



**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
AGENDA**

DATE: **Thursday, June 24, 2021**  
TIME: **10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**  
LOCATION : **Zoom Meeting at ICTC Offices**

Chairperson: City of El Centro

Vice-Chair: City of Brawley

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**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

1. Introductions
2. Adoption of Minutes for May 27, 2021 *ACTION*  
*Requesting a motion to adopt*
3. Caltrans Active Transportation Plan 15 minutes  
*Presentation by Caltrans Staff*
4. Imperial Irrigation District Presentation: Customer Service Proposal (CSP) 20 minutes  
New Construction Application Process  
*Presented by: Luis F. Garcia, Public Benefits Program Specialist*

**CITIES OF BRAWLEY, CALEXICO, CALIPATRIA, EL CENTRO, HOLTVILLE, IMPERIAL, WESTMORLAND,  
IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT AND COUNTY OF IMPERIAL**

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| <b>5.</b> | Caltrans Updates/ Announcements<br><i>Presented by Caltrans Staff</i> | 10 minutes |
| <b>6.</b> | SCAG Updates Announcements<br><i>Presented by SCAG Staff</i>          | 10 minutes |
| <b>7.</b> | Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates<br><i>All</i>       | 10 minutes |
| <b>8.</b> | ICTC Updates / Announcements<br><i>Presented by ICTC Staff</i>        | 10 minutes |
|           | a. Transit Planning Updates   |            |
|           | b. Transportation Planning Updates                                    |            |
|           | c. FY 2020-21 Programmed Project Obligation Updates                   |            |
| <b>9.</b> | General Discussion / New Business<br><i>All</i>                       | 10 minutes |
| <b>9.</b> | Adjournment   |            |

The next meeting of the ICTC TAC meeting is tentatively scheduled for July 22, 2021. For questions you may call Marlene Flores at (760) 592-4494 or contact by email at [marleneflores@imperialctc.org](mailto:marleneflores@imperialctc.org)



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**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**DRAFT MINUTES**

**May 27, 2021**

**Present:**

Gordon Gaste	City of Brawley
Abraham Campos	City of El Centro
Veronica Atondo	County of Imperial
Jesus Villegas	City of Imperial
Lili Falomir	City of Calexico
Joel Hamby	City of Westmorland
Frank Fiorenza	IID
George Galvan	City of Holtville

**Others:**

Virginia Mendoza	ICTC
Mark Baza	ICTC
Marlene Flores	ICTC
Audrie Tapia	ICTC
David Salgado	SCAG
Catherine Gutierrez	City of El Centro
Felix De Leon	City of El Centro
Angel Hernandez	City of El Centro
Christian Rodriguez	City of El Centro
Elva Pacheco	City of Imperial
Manuel Cabrera	City of Brawley
Andy Miramontes	City of Brawley
Guillermo Sillas	City of Brawley
Jim Minnik	County of Imperial
Ben Guerrero	Caltrans
Ryan Fallica	Caltrans
Daniel Hernandez	Caltrans
Rafael Reyes	Caltrans
Deborah McGarrey	SoCal Gas
Brenda Hom	Ascent Environmental
Poonam Boparai	Ascent Environmental

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. A quorum was present and introductions were made. There were no public comments made.

2. A *motion* was made to adopt the minutes for April 22, 2021 ([Atondo/Gaste](#)) **Motion Carried.**
3. ICTC Staff Forwards this item to the Technical Advisory Committee for discussion and recommendation to submit to the ICTC Management Committee and Commission after public comments, if any;

1. Approve the Imperial County Regional Climate Action Plan.
  - Virginia Mendoza announced Brenda and Poonam had prepared a presentation for the Committee on The Regional Climate Action Plan. The Regional Action Climate Plan is led by the Imperial County Transportation Commission with the intent to quantify GHG emissions and recommend reduction strategies. The regional CAP is funded by the Southern California Association of Governments and recommendations of the Regional CAP is intended to be a baseline tool for local agencies. Recommendation as a plan that was completed/ or acceptance of completion of the plan. It was determined by Abraham the IID and Mark: to Accept the Document/plan for presentation only to Management and Commission with the caveat of seeking additional agricultural comments prior to any formal adoption.

A *motion* was made to Accept the Document/plan for presentation only to Management and Commission with the caveat of seeking additional agricultural comments prior to any formal adoption ([Fiorenza/Galvan](#))

All cities with the exception of the IID and County of Imperial voted no along with one abstain from the City of Westmorland.

