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to the  
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(RTP Roundtable)**

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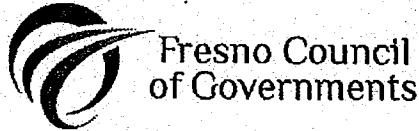
**Please answer the following questions:**

1. What specific organization or sector do you represent, if any?  
As the Public Works Director for the City of Fresno, I would represent not only our region's largest city but also multi-modal transportation concerns in the urban metropolitan area.
2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?  
The Department's mission of Building a Better Fresno summarizes our overall approach to building and maintaining the critical backbone infrastructure of the City such as streets, sidewalks, traffic signals, streetlights, median islands, street trees, landscaping, trails and public facilities, to support the goals of neighborhood revitalization, economic development, public safety, sustainability and air quality.
3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? *(Please attach letter of recommendation.)*  
Yes, I have been designated by our City Manager's Office.
4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?  
Some key goals of our General Plan include increased economic development, business and job creation; a successful Downtown; long-term sustainability and improved air quality; supporting agriculture and food production as an integral industry; protecting and preserving natural, historic and cultural resources; a diversity of housing types with complete neighborhoods; improved quality of life in established neighborhoods; increased land use intensity and mixed-use developments to support greater use of transit including BRT; building Complete Streets for all users; expanding the network of well-maintained and connected parks, open space, walking and biking trails; improving public health and safety.
5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?  
Funding will be a significant challenge for the foreseeable future. We need balanced regional policies that support the planned intensification of land uses in the urban core but also respect the General Plans and desired lifestyle of the smaller communities. We also need goods movement corridors that support industrial economic development without seeing those corridors lead to dramatic increases in vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and further impacts to air quality. Emphasizing multi-modal streets and a vibrant, regionally connected trail system will require a shift in focus from previous years.
6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?  
Our regional partners need to work together to have our land uses and transportation policies create the best Fresno County possible. Interested stakeholders and the community need to be engaged, as well as the cities and Fresno County.

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8/26/16



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NAME: CHARLES JOHNSON DATE: 9-1-16

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1. What specific organization or sector do you represent, if any?  
*City of Mendota*
2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?  
*At this current time the City hasn't adopted a mission for our organization.*
3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable?  
*Please find attached a letter of recommendation.*
4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?  
*One of our major concerns pertaining land use and transportation is the appropriation of funding for rural disadvantage communities in Fresno County. The need for more funding is essential for many municipalities to assist with transportation concerns and be able to respond accordingly to the needs of population growth, environmental quality and maintenance and mobilization.*
5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?  
*Some challenges that may be encountered are limited allocation of funding from the Federal and State governments. Advocating for a consistent and equitable amount of funding can be best served by collaborative efforts.*
6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?  
*The mentioned issue should involve the local elected officials, state representatives, citizens, and governmental agencies and their continual advocacy efforts.*





# CITY OF MENDOTA

*"Cantaloupe Center Of The World"*

September 1, 2016

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Senior Regional Planner  
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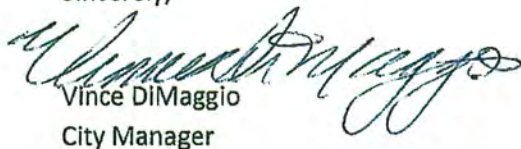
Re: Letter of Recommendation for RTP Roundtable Appointment

To: Appointment Committee

I am writing this letter to offer my highest recommendation of Charles W. Johnson for the RTP Roundtable appointment to represent the City of Mendota and its constituents. In Charles's current position as Director of Administrative Services, he is heavily involved with coordination and long-term planning of transportation projects and grant administration. Charles clearly understands how the planning of transportation process must be integrated with strategies to target greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality in the Valley.

If Charles were to be appointed, he and members of the Roundtable will benefit greatly by increasing the intergovernmental cooperation and allowing a voice for Westside Fresno County policy makers and citizens to be engaged in the process to help achieve the goal for sustainable communities.

