided the committee with updates on:

- ATP Cycle 6 – Scheduled for Spring of 2022. Projects not successful for Cycle 5 were encouraged to have a debrief with CTC staff.
- HSIP Cycle 11 for FY 22/23. A Local Road Safety Plan is required.
- DBE – FFY 21/22. Compliance notification letters have been sent to local agencies
- Office Staff Changes: James Day provided an updated contact list for Local Assistance staff.
- Training – LTAP training information was presented including new Local Assistance forms.
- Inactive List – James Day provided an inactive list for local Butte County projects and encouraged implementing agencies to submit an invoice.

Item #9 - Other Items:

Brendan Ottoboni with the City of Chico recognized David Giongco as having received the American Public Works Association's Manager of the Year Award in the Transportation Category.



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Item # 4 Information

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NORTH VALLEY PASSENGER RAIL STRATEGIC PLAN

PREPARED BY: Chris Devine, Planning Manager

DISCUSSION: BCAG was recently informed by Caltrans of the approval of funding for the North Valley Passenger Rail Strategic Plan through the Strategic Partnership Grant Program. Staff will provide a brief overview of the project.

REQUESTED ACTION: This item is provided for the committee's awareness.

Key Staff: Chris Devine, Planning Manager
Jon Clark, Executive Director



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Item # 5 Information

August 5, 2021

CHICO TO SACRAMENTO PLAN UPDATE

PREPARED BY: Sara Cain, Associate Senior Planner

ISSUE: BCAG staff is presenting an update on the Chico to Sacramento Plan for the TAC's information.

DISCUSSION: BCAG is preparing the Chico to Sacramento Inter-City Transit Strategic Plan to provide the framework to integrate Butte Regional Transit (B-Line) and the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (SJJPA) Route 3 thruway bus (Stockton-Sacramento-Chico-Redding) to a consolidated commuter bus route.

The purpose of the study is to identify solutions to provide a regionally significant intercity connection between Chico and Sacramento by analyzing routing and timing plans, operating and capital costs, fare structure, park and ride opportunities, number and types of buses required, and develop a marketing plan.

BCAG staff and its consultant, Arup, will provide a presentation to the TAC on the Service Plan, which summarizes the following as it relates to the proposed service:

- **Travel market and ridership assessment:** Approximately 450-500 daily weekday one-way passenger trips are anticipated to occur between Butte County and Sacramento.
- **Public outreach:** Presentations to this committee, BCAG's Planning Directors Group, and other stakeholders along the corridor indicated there is a viable market opportunity for the service post-COVID.
- **Fare structure and pricing plan:** The analysis proposes a zone-based fare structure and pricing plan with free fare options per-mile including standard, discount, and monthly passes.
- **Proposed route:** The service would operate along SR-99 and SR-70 from Chico to Sacramento with some busses terminating in Stockton.
- **Proposed service schedule:** There would be nine trips in each direction on weekdays and eight trips on weekends to connect with Amtrak trains that would maximize ridership.
- **Revenue and operating cost assessment:** The analysis shows fare revenue would fall slightly short of anticipated operating costs, so BCAG would need to identify additional funding sources should the service be implemented.

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The Service Plan can be found here:

http://www.bcag.org/documents/Chico%20to%20Sac/BCAG-Task-4-Service-Plan-Report_Draft_20210720.pdf

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION: This item is presented for the TAC's information.

Key staff: Sara Cain, Associate Senior Planner
Jon Clark, Executive Director



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Item # 6 Information

August 5, 2021

2022 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (RTIP) DEVELOPMENT

PREPARED BY: Ivan Garcia, Transportation Programming Specialist

ISSUE: BCAG is required to prepare and adopt a Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) by December 15, 2021 for the 2022 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

DISCUSSION: The purpose of the RTIP is to identify programming recommendations for the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The STIP is adopted by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) and is comprised of two components including the Regional Improvement Program and Interregional Improvement Program:

STIP Components:

- 1) 75% - Regional Improvement Program (RIP). Projects nominated by the Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs) like BCAG as part of the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP Document)
- 2) 25% - Interregional Improvement Program (IIP). Projects nominated by Caltrans as part of their Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP).

RTIP/STIP Schedule:

August 26, 2021	BCAG Board of Directors – Call for New Projects
October 1, 2021	Project Nominations Due to BCAG for RTIP Consideration
December 9, 2021	BCAG Board Adoption of 2022 RTIP
March 23-24, 2024	CTC Adopts the 2022 STIP
March 23-24, 2024	CTC Adopts the 2022 STIP

Funding

Every two years, Caltrans prepares a “Fund Estimate” (FE) identifying the amount of funding available to regions for new projects. For this STIP Fund Estimate, the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA) provided additional funding to California for transportation purposes. The STIP Regional Improvement Program and CRRSAA are shown as follows:

- **STIP/RIP: \$10,444,000 Delivery under STIP guidelines**
 - **CRSAA (STIP) \$1,262,252 Delivery through CRRSAA/STIP guidelines**
 - **CRRSAA (Non-STIP) \$1,061,606 Delivery through CRRSAA/STIP guidelines**
- \$12,767,858 Total through FY 26/27 to Butte County**

CRRSAA specific guidelines: <https://catc.ca.gov/-/media/ctc-media/documents/programs/stip/2021-stip/05-2021/202105-midcycle-stip-guidelines-a11y.pdf>.

Requirement for ALL Projects

BCAG has identified 4 requirements for new project programming consideration. These requirements are consistent with STIP guidelines.

- **Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy** – All projects are required to be included in the current 2020 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS).
- **Project Study Reports** - A complete project study report (PSR) or, for a project that is not on a State highway, a PSR equivalent. Posted guidance can be found here: <https://catc.ca.gov/-/media/ctc-media/documents/programs/stip/stip-psr-guidelines-a11y.pdf>.
- **Criteria for Measuring Performance and Cost-Effectiveness** – Depending on project, some level of performance metric demonstration is required. The project level benefit evaluation is listed in the STIP guidelines and posted at: <http://www.bcag.org/Planning/RTIP/index.html>. The criterion in the guidelines aims to capture; VMT reductions, air quality benefits, mode shift, distance to transit service and safety benefits as relevant to the project.
- **ePPR** – Electronic Project Programming Request form is required. Guidance is posted at: <https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/financial-programming/documents/eppr-instructions-v101-a11y.pdf>. The ePPR will be posted at <http://www.bcag.org/Planning/RTIP/index.html>. The ePPR is a similar spreadsheet in XL as is used for FTIP projects.

BCAG Project Criteria Evaluation

BCAG is developing project evaluation criteria that is consistent with the goals of the Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI) built from the Governors Executive Orders (EO) EO N-19-19 and N-79-20. These Executive Orders and the CAPTI are expected to become the basis for which ALL transportation funding is delivered. Additionally, BCAG must report progress on “Federal Performance Measures for PM 1, 2, 3 & Transit” to FHWA and to CARB under SB 375 for achieved GHG reductions.

In an effort to meet the various existing and impending guidelines, programs and reporting, RTIP project evaluation criteria are expected to focus on:

- GHG reduction
- VMT reduction
- Development and integration of public transit with multimodal rail, bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure
- Significant expansion of equitable transportation opportunities to underserved communities
- Safety

REQUESTED ACTION: This item is presented for information and discussion. Projectsponsors are encouraged to discuss potential projects with BCAG staff prior to preparing a submittal package.

Key staff: Jon Clark, Executive Director
 Andy Newsum, Deputy Director
 Iván García, Transportation Programming Specialist



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Item # 8 Information

August 5, 2021

CALTRANS DISTRICT 03 UPDATES

PREPARED BY: Ivan Garcia, Transportation Programming Specialist

DISCUSSION: Caltrans staff will provide various reports on matters concerning Local Assistance, planning or state highway projects.

Subject:

- Project Initiation Documents Completed or in Progress
- Local Assistance Update (Attachment)
 1. Calendar
 - a. FHWA
 - b. CTC
 - c. ATP Cycle 6
 - d. HSIP Cycle 11
 2. DBC, ADA, QAP Programs
 3. Inactive Projects
 4. Training
 5. Regional Office Staff
- Caltrans District 03 Active Transportation Plan
A workshop is being scheduled after the TAC Meeting for the “CAT Plan Partner Survey Information Session” for August 5, 2011 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 (Attachment)
- Other Items

Caltrans Staff
Darleen Mendez

Jim Day

Colin Fredrickson

Jim Day Local Assistance Update – Attachment

Local Assistance Calendar

FHWA Calendar:

1. 2021 Annual Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Report Form FHWA-1391 due by August 16, 2020.
2. Requests for authorization due in before August 27th
 - Chico (CMAQ) 5037(040) is in review at Caltrans HQ.
 - Butte County (CMAQ) 5912(110) Revalidate NEPA for combined scope.
 - Oroville (ATP) 5142(SR162 Bike Lanes awaiting CTC vote August 18th, Caltrans HQ have seen the draft request but must wait for the CTC vote before acting (Oroville to submit Final 3A request form.

CTC Calendar:

2021 California Transportation Commission (CTC) Meeting Schedule	Local Agency Submits Off System Funds Requests, Program Amendments, and Time Extensions to Caltrans Districts	District Submits Off System and On System Requests to HQ Divisions
Date and Location:	10:00 AM District and CTC	10:00 AM HQ Divisions
Aug 18-19 - Los Angeles	Mon, Jun 21, 21	Mon, Jun 28, 21
Oct 13-14 - Baskerfield	Mon, Aug 16, 21	Mon, Aug 23, 21
Dec 8-9 - Riverside	Mon, Oct 11, 21	Mon, Oct 18, 21

- Active Transportation Program Cycle 6 is tentatively scheduled for Spring of 2022
- Highway Safety Improvement Program & Local Road Safety Plan. If you do not have a Local Road Safety Plan, there are funds available(10% match). Contact Darlene Wulff
-LRSP required for HSIP Cycle 11 2022-2023

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise FFY2021/2022

July 27, 2021	Click on the links below to open a blank Word© form			
Agency	DBE 9-A	DBE 9-B	ADA 9-C	QAP
BCAG	?	?	N/A	N/A
Butte County	✓	✓	✓	06-JUL-2025
Biggs	✓	?	?	06-OCT-2022
Chico	✓	✓	✓	Due
Gridley	✓	?	?	06-OCT-2022
Oroville	?	?	?	Due
Paradise	✓	✓	✓	Due

Inactive projects

<https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/projects/inactive-projects>

Updated on 06/29/2021									
Project Number	Status	Agency Action Required	Project Prefix	County	Agency	Project Description	Latest Payment Date	Months of No Activity	Unexpended Balance
5142032	Inactive	Project is inactive. Funds at risk. Invoice immediately. Provide status to DLAE/ submit inactive justification form.	CML	BUT	Oroville	TABLE MOUNTAIN BLVD./NELSON AVE./CHEROKEE RD NEW ROUNDABOUT (TC)	09/19/2019	18	\$242,399.15
5912119	Inactive	Invoice overdue. Contact DLAE.	BPMP	BUT	Butte County	VARIOUS BRIDGES IN BUTTE COUNTY BRIDGE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE		8	\$169,287.07
36P0009	Future	Invoice ASAP to avoid inactivity.	ER	BUT	Butte County	ORO BANGOR HWY IN BUTTE COUNTY CONSTRUCT, REPAIR, REPLACE SUBGRADE AND PAVEMENT	12/22/2020	3	\$1,243,843.07
36P0008	Future	Invoice ASAP to avoid inactivity.	ER	BUT	Butte County	LAPORTE RD CONSTRUCT REPAIR REPLACE SUBGRADE AND PAVEMENT	12/22/2020	3	\$160,236.99
5128013	Future	Invoice ASAP to avoid inactivity.	CML	BUT	Biggs	IN THE CITY OF BIGGS ALONG 2ND STREET FROM E STREET TO COPENHAVER COURT	10/20/2020	5	\$108,483.80
5142035	Inactive	Project is inactive. Funds at risk. Invoice immediately. Provide status to DLAE/ submit inactive justification form.	CML	Oroville	Oroville	MITCHELL, MYERS, WASHINGTON, ORO DAM/ORO QUINCY HWY, TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION (TC)	11/07/2017	40	\$43,772.69

Local Assistance Training

LTAP is offering (fees may apply) :

<https://californialtap.org/index.cfm?pid=1077>

1. Getting Your Federal Aid Started September 29-30, 2021 December 1-2, 2021

2. Environmental Requirements August 10-11, 2021 October 19-20, 2021

3. Procedures for Right-of-Way November 9-10, 2021 December 14-15, 2021

4. Design to Construction September 15-16, 2021 November 2-3, 2021

5. Labor Compliance August 17-19, 2021 October 19-21, 2021

6. DBE Training August 24, 2021 August 31, 2021

7. Resident Engineers Academy October 11-14, 2021 November 15-18, 2021

Office Staff

- James Day 530-821-8375 j.p.day@dot.ca.gov
Butte County Agencies (except BR, ER & HSIP)
- Darlene Wulff 530-812-6133 darlene.wulff@dot.ca.gov
Highway Safety Improvement Program
State Administered Projects
- Vlad Popko 530-821-8421 vladimir.popko@dot.ca.gov
Highway Bridge Program

End.

Save the date!
**CAT Plan Partner Survey Information
Session**
August 5, 2021 11:00am – 11:30am
(Immediately following BCAG TAC Meeting)

The CAT Plan Partner Survey is an online map-based survey that allows respondents to pinpoint and describe bicycle and pedestrian location-based needs (LBN). Comments received will be considered during the LBN identification and prioritization phases of the CAT Plan. Caltrans District 3 invites our local partners, including MPO-RTPAs, counties and cities to participate in this survey, which will close on **August 31**.

Webex Link

<https://cadot.webex.com/cadot/j.php?MTID=m943976cb3cb2c8e143c7074d8143960e>

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