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Transportation Technical Committee
MINUTES
Friday, October 9, 2026
8:30 a.m.

The meeting was held in the Fresno COG Sequoia Conference Room.

Ryan Burnett, City of Clovis
Jennifer Clark, City of Fresno
Scott Mozier, City of Fresno
Joseph Harrell, County of Fresno
Kevin Gross, City of Mendota
Marilu Morales, County of Reedley
Stan Bulla, City of San Joaquin
Mohammad Alimi, City of Selma
Soo Ho Park, City of Selma
Nicholas Paladino, Fresno Cycling Club
Braden Duran, Caltrans District 6
Paul Herman, FCOG
Janelle Del Campo, FCRTA

The meeting was called to order at 8:36 a.m. by Mr. Burnett (City of Clovis), Chair

I. TRANSPORTATION CONSENT ITEMS

- **A. Executive Minutes of September 11, 2026 [ACTION]**
- **B. Fiscal Year 2026-27 City of Coalinga Transportation Development Act Claim (Les Beshears) [ACTION]**
- **C. Fiscal Year 2026-27 City of Kerman Transportation Development Act Claim (Les Beshears) [ACTION]**
- **D. Fiscal Year 2026-27 San Joaquin Transportation Development Act Claim (Les Beshears) [ACTION]**
- **E. Fiscal Year 2026-27 Selma Transportation Development Act Claim (Les Beshears) [ACTION]**

Mr. Mozier (City of Fresno) moved, and Mr. Alimi (City of Selma) seconded the motion.

All in favor, none opposed.
Motion carried.

II. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- **A. 2027 Active Transportation Program Cycle 8 - Quick-Build Projects and Regional Application Process (Erin Haagenson) [INFORMATION]**

Summary: Fresno COG develops regional Active Transportation Program (ATP) guidelines and recommends projects to the California Transportation Commission (CTC). For the 2027 ATP Cycle 8, staff developed a supplemental Quick-Build application and scoring rubric to identify and prioritize eligible Quick-Build projects that provide interim pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements through low-cost, scalable, and expedited project delivery.

Quick-Build projects are interim capital improvements that use durable, low-to-moderate-cost materials and typically remain in place for one to five years. They allow communities to address safety needs quickly, test

improvements, and incorporate community feedback before permanent improvements are constructed. Quick-Build Projects must be submitted directly to Fresno COG and are due November 18, 2026 along with the supplemental project applications.

The scoring rubric evaluates projects based on need, safety, community engagement, interagency support, project flexibility, performance metrics, potential for a permanent project, funding and maintenance strategies, and project readiness. The process aligns with statewide ATP requirements while incorporating regional priorities.

In addition, we are seeking representatives for the ATP scoring committee, to be held in January, with the applications distributed by the end of November.

Active Transportation Program (ATP) – Fresno Council of Governments

Action: Information. The Committee may provide additional direction at its discretion.

Erin Haagenson (FCOG) presented an overview of the ATP Quick-Build application process, project eligibility, scoring criteria, and application deadlines. She announced that the deadline for Quick-Build and supplemental applications had been extended to December 11, 2026. Committee members discussed project eligibility, permanent features, and funding availability. Erin also requested recommendations for members to serve on the scoring committee.

The item was informational; no action was taken.

B. <u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Updates (Erin Haagenson) [INFORMATION]</u>

Summary: Caltrans is implementing changes to its Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program in response to revisions to federal DBE requirements under 49 CFR Part 26. Caltrans has issued Office Bulletins 26-02 and 26-03 outlining changes that affect local agencies administering federally funded transportation projects. Beginning October 1, 2026, local agencies are required to use the new Exhibit 9-L, Bidder's/Proposer's List, for applicable federal-aid contracts advertised on or after that date. Caltrans is also preparing to resume DBE contract goal-setting following completion of the DBE certification reevaluation process and required federal approvals. Caltrans has proposed a new statewide Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) DBE goal of 11.80 percent for Federal Fiscal Years 2027–2028, compared to the previous statewide goal of 21.35 percent. Contract-level DBE goals remain suspended until the revised DBE Program is approved and authorized for implementation.

Caltrans accepted comments on the proposed goal and methodology between September 16 and September 30 and will conduct DBE goal-setting training on October 20, 2026, to provide local agencies with information regarding the revised requirements, goal-setting methodology, and implementation of the updated DBE Program. FCOG staff encourages member agencies involved in the development, procurement, and administration of federally funded transportation projects to participate in the training and become familiar with the new requirements. FCOG staff will continue to monitor Caltrans and FHWA guidance and provide updates to member agencies as additional information becomes available.

Action: Information. The Committee may provide additional direction at its discretion.