Sincerely,

  
Vince DiMaggio  
City Manager





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NAME: Tony Stewart, AICP DATE: 9/22/2016

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Street	City	Zip Code
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**Please answer the following questions:**

1. What specific organization or sector do you represent, if any?  
City of Reedley (Community Development Dept.)
2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?  
Foster a high quality of life for our community by creating an environment of open communication, progressive partnership, economic opportunities, and the delivery of efficient, responsive, and excellent community services.
3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? *(Please attach letter of recommendation.)*  
Yes, per City Manager, Nicole Zieba
4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?  
Specific to Reedley, we need to become a more well-rounded, sustainable community with services, particularly with more retail and employment opportunities available for our residents, which would enable us to reduce VMT to areas outside the City. However, the current county annexation requirements make that difficult, which we have found to be a hindrance to such potential development. Additionally, for those Reedley residents who are employed in the Fresno area, more convenient public transportation between Reedley (and the other adjacent rural communities) and Fresno is needed (for example, a commuter bus that provides express service between Reedley City Hall and downtown Fresno).
5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?  
Regarding the annexation process - revising the MOU between the City and the County is the biggest challenge that needed to be addressed. The challenge is getting the County to accept such revisions. Regarding public transportation - the largest challenge is cost, but ensuring ridership would also be a challenge.
6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?  
Regarding annexation - The City of Reedley (this may also apply similarly to other cities), Fresno County, LAFCo and possibly the COG. Regarding public transportation - the City (and any other cities that would benefit), the COG, transportation service providers, the County.

*Tony Stewart*

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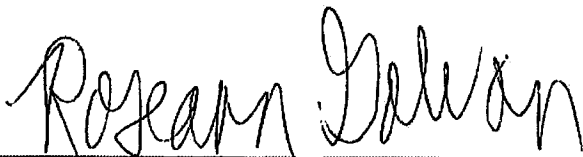
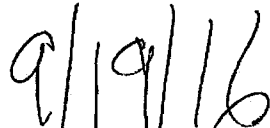
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**Please answer the following questions:**

1. What specific organization or sector do you represent, if any?  
COG Member agencies-City of Selma
2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?  
The City of Selma is focused on providing quality service to our residents and maximizing their quality of life in the services available.
3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? *(Please attach letter of recommendation.)*  
The Interim City Manager has designated me to serve in this function at the present time.
4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?  
With the growing population of Fresno County, having adequate transportation systems in place is a challenge. Our Floral Avenue overpass is at capacity and to allow proper traffic flow the community is in dire need of a new overpass. Residents cannot access the needed programs/shopping if traffic is over capacity.  
Road maintenance is another issue that is difficult. Many funding sources limit how monies can be spent so there are areas of town that do not get updated infrastructure.
5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?  
Funding, as always, is a big limitation to be able to implement these plans for the community. In addition, the way the transportation funding can be used limits our ability to update infrastructure in portions of town. With a limited pot of money available in the region it is challenging to deal with these issues. Since our communities are not wealthy, it also is a struggle to provide matches for such projects.
6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?  
There should be a group of various representations involved in the process.

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FRESNO COUNTY

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YES

4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?

5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?

6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?

M. K. Roman / 9-22-2016

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Caltrans District 6

2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?

Provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and liveability

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Yes. Assigned by Gail Miller, Deputy Director of Planning

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Valley Blueprint Planners, Chair             | <input type="checkbox"/> Affordable Housing                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Goods Movement                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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Please answer the following questions:

1. What specific organization or sector do you represent, if any?

Public Transportation (City of Fresno)

2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?

"A catalyst for investment by keeping communities safely connected".

As the largest public transportation agency in the region we recognize our position as a conduit to improving the region and essential for growth of the region.

3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? (Please attach letter of recommendation.)

Yes, the city manager designated me as a representative of the City of Fresno.

4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?

Speaking only on behalf of the City of Fresno Department of Transportation, TOD investment along high frequency corridors are the starting point for greater investment in the region. Although this approach may seem unbalanced, to the contrary, this approach offers a solid starting point. Land use improvements will grow after investment in high frequency corridors.

The desire to spread funding to all parties in the region may slow investment in the region. Those investing may see opportunities as being too watered down. Additionally, there is a need for greater coordination in regional goals.

5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?

Funding and political pressure are the two challenges. Sprawl created absence of a viable core in the city. Transportation has to be a driving force to improve the viability of the core of the city.

Also, there is a need to establish a formula for distributing funds in the region. Scoring for funding digresses to region (rural communities) versus Fresno as a member of the roundtable I will advocate collaboration on behalf of the region. Separate funding could be carved out for smaller cities/rural community roadway maintenance.

6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?

The right people, representation throughout the region, seem to be involved. The need is at the policy level, where equitable funding can be established.

Also, a plan for the region should be clearly expressed and be a part of every scoring process.

 8/31/16  
Applicant's Signature / Date





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Please answer the following questions:

1. What specific organization or sector do you represent, if any?  
*RURAL Public TRANSIT*
2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?  
*Provide safe & efficient public transit to residents of Fresno County.*
3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? (Please attach letter of recommendation.)  
*Not as of this date, however once application is accepted, a letter from the Board will be submitted.*
4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?  
*For Public transit, it is the aging population in Fresno County and the additional mobility needs they require. Many seniors remain at home as they age thus requiring more assistance with riding a public transit bus.*
5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?  
*Funding and training of mobility personnel in this field.*
6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?  
*Transit & Health care folks.*

*Moses Stet*

*8/24/12*

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**Please answer the following questions:**

1. What specific organization or sector do you represent, if any?  
Professional Planners, Valley Planners Network
2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?  
Improve planning in the San Joaquin Valley
3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? *(Please attach letter of recommendation.)*  
I have been requested by the organization to apply.
4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?  
Improve transportation choices in the Valley for all residents
5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?  
Need to address air quality issues with the likely increase in vehicle use in the Valley over the next several decades.
6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?  
Everyone. Need to reach out to all groups.

*Eric VonBerg*

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**Please answer the following questions:**

1. What specific organization or sector do you represent, if any?  
The Building Industry Association of Fresno/Madera Counties
2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?  
Support the home building industry
3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? *(Please attach letter of recommendation.)*  
Yes. No letter is needed. I am the President of the organization
4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?  
Providing available land for development of single family residential housing and development of transportation routes.
5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?  
Competing interest for limited funds for transportation routes when over 80% of the population commutes by means other than transit.
6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?  
The County of Fresno and its incorporated cities, transit agencies, building industry, housing advocates

   
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**Please answer the following questions:**

1. What specific organization or sector do you represent, if any?  
I represent the Southern Sierra Partnership (SSP), a group of five environmental-sector organizations including Audubon California, Sequoia Riverlands Trust, Sierra Business Council,
2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector? The Nature Conservancy and Tejon Ranch Conservancy.  
SSP protects land, livelihoods and communities in the Southern Sierra and Southern San Joaquin Valley. We do this by working for economic and environmental resilience through land protection and land use policy.
3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? (*Please attach letter of recommendation.*)  
Yes. Letters of recommendation from SSP's five member organizations are attached as Appendices A-E.
4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?  
SSP believes that a pattern of development emphasizing conservation of natural and working lands and investment in existing communities is essential to economic growth, environmental resilience and greenhouse gas reductions in Fresno County. We would welcome the chance to work with other stakeholders toward a land use forecast and transportation project list that help to realize this vision. In addition, we would be happy to share our findings on conservation-
5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these related issues?  
An important challenge in developing and implementing an RTP/SCS is the need for sustained coordination between agency staff, stakeholders and others. For example, transportation investments built to support existing communities will be more successful if local governments lower permitting barriers to infill, and policies to encourage conservation will be more successful if stakeholders  
policies and practices from SCSs around the state (see Appendix F).
6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues? with the expertise and capacity to support natural resource conservation efforts are brought into the process. If appointed to the RTP Roundtable, SSP will actively coordinate with other stakeholders before and after adoption of the RTP/SCS.  
As contemplated in SB 375, we believe that a wide range of voices should be involved in the SCS process, including but not limited to conservationists, public health experts, transit and active transportation advocates, the environmental justice community, and others. We would also respectfully encourage Fresno COG to include water experts.



August 30, 2016

Applicant's Signature / Date





**Sequoia Riverlands Trust**  
Conserving California's Heartland

August 29, 2016

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**Re: Application for Appointment to Fresno RTP Roundtable**

Dear Ms. Veenendaal:

I am writing on behalf of Sequoia Riverlands Trust (SRT) to support Adam Livingston's application to represent the Southern Sierra Partnership (SSP) specifically, and environmental stakeholders generally, on the Fresno Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Roundtable. SSP is a coalition of business and conservation organizations working to protect land, livelihoods and communities, and was actively engaged in the dialogue and debate that led to Fresno's first RTP/SCS. Its member organizations—Audubon California, SRT, the Sierra Business Council, Tejon Ranch Conservancy, and The Nature Conservancy—serve a seven million acre region stretching from the Southern San Joaquin Valley to the peaks of the Sierra and Tehachapi Ranges, including much of Fresno County.

As SSP's Coordinator, SRT's Director of Planning and Policy and the author of *Sustainable Communities Strategies and Conservation: Results from the First Round and Policy Recommendations for Future Rounds*,<sup>1</sup> Adam Livingston is well-positioned to represent environmental concerns on the RTP Roundtable. Along with the other four members of SSP, SRT respectfully recommends that Adam be appointed to the Fresno RTP Roundtable, and we designate him to speak on our behalf.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Soapy Mulholland  
President and CEO  
Sequoia Riverlands Trust

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# Audubon CALIFORNIA

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**Re: Application for Appointment to Fresno RTP Roundtable**

Dear Ms. Veenendaal:

I am writing on behalf of Audubon California's Kern River Preserve to support Adam Livingston's application to represent the Southern Sierra Partnership (SSP) specifically, and environmental stakeholders generally, on the Fresno Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Roundtable. SSP is a coalition of business and conservation organizations working to protect land, livelihoods and communities, and was actively engaged in the dialogue and debate that led to Fresno's first RTP/SCS. Its member organizations—Audubon California, Sequoia Riverlands Trust, Sierra Business Council, Tejon Ranch Conservancy, and The Nature Conservancy—serve a seven million acre region stretching from the Southern San Joaquin Valley to the peaks of the Sierra and Tehachapi Ranges, including much of Fresno County.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Reed Tollefson  
Manager, Kern River Preserve  
Audubon California

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Dear Ms. Veenendaal:

I am writing on behalf of Tejon Ranch Conservancy to support Adam Livingston's application to represent the Southern Sierra Partnership (SSP) specifically, and environmental stakeholders generally, on the Fresno Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Roundtable. SSP is a coalition of business and conservation organizations working to protect land, livelihoods and communities, and was actively engaged in the dialogue and debate that led to Fresno's first RTP/SCS. Its member organizations—Audubon California, Sequoia Riverlands Trust, Sierra Business Council, Tejon Ranch Conservancy, and The Nature Conservancy—serve a seven million acre region stretching from the Southern San Joaquin Valley to the peaks of the Sierra and Tehachapi Ranges, including much of Fresno County.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

  
Bob Reid  
President and CEO  
Tejon Ranch Conservancy

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I am writing on behalf of The Nature Conservancy to support Adam Livingston's application to represent the Southern Sierra Partnership (SSP) specifically, and environmental stakeholders generally, on the Fresno Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Roundtable. SSP is a coalition of business and conservation organizations working to protect land, livelihoods and communities, and was actively engaged in the dialogue and debate that led to Fresno's first RTP/SCS. Its member organizations—Audubon California, Sequoia Riverlands Trust, Sierra Business Council, Tejon Ranch Conservancy, and The Nature Conservancy—serve a seven million acre region stretching from the Southern San Joaquin Valley to the peaks of the Sierra and Tehachapi Ranges, including much of Fresno County.

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Please contact me at [eodonoghue@tnc.org](mailto:eodonoghue@tnc.org) if you have any questions. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Liz O'Donoghue  
Director of Infrastructure and Land Use  
The Nature Conservancy

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kerri Timmer  
Government Affairs Director  
Sierra Business Council

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Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability works with diverse communities across Fresno County cities and unincorporated communities in order to guarantee access to safe affordable housing, public transportation, increased active travel opportunities and basic infrastructure such as safe drinking water and wastewater services and access to basic amenities regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, wealth, or place. We primarily work alongside low income communities of color in the region. We seek to ensure that there is investment in existing low income communities and that policies and programs consider and address their needs.

**2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?**

At Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability, we work alongside the most impacted communities as reflected in Cal Enviro Screen to advocate for sound policy and eradicate injustice to secure equal access to opportunity regardless of wealth, race, income, and place.

**3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? (Please attach letter of recommendation.)**

Yes, I have been officially designated by Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability to represent them on the RTP Roundtable. I have attached a letter from our Co-Founders and Co-Directors to this effect.

**4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?**

The San Joaquin Valley will have the largest share of population growth by 2050. Fresno County is growing rapidly and demographics are changing that require strategic planning and thinking on how we meet current needs while also planning for the future. We need to strike a balance in ensuring that we work as a county to effectively reduce greenhouse gas emissions through changes in land use and transportation policies and programs. We work with communities and neighborhoods that are in need of short and long term land use planning that will both improve current conditions that will lead to more sustainable growth and investment patterns. We would like to work with Fresno County cities and communities to think through and implement strategic land use and transportation plans.

**5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?**

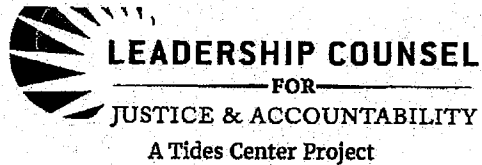
Some challenges include limited resources to fundamentally shift historic land use and transportation investment patterns. Additional challenges include ensuring equal and fair allocation of transportation related resources and projected affordable housing and employment growth across Fresno County communities in a way that is healthy, sustainable and reduces greenhouse gas emissions.

**6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?**

We believe that a wide variety of entities and stakeholders should be involved in addressing these issues, in order to ensure thorough consideration of all of the county's future transportation and land use planning needs. We particularly emphasize the need to include the general public in understanding current transportation and land use deficiencies and highlighting paths towards effective, efficient, and equitable transit and development in Fresno County. We furthermore encourage the inclusion of diverse sectors in order to best understand the reality of transportation's effect on family life, child safety, access to education, employment, and a myriad of other aspects of Fresno County residents' lives. Key governmental actors would include city and county representatives, school districts, business community, developers, community based organizations from diverse issue areas.

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Brenda Veenendaal  
Senior Regional Planner  
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RE: Application for RTP Roundtable

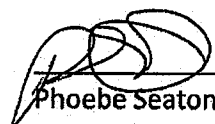
Dear Ms. Veenendaal,

We, the Co-Founders and Co-Directors of the Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability, officially designate our Policy Advocate Amanda Monaco as our organization's representative on the RTP Roundtable.

We hope to be able to participate in this important process as an At Large representative for the county.

Sincerely,

  
Veronica Garibay      Date 9/1/16

  
Phoebe Seaton      Date 9/1/16







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Please answer the following questions:

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Fresno Cycling Club

2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?

To promote safe and lawful bicycle riding for recreation and transportation.

3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? (Please attach letter of recommendation.)

Yes

4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?

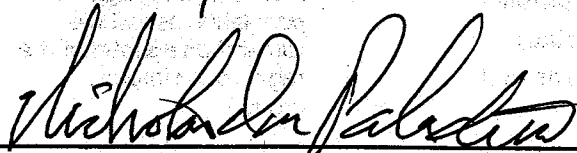
A primary concern is the lack of funding to construct streets that can safely accommodate bicycling. Bicycling as a mode of transportation is undermined by continued sprawl development which lengthens travel distances.

5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?

A major challenge will be obtaining the funding to design and build safe bicycle infrastructure. Another challenge will be how to encourage TDR and mixed-use development that will support utilitarian bicycling.

6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?

Active transportation advocates, the environmental justice community, health professionals, transportation planners, and land use planners



Applicant's Signature / Date

24 August 2016





August 22, 2016

Fresno Council of Governments Policy Board  
2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201  
Fresno, CA 93721

RE: Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Roundtable (RTP Roundtable)

To Whom It May Concern:

The Fresno Cycling Club was formed in 1962 and currently has over 700+ active members. The mission of the club is "to promote safe and lawful bicycle riding for recreation and transportation." Our members are predominantly recreational bicyclists; however, we desire that all major streets and roads are safe for all bicyclists.

Nicholas Don Paladino has been the club's Advocacy Director since 1999 and was doing advocacy work prior to becoming the Advocacy Director. He has served on the BPAC (Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee) for the City of Fresno as well as a Board member for the Fresno County Bicycle Coalition. He attends COG meetings regularly and attends the CBAC meetings in Sacramento. Nick is one of the most knowledgeable individuals concerning the issues confronting bicyclists on the county's streets and roads.

The Fresno Cycling Club recommends that Nicholas Don Paladino be appointed to the Active Transportation position on the RTP Roundtable.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dennis Ball". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Dennis" and last name "Ball" clearly visible.

Dennis Ball  
President  
Fresno Cycling Club  
president@fresnocycling.com







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FRESNO-MADERA-  
KINLO CHAPTER HEALTH ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION (2)  
① CAFF - CA ACADEMY OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS (FRESNO BPAC, FCBC, FRESNO COUNTY BICYCLE COALITION)

What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?

① Advance Advocate for positions that promote the health of Californians & enhance the role & practice of family physicians individually & collectively.

3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? (Please attach letter of recommendation.)

NOT AS YET

② promote bicycling for everyday transportation & health in Fresno Co

4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?

condemns re: issues of sprawl which contribute to air pollution & make actual transportation more difficult.

5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?

Cultural, social, political & economic challenges potentially.

6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?

Community wide input at all levels; business, consumers, & local institutions & employers.

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1. What specific organization or sector do you represent, if any?  
I am Fresno homeowner and a land use and policy planner/urban designer at QK in Fresno. My experience is with: design sustainable communities, TOD's, alternative transportation modes,
2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?  
Our mission is: to "build great communities and healthy environments by design"
3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? *(Please attach letter of recommendation.)*  
I've been approved by management to participate
4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?  
mixed use, higher densities, sustainable communities, healthy living, healthy environments, better access to transit, high speed rail station area planning, active transportation plans, safe access to parks and schools, making roads safer for bikes, Class I trails, reducing the GHG (pollution is a big problem here), TOD's in strategic locations throughout the city of Fresno b(and county), complete streets, working with Caltrans to turn state highways into Main Streets in some of our communities.
5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?  
Public's concerns for change and higher densities in existing neighborhoods, developers' interest for lower densities and sprawl development, finding a balance between too much higher density and the community's need for lower density SF development. A northern county east-west highway. Identifying "urban villages" throughout the City/County for TOD.
6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?  
Developers, cycling groups, Caltrans, HSRA, local health groups, environmental justice groups.

*Mike Ratajski*

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Kings River Conservation District which represents from a resource (water resource, water quality, flood control, energy, environmental and related resource needs, concerns and issues) standpoint 28 member agencies and other individual lands within Fresno, Kings and Tulare Counties covering 2 water shed subbasins.
2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?  
To provide flood protection, cooperate with other agencies to achieve a balanced high quality water supply, and develop power resources on the Kings River for the public good.
3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? *(Please attach letter of recommendation.)*  
I am the General Manager of KRCD so I have the authority to designate such.
4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?  
All things related to potential impacts on water resources, water quality, flood control, energy and related environmental concerns (such as fisheries). Current critical concerns would be current and future programs and projects related to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act including diversions and recharge projects.
5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?  
Potential affects on and mitigation thereof regarding capital construction costs, maintenance costs, replacements costs, and access. Related impacts to farming operations must also be considered.
6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?  
Contractors and agency representatives most familiar with impacts to construction and replacement. Agency representatives most familiar with maintenance/access needs and requirements and agency representatives most familiar with operational/access needs and requirements.

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**RTP Roundtable Application page 2****Please answer the following questions:**

1. What specific organization or sector do you represent, if any?

I represent the sectors of health, environment, active transportation, and broad based business.

2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?

NA

3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? *(Please attach letter of recommendation.)*

No, although I belong to several groups I am applying because this is a personal and professional interest of mine as a mother, resident and business.

4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?

My concerns are related to urban sprawl, lack of public transportation, safety for pedestrians. Poor planning has created a lot of health issues related to vehicles such as pollution.

5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?

Lack of political will to change old ways of doing things and lack of representation from those most effected.

6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?

