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Regional Transportation Plan Checklist for MPOs (Revised September 2023)

Name of MPO: Butte County Association of Governments

Date Draft RTP Completed: September 16, 2024

RTP Adoption Date: December 12, 2024

What is the Certification Date of the Environmental Document (ED)? December 12, 2024

Is the ED located in the RTP or is it a separate document? Appendix 12 of the 2024 RTP/SCS

By completing this checklist, the MPO verifies the RTP addresses all of the following required information within the RTP, where applicable.

Regional Transportation Plan Contents

General

	Yes/No/ N/A	Page #
1. Does the RTP address no less than a 20-year planning horizon? (23 CFR 450.324(a))	Yes	ES-1
2. Does the RTP include both long-range and short-range strategies/actions? (23 CFR 450.324(b))	Yes	Chapter 2
3. Does the RTP address issues specified in the policy, action and financial elements identified in California Government Code Section 65080?	Yes	Chapters 2, 3, 5, 6
4. Does the RTP address the 10 issues specified in the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) component as identified in Government Code Sections 65080(b)(2)(B) and 65584.04(i)(1)?	Yes	Chapter 4
a. Identify the general location of uses, residential densities, and building intensities within the region?	Yes	Chapter 4, Section 4.5

b. Identify areas within the region sufficient to house all the population of the region, including all economic segments of the population over the course of the planning period of the regional transportation plan taking into account net migration into the region, population growth, household formation and employment growth?	Yes	Chapter 4, Section 4.3, 4.5, Appendix 6, 7
c. Identify areas within the region sufficient to house an eight-year projection of the regional housing need for the region pursuant to Government Code Section 65584?	Yes	Appendix 6, 7
d. Identify a transportation network to service the transportation needs of the region?	Yes	Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Appendix 8,
e. Gather and consider the best practically available scientific information regarding resource areas and farmland in the region as defined in subdivisions (a) and (b) of Government Code Section 65080.01?	Yes	Appendix 12
f. Consider the state housing goals specified in Sections 65580 and 65581?	Yes	Chapter 4, Section 4.3, Appendix 6, 7
g. Utilize the most recent planning assumptions, considering local general plans and other factors?	Yes	Chapter 4, Section 4.3, Appendix 6, 7, 8
h. Set forth a forecasted development pattern for the region, which, when integrated with the transportation network, and other transportation measures and policies, will reduce the greenhouse gas emissions from automobiles and light trucks to achieve, if there is a feasible way to do so, the greenhouse gas emission reduction targets approved by CARB?	Yes	Chapter 4, Section 4.5
i. Provide consistency between the development pattern and allocation of housing units within the region (Government Code 65584.04(i)(1))?	Yes	Chapter 4, Section 4.5, Appendix 7
j. Allow the regional transportation plan to comply with Section 176 of the federal Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Section 7506)?	Yes	Appendix 1
5. Does the RTP include Project Intent i.e. Plan Level Purpose and Need Statements?	Yes	Chapter 5, Section 5.2

6.	Does the RTP specify how travel demand modeling methodology, results and key assumptions were developed as part of the RTP process? (Government Code 14522.2)	Yes	Appendix 1
7.	Does the RTP contain a System Performance Report? (23 CFR 450.324 (f))		
	a. Does the report include a description of the performance measures and performance targets used in assessing the performance of the transportation system?	Yes	Appendix 10
	b. Does the report show the progress towards achieving performance targets in comparison with the performance in previous reports?	Yes	Appendix 10
	c. For MPOs that voluntarily elect to develop multiple scenarios, does the report include an evaluation of how the preferred scenario has improved conditions and performance, where applicable?	Yes	Appendix 10
	d. Does the report include an evaluation of how local policies and investments have impacted costs necessary to achieve progress toward identified performance targets, where applicable?	Yes	Appendix 10

Consultation/Cooperation

		Yes/No/ N/A	Page #
1.	Does the RTP contain a public involvement program that meets the requirements of Title 23, CFR 450.316(a)?	Yes	Appendix 3
	(i) Providing adequate public notice of public participation activities and time for public review and comment at key decision points, including a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed metropolitan transportation plan and the TIP;	Yes	Appendix 3
	(ii) Providing timely notice and reasonable access to information about transportation issues and processes;	Yes	Appendix 3
	(iii) Employing visualization techniques to describe metropolitan transportation plans and TIPs;	Yes	Appendix 3
	(iv) Making public information (technical information and meeting notices) available in electronically accessible formats and means, such as the World Wide Web;	Yes	Appendix 3
	(v) Holding any public meetings at convenient and accessible locations and times;	Yes	Appendix 3
	(vi) Demonstrating explicit consideration and response to public input received during the development of the metropolitan transportation plan and the TIP;	Yes	Appendix 3
	(vii) Seeking out and considering the needs of those traditionally underserved by existing transportation systems, such as low-income and minority households, who may face challenges accessing employment and other services;	Yes	Appendix 3
	(viii) Providing an additional opportunity for public comment, if the final metropolitan transportation plan or TIP differs significantly from the version that was made available for public comment by the MPO and raises new material issues that interested	Yes	Appendix 3

	parties could not reasonably have foreseen from the public involvement efforts;		
(ix)	Coordinating with the statewide transportation planning public involvement and consultation processes under subpart B of this part; and	Yes	Appendix 3
(x)	Periodically reviewing the effectiveness of the procedures and strategies contained in the participation plan to ensure a full and open participation process.	Yes	Appendix 3
2.	Does the RTP contain a summary, analysis, and report on the disposition of significant written and oral comments received on the draft regional transportation plan as part of the final regional transportation plan and TIP that meets the requirements of 23 CFR 450.316(a)(2), as applicable?		To be included after public comment period
3.	Did the MPO/RTPA consult with the appropriate State and local representatives including representatives from environmental and economic communities; airport; transit; freight during the preparation of the RTP? (23 CFR 450.316(b))	Yes	Appendix 3
		Yes/No/N/A	Page #
4.	Did the MPO/RTPA who has federal lands within its jurisdictional boundary involve the federal land management agencies during the preparation of the RTP? (23 CFR 450.316(d))	Yes	Appendix 3
5.	Where does the RTP specify that the appropriate State and local agencies responsible for land use, natural resources, environmental protection, conservation and historic preservation consulted? (23 CFR 450.324(g))	Yes	Appendix 3
6.	Did the RTP include a comparison with the California State Wildlife Action Plan and (if available) inventories of natural and historic resources? (23 CFR 450.324(g)(1&2))	Yes	Appendix 3, SEIR
7.	Did the MPO/RTPA who has a federally recognized Native American Tribal Government(s) and/or historical and sacred sites or subsistence resources of these Tribal Governments within its jurisdictional boundary address tribal concerns in the RTP and develop the RTP in consultation with the Tribal Government(s)? (23 CFR 450.316(c))	Yes	Appendix 3
8.	Does the RTP address how the public and various specified groups were given a reasonable opportunity to comment on the plan using the participation plan developed under 23 CFR part 450.316(a)? (23 CFR 450.316(a)(i))	Yes	Appendix 3

9.	Does the RTP contain a discussion describing the private sector involvement efforts that were used during the development of the plan? (23 CFR 450.316(a))	Yes	Appendix 3
10.	Does the RTP contain a discussion describing the coordination efforts with regional air quality planning authorities? (23 CFR 450.316(a)(2)) (MPO nonattainment and maintenance areas only)	Yes	Appendix 1
11.	Is the RTP coordinated and consistent with the Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan? (23 CFR 450.306(h))	Yes	Chapter 2, Section 2.1
12.	Were the draft and adopted RTP posted on the Internet? (23 CFR 450.324(k))	Yes	Appendix 3
13.	Did the RTP explain how consultation occurred with locally elected officials? (Government Code 65080(D))	Yes	Appendix 3
14.	Did the RTP outline the public participation process for the sustainable communities strategy? (Government Code 65080(E))	Yes	Appendix 3
15.	Was the RTP adopted on the estimated date provided in writing to State Department of Housing and Community Development to determine the Regional Housing Need Allocation and planning period (start and end date) and align the local government housing element planning period (start and end date) and housing element adoption due date 18 months from RTP adoption date? (Government Code 65588(e)(5))	Yes	Schedule d adoption Dec 12, 2024

Title VI and Environmental Justice

1.	Does the public participation plan describe how the MPO will seek out and consider the needs of those traditionally underserved by existing transportation system, such as low-income and minority households, who may face challenges accessing employment and other services? (23 CFR 450.316 (a)(1)(vii))	Yes	Appendix 3
2.	Has the MPO conducted a Title VI analysis that meets the legal requirements described in Section 4.2?	Yes	Chapter 5, Appendix 3, 5
3.	Has the MPO conducted an Environmental Justice analysis that meets the legal requirements described in Section 4.2?	Yes	Chapter 5, Appendix 3, 5

Modal Discussion

1. Does the RTP discuss intermodal and connectivity issues?
2. Does the RTP include a discussion of highways?
3. Does the RTP include a discussion of mass transportation?
4. Does the RTP include a discussion of the regional airport system?
5. Does the RTP include a discussion of regional pedestrian needs?
6. Does the RTP include a discussion of regional bicycle needs?
7. Does the RTP address the California Coastal Trail? (Government Code 65080.1) (For MPOs located along the coast only)
8. Does the RTP include a discussion of rail transportation?
9. Does the RTP include a discussion of maritime transportation (if appropriate)?
10. Does the RTP include a discussion of goods movement?

Yes/No/ N/A	Page #
Yes	Chapter 2, Section 2.3
Yes	Chapter 2, Section 2.1
N/A	
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Programming/Operations

1. Is the RTP consistent (to the maximum extent practicable) with the development of the regional ITS architecture? (23 CFR 450.306(g))
2. Does the RTP identify the objective criteria used for measuring the performance of the transportation system?
3. Does the RTP contain a list of un-constrained projects?

Yes/No/ N/A	Page #
Yes	Chapter 2, Section 2.1
Yes	Appendix 10
Yes	Appendix 13
Yes/No/ N/A	Page #

Financial

1.	Does the RTP include a financial plan that meets the requirements identified in 23 CFR part 450.324(f)(11)?	Yes	Chapter 6
2.	Does the RTP contain a consistency statement between the first 4 years of the fund estimate and the 4-year STIP fund estimate? (65080(b)(4)(A))	Yes	Chapter 6, Section 6.2
3.	Do the projected revenues in the RTP reflect Fiscal Constraint? (23 CFR part 450.324(f)(11)(ii))	Yes	Chapter 6, Section 6.1, Section 6.4
4.	Does the RTP contain a list of financially constrained projects? Any regionally significant projects should be identified. (Government Code 65080(4)(A))	Yes	Appendix 13
5.	Do the cost estimates for implementing the projects identified in the RTP reflect "year of expenditure dollars" to reflect inflation rates? (23 CFR part 450.324(f)(11)(iv))	Yes	Chapter 6, Section 6.1
6.	After 12/11/07, does the RTP contain estimates of costs and revenue sources that are reasonably expected to be available to operate and maintain the freeways, highway and transit within the region? (23 CFR 450.324(f)(11)(i))	Yes	Chapter 6, Section 6.1
7.	Does the RTP contain a statement regarding consistency between the projects in the RTP and the ITIP? (2016 STIP Guidelines Section 33)	Yes	Chapter 3, Chapter 6, Section 6.2
8.	Does the RTP contain a statement regarding consistency between the projects in the RTP and the RTIP? (2016 STIP Guidelines Section 19)	Yes	Chapter 6, Section 6.2
9.	Does the RTP address the specific financial strategies required to ensure the identified TCMs from the SIP can be implemented? (23 CFR part 450.324(f)(11)(vi) (nonattainment and maintenance MPOs only)	N/A	TCMs are not required in Butte County
<u>Environmental</u>		Yes/No/ N/A	Page #
1.	Did the MPO/RTPA prepare an EIR or a program EIR for the RTP in accordance with CEQA guidelines?	Yes	Appendix 12

2.	Does the RTP contain a list of projects specifically identified as TCMs, if applicable?	N/A	TCMs are not required in Butte County
3.	Does the RTP contain a discussion of SIP conformity, if applicable?	Yes	Appendix 1
4.	Does the RTP specify mitigation activities? (23 CFR part 450.324(f)(10))	Yes	Appendix 12
5.	Where does the EIR address mitigation activities?	Yes	Table ES-1 (pages ES-4 through ES-25)
6.	Did the MPO/RTPA prepare a Negative Declaration or a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the RTP in accordance with CEQA guidelines?	NO	
7.	Does the RTP specify the TCMs to be implemented in the region? (federal nonattainment and maintenance areas only)	N/A	

I have reviewed the above information and certify that it is correct and complete.



(Must be signed by MPO Executive Director or designated representative)

September 16, 2024

Date

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Consultation with Local Agency Formation Commission

In developing the Sustainable Communities Strategy, BCAG considered the spheres of influence for cities and special districts that have been adopted by the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). Proposed sphere changes included in any general plan updates were also considered in the development of the SCS. A sphere of influence is defined as a plan for the probable physical boundaries and service area of a local government agency, as determined by LAFCO. All territory proposed for annexation to an incorporated city, or a special district, is required to be included in an agency's sphere of influence. For the purposes of developing the SCS, only special districts which provide essential municipal services such as domestic water, sewage collection and treatment, and structural fire protection were reviewed in relationship to future development potential within the Butte County region. Butte LAFCO has provided mapping and service data to BCAG as necessary and indicated a need to ensure that new areas proposed for potential development be consistent with the spheres of influence and jurisdictional boundaries of each agency providing municipal services.

Butte LAFCO is responsible for implementing the State Legislature's directives to promote orderly growth and development by coordinating the jurisdictional boundaries and services provided by the cities and other public service providers in the county. It is essential that LAFCO objectives be blended with the overall development of regional priorities established in the SCS. These include accommodating growth within or through the expansion of local agency boundaries, extending necessary government services when/where appropriate, preserving open space and prime agricultural lands, promoting the provision of housing for residents of all incomes, and addressing environmental justice concerns among others.

LAFCO also is a representative on the BCAG Planning Directors Group (PDG), which provides coordination on regional planning efforts among member agencies. As a member of the PDG, LAFCO has been kept informed in the development of the Regional Housing Needs Plan, regional growth forecasts and the development of the 2024 RTP/SCS. The collective efforts of the PDG are key to coordinating the growth forecasts with all agencies that play an active role in approving new growth and development.