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INTRODUCTION

Originally formed in 1969, the Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG) is a Joint Powers Agency (JPA) between the County of Butte and the cities of Biggs, Chico, Gridley, Oroville and the Town of Paradise.

BCAG is governed by a ten-member Board of Directors comprised of representatives from the County and the five incorporated cities/town located within the political boundary of Butte County, California. Incorporated cities include Biggs (population 1,990), Chico (Population 107,394), Gridley (population 7,548), Oroville, the County Seat (population 19,409), and Town of Paradise (population 9,142). Unincorporated Butte County has a population of 60,109 making the total countywide population 205,592. The BCAG Board of Directors is comprised of ten members, including the five currently serving Butte County Supervisors and one current council representative from each of the cities and Town of Paradise.

BCAG delivers the Overall Work Program and all contained elements, tasks and products under Master Fund Transfer Agreement (MFTA) Number 74A1609 (Effective 1/1/25 – 12/31/20234) and an MOU for Comprehensive Federal and State Transportation Planning and Programming (2017).

On September 22, 2023, BCAG received *FY 2023 Triennial Review Final Report* conducted by the Federal Transit Administration covering FY 2019/2020 – FY 2021/2022. The Triennial Review focused on compliance in 23 areas. Deficiencies were found in the following four areas describing 10 specific deficiencies.

- Financial Management and Capacity (codes F5-1)
- Satisfactory Continuing Control (SCC9-1, SCC9-2)
- Procurement (P4-1, P11-1, P12-4, P19-2, P20-2)
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE4-1, DBE11-1)

Prior to receiving the above Final Report correspondence, documentation was submitted closing P19-2 and P20-2. On October 15, 2024, the FY 2023 Triennial Review Closeout was received, indicating that all documentation had been submitted as requested to support the closing of all findings stated above and no further action or change in processes were required. *(See Appendix 4)*

PLANNING PRIORITIES AND CHALLENGES

Developing an Overall Work Program (OWP) to address the breadth of topics stated in federal and state guidance requires understanding how and why transportation and infrastructure is planned and constructed to address the needs of diverse population centers of incorporated and unincorporated areas of Butte County. With the evolution of federal and state transportation and housing infrastructure investment strategies and guidance built around climate, safety, diversity and equity, BCAG's main planning priorities are focused on accomplishing the following:

- Meet BCAG's obligations and commitments stated in OWP Work Elements

- Communicate federal and state strategies and guidance to our member jurisdictions in a way that helps them meet the infrastructure goals that are important to them, while also addressing measurable climate, safety, diversity and equity with applied metrics and criteria

In addressing and articulating the above planning priorities, there are inherent challenges to understand and work on overcoming:

1) Butte County is largely rural and experiences traffic congestion at higher levels confined to peak times, within specific member jurisdictions and is generally not sustained or widespread across the region. Sustainable communities strategies are inherently difficult to articulate when those strategies can increase congestion and become counterintuitive to climate focused planning.
2) BCAG retains no jurisdictional authority over public road and rights of way or jurisdictional general plan development. BCAG is the designated MPO/RTPA with legislative responsibilities non-inclusive of land and infrastructure development.
3) BCAG does not control consensus of public opinion and the organizational efforts that support public opinion and local decision making. BCAG provides information and collects public comment to aid limited decision making authority granted to MPO/RTPA in relation to local jurisdictional authorities and responsibilities.

All of these mentioned items present significant challenges in efficiently moving development and transportation improvements in directions that support federal and state investment strategies. The work elements, tasks and products in the OWP strive to continue working through these challenges with cooperation from BCAG's member jurisdictions.

BCAG ROLE & RESPONSIBILITIES

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) – BCAG is the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Butte County, in accordance with the "*Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act*" of 2015. The designation as the MPO for Butte County is also made in agreement with the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA). BCAG's MPO planning area boundary includes the entire geographic area and boundary of Butte County.

Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) - BCAG is the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for Butte County, as designated by the Secretary of the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA). BCAG and the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) have formally agreed to a comprehensive, continuous, and cooperative transportation planning process through a signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

Butte Regional Transit Policy Board & Operator - BCAG is the Policy Board and operator for Butte Regional Transit, "B-Line", a consolidated public transit system serving the incorporated municipalities within the County of Butte with fixed route, Dial A Ride and any other services allowed under the Mills-Alquist-Deddeh Act (SB325) also known as the Transportation Development Act (TDA) of 1971.

Area-Wide Clearinghouse - BCAG is the area-wide Clearinghouse as designated by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-95, "Evaluation, Review and Coordination of Federal and Federally Assisted Programs and Projects." Under this designation, BCAG is responsible for local review of proposed federal financial assistance, direction of federal development activities and environmental documents, and coordination with state plans.
Census Affiliate Data Center - BCAG is the US Census affiliate data center within the California State Data Center Program for census-related services to the residents of Butte County. BCAG assists with the coordination of the decennial Census and maintains the Census data information for the member agencies and public.

Butte Regional Transportation Corporation – BCAG established a 501 (c)(3) non-profit public benefit corporation in 2013 named the *Butte Regional Transportation Corporation* (BRTC). The purpose for establishing the non-profit public benefit corporation was to allow BRTC and BCAG to utilize funding available under the New Market Tax Credit (NMTC) Program administered by the Department of the Treasury. NMTC funds may be used for projects located in distressed areas as defined by the US Census and the NMTC program. BRTC was established specifically to receive funds for construction of the Butte Regional Transit Operations & Maintenance Facility in Chico and other regional transportation projects. The existence and use of the BRTC will continue to be maintained as needed for specific applications as may be deemed necessary.

URBANIZED AREA BOUNDARY

The City of Chico was designated by the Bureau of Census as an Urbanized Area (UA) — an area with a population greater than 50,000 after the 1980 census. As a result, Butte County was designated a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA).

Designation of the Urbanized Area also provided for BCAG to be designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Butte County. The MPO designation provides BCAG with additional transportation planning responsibilities and funding, and the local control to ensure that a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing transportation planning process is being implemented in Butte County. Included within the Appendix is a map of the current Urbanized Area boundary as defined by the 2020 Census.

METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA BOUNDARY

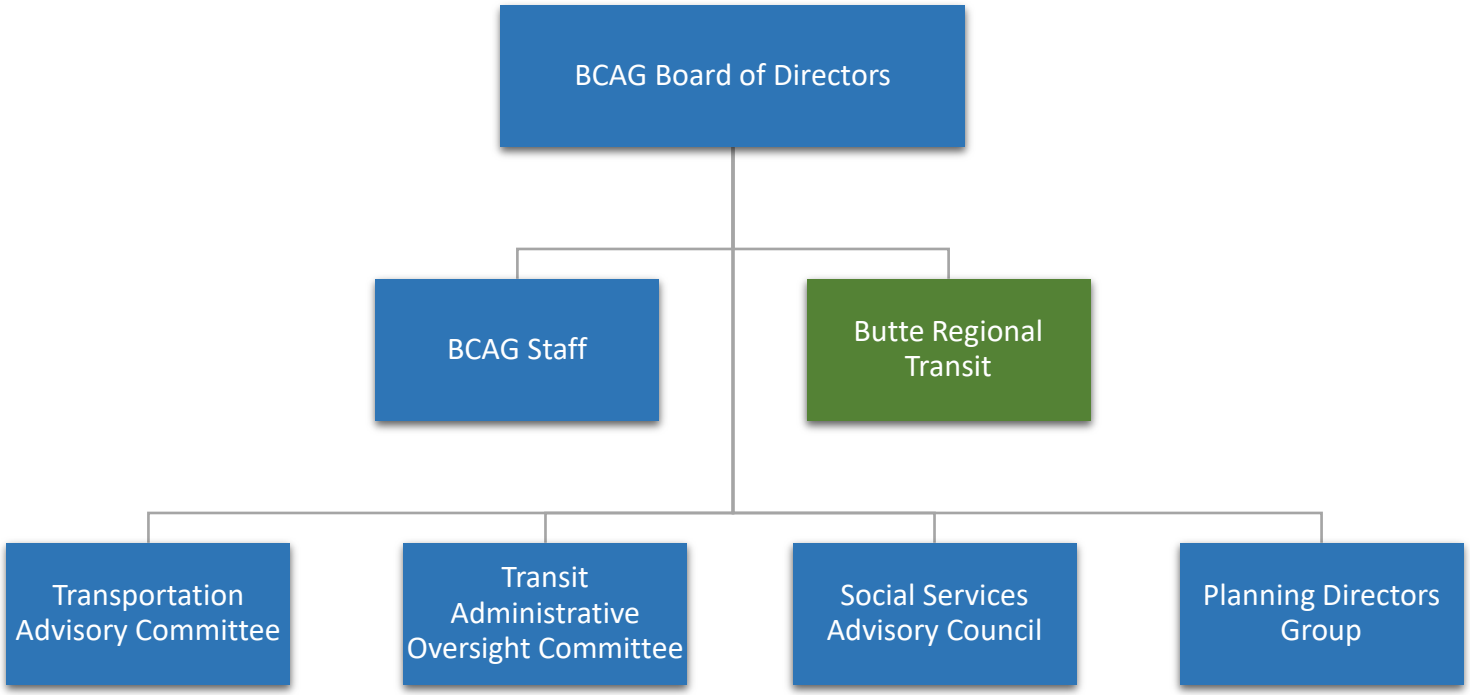
The Statewide and Metropolitan Planning Regulations promulgated in October 1993, provide the criteria to be used in defining the planning area of the MPO or "Metropolitan Planning Area." At a minimum, the Metropolitan Planning Area covers the Urbanized Area and the contiguous geographic area expected to become urbanized within the next twenty years. Further, for geographic areas designated as non-attainment or maintenance areas under federal air quality standards, the Metropolitan Planning Area boundary must include the non-attainment area. The map of the Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary Map is included in the Appendix.

BCAG ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

BCAG is governed by a ten-member Board of Directors. The BCAG Board of Directors includes the five Butte County Board of Supervisors and five representatives, one each, from the five

incorporated cities/town within Butte County. The BCAG Board of Directors is responsible for policy decisions under the authority of BCAG, as the designated MPO and RTPA for Butte County, as well as Butte Regional Transit.

2025/26 BCAG ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



Note: Butte Regional Transit is governed by the BCAG Board of Directors, managed by BCAG Staff and retains a unique annual *"Service Plan and Budget"*

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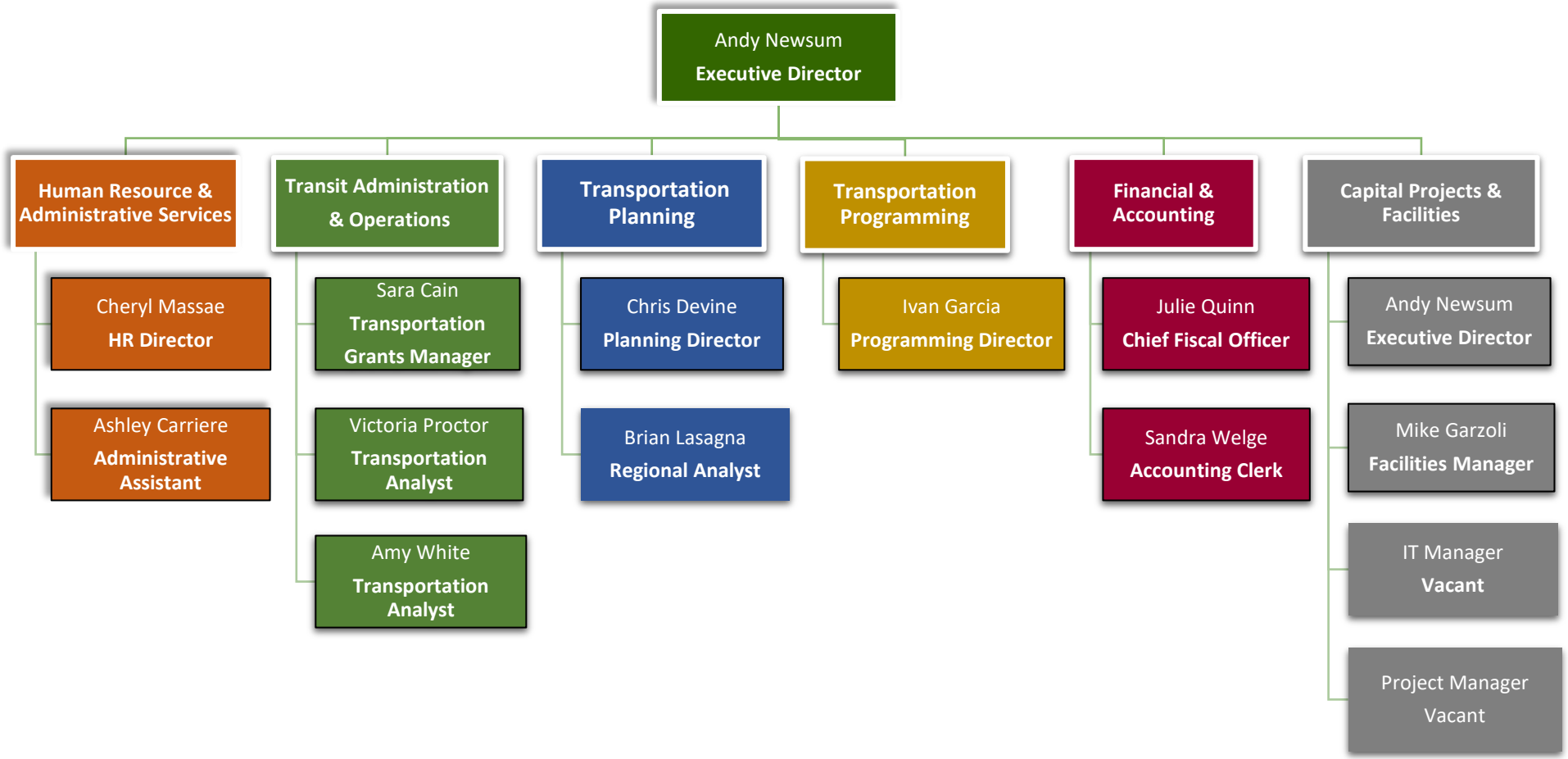


TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN BCAG MPO REGION

Butte County is home to four (4) Tribal Governments (see map, Page 8). These include the Berry Creek Tribal Government, the Mechoopda Tribal Government, Enterprise Tribal Government, and the Mooretown Tribal Government.

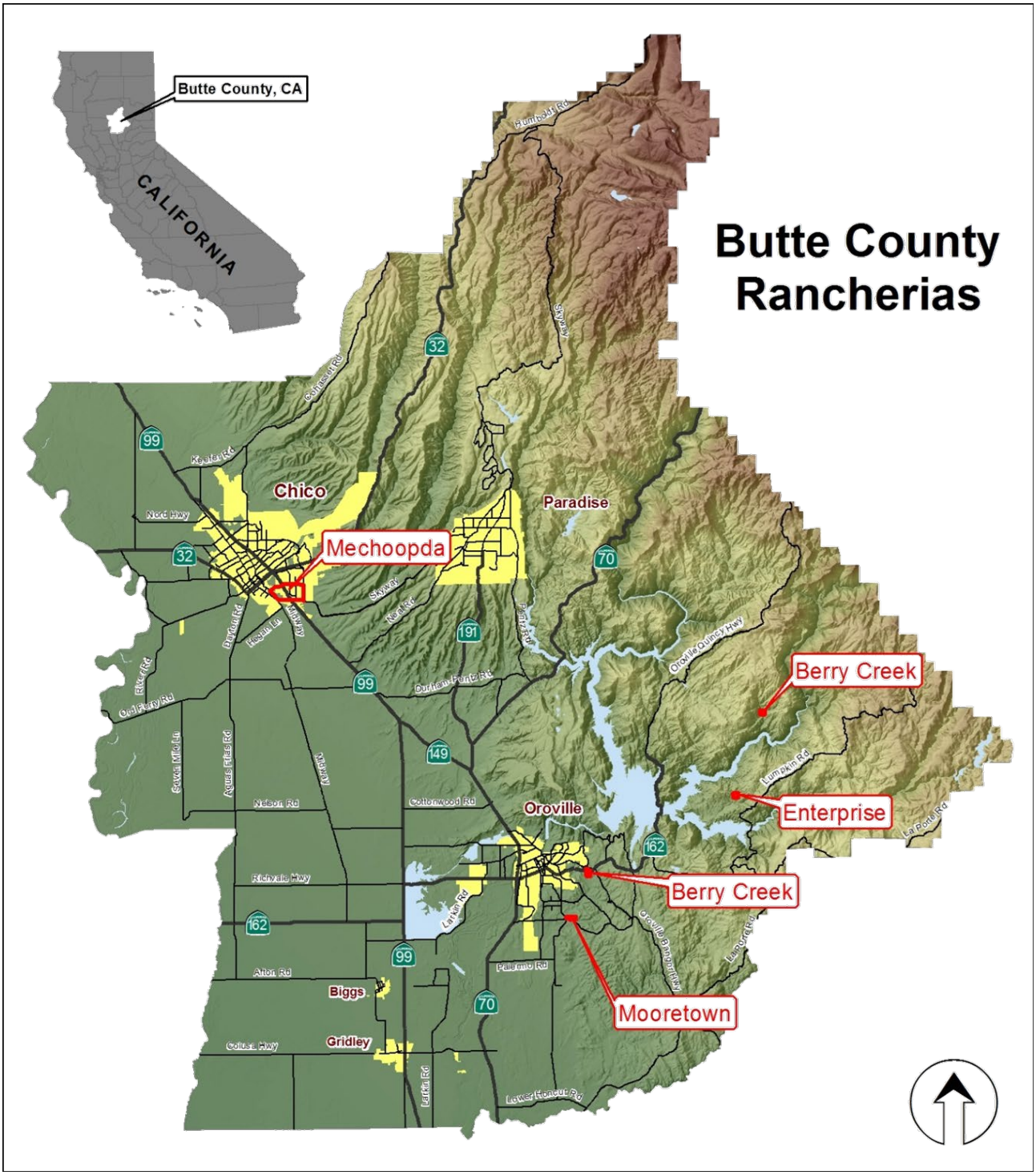
As prescribed by CFR 23, Subpart A, §450.104, BCAG has conducted consultation with the regions four Tribal Governments through formal meetings with the Tribal Chairpersons in accordance with their respective consultative procedures. Through this consultation process BCAG has made every effort to consider each of the four Tribal Government Communities transportation planning and programming needs. These factors are part of the required state and federal planning responsibilities, as required by CFR 23, Subpart B, §450.208(b) and §450.312(i).

During the 2016/17 FY, BCAG prepared "stand alone" consultation procedures for BCAG's ongoing consultation with tribal governments within Butte County. The following is a brief description of the four Tribal Governments in the Butte County region.

The Berry Creek Tribal Government – The Maidu Indians have an enrollment of 304 members. The tribal lands are situated near State Route 162 near the City of Oroville and occupy 65 acres. The Berry Creek Rancheria operates a casino (Gold Country Casino and Hotel) and other recreational facilities on their tribal grounds located east of the City of Oroville on SR 162. BCAG has conducted formal consultation with Berry Creek tribal leaders to initiate dialogue on transportation and other issues between the agencies. BCAG also invited tribal leaders or designated representatives to participate on BCAG's Transportation Advisory Committee. To date, Berry Creek has chosen not to participate on the BCAG Transportation Advisory Committee; however, there have been follow-up meetings with tribal leaders and representatives to discuss recent expansion impacts to the adjacent SR 162. Resolution on traffic issues concerning the pending expansion has not been completed.

Mechoopda Indian Tribal Government – The Mechoopda Tribal Government is in the City of Chico and has a tribal enrollment of 560. The Mechoopda are currently a landless tribe and are in the process of securing tribal lands (650 acres) adjacent to SR 149 between Oroville and Chico. Should the land be taken into trust and become a Native American Reservation, the Mechoopda Tribe intends to establish a gaming casino. BCAG will continue to have formal consultative meetings with tribal leaders and representatives to discuss transportation issues concerning their proposed tribal lands and eventual uses. The Mechoopda Tribe has a representative appointed to the BCAG Transportation Advisory Committee.

BUTTE COUNTY RANCHERIA MAP



Mooretown Tribal Government – The Mooretown Tribal Government includes a Maidu enrollment of 1162 and is located in the City of Oroville. Mooretown Rancheria operates the Feather Falls Casino & Lodge. Representatives of the Mooretown Tribal Government participate on the BCAG Transportation Advisory Committee. BCAG will continue working with tribal representatives concerning transit services.

Enterprise Tribal Government – The Enterprise Tribal Government has a Maidu enrollment of approximately 1000 and is located near Oroville. BCAG continues to work towards establishing formal consultation with the Enterprise Rancheria; tribal leadership has not been provided.

BCAG will continue consultation and planning efforts with the Native American Tribal Governments, Communities, organizations, groups and individuals within Butte County in accordance with federal and state transportation planning and programming needs. BCAG's activities with the Native American Communities will be coordinated with the Caltrans Native American Liaison, where appropriate.

AIR QUALITY DESIGNATION

With the establishment of the federal 8-hour ozone standard in 2004, Butte County was classified as "basic – subpart one non-attainment" for ozone countywide. Effective July 20, 2012, Butte County was designated "marginal non-attainment" for the 2008 federal ozone standard. Effective August 3, 2018, Butte County was designated "marginal non-attainment" for the 2015 federal ozone standard. As a result of a 2018 State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision approved by EPA, Butte County (Chico Urbanized area) was re-designated from "non-attainment" to "attainment with a maintenance SIP" for fine particulate matter (PM2.5) under the EPA 2006 24-hour PM2.5 NAAQS.

Because of these designations, BCAG's transportation planning requirements are subject to the Air Quality Conformity provisions per EPAs Transportation Conformity Rule. Air Quality Conformity is the requirement to quantify and document that all federally funded transportation projects, or projects requiring federal approval as proposed for funding in BCAG's Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), will not further degrade air quality and are consistent with the goals in the appropriate State Implementation Plans (SIPs).

As a result of the non-attainment status for ozone, BCAG receives federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds to implement projects that reduce vehicle emissions. BCAG includes a work element in the Overall Work Program (OWP) to identify the transportation-air quality planning activities that will be undertaken for the fiscal year. BCAG staff also works in consultation with the Butte County Air Quality Management District on coordination of transportation-air quality planning activities.

BCAG STATE AND FEDERAL PLANNING RESPONSIBILITIES

As the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA), BCAG has a responsibility to develop several transportation planning and programming documents that ensure transportation funding for the region. BCAG's transportation planning

and programming must also demonstrate compliance with all applicable state and federal air quality statutes and must include a planning process that assures public participation.

BCAG's state and federal planning responsibilities are directed by MAP 21 and the Regional Transportation Planning Agency guidelines under the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA). BCAG's specific state, federal, and regional transportation and other planning responsibilities include administration and development of the following plans and programs:

- **Overall Work Program (OWP) & Budget –** Federal & state guidelines require BCAG to annually prepare an Overall Work Program & Budget to identify the specific state and federal transportation planning required to be prepared for the coming fiscal year. BCAG's OWP also addresses other regional transportation planning issues that require study/resolution. The BCAG OWP & Budget is adopted in April of every year.

- **Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) & Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS)** – The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is a comprehensive long-range (20-year) transportation plan that covers all transportation modes within Butte County. The RTP evaluates future growth impacts to these transportation systems and includes an action plan for future improvements. The RTP is updated every four years and must conform to the State Implementation Plan. The Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) is a component included in the RTP as required by AB 32. The SCS incorporates the Regional Housing Needs projections and identifies a land use scenario to accommodate regional housing needs, while reducing greenhouse gas emissions. The current RTP and SCS were adopted in December 2024.

- **Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP)** – The Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) is a short-range (4-year) plan that identifies all the transportation projects for the region that are programmed in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and are drawn from the RTP/SCS The RTIP is updated every two years. The current 2024 RTIP was adopted in December 2023. The next RTIP (2026) is scheduled to be adopted in December 2025 for consideration of programming into the 2026 STIP Cycle by the California Transportation Commission (CTC).

- **Administration of the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and State Transit Assistance (STA)** – BCAG is responsible for the administration of the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and State Transit Assistance (STA) funds as required under the Transportation Development Act (TDA). LTF funds are derived from local sales taxes, of which a quarter cent is sub-vented back to BCAG for allocation to the local jurisdiction for transit and other transportation modes. STA funds are allocated to local transit operators. Administration of the LTF and STA funds also includes the implementation of the annual unmet transit needs finding process, which is required annually under the TDA. This funding is distributed to the region under the authority of Public Utility Code (PUC) Sections 99241 and 99401.6.

- **Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)** – The Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) is a short-range (4-year) plan that identifies all transportation projects that have federal transportation funds or require approval from FHWA or FTA during the

four-year period. The FTIP is also required to include an air quality conformity determination that is adopted as part of the plan. The FTIP is updated every two years with various amendments occurring during the year. The current 2025 FTIP was adopted in September 2024 and will be updated/adopted in September of 2026 and will become the "*2027 FTIP".*

- **Air Quality Conformity Determinations** – In accordance with the Clean Air Act Amendment and the Transportation Conformity Rule, BCAG as the MPO is required to prepare an air quality conformity analysis and determination for the RTP and FTIP. The purpose of the air quality conformity determination is to demonstrate that federally funded projects and/or regionally significant projects within the region will achieve an emissions reduction for those pollutants for which Butte County is non-attainment. The emissions analysis between the RTP and FTIP must conform to the applicable State Implementation Plan (SIP). BCAG is the lead agency for development of conformity analysis and determinations in Butte County.

- **Regional Housing Needs Plan (RHNP) Study** – BCAG is responsible for preparing the Regional Housing Needs Plan (RHNP) for BCAG member agencies in accordance with Section 65584 of the California Government Code. The current RHNP was adopted in December 2020 and will be due for update and adoption in December of 2028.

- **Transportation Studies** – As the Regional Transportation Planning Agency, BCAG may prepare transportation studies/plans that seek to improve a specific transportation problem within the region, at the request of member agencies or the Board of Directors.

- **Administration & Operation of Butte Regional Transit (BRT) –** BCAG has been the owner & operator for Butte Regional Transit since 2004. BCAG is responsible for preparing the annual Service Plan & Budget for Butte Regional Transit in cooperation with BCAG member agencies. In acknowledgement of the 2024 National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Deployment Plan, Butte Regional Transit is developing assessments for implementing interregional and intercity connections. Zero Emissions Vehicles (ZEVs) are being acquired to begin regional operations. As technology improves, expansion along designated Alternative Fuel Corridors will be considered on interregional and intercity routes and destinations.

- **Capital Projects Development and Implementation** – In cooperation with state and local entities, BCAG has served as the lead agency for the development and construction of state and local highway and transit capital projects. This process includes the solicitation of proposal requests/qualifications (RFP/RFQ) for consulting Architect & Engineering (A/E) services through invitations to bid for construction with construction management also carried by BCAG consultants.

- **Environmental Mitigation - I**n cooperation and on behalf of the state, BCAG has led and implemented several environmental mitigation projects necessitated by the development and construction of capital projects having impacts to the natural environment in which the projects reside.

BCAG INTERAGENCY AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH

One of the most important components to BCAG's transportation planning is consultation and public participation during the development of transportation plans, programs, and projects. An open and accessible consultation and public participation process is critical for discussing and resolving regional transportation issues. BCAG has an adopted "Public Participation Plan" (PPP) in April 2022 which includes policies that are implemented on an ongoing basis (see Appendix). The PPP is updated intermittently, typically prior to development of the next RTP/SCS to reflect current practice and relevance.

Following the COVID-19 pandemic, BCAG implemented virtual participation for Board members and the public during the 2020/21 FY using various video conferencing platforms. All meetings of the BCAG Board of Directors, Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), Planning Directors Group, Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) may now be attended by video conferencing which makes public participation more accessible. BCAG intends to continue providing virtual and in person participation for all Board, committee and public outreach events associated with studies or projects being developed by BCAG during the 2025/26 FY.

BCAG maintains a continuous and cooperative consultation and public participation process allowing all levels of local government (incorporated cities and county), Caltrans, the Federal Transit Administration, the Federal Highway Administration, local representatives from the region's aviation facilities, the Air Resources Board, the Environmental Protection Agency, Tribal Governments and the public, the opportunity to review and comment on transportation planning activities being prepared by BCAG.

BCAG accomplishes the consultation and public participation dialogue through the BCAG *Transportation Advisory Committee, BCAG Planning Directors Group,* and the *Social Services Transportation Advisory Council* in addition to project and plan specific public meetings, workshops and community events.

The BCAG Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) includes representatives from each of the local jurisdiction's public works and planning departments, city, town and county technical staff, up to five citizen representatives, representatives from the Air District, Caltrans, Tribal Governments and other affected agencies that have a technical interest in the BCAG planning process. The TAC is a vital link in the transportation planning process in that, the Committee provides the technical and laypersons analysis and input required in transportation project/program development. The TAC meets monthly.

The BCAG Planning Directors Group (PDG) was established in 2004 when BCAG began development and coordination of the Butte Regional Conservation Plan. The PDG includes the Planning Directors and other staff from each of the BCAG member agencies and meets quarterly to review and provide comments on BCAG OWP work activities. The PDG plays a critical role in providing input into all BCAG planning projects, including the development of the RTP/SCS every four years, and the RHNP every eight years.

The BCAG Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) was established under the requirements of the Transportation Development Act (TDA), to ensure unmet transit needs are identified within Butte County. The SSTAC meets on an as needed basis during the year to review information on possible unmet transit needs within Butte County, as part of the Unmet Transit Needs (UTN) process. The SSTAC is a direct advisory council to the BCAG Board of Directors, and includes representatives as needed by statute.

BCAG encourages public participation at all levels of the planning and project development process by engaging the public participation early in the study and project development process. All BCAG Board of Directors, TAC, PDG, and SSTAC meetings are open to the public. BCAG also schedules public hearings during the development of the Regional Transportation Plan, Federal Transportation Improvement Program, Unmet Transit Needs process, and Air Quality Conformity process to allow for public review and comments. All public hearings are noticed thirty days in advance in the local media. Staff monitors social media accounts and the BCAG and Butte Regional Transit websites daily for comments and suggestions that are forwarded through general comment email boxes.

The BCAG Board of Directors also provides for public comment on all items requesting action included in the monthly board agenda, regardless of whether a public hearing is required by law. The certification of this planning and public participation process is executed with the adoption of the FY 2025/26 Overall Work Program & Budget and authorizing resolution.

NORTH STATE SUPER REGION COORDINATION

In October 2010, a coalition of the sixteen Northern California Regional transportation planning agencies was established to form the North State Super Region. The sixteen Northern California counties include Del Norte, Siskiyou, Modoc, Humboldt, Trinity, Shasta, Lassen, Mendocino, Lake, Tehama, Glenn, Colusa, Butte, Plumas, Sierra, and Nevada. To formalize this alliance, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) was signed by each of the Executive Directors for the sixteen agencies.

The mission of the Super Region is to work together on transportation issues that affect our respective regions, and when necessary, advocate together to make changes or ensure equity for the transportation agencies in the Super Region within the context of transportation decisions being contemplated at the state level. The Super Region coordinates training and information sharing to strengthen transportation planning and programming within the northern-sixteen counties.

During the 2025/26 FY, BCAG will continue meeting and collaborating with the Super Region members on transportation planning issues to ensure there is cooperation and consensus on regional issues affecting our agencies. It is anticipated that the Super Region Group will meet quarterly throughout the year.

CORE PLANNING FUNCTIONS

Development of BCAG's 2025/26 Overall Work Program & Budget has been prepared in compliance with all federal and state planning directives and guidance regulations, including 23 CFR 450.308 (c), and BCAG's adopted Public Participation Plan procedures.

The BCAG 2025/26 OWP & Budget identifies all core planning functions as required under the federal and state planning guidelines, in addition to other regional planning studies that support our state and federal planning and programming requirements.

Each work element included in the 2025/26 OWP identifies specific tasks, products, schedule, staffing, revenues, and expenditures to support the implementation of the work element. The work element description also provides a discussion of how the work element supports BCAG's state and federal planning and programming requirements. Work element product schedules identify with several terms under the stated schedule for each product and are defined according to what type of product is stated.

As Needed: Intended to indicate a product is delivered as a result of satisfying a specific purpose and may occur at a time when the product is completed or updated and not necessarily on a predicted or stated timeframe, yet within the cycle of the current OWP.

As Requested: Indicates a product generated as a result of member jurisdiction, member of the public or any other affiliation for which an action/product is delivered. Typically related to community/outreach events identified or requested that were not previously known or anticipated.

Ongoing: Intended to indicate a product is delivered more frequently, or is the result of an ongoing process; not necessarily on a given time frame and may be weekly monthly, quarterly or annual.

Stated timeframe: Intended to indicate a product is worked on intermittently through the OWP year and will be completed at some point in the course of the respective and current fiscal year.

PERFORMANCE BASED PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING

BCAG's 2025/26 OWP includes Work Elements and planning activities that continue to support Performance-Based Planning and Programming (PBPP) for required federal performance measures. During the 2025/26 FY, BCAG staff will work with member agencies through the existing BCAG Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) as well as the Planning Directors Group (PDG) on our PBPP work program activities. All meetings of these committees are noticed and open to the public.

During the 2025/26 FY, BCAG staff will continue ongoing reporting of progress made on PBPP targets for safety, infrastructure condition, system performance and transit. Staff prepared and the BCAG Board adopted the Final 2024 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) & Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) outlining continued progress on PBPP targets in December of 2024.

PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has identified the 2021 Planning Emphasis Areas that are incorporated into the annual Overall Work Programs by MPOs. The 2021 Planning Emphasis Areas are:

- Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to a Clean Energy Resilient Future
- Equity and Justicee40 in Transportation Planning
- Complete Streets
- Public Involvement
- Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/US Department of Defense (DOD) Coordination
- Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination
- Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)
- Data in Transportation Planning

To identify how BCAG's 2025/26 OWP address each of the Planning Emphasis Areas (PEA), a table is included in each work element indicating the PEA is addressed in that specific work element. BCAG's 2025/26 OWP also supports planning strategies for the effective recapitalization of transit assets that would include:

- Asset Management, Assessment and Replacement Planning.
- Planning and Programming for Effective Preventative Maintenance.
- Planning Innovative Financing Strategies for System Repair and Expansion.

The following Table 1 identifies all the work elements included in the 2025/26 Overall Work Program & Budget. Table 1 also indicates when the work element addresses a component of the Core MPO Planning Functions, the California Planning Emphasis Areas and the Federal PEAs for 2025/26. *Note:* Federal PEAs of Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/US Department of Defense (DOD) Coordination and Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination are qualified as follows in BCAG's Overall Work Program:

- *Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/US Department of Defense (DOD) Coordination*. BCAG does not coordinate directly with the Department of Defense. However, all of BCAG's OWP tasks and products including modeling data sets and results are routinely implemented and revised in successive fiscal years and regularly coordinated with Caltrans, Federal Highways and the Federal Transit Administration. Should the DoD require information, those needs can be brought to BCAG's attention.

- *Federal Land Management Agency(s) (FLMA)*. Identified FLMAs include: the Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, and the Department of Defense, including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command (SDDC). Coordination directly with the above agencies is limited to those engaged with the development of planning studies, environmental documents/mitigations or capital projects with lead agency federal funding requiring direct coordination through consultation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and for those projects or processes that occur directly on those lands. The BCAG Public Participation Plan has been amended to include additional language on FLMA coordination. *Note:*

BCAG does not actively pursue voluntary coordination with FLMAs beyond what is necessary for the preparation of required MPO/RTPA planning documents and specific projects that occur on or within FLMA boundaries having a nexus to those lands and having a specific impact to those lands the projects are upon.

TABLE 1 – WORK ELEMENTS & CORE PLANNING FUNCTIONS

BCAG 2025/26 WORK ELEMENTS		CORE MPO PLANNING FUNCTIONS				
		Overall Work Program	Public Participation & Education	Regional Transportation Plan	Federal Transportation Plan	Annual Listing of Projects
26-999	2025-26 Indirect Cost Allocation Plan	✓				
26-100	OWP Administration Development & Reporting	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-101	Outreach, Education & Intergovernmental Coordination	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-102	Regional Transportation Model	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-103	Regional Geographic Information System (GIS) Maintenance & Coordination	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-104	Regional Transportation Air Quality Planning	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-105	2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-106	2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-107	Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Administration	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-108	Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Grant Coordination	✓	✓	✓		
26-109	US Census Data Affiliate Center Administration	✓	✓	✓		
26-110	ITS Regional Architecture Maintenance	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-111	Regional Complete Streets Standards & Policies	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-120	Performance Based Planning & Programming	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-121	SB1 25/26 Sustainable Transportation Planning	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-128	SB1 24/25 Sustainable Transportation Planning	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-215	Paradise Transit Center	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-300	Transportation Development Act (TDA) Administration	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-301	Public Transit System Coordination & Planning	✓	✓	✓	✓	
26-302	Butte Regional Transit Administration & Operations	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-303	Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Certification Program Administration	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-308	B-Line Zero-Emission Bus Rollout	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

TABLE 2 - WORK ELEMENT DESCRIPTION AND BENEFITS

	2025/26 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM WORK ELEMENT DESCRIPTIONS & BENEFITS	FEDERAL REQUIREMENT	STATE REQUIREMENT	REGIONAL PLANNING NEED	BENEFITS CITY-COUNTY PROGRAMS	WORK ELEMENT DESCRIPTION
26-999	**2025/26 Indirect Cost Allocation Plan (ICAP)**	✓	✓			The ICAP is required for all monthly, quarterly billings for all planning revenues identified in the 2025/26 OWP. The ICAP is prepared annually and is approved by FHWA, FTA and Caltrans.
26-100	**Overall Work Program Administration, Development & Reporting**	✓	✓			Administration of the OWP includes implementation of the 2025/26 work program, work elements and preparation of the ensuing 2026/27 OWP. Support activities include monthly, quarterly billing and invoicing, and reporting on OWP implementation and progress.
26-101	**Outreach, Education & Intergovernmental Coordination**	✓	✓	✓	✓	Tasks under this work element include outreach and education activities by communicating BCAG and B-Line transportation work element development, products or public meetings and workshops through the BCAG and B-Line webpages. Education and information are also provided through development and distribution of the BCAG email newsletter and by updating BCAG's and B-Lines' Facebook pages. This work element also includes monthly meetings of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).
26-102	**Regional Transportation Model**	✓	✓	✓	✓	BCAG is required to maintain and update a regional traffic model for analysis of land use impacts on the regional road network and state highways. The model is also used to prepare the air quality conformity determinations that are required in order to receive federal and state funding. The regional model is also used by the cities and county for evaluation of land use or project proposals that require a CEQA analysis.
26-103	**Regional Geographic Information System (GIS) Maintenance & Coordination**			✓	✓	BCAG established a countywide Geographic Information System (GIS) database program in 1998. The GIS program was established to provide BCAG and the cities and county with a parcel based GIS database for transportation and land use planning and mapping. During the 2025/26 FY BCAG will continue maintainence of the GIS database under an agreement with the Assessors office, and CSU Chico.
26-104	**Regional Transportation Air Quality Planning**	✓	✓	✓	✓	BCAG is required to model and prepare an air quality conformity determinations for all federal/state funded transportation projects, in addition to regionally significant local projects. Air quality conformity determinations are required for the RTP and FTIP, to receive federal/state transportation funding. BCAG coordinates with and keeps BCAG member jurisdictions apprised of federal/state air quality regulations that may affect land use and transportation planning decision making.
26-105	**2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)**	✓	✓	✓	✓	BCAG is required to prepare/update the FTIP every two years, the document covers funding over a four year period. During the 2025/26 FY, BCAG will assess projects and prepare amendments as needed to the 2025 FTIP. The FTIP includes a listing of all projects and programs receiving federal transportation funding or are regionally significant. An air quality conformity determination is also required with the FTIP.
26-106	**2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP)**		✓	✓	✓	The Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) is a state required programming document identifying all projects recommended for funding in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The RTIP is updated every two years and submitted to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for approval. During the 2025/26 FY, BCAG will prepare necessary amendments to the 2024 RTIP adopted by the BCAG Board in December of 2023 and begin the 2026 RTIP for adoption in Decmeber of 2025.
26-107	**Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Administration & Development**	✓	✓	✓	✓	The RTP is a federal and state required plan and is a long-range (20 year) transportation plan identifying future transportation needs and implementation of all projects and systems. The RTP must be financially constrained to known funding sources, must include a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) and meet required air quality goals. The current 2024 RTP/SCS was adopted in December 2024. During the 2025/26 FY, staff will coordinate review of the 2024 RTP/SCS, assess and process amendments as needed and begin preparing to develop the 2028 RTP and SCS for approval in December of 2028.
26-108	**Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Grant Coordination**		✓	✓	✓	During the 2021-22 FY, BCAG began implmentation of the REAP 1.0 Grant funds to various projects awarded to the cities and county following development of the Regional Housing Needs Plan. During the 2025/26 FY, BCAG will continue to coordinate with member jurisdictions to fully expend REAP funding. The REAP grant coordination is done in cooperation with the HCD.
26-109	**US Census Data Affiliate Center Administration**	✓		✓	✓	BCAG is the US Census Affiliate Data Center for Butte County. BCAG maintains all US Census data and provides regional coordination with the decennial census. During the 2025/26 FY, BCAG will continue to provide census information/data to the cities/county and the public as requested.
26-110	**Intelligent Transportation System – Regional Architecture Maintenance**	✓	✓	✓	✓	BCAG maintains an ITS work element to monitor and identify transportation projects that fulfill federal/state ITS project criteria. ITS projects are also included in the regional ITS Architecture Plan that is required by state and federal planning requirements.

	2025/26 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM WORK ELEMENT DESCRIPTIONS & BENEFITS	FEDERAL REQUIREMENT	STATE REQUIREMENT	REGIONAL PLANNING NEED	SUPPORTS CITY-COUNTY PROGRAMS	WORK ELEMENT SUMMARY
26-111	**Regional Complete Streets & Policies**	✓	✓	✓	✓	The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law requires that each MPO like BCAG use at minimum 2.5% of its FHWA PL funds on specified planning activities to increase safe and accessible options for multible travel modes for people of all ages and abilities. This work element allows staff to develop Complete Streets Standards and Policies for the region, which will be developed in consultation with BCAG member agencies and Caltrans.
26-120	**Performance Based Planning & Programming**	✓	✓	✓	✓	BCAG's 2025/26 OWP must include tasks and activities that support implementation of performance-based planning and programming (PBPP). This has included a new ongoing work element to address the MAP 21 required Transportation Performance Measures (TPMs). TPMs are a strategic approach that uses system information to make investment and policy decisions to achieve national performance goals.
26-121	**SB1 25/26 Sustainable Transportation Planning**		✓	✓	✓	The SB 1 planning funds for 2025/26 will be used to continue coordination with the California Air Resources Board (CARB) in an effort to futher refine and define goals stratgeies and methodologies for regional implementation of the 2024 RTP/SCS.
26-128	**SB1 24/25 Sustainable Transportation Planning**		✓	✓	✓	The SB 1 planning funds for 2024/25 will be used to continue coordination with the California Air Resources Board (CARB) in an effort to futher refine and define goals stratgeies and methodologies for regional implementation of the 2024 RTP/SCS.
26-215	**Paradise Transit Center**			✓	✓	This work element is for the construction of the Paradise Transit Center. During the 2026/26 FY, BCAG staff will complete the administration and closeout of the construction contract for a transit center at the corner of Black Olive Drive and Birch Streets in the Town of Paradise.
26-300	**Transportation Development Act (TDA) Administration**		✓	✓	✓	BCAG is the administrator of the Transportation Development Act (TDA) and State Transit Assistance (STA) funds within Butte County. TDA/STA funds transit operations first, with unused funds available for other eligible uses such as streets and roads or bike and pedestrian improvements. TDA/STA funds are allocated to the Cities/Town/County based on population and are managed through the required TDA/STA claims process. An annual audit of TDA/STA funds is prepared by BCAG in accordance with the State Controller.
26-301	**Public Transit Systems Coordination & Planning**			✓	✓	BCAG as the owner and operator of Butte Regional Transit includes a work element in the OWP for planning activities to improve public transit service within and outside the region. In the 2025/26 FY, BCAG will evaluate and implement service improvements with completed and ongoing routing analyses. Improvements and analyses will extend through 2025/26 FY and into 2026/27 FY.
26-302	**Butte Regional Transit Administration & Operations**			✓	✓	BCAG administers and operates Butte Regional Transit the *B-Line* throughout Butte County and the incorporated areas. B-Line operates a regional fixed route service and a paratransit/ADA service. Implementation of the B-Line is done in cooperation with the County and incorporated cities.
26-303	**Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Certification Program Administration**	✓	✓	✓	✓	Federal Transit Administration and ADA regulations require the B-Line provide complementary ADA service to eligible riders since fixed route service is provided to the general public. As part of the ADA service offered by B-Line, a certification process to determine ADA eligibility is provided by B-Line to determine ADA service eligibility, or whether a rider may use the service as a paratransit rider. This work element includes the implementation of the ADA certification services implemented by BCAG staff.
26-308	**B-Line Zero Emission Bus Rollout**	✓	✓	✓	✓	This work element will implement recommendations from the Zero Emission Bus Rollout Plan completed in the 2023/24 FY, as required by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) in an effort to achieve a 100% zero emissions public transit fleet by 2040. During the 2025/26 FY, BCAG staff will deploy electric charging infrastructure and Battery Electric Buses (BEBs) delivered in March of 2025. In February of 2025, a consultant was obtained for the purpose of establishing fuel cell electric (FCE) vehicle implementation with ongoing assessment occurring throughout the 2025/26 FY. In addtion to purchasing Battery Electric Buses for deployment in Butte Regional Transit, BCAG will be soliciting for the provision of a Mobile Hydrogen Fueling location on the Butte Regional Campus in Chico, CA and begin assessment of onsite energy/battery storage.

TABLE 3 - ADDRESSING THE 10 FEDERAL PLANNING FACTORS IN THE 2025/26 OWP

		FEDERAL PLANNING FACTORS									
		Supports Economic Vitality in the MPO area, enables global competitiveness, productivity, and efficiency.	Increases safety of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users.	Increases security of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users.	Increases the accessibility and mobility of people and freight.	Protects and enhances the environment, promotes energy conservation, improves quality of life, promotes consistency of transportation improvements, and economic development.	Enhances the integration and connectivity of the transportation system between modes, people & freight.	Promotes efficient system management and operations.	Emphasizes the preservation of the existing transportation system	Improves the resiliency and reliability of the transportation system, reduces, or mitigates storm water impacts of surface transportation.	Enhances travel and tourism.
2025/26 WORK ELEMENTS											
26-999	2025/26 INDIRECT COST ALLOCATION PLAN										
26-100	OVERALL WORK PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION, DEVELOPMENT & REPORTING										
26-101	OUTREACH, EDUCATION & COORDINATION	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-102	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION MODEL		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
26-103	REGIONAL GIS MAINTENANCE & COORDINATION	✓				✓	✓	✓		✓	
26-104	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AIR QUALITY PLANNING	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
26-105	2025 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-106	2024 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-107	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) ADMINISTRATION & DEVELOPMENT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-108	REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING (REAP) GRANT COORDINATION		✓		✓		✓	✓		✓	
26-109	US CENSUS DATA AFFILIATE CENTER ADMINISTRATION	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
26-110	ITS – REGIONAL ARCHITECTURE MAINTENANCE	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
26-111	REGIONAL COMPLETE STREETS STANDARDS & POLICIES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-120	PERFORMANCE BASED PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-121	SB1 25/26 SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-128	SB1 24/25 SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-215	PARADISE TRANSIT CENTER	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
26-300	TDA ADMINISTRATION		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-301	PUBLIC TRANSIT SYSTEMS COORDINATION & PLANNING	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-302	BRT ADMINISTRATION & OPERATIONS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26-303	BRT ADA CERTIFICATION	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
26-308	B-LINE ZERO EMISSION BUS ROLLOUT	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

2025/26 FISCAL YEAR
BUDGET REVENUES & EXPENDITURES
Amendment 2

2025/26
BUDGETED REVENUES

OVERALL WORK PROGRAM REVENUES	*2024/25 BUDGET*	2025/26 BUDGET	NOTES
FHWA Metropolitan Planning (PL)	*$ 1,032,490*	**$ 1,086,894**	Includes $181,031.10 carryover from 24/25
Transit Planning FTA 5303	*97,371*	**126,970**	Includes $36,546.62 carryover from 24/25
SB1-F Planning Grant	*184,300*	**203,836**	
FTA 5307 Planning	*160,000*	**108,111**	
HCD REAP Funds	*1,148,818*	**2,036,290**	
TDA Administration	*131,307*	**115,033**	
TDA (Local Match) LTF Planning	*471,811*	**535,927**	
STIP Planning, Programming & Monitoring (PPM)	*235,598*	**110,000**	
New Market Tax Credit (NMTC) - Interest	*41,166*	**41,166**	
Butte Regional Transit - Operations	*757,427*	**688,660**	
SB125 ZETCP	-	**250,000**	
CRRSSA	*1,268,409*	**532,095**	
SHOPP	*16,620*	**-**	
Captial Reserves/ State of Good Repair	*645,000*	**-**	
TOTAL PROGRAMED	***$ 6,190,317***	**$ 5,834,982**	

2025/26

BUDGETED EXPENDITURES

OVERALL WORK PROGRAM EXPENDITURES	*2024/25*	**2025/26**
SALARIES & BENEFITS		
Salaries	$ 1,318,609	**$ 1,354,301**
Benefits	899,483	**908,177**
Total Salaries & Benefits	$ 2,218,092	**$ 2,262,478**
SERVICES & SUPPLIES		
Communications	$ 2,000	**$ 2,000**
Janitorial & General Household	30,800	**2,800**
Insurance	26,000	**25,000**
Maintenance - Computers	44,500	**45,000**
Maintenance - Facility & Grounds	21,500	**21,500**
Professional Memberships	11,500	**12,500**
Office Supplies	12,000	**12,500**
Small Office Equipment	1,090	**1,100**
Professional Services:		
Accounting Services & Reports	21,000	**34,000**
The Ferguson Group	63,000	**63,000**
Legal Counsel - Greg Einhorn	5,000	**5,000**
BCAG/TDA Audits	79,000	**55,000**
SCS EIR/ RTP Model	60,000	**-**
Regional Transportation Model	60,000	**80,000**
GIS Maintenance	42,500	**47,500**
REAP Sub Allocations	1,050,000	**2,036,290**
SR 191 Mitigation	16,620	**-**
2024 SCS Development	198,000	**77,068**
Paradise Transit Center Construction	1,663,409	**3,585**
Zero Emission Bus Rollout	250,000	**-**
Chico to Sac Bus Service	-	**95,471**
Battery Feasability Study	-	**250,000**
Routing Study	-	**279,182**
BRT Marketing Plan	200,000	**135,139**
Publications	4,900	**5,400**
Equipment Lease	4,600	**4,600**
Special Department Expense	4,000	**4,000**
Building Lease	46,260	**46,260**
Travel & Training	26,000	**25,000**
Utilities	21,000	**21,000**
Indirect Cost Plan - Over/Under Adjustment	7,546	**182,609**
Total Services & Supplies	*$ 3,972,225*	**$ 3,572,504**
TOTAL BUDGET	*$ 6,190,317*	**$ 5,834,982**

REVENUE SOURCE BY WORK ELEMENT

	WORK ELEMENTS	FHWA PL	2024/25 FHWA PL carryover	FTA 5303	2024/25 FTA 5303 carryover	SB1-F PLANNING	LTF/LOCAL MATCH PLANNING	TDA ADMIN	PPM	BRT	REAP	FTA 5307 Planning	CRRSAA	ZETCP	Loan Interest	TOTAL
26-999	INDIRECT COST ALLOCATION PLAN (ICAP)						184,500			118,660					41,166	**344,326**
26-100	OWP ADMINISTRATION	147,461	58,154				26,640									**232,255**
26-101	OUTREACH, EDUCATION & COORDINATION	88,815	30,000				15,394									**134,209**
26-102	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION MODEL	65,049	30,000				12,315		20,000							**127,364**
26-103	REGIONAL GIS MAINTENANCE	76,352	20,000				12,485									**108,837**
26-104	TRANSPORTATION-AIR QUALITY PLANNING	20,965					2,717									**23,682**
26-105	2025 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	54,060			8,742		8,137									**70,939**
26-106	2024 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	54,060			8,742		8,137									**70,939**
26-107	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP)	68,989	30,000				12,825		30,000							**141,814**
26-108	REAP GRANT COORDINATION						14,906				2,036,290					**2,051,196**
26-109	US CENSUS COORDINATION	20,965					2,717									**23,682**
26-110	ITS REGIONAL ARCHITECTURE MAINTENANCE	13,514					1,752									**15,266**
26-111	REGIONAL COMPLETE STREETS	22,647					7,885									**30,532**
26-120	PERFORMANCED BASED PLANNING & PROGRAMMING	34,480					4,468									**38,948**
26-121	SB1-F 25/26 SUSTAINABLE TRANS. PLANNING					184,300	52,942									**237,242**
26-128	SB1-F 24/25 SUSTAINABLE TRANS. PLANNING					19,536.36	2,532									**22,068**
26-215	PARADISE TRANSIT CENTER CONSTRUCTION						3,585									**3,585**
26-300	TDA ADMINISTRATION							115,033								**115,033**
26-301	TRANSIT SYSTEM PLANNING & COORDINATION	238,506	12,877	19,486	5,000		62,770					108,111	476,509	-		**923,259**
26-302	BRT ADMINISTRATION & OPERATIONS						65,754			535,000						**600,754**
26-303	BRT ADA CERTIFICATION						22,453			35,000						**57,453**
26-308	BRT ZERO EMISSION BUS ROLLOUT			70,937	14,063		11,013		60,000				55,586	250,000		**461,599**
	TOTAL REVENUE BY PROJECT	**905,863**	**181,031.10**	**90,423**	**36,546.62**	**203,836.36**	**535,927**	**115,033**	**110,000**	**688,660**	**2,036,290**	**108,111**	**532,095**	**250,000**	**41,166**	**5,834,982**

2025/26 OWP WORK ELEMENT PRODUCT DELIVERY SCHEDULE

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING WORK ELEMENTS		KEY STAFF	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
26-999	2025/26 Indirect Cost Allocation Plan	• Chief Fiscal Officer • Executive Director • Facilities Maintenance Manager • Human Resource Director • Administrative Assistant • Transportation Grants Manager • Project Manager • Transportation Analyst • Transportation Analyst • Planning Director • Regional Analyst • Programming Director • Accounting Clerk	1) Agendas & meetings of the Board of Directors	Monthly
			2) Prepare and file DBE Reports with funding agencies	Semi- Annually
			3) Implement Personnel policies, evaluations, filing and expenses.	Ongoing
			4) File claims for payment with County Auditor's Office	Weekly
			5) Prepare invoicing to funding agencies	Monthly/Quarterly
			6) Prepare budget status reports for management	Monthly
			7) Submit expenditure/progress reports to state and federal agencies	Quarterly
			8) Prepare and submit state controllers report	Annually
			9) Prepare financial statements & prepare fiscal audits	Annually
			10) Monitor, maintain and upgrade/renovate facility equipment & systems	Ongoing
			11) Contract services with the Ferguson Group	Ongoing
			12) Legal counsel services	As Needed
			13) Actuary Service for reporting of long-term liabilities	Annually
26-100	Overall Work Program Administration, Development & Reporting	• Executive Director • Human Resource Director • Accounting Clerk • Chief Fiscal Officer	1) Implement 2025/26 OWP & Budget	July 2025 - June 2026
			2) Closeout of 2024/25 OWP & Budget	August 2025
			3) Complete invoicing and reporting for 2025/26 OWP & Budget	Monthly/Quarterly
			4) Prepare and adopt 2026/27 OWP & Budget	April 2026
			5) Prepare OWP WE and Budget Amendments	As Needed
26-101	Outreach, Education & Intergovernmental Coordination	• Executive Director • Programming Director • Planning Director • Transportation Analyst • Transportation Grants Manager • Project Manager • Transportation Analyst	1) Agendas and meetings of the BCAG TAC and Planning Directors Group	Monthly/Quarterly
			2) Preparation & distribution of Email Newsletter	Quarterly
			3) Maintenance & updating of BCAG Website and Social Media Platforms	Weekly
			4) Coordinate/Conduct technical workshops for jurisdictions	As requested
			5) Coordinate/Conduct outreach for/at community	As requested
26-102	Regional Transportation Model	• Regional Analyst	1) Datasets with model consultant, invoicing packages, quarterly reports, up-to-date regional travel demand model and documentation	Quarterly
			2) RFP for 2025/26 Traffic Counts	Annually
			3) Implementation/revision of 2024 Regional Travel Demand Model preferred scenarios	Quarterly
26-103	Regional Geographic Information System (GIS) Maintenance & Coordination	• Regional Analyst	1) Execute agreement with consultant, invoicing and quarterly reports, and up-to-date regional roads, parcel, address datasets, and web maps.	Quarterly
			2) Agendas and meeting notes for the Butte GIS working group.	Quarterly
			3) Various cartographic output for regional transportation and other projects.	Quarterly
26-104	Regional Transportation Air Quality Planning	• Regional Analyst	1) Agendas, memorandums, meeting materials, meeting notes, staff reports, comment letters and data outputs.	Quarterly
			2) Air quality conformity determinations and findings for current RTP/SCS, FTIP, and other activities that require federal approval.	Quarterly
26-105	2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Administration	• Programming Director	1) Manage 2025 FTIP, process amendments and necessary reporting documents to Caltrans, FHWA and FTA	As Needed
			2) Conduct public involvement with the public, BCAG member agencies, state and federal partners	As Needed
			3) Maintain BCAG FTIP project webpage	As Needed

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING WORK ELEMENTS		KEY STAFF	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
26-106	2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP)	• Programming Director	1) Administer and manage 2024 RTIP in consultation with BCAG member agencies, Caltrans district 3, CTC and the public. Develop 2026 RTIP.	Ongoing
			2) Provide updates and staff reports on RTIP/STIP matters to the BCAG TAC, Board of Directors, Caltrans, CTC and the public	As Needed
			3) Maintain BCAG RTIP webpage and project status map	As Needed
26-107	Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Administration and Development	• Programming Director • Planning Director • Regional Analyst	1) Manage/revise the 2024 RTP/SCS, process amendments that are necessary in cooperation with local. state and federal agencies	As Needed
			2) Maintain BCAG RTP/SCS webpage, project status and conduct outreach	July 2025 – June 2026
26-108	Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Grant Coordination	• Planning Director	1) Invoices, quarterly reports	Quarterly
			2) Staff reports to member jurisdictions and BCAG Board of Directors.	As Needed
26-109	US Census Data Affiliate Center Administration	• Regional Analyst	1) Current publicly accessible collection of Census Bureau reference and statistical publications	Quarterly
			2) Current website providing Census-related data for Butte County	Quarterly
			3) Comments on Census and state datasets.	As Requested
			4) Responses to inquiries from member jurisdictions and the public.	Quarterly
			5) Attend SDC program meetings.	Annually
			6) Planning documents containing updated information of Census and SDC.	Quarterly
			7) Completed questionnaire for SDC	Annually
26-110	Intelligent Transportation System – Regional Architecture Maintenance	• Programming Director	1) Continued assessment of the North Valley Regional Architecture Maintenance Plan	As Needed
			2) Participate and provide information to Caltrans on a north state ITS project	As Needed
26-111	Regional Complete Streets Standards & Policies	• Programing Director	1) Agendas, memorandums, meeting materials, meeting notes, staff reports, comment letters	As Needed
			2) Incorporate Complete Streets into RTP/SCS & FTIP public participation process	As Needed
			3) Update Regional Complete Streets and Standards and Prioritization Plan	July 2025 – June 2026
			4) Develop/Revise Regional Complete Streets and Standards and Prioritization Plan in coordination with 2024 RTP/SCS and 2025 FTIP	July 2025 – June 2026
			5) Update and maintain BCAG Webpage	Ongoing
26-120	Performance Based Planning & Programming	• Regional Analyst • Programming Director	1) Memorandums for BCAG's Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) and Board of Director's	September and December 2025
			2) BCAG Board approved performance targets for PM1 (safety), PM2 (national highway system pavement and bridge targets), PM3 (system performance/freight, CMAQ), and Transit, if required	October 2025 and January 2026
			3) Completed Caltrans reporting form for PM1, PM2, PM3, and Transit	October 2025 and February 2026

WORK ELEMENTS		KEY STAFF	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
26-121	SB1 25/26 Sustainable Transportation Planning	• Planning Director • Programming Director • Regional Analyst	1) Updated schedule and work plan, invoices, and quarterly reports to Caltrans	Quarterly
			2) 2024 SCS Regional Planning Datasets (implementation)	July 2025-June 2026
			3) 2024 SCS Preferred Scenario and Strategies (implementation)	July 2025-June 2026
			4) Agendas, memorandums, meeting materials, meeting notes, staff reports, comment letters and data outputs	Quarterly
			5) Meeting and outreach materials, translations, etc.	Quarterly
26-128	SB1 24/25 Sustainable Transportation Planning	• Planning Director • Programming Director • Regional Analyst	6) Updated schedule and work plan, invoices, and quarterly reports to Caltrans	Quarterly
			7) 2024 SCS Regional Planning Datasets (implementation)	July 2025-June 2026
			8) 2024 SCS Preferred Scenario and Strategies (implementation)	July 2025-June 2026
			9) Agendas, memorandums, meeting materials, meeting notes, staff reports, comment letters and data outputs	Quarterly
			10) Meeting and outreach materials, translations, etc.	Quarterly
26-300	TDA Administration	• Programming Director • Human Resource Director • Transportation Analyst • Transportation Grants Manager • Chief Fiscal Officer	1) Submit SGR Project Listing	Sept 2025
			2) Submit SGR Project Reporting	January 2026
			3) 2026/27 LTF & STA Findings of Apportionment	May 2025
			4) 2026/27 Transit Needs Assessment	February 2026
			5) 2026/27 TDA Fund Audits	February 2026
			6) Documentation of Public Participation Plan	As needed
25-215	Paradise Transit Center	• Executive Director • Transportation Grants Manager	1) Complete construction, management (*BCAG Staff/Consultant*)	September 2025
26-301	Transit System Planning & Coordination	• Transportation Grants Manager • Project Manager • Executive Director • Transportation Analyst • Transportation Analyst	1) Coordination of transit policy agendas and notes in consultation with Transit Administrative Oversight Committee and BCAG Board of Directors, (*BCAG Staff*)	February 2026
			2) Transit planning activities and public involvement process (*BCAG Staff*)	Ongoing
			3) Public outreach and marketing materials, brochures, commercials and advertisements promoting and encouraging use of transit (*BCAG Staff*)	Ongoing
			4) Routing study analysis, implementation and outreach	Ongoing
			5) Coordination with the Local and State Law Enforcement and Federal Agencies with Homeland Security training (*BCAG Staff*)	Ongoing
			6) NEMT Alternatives, Cost Analysis, and Marketing (*BCAG Staff*) 7) Continued development of BLine Marketing Plan (*BCAG Staff)*	Ongoing
26-302	Butte Regional Transit Administration & Operations	• Executive Director • Transportation Grants Manager • Project Manager • Transportation Analyst • Chief Fiscal Officer • Transportation Analyst • Administrative Assistant • Human Resource Director • Accounting Clerk	1) Administration and implementation of B-Line Fixed Route and ADA/Paratransit services within Butte County.	Ongoing
26-303	American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Certification Program	• Administrative Assistant • Human Resource Director	1) Implementation and administration of the Butte Regional Transit ADA certification program	Ongoing
26-308	B-Line Zero Emission Bus Rollout	• Transportation Grants Manager • Project Manager • Executive Director	1) Zero-Emission Battery Electric Bus and Charging/Fueling Equipment	July 2025 – June 2026
			2) Hydrogen Fueling Installation	July 2025 – June 2026

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING & PROGRAMMING WORK ELEMENTS

As the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA), BCAG is the primary transportation facilitator in Butte County. BCAG's primary responsibility is to implement a comprehensive and continuous regional transportation planning program in consultation with local, Tribal, state, and federal transportation partners, and the citizens within Butte County. This regional transportation planning program includes the development of all state and federally required transportation planning documents that identify the transportation policies and investments to be implemented within the region by BCAG and its member agencies. BCAG's Overall Work Program Work Elements are presented covering three types of work elements.

Type 1 ***Transportation Planning*** *26-100-199*– Presents and describes all the state and federally required transportation planning and programming documents that will need to be prepared for the fiscal year to ensure transportation funding for the region. This section also includes other regional studies and planning work that has been determined necessary to carry out BCAG's regional transportation planning and project development program for the upcoming fiscal year.

Type 2 ***Transportation Project Development/Management*** *26-200-299* – Presents and describes work elements (beyond planning) that focus on development of capital projects related to infrastructure development on state highways and local roads in coordination with the California department of Transportation and/or member jurisdictions and may include environmental, design, right of way and construction elements. Other notable projects in this category include environmental impact mitigations that often result from the development of capital projects. The Overall work program may not necessarily include work elements in every FY.

Type 3 ***Transit Planning & Coordination*** *26-300-399* – Presents and describes work elements that identify BCAG's responsibilities for administration of the Transportation Development Act (TDA) Local Transportation Funds (LTF). This section describes transit planning studies that seek to improve transit ridership, cost effectiveness, the general management and administration of the Butte Regional Transit System, the *B-Line,* and includes project planning and development for zero emission public transit, expansion of existing services or development of new public transit services

FINAL 2025/26 WORK ELEMENTS		ANNUAL WORK ELEMENT	WORK ELEMENT CONTINUED FROM 2024/25 FY	NEW WORK ELEMENT FOR 2025/26 FY
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING & PROGRAMMING				
25-999	2025/26 Indirect Cost Allocation Plan	✓		
26-100	Overall Work Program Administration, Development & Reporting	✓		
26-101	Outreach, Education & Intergovernmental Coordination	✓		
26-102	Regional Transportation Model	✓		
26-103	Regional Geographic Information System (GIS) Maintenance & Coordination	✓		
26-104	Regional Transportation Air Quality Planning	✓		
26-105	2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)		✓	
26-106	2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) – Administration		✓	
26-107	Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Administration & Development	✓		
26-108	Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Grant Coordination		✓	
26-109	US Census Data Affiliate Center Administration	✓		
26-110	Intelligent Transportation System – Regional Architecture Maintenance	✓		
26-111	Regional Complete Streets Standards & Policies		✓	
26-120	Performance Based Planning and Programming	✓		
26-121	SB1 25/26 Sustainable Transportation Planning		✓	
26-128	SB1 24/25 Sustainable Transportation Planning		✓	
TRANSPORTATION PROJECT DEVELOPMENT/CONSTRUCTION				
26-215	Paradise Transit Center		✓	
TDA/TRANSIT COORDINATION & PLANNING				
26-300	Transportation Development Act Administration	✓		
26-301	Public Transit Systems Planning & Coordination	✓		
26-302	Butte Regional Transit Administration & Operations	✓		
26-303	Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Certification Program	✓		
26-308	B-Line Zero Emission Electric Bus Rollout		✓	

26-999 INDIRECT COST ALLOCATION PLAN 2025-26

OBJECTIVE: This work element identifies the indirect costs such as human resources, accounting, and facility maintenance that cannot be applied to one single project. Administrative, Vacation and Sick Leave are also applied to indirect costs. An indirect cost rate is approved annually by the California Department of Transportation, Audits and Investigations. For FY 25/26, these costs are applied to projects based on the rate **94.59%** of total direct salaries and benefits. Costs contained this Work Element are eligible under *Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C Chapter 1 Subchapter E Part 420 Part A – Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds.*

SERVICES & SUPPLIES	**TOTAL EXPENDITURES**
Communications	$2,000
Household	$2,800
Insurance	$25,000
Computer Maintenance	$40,000
Buildings & Grounds	$21,500
Memberships	$12,500
Office Supplies	$12,000
Small Office Equipment	$1,100
Professional Services:	
Accounting Services	$29,000
Fiscal Audits	$27,000
Fergusson	$63,000
Legal Services	$5,000
Actuarial services	$5,000
Publications & Legal Notices	$5,400
Leased Equipment	$4,600
Building Lease	$46,260
Special Department Expenses	$4,000
Training	$4,000
Transportation Travel	$21,000
Utilities	$21,000
ICAP Carryover- Over /(Under)	$143,355
Subtotal Services & Supplies	**$495,515**
INDIRECT SALARIES AND BENEFITS	
General administration and allocable staff costs	$705,426
not directly attributable to specific work elements	
Contributions to	
Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) payments	$154,328
CalPERS Pension Unfunded Liability payments	$132,684
Subtotal Salaries & Benefits	**$992,438**
TOTAL INDIRECT COSTS	**$1,487,953**
COSTS ALLOCATED TO DIRECT WORK ELEMENTS	$1,143,627
COSTS ALLOCATED TO BUTTE REGIONAL TRANSIT	$118,660
COSTS COVERED WITH LOCAL FUNDS	$225,666
TOTAL INDIRECT FUNDING	**$1,487,953**

WE 26-999 PRODUCTS AND TASKS	SCHEDULE
1. Agendas and monthly meetings of the BCAG Board of Directors	Monthly
2. Prepare and file DBE reports with funding agencies	Semi-Annual
3. Implement BCAG's personnel policies including preparation of employee performance evaluations, file maintenance and staff expenses	Ongoing
4. File claims for payment by the County Auditor-Controller	Weekly
5. Prepare monthly invoicing to funding agencies	Monthly
6. Prepare budget status reports for management purposes	Monthly
7. Submit progress reports to funding agencies	Quarterly
8. Prepare and submit state controller's reports	Annually
9. Prepare financial statements and implement annual fiscal audit	Annually
10. Monitor, maintain, upgrade and renovate facility equipment and systems	Ongoing
11. Contract services with the Ferguson Group	Ongoing
12. Legal counsel services	As Needed
13. Actuarial reporting for long-term liabilities	Annually

26-999 STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Accounting Clerk	6.0
Executive Director	3.0
Facilities Maintenance Manager	11.0
Human Resource Director	8.0
Administrative Assistant	6.0
Chief Fiscal Officer	8.5
Planning Director	2.0
Programming Director	2.0
Regional Analyst	2.0
Transportation Grants Manager	2.0
Transportation Analyst	2.0
Transportation Analyst	2.0
Project Manager	1.0
TOTAL	**55.5**

26-100 - OVERALL WORK PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION, DEVELOPMENT & REPORTING

Objective:

Develop and implement the annual Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget, invoicing and reporting.

Description:

BCAG is responsible for developing an annual Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget to fulfill its state and federal planning obligations as the designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) and Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). This work element involves managing the 2025/26 OWP and Budget, as well as performing monthly and quarterly invoicing and reporting. Administrative resources, tasks, and products associated with the development of the 2025/26 OWP and Budget are eligible for funding under Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C Chapter 1 Subchapter E, Part 420, Part A—Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds.

The preparation of the annual OWP primarily includes recurring tasks from the previous year's OWP. The successful completion of many tasks and work products within the OWP requires ongoing coordination and input from Caltrans planning staff, member jurisdictions, and the annual Butte Regional Transit/BLine Service Plan and Budget. This coordination helps identify new or additional tasks or work products to be included in the next fiscal year's OWP, ensuring that BCAG's direction aligns with the needs of its member jurisdictions.

Work Elements 25-101 through 25-121 and 25-300 through 25-302 involve ongoing coordination with BCAG's member jurisdictions through weekly and monthly communications regarding projects in the region. These efforts also support regularly scheduled Technical Advisory and Planning Directors Group meetings, attended by Caltrans staff and informed by BCAG's District 3 Caltrans Liaison. This strong collaboration ensures that BCAG can better serve its member jurisdictions while also aligning with federal and state strategies and guidance.

Previous Work:

BCAG has been preparing and implementing an OWP and Budget since 1969, working annually with Caltrans, FHWA, FTA, BCAG member jurisdictions, and the public to complete and close the OWP.

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WE 26-100	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

WE 26-100

TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Implement the 2025/26 Overall Work Program and Budget and prepare amendments (BCAG staff)	Completed and implemented OWP & Budget for the fiscal year 2025/26, including all associated planning activities.	7/1/25 - 6/30/2026
Prepare Certification of Expenditures including final invoicing and reporting for the 2024/25 OWP (BCAG staff)	Certification report of expenditures for the 2024/25 OWP, confirming the use of funds in accordance with guidelines	6/30/2025
Administer transportation planning and programming revenues, including quarterly invoicing and reporting with final invoicing and reporting in June 2026 (BCAG staff)	Quarterly and final reports and invoices for transportation planning and programming revenues (due in June 2026)	7/1/25 - 6/30/2026
Prepare the 2026/27 OWP & Budget (BCAG staff)	Draft and finalized OWP & Budget for the fiscal year 2026/27, ready for approval and implementation	3/1/25 - 5/31/2025
Coordinate planning activities with member jurisdictions, including transportation, aviation, and other relevant plans (BCAG staff)	Coordinated planning activities and reports that incorporate feedback from member jurisdictions and align with local transportation and aviation plans.	7/1/25 - 6/30/2026

STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Executive Director	2.0
Human Resource Director	1.5
Accounting Clerk	1.5
Chief Fiscal Officer	2.0
TOTAL	**7.0**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FHWA PL	$147,461	Personnel	$119,354
LTF Local Match	26,640	Indirect Costs	112,901
24/25 FHWA PL Carryover	58,154		
TOTAL	**$232,255**	**TOTAL**	**$232,255**

26-101 - OUTREACH, EDUCATION & INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION

Objective:

The objective of this work element is to engage in public outreach and communication related to regional transportation planning, programming, and other relevant information concerning the implementation of activities outlined in BCAG's 2025/26 Overall Work Program and Budget. This includes communicating with the public, BCAG member agencies, staff, transportation advocates, transit users, partner agencies, the disabled and senior communities, stakeholder groups, local news media, and tribal governments. Administrative tasks and products related to these efforts are eligible for funding under Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C Chapter 1 Subchapter E Part 420 Part A – Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds.

Description:

As BCAG implements its overall work program and work elements during the fiscal year, a crucial part of the regional planning process is the dissemination of information. This includes sharing details about BCAG's planning and programming activities, regional projects, public transit planning studies, and other documents required by state and federal regulations. The dissemination of state and federal guidelines on transportation and development topics is also essential to support BCAG's member jurisdictions. BCAG communicates this information through various channels, including a regular email newsletter. This newsletter highlights ongoing work program activities, studies, projects, and upcoming meetings and is distributed to city and county elected officials, local news media, state and federal partners, local stakeholder groups, and the general public. BCAG also maintains a presence at community events such as the Salmon Festival, Red Suspenders Day, the Chico Farmer's Market, the African American Family & Cultural Center Block Party, and Gridley's Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead), along with other local and holiday events throughout the year. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, BCAG introduced new outreach methods, allowing public participation in meetings and outreach activities via Zoom. All meetings of the BCAG Board, Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), and outreach meetings for projects and planning studies are recorded and made available on BCAG's YouTube channel. Additional outreach occurs through BCAG and Butte Regional Transit's websites: www.bcag.org, www.blinetransit.com, and on social media platforms, including X (formerly Twitter), Instagram, and Facebook.

Intergovernmental coordination under this work element is facilitated through monthly meetings of BCAG's TAC, which reviews and provides feedback on work program activities. The TAC is composed of staff from the incorporated cities, Town of Paradise, Butte County, Caltrans, Federal Highway Administration, Butte County Air Quality Management District, CSU Chico, the Mechoopda Indian Tribe, the Mooretown Rancheria, and Butte County Public Health. Other public agencies or organizations eligible for transportation funding may also participate. BCAG also coordinates with the Planning Directors Group, which includes the planning directors and staff from each BCAG member agency. This group meets quarterly to review BCAG's planning and programming activities and share updates on local planning initiatives including statewide plans, initiatives and programs being pursued by Caltrans i.e., California Transportation Plan (CTP), System Investment Strategy (CSIS), and Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI)

Previous Work:

Ongoing coordination with the TAC has been conducted since 1993, and with the Planning Directors Group since 2004. BCAG and Butte Regional Transit began publishing a newsletter in 1996 and have maintained a social media presence on X since 2015, Facebook since 2015, and Instagram for B-Line since 2022.

WE 26-101

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-101	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	✓
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	✓
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	✓
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Prepare agendas, hold meetings of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) and Planning Directors Group (BCAG staff)	Agendas and meeting minutes for TAC and Planning Directors Group meetings. Reports summarizing input on work program activities.	Monthly/Quarterly
Communicate BCAG planning activities and pertinent transportation information through BCAG newsletter, social media platforms (BCAG staff)	BCAG newsletters highlighting work program activities, projects, and meetings. Social media posts on X, Instagram, and Facebook.	Quarterly
Document Tribal government-to-government relations correspondence and meeting documents (BCAG staff)	Records of communications and meeting documentation with tribal governments, summarizing key discussions and decisions	As requested
Attend Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) meetings (BCAG staff)	Meeting notes and reports on ALUC meetings attended, highlighting relevant issues and decisions for regional planning.	As requested
Conduct, host technical workshops on transportation issues and coordinate with state and federal transportation entities (BCAG staff)	Technical workshop materials, agendas, presentations, and attendance records.	As requested
Conduct outreach activities to involve under-represented groups or disadvantaged communities, Tribal Governments. (BCAG staff)	Outreach plans, meeting notes, and engagement reports for outreach activities with under-represented groups and tribal communities	Quarterly
Attend community outreach events (BCAG staff)	Event participation summaries, photos, and engagement, documenting interactions with public at community events	Ongoing

WE 26-101

STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Executive Director	0.5
Planning Director	1.0
Programming Director	1.5
Transportation Analyst	0.5
Transportation Grants Manager	0.5
Transportation Analyst	2.0
TOTAL	**6.0**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FHWA PL	$88,815	Personnel	$68,969
LTF Local Match	15,394	Indirect Costs	65,240
24/25 FHWA PL Carryover	30,000		
TOTAL	**$134,209**	**TOTAL**	**$134,209**

26-102 - REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION MODEL

Objective:

To maintain the Regional Transportation Model and database.

Description:

The BCAG Regional Transportation Model supports the development of state and federal transportation plans and studies. Administrative tasks, resources, and products associated with this work element are eligible under *Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C. Chapter 1 Subchapter E, Part 420, Part A – Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds.*

As a federal non-attainment area for ozone and a maintenance area for fine particulate matter (PM 2.5) under the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments, BCAG must develop an Air Quality Conformity determination for the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) / Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) and the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). This determination demonstrates conformity to the air quality goals set forth in the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the region.

The Regional Transportation Model is also used to analyze existing and future traffic conditions on the regional road network and other roadways affected by planned land uses, roadway improvements, and public transportation projects proposed by member jurisdictions. Traffic counts are updated every four years and incorporated into the model, ensuring it remains current. These traffic counts are provided to member jurisdictions for use in their transportation planning and engineering efforts.

BCAG's current traffic model was updated during the 2023/24 fiscal year for the 2024 RTP/SCS, calibrated and validated to the base year of 2022. This update coincided with the latest traffic count data.

In FY 2025/26, BCAG will continue to maintain, update, and revise the existing model. The model will be used to assist with regional plan amendments and respond to modeling requests from member jurisdictions. Coordination for the collection of traffic counts for the Fall 2025 to Fall 2026 period will begin.

Previous Work:

BCAG has maintained a countywide transportation model since 1993, with the most recent update completed in the 2023/24 fiscal year. Traffic counts were last updated during FY 2022/23.

WE 26-102

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-102	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	✓
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	✓
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	✓
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Coordinate consultant contract amendment or solicit a new modeling consultant for model maintenance and regional planning requests. Prepare invoices and quarterly reports. (BCAG staff)	Contract amendment or new consultant contract for model maintenance. Invoices and quarterly reports documenting progress and expenses.	Quarterly
Prepare Request for Proposals, select a qualified consultant, execute contract, and begin collection of traffic counts for the Fall 2025 – Fall 2026 period. Prepare invoices and quarterly reports. (BCAG staff/Consultant)	Request for Proposals (RFP) for traffic count collection. Consultant selection documentation. Traffic count data collection plan and progress reports. Invoices and quarterly reports.	Annually

STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Regional Analyst	2.0
TOTAL	**2.0**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FHWA PL	$65,049	Personnel	$24,340
24/25 FHWA PL Carryover	30,000	Indirect Costs	23,024
LTF Local Match	12,315	Consultant	80,000
PPM	20,000		
TOTAL	**$127,364**	**TOTAL**	**$127,364**

26-103 - REGIONAL GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS) MAINTENANCE & COORDINATION

Objective:

To maintain a regional Geographic Information System (GIS) for BCAG and its member agencies for transportation and other planning purposes, with all administrative resources, tasks, and products eligible under Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C Chapter 1 Subchapter E Part 420 Part A – Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds.

Description:

BCAG launched its regional GIS database program in the 1997/98 fiscal year to provide BCAG and its member agencies with a comprehensive, parcel-based GIS database. This database primarily supports transportation planning, but it is also used for other planning activities within the region.

BCAG works closely with its member agencies and other public entities that rely on GIS, coordinating the development and maintenance of the regional GIS program. In 2000, BCAG established a GIS Working Group to facilitate collaboration between BCAG, member agencies, and other government agencies involved in GIS activities. The Working Group's main objective is to avoid duplication of effort and maintain consistent data standards across the region.

In 2003, BCAG completed a countywide parcel base map, road network, and address dataset, which form the foundation for all other GIS datasets. During the 2025/26 fiscal year, BCAG will continue to update and maintain these GIS datasets and web mapping applications under an ongoing agreement with the Chico State University Geographic Information Center (GIC), using data provided by the Butte County Assessor's Office and member jurisdictions. BCAG staff will continue coordinating quarterly meetings of the Butte GIS Working Group, which was established in 2001 to discuss and coordinate GIS activities. Staff will prepare meeting agendas, coordinate meetings, and maintain meeting notes.

BCAG staff will also continue to participate in the California GIS Council, representing the Butte GIS Working Group. BCAG's GIS program supports transportation and development planning by providing analytical tools to evaluate multiple transportation modes, land use data, potential project impacts, and assist in decision-making through project and data mapping. BCAG's GIS data is shared with member agencies, Tribal Governments, Caltrans, and other local agencies as requested.

Previous Work:

BCAG has maintained a regional GIS program since 1997. During the 2024/25 fiscal year, BCAG coordinated meetings of the Butte GIS Working Group, attended meetings of the California GIS Council, worked with Chico State University to update the regional roads network and address datasets, and prepared maps to support regional transportation projects.

WE 26-103

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-103	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	✓
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	✓
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	✓
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Coordinate updates of regional road network, address datasets, and maintain web mapping applications. Prepare invoices and quarterly reports. (BCAG staff/Consultant)	Updated road network and address datasets. Maintained web mapping applications. Invoices and quarterly progress reports.	Quarterly
Coordinate meetings of the Butte GIS Working Group. Prepare agendas and meeting notes. (BCAG Staff)	Meeting agendas and notes for Butte GIS Working Group meetings. Progress updates on GIS coordination efforts.	As needed
Attend meetings and participate as a representative of the Butte GIS Working Group on the California GIS Council. (BCAG Staff)	Meeting summaries, notes, and updates from the California GIS Council meetings	As requested
Coordinate GIS activities with the appropriate city, town, and county departments, and BCAG's TAC. (BCAG/Consultant)	Coordination plans and reports detailing GIS activities with local agencies and BCAG's TAC.	Ongoing
Assist public and member jurisdictions with GIS data requests. (BCAG staff/Consultant)	Response logs/email to GIS data requests, including any datasets shared with member agencies and the public.	Ongoing
Prepare maps to support regional transportation and development projects. (BCAG/Consultant)	Maps and visualizations supporting regional transportation and development projects, including analysis and decision-making data.	Annual/Ongoing

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STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Regional Analyst	2.0
TOTAL	**2.0**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FHWA PL	$76,352	Personnel	$28,694
LTF Local Match	12,485	Consultant	47,500
24/25 FHWA PL Carryover	20,000	Software	5,000
		Printing	500
		Indirect Costs	27,143
TOTAL	**$108,837**	**TOTAL**	**$108,837**

26-104 - REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AIR QUALITY PLANNING

Objective:
The purpose of this work element is to ensure that BCAG's transportation planning and programming responsibilities comply with Federal and State Clean Air Act requirements, and that the BCAG Board of Directors and member jurisdictions are kept informed about relevant transportation-air quality regulations. Administrative resources, tasks, and products under this work element are eligible for funding under Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C Chapter 1 Subchapter E Part 420 Part A – Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds.

Description:
Federal transportation legislation mandates that transportation projects and programs must meet air quality standards outlined in the Federal Clean Air Act. BCAG includes this work element in its Overall Work Program (OWP) to ensure that its transportation planning programs address the integrated provisions of transportation and air quality planning as required under federal transportation laws.
Butte County has faced specific air quality designations as part of federal air quality standards:

Ozone: With the establishment of the federal 8-hour ozone standard in 2004, Butte County was classified as "basic – subpart one non-attainment" for ozone countywide. Effective July 20, 2012, Butte County was designated "marginal non-attainment" for the 2008 federal ozone standard. Effective August 3, 2018, Butte County was designated "marginal non-attainment" for the 2015 federal ozone standard

Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5): As a result of a 2018 State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision approved by EPA, Butte County (Chico Urbanized area) was re-designated from "non-attainment" to "attainment with a Maintenance SIP for fine particulate matter (PM2.5) under the EPA 2006 24-hour PM2.5 NAAQS.

Due to these designations, BCAG's transportation planning must adhere to the Air Quality Conformity provisions under EPA's Transportation Conformity Rule. This rule requires BCAG to ensure that all federally funded transportation projects in the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) will not worsen air quality and align with goals outlined in the SIP.

To meet these requirements, BCAG prepares the necessary Air Quality Conformity Determination (AQCD), consulting with federal, state, Tribal, and local agencies, as well as the public, through the Interagency Consultation Review (ICR) process. BCAG reviews the Conformity Determination process with its Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), which includes representatives from local public works, planning departments, the Butte County Air Quality Management District (BCAQMD), Caltrans, Tribal Governments, and other relevant stakeholders. Additionally, BCAG consults directly with the FHWA, EPA, FTA, CARB, and Caltrans in the development of the AQCD.

A 30-day public review and comment period is provided for each document, and final documents are posted on BCAG's website. In addition to conformity analysis, BCAG will continue to keep its member agencies informed about ongoing transportation and air quality regulations that could impact their local transportation plans.

Previous Work:

During the 2024/25 fiscal year, BCAG staff:

- Attended statewide transportation conformity working group meetings.
- Prepared conformity determinations and air quality analyses for the 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and 2024 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).
- Coordinated ICR meetings for the 2024 RTP, FTIP amendments and PM2.5 hot spot conformity assessments.

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-104	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	✓
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	✓
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Monitor state and federal air quality regulations, plans, and programs as they relate to regional and local transportation planning and programs and advise the BCAG Board of Directors and member jurisdictions. (BCAG Staff)	Periodic reports on regulatory updates, briefing documents for BCAG Board, and communication to member jurisdictions regarding air quality impacts on transportation planning.	Quarterly
Work with the Butte County Air Quality Management District (BCAQMD) to update the State Implementation Plan (SIP), as necessary. (BCAG Staff)	Updated SIP documents or amendments. Coordination reports with BCAQMD	As Needed
Prepare Air Quality Conformity analyses and determinations for planning and development activities that require federal approval. (BCAG Staff)	Air Quality Conformity Determinations (AQCDs) for RTP, FTIP, and other transportation planning documents.	Ongoing
Coordinate meetings of BCAG Interagency Consultation Review (ICR) group. (BCAG Staff)	Meeting agendas, summaries, and documentation of ICR group meetings.	As Needed

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STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Regional Analyst	1.0
TOTAL	**1.0**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FHWA PL	$20,965	Personnel	$12,170
LTF Local Match	2,717	Indirect Costs	11,512
TOTAL	$23,682	TOTAL	$23,682

26-105 - 2025 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP) DEVELOPMENT

Objective:
To manage the 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and prepare the 2027 FTIP, utilizing resources, tasks, and products authorized under Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C Chapter 1, Subchapter E, Part 420 – Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds.

Description:
As the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Butte County, BCAG is responsible for developing, adopting, and submitting the FTIP to Caltrans, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The FTIP outlines regionally significant transportation projects and programs in Butte County funded by federal, state, and local sources over a short-term horizon. It includes projects related to streets, highways, public transit, safety, bridge reconstruction, and enhancements requiring federal funding or approval.

The 2025 FTIP, adopted on September 26, 2024, will be updated as needed. Preparation for the 2027 FTIP will begin in March 2026 following the adoption of the 2026 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) by the California Transportation Commission (CTC). The 2025 FTIP is scheduled for adoption by the BCAG Board on September 26, 2024.

The FTIP must align with the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP), and federal legislation. The 2025 FTIP will include an updated financial plan as mandated by 23 CFR 450.324(e). Amendments or administrative modifications to the 2025 FTIP may occur during the 2026/27 fiscal year, along with necessary updates to the RTP/SCS and Air Quality Conformity Determination, as required by 23 CFR 450.330(b).

FTIP management and amendments will involve coordination with local, state, and federal agencies, Tribal Governments, the BCAG Transportation Advisory Committee, and the BCAG Board, following 23 CFR 450.316(b). BCAG will utilize *Section III "Goals and Objectives"* of the *Public Participation Plan (PPP)* to ensure transparency in identifying changes in scope and cost to projects programmed in the current FTIP. All amendments must be approved by the BCAG Board of Directors and are processed electronically via the Caltrans California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPs), with updates posted on BCAG's website.

Previous Work:
2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP), 2024 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), and 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP).

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2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-105	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	✓
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	✓
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	✓
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Work with local jurisdictions and Caltrans to strategize project grant funding opportunities; project delivery for identified projects in the 2025 FTIP (BCAG staff/local jurisdictional staff)	2025 FTIP Project List	Ongoing
Review/ensure consistency with 2024 RTP/SCS, and the 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) (BCAG staff)	Consistency/review Report	Quarterly
Prepare and/or update Air Quality Conformity Determination for specific projects (BCAG staff)	Project specific Air Quality Conformity Determination	As Needed
Process and develop FTIP Amendments and Modifications (BCAG staff)	FTIP Amendments and Modifications	As Needed
Maintain and update CTIP System for Butte County FTIP Projects (BCAG staff)	Updated CTIP System Records	As Needed
Attend FTIP program manager meetings and subcommittee meetings (BCAG staff)	Meeting Notes and Reports	As Needed
Coordinate with project sponsor and all Butte County Tribal Governments(BCAG staff)	Coordination Meeting Reports	Quarterly

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STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Programming Director	1.5
TOTAL	**1.5**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FHWA PL	$54,060	Personnel	$36,456
LTF Local Match	8,137	Indirect Costs	34,483
24/25 FTA 5303 Carryover	8,742		
TOTAL	**$70,939**	**TOTAL**	**$70,939**

26-106 - 2024 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (RTIP)

Objective:
To administer the 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) for Butte County. This work element provides administrative resources, tasks, and products eligible under Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C. Chapter 1, Subchapter E, Part 420 – Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds.

Description:
As the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for Butte County, BCAG is responsible for preparing, adopting, and submitting the RTIP to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) every two years. The RTIP outlines the region's transportation programming recommendations for the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which is adopted by the CTC for a five-year period. Amendments to the RTIP may be processed as needed during the fiscal year to accommodate changes in project scope and costs.

For the 2024/25 fiscal year, BCAG continued administration of the 2024 RTIP in consultation with BCAG member agencies, Caltrans, the CTC. The 2024 RTIP projects were developed using the 2020 RTP/SCS, a regional call for projects, and identified needs for Butte Regional Transit. A final version of the 2024 RTIP was made available to the public in October 2023, and the BCAG Board adopted the document on December 7, 2023. The 2024 RTIP was then forwarded to the CTC and Caltrans for inclusion in the STIP, which is typically adopted by the CTC in March of the same year. With the adoption of the 2024 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and 2024 Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS), the 2024 RTIP will continue implementation with a start on the draft 2026 RTIP.

Previous Work:
Administration of the 2024 RTIP, 2024 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), and preparation of the draft 2026 RTIP.

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-106	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	✓
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	✓
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	✓
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

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TASKS	PRODUCT	SCHEDULE
Work with Caltrans District 3, HQ, CTC, and member jurisdictions on 2024 RTIP/STIP amendments (BCAG staff)	RTIP/STIP Amendment Documentation	As Needed
Ensure consistency of the 2024 RTIP with the 2025 FTIP and 2024 RTP/SCS (BCAG staff)	Consistency Report/Documentation	Ongoing
Participate in meetings with state, regional, and federal agencies for matters concerning programming in California (BCAG staff)	Meeting Notes and Reports	Ongoing
Monitor and assist with Project Delivery for RTIP/STIP projects (BCAG staff)	Project Delivery Assistance Coordination	As Needed

STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Programming Director	2.0
TOTAL	**2.0**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FHWA PL	$54,060	Personnel	$36,456
LTF Local Match	7,005	Indirect Cost	34,483
24/25 FTA 5303 Carryover	8,742		
TOTAL	**$70,939**	**TOTAL**	**$70,939**

26-107 - REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) ADMINISTRATION & DEVELOPMENT

Objective:
To amend and manage the 2024 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) for Butte County, and begin development of the 2028 RTP/SCS. The RTP/SCS is a state and federally required, long-range (minimum 20 years), multimodal transportation plan for the region and includes reference to the California Freight Mobility Plan (CFMP). This work is eligible for administrative resources, tasks, and products under Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C. Chapter 1, Subchapter E, Part 420 – Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds.

Description:
BCAG's Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) is a four-year document guiding transportation planning and programming in Butte County. The RTP/SCS establishes transportation goals, objectives, and policies for all modes of transportation. It is an action-oriented, pragmatic plan that provides a short (10-year) and long (20+ years) term project and funding outlook. The plan aims to present a clear vision supported by policies for local and state transportation planning.

The current 2024 RTP/SCS was adopted by the BCAG Board on December 12, 2024, in conformance with the 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP). These documents complied with federal legislation applicable to Butte County. During the 2023/24 fiscal years, amendments to the 2020 RTP/SCS were made for various projects as necessary, following Air Quality Conformity Determinations and consultation with the Interagency Consultation Review group. This process will continue through the 2027/28 fiscal years for the 2024 RTP/SCS, as well as the RTIP and FTIP documents in place at the time. Air Quality Conformity Determinations for the RTP/SCS are prepared according to 23 CFR 450.330(b).

With the adoption of the 2024 RTP/SCS, work will begin on preparing for the 2028 RTP/SCS. During the 2025/26 fiscal year, updates to the 2024 RTP/SCS will be completed, with BCAG Board adoption scheduled for December 2024. These updates will be coordinated with the current FTIP and RTIP as required. Management and amendments to the 2024 RTP/SCS will be conducted in consultation with local, state, and federal agencies, Tribal Governments, the BCAG Transportation Advisory Committee, and the BCAG Board, as per 23 CFR 450.316(b). BCAG's Public Participation Plan (PPP) process will be followed, and all RTP/SCS amendments will be posted on BCAG's website: Butte County 2024 RTP/SCS Additional coordination with the Caltrans

Previous Work:
Completion of the 2024 RTP/SCS & SEIR, 2024 Air Quality Conformity Determination, 2025 FTIP, 2024 RTIP

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2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-107	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	✓
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	✓
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	✓
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Prepare 2024 RTP/SCS amendments as necessary (BCAG staff)	Updated 2024 RTP/SCS	As Needed
Begin development of the 2028 RTP/SCS (BCAG staff)	Draft Notes and documentation	Ongoing
Continue implementation of outreach efforts contained in the BCAG Public Participation Plan (PPP) for the 2024 RTP/SCS (BCAG staff)	Outreach Reports and Documentation	Ongoing
Participate in the MPO/State RTPA Working Group meetings (BCAG staff)	Meeting Notes and Reports and MPO coordination	Ongoing

STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Programming Director	1.0
Regional Analyst	1.0
Planning Director	2.5
TOTAL	**4.5**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FHWA PL	$68,852	Personnel	$72,877
24/25 FHWA PL Carryover	30,000	Indirect Costs	68,937
LTF Local Match	12,825		
PPM	30,000		
TOTAL	**$141,814**	**TOTAL**	**$141,814**

26-108 - REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING (REAP) GRANT COORDINATION

Objective:
To coordinate the administration of the Regional Early Action Grant (REAP 2.0) program, managed by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), and oversee the implementation of member jurisdiction projects funded through suballocations. Administrative resources, tasks, and products provided under this work element are eligible under the 2021 California Comeback Plan "Regional Early Action Planning Grants Program of 2021" through Assembly Bill 140.

Description:
In 2021, Assembly Bill 140 authorized a second round of REAP funding for Metropolitan Transportation Organizations, known as REAP 2.0. BCAG's allocation for REAP 2.0 is $2,944,762. During the 2021/22 fiscal year, BCAG received a 10% advanced allocation of these funds to accelerate the grant program, initiate regional engagement, conduct an SCS update, and perform education and outreach. In the 2022/23 fiscal year, BCAG coordinated with member jurisdictions, stakeholders, and the public to identify eligible suballocation projects. As a result, each member jurisdiction received funding for projects that meet the grant criteria. In the 2025/26 fiscal year, BCAG staff will oversee the administration of the REAP 2.0 grant program, including the implementation of member jurisdiction projects funded through suballocations.

Previous Work:

- Identification of suballocation projects for REAP 2.0 funding in FY 2022/23.
- Coordination with member jurisdictions and HCD on suballocation projects in FY 2023/24.
- Completion of 2024 RTP/SCS update in FY 2024/25 utilizing REAP 2.0 funding as well as overseeing member jurisdiction suballocation project implementation.

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-108	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

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TASKS	PRODUCTS	
Administer REAP 2.0 grant program including reporting and invoicing	REAP 2.0 Grant Program Reports, Invoices, and Documentation	Quarterly
Coordinate with member jurisdictions on development of projects that advance the RTP/SCS, including suballocation projects (Ongoing)	Suballocation Project Plans, Coordination Meeting Notes, and Progress Report	As Needed

STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Planning Director	0.5
TOTAL	**0.5**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
REAP	$2,036,290	Personnel	$7,660
LTF Local Match	14,906	Suballocations	2,036,290
		Indirect Costs	7,246
TOTAL	**$2,051,196**	**TOTAL**	**$2,051,196**

26-109 - US CENSUS DATA AFFILIATE CENTER ADMINISTRATION

Objective:
To provide U.S. Census and state data-related services as a regional data center for Butte County. Administrative resources, tasks, and products under this work element are eligible under Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C Chapter 1 Subchapter E Part 420 Part A – Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds.

Description:
BCAG has entered into a Joint Statistical Agreement (JSA) with the California Department of Finance to assume the responsibilities of an Affiliate State Data Center (SDC) for Butte County. U.S. Census and state data play a critical role in BCAG's regional transportation planning and programming processes, including transportation modeling, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), transit planning, air quality conformity, and funding formula development.

BCAG will respond to inquiries, provide technical assistance, and offer data consultation to member jurisdictions and the public. Additionally, BCAG will monitor and integrate Census Bureau estimates and projections into the regional transportation planning process. BCAG will maintain a publicly accessible collection of Census Bureau reference materials and statistical publications, along with a website dedicated to Census data specific to Butte County.

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-109	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	
3) Complete Streets	
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	
8) Data in Transportation	✓

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TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Maintain a publicly accessible collection of Census Bureau and SDC reference and statistical publications. (BCAG staff)	Census Bureau and SDC Reference Statistical Collection	**Ongoing**
Maintain a Census and state data internet website for Butte County data. (BCAG staff)	Butte County Census and State Data Website	**Ongoing**
Census and state datasets as they are published. (BCAG staff)	Review Reports of New Census and State Datasets	**Ongoing**
Respond to inquiries and provide technical assistance and data consultation to member jurisdictions and the public. (BCAG staff)	Data Consultation and Response Reports	**Ongoing**
Attend SDC program meetings. (BCAG staff)	Meeting Notes and Reports from SDC Program Meetings and response to jurisdictional inquiries	**As Needed**
Monitor and integrate Census Bureau and state estimates and projections into regional transportation planning processes. (BCAG staff)	Integration Reports of Census and State Data into Transportation Planning	**Quarterly**
Complete annual questionnaire reporting census-related activities during the last year. (BCAG staff)	Annual Census Activity Report	**Annually**

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26-109 STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Regional Analyst	1.0
TOTAL	**1.0**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FHWA PL	$20,965	Personnel	$12,170
LTF Local Match	2,717	Indirect Costs	11,512
TOTAL	**$23,682**	**TOTAL**	**$23,682**

26-110 - INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM – REGIONAL ARCHITECTURE MAINTENANCE

Objective:
To maintain the completed North Valley Regional Architecture Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Plan as required by 23 CFR Parts 655 and 940, Intelligent Transportation System Architecture and Standards: Final Rule. Administrative tasks and products under this work element align with Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C Chapter 1, Subchapter E, Part 420, Part A – Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds.

Description
BCAG has fulfilled the federal requirement to develop an ITS Regional Architecture and Strategic Deployment Plan (SDP) for Butte, Glenn, and Colusa counties. Previously, these counties lacked an ITS Plan conforming to the requirements of 23 CFR Parts 655 and 940. BCAG led the development of the multi-county ITS-SDP in partnership with Glenn and Colusa counties, Caltrans, FHWA, and Iteris, Inc., as the ITS Coordinator.

In Fall 2003, stakeholders from the three counties, FHWA, and Caltrans formed a working group, which evolved into the Project Development Team (PDT) to guide the ITS-SDP's creation. In May 2004, BCAG received an FHWA Partnership Planning Grant through Caltrans, partially funding the Plan's development. The completed Plan was submitted to FHWA for acceptance in May 2005.

As mandated by the Final Rule, BCAG continues to maintain the architecture in collaboration with Glenn and Colusa counties. In 2018, Caltrans completed a Statewide ITS Architecture Assessment and Support Summary Report. Additionally, Caltrans is developing the Upstate CA Regional ITS Master Plan, which includes Butte, Glenn, Colusa, Sierra, and Nevada counties.

This work element ensures ongoing monitoring of local projects and identifies those with ITS components that align with the established architecture. Local and regional roadway or highway projects incorporating ITS elements may contribute to the Regional Architecture's maintenance. All work under this element will be conducted in partnership with FHWA, Caltrans, and the counties of Butte, Glenn, and Colusa. BCAG staff will periodically coordinate with FHWA and Caltrans throughout the year to align on ITS projects or processes relevant for inclusion in regional or local plan updates

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-110	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	
3) Complete Streets	
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	✓
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

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TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Conduct quarterly assessments of jurisdictional ITS project progress through June 2025.	ITS progress assessment reports	Quarterly/Annual
Monitor and participate in the development of the Upstate CA Regional ITS Master Plan with Caltrans	Meeting documentation	Annual

STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Programming Director	0.5
TOTAL	**0.5**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FHWA PL	$13,514	Personnel	$7,845
LTF Local Match	1,752	Indirect Costs	7,421
TOTAL	**$15,266**	**TOTAL**	**$15,266**

26-111 - REGIONAL COMPLETE STREETS STANDARDS & POLICIES

Objective;
Develop Regional Complete Streets Standards and Policies for integration into BCAG's planning and programming processes. These activities are eligible under Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C Chapter 1, Subchapter E, Part 420, Part A – *Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).*

Description
Federal transportation legislation requires MPOs to allocate at least 2.5% of federal planning funds (PL) to planning activities that enhance safe and accessible travel options for all modes and users of all ages and abilities [IIJA § 11206(b)]. BCAG's Regional Complete Streets Standards and Policies aim to establish a prioritization plan identifying specific Complete Streets projects to improve safety, mobility, and accessibility [IIJA § 11206(c) and (e)].

"Complete Streets standards or policies" ensure safe and adequate accommodation for all transportation system users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, children, seniors, individuals with disabilities, motorists, and freight vehicles [IIJA § 11206(a)].

In FY 2025/26, BCAG will collaborate with the BCAG Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) and follow the Public Participation Plan to finalize Regional Complete Streets Standards and Policies. These policies will be integrated into the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) to maintain consistency across plans and programs.

Previous Work
Initiated the development of Complete Streets standards and policies for inclusion in BCAG's RTP/SCS and FTIP processes and consulted with the BCAG TAC and adhered to the Public Participation Process.

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-111	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	✓
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

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TASKS	PRODUCTS	SSCHEDULE
Review and evaluate RTP/SCS and FTIP goals, objectives, and policies for modification. (BCAG Staff)	Updated RTP/SCS and FTIP policy recommendations	As Needed
Collaborate with BCAG Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) and public on the new requirement. (BCAG Staff)	Meeting summaries and public engagement reports	As Needed
Coordinate with all Butte County Tribal Governments. (BCAG Staff)	Documentation of tribal consultation outcomes	Ongoing
Develop a Regional Complete Streets Standards and Prioritization Plan for inclusion in RTP/SCS. (BCAG Staff)	Updated/Final Regional Complete Streets Plan	Ongoing

STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Programming Director	1.0
TOTAL	**1.0**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FHWA PL	$22,647	Personnel	$15,690
LTF Local	7,885	Indirect Costs	14,842
TOTAL	**$30,532**	**TOTAL**	**$30,532**

26-120 - PERFORMANCE BASED PLANNING & PROGRAMMING

Objective
Establish performance measures, collect data, prepare reports, and develop programs to support performance-based planning. These activities align with Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C Chapter 1, Subchapter E, Part 420, Part A – Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds.

Description
Federal transportation legislation (MAP-21, July 2012) emphasizes performance measurement and monitoring in transportation systems, requiring states and MPOs to adopt a performance-based planning and programming approach. This includes using performance measures, setting targets, reporting outcomes, and programming investments to achieve desired transportation performance outcomes.

During FY 2025/26, BCAG will continue coordinating with Caltrans, Butte Regional Transit, and local planning partners to update and refine procedures for performance-based planning. Key activities include collecting performance data, setting and reporting regional performance targets, and documenting system performance relative to those targets. BCAG will work with the State to document these procedures, as mandated by 23 CFR 450.314(h).

Previous Work
In FY 2024/25, BCAG completed reporting and submitted BCAG Board-approved targets for Performance Management (PM) 1 – Safety to Caltrans.

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-120	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	✓
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	✓
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	✓
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

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TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Coordinate with local planning partners, Caltrans, and Butte Regional Transit to identify data sources, set targets, and report performance. (BCAG Staff)	Regional performance targets and reporting memorandums/documentation	Annual
Prepare emissions reporting for PM1, PM2, PM3, and transit performance. (BCAG Staff)	Emissions reports for all required performance measures	Annual

STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Regional Analyst	1.0
Programming Director	0.5
TOTAL	**1.5**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FHWA PL	$34,480	Personnel	$20,015
LTF Local Match	4,468	Indirect Costs	18,933
TOTAL	**$38,948**	**TOTAL**	**$38,948**

26-121 - SB1 25/26 SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING – SCS COORDINATION AND IMPLEMENTATION

Objective: To manage the 2025/26 Sustainable Communities Formula Grant funds allocated under Senate Bill (SB) 1 – The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. The intent of the grant is to support and implement Regional Transportation Plans (RTPs) - Sustainable Communities Strategies (SCS) and to ultimately achieve the State's greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction target of 40 and 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2030 and 2050, respectively.

Description: The Caltrans Sustainable Communities Formula Funds support the continued coordination and implementation of BCAG's SCS and assist in carrying out the objectives of the plan. These funds support development of all activities identified in this Work Element. BCAG completed the 2024 update of the RTP/SCS in December of 2024.

As the region's Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), BCAG is designated by the state to prepare the area's SCS as an additional element of the RTP. The SCS is the forecasted development pattern for the region, which, when integrated with the transportation network, and other transportation measures and policies, will meet the passenger vehicle greenhouse gas reduction target for the area.

During the 2022/23 - 2023/24 fiscal years, BCAG developed the 2024 RTP/SCS, working with several consultant teams to prepare the technical and non-technical components of the plan. During the 2024/25 fiscal year, BCAG completed the 2024 RTP/SCS update, and submitted the document to CARB for approval.

During the 2025/26 fiscal year, BCAG will continue to coordinate with CARB to ensure approval of the 2024 SCS and begin implementation of key SCS strategies. BCAG staff will also monitor and attend meetings regarding ongoing legislative changes and CARB guideline updates that can affect future BCAG SCS development.

BCAG's regional planning datasets will be updated in coordination with the local jurisdictions for the 2025/26 FY. The datasets consist of bike facilities, bus routes and stops, existing land uses, non-residential structures, a combined general plan layer, and current development projects. The datasets are used to inform the SCS and develop the land use and transportation components of the plan.

BCAG will coordinate all work activities with the BCAG Planning Director's Group (PDG) consisting of representatives from BCAG member jurisdictions, the Butte County Air Quality Management District, and Butte Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). Outreach will be conducted in accordance with BCAG's Public Participation Plan, which includes the region's disadvantaged communities, low-income areas, and tribal governments.

BCAG will also continue to coordinate with the North State Planning and Development Collective (NSPDC) and other partners on the development and implementation of the Community Economic Resilience Fund (CERR) in our region. This fund was created to promote a sustainable and equitable recovery from the economic distress of COVID-19 by supporting new plans and strategies to diversity local economies and develop sustainable industries that create high quality, broadly accessible jobs for all Californians. This includes the expansion of broadband into rural communities in the region.

Previous Work: BCAG prepared the region's first SCS as part of the 2012 RTP, with subsequent updates prepared in 2016, 2020 and 2024. The 2024 RTP/SCS was approved by the BCAG Board of Directors on December 12, 2024.

During the 2024/25 fiscal year, BCAG completed the following:

- Updated 2024 SCS work plan and schedule. Prepared invoices and quarterly reports. *(BCAG Staff)*
- Coordinated development of FINAL SCS document. *(BCAG/Consultant)*
- Coordinated with CARB on submission and approval of SCS. *(BCAG/Consultant)*
- Coordinated update of SCS regional planning datasets for the year 2024 *(BCAG/Consultant)*
- Coordinated meetings of the BCAG Planning Directors Group and Transportation Advisory Committee. Attended state agency and MPO coordinating meetings and responded to state agency requests. *(BCAG Staff)*
- Continued public outreach efforts for the SCS in accordance with BCAG's Public Participation Plan and the SCS work plan. *(BCAG/Consultant)*

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-121	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	✓
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	✓
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	✓
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Update SCS work plan and schedule. Prepare invoices and quarterly reports. *(BCAG Staff)*	Updated schedule and work plan, invoices, and quarterly reports to Caltrans *(BCAG staff)*	Quarterly
Coordinate update of SCS regional planning datasets for the year 2025. *(BCAG/Consultant)*	2025 Regional Planning Datasets *(BCAG/Consultant)*	June 2026
Continue coordination with CARB on review and approval of 2024 SCS. *(BCAG/Consultant)*	CARB approval of 2024 SCS *(BCAG/Consultant)*	December 2025
Implement key 2024 SCS strategies as appropriate. *(BCAG Staff)*	SCS strategy implementation documents as necessary *(BCAG/Consultant)*	June 2026
Coordinate meetings of the BCAG Planning Directors Group and Transportation Advisory	Agendas, memorandums, meeting materials, meeting notes, staff reports, comment	Quarterly

Committee. Attend state agency and CALCOG/MPO coordinating meetings and respond to state agency requests. Coordinate with NSDPC on CERF implementation.	letters and data outputs *(BCAG/Consultant)*	
Continued public outreach efforts for the SCS in accordance with BCAG's Public Participation Plan and the SCS work plan.	Meeting and outreach materials, translations, etc. *(BCAG staff)*	Quarterly

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STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Planning Director	3.5
Programming Director	1.0
Regional Analyst	2.0
TOTAL	**6.5**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
SB1-F 25/26 STP	$184,300	Personnel	$93,652
LTF Local Match	23,879	Consultant	55,000
LTF Local Addl	29,063	Indirect	88,590
TOTAL	**$237,242**		**$237,242**

26-128 SB1 24/25 SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING– 2024 SCS DEVELOPMENT

OBJECTIVE: To manage the 2024/25 Sustainable Communities Formula Grant funds allocated under Senate Bill (SB) 1 – The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. The intent of the grant is to support and implement Regional Transportation Plans (RTPs) - Sustainable Communities Strategies (SCS) and to ultimately achieve the State's greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction target of 40 and 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2030 and 2050, respectively.

DESCRIPTION: The Caltrans Sustainable Communities Formula Funds support the development of BCAG's SCS and assist in carrying out the objectives of the plan. These funds support development of all activities identified in this Work Element.

As the region's Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), BCAG is designated by the state to prepare the area's SCS as an additional element of the RTP. The SCS is the forecasted development pattern for the region, which, when integrated with the transportation network, and other transportation measures and policies, will meet the passenger vehicle greenhouse gas reduction target for the area.

BCAG's first SCS was prepared for the 2012 RTP and focused on bringing together newly developed local land use plans to lay out a future development pattern for the region which balanced housing and employment growth within specified growth areas, protected sensitive habitat and open space, and invested in a multi-modal transportation system. The 2016 SCS (2nd cycle) expanded on the efforts of the 2012 plan by integrating a new long-range transit and non-motorized plan. BCAG's 2020 SCS (3rd cycle) included updated regional forecasts to account for the effects of the Camp Fire, modified jobs-to-housing ratios, as well as an updated housing mix to reflect recent trends.

During the 2024/25 fiscal year, BCAG finalized development of the 2024 SCS. The following tasks were accomplished: finalized policies and implementation actions for preferred scenario; completion of equity analysis; draft SCS document; final SCS document; implement public outreach efforts for 2024 SCS; and attend state agency meetings and respond to request by state agencies.

In addition, BCAG's regional planning datasets were updated in coordination with the local jurisdictions for the 2024/25 FY. The datasets consisted of bike facilities, bus routes and stops, existing land uses, non-residential building footprints, and a combined general plan layer, all in geographical information system (GIS) format. The datasets are used to inform the SCS and develop the land use and transportation components of the plan.

During the 2025/26 fiscal year, BCAG will acquire data to be used for monitoring implementation of the 2024 SCS and development of the 2027 SCS Progress Report.

BCAG will coordinate all work activities with the BCAG Planning Director's Group (PDG) consisting of representatives from BCAG member jurisdictions, the Butte County Air Quality Management District, and Butte Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). Outreach will be conducted in accordance with BCAG's Public Participation Plan, which includes the region's disadvantaged communities, low-income areas, and tribal governments.

PREVIOUS WORK: BCAG prepared the region's first SCS as part of the 2012 RTP, with an updated SCS prepared in 2016, 2020, and the latest SCS (2024) prepared as an additional element of the 2024 RTP and was adopted in December of 2024.

During the 2024/25 fiscal year, BCAG completed the following:

- Updated 2024 SCS work plan and schedule. Prepared invoices and quarterly reports.
- Coordinated development of draft SCS document
- Coordinated development of final SCS document
- Coordinated with CARB on submission and approval of
- Coordinated update of SCS regional planning datasets for year 2024

Coordinated meetings of the BCAG Planning Directors Group and Transportation Advisory Committee.

Attend state agency and MPO coordinating meetings and respond to state agency requests

- Continued public outreach efforts for the SCS in accordance with BCAG's Public Participation Plan and the SCS work plan.

TASK

- Acquire data to be used for monitoring implementation of the 2024 SCS and development of the 2027 SCS Progress Report. *(BCAG/Vender)*

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-128	
9) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
10) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
11) Complete Streets	✓
12) Public Involvement	✓
13) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	✓
14) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	✓
15) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
16) Data in Transportation	✓

26-128 PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
1. Updated schedule and work plan, invoices, and quarterly reports to Caltrans *(BCAG staff)*	Quarterly
2. 2024 SCS Regional Planning Datasets *(BCAG/Consultant)*	Completed
3. 2024 SCS Preferred Scenario and Strategies *(BCAG/Consultant)*	Completed
4. Agendas, memorandums, meeting materials, meeting notes, staff reports, comment letters and data outputs *(BCAG/Consultant)*	Completed
5. CARB approval of 2024 SCS	In-Progress
6. Meeting and outreach materials, translations, etc. *(BCAG staff)*	Completed
7. Acquire data to be used for monitoring implementation of the 2024 SCS and development of the 2027 SCS Progress Report	June 2026

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STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Planning Director	0.0
Programming Director	0.0
Regional Analyst	0.0
TOTAL	**0.0**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
SB1 24/25 STP	$19,536	Professional Services	$22,068
LTF Local Match	2,532		
TOTAL	**$22,068**	**TOTAL**	**$22,068**

26-215 - CONSTRUCTION OF PARADISE TRANSIT CENTER

OBJECTIVE: To complete and manage construction of the Paradise Transit Center. Administrative resources, tasks and products provided under this work element and are eligible under *Corona Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021(Division L – Title I Department of Transportation.*

DESCRIPTION: Prior to the 2018 campfire, the Town of Paradise was the second largest incorporated jurisdiction within Butte County (by population) and had the second highest transit ridership on the Butte Regional Transit fixed route system. Fixed route service was provided between Paradise and Chico, and Paradise and Oroville.

In March of 2017, BCAG staff solicited for and obtained Mark Thomas; a transportation consultant for the development of an environmental document, plans, specifications and estimate (PS&E) for the Paradise Transit Center. In December of 2017, the National Environmental Policy Act/California Environmental Quality Act (NEPA/CEQA) Categorical Exclusion/Notice of Exemption document was completed and approved for a transit center to be constructed at the corner of Birch and Black Olive. PS&E was scheduled to be completed in the Fall of 2018 with utility coordination to be initiated soon thereafter. Right of Way acquisition was not required.

With the occurrence of the Camp Fire on November 8th, 2018, all plans for the transit center were put on hold indefinitely with final PS&E also being put on hold. Since that point in time, transit ridership has been slowly returning as the rebuilding of the Town moves forward. As the Town rebuilding effort has been moving forward, BCAG and Town of Paradise staff have been in communication regarding the completion of PS&E to support requests for identified potential funding sources to complete construction of the transit center.

During the 2022/23 FY, BCAG staff identified a funding source to construct the Paradise Transit Center by securing funds through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) and subsequently solicited for and obtained a consultant to complete the PS&E and provide advertisement and construction management for the construction of the Paradise Transit Center. The project was advertised for construction in October of 2023 and a Contract awarded in December of 2023. Project construction was started in March of 2024 and is expected to be completed by September of 2024.

TASKS

Complete and closeout construction of the Paradise Transit Center – June 2025 *(BCAG Staff/Consultant/Contractor)*

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-215	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	✓
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

26-215 PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
1. Complete construction and construction management/administration – Notice of Completion (Construction Manager)	July 2025

STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Executive Director	0.0
TOTAL	**0.0**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Local Transportation Funds (LTF)	$3,585	Construction Manager	$3,585
TOTAL	**$3,585**	**TOTAL**	**$3,585**

26-300 - TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ADMINISTRATION

Objective:
Administer the allocation of Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and State Transit Assistance (STA) funding to member entities, provide oversight to claimants, and prepare the 2025/26 Unmet Transit Needs Assessment. Administrative resources, tasks, and products under this work element are eligible under the Transportation Development Act (TDA) of 1971.

Description:
As the administrator of the TDA for Butte County, BCAG is responsible for distributing Local Transportation Funds, State Transit Assistance Funds, and State of Good Repair (SGR) funds, which support regional transit operations, capital projects, and road improvements. BCAG ensures funds are used in compliance with TDA regulations.

This work element involves coordinating with the State Controller, Butte County Auditor-Controller, and Butte County Treasury for the receipt and distribution of funds.

A key annual task is the "Unmet Transit Needs" finding process, as required under PUC Section 99401.5. BCAG conducts this process with assistance from the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC). The process includes public outreach for comments/testimony and a public hearing before the BCAG Board of Directors. Staff reviews the comments and makes a recommendation. SSTAC analyzes the testimony, determines if requests are "reasonable to meet," and makes its recommendation to the BCAG Board. The Board then makes an annual unmet transit needs finding.

BCAG also oversees the annual fiscal audits of TDA funds received by claimants, conducted by an independent auditor, and ensures the resolution of any audit findings.

Previous Work:
BCAG has administered LTF since 1978. Triennial Performance Audits for public transit systems were completed in FY 2024/25 (May 2025). Annual fiscal audits for FY 2024/25 will be completed by February 2026. The Unmet Transit Needs Assessment for FY 2025/26 will be completed by February 2025.

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-300	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	✓
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	
8) Data in Transportation	✓

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TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Liaise with Butte County Auditor-Controller, Caltrans, and the State Controller's Office.	Documentation of communications and coordination with stakeholders	Monthly/Quarterly
Monitor and report the expenditure of SGR funding against eligible TDA projects.	Submission of SGR Projects Lists and expenditure reports for SGR funding.	Bi-annual
Develop Findings of Apportionment for LTF and STA and present for adoption by the BCAG Board.	Findings of Apportionment and claims, Board presentation materials.	Annual (May 2026)
Review statutes, rules, regulations, and pending legislation related to transit and transit funding.	Summary of reviewed statutes, regulations, and proposed changes with recommendations.	Ongoing
Solicit public comments and hold a hearing on unmet transit needs, focusing on underrepresented groups.	Public comments and testimony summary, public hearing minutes, outreach documentation.	Bi-annual
Analyze and assess 2025/26 unmet transit needs based on public comments and the hearing, review with SSTAC and prepare UTN Report for Board.	2025/26 Unmet transit needs (UTN) analysis report based on public input.	Annual (February 2026)
Prepare agendas and minutes for SSTAC meetings.	Agendas and minutes for SSTAC meetings.	Annual/As Needed
Review LTF and STA claims submitted by claimants, providing technical assistance on BCAG claim forms, compliance with LTF/STA rules, and consistency with the 2024 RTP/SCS.	Claim review reports and feedback on claim form compliance and complete streets alignment.	Annual

Prepare required audits and resolve findings for BCAG and all member jurisdictions under the TDA.	Completed TDA audit reports for BCAG and member jurisdictions.	(Annual) February 2026
Provide oversight of LTF and STA audits.	Audit oversight reports and any corrective action plans.	Annual

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STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Programming Director	1.0
Human Resources Director	0.5
Transportation Analyst - Proctor	0.5
Chief Fiscal Officer	1.0
TOTAL	**3.0**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
TDA Administration	$115,033	Personnel	$44,725
		Consultant	28,000
		Indirect Costs	42,308
TOTAL	**$115,033**	**TOTAL**	**$115,033**

26-301 - TRANSIT SYSTEMS PLANNING & COORDINATION

Objective: To coordinate and manage planning and operational activities for Butte Regional Transit and other regional TDA claimants.

Description:
These activities are eligible for funding under the Transportation Development Act (TDA) of 1971, Section 420.113 of 23 U.S.C. Chapter 1, Subchapter E, Part 420, Part A – Administration of FHWA Planning and Research Funds, FTA 5303 *Metropolitan & Statewide Planning and Non-Metropolitan Transportation Planning and the State Planning, Programming & Monitoring (PPM) part of the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and the Transit and Intercity Rail and Capital Improvement Program (TIRCIP)*

As the owner and operator of Butte Regional Transit (B-Line), BCAG will work with staff on policy and planning issues concerning public transit. A Transit Administrative Oversight Committee was formed to address policy and planning issues concerning Butte Regional Transit. This committee includes representatives from the cities, town, and county. In FY 2025/26, staff will continue working with this committee on ongoing planning and policy issues.

Since FY 2012/13, BCAG has supported the development of HelpCentral.Org, a centralized Human Services/Public Transportation website aimed at improving regional mobility. In FY 2018/19, BCAG leased office space to HelpCentral.Org and continues coordinating efforts to provide accurate transit information to the public.

BCAG will continue to work with local jurisdictions, social service agencies, non-profits, and the public on transit planning. as identified in the Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan, that was recently updated to reflect current practices, trends, data and the inclusion of new technologies being deployed and implemented The Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) was expanded to take on a broader role in transit planning and serves as a regional advisory body for BCAG staff and the Board of Directors. In addition to coordinating the annual unmet transit needs process, the SSTAC provides input on transit issues.

In FY 2020/21, BCAG used FTA 5307 funds to prepare the Butte Regional Transit Routing Optimization Study. The study identified improvements to ridership, alternative routing options, and innovative solutions using existing resources. Implementation of recommendations from the study during the previous fiscal year, including the deployment of software for microtransit, non-emergency medical transportation, paratransit trip scheduling and dispatching, on-demand services, and modifications to routes and stops will be updated as needed with deployments of additional services. Coordination with out-of-region agencies for additional regional and intercity services. Development of a daily Chico – Sacramento service is under development with an expected launch date in the Fall of 2026. In January of 2026, a consultant was added to the existing B-Line marketing study to accomplish a more extensive analysis of the fixed route system in Chico and Oroville to address declining ridership and increase system efficiency and performance.

In FY 2021/22, BCAG contracted with AMMA Transit Planning to prepare the Butte County Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) Study. The study identified the scope of NEMT needs, service models, and developed an action plan. In FY 2024/25, BCAG began assessing operating and capital needs for implementing NEMT services using the new Tripspark/Novus software platform, and staff will continue evaluating demand and implementation strategies.

BCAG recently updated its mobile ticketing software to include new validation devices on its fleet. With more payment options available to customers, this improvement allows B-Line to take steps towards removing cash collection on-board the buses and prepare for possible future coordination with the California Integrated Travel Project (Cal-TIP).

In FY 2024/25, BCAG hired a consultant to develop the B-Line Marketing Plan, focusing on new services such as microtransit, NEMT, and zero-emission vehicles and has been expanded to support the launch of the planned Chico to Sacramento Service . Marketing efforts are supported through the Caltrans Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP).

BCAG initially developed a Coordinated Public Transit–Human Services Transportation Plan in response to federal legislation (SAFETEA-LU) in FY 2007/08. In FY 2024/25, BCAG updated the plan to reflect current practices, trends, and new technologies. In FY 2025/26, BCAG will do a comprehensive update to the plan and integrate it with the Transit and Non-Motorized Plan to create a comprehensive document addressing short-, mid-, and long-term goals for public transit and multimodal transportation in Butte County.

BCAG recently completed upgrades to more than 30 B-Line shelters and pole stops throughout the county. BCAG received a grant from the Caltrans State of Good Repair Program that enables these types of improvements to shelters, stops, and transit centers to repair the system and continue with these improvements through the 2025/26 FY.

Previous Work:

- Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan (updated for 2025)
- Short-Range Transit Plans (1998/99)
- Countywide Transit Consolidation Study Report (2000/2001)
- Startup of Butte Regional Transit (July 2005)
- Market-Based Transit Study (2010/11)
- Routing Optimization Study (final documents 2022/23)
- NEMT Operating and Capital Analysis (2024/25)
- B-Line Marketing Plan 2024/25; Novus/Rides on Demand software deployment 2024/25.

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-301	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

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TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Review/update/adjust routes, schedules using AVL/GPS data, driver feedback, and public input; coordinate changes with contractor, BCAG Board and public (BCAG Staff).	Updated routes and schedules; public outreach and communication materials.	Ongoing
Monitor and evaluate the performance and budget of Butte Regional Transit with the TAOC (BCAG Staff).	Transit performance documentation; meeting agenda and summary.	Annual
Organize public workshops to educate riders on B-Line services, including Fixed Route, Paratransit, Microtransit, and NEMT; focus on underserved communities (BCAG Staff).	Workshop presentations, materials, and attendance records.	Biannual
Plan and facilitate the annual budget meeting for the regional transit system (BCAG Staff).	Annual budget	March 2026
Track and assess available funding sources for transit initiatives (BCAG Staff).	Funding source database/tracking;	Ongoing
Oversee and prepare funding applications for FTA and Caltrans programs, including project programming (BCAG Staff).	Completed and submitted funding applications; approved programs of projects.	Biannual
Coordinate with Butte OEM, EOC Logistics, and CalOES to align with the Butte County Emergency Management Plan (BCAG Staff).	Emergency coordination plans; documented activities, agreements.	As requested/Agreement Term
Implement B-Line Marketing Plan, route adjustments, stop upgrades and Fixed Route analysis for Chico and Oroville (BCAG Staff/Consultant)	Implementation reports; upgraded routes, revised stop infrastructure and draft extended route study for Oroville and Paradise.	Ongoing
Continue coordinating and adjusting Microtransit and Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (BCAG Staff/Consultant).	Microtransit and NEMT operational updates; service adjustments summary.	Ongoing
Continue updating and integrating key planning	Consolidated Coordinated Public Transit–Human Services	Ongoing

documents into a single, comprehensive document (BCAG Staff).	Transportation Plan, regional transit and multimodal transportation planning document.	
Continue deployment of mobile ticketing and on-demand software to enhance rider convenience and expand services (BCAG Staff).	Fully operational mobile ticketing platform and expanded on-demand services.	Ongoing
Develop regional/intercity service and marketing plan between Chico and Sacramento	Service and Marketing Plan for Chico to Sacramento	June 2026
Begin assessment of a plan for a multimodal hub project in Butte County to integrate various modes of transportation locally and inter-regionally. (BCAG Staff – TIRCP)	Concept plan and feasibility study for multimodal hub project.	June 2026

STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Executive Director	2.0
Transportation Analyst - Proctor	3.0
Transportation Grants Manager	3.5
Planning Manager	2.5
Project Manager	1.0
Transportation Analyst - White	2.5
TOTAL	**14.5**

26-301 REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FHWA PL	$238,506	Personnel	$212,481
24/25 FHWA PL CARRYOVER	12,877	Consultant- B-line Marketing	135,139
FTA 5303	19,486	Consultants- Chico to Sac	95,471
24/25 FTA 5303 Carryover	5,000	Consultant- Routing Study	279,182
LTF Local Match	62,770	Indirect Costs	200,986
CRRSAA	476,509		
FFY 2024 5307 Planning	108,111		
TOTAL	**$923,259**	**TOTAL**	**$923,259**

26-302 - BUTTE REGIONAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION & OPERATIONS

Objective:
To provide administrative oversight, serve as the policy-making board, and ensure safe, efficient, and cost-effective public transit services that enhance mobility and quality of life for Butte County residents. These tasks and services are funded under the Transportation Development Act (TDA) of 1971.

Description:
Since FY 2005/06, BCAG has served as the administrative staff and policy-making body for Butte Regional Transit, also known as the "B-Line." The B-Line offers public transit services connecting urban and rural areas throughout the county and provides paratransit services in urban areas. This work element reflects BCAG staff time dedicated to B-Line operations. The FY 2025/26 Butte Regional Service Plan & Budget is documented separately from this OWP.

Previous Work:
In FY 2001/02, BCAG assumed day-to-day planning responsibilities for the region's public transit systems, previously operated by local municipalities (Butte County Transit, Chico Area Transit, Chico Clipper, Oroville Area Transit, Oroville Express, and Paradise Express). In December 2004, the Joint Powers Agreement was amended, granting BCAG policy-making authority over the consolidated transit service. B-Line services commenced on July 5, 2005.

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-302		
1)	Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
2)	Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3)	Complete Streets	
4)	Public Involvement	✓
5)	Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	
6)	Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	
7)	Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8)	Data in Transportation	✓

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TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Supervise contractor on day-to-day administrative issues for B-Line service	Compliance Reports and Contractor Performance Evaluations	Daily/Monthly
Monthly meetings with Transdev operations, safety, maintenance, and Human Resources staff	Meeting Minutes and Action Plans	Monthly
Work with cities, town, and county on transit operational issues	Resolved Operational Issues and Collaboration/Documentation	Ongoing
Implement budget, Service Plan, invoicing, and reporting requirements for transit operations	Approved Budgets, Service Plan Updates, and Financial Reports	Ongoing
Monitor contract and data requirements with Chico State University	Compliance Reports and Data Sharing Agreements	Ongoing
Meet with BCAG Board of Directors on policy items	Policy Recommendations and Board Meeting Summaries	Monthly
Coordinate with Butte EOC Logistics Team	Emergency Response Plans and Coordination Records	As Needed
Monitor, plan, and budget replacement of transit revenue fleet vehicles	Fleet Replacement Plans and Budget Proposals	Quarterly/Annually
Coordinate with local, State, and Federal agencies and stakeholders to promote public transi	Stakeholder Engagement Reports and Public Outreach Materials	Quarterly
Customer service and ticket sales	Customer Feedback Records and Ticket Sales Reports	Ongoing

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STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Accounting Clerk	1.5
Executive Director	2.0
Human Resource Director	1.5
Administrative Assistant	4.0
Transportation Grants Manager	5.5
Project Manager	2.0
Transportation Analyst - Proctor	6.0
Transportation Analyst - White	4.5
Chief Fiscal Officer	0.5
TOTAL	**27.5**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Butte Regional Transit	$535,000	Personnel	$308,722
LTF Local	65,754	Indirect Costs	292,032
TOTAL	**$600,754**	**TOTAL**	**$600,754**

26-303-AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Objective:: Administration and implementation of the eligibility and certification process for individuals wishing to utilize B-Line ADA Paratransit or Dial-a-Ride services. These tasks and services are funded under the Transportation Development Act (TDA) of 1971.

Description: The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires that B-Line provide complementary paratransit service to individuals that are unable to utilize the fixed route bus system. B-Line provides this service to disabled and senior citizens within a three-quarter mile boundary of the fixed route bus system in Chico, Oroville and Paradise. The Federal Transit Administration has outlined specific eligibility rules and requirements for this paratransit service.

Previous Work::
BCAG has been administering an eligibility process in-house since the 2010/11 FY to meet these requirements. BCAG will continue to implement the program during FY 2025/26 to ensure federal requirements are being met while also providing a high level of customer service.

2021 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-303	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	
8) Data in Transportation	✓

TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Prepare and distribute ADA Paratransit applications	ADA Paratransit Applications	Ongoing
Evaluate applications and make eligibility determinations	Eligibility Determination Records	Ongoing
Maintain electronic database of eligible riders that coordinates with contractor software	Updated Rider Database & Integrate with Scheduling Software	Ongoing
Enforce Paratransit policies	Suspension Notices and Appeal Outcome Reports	Ongoing
Send correspondence to riders	Rider Communication Logs and Copies of Correspondence	Ongoing
Review statutes, rules and regulations, and pending legislation	Regulatory Compliance Reports and Legislative Updates	Quarterly

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STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Human Resources Director	0.5
Administrative Assistant	2.0
Transportation Analyst - White	1.0
TOTAL	**3.5**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Butte Regional Transit	$35,000	Personnel	$29,525
LTF Local	22,453	Indirect Costs	27,928
TOTAL	**$57,453**	**TOTAL**	**$57,453**

26-308 - B-LINE ZERO EMISSION BUS ROLLOUT

Objective:
To implement a phased Zero-Emission Bus Rollout Implementation and Operations Plan for the Butte Regional Transit System, ensuring compliance with the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Innovative Clean Transit (ICT) regulations adopted in August 2023. Tasks and resources under this work element are funded through *FTA 5303, State Planning, Programming & Monitoring (PPM) under the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), and the Zero Emissions Transit Capital Program (ZETCP)*.

Description:
The CARB ICT regulation aims to reduce emissions from the transportation sector, which contributes 40% of California's greenhouse gas emissions and 80–90% of smog-forming pollutants. Transitioning to zero-emission technologies is critical for meeting the state's climate and air quality goals. From 2020 to 2050, the regulation is expected to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 19 million metric tons—equivalent to removing 4 million cars from the road—and significantly lower tailpipe emissions.
California's 200 public transit agencies play a pivotal role in this transition, with many already utilizing battery-electric and hydrogen fuel cell buses, particularly in urban centers where pollution and noise are more acute. These zero-emission buses are especially effective in stop-and-go traffic, where conventional engines waste fuel idling.

In FY 2025/26, BCAG will focus on:

- Continuing research into zero-emission bus technologies and energy/battery storage solutions.
- Completing the installation and commissioning of electric bus charging and hydrogen fueling infrastructure at the BROC facility.
- Identifying funding opportunities for further implementation of fueling, charging and energy/battery storage
- Engaging with PG&E to support the transition as needed.

Additionally, BCAG has five battery-electric buses on order, with delivery expected in 2025. Funding for hydrogen fueling infrastructure design and planning was requested in December 2023 under the ZETCP program.

Previous Work:
In August 2023, BCAG completed its Zero-Emission Bus Fleet Transition Plan, outlining the roadmap for achieving a zero-emission fleet by 2040. The plan addresses challenges related to electric service, hydrogen supply, charging systems, routing, scheduling, and maintenance. Progress to date includes:

- Substantial completion of underground electric infrastructure.
- Development of bid specifications for a mobile hydrogen fueling station.
- Guidance for implementing zero-emission technologies across the B-Line fleet.

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2022 PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS ADDRESSED IN WORK ELEMENT 26-308	
1) Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to Clean Energy, Resilient Future	✓
2) Equity and Justice40 in Transportation	✓
3) Complete Streets	
4) Public Involvement	✓
5) Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET)/ US DOD Coordination	
6) Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) Coordination	
7) Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL)	✓
8) Data in Transportation	✓

TASKS	PRODUCTS	SCHEDULE
Evaluate and implement zero-emission bus manufacturers and charging/fueling and energy/battery storage infrastructure needs; develop specifications	Bus and Charging/Fueling/energy storage system specifications/ documentation	Quarterly
Refine and update bus replacement schedule for transition to zero-emission buses	Updated Zero-Emission Bus Replacement Schedule	Quarterly
Identify funding programs for bus and charging/fueling and energy/battery storage infrastructure solutions/acquisition	Funding Applications and Grant Proposals	Quarterly
Attend ZEB workshops and site visits	Workshop Summaries and Implementation Insights	As Needed
Coordinate with partnering agencies on ZEB capital and operating needs	Coordination Reports and Capital/Operating Plans	As Needed
Continue coordination with contractors and vendors electric and hydrogen infrastructure	Progress Reports on Infrastructure Development	As Needed
Purchase zero-emission buses, charging equipment, and facility upgrades/equipment	Acquisition Records and Deployment Documentation	Annually

WE 26-308

STAFFING	PERSON MONTHS
Executive Director	2.5
Transportation Grants Manager	0.5
Project Manager	2.0
Facilities Manager	1.0
TOTAL	**6.0**

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
FTA 5303	$70,937	Personnel	$108,739
24/25 FTA 5303 Carryover	14,063	Consultant	250,000
LTF Local Match	11,013	Indirect Costs	102,860
ZETCP	250,000		
CRRSAA	55,586		
PPM	60,000		
TOTAL	**$461,599**	**TOTAL**	**$461,599**

Chapter 4- APPENDICES

Transportation Advisory Committee
Social Services Transportation Advisory Council
Transit Administrative Oversight Committee
2020 U.S. Census Chico Urbanized Area Map
MPO Planning Area Boundary Map
Certifications and Assurances
Federal Transit Administration (FTA) FY 2023 Triennial Review Report (FY 2019.2020 – FY 2021/2022)
Public Participation Plan (Separate Document)

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Linda Cartier – *Citizen – Chico transit user who is 60 years of age or older and is disabled*

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Seth Klobodu – CSU Chico – *At large appointment*

Larry Pohlad – *Citizen – Chico - transit user who is 60 years of age or older and is disabled*

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Judy Barclay – *Citizen – Chico - transit user who is disabled*

Mercedes Macias - *Citizen – Chico At large appointment*

Lymarie Gonzalez - *Citizen – Chico At large appointment*

George Deeds - *Citizen – Chico At large appointment*

Mellisa Orsie-Wilson – Citizen Biggs *At large appointment*

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Corey Busta – LIFT Assist - representatives from the local consolidated transportation service agency

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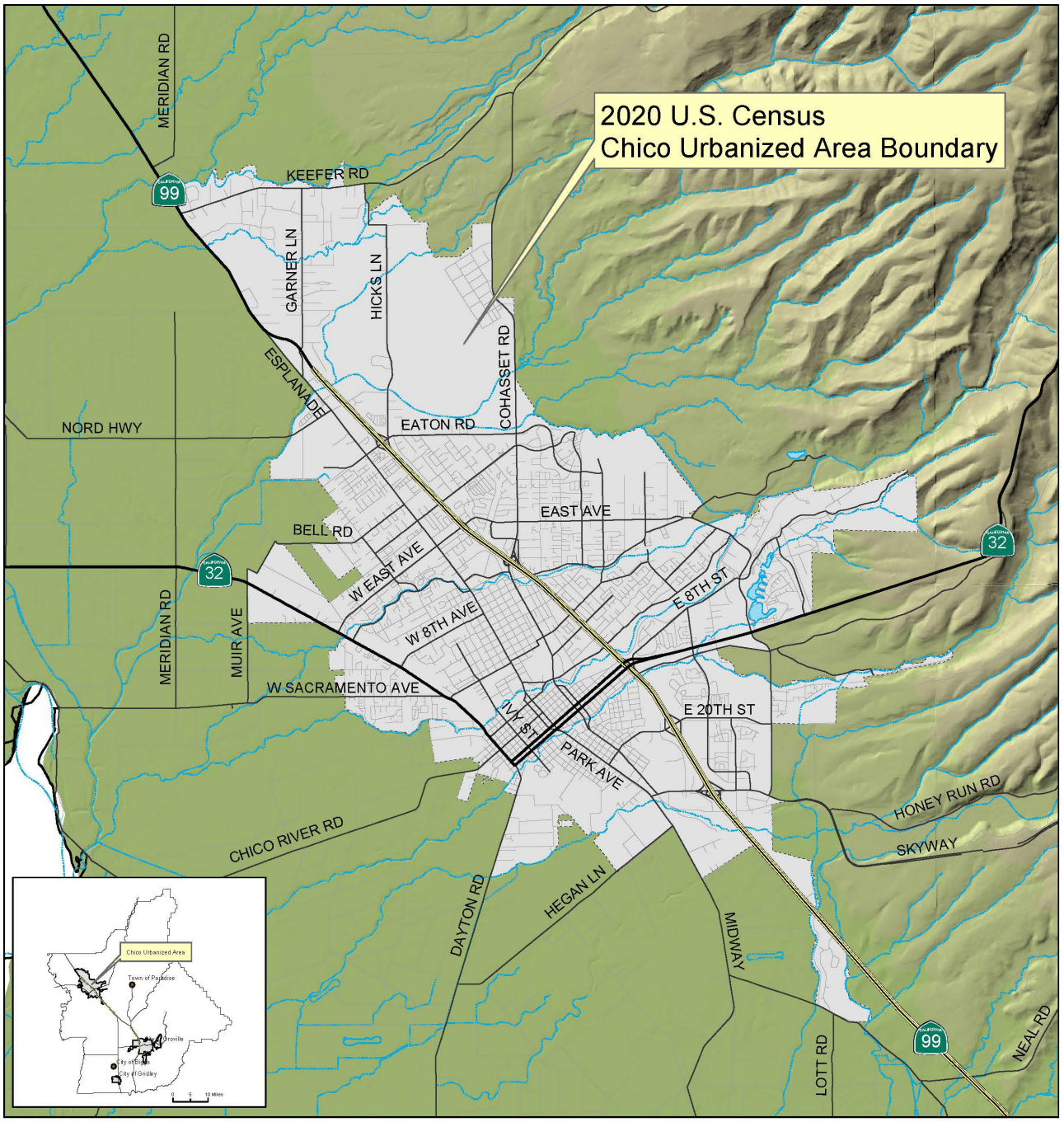
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Chico Urbanized Area Boundary
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KEEFER RD
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GARNER LN
HICKS LN
COHASSET RD
ESPLANADE
NORD HWY
EATON RD
EAST AVE
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PARK AVE
HONEY RUN RD
SKYWAY
CHICO RIVER RD
DAYTON RD
HEGAN LN
MIDWAY
LOTT RD
NEAL RD
Chico Urbanized Area
Town of Paradise
Oroville
City of Biggs
City of Gridley
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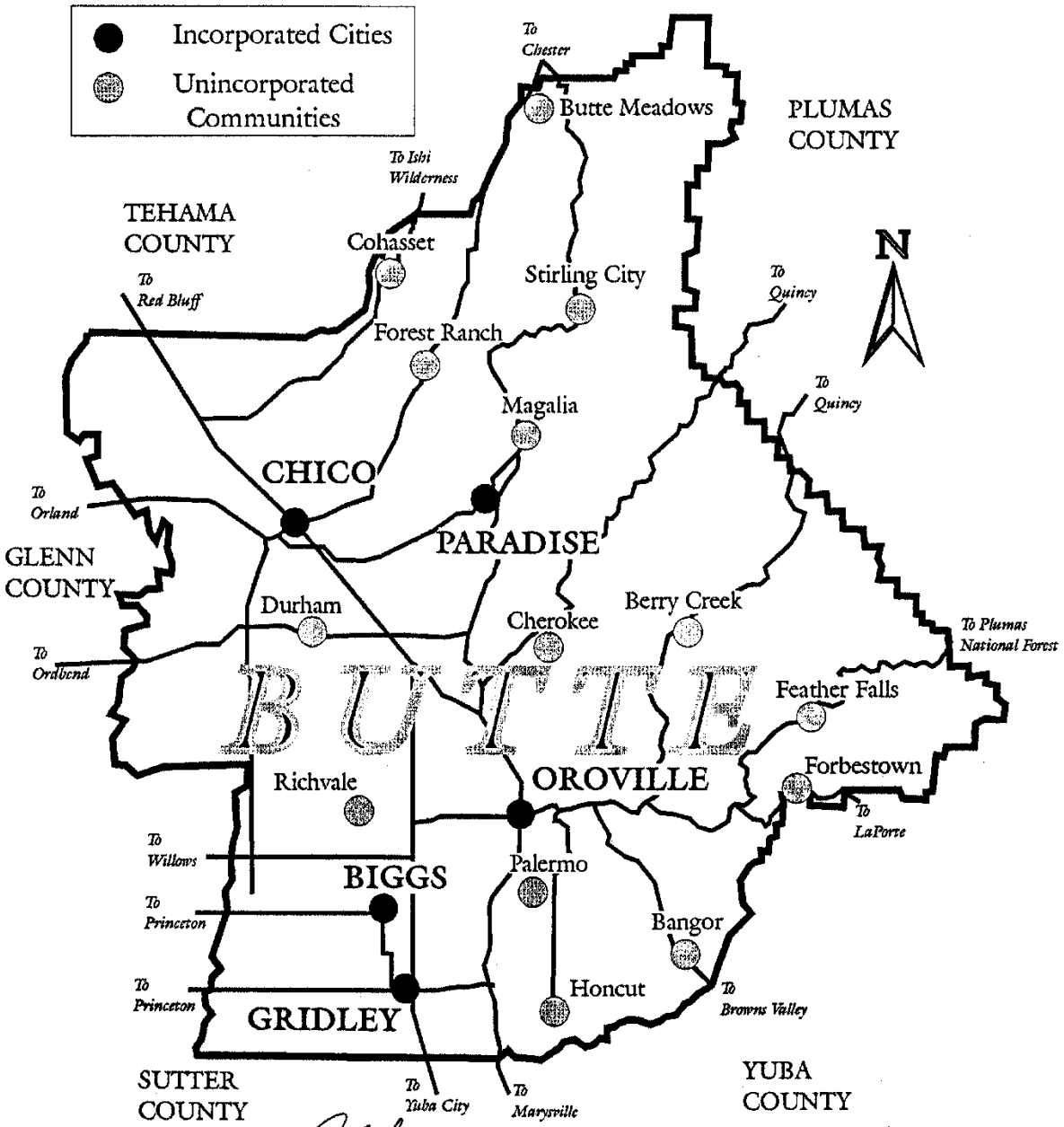
MPO PLANNING AREA BOUNDARY



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Dean R. Dunphy, Secretary
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