Advocates from all the sectors you've listed/identified however a more balanced group that isnt top heavy. The group should be truly representative of the community at large.

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NAME: KENT KARSEVAR, E.D. DATE: 8-20-16

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fresno COG's Member Agencies (16) | <input type="checkbox"/> Building/Development                                                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Goods Movement                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SJV Air District                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Environment                                                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Broad-based business <sup>?</sup>                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Urban                             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rural                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Affordable Housing                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Valley Planners Network           |                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture                       |                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

Please answer the following questions:

1. What specific organization or sector do you represent, if any?  
*AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES OF THE CENTRAL VALLEY, WE SERVE FAMILIES IN CRISIS AS THEIR CHILDREN RECEIVE HEALTHCARE RELATED SERVICES AT VALLEY CHILDREN*
2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?  
*WE PROVIDE FAMILIES "A HOME AWAY FROM HOME" WHILE THEY ARE RECEIVING HEALTHCARE RELATED CARE, MANY OF WHICH HAVE TRANSPORTATION RELATED CHALLENGES.*
3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? (Please attach letter of recommendation.)  
*No*
4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?  
*FURTHER EXPANSION WITHIN FRESNO COUNTY AS IT AFFECTS ADDITIONAL GROWTH ACROSS THE RIVER TOWARD SOUTHEASTERN MADERA COUNTY.*
5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?  
*I BELIEVE OUR COMMUNITY HAS MANY CHALLENGES AT THIS TIME, MANY OF WHICH ARE DIRECTLY RELATED TO FUTURE GROWTH AND MODES OF TRANSPORTATION.*
6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?  
*STAKEHOLDERS FROM MANY ASPECTS OF THE COMMUNITY, GOVERNMENT, AND MANY OTHER MEMBERS OF OUR GENERAL SOCIETY INCLUDING UNDERREPRESENTED CITIZENS.*



Applicant's Signature / Date

*8-20-2016*





**Application for appointment  
to the  
Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Roundtable  
(RTP Roundtable)**

Applications are due to Fresno COG by September 1, 2016.  
Fresno COG's Policy Board will approve membership on September 29, 2016.

**Submit application to Fresno COG staff at:**

Brenda Veenendaal, Senior Regional Planner

Email: [brendav@fresnocog.org](mailto:brendav@fresnocog.org)

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NAME: Robert Morse DATE: 8/29/16

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**Please answer the following questions:**

1. What specific organization or sector do you represent, if any?  
Central Unified School District, Pupil Transportation
2. What is the stated mission of that organization or sector?  
Educate Students
3. Have you been officially designated by that organization or sector to represent them on the RTP Roundtable? *(Please attach letter of recommendation.)*  
See attached letter.
4. What are some of your group's land use and transportation concerns regarding the future of Fresno County?  
The need for more property to build new schools.
5. What do you think are some of the challenges that may be created in addressing these issues?  
Some of the areas may be unavailable.
6. Who do you think should be involved in addressing these issues?  
City and County leaders.

 8/29/16

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Applicant's Signature / Date



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Mark G. Sutton

August 26, 2016

To Whom It May Concern,

It is a pleasure to write this letter of recommendation on behalf of one of my employees, Robert Morse. Mr. Morse is currently the Director of Maintenance, Operations, and Transportation with the Central Unified School District. Mr. Morse has a tremendous background in making the total operations of a school district run very seamlessly when it comes to his departments and responsibilities and would be a tremendous asset to be a participant in the Regional Transportation Plan Roundtable.

Due to his role as Director of Maintenance, Operations, and Transportation in Central USD, Mr. Morse is an excellent candidate for the Roundtable as he is very familiar with the City of Fresno, especially west of Highway 99 and would be able to provide valuable insights as to how to help this portion of the City. Mr. Morse works well in group settings and is comfortable sharing his opinions while being respectful to others. To sum up Mr. Morse, he is a team player and does whatever it takes to help students and staff be successful.

Mr. Morse is a competent and effective person and would be an excellent candidate as a member of your group. If you have any questions about Mr. Morse, I would be happy to address them. You can contact me at work at (559) 274 - 4700.

Sincerely,

Mark G. Sutton  
District Superintendent  
Central Unified School District

