

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
REGIONAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TRANSPORTATION MODELING COMMITTEE

KERN COG CONFERENCE ROOM
1401 19TH STREET, THIRD FLOOR
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA

WEDNESDAY
August 3, 2016
1:30 P.M.

Vice Chairman Poire called the meeting to order at 1:36 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Martin Ortiz	City of Bakersfield
Suzanne Forrest	City of Shafter
Mark Staples	City of Taft (phone)
Roger Mobley	City of Wasco
Ricardo Perez	GET
Alec Kimmel	Caltrans
Richard Rowe	Community Member
Patty Poire	Community Member

STAFF:

Rob Ball	Kern COG
Ben Raymond	Kern COG
Becky Napier	Kern COG
Ed Flickinger	Kern COG
Michael Heimer	Kern COG

OTHERS:

Ted James	Consultant
Dave Dmohowski	Consultant
Troy Hightower	Consultant
Wayne Clausen	City of Shafter
Mimi Seymens-Jackson	TDH Associates
Merced Barrera	Leadership Counsel
Ed Murphy	City of Bakersfield
Trevor Hawkes	City of Tehachapi

- II. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Committee on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Committee. Committee members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification; make a referral to staff for information or request staff to report to the Committee at a later meeting. **SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD PRIOR TO MAKING A PRESENTATION.**

None.

III. APPROVAL OF DISCUSSION SUMMARY:

Due to lack of a quorum, the minutes could not be approved.

IV. MODEL INPUT ASSUMPTIONS: DRAFT GENERALIZED LAND USE MAP (Heimer)

Mr. Heimer informed the Committee that in order to update land use model assumptions, a generalized land use map layer, derived from local general and specific plans for all jurisdictions in Kern County is being circulated today for review and comment.

Land use categories from multiple jurisdictions were aggregated into thirteen categories to be used by UPlan. Residential types have been divided into six categories based upon dwelling units per gross acre and employment has been divided into three types based upon usage. The remaining four categories represent two types of publically owned land, resource areas (agriculture, mining, etc.), and mixed use areas.

Mr. Heimer answered questions from the audience and the Committee and requested that changes be communicated to him by August 22, 2016. Vice Chairman Poire requested that Mr. Heimer review the food processing facilities that are located in the agricultural areas and put in a 5% increase over the next five years.

This was an information item.

V. INFORMATION FROM THE BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY ROUNDTABLE (Napier)

Ms. Napier advised the Committee that Kern COG kicked off development of its 2018 RTP on December 16, 2015, when it held the first Environmental and Social Equity Roundtable. The second Environmental and Social Equity Roundtable was held on March 10, 2016 and the first Business and Industry Roundtable was held June 8, 2016.

The purpose of the Business and Industry meeting was to provide an overview of the 2018 RTP process and also to discuss with stakeholders the I-5/Sustainable Freight Program being developed by Cambridge Systematics. Notes from the meeting were provided.

This was an information item.

VI. SB 375 GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION TARGET SETTING TIMELINE (Ball)

Mr. Ball provided an updated timeline for SB 375 GHG reduction target setting for the 2018 RTP. Mr. Ball informed the Committee that on July 22, 2016, Kern COG staff spoke with ARB staff. ARB had received the letter from the 8-San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Agencies informing them that target recommendations are scheduled to be sent to ARB by December 31, 2016. ARB staff said the item tentatively scheduled for the September board meeting on the SB375 targets is being revised to allow more time for the all the MPOs statewide to develop and submit target recommendations. ARB reiterated their commitment to work with the MPOs on establishing new targets.

This was an information item.

VII. KERN COG MODELING ACTIVITY

Mr. Flickinger gave an update of the recent modeling activity.

VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Committee was provided the resignation letter received from Jason Cater who went to work for the City of Bakersfield. Kern COG will advertise for a new Community Member.

IX. MEMBER ITEMS

Committee Member Kimmel announced that the Final California Transportation Plan (Plan) has been approved. Mr. Kimmel supplied the Committee with brochure recapping the vision, goals and policies in the Plan. Mr. Kimmell requested that Caltrans be placed on the next RPAC agenda to discuss the Plan

X. ADJOURNMENT

Committee Member Mobley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:37 p.m., seconded by Committee Member Ortiz, motion carried.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 31, 2016, at 1:30 p.m.