**4. Caltrans Updates / Announcements** (*Presented by: Ben Guerrero*):

- Caltrans provided general information on inactive projects. As of May 21, 2021, the INACTIVE and Future Inactive list was updated. Action is required by the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) and County of Imperial, as well as these four other cities: Brawley, Calexico, Holtville, and Imperial.
- February 19, 2021 was the deadline to submit Inactive invoices. District 11 must receive accurate and complete invoices to prevent de-obligation of federal funds. Agencies that do not plan to send an invoice by May 20, 2021, must submit a justification. A complete list of Inactive Projects can be found on <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/projects/inactive-projects> for further questions or concerns regarding the Inactive invoices please reach out to Alma Sanchez at [Alma.Sanchez@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Alma.Sanchez@dot.ca.gov).
- A completed “Local Agency Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Annual Submittal Form” (Exhibit 9-B) and a “Local Agency Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Annual Certification Form” (Exhibit 9-C) must be submitted prior to June 1, 2021. Failures to submit the completed forms delays processing of Requests for Fund Authorization(E-76)
- Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 20-21 Request for Authorization Obligations are due by July 29, 2021.
- The U.S. DOT Office of Civil Rights has extended guidance to June 30, 2021 for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program requirements and certification procedures during the public health emergency.
- All allocation request packages for California Transportation Commission (CTC) approval during the August 18-19, 2021 CTC meeting. When possible, do not wait to submit requests. Caltrans District 11 must receive all documents at least two months prior to the CTC meeting date. Friday, June 18, 2021, is the next deadline (for the August 18-19, 2021, CTC meeting).
- Caltrans has released the 2021 Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM) as well

as updates to the Local Assistance Program Guidelines (LAPG). All changes have been documented in Local Programs Procedures 20-01 (LPP 20-01)

- The Exhibit 6-A Preliminary Environmental Study (PES) Form is now Electronic Signature-fillable. A PDF is posted on the Local Assistance Procedures Manual forms webpage.
- Local Agencies are to comply with all Title VI requirements. Refer to the Local Assistance Procedures Manual for more information.
- Quality Assurance Program (QAP) expires in September 2021 for the County of Imperial and January 2022 for the City of Imperial.
- Daniel Hernandez shared the Caltrans Active Transportation Plan will be presented in the next TAC meeting.
- The I-8 closure will be taking place Tuesday June 1, 2021, starting at 8:00 p.m. the initial concrete pour will be June 3<sup>rd</sup> followed by the main event that is set to be scheduled for the second week of July.

**5. SCAG Updates / Announcements** (*Presented by David Salgado*):

- **SCAG 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Demographic Workshop:** The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) and University of Southern California (USC) will be split into two webinars- Part 1 will take place on Tuesday, June 8,2021, and Part 2 will take place on Tuesday. The topic this year will be The Post Pandemic-City, More I information can be found on <https://scag.ca.gov/demographics>.
- **Electric Vehicle Charging Station (ECVS) Permit Streamlining Training- Imperial County-** On May 12,2021 SCAG hosted an Electric Vehicle Charging Station (ECVS) Permit Streamlining Training- for the Imperial County. Mr. Salgado was please to announce the training had a great outcome and shared the target audience were reelected officials, city managers and staff in building departments who manage the permitting processes.
- **SCAG Inclusive Economic Recovery Strategy (IERS):** SCAG is seeking stakeholder input on the findings and proposed recommendations for the final Inclusive Economic Recovery Strategy. All stakeholders who live or work in the SCAG 6-County region are encouraged to review the draft IERS findings and recommendations at [https://scag.ca.gov/sites/main/files/attachments/iers\\_findings\\_recs\\_rev\\_5.6.21.pdf](https://scag.ca.gov/sites/main/files/attachments/iers_findings_recs_rev_5.6.21.pdf).

**6. Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates:**

- Local agencies gave an update on their local projects in progress.

**7. ICTC Updates / Announcements**

*Presented by ICTC Staff*

**a. Transit Planning Updates**

- Virginia Mendoza provided a brief update on transit planning. ICTC is still operating under COVID-19 requirements those which include Free fares for Transit riders with the exception of Medtrans. The UNMET Transit Needs Public Hearing is scheduled for June 7,1021.

