



MEETING AGENDA

Technical Advisory Committee

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Date: May 19, 2025

Locations: Riverside County Transportation Commission
March Field Conference Room
4080 Lemon Street, 3rd Floor, Riverside, CA 92501

Council Chamber Conference Room
City of Palm Desert
73510 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert, CA 92260

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Savat Khamphou, **Chair** / Kenny Nguyen, City of Corona
John A. Corella, **Vice Chair** / Armando Baldizzone, Cathedral City
Art Vela / Nate Smith, City of Banning
Robert Vestal / Dustin Christensen, City of Beaumont
VACANT, City of Blythe
Michael Thornton / Travis Bradshaw, City of Calimesa
Albert Vergel De Dios / Sean Yeung, Caltrans District 8
Stuart McKibbin / Mike Borja, City of Canyon Lake
Andrew Simmons / Maritza Martinez, City of Coachella
Randy Bowman / Mark Lancaster, CVAG
Daniel Porras / Raul Arauz, City of Desert Hot Springs
Jimmy Chung / Yurhi Choi, City of Eastvale
Noah Rau / Jilleen Ferris, City of Hemet
Ken Seumalo / Dina Purvis, City of Indian Wells
Timothy T. Wassil / Donn Uyeno, City of Indio
Paul Toor / Manuel Gonzales, City of Jurupa Valley
Bryan McKinney / VACANT, City of La Quinta
Remon Habib / Yu Tagai, City of Lake Elsinore

Nick Fidler / Carlos Geronimo, City of Menifee
Melissa Walker / Harold Zamora, City of Moreno Valley
Bob Moehling / Jeff Hitch, City of Murrieta
Sam Nelson / Victor So, City of Norco
Martin Alvarez / VACANT, City of Palm Desert
Joel Montalvo / VACANT, City of Palm Springs
K. George Colangeli / Dale Reynolds, PVVTA
John Pourkazemi / Brad Brophy, City of Perris
Ryan Stendell / Jeff Benson, City of Rancho Mirage
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Dennis Acuna / Hector Davila, County of Riverside
Jennifer Nguyen / Mauricio Alvarez, RTA
Travis Randel / Stuart McKibbin, City of San Jacinto
Paul Mattern / Luis Garcia, SunLine
Ron Moreno / Nick Minicilli, City of Temecula
Christopher Tzeng / Cameron Brown, WRCOG
Jason Farag / Cameron Luna, City of Wildomar

STAFF

Jillian Guizado, Planning and Programming Director
Jenny Chan, Planning and Programming Manager
Martha Masters, Planning and Programming Senior Management Analyst
Edward Emery, Planning and Programming Senior Management Analyst

AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

Subject to the supervision of the Commission, the Committee shall provide technical assistance to the Commission by reviewing and evaluating the various transportation proposals and alternatives within Riverside County. The Committee shall review, comment upon, and make recommendations on such matters as are referred to it by the Commission, including all matters relating to the programming of federal funds apportioned to the Riverside County and allocated by the Commission.

RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA*

***Actions may be taken on any item listed on the agenda.**

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

DATE: May 19, 2025

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TELECONFERENCE SITE: Council Chamber Conference Room
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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MARCH 17, 2025

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4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – This is for comments on items not listed on agenda. Comments relating to an item on the agenda will be taken when the item is before the Committee.

5. ELECTION OF TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE OFFICERS

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Overview

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6. FISCAL YEAR 2025/26 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 CALL FOR PROJECTS – PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS

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This item is for the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to recommend the Commission take the following action:

- 1) Approve the funding recommendations in Attachment 1 for Fiscal Year 2025/26 Transportation Development Act, Article 3, Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities (SB 821) program funds.

7. CALTRANS DISTRICT 8 LOCAL ASSISTANCE UPDATE

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This item is to receive and file an update from Caltrans District 8 Local Assistance.

8. CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING HIGHLIGHTS: MARCH AND MAY 2025

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This item is to receive and file the March and May 2025 California Transportation Commission (CTC) meeting highlights.

9. RCTC COMMISSION MEETING HIGHLIGHTS: MARCH, APRIL, AND MAY 2025

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Overview

This item is to receive and file the March, April, and May 2025 Commission meeting highlights.

10. COMMITTEE MEMBER / STAFF REPORT

Overview

This item provides the opportunity for the committee members and staff to report on attended and upcoming meetings/conferences and issues related to committee activities.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the TAC is scheduled to be held July 21, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Monday, March 17, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was called to order by Chair Savat Khamphou at 10:00 a.m., in the March Field Conference Room at the County of Riverside Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Third Floor, Riverside, California, 92501 and at the teleconference site: Council Chamber Conference Room, City of Palm Desert, 73510 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert, California 92260.

2. ROLL CALL

Nate Smith, City of Banning
Robert Vestal, City of Beaumont
Michael Thornton, City of Calimesa
Sean Yeung, Caltrans
John A. Corella, City of Cathedral City*
Randy Bowman, Coachella Valley Association of Governments*
Savat Khamphou, City of Corona
Noah Rau, City of Hemet
Dina Purvis, City of Indian Wells*
Donn Uyeno, City of Indio*
Manuel Gonzales, City of Jurupa Valley
Bryan McKinney, City of La Quinta*
Nick Fidler, City of Menifee
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John Pourkazemi, City of Perris
Jeff Benson, City of Rancho Mirage*
Denis Acuna, Riverside County
Jennifer Nguyen, Riverside Transit Agency
Travis Randel, City of San Jacinto
Paul, Mattern, Sunline Transit Agency*
Ron Moreno, City of Temecula
Cameron Brown, Western Riverside Council of Governments
Jason Farag, City of Wildomar

*Joined the meeting at Palm Desert.

3. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 18, 2024 MINUTES

B/C/A (Randel/Walker) to approve the Minutes as submitted. There were no objections to this motion.