Erin Haagenson (FCOG) provided updates on Caltrans' DBE requirements, including the use of Exhibit 9-L in federally funded contracts and the collection of subcontractor bid information. She reviewed the tentative 11.8% DBE goal, noting that implementation remains pending Federal Highway Administration approval of the goal-setting methodology. Staff were encouraged to participate in the October 20 training. Committee members

discussed the potential impact on DBE participation and confirmed that new goals would not apply retroactively to previously awarded contracts.

The item was informational; no action was taken.

C. <u>Truck Route Study (Erin Haagenson) [INFORMATION]</u>

Summary: FCOG staff is seeking additional input from member agencies regarding interest in a potential regional approach to truck route planning and implementation in response to AB 98 and SB 415. On September 2, 2026, FCOG circulated a request to the cities and County seeking input on participation in a regional study and model ordinance/framework addressing truck routes, freight-generating facilities, truck parking and staging, and related issues. The City of Fresno has indicated its interest in participating and noted that it previously partnered with the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District on a truck route study in the AB 617 area. While that effort was completed, no changes were made to the City's truck route maps, and the City plans to evaluate its truck routes and revise its existing ordinance to comply with AB 98 and SB 415 by January 2028. The City also indicated that its experience and lessons learned from the AB 617 effort could be beneficial to a broader regional effort. FCOG is requesting that interested agencies respond by October 30, 2026 to indicate whether they would like to participate, identify any existing or planned truck-route studies or ordinance updates, and identify issues they would like addressed. If sufficient interest exists, FCOG will convene interested jurisdictions to discuss a potential scope of work, roles, funding opportunities, and next steps.

Action: Information. The Committee may provide additional direction at its discretion.

Erin Haagenson (FCOG) presented an overview of the proposed regional truck route study and requested agency feedback regarding participation in a coordinated regional effort. The study could address truck routes, freight-generating facilities, truck parking, and a model ordinance framework. Agencies were asked to respond by October 30, 2026, to help determine regional interest and inform FCOG's budget and resource planning for the next fiscal year.

The item was informational; no action was taken.

D. Central Valley California Transportation Commission (CTC) Meeting (Paul Herman) [INFORMATION]

Summary: The California Transportation Commission (CTC) will hold its October 15–16, 2026 meeting at the Hanford Civic Center, bringing the Commission to the Central Valley for its regularly scheduled meeting. The meeting provides an opportunity for local transportation agencies and stakeholders to engage with CTC Commissioners and staff regarding regional transportation priorities, funding programs, and projects. In conjunction with the CTC meeting, WTS-CenCal will host a California Transportation Commission Reception on October 15, providing an additional opportunity for transportation professionals and local agency representatives to network with CTC Commissioners, Caltrans staff, and other transportation stakeholders. FCOG staff encourages interested member agencies and TTC/PAC members to attend the CTC meeting and/or reception.

WTS-CenCal Presents: California Transportation Commission Reception Tickets, Thursday, October 15 • 5:30 PM – 7 PM | Eventbrite

Action: Information. The Committee may provide additional direction at its discretion.

Paul Herman (FCOG) announced that the California Transportation Commission would meet October 15–16, 2026, at the Hanford Civic Center. The meeting provides an opportunity for local transportation agencies and stakeholders to discuss regional transportation priorities, funding programs, and projects with CTC

commissioners and staff. He also noted that WTS would host an event on the evening of October 15. Additional event information would be distributed separately.

The item was informational; no action was taken.

III. OTHER ITEMS

A. Items from Staff

Paul Herman (FCOG) provided updates on the Big Fresno Fair, upcoming Policy Board and TTC/PAC meetings, and the APWA Projects and Professionals of the Year awards program. He noted that nominations were due October 23, 2026, and offered to provide additional information. The Chair then invited items from committee members.

B. Items from Members

Braden Duran (Caltrans) provided updates on highway work zone safety, Millerton Road's designation as a Priority Safety Corridor, grant deadlines, and the District 6 Transit Plan, which was expected to be available for public review in mid-November. He also reminded attendees of the upcoming CTC meeting in Hanford. No questions were raised by the committee or public.

Ryan Burnett (City of Clovis) congratulated Scott Mozier (City of Fresno) on his retirement and thanked him for his years of service. Scott announced that his last day with the City of Fresno would be November 2 and introduced Brian Russell as the new Public Works Director. He also provided updates on the transition of departmental responsibilities.

IV. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Lindsay Chargan and Sheila Hakimapour presented the proposed Shaver Lake Recreational Trail Project, outlining plans for a paved trail, trailheads, parking, restrooms, and a proposed 50-acre nature park. They discussed ongoing planning and grant applications and requested letters of support from FCOG and member agencies. Committee members expressed support for the project and discussed coordination with Fresno County.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Paul Herman, Interim Executive Director

Public:
Lindsay Chargan, Sheila Hakimapour

Staff:
Paul Herman, Erin Haagenson, Mykia Byrd