



## BCAG Board of Directors

### Agenda Item #3 – Consent

**Date:** March 27, 2025

**Subject:** APPROVED Meeting Minutes of the Butte County Association of Governments Board of Directors February 27, 2025

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

Board Member Connelly called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. at the BCAG Board Room, 326 Huss Drive, Suite 100, Chico, CA.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON**

Bill Connelly	Supervisor	District 1
Peter Durfee	Supervisor	District 2
Tami Ritter	Supervisor	District 3
Tod Kimmelshue	Supervisor	District 4
Doug Teeter	Supervisor	District 5
Doug Arnold (Arrived 9:07am)	Councilmember	City of Biggs
David Pittman	Mayor	City of Oroville
Bryce Goldstein	Councilmember	City of Chico
J Angel Calderon	Councilmember	City of Gridley
Ron Lassonde	Councilmember	Town of Paradise

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

#### **STAFF PRESENT**

Andy Newsum	Executive Director
Cheryl Massae	Human Resources Director
Amy White	Transportation Analyst
Ashley Carriere	Administrative Assistant
Ivan Garcia	Programming Director
Chris Devine	Planning Director
Victoria Proctor	Transportation Analyst
Julie Quinn	Chief Fiscal Officer
Brian Lasagna	Regional Analyst

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### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Dawson Stroud	Caltrans/ District 3 Liaison (Zoom)
Jorge Deeds	Caltrans (Zoom)
Jesse Horgan	Chico State University
Danny Foster	Citizen/Public Comment
Lance Atencio	Transdev
Gaby Montes	Transdev
Bill Smith	Transdev
Loren Weber	Citizen

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2025 Calendar Year**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

4. Approval of Minutes from the December 12,2024 BCAG Board of Directors Meeting
5. Approval of Amendment #2 to the 2024/25 Overall Work Program and Budget and Overall Work Program Agreement (OWPA)

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

### **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

#### **6: Approval of Federal Safety Performance Measures (PM1)**

BCAG Regional Analyst presented the Board with established statewide safety performance targets for calendar year 2025.

Metropolitan Planning Organizations had six months to establish their own targets or agree to plan and program projects that contribute to the state plan target. All performance and targets must be reported and revised annually.

Staff recommended that the Board agree to plan and program projects.

On motion by Board Member Ritter and seconded by Board Member Teeter the Federal Safety Performance Measures (PM1) were approved.

#### **7: Public Hearing-Discontinuation of Route 52 (Chico Airport Express)**

Transportation Analyst White requested that the Board of Directors open a public hearing regarding the discontinuation of Route 52.

The public hearing was opened and closed with no public comment during the Feb 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025, board meeting. A sixty-day public comment period was opened. BCAG received two public comments, one via e-mail and one on Facebook.

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The request to discontinue Route 52 (Chico Airport Express) is due to a lack of ridership, receiving only four to seven passengers per day.

Micro Transit will be implemented later this year and will provide service to the area being discontinued with Route 52, along with the same \$2.00 fare the fixed route provided.

On motion by Board Member Durfee and seconded by Board Member Teeter, the discontinuation of Route 52, Chico Airport Express, was approved.

### **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

#### **8: Butte Regional Transit 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2024/25 Report**

Transportation Analyst Proctor presented the Board with the Transit 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2024/25 report. Along with statistical snapshots of the four modes provided.

Ridership is currently up for both fixed route systems (Urban and Paratransit) compared to last year at this time. Whereas ridership is down in rural paratransit.

Staff continue to participate in outreach events in order to promote ridership.

This Quarter Report was during the time-period just before the fare increase that took place on January 1, 2025.

This item was presented for information purposes.

#### **9: Butte Regional Transit-System Revisions and Updates**

The BCAG Executive Director discussed several contemplated updates and revisions for B-Line. All changes are intended to address current deficiencies.

All revisions will be implemented beginning June of 2025, beginning with zero emission buses.

Other revisions will be implemented, such as bus stops, riding revisions, technology revisions, and payment revisions.

The most significant update will be with the bus stops. This means updating and repairing shelters at stops. Potentially removing unused stops and adding stops where they will be better utilized.

New marketing will also take place this year. There will be a new color scheme and new services such as micro transit.

There was public comment and in-depth discussion regarding all of these potential changes.

This item was presented for information purposes.

## **10: Federal Funding Pause Implications**

BCAG Executive Director discussed the pause that directed all federal agencies to pause spending on all grants, loans, and other federal financial assistance.

There is no indication at this point that the projects discussed and listed below will be effected. These projects will continue to move forward:

- Chico: North Esplanade Reconstruction Project (STIP)
- Paradise: Go Paradise: Skyway Link Project: (ATP/CDBG)
- Paradise: Roe Rd Extension Project Phase 1 (HUD)
- County: Lumpkin Rd Rehabilitation Project (Congressional Directed)
- County: Skyway Bridge Replacement over Butte Creek Bridge (HBRR)
- County: Cana Hwy Bridge over Pine Creek – (HBRR)
- Butte Regional Transit Funds – (FTA)

Projects that do not have funding agreements or awards may still be affected by funding freezes.

This item was presented for information purposes.

## **ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR**

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

There were no items from the floor.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further items to discuss, the BCAG Board meeting adjourned at 10:03 AM.

### **Attest:**

*Andy Newsum, Executive Director*

*Ashley Carriere, Board Clerk*

*Butte County Association of Governments*