Abstain: 4 (Yeung, Montalvo, Pourkazemi, and Benson)

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

5. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS 2025 CALL FOR PROJECT NOMINATIONS

Jillian Guizado, RCTC staff, provided a presentation on the SCAG 2025 Call for Project Nominations. For about three decades the Commission was responsible for programming and managing federal formula funding known as Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ). These funds were distributed based on state law and delegated to the local level. In 2021, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) decided California was doing it incorrectly and gave the state a corrective action to address the error in procedures. SCAG, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), also received a corrective action when going through the federal certification review. Federal guidance, not law, indicates that funding decisions should not be delegated beyond the MPO level, which in the case of Riverside County, is SCAG.

To address the corrective action, SCAG worked with the counties in the region and developed a competitive call for nominations for distributing STBG and CMAQ funds. The first call took place in early 2024 for federal formula funds to be available through Federal Fiscal Year 2026. Over the past several months, SCAG has worked collaboratively once more with counties in the region to update the call guidelines and ready the next call to be released on March 31, 2025.

The upcoming call will program federal formula funds through Federal Fiscal Year 2028. Riverside County's estimated target share of the \$1.2 billion available in the SCAG 2025 Call for Project Nominations is about \$152 million. It is important to note this is just a target, Riverside County could receive more or less.

To submit projects for consideration in this call for projects, an account will need to be created on the SCAG application database. The link will be available on the SCAG website, closer to the opening date of the call. Within the SCAG application, there will be a link to complete a supplemental questionnaire specific to projects in Riverside County.

SCAG's guidelines for its Tier 1 priorities includes clean transportation, resilience of at-risk infrastructure, transit and multimodal integration, transportation demand management, and transportation system management and goods movement. Tier 2 priorities include complete streets, natural lands preservation, and system preservation.

The SCAG scoring criteria was shown and details of what comprises each of the criteria is included in SCAG's adopted guidelines that were attached to the agenda. Similar to the last call, per the SCAG guidelines, RCTC was required to adopt a project prioritization framework for providing what SCAG calls the County Transportation Commission Prioritization scores for Riverside County projects. Since the previous prioritization framework was developed based on variables such as limited funding being available, staff took a fresh look at the framework for the upcoming call. It is critical to recognize that federal transportation projects require extensive collaboration and multiple levels of approval from Caltrans to obtain project environmental clearance, state and federal project delivery requirements, and ensure federal funds are approved and spent on time and in accordance with federal regulations. Failure to meet the requirements will result in loss of federal dollars for the region and will provide an opportunity for other county transportation commissions in the region to access the funds.

Recognizing the complexity of utilizing federal dollars on transportation projects, staff crafted the project prioritization framework to encourage nominations for projects that are positioned to comply with federal requirements. The framework criteria for STBG-eligible projects is deliverability, eligibility, and readiness, as well as alignment with regional plans. Staff will also look at engagement conducted as part of the project development process, though there are no points associated with this criteria.

The framework scoring criteria for CMAQ-eligible projects are also deliverability, eligibility, and readiness, with an added component of having a completed air quality analysis. For CMAQ projects, there is a "either-or" criteria for having a planning level study for PA/ED funds or having the NEPA completed or in circulation. Alignment with regional plans is also a criteria. Lastly, engagement with the community is also a factor for CMAQ, although there are no points associated with this criteria.

In order for RCTC to evaluate the criteria that was just discussed, there is a supplemental questionnaire linked within the SCAG application database. The link takes you to a Survey Monkey where narrative responses can be input and documents can be uploaded. The Survey Monkey questions are listed in Appendix A of the RCTC Project Prioritization Framework, also attached to this agenda.

The points accumulated by following the RCTC Project Prioritization Framework will equate to a ranking ranging from highly recommended to not recommended. The score would then be applied to the larger SCAG scoring system.

For SCAG scoring, highly recommended projects will receive 50 points in the CTC prioritization criteria, recommended projects will receive 40 points, contingency list projects will receive 20 points, and not recommended projects will receive zero points.

The CTC prioritization is worth 50 points, and projects can receive up to another 50 points for the other SCAG criteria. In the case of CMAQ projects, they can receive up to another 60 points. This would be a total of 100 for STBG and 110 for CMAQ projects. If applying for a CMAQ-eligible

project and there is not an Air Quality Report already prepared, RCTC is making their air quality consultant, Ray Gorski, available to Riverside County applicants to ensure the 10 points for the Air Quality Report can be obtained.

SCAG is hosting workshops to review the guidelines and demonstrate how the database works. The next workshop will be on March 18, at 10:00 a.m. Information on the workshop was emailed last week and there is a link in the agenda packet to register. RCTC is hosting a Riverside County specific workshop on March 24, which will go over similar information to what was discussed today. RCTC will also offer office hours until May 9; this is an opportunity to have a one-on-one to discuss specific projects.

The SCAG call will open on March 31 and close on May 16. If help is needed from RCTC to complete an Air Quality Analysis for a CMAQ project, contact Edward Emery, RCTC staff, by May 2, but ideally as soon as possible. The county transportation commission evaluation criteria will be reviewed in May and June. RCTC will submit project recommendations to the Commission for the July/August Commission cycle, which will then be submitted to SCAG. SCAG will then conduct its scoring and award recommendations at the SCAG Regional Council meeting in November/December 2025.

Michael Thornton, Calimesa, wanted to know the difference between the Tier 2 Regional Priorities natural land preservation and system preservation.

Jillian Guizado thought it would be best to reach out to SCAG for the distinction, as these are their criteria. There should also be further information in SCAG guidelines. If there is a specific project question, SCAG could also be consulted. On page 37 of the agenda packet, there is information on the different priorities. Natural lands preservation would cover wildlife crossings, projects and strategies to reduce the number of wildlife-vehicle collisions, eligible recreational trail projects including maintenance and restoration of existing trails, and bike and pedestrian access to open space and parks. System preservation would cover standalone pavement rehabilitation, off-system local bridge rehabilitation, and maintenance of existing transportation systems and facilities.

6. CALTRANS DISTRICT 8 LOCAL ASSISTANCE UPDATE

Bree Content-Watkins, Caltrans, provided a presentation on Caltrans Local Assistance. There are two webinars coming up on stormwater management given by the Arkansas Local Technical Assistance Program, the first is March 18, at 11:30 a.m. PT, on Stormwater Management for Local Agencies – Regulations and Documentation. On March 20, also at 11:30 a.m. PT, there is Stormwater Management for Local Agencies – Best Management Practices.