**b. Transportation Planning Updates**

**1. FY 2020-21 Programmed Project Obligation Updates**

- Virginia Mendoza reviewed the FY 2020-21 State and Federal Funded Project Obligation Lists with updates provided from the Cities and County of Imperial.
- Mark Baza shared the great news stating ICTC has gotten approved for the Calexico On Demand Transit Service for the City of Calexico. The service includes curve to curve appointments via online and phone. Smaller renewable energy vehicles will be utilized to provide this service. There is a three-year

commitment in place ICTC is scheduled to fund the fourth year. More information regarding this service is to come.

-The Conceptional design for the Calexico Transit Design approvals are in the works.

**8. General Discussion / New Business**

- Next TAC meeting will be on June 24, 2021 via Zoom

**9. Meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.**

## BROADBAND INITIATIVE UPDATE

On May 14, SCAG Executive Director Kome Ajise and SANDAG Executive Director Hasan Ikhtrata participated in a panel discussion moderated by Sunne Wright McPeak, President and CEO of the California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF) and former secretary of the California Business, Transportation and Housing Agency. The panel focused on regional efforts from metropolitan planning organizations (MPO) to adopt region-wide digital equity resolutions and regional efforts to address the digital divide. SCAG and SANDAG have worked collaboratively to bring resources to Southern California and highlight current efforts to support further broadband deployment. The panel focused on the ongoing collaboration and the focused leadership both agencies have provided to Southern California in leading efforts to bridge the digital divide, highlight best practices, and advocate for more resources and collaboration.

The MPO Digital Divide Panel was a part of the "Getting Connected: A Broadband Deployment and Adoption Resource Guide for Local and Regional Government Leaders Webinar" program developed by CETF and Valley Vision Community Inspired Solutions. The webinar was developed to highlight the release of the resource guide, which is a refresh of the guide developed close to a decade ago in cooperation with CETF and the Orange County Business Council. The guide will be used as a vital tool to help accelerate the deployment and adoption of broadband throughout the State of California and was developed by Valley Vision and CETF using the many resources, best practices, and case studies available. This resource guide is especially timely in light of Governor Gavin Newsom's executive order to pursue broadband for all and adopt an action plan to achieve the state's goals.

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

SCAG's newly elected executive board officers, including President Clint Lorimore, Second Vice President Carmen Ramirez, and Regional Councilmember Peggy Huang, met with Assemblywoman Suzette Valladares (R-Santa Clarita), who represents California's 38th Assembly District. Assemblywoman Valladares had never held elected office prior to her November 2020 victory. She shares various priorities with SCAG, including seeking ways to increase housing affordability in California while finding the right balance between local control and streamlining the approval process. She is also focused on expanding high-speed broadband access, especially for her rural constituents. Assemblywoman Valladares expressed a desire to continue conversations with SCAG to leverage our expertise in the housing and broadband arenas as she continues to learn more about these policy issues.

## LETTER TO STATE LEGISLATIVE LEADERSHIP REQUESTS SUPPORT FOR LOCAL AGENCIES TO MEET STATE HOUSING GOALS

On behalf of our region's cities and counties, I sent a letter to Speaker of the Assembly Anthony Rendon and Senate President pro Tempore Toni Atkins requesting certain flexibilities for jurisdictions currently working to update their Housing Elements. Given the unusual circumstances under which jurisdictions must plan and the significantly higher housing need identified by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), the letter laid out four asks as follows:

- Allow up to 25 percent of a jurisdiction's Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) allocation to be met through preservation of naturally occurring affordable units or units "at-risk" of conversion to market rate.
- Extend the deadline for SCAG region jurisdictions to submit Housing Element updates by six months from October 2021 to April 2022.
- Modify the deadlines for required rezoning for those jurisdictions requiring a comprehensive update to its General Plan.
- Allow cities and counties to trade or transfer portions of their RHNA allocations as long as the state's Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) guidelines are still achieved.

Over the past several weeks, SCAG staff has met with stakeholders, including representatives of housing advocacy organizations, HCD staff, and staff with the legislative housing and budget committees. Reactions have been mixed, but SCAG continues to advocate for these changes to not only support local jurisdictions in updating their Housing Elements, but to produce better Housing Elements. An extension of the Housing Element update deadline, for example, would allow SCAG region cities and counties to maximize the State's \$250 million investment in the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) and Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) programs as local jurisdictions work to plan for more housing.

