

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AUGUST 22, 2024

Acronyms for Butte County Association of Governments

ACRONYM	MEANING
ACOE	Army Corps of Engineers
AFR	Accident Frequency Ratio
APS	Alternative Planning Strategy
AQMD	Air Quality Management District
ARB	Air Resource Board
AVL	Automatic Vehicle Location
BCAG	Butte County Association of Governments
BRT	Butte Regional Transit/B-Line
Cal+A3:B51	Assembly Bill
CALCOG	California Association Council of Governments
CalSTA	California State Transportation Agency
Caltrans	California Department of Transportation
CAPTI	Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure
CARB	California Air Resource Board
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act
CMAQ	Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality
CON	Construction
CTC	California Transportation Commission
CTIPS	California Transportation Improvement Program System
DFG	California Department of Fish and Game
DOT	Department of Transportation
EIR	Environmental Impact Report
EMFAC	Emissions Factors
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
FTIP	Federal Transportation Improvement Program
FY	Fiscal Year
GARVEE	Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicle Program
GhG	Greenhouse Gas Emissions
GIC	Geographical Information Center
GIS	Geographic Information Systems
GPS	Global Positional Satellite
HCP	Habitat Conservation Plan
IIP	Interregional Improvement Program
IPG	Intermodal Planning Group
ITIP	Interregional Transportation Improvement Program
ITS	Intelligent Transportation Systems
JPA	Joint Powers Agreement
LAFCO	Local Agency Formation Commission
LCTOP	Low Carbon Transit Operations Program
LTF	Local Transportation Fund
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization
NAAQS	National Air Quality Standards
NCCP	Natural Community Conservation Plan
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service (Also NOAA Fisheries)
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries (Also NMFS)

ACRONYM	MEANING
OWP	Overall Work Program
PA&ED	Project Appproval & Environmental Document
PDT	Project Development Team
PEER	Permit Engineering Evaluation Report
PL	Federal Planning Funds
PLH	Public Lands Highway
PPH	Passengers Per Revenue Hour
PPM	Planning Programming & Monitoring
PPNO	Project Programming Number
PS&E	Plans, Specifications & Estimates
PSR	Project Study Report
PTMISEA	Public Transportation Modernization Improvemant and Service Enhancement Account
PUC	Public Utilities Code
R/W	Right of Way
REAP	Regional early Action Planning
RFP	Request for Proposals
RHNA	Regional Housing Needs Allocation
RHNP	Regional Housing Needs Plan
RIP	Regional Improvement Program
RTAC	Regional Target Advisory Committee
RTIP	Regional Transportation Improvement Program
RTP	Regional Transportation Plan
RTPA	Regional Transportation Planning Agency
SACOG	Sacramento Area Council of Governments
SAFETEA-LU	Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users
SCEA	Sustainable Community Environmental Assessment
SCS	Sustainable Community Strategy
SDP	Strategic Deployment Plan
SGR	State of Good Repair
SHOPP	State Highway Operation Protection Program
SSTAC	Social Services Transportation Advisory Council
STA	State Transit Assistance
STIP	State Transportation Improvement Program
TAC	Transportation Advisory Committee
TAOC	Transit Administrative Oversight Committee
TCRP	Transportation Congestion Relief Program
TDA	Transportation Development Act
TE	Transportation Enhancements
TIP	Transportation Improvement Program
TIRCP	Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program
TPP	Transit Priority Project
TSGP	Transit Security Grant Program
USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
UTN	Unmet Transit Needs
WE	Work Element
ZETCP	Zero Emission Transit Capital Program





Andy Newsum

Executive Director

Bill Connelly, Chair Supervisor, District 1

Kasey Reynolds, Vice Chair Councilmember, Chico

Peter Durfee Supervisor, District 2

Tami Ritter Supervisor, District 3

Tod Kimmelshue Supervisor, District 4

Doug Teeter Supervisor, District 5

Chuck Nuchols Councilmember, Biggs

J Angel Calderon Councilmember, Gridley

David Pittman Mayor, Oroville

Rose Tryon

Councilmember, Paradise

BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF

GOVERNMENTS - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Regular Meeting Agenda August 22, 2024 - 9:00 a.m.

Meeting Location:
Butte County Association of Governments Board Room
326 Huss Drive, Suite 100, Chico, CA 95928

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- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Roll Call

CONSENT AGENDA

- 3. Minutes from June 27, 2024, BCAG Board of Directors Meeting Ashley
- Approval of Resolution No. 2024/25-1 Execution of the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies Form 130 – Sara
- 5. Approval of **Resolution No. 2024/25-2** Accepting the Project List Application for the FY 2024/25 California State of Good Repair Program **Sara**
- 6. Approval of 2024 Annual Agency Safety Plan (ASP) Review and Update Actions Amy

BCAG Board of Directors Meeting

- 7. Approval of Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Appointments 2024 **Victoria**
- 8. Approval of Award to CTE for Development of Hydrogen Fueling Station Specifications -- Andy

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEMS FOR ACTION

- Approval of Capital Reserves Funding for Paradise Transit Center Construction Cost Increase -Andy
- Approval of Updated Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program and Annual Review –
 Amy

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 11. Butte Regional Transit Exterior Brand for Fixed Route Buses Sara
- 12.2024 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) Development **Chris**
- 13. Draft Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and Air Quality Conformity Determination Ivan
- 14. Draft 2020 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS)
 Amendment #3 Ivan

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

15. Members of the public may present items to the BCAG Board of Directors, but no action will be taken other than placement on a future agenda. Handouts presented by speakers are to be distributed to the Board by the Clerk of the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

16. The next meeting of the BCAG Board of Directors has been scheduled for Thursday September 26, 2024, at the BCAG Board Room & via Zoom.

Meetings held the 4th Thursday of every month at 9 a.m. unless otherwise noticed







Agenda Item #3 – Consent

Date: August 22, 2024

Subject: DRAFT Meeting Minutes of the Butte County Association of Governments

Board of Directors June 27, 2024

Contact: Ashley Carriere, Administrative Assistant

The following minutes are a summary of actions taken by the Board of Directors. A digital recording of the actual meeting is available at BCAG's office located at 326 Huss Drive, Suite 150, Chico, CA.

Board Member Connelly called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at the BCAG Board Room, 326 Huss Drive, Suite 100, Chico, CA.

MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON

Tami Ritter Supervisor District 3 Mayor David Pittman City of Oroville J Angel Calderon Councilmember City of Gridley Bill Connelly Supervisor District 1 Peter Durfee Supervisor District 2 Tod Kimmelshue Supervisor District 4

Ron Lassonde Alternate-Non-Voting Town of Paradise Kasey Reynolds Vice Mayor City of Chico

MEMBERS ABSENT

Chuck NucholsCouncilmemberCity of BiggsRose TryonVice MayorTown of ParadiseDoug TeeterSupervisorDistrict 5

STAFF PRESENT

Andy Newsum Executive Director

Cheryl Massae Human Resources Director

Amy White Assistant Planner

Ashley Carriere Administrative Assistant

Sara Cain
Ivan Garcia
Victoria Proctor
Julie Quinn
Sandra Welge
Transit Manager
Programming Director
Associate Planner
Chief Fiscal Officer
Accounting Clerk

Agenda Item #3 – Consent

OTHERS PRESENT

Dawson Stroud Eric Smith Lance Atencio Caltrans/ District 3 Liaison City of Oroville Transdev

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Roll Call

CONSENT AGENDA

- **3.** Approval of Minutes from the May 23, 2024, BCAG Board of Directors Meeting
- **4.** Approval of Resolution No. 2023/24-16 for Fiscal Year 2024/25 Preliminary Transportation Development Act (TDA) Claims

On motion by Board Member Pittman and seconded by Board Member Kimmelshue the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.

ITEMS FOR ACTION- None

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

<u>5: Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Member Recruitment FY</u> <u>2024/25</u>

BCAG's Associate Planner discussed the annual recruitment of the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC).

The SSTAC is a three-year term in which the council will advise on transportation needs.

Recruitment opportunities and information was made available to the public via B-Line fixed route bus advertisement, local and surrounding area newspapers, social media, and targeted emails.

SSTAC recruitment will take place June 10, 2024 through July 12, 2024.

This item was presented for information purposes.

6: Butte Regional Transit Outreach

BCAG's Assistant Planner informed the Board regarding past outreach events in the community, along with future events staff will be attending.

In an effort to engage the community about public transportation in Butte County, staff will continue to participate in community outreach events.

BCAG staff remains diligent in its continued efforts to assess and improve shelters and stops with appropriate upgrades throughout the county.

This item was presented for information purposes.

7: Butte Regional Transit Marketing

BCAG Transit Manager spoke with the Board regarding current and upcoming Butte Regional Transit Marketing plans. This included vehicles, mobile ticket upgrade, micro transit, routing changes, and non-emergency medical transportation.

Butte Regional Transit will be introducing new, diesel and zero-emission, freightliner buses in late August 2024 and late 2025. The freightliner addition will also include a revised color scheme as a part of marketing efforts.

BCAG staff informed the Board they will contract with a consultant to prepare a marketing Plan and distribute materials to promote new transit services.

This item was presented for information purposes.

8: Hydrogen Fueling Station Specifications Request for Proposals

BCAG Executive Director presented the Board with plans to roll out the mandated Innovative Clean Technologies (ICT) regulation conversion, following the policy of California Air Resources Board (CARB).

BCAG anticipates the Butte Regional Transit fleet to be 100% zero emissions fleet. A Rollout Plan was completed by staff in September 2023.

Staff released a Request for Proposals on June 11th, 2024, to secure a consultant that will be utilized on The Rollout Plan. Proposals are due in mid-July, and work is expected to begin late August.

This item was presented for information purposes.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

9: Members of the public may present items to the BCAG Board of Directors, but no action will be taken other than placement on a future agenda.

There were no items from the floor.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to discuss, the BCAG Board meeting adjourned at 9:12 AM.

Attest:

Andy Newsum, Executive Director Ashley Carriere, Board Clerk Butte County Association of Governments







Agenda Item #4 – Consent

Date: August 22, 2024

Subject: Approval of Resolution No. 2024/25-1 Execution of the California

Governor's Office of Emergency Services Designation of Applicant's Agent

Resolution for Non-State Agencies Form 130

Contact: Sara Cain, Transit Manager

Summary: BCAG has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the County of Butte to provide public transportation and staffing to support evacuations to sites as directed by the County during a declared emergency or disaster in Butte County. The MOU is currently being updated to include revised hourly rates and contact information. BCAG recently provided evacuation assistance during the Thompson and Park Fires.

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) requires agencies execute *Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution* (Cal OES Form 130) prior to requesting reimbursement for emergency response expenses incurred during disaster events. Upon approval by the Board of Directors, this resolution is effective for all open and future disasters through August 22, 2027.

Action requested: Approve and Authorize the Chair to Sign Resolution 2024/25-1.

Attachment: Resolution 2024/25-1



Agenda Item #4 – Consent Attachment



BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS RESOLUTION NO 2024/25-1

RESOLUTION OF THE BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES DESIGNATION OF APPLICANT'S AGENT RESOLUTION FOR NON-STATE AGENCIES FORM 130

WHEREAS, the Butte County Association of Governments is a public entity established under the laws of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the Butte County Association of Governments wishes to authorize Andy Newsum, Executive Director, and Sara Cain, Transit Manager, authorization to file this application with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services for the purpose of obtaining certain federal financial assistance under Public Law 93-288 as amended by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988, and/or state financial assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act; and

WHEREAS, the Butte County Association of Governments, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, hereby authorizes its agents to provide to the Governor's Office of Emergency Services for all matters pertaining to such state disaster assistance the assurances and agreements required; and

WHEREAS, the Butte County Association of Government hereby authorizes this is a universal resolution and is effective for all open and future disasters up to three (3) years following the date of approval below,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Butte County Association of Governments that it hereby authorizes the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies (Form 130) for reimbursement of declared state of emergency expenses through August 22, 2027.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Butte County Association of Governments on the 22nd day of August 2024 by the following vote:

AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	
APPROVED:	BILL CONNELLY, CHAIR BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
ATTEST:	ANDY NEWSUM, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS







Agenda Item #5 – Consent

Date: August 22, 2024

Subject: Approval of Resolution No. 2024/25-2 Accepting the Project List for the FY

2024/25 California State of Good Repair Program

Contact: Sara Cain, Transit Manager

Summary: As the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA), BCAG is responsible for compiling, approving, and submitting to the Department of Transportation an annual list of eligible projects from transit operators in the region to be funded with State of Good Repair (SGR) allocations. SGR funds are made available for eligible capital projects that maintain the public transit system in a state of good repair.

Butte Regional Transit will be using the FY 2024/25 estimated allocation of \$359,755 for bus shelter and stop improvements.

Action requested: Approve and Authorize the Chair to Sign Resolution 2024/25-2.

Attachment: Resolution 2024/25-2



Agenda Item #5 – Consent Attachment



BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS RESOLUTION NO 2024/25-2

RESOLUTION OF THE BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS APPROVING THE PROJECT LIST FOR THE FY 2024/25 CALIFORNIA STATE OF GOOD REPAIR PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, establishing the State of Good Repair (SGR) program to fund eligible transit maintenance, rehabilitation and capital project activities that maintain the public transit system in a state of good repair; and

WHEREAS, Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG) is an eligible project sponsor and may receive and distribute State Transit Assistance – SGR funds to eligible local agencies for eligible transit capital projects;

WHEREAS, BCAG is distributing SGR funds to eligible local agencies under its regional jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the regions share of SGR funds for FY 2024/25 is estimated by the State Controller's Office to be \$359,755; and

WHEREAS, BCAG concurs with and approves these funds for the following purposes:

Butte Regional Transit \$359,755 Bus Shelter and Stop Improvements; and

WHEREAS, in order to qualify for these funds, the Butte County Association of Governments is required to submit a proposed project list to California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) on an annual basis; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Butte County Association of Governments hereby approves the SB1 State of Good Repair Project List for FY 2024/25; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Butte County Association of Governments that the fund recipient agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the Certification and Assurances document and applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all SGR funded transit capital projects.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director and Transit Manager are hereby authorized to submit a request for Scheduled

Allocation of the SB1 State of Good Repair Funds and to execute the related grant applications, forms and agreements.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Butte County Association of Governments on the 22nd day of August 2024 by the following vote:

AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	
APPROVED:	BILL CONNELLY, CHAIR BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
ATTEST:	ANDY NEWSUM, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS





Agenda Item #6 - Consent

Date: August 22, 2024

Subject: Approval of 2024 Annual Agency Safety Plan (ASP)

Contact: Amy White, Transportation Analyst

Summary: On July 19, 2018, FTA published the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Final Rule, which requires certain operators of public transportation systems that receive federal funds under FTA's Urbanized Area Formula (5307) Grants to develop agency safety plans (ASPs) that include the processes and procedures to implement Safety Management Systems (SMS). The initial ASP for BCAG/B-Line was completed on June 25, 2020.

The ASP must go through an annual review process with any changes, such as updates to procedures, targets or agency information, requiring Board approval and a signature from the Accountable Executive (BCAG Executive Director).

Staff has completed the FY 2023/24 annual review and update process of the Agency Safety Plan as required by the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan regulation 49 CFR Part 673. Board approval is required by this rule as part of the review process. During this year's review updates were made to agency data and safety performance targets. A review checklist, including a table from Appendix VI of the ASP, is attached for reference.

The full, updated ASP document is available upon request or by following this link: https://www.bcag.org/documents/ASP-Full-Document-Annual-Review-Updates-Aug-2024.pdf

Action Requested: Approve and authorize the Executive Director to sign the ASP annual

review and updates for FY 2024/25.

Attachment: Summary of actions completed during the ASP annual review process.

Agenda Item #6 – Consent Attachment

Summary of Actions – ASP Review 2024

Location	Change/Comment
Cover page	Updated plan review/approval date
Page 6	Updated plan review/signature page
Pages 30-31	Reviewed Chapter 3 per audit cycle – no changes or updates required
Pages 38-49	Reviewed Chapter 5 per audit cycle – verbiage update per note below; no additional action required
Page 41	Reviewed Emergency Management & Public Safety Liaison (Ch. 3) and Safety Assurance (Ch. 5) sections per review cycle.
Page 49	Verbiage in the second "Note" section on this page was changed from "the October board meeting" to "the board meeting in which consent approval is given for the annual ASP review and update outcome"
Appendix 3	Updated fleet mileage to reflect data as of 6/30/24
Appendix 5	Reviewed text and performed target analysis for 23/24 targets using data from FY21/22 through FY 22/23 – there were 2 injury incidents in FY 23/24 and the system reliability mileage between incidents for paratransit increase to 40,000 due to an increase in reported mileage by the operator.
Appendix 6	Updated ASP Review Summary list

Annual ASP Review Completion/Approval Date: 8/22/2024







Agenda Item #7- Consent

Date: August 22, 2024

Subject: Approval of Social Services Transportation Advisory Counsil (SSTAC)

Appointments 2024

Contact: Victoria Proctor, Transportation Analyst

Summary: Annual outreach for recruitment to the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) has identified four existing Council members who would like to renew their terms, and six new individuals to add to the Council. Board approval is needed for these ten appointments under the TDA, Section PUC 99238 and will bring the total current SSTAC roster to 20 individuals

The SSTAC is required under the Transportation Development Act (TDA) to work with staff during the annual unmet transit needs process. The purpose of the SSTAC is to review testimony obtained through public workshops conducted during the annual unmet transit needs process, and to provide the BCAG Board of Directors with an unmet transit needs finding. The SSTAC also provides a forum to address other issues facing transportations' disabled citizens. The BCAG Board may make at-large appointments at any time.

A call for applicants was advertised in local newspapers in June 2024 and on the BCAG website, social media pages and the B-Line buses.

Action requested: Approve the 10 appointments of David Wilkinson, Jeannie Schroeder, Michael Harding, Ron Ullman, Mercedes Macias, Lymarie Gonzalez, George Deeds, Melissa Orsie-Wilson, Jesse Horgan, and Corey Busta for service from July 2024 through June 2027.

Attachment: Butte County Association of Governments 2024-2025 Social Services Transportation Advisory Council

Agenda Item #7 - Consent Attachment

Butte County Association of Governments 2024-2025 Social Services Transportation Advisory Council

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	Name	Agency	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Category Filled							Term ends
1	Talmadge (Goldie) House	Disability Action Center	Х	Х	Х					June 30, 2025
2	Linda Cartier	Citizen-Chico	х	Х						June 30, 2025
3	Mary Neumann	Passages						Х		June 30, 2025
4	Debra Connors	Citizen-Chico		Х						June 30, 2026
5	Marcella Seay	Citizen - Magalia	х							June 30, 2026
6	Seth Klobodu	CSU Chico							Х	June 30, 2026
7	Larry Pohlad	Citizen-Chico	х	Χ						June 30, 2026
8	Connie Stahl	Citizen-Chico	х	х						June 30, 2026
9	Judy Barclay	Citizen-Chico		Х						June 30, 2026
10	W. Jay Coughlin	Butte County DESS	100				Χ			June 30, 2026
11	David Wilkinson	Citizen - Chico	Х	Χ						June 30, 2027
12	Jeannie Schroeder	Mains'l Services Inc.			Х	Х	Х			June 30, 2027
13	Michael Harding	We Care A lot Foundation/FNRC		Х	Х	Х				June 30, 2027
14	Ron Ullman	Citizen - Oroville	х	Х						June 30, 2027
15	Mercedes Macias	Citizen - Chico							Х	June 30, 2027
16	Lymarie Gonzalez	Citizen - Chico							X	June 30, 2027
17	George Deeds	Citizen - Chico	х							June 30, 2027
18	Melissa Orsie-Wilson	Citizen - Biggs								June 30, 2027
18	Melissa Orsie-Wilson	Citizen - Biggs							Х	June 30, 2027
19	Jesse Horgan	CSU Chico					Х			June 30, 2027
20	Corey Busta	LIFT Assist						Х		June 30, 2027

Category Listings as per PUC Section 99238

1 - potential transit user who is 60 years of age or older

2 - potential transit user who is disabled

3 - representatives of the local social service providers for seniors

4 - representatives of local social service providers for the disabled

5 - representatives of local social service provider for persons of limited means

6 - representatives from the local consolidated transportation service agency

7 - at-large appointment

Continuing Term Member

New Term Member







Agenda Item #8 – Consent

Date: August 22, 2024

Subject: Approval of Award to CTE for Development of Hydrogen Fueling Station

Specifications

Contact: Andy Newsum, Executive Director

Summary: On June 11, staff released a Request for Proposals to secure a consultant to utilize the Zero Emissions Rollout Plan to develop parameters, criteria and specifications required to solicit equipment and fueling supply vendors for proposals/quotes to furnish an onsite hydrogen fueling system/solution for zero emissions vehicles.

On July 16, 2024, staff received one proposal from the Center for Transportation and the Environment (CTE) to provide the requested services. Following proposal review, scoring and developing supporting documentation for a sole source acquisition, staff believes CTE is qualified to develop the requested specifications and plans to solicit for a mobile hydrogen fueling solution to support Butte Regional Transit's transition plan to a zero - emission public transit fleet by 2040.

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) funds have been budgeted in the 2024/25 Overall Work Program for this work.

Action requested: Authorize Executive Director to negotiate a contract with CTE for up to \$225,000.

Attachment: None.







Agenda Item #9 – Action

Date: August 22, 2024

Subject: Approval of Capital Reserves Funding for Paradise Transit Center

Construction Cost Increases

Contact: Andy Newsum, Executive Director

Summary: On October 18, 2023, staff awarded the construction of the Paradise Transit Center to REM Construction of Chico, CA. Following winter suspension of work, contract working days resumed on April 2,2024. During the course of project execution, delays to material delivery and utility coordination, a concrete quantity estimate error and changes in material costs over winter suspension have driven incurred cost increases of approximately \$550,000 to complete the project construction.

\$2,074,000 in project costs are funded by Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) that have been budgeted in the 2024/25 Overall Work Program. The above - stated cost increase of \$550,000 is available in Butte Regional Transit's Capital Reserve Fund.

Action requested: Approve use of \$550,000 in Butte Regional Transit Capital Reserves to complete project construciton.

Attachment: Staff Report

Agenda Item #9 – Action Attachment

Staff Report:

As the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, REM Construction was awarded the contract to construct the Paradise Transit Center. After significant corrections by staff were made to REM's submitted bid, ultimately lowering the submitted bid, REM was given the option to withdraw their bid and have bid binding returned without financial consequence to the bidder. REM decided to move forward with the corrected bid. A Notice to proceed was issued on October 18, 2023, with an assigned 60 working days to complete the work.

Through successive communications, delayed required contractor submittal documents and inclement weather, the project was put into suspension with no working days have been recorded. Project startup was noticed to the Contractor to resume work on April 2, 2024. Upon issuing the notice to resume work, significant communication occurred to explain and interpret contract specifications with the contractor.

In addition to working with the contractor to better understand contract specifications and plans, the Town of Paradise was engaged to provide coordination of town inspection and reviews of project work and scheduling through the issuance of an encroachment permit. During the processing of the encroachment permit, it was discovered there were several drainage, grading and access items required that were not identified in the Town's review of the Plans, Specifications, and Estimate (PSE) prior to advertisement of the project for construction. Accommodating the needs of the Town required some redesign affected several items and quantities and project features.

During construction, a concrete quantity estimating error was discovered translating to an approximately \$200,000 cost over run on that particular item.

To date 100% of project funding has been provided through a federal grant. The combination of material supply delays, difficult contractor communication and project execution, redesign, design concrete estimate error and the need to extend working to complete the project have all combined to generate the need to find an additional \$550,000 to complete the project construction and provide construction management. BCAG/Butte Regional Transit contributes to and maintains an amount of funds referred to as "Capital Reserves" through annual allocation of Transit Development Act funding for Transit from the State of California. Staff use Capital Reserve funding for shortfalls in transit related projects and acquisitions such as new buses, repairs to the BCAG/Butte Regional Transit Facilities or Equipment and for shortfalls in projects such as the Paradise Transit Center. \$550,000 in Capital Reserve funding together with other budgeted expenditures will leave a balance of approximately \$2.5 – \$3.0 million in funding for the remainder of FY 2024/25.







Agenda Item #10 - Action

Date: August 22, 2024

Subject: Approval of Updated Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program

and Annual Review

Contact: Amy White, Transportation Analyst

Summary: Staff is requesting Board approval of the updated DBE program document and annual overall goal and program activity review.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) issued a Final Rule effective May 9, 2024, updating 49 CFR Section 26 in relation to the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program. As a recipient of funds from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), BCAG is required to review and update its own DBE Program document to assure that it continues to meet standards required by this ruling. The BCAG DBE program document was last updated in 2019.

The 2024 updated document is available at the following link: https://www.bcag.org/documents/2024-BCAG-DBE-Program-Update-DRAFT.pdf

As part of BCAG's DBE program, an annual review of activities and goals is required to assure they are on track with intended goals and requirements. For FY 24/25, these DBE related items have been reviewed. The program document is being updated as described in the above linked document. There have been no significant changes in anticipated contracts or projects. One DBE is no longer used by our operations contractor and does not impact the three-year agency DBE goal of 1.35%. Other ongoing monitoring practices are being completed as required.

Action requested: Approve the updated DBE Program and annual goal and program.

Attachment: None







Agenda Item #11 – Information

Date: August 22, 2024

Subject: Butte Regional Transit Exterior Brand for Fixed Route Buses

Contact: Sara Cain, Transit Manager

Summary: Six diesel Freightliner buses with seating for 24 passengers are scheduled for delivery by the end of August. Staff is presenting the Board with the new color and design scheme, as seen in the image below, to support marketing of the public transit system. The work will be completed by Kevin Sharrah Designs in Chico. The buses are scheduled to be in service by September 2024.



In addition to the above diesel bus design, expected purchase of micro-transit vans will carry a similar design and color scheme. GILLIG battery electric buses expected for delivery in late 2025 will also have a uniquely developed color scheme.

Action requested: This item is presented for information.

Attachment: None.







Agenda Item #12 - Information

Date: August 22, 2024

Subject: 2024 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy

Development

Contact: Chris Devine, Planning Director

Summary: The 2024 update of the BCAG Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) is expected for approval at the December BCAG Board of Directors meeting. A 55-day public review period for the draft document is expected in mid-September and will coincide with a 45-day public review period for the accompanying CEQA document (Supplemental EIR). During this review period, community outreach and virtual community workshop will be held in mid-October.

Action requested: This item is presented for information.

Attachment: Staff Report – SCS Scenario #4 GHG Reduction Results

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Staff Report

The draft Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) is expected for approval at the December BCAG Board of Directors meeting. The RTP/SCS is will include the preferred SCS land use and transportation strategy identified as "Scenario #4". Scenario #4 is the only strategy of four (4) strategies analyzed that meets the BCAG greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction target established for the region by the California Air Resources Board (CARB). Scenario #4 meet this 7% reduction target, as indicated in the below Table "Draft 2024 SCS Scenario #4 GHG Reduction Results" Reductions are achieved in part through adjusting certain land use components and transportation project timelines, along with the addition of four new off-model strategies.

The draft modeling work supporting Scenario #4 resulted in a 6.11% reduction and when combined with the "off-model" calculations, raises the total expected reduction of 6.55%. According to the latest SCS Guidelines approved by CARB in November 2019, MPOs that rely on both modeled and off-model methods to estimate per capita GHG emission reductions from its RTP/SCS should round to the nearest integer percent as the last step of calculating the target. With this rounding, BCAG's 2024 RTP/SCS would in fact meet the 7% reduction target set for our region.

<u>Note:</u> Getting a confirmation from CARB that the region has analyzed and established a scenario achieving assigned reduction targets is still dependent on the approval by CARB of BCAG's Technical Methodology which describes the details of the BCAG Travel Demand Model and off-model calculation methodologies.

As the development of the 2024 RTP/SCS continues to move forward BCAG staff will keep the Board informed

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Draft 2024 SCS Scenario #4 GHG Reduction Results

			Off-Model Strategies Workplace EV Or							
	On-Model	Workplace EV				On & Off-Model				
	Strategies	Charger				Totals				
		Incentives	E-Bike Incentives	Telecommute	Telemedicine					
Displaced CO2 emissions (tons/day)	0	1.9861	0.2818	7.1072	0.2510	9.63				
Displaced VMT	0	0.00	1,000.00	25,224.09	890.67	27,114.76				
VMT (w/o X-X) ²	4,986,974	4,986,974	4,985,974	4,961,750	4,986,083	4,959,859				
VMT per Capita	21.09	21.09	21.09	20.99	21.09	20.98				
% Change from 2005 (2012 RTP)	-3.92%	-3.92%	-3.94%	-4.40%	-3.93%	-4.44%				
VMT per Household	49.32	49.32	49.31	49.07	49.31	49.05				
VMT (All)	5,095,229	5,095,229	, ,	5,070,005	5,094,338	5,068,114				
VMT per Capita	21.55	21.55	21.55	21.44	21.55	21.44				
% Change from 2005	-5.06%	-5.06%	-5.07%	-5.53%	-5.07%	-5.56%				
EMFAC 2014										
SB 375 CO2 per Capita (lbs/day) ³	16.43	16.42	16.43	16.37	16.43	16.35				
% Change from 2005 (2012 RTP)	-10.91%	-11.01%	-10.93%	-11.24%	-10.93%	-11.36%				
SB 375 CO2 per Household	38.42	39.19	39.22	38.28	38.42	38.23				
Reduction Towards GHG Target	-6.11%	-0.09%	-0.01%	-0.33%	-0.01%	-6.55%				
		100 new								
		Workplace	500 new E-Bikes	5.6% Increase in	8% Increase in					
Assumptions		Chargers	@ \$500 each	Telecommuting	Telemedicine					
		@\$5,000 each	(\$250,000)							
		(\$500,000)								







Agenda Item #13 - Information

Date: August 22, 2024

Subject: Draft 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and Air

Quality Conformity Determination

Contact: Ivan Garcia, Programming Director

Summary: The draft 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and Air Quality Conformity Determination has been prepared and is available for public review. The BCAG Board of Directors is scheduled to adopt the 2025 FTIP on September 26, 2024. The required 30-day public review period began on August 2, 2024, and will conclude on September 3, 2024.

All projects in the FTIP are required to be included in the current Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy. A complete FTIP Document is posted at BCAG's webpage at: https://www.bcag.org/PlansProgramsModel/FTIP/index.html.

Action requested: This item is presented for information.

Attachment: Staff Report - Draft 2025 FTIP Projects by Fiscal Year

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Staff Report:

The purpose of the FTIP is to identify all transportation-related projects that have federal transportation funding or require approval by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) or the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) over the next four federal fiscal years beginning October 1, 2024.

Draft 2025 FTIP Highlighted Elements:

- \$283.9 million in federal, state, and local funds for 25 projects
- Town of Paradise's Roe Rd Phase 1 and Phase 2 projects represent \$96.8 million (approximately 34%)

Performance Measures (PM):

- PM 1 Safety \$196.6 million for projects to improve safety conditions
- PM 2 <u>Pavement and Bridge Condition</u> \$50.3 million in projects that have pavement
- rehabilitation or improve the condition of bridges
- PM 3 Freight Movement, Congestion and Reliability \$254.6 million in projects to
- improve congestion such as capacity projects including active transportation
- Transit \$47.778 million for projects to support Butte Regional Transit

During the review period, BCAG staff held a public workshop and an Interagency Consultation Review group meeting with state and federal representatives to review the Air Quality Conformity Determination. The 2025 FTIP was developed in consultation with the required state and federal agencies, and BCAG's transportation advisory committee in accordance with BCAG's adopted Public Participation Plan. Once adopted, the BCAG Board may amend the FTIP at any time.

Attachment 1 - Draft 2025 FTIP Projects by Fiscal Year (Dollars in thousands)

YEAR 1:													
AGENCY	Title	Local Funds	RIP- Fed	SHOPP	FTA Funds	CMAQ	HBP	ATP (Fed ATP) SB1	ATP - SB1	Other	Fed Dis HUD	Fed Dis. SS4A	TOTALS
County	Palermo Safe Routes to School		125										125
BCAG	FTA Sec. 5307 Program - B - Line	3,900			3,900								7,800
BCAG	FTA Sec 5311 Program	923			1,033								1,956
BCAG	FTA Section 5339 Program	62			250								312
BCAG	FTA 5311f - Butte Regional Transit	456			300								756
Caltrans	Grouped Projects for Safety Improvements - SHOPP Collision Reduction Program			1,090									1,090
Caltrans	Grouped Projects for Emergency Repair - SHOPP Emergency Response Program			325									325
Caltrans	Grouped Projects for Pavement resurfacing and/or rehabilitation - SHOPP Roadway Preservation			22,773									22,773
Chico	North Esplanade Reconstruction Project	4,250	5,000										9,250
Chico	Eaton Road/State Route 99 Southbound Roundabout	208											208
Chico	Guynn Rd over Lindo Channel Bridge Project												
Oroville	Washington Ave and Table Mountain Complete Streets Project												
Paradise	Go Paradise: Skyway Link Project							1,073					1,073
Paradise	Roe Road Extension Project Phase 1										9,515		9,515
Paradise	Roe Rd Extension - Phase 2												
Various	Grouped Projects for Bridge Rehabilitation and Reconstruction - HBP Program	959					6,582						7,541
Various	Grouped Projects for Safety Improvements - HSIP Program												
	TOTALS	10,758	5,125	24,188	5,483		6,582	1,073			9,515		62,724
	BCAG	5,341											62,724
	City	4,458											
	County	959											
	Total	10,758											1

YEAR 2: 2	2025/26												
AGENCY	Title	Local Funds	RIP- Fed	SHOPP	FTA Funds	CMAQ	НВР	ATP (Fed ATP) SB1	ATP - SB1	Other	Fed Dis HUD	Fed Dis. SS4A	TOTALS
County	Palermo Safe Routes to School		2,500										2,500
	South Oroville Bike and Ped Connectivity Project	1,500							7,786				9,286
BCAG	FTA Sec. 5307 Program - B - Line	4,100			4,100								8,200
BCAG	FTA Sec 5311 Program	969			1,200								2,169
BCAG	FTA Section 5339 Program	75			300								375
BCAG	FTA 5311f - Butte Regional Transit	500			300								800
	Grouped Projects for Safety Improvements - SHOPP Collision Reduction Program			1,440									1,440
Caltrans	Grouped Projects for Pavement resurfacing and/or rehabilitation - SHOPP Roadway Preservation			20,520									20,520
	SHOPP Minor Grouped Listing			500									500
Chico	Eaton Road/State Route 99 Southbound Roundabout	500	6,300										6,800
	Downtown Chico Complete Streets Project	1,000											1,000
	Washington Ave and Table Mountain Complete Streets Project												
	Go Paradise: Pentz Student Pathway	898							19,911				20,809
	Go Paradise: Neal Gateway Project	681							10,510				11,191
Paradise	Roe Road Extension Project Phase 1										5,000		5,000
Paradise	Roe Rd Extension - Phase 2									6,943		3,197	10,140
	Grouped Projects for Bridge Rehabilitation and Reconstruction - HBP Program	45					181						226
	FTA 5310 Enhancement Program Group Listing - Non Infrastructure				650								650
	TOTALS	10,268	8,800	22,460	6,550		181		38,207	6,943	5,000	3,197	101,606
	BCAG	5,644											101 600
	City County	3,079 1,545											101,606
	Total	10,268											

YEAR 3: 2	2026/27												
AGENCY	Title	Local Funds	RIP- Fed	SHOPP	FTA Funds	CMAQ	НВР	ATP (Fed ATP) SB1	ATP - SB1	Other	Fed Dis HUD	Fed Dis. SS4A	TOTALS
County	Central House Rd Ovedr Wymann Ravine Bridge						3,325						3,325
BCAG	FTA Sec. 5307 Program - B - Line	4,300			4,300								8,600
BCAG	FTA Sec 5311 Program	1,130			1,400								2,530
BCAG	FTA Section 5339 Program	88			350								438
Caltrans	Grouped Projects for Safety Improvements - SHOPP Collision Reduction Program			6,370									6,370
Chico	Guynn Rd over Lindo Channel Bridge Project						4,226						4,226
Chico	Downtown Chico Complete Streets Project												
Oroville	Washington Ave and Table Mountain Complete Streets Project	100											100
Paradise	Go Paradise: Skyway Link Project	106						5,207					5,313
Paradise	Roe Road Extension Project Phase 1										8,568		8,568
Paradise	Roe Rd Extension - Phase 2	3,803								24,287			28,090
Various	Grouped Projects for Bridge Rehabilitation and Reconstruction - HBP Program						3,295						3,295
	TOTALS	9,527		6,370	6,050		10,846	5,207		24,287	8,568		70,855
	BCAG	5,518											
	City County	4,009											70,855
	Total	9,527											

YEAR 4: 2	2027/28												
AGENCY	Title	Local Funds	RIP- Fed	SHOPP	FTA Funds	CMAQ	НВР	ATP (Fed ATP) SB1	ATP - SB1	Other	Fed Dis HUD	Fed Dis. SS4A	TOTALS
BCAG	FTA Sec. 5307 Program - B - Line	4,500			4,500								9,000
BCAG	FTA Sec 5311 Program	1,292			1,600								2,892
BCAG	FTA Section 5339 Program	100			400								500
	Grouped Projects for Safety Improvements - SHOPP Collision Reduction Program												
Paradise	Roe Road Extension Project Phase 1										35,500		35,500
	FTA 5310 Enhancement Program Group Listing - Non Infrastructure				800								800
	TOTALS	5,892			7,300						35,500		48,692
	BCAG	5,892											
	City												48,692
	County												48,692
	Total	5,892											

2025 FTIP 4 YEAR TOTALS BY FUND TYPE	Local Funds	RIP- Fed	SHOPP	FTA Funds	CMAQ	НВР	ATP (Fed ATP) SB1	ATP - SB1	Other	Fed Dis HUD	Fed Dis. SS4A	TOTALS
4 ILAK TOTALS BI FUND TIFE	36,445	13,925	53,018	25,383		17,609	6,280	38,207	31,230	58,583	3,197	283,877
BCAG	22,395											
City	11,546								283,878	MPO fund	type Re	port
County	2,504	14,050										
Total	36,445											







Agenda Item #14 - Information

Date: August 22, 2024

Subject: Draft 2020 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities

Strategy (RTP/SCS) Amendment #3

Contact: Ivan Garcia, Programming Director

Summary: The 2020 Regional Transportation Plan / Sustainable Communities Strategy is required to be amended to ensure consistency with the short-range 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) once it is adopted by the BCAG Board of Directors.

The 2025 FTIP includes a new Air Quality Conformity Determination that includes changes that requires the current 2020 RTP/SCS to be updated. The changes are included in Attachment 1.

Public notices have been placed in the local newspapers informing the public of its availability and scheduled approval at the September 26, 2024, Board meeting. All relevant information is posted online at BCAG's website at: https://www.bcag.org/PlansProgramsModel/RTP---SCS/2020-RTPSCS/index.html.

Action requested: This item is presented for the Board's information. This item will be presented for approval at the September 26, 2024, Board meeting.

Attachment: Staff Report Amendment #03 – Update to 2020 RTP/SCS Air Quality Conformity Determination

Agenda Item #14 - Information Attachment

Staff Report

Update to the 2020 RTP/SCS Air Quality Emissions Analysis and Conformity Determination

EXISTING EXEMPT PROJECT:

1. Caltrans - Grouped Projects for Safety Improvements - SHOPP Collision
Reduction Program. This amendment updates the current Grouped Project listing to add a project on State Route 191 near Paradise from 0.25 mile north of Durham Pentz Road to 0.25 mile south of Durham Pentz Road (PM 3.278 / 3.778). The scope of the project is to improve the existing intersection/roundabout to address collision patterns. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.127 Exempt from Regional Emissions Analysis, Table 3 – Projects Exempt From Regional Emissions Analyses indicating that intersection channelization projects are exempt. This project was not previously included in Caltrans' Grouped Listing and therefore amendment is required.

NEW EXEMPT PROJECT:

2. <u>Butte County – Lumpkin Rd Rehabilitation Project</u> – This amendment adds the Lumpkin Rd Rehabilitation project. The scope of this project is to rehabilitate Lumpkin Rd damaged as a result of the Bear Fire (North Complex West) and the subsequent disaster recovery work from near Forbestown Rd to the end of pavement near CalFire State 51. A total of \$4 million in Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed funds and \$459,000 in local match is programmed. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt from Regional Emissions Analysis, Table 2 Safety – Projects Exempt From Regional Emissions Analyses indicating that pavement resurfacing and/or rehabilitation are exempt.

NEW NON-EXEMPT PROJECT:

3. <u>Town of Paradise – Roe Rd Extension for Phase 2 Project.</u> This amendment updates the project description to increase the scope to include a new 3 lane road with bicycle and pedestrian facilities from South Libby Rd to State Route 191/ Clark Rd. to address emergency evacuation needs highlighted by the 2018 Paradise Camp Fire. This project is funded with Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds, Local Transportation Climate Adaptation Program (LTCAP) and Local funds for a total of \$41,000,000.