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) is having a webinar on Improved Tools to Evaluate Air Quality Benefits of Transportation Projects on March 18, at 3:00 p.m. PT. CARB is developing a tool to evaluate the air quality benefits of transportation projects. They will look at resources

and tools to focus on assessing the cost-effectiveness of reducing criteria air pollutants such as ozone and particulate matter.

The National Center for Rural Road Safety (NCRRS) has a few different things coming up. In March, there will be a free webinar regarding maintaining road safety and they will have their 2025 ITE Virtual Spring Conference. For specific details, you can visit the NCRRS website. There will also be training in April and May including online training for implementing the Safe System Approach, National Work Zone Awareness Week, and the Center for Health and Safety Culture's Positive Culture Framework training.

The Title VI Program Assessment form is online and is due March 31. Caltrans is mandated to assess Local Public Agencies (LPA) to ensure compliance with Title VI. Every other year, LPAs are required to complete the assessment if receiving Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds.

Caltrans will be having a webinar on "When and How to Use Pavement Preservation and Cold Recycling;" the lunch and learn is on March 20, from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. via Zoom. The webinar is put together by Caltrans Division of Local Assistance Headquarters and the Greater Sacramento Chapter of the American Public Works Association who will welcome the City and County Pavement Improvement Center as they present the free webinar.

The Inactive Projects list is being maintained. Projects should be invoiced at least every six months; going past 12 months could put funds in jeopardy. Projects should be invoiced often and regularly. If there is going to be a delay, there is a form that can be completed to notify Caltrans.

An email recently went out about project end date (PED) extensions. If there is a PED extension that needs to be submitted by June 30, headquarters has advised that they are going to be short staffed and has asked for those forms to be submitted by May 1.

Savat Khamphou, Corona, stated that if there is less than two percent or under \$40,000 left on the project, it can be invoiced once a year or every six months to stay off the inactive list. It would be best to invoice Caltrans at least once a quarter to never be on the inactive list.

7. CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING HIGHLIGHTS: DECEMBER 2024 AND JANUARY 2025

Jillian Guizado, RCTC staff, shared that the CTC has met twice since the last TAC meeting. Fortunately, the meetings were less eventful. The 2024 State Highway Operation Protection Program (SHOPP) guidelines that were discussed at the November TAC meeting did get approved without too many of the harmful changes that RCTC was concerned about.

RCTC was awarded Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) competitive grant funding to develop and construct another Metrolink station along the Perris Valley Line. Sunline received the same fund source for its Easy Ticketing Program.

Menifee allocated competitive Local Transportation Climate Adaption Program (LTCAP) funding for the Bradley Road Bridge Project. Perris, Moreno Valley, Wildomar, and Menifee moved five of their Active Transportation Program (ATP) projects forward.

The CTC meets again on March 20-21, in Long Beach. There will be a Mobility 21 reception at the Port of Long Beach on March 20, tickets are still available.

8. RCTC COMMISSION MEETING AND WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS: DECEMBER 2024 AND JANUARY, FEBRUARY, AND MARCH 2025

Jillian Guizado, RCTC staff, shared that RCTC awarded a contract to Jacobs for the design of the State Route 79 Realignment Segment 3 Project.

Supervisor Karen Spiegel was elected to chair the Commission for 2025.

The SB 821 guidelines that the TAC approved in November were approved by the Commission in January and the call for projects was released at the beginning of February. It should be noted the Commission opted not to approve the future delegation of guideline changes to the TAC, as was recommended. If there are changes in the future to the guidelines, they will need to be brought back to the full Commission for approval.

The Active Transportation Plan (ATP) 20-point methodology was approved for Cycle 7 and future cycles and the project list was forwarded to SCAG.

RCTC awarded a contract to Kimley-Horn for a project study report – project development support (PSR-PDS) for the 91 Express Lanes Major Pavement Rehabilitation project.

After receiving Commission approval in February, staff will be releasing a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the first progressive design/build phase of the Interstate 15 Express Lanes Southern Extension project.

Finally, the annual Commission Workshop was held in February in Temecula where a number of forward-looking projects were discussed.

The March Commission recap was omitted from this report, but it will be provided at the next TAC meeting.

The next Commission meeting will be held on April 9.

9. COMMITTEE MEMBER / STAFF REPORT

Cameron Brown, WRCOG, noted that WRCOG is currently in the midst of the annual five-year Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Zone Transportation Improvement Program allocation meetings. They have all been scheduled with the exception of the Pass Zone. There was already a successful Southwest Zone meeting last week. The meeting with the Northwest Zone will be March 18. If a pre-meeting is desired, you can reach out to discuss what possible allocations there are.

Jillian Guizado, RCTC staff, shared that on behalf of RCTC's Commuter and Motorist Assistant Department, RCTC has recently launched a program through IE Commuter called Experience Metrolink. The program provides Riverside and San Bernardino County residents with up to three months of free Metrolink passes. For more information, or to sign up, residents can visit www.IECommuter.org/ridefree. There are also postcards available at the meeting.

TAC members can email Edward Emery, who is still doing one-on-ones with cities for SB 821 applications for the bike/ped program. Applications are due at the end of April and assistance is still needed for evaluating applications. If your agency will not be submitting an SB 821 application, please consider volunteering to review submittals.

At the May TAC meeting, we will need to hold an election for the TAC Chair and Vice Chair.

Savat Khamphou, Corona, wanted to know who should be called for questions on the SCAG 2025 Call for Project Nominations. Jillian Guizado stated that Edward Emery would also be the contact person for those questions, as we are trying to make him the single point of contact. Edward Emery will work to coordinate internally if needed.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration by the Technical Advisory Committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:35 a.m. The next meeting will be on May 19, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jillian Guizado
Planning and Programming Director

AGENDA ITEM 5

<i>RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION</i>	
DATE:	May 19, 2025
TO:	Technical Advisory Committee
FROM:	Jillian Guizado, Planning and Programming Director
SUBJECT:	Election of Technical Advisory Committee Officers

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This item is for the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to conduct an election of officers for May 2025 through May 2027 – Chair and Vice Chair.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Election of Officers

In accordance with the Commission’s Administrative Code, the TAC will elect a Chair and Vice Chair from the membership, with each officer serving for two years. While not required, it is desirable for each officer position to represent a different geographic region of Riverside County.

From 2023 to 2025, Savat Khamphou, city of Corona, served as Chair and John Corella, city of Cathedral City, served as Vice Chair. For 2025 to 2027, it would be ideal that the Chair role will be occupied by a regular TAC member representing eastern Riverside County while the Vice Chair be a regular TAC member representing western Riverside County.

Attachment: Administrative Code Excerpt 2(e) *Officers*

place, and agenda for such meetings. The Committee may also hold subcommittee meetings of any subcommittees it establishes.

(d) Assistance. The staff of the Commission shall be available to aid the Committee in its work.

(e) Compensation. Members of the Committee shall serve without compensation.

(f) Officers. The Committee shall elect a Chair and Vice Chair from the members thereof, each of whom shall serve for one (1) year, and thereafter until his or her successor is elected. Secretarial services shall be provided by the Commission staff.

2. Technical Advisory Committee.

(a) Membership. There is hereby created the Technical Advisory Committee. The Committee shall consist of members selected as follows:

(1) One (1) member representing the County of Riverside.

(2) One (1) member representing each City in the County which designates such a representative.

(3) One (1) member representing the Riverside Transit Agency.

(4) One (1) member representing the Western Riverside Council of Governments.

(5) One (1) member representing the Coachella Valley Association of Governments.

(6) The District Director of Caltrans District 8 or designee.

(7) One (1) member representing the SunLine Transit Agency.

(8) One (1) member representing the Palo Verde Valley Transit Agency.

Committee members shall serve at the will and pleasure of their appointing authority and the Commission. An alternate may be named by each appointee to represent him or her in his or her absence.

(b) Function. Subject to the supervision of the Commission, the Committee shall provide technical assistance to the Commission by reviewing and evaluating the various transportation proposals and alternatives within Riverside County. The Committee shall review, comment upon, and make recommendations on such matters as are referred to it by the Commission, including all matters relating to the programming of federal funds apportioned to the Riverside County and allocated by the Commission.

(c) Meetings. In the dispatch of its responsibilities, the Committee may conduct meetings, may appoint subcommittees to include regular members and/or alternate members, and engage in such related activities as it deems necessary. Subcommittees shall not be composed of a regular and alternate member who represents the same jurisdiction.

(d) Compensation. Members of the Committee shall serve without compensation.

(e) Officers. The Committee shall elect a Chair and Vice Chair from the members thereof, each of whom shall serve for two (2) years and thereafter until his or her successor is elected. Committee support shall be provided by the Commission staff.

(f) Voting. Each member of the Committee shall have one (1) vote, except the county of Riverside member shall have three (3) votes

and the Transportation Planning Director of the Southern California Association of Governments shall be a non-voting member.

(g) Quorum. A quorum shall be a majority of the voting members. All actions of the Committee shall require a majority of the votes cast.

3. Other Advisory Committees.

(a) Standing Committees. The Commission may appoint such other standing committees as it deems necessary. The Commission shall determine the membership of such committees from among the regular members of the Commission, and shall specify the functions, duties, responsibilities, and terms of service. The Commission shall give due consideration to recommendations, advice or proposals received from Advisory Committees but shall not be bound thereby.

(b) Ad Hoc Committees and Representative Appointments. The Chair may create and appoint ad hoc committees as necessary to provide direction and advice to the Chair, Commissioners or Commission staff. In addition, the Chair shall appoint Commission representatives to the Southern California Regional Rail Authority, the Route 91 Advisory Committee, the MSRC, and other agencies or organizations of which the Commission is a member or party. Ad hoc committee members and representatives shall be appointed from among the regular Commission members.

H. COMMITTEES OF THE COMMISSION.

1. The following Committees of the Commission are hereby created:

(a) The Budget and Implementation Committee. This Committee shall be composed of up to fifteen (15) regular members of the Commission selected by the Chair, with at least nine (9) members being

AGENDA ITEM 6

<i>RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION</i>	
DATE:	May 19, 2025
TO:	Technical Advisory Committee
FROM:	Edward Emery, Senior Management Analyst
SUBJECT:	Fiscal Year 2025/26 Transportation Development Act Article 3 Call for Projects – Project Recommendations

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This item is for the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to recommend the Commission take the following action:

- 1) Approve the funding recommendations in Attachment 1 for Fiscal Year 2025/26 Transportation Development Act, Article 3, Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities (SB 821) program funds.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

SB 821 is a discretionary program administered by the Commission to fund local bicycle and pedestrian projects. The program is funded through Local Transportation Fund (LTF), a 1/4-cent general statewide sales tax. Each year, two percent of LTF revenues are set aside for the SB 821 program. Per the Commission-approved SB 821 Adopted Policies, on every odd-numbered year, the Commission conducts a competitive call for projects in which all local agencies within the county can submit applications. Eligible projects include construction of bicycle lanes, sidewalks, and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) curb ramps, and the development of bicycle and pedestrian master plans.

At its November 18, 2024, meeting, the TAC approved the updated SB 821 Guidelines and Evaluation Criteria and forwarded the item to the Commission for approval. The Commission adopted the updated Guidelines and Evaluation Criteria on January 8, 2025. This year's Call for Projects opened on February 3, 2025, and closed on April 24, 2025.

The programming capacity for this cycle was \$7,279,863. One-on-one sessions to review and provide feedback on potential project applications were offered to all eligible agencies. A total of 25 projects were discussed with 13 agencies during one-on-one sessions.

DISCUSSION:

The Commission received 33 project proposals from 22 agencies, totaling \$19,141,874 in SB 821 funding requests. A summary of the applications submitted and related funding requests by

geographic area is summarized in Table 1.

Table 1. Summary of SB 821 Requests

	Coachella Valley	Western Riverside	Total
Projects Submitted	14	19	33
Funding Requested	\$8,568,265	\$10,573,609	\$19,141,874

This year's evaluation committee included staff from the Commission, City of Blythe, San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, Southern California Association of Governments, and the Western Riverside Council of Governments. On May 15, the evaluation committee met and scored the project applications based on the Commission's adopted evaluation criteria as summarized in Table 2.

Table 2. SB 821 Evaluation Criteria

Factor	Maximum Points
Destinations Served	14
Safety	15
Multimodal Access	6
Matching Funds	10
Population Equity	5
Total Points	50

Staff recommends funding allocations for 13 projects that scored 41 or above, totaling \$7,979,863. 6 projects received the same score of 41. Commission staff utilized the Commission approved tiebreaker methodology to rank the six projects. The methodology prioritizes the safety question score first, then the construction readiness of the project. Of the six projects, City of Jurupa Valley's Pedley Elementary School and Felspar Street Pedestrian Improvements Project is recommended for partial funding, due to the remaining available funding being less than the requested amount. The City of Jurupa Valley has accepted partial funding and will fund the difference from other sources. A summary of the recommended allocations is provided in Table 3, and a full list of projects can be found in Attachment 1.

Table 3. Summary of Recommended FY 2025/26 Allocations

	Coachella Valley	Western Riverside	Total
# of Recommended Projects	6	7	13
Total SB 821 Recommended Allocations	\$3,600,729	\$3,679,134	\$7,279,863
Recommended Allocations as a % of Total Allocations	49%	51%	100%

Staff will monitor mid-year LTF projections in January 2026 to determine if more funding is available to fund additional projects on the contingency list found in Attachment 1. In the event an awarded agency receives other grant funding to fully fund an approved project or cannot

deliver the funded project within the allotted time, staff will fund additional projects from the contingency list in the order in which they are listed. The contingency list will only remain active until the adoption of the next call for projects, anticipated in June 2027.

Attachment 1: 2025-2026 SB 821 Call for Projects - Funding Recommendations

2025/2026 SB-821 Call for Projects - Funding Recommendations					
LEAD AGENCY	PROJECT NAME	TOTAL Project Cost	TOTAL SB 821 Request	RECOMMENDED ALLOCATION	TOTAL SCORE
Riverside, City of	Van Buren Blvd Class II Buffered Bike Lanes	\$ 1,441,369.00	\$ 720,684.50	\$ 720,684.50	45
Riverside, City of	25-26 SB 821 Chicago Bike Lane & Other Sidewalks	\$ 1,124,915.00	\$ 562,457.50	\$ 562,457.50	45
Rancho Mirage	San Jacinto Drive & Button Drive Intersection & Safety Improvements	\$ 546,193.00	\$ 273,096.00	\$ 273,096.00	44
Cathedral City	Avenida Maravilla Active Transportation Improvements	\$ 831,573.60	\$ 415,786.80	\$ 415,786.80	44
Indian Wells	Rancho Palmeras Complete Street Bicycle and Safety Improvements	\$ 1,598,000.00	\$ 727,985.00	\$ 727,985.00	43
Wildomar	Mission Trail/Sedco Sidewalk and Bike Lanes Project (Phase 3)	\$ 1,452,000.00	\$ 726,000.00	\$ 726,000.00	43
Wildomar	Palomar Street Sidewalk, Trail and Bike Lanes Project (Phase 3)	\$ 1,050,470.00	\$ 525,235.00	\$ 525,235.00	43
Lake Elsinore	Spring Street Sidewalks Improvement	\$ 720,765.00	\$ 360,381.50	\$ 360,381.50	42
Palm Springs	Racquet Club Road Reconfiguration Project	\$ 1,519,100.00	\$ 727,986.00	\$ 727,986.00	41
Palm Springs	South Palm Canyon Road Reconfiguration Project	\$ 1,475,300.00	\$ 727,986.00	\$ 727,986.00	41
Beaumont	City of Beaumont Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Update/Action Plan	\$ 339,649.00	\$ 248,400.00	\$ 248,400.00	41
Indian Wells	Cook Street Complete Street Bicycle and Safety Improvements	\$ 4,008,889.00	\$ 727,889.00	\$ 727,889.00	41
Jurupa Valley	Pedley Elementary School and Felspar Street Pedestrian Improvements	\$ 1,398,000.00	\$ 688,000.00	\$ 535,975.70	41
	TOTAL RECOMMENDED ALLOCATION			\$ 7,279,863.00	
CONTINGENCY LIST					
City of Eastvale	ADA Pedestrian Safety Improvement Project	\$ 1,787,434.00	\$ 727,986.00		41
Coachella	Ave 50 Roadway Improvements Project	\$ 1,544,160.00	\$ 727,986.30		40
Corona	Downtown Crosswalk Pedestrian Safety Enhancements	\$ 1,500,000.00	\$ 700,000.00		39
Perris	Perris Valley Storm Drain Channel Tr. Ph 2, Segment 2	\$ 1,884,992.00	\$ 727,986.00		38
Indio	Arabia St Pedestrian Facilities Improvements (Dr Carreon Blvd - John Nobles Ave)	\$ 1,257,095.68	\$ 628,547.84		38
La Quinta	Washington Street Connector to Art and Music Line	\$ 1,400,000.00	\$ 700,000.00		37
Moreno Valley	Juan Bautista De Anza Multi-Use Trail Project - Street Lighting	\$ 908,000.00	\$ 727,000.00		37
Coachella	Ave 50 Corridor Widening Project	\$ 1,499,370.00	\$ 727,986.30		36
Desert Hot Springs	Corporate Yard Park Pedestrian Connector	\$ 9,355,995.00	\$ 720,000.00		35
Riverside County	Ramon Road Multi-modal Project	\$ 2,340,000.00	\$ 727,986.00		35
Lake Elsinore	Avenue 6/Irwin Drive Sidewalks Improvement	\$ 705,173.00	\$ 352,586.50		35
Corona	Citywide Pavement Rehab	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 150,000.00		35
Murrieta	Whitewood Road Sidewalk Improvements	\$ 594,900.00	\$ 446,175.00		34
Menifee	Newport Road Sidewalk Gap Closure	\$ 830,200.00	\$ 580,000.00		33
Hemet	SB821-FY25/26 Pedestrian Path of Travel Improvement Project (2)	\$ 679,549.00	\$ 543,639.00		30
Coachella	Ave 54 Project	\$ 660,030.00	\$ 660,030.00		30
Hemet	SB821-FY25/26 Pedestrian Path of Travel Improvement Project	\$ 652,697.00	\$ 524,697.00		29
Riverside County	Grand Avenue Mobility Project	\$ 1,094,760.00	\$ 547,380.00		29
Riverside County	Hemet Area Sidewalk and Mobility	\$ 1,430,000.00	\$ 715,000.00		28
Palm Desert	Enhancement of the VIP Campaign and Vision Zero Strategy	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 75,000.00		28
	\$ 47,930,579.28		\$ 19,141,873.24		

AGENDA ITEM 7

<i>RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION</i>	
DATE:	May 19, 2025
TO:	Technical Advisory Committee
FROM:	Martha Masters, Senior Management Analyst
SUBJECT:	Caltrans District 8 Local Assistance Update

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This item is to receive and file an update from Caltrans District 8 Local Assistance.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Caltrans' Local Assistance Program oversees more than one billion dollars annually available to over 600 cities, counties, and regional agencies for the purpose of improving their transportation infrastructure or providing transportation services. This funding comes from various federal and state programs specifically designated to assist the transportation needs of local agencies. Annually, over 1,200 new projects are authorized through the Local Assistance Program of which approximately 700 are construction projects.

Caltrans District 8 Local Assistance is responsible for processing local agency obligations and allocations of federal and state funds, providing guidance on federal and state regulations, and direction on processes and procedures that are tied to each funding program. Local Assistance is responsible for the current funding programs as identified in Table 1.

Table 1: Caltrans Local Assistance Funding Program Responsibilities

Federal Programs	State Programs
Emergency Relief (ER)	Active Transportation Program (ATP)
Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)	Local Partnership Program (LPP) <i>Off-system</i>
Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ)	Local Transportation Climate Adaption Program (LTCAP – PROTECT formula)
Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending (CPFCDs) (Highway Infrastructure Program Earmarks)	Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) <i>Off-system</i>
Highway Bridge Program (HBP)	State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) <i>Off-system</i>
Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)	Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) <i>Off-system</i>
Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program	

State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) <i>Off-system</i>	
Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG)	

Attachment: PowerPoint Presentation Slide Deck

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Assistance D8
May 19, 2025



CALL FOR PROJECTS FFY 2025 FTA 5311/5311(F) & RURAL CMAQ

All applications due:

**June 10, 2025
2:00 pm PT**

Attention Interested Parties of FTA Section [5311](#), [5311\(f\)](#), and [CMAQ](#):

The Annual Call for Projects for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2025 is here. This packet includes instructions for Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs), and Transit Agencies regarding project submissions and regional apportionments for Formula 5311 funds.

Caltrans would like to emphasize the importance of accurate fund programming, especially as it relates to non-rural allocations. Please ensure the funding year and type (5311, 5311(f), CMAQ) are clearly identified in your applications. The programmed amounts should not exceed or fall below 20% of the allocated amount for Fiscal Year 2025–26.

[Call for Projects FFY 2025 FTA 5311/5311\(f\) & Rural CMAQ – Local Assistance Blog](#)



FREE TRAININGS: ROAD SAFETY CHAMPION PROGRAM — CORE MODULES 1, 2, & 3

The overall Road Safety Champion Program provides a high-level overview of road safety in the United States through seven free virtual modules.

Core Module 1
Introduction to Road Safety

May 20, 2025

9:30am–12:00pm PT

Core Module 2
Anatomy of a Crash: Understanding Human Factors

May 21, 2025

9:30am–12:00pm PT

Core Module 3
Introduction to Traffic Safety Culture

May 22, 2025

9:30am–12:30pm PT

[Free Trainings: Road Safety Champion Program – Core Modules 1, 2, & 3 – Local Assistance Blog](#)

TRAINING: FEDERAL AID SERIES – RIGHT OF WAY

Caltrans Division of Right of Way is hosting a two-day online training class detailing high-level processes and procedures for completion of project right of way work.

Course Objectives

- •Overall understanding of right of way federal-aid project regulation requirements
- •Overall understanding of the right of way and utilities process
- •Understanding methods to accomplish right of way deliverable

May 21 & 22, 2025

8:30 am – 12:00 pm PT

[Training: Federal Aid Series – Right of Way – Local Assistance Blog](#)

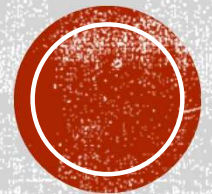


2025 CALTRANS DLA ADA SECTION 504 PROGRAM ASSESSMENT ONLINE FORM

Due June 30, 2025

Caltrans is requesting all Local Public Agencies (LPAs) receiving Federal Highway Administration ([FHWA](#)) funds to complete the ADA Section 504 Program Assessment Online Form by June 30, 2025. Caltrans is mandated to assess LPAs to ensure compliance with the ADA Section 504 program. LPAs are required to complete this assessment every two years (odd years) or when requested.

[2025 Caltrans DLA ADA Section 504 Program Assessment Online Form – Local Assistance Blog](#)





WEBINAR: MAKING RURAL ROADS SAFE FOR ALL

During this webinar, learn about strategies, tools, and resources to:

- Identify available programs and resources to improve safety and transit services in rural communities.
- Implement low-cost safety improvements on rural roads,
- Conduct a Road Safety Audit on rural roads,
- Develop State-local partnerships to accelerate project delivery to improve road safety and transit services in rural communities.

May 14, 2025
10:00 am - 12:00 pm PT

[Webinar: Making Rural Roads Safe for All – Local Assistance Blog](#)



SURVEY: PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING RIGHT OF WAY CHECKLIST (EXHIBIT-13E)

Final date for [Survey](#): May 30, 2025

The Division of Local Assistance-Office of Local Right of Way wants to hear from Local Public Agencies on the use of [Exhibit 13-E](#).

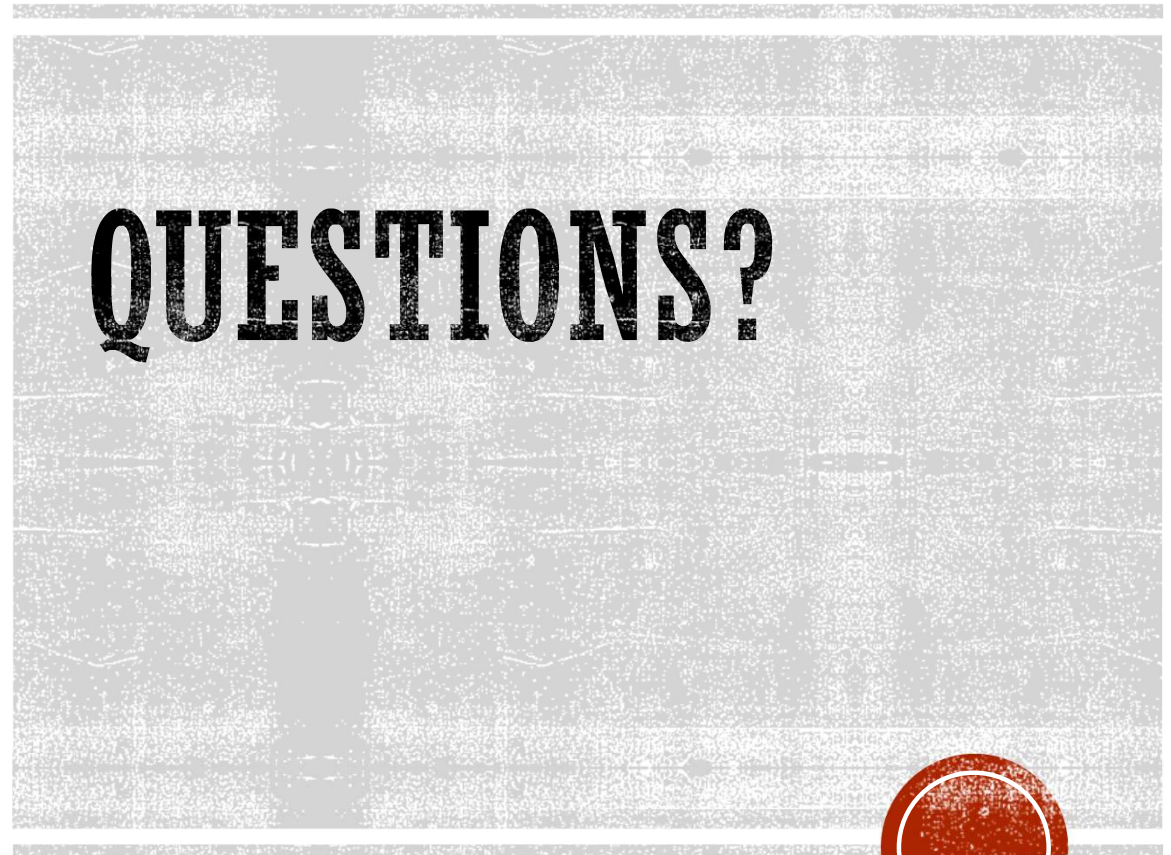
The Office of Local Right of Way ([OLRW](#)) in the Division of Local Assistance is requesting your assistance in completing this survey on the Local Assistance Procedures Manual ([LAPM](#)) [Exhibit 13-E](#). Your response will help us improve our process and procedures. Your assistance in filling out the survey is greatly appreciated.

[SURVEY: Preliminary Engineering Right of Way Checklist \(Exhibit-13E\) – Local Assistance Blog](#)



INACTIVE PROJECTS

- Local public agencies and Tribes are expected to invoice Caltrans regularly for projects in accordance with Section 630.106 in Title 23 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- Please work with your Caltrans District Local Assistance Engineer to invoice or to provide justification.
- Links
 - [DLA](#)
 - [DLA Inactive Projects Website](#)
 - [FHWA Obligation Funds Management Guide](#)



AGENDA ITEM 8

<i>RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION</i>	
DATE:	May 19, 2025
TO:	Technical Advisory Committee
FROM:	Jillian Guizado, Planning and Programming Director
SUBJECT:	California Transportation Commission Meeting Highlights: March and May 2025

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This item is to receive and file the March and May 2025 California Transportation Commission (CTC) meeting highlights.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

March 20 – 21, 2025 CTC Meeting ([Agenda](#))

- TAB 15 Adoption of the 2025 Local Transportation Climate Adaptation Program
- TAB 17 Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI 2.0)
- TAB 85 Local Partnership Formulaic Program Amendment – Add six projects in Fresno, Kings, San Mateo, **Riverside**, Imperial, and San Bernardino Counties and program a total of \$32,929,000
- TAB 97 Request of \$99,089,000 for 22 locally-administered ATP projects, off the State Highway System
- TAB 109 Request to extend the period of allocation for four locally-administered ATP projects, off the State Highway System, per ATP Guidelines

May 15 – 16, 2025 CTC Meeting ([Agenda](#))

- TAB 56 Approval of the 2023 Active Transportation Program Baseline Agreement for the Coachella Valley Arts & Music Line project
- TAB 94 Local Partnership Formulaic Program Amendments:
 - Deprogram \$4,136,000 from the Interstate 215/Placentia Avenue Project in Riverside County
 - Add five project in **Riverside**, Orange, and Alameda Counties and program \$39,211,000

TAB 108	Request of \$205,124,000 for nine TIRCP projects
TAB 109	Request of \$22,865,000 for 17 locally-administered ATP projects, off the State Highway System
TAB 131	Request to extend the period of project completion for two locally-administered LPP (Competitive) projects, off the State Highway System, per LPP (Competitive) Guidelines
TAB 138	Request to extend the period of project allocation for six locally-administered LTCAP projects, off the State Highway System, per LTCAP Guidelines
TAB 140	Request to extend the period of project allocation for 58 locally-administered ATP projects, off the State Highway System, per ATP Guidelines

AGENDA ITEM 9

RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION	
DATE:	May 19, 2025
TO:	Technical Advisory Committee
FROM:	Jillian Guizado, Planning and Programming Director
SUBJECT:	RCTC Commission Meeting Highlights: March, April, and May 2025

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This item is to receive and file the March, April, and May 2025 Commission meeting highlights.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

March 2025 Commission Meeting [\(Agenda\)](#)

ITEM 6L Interstate 10 and State Route 79 Interchange Project Funding and Cooperative Agreement

This item is for the Commission to:

- 1) Approve the use of up to \$2,009,400 of Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee (TUMF) Regional Arterial funds for the project initiation document (PID) phase of the Interstate 10 / State Route 79 (I-10 / SR-79) Interchange Project (Project);
- 2) Approve Cooperative Agreement No. 25-72-064-00 with the city of Beaumont for the I-10 / SR-79 Interchange Project PID phase; and
- 3) Authorize the Chair or Executive Director, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the agreement on behalf of the Commission.

ITEM 6M State Route 91 Improvements East of Interstate 15 – Agreement with Parsons Transportation Group Inc.

This item is for the Commission to:

- 1) Approve Agreement No. 09-31-081-16, Amendment No. 15, with Parsons Transportation Group Inc. (Parsons) for completion of a geometric feasibility study for State Route 91 (SR-91) improvements east of Interstate 15 (I-15) in the amount of (\$198,130, plus a contingency amount of \$20,000, for a total amount not to exceed \$218,130;
- 2) Authorize the Chair or Executive Director, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the agreement on behalf of the Commission;
- 3) Authorize the Executive Director, or designee, to approve contingency work up to the total not to exceed amount as required for these services; and

- 4) Authorize the expenditure of \$109,065 of 91 Express Lanes toll revenue designated as surplus in accordance with the 2013 Toll Revenue Bonds Indenture to fund 50 percent of the completion of the geometric feasibility study for 91 Improvements east of I-15.

ITEM 8 Southern California Association of Governments 2025 Call for Project Nominations Project Prioritization Framework

This item is for the Commission to:

- 1) Approve the RCTC Project Prioritization Framework (framework) for the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2025 Call for Project Nominations.

ITEM 9 Agreements and an Amendment for State Route 60/Potrero Boulevard Interchange Project – Phase II

This item is for the Commission to:

- 1) Award Agreement No. 25-72-013-00 to Jacobs Project Management Co. for construction management, materials testing, construction surveying and public outreach services for State Route 60/Potrero Boulevard Interchange Project – Phase II (Project) in the amount of \$8,612,400, plus a contingency amount of \$861,240, for a total amount not to exceed \$9,473,640;
- 2) Approve Cooperative Agreement No. 25-72-069-00 with Caltrans that defines the roles and responsibilities for the construction of the Project and identifies and approves \$171,000 for Department Furnished Materials for the Project;
- 3) Approve Cooperative Agreement Amendment No. 24-72-064-01 with the city of Beaumont (City) to authorize Commission staff to be the lead agency on behalf of the City for the construction phase, increase the original cooperative agreement amount of \$5,706,000 by \$2,000,000, including contingency, for a total not to exceed \$7,706,000 for these additional services;
- 4) Approve Cooperative Agreement No. 25-72-066-00 with the City and Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) for the allocation of \$13,500,000 of Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee (TUMF) Zone funds by WRCOG for the construction phase of the Project;
- 5) Authorize the Chair or Executive Director, pursuant to legal counsel review, to finalize and execute the agreements on behalf of the Commission;
- 6) Authorize the Executive Director, or designee, to approve contingency work as may be required for the Project; and
- 7) Authorize the Executive Director, or designee, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute non-funding amendments to the agreements on behalf of the Commission.

April 2025 Commission Meeting [\(Agenda\)](#)

- ITEM 7 Agreement No. 25-31-044-00 for Software as a Service with Replica for Agencywide Use

This item is for the Commission to:

- 1) Award Agreement No. 25-31-044-00, a sole source procurement, to Replica for Software as a Service (SaaS) for the Project in the amount of \$772,725;
- 2) Authorize the Chair or Executive Director, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the agreements on behalf of the Commission; and
- 3) Authorize the Executive Director or designee, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute non-funding amendments to the agreement on behalf of the Commission.

- ITEM 9 Agreement for Call Box Removal Services

This item is for the Commission to:

- 1) Award Agreement No. 25-45-059-00 with Global Builders Inc. for the removal of Call Boxes along Riverside County highways in an amount not to exceed \$149,888; and
- 2) Authorize the Executive Director or designee, to approve the use of the contingency amount as may be required for these services.

May 2025 Commission Meeting [\(Agenda\)](#)

- ITEM 6 Public Hearing – Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025/26

This item is for the Commission to:

- 1) Discuss, review, and provide guidance on the proposed Fiscal Year 2025/26 Executive Summary; and
- 2) Conduct a public hearing to receive input and comments on the proposed FY 2025/26 Proposed Budget on May 14 and June 11, 2025, and thereafter close the public hearing.

- ITEM 8 Transit Policies Manual, Resolution No. 25-001 Policy to Act as Lead Agency Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act for Fixed Guideway Projects Seeking State or Federal Discretionary Grants

This item is for the Commission to:

- 1) Approve revisions to existing transit policies as presented in the Transit Policies Manual;
- 2) Adopt Resolution No. 25-001, *“Policy to act as Lead Agency Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act for Fixed Guideway Projects Seeking State*

or Federal Discretionary Grants”, establishing the Commission be the lead agency for all fixed guideway projects in Riverside County; and

- 3) Direct staff to review and recommend changes to the Transit Policies Manual every five years or as necessary.

ITEM 9 Metrolink Update

This item is for the Commission to:

- 1) Receive and file a Metrolink Update presented by Darren Kettle, Metrolink’s Chief Executive Officer.