## DEMOGRAPHIC WORKSHOP TO ADDRESS PLANNING FOR “THE POST-PANDEMIC CITY”

SCAG and the University of Southern California's Sol Price School of Public Policy will be hosting the [32nd Annual Demographic Workshop](#) in two parts on **Tuesday, June 8** and **Tuesday, June 15**. This year's workshop contemplates life in “the post-pandemic city.” [Register here to attend.](#)

### PART 1: CHANGING CALIFORNIA DEMOGRAPHICS

Starting on **Tuesday, June 8 from 1:30 to 4:45 p.m.**, join us for an update on the latest in demographic trends, including migration, fertility and aging, and a look at the unequal impacts of COVID-19.

### PART 2: THE POST-PANDEMIC CITY

The next webinar in the series will be held on **Tuesday, June 15 from 1:30 to 4:45 p.m.** and will feature a keynote address by **Tiffany Chu**, designer, planner and the former chief executive officer and co-founder of Remix, and now the senior vice president at Via, on the emerging neighborhood-centric mobility patterns seen during the COVID-19 pandemic. Additional panels will include a 2020 Census update and a discussion on the post-pandemic workforce, housing, and transportation.

Each part of the series will also include expert-led roundtable discussions to build skills about topics presented throughout the day. The cost of this year's workshop is free to all individuals who [register](#). For additional details about the event, visit [scag.ca.gov/demographics](http://scag.ca.gov/demographics).

## SCAG ANNOUNCES 2021 SUSTAINABILITY AWARDS RECIPIENTS

SCAG is proud to announce the 2021 Sustainability Award recipients! Recipients of this year's 14th annual awards include municipalities, agencies, and nonprofit organizations – all recognized for excellence in coordinating land use and transportation to improve mobility, livability, prosperity, and sustainability. The 2021 Sustainability Award recipients by category:

- **Outstanding Achievement in Sustainability:** The City of Santa Ana, for the Santa Ana Arts Collective (SAAC) Affordable Housing and Adaptive Reuse Community
- **Active, Healthy and Safe Communities:** The City of Palm Desert, for its San Pablo Avenue Streetscape Project
- **Clean Cities – Alternative Fuels and Infrastructure:** Sunline Transit Agency, for Driving the Future of Hydrogen
- **Efficient and Sustainable Land Use:** Kounkuey Design Initiative and the City of Los Angeles, for its Adopt-A-Lot Program
- **Housing Innovation:** Clifford Beers Housing Inc., for its Isla de Los Angeles development
- **Green Region Initiative:** The San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District, for the Upper Santa Ana River Wash Habitat Conservation Plan

[Watch the videos](#) to learn more about each project. For more information on the SCAG Sustainability Awards and to view past winners, please visit [scag.ca.gov/sustainability-program-awards](http://scag.ca.gov/sustainability-program-awards).



## 2021 STUDENT SHOWCASE

SCAG hosted the Student Showcase again in 2021, a virtual Esri StoryMap competition that challenged post-secondary students to utilize an online tool to reflect current events related to planning while using SCAG data. This is a meaningful way to tell a story or provide insight, showcase plans, and projects, engage supporters and stakeholders, illustrate the possibilities of data, and highlight the usefulness of open data at the regional level. Applications fell under two categories: Planning and Innovation. More than ten universities and community colleges were represented in this year's competition. The top projects for both categories are highlighted below:

### PLANNING CATEGORY

- 1st Place – \$2,000 – Reaghan Murphy – University of Southern California
  - ◎ [Surviving SoCal's Streets: The Case for Vision Zero](#)
- 2nd Place - \$1,000 – Lacy Gugliemino – Crafton Hills College
  - ◎ [To Reach It, We Have to Teach It!](#)

### INNOVATION CATEGORY

- 1st Place - \$2,000 – Irene Farr – University of California, Los Angeles
  - ◎ [Identifying Hidden open Spaces](#)
- 2nd Place - \$1,000 – Adam Doyle – California State University, Long Beach
  - ◎ [Gas to Green](#)

Congratulations to our 2021 Student Showcase award recipients!

## INCLUSIVE ECONOMIC RECOVERY STRATEGY NEXT STEPS

SCAG staff provided an update on the [Inclusive Economic Recovery Strategy \(IERS\)](#) to the Regional Council at their meeting on May 6, presenting initial research, findings from their convenings, and draft recommendations for the IERS. The draft recommendations focus on the strategies and actions that SCAG is well-positioned to lead or implement with an appropriate partner in the region. SCAG is seeking stakeholder input on the findings and proposed recommendations for the final IERS. All stakeholders who live or work in the SCAG six-county region are encouraged to review the draft IERS Findings and Recommendations and submit comments by June 4. With additional feedback from the Regional Council and stakeholders, the final report and recommendations will be brought to the Regional Council in summer 2021.

## SCAG AWARDED FULL REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING AMOUNT

On May 13, HCD provided a formal letter awarding SCAG its remaining full award amount of approximately \$35.6 million under the REAP grant. REAP grants are awarded to councils of governments and other multi-partner agencies such as SCAG to accelerate housing production and increase housing supply through a variety of planning programs. SCAG was awarded an early application amount of \$11.8 million in early 2020 and intends to use its full amount to continue its wide variety of programs to help local jurisdictions and partners plan for and implement the 6th cycle RHNA allocation. REAP funds must be expended by December 31, 2023. Please visit the [SCAG Housing webpage](#) for more information.

## SCAG COMMENT LETTER ON DRAFT CALENVIROSCREEN 4.0

SCAG staff prepared and submitted comments on the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment's (OEHHA) Draft CalEnviroScreen 4.0 on May 14. The new version of the environmental health screening tool includes the incorporation of the most recent data available for all indicators, improvements to the calculations of some indicators, and one new indicator (Children's Lead Risk from Housing). SCAG Comments on CES 4.0 covered the absence of racial/ethnic and climate change indicators and recommendations regarding an increased emphasis on air pollution indicators and improved outreach efforts. SCAG staff is coordinating with OEHHA staff to arrange a presentation of the CES 4.0 updates for the Energy & Environment Committee meeting in June 2021.

## PROJECT LIST APPROVED FOR THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION & SAFETY CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

At its meeting on May 6, SCAG's [Regional Council approved the recommended project list](#) for the 2020 Sustainable Communities Program (SCP) Active Transportation & Safety Call for Applications. For Active Transportation Program-funded projects, SCAG will take the approved project list to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) at the [June 23-24 meeting](#) for approval. After approval, SCAG staff will begin allocation for those funded projects. SCAG staff will send award letters in the coming weeks with more details on next steps, for all projects. SCAG plans to release a fourth SCP Call for Applications this fall that will be focused on Civic Engagement, Equity, and Environmental Justice. More details will be provided on SCAG's [SCP webpage](#) with opportunities to provide feedback on the development of the guidelines this summer.

## GO HUMAN UPDATE

### COMMUNITY STREETS MINI-GRANTS PROGRAM RECEIVES 45 APPLICATIONS

*Go Human's* Community Streets Mini-Grants Program received 45 applications through its Call for Applications, which closed on May 19, in alignment with Bike Month. SCAG received applications from Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura Counties. SCAG will announce awardees the week of June 7, funding street-level community resiliency and safety projects to address the needs of people most harmed by traffic injuries and fatalities, including without limitation, Black, Indigenous, and People of Color; people with disabilities; and frontline workers, particularly those walking and biking.

### GO HUMAN RECRUITS OVER 55 COMMUNITY SAFETY AMBASSADORS FOR PILOT POPULAR EDUCATION PROGRAM (AND STILL RECRUITING)!

*Go Human* and California Walks have recruited over 55 Community Safety Ambassadors and are still accepting applicants for the [Community Safety Ambassador Training Program](#) for Imperial, San Bernardino, and Ventura counties! The Ambassador Program is a community engagement and leadership development opportunity working with 20 community members per county to complete a paid, virtual training program to build capacity and bridge relationships with local governments to improve walking and biking safety. Applications will be accepted through early June. You can find the application on the [Community Safety Ambassador Training Program webpage](#).

### GO HUMAN CELEBRATED BIKE MONTH IN MAY

In celebration of Bike Month, *Go Human* shared bike safety resources and amplified partners' efforts to encourage biking and bike safety across the SCAG region. *Go Human's* [Every Month is Bike Month](#) blog post highlighted Ride Guides, virtual classes, promotions, and more. *Go Human's* other communications channels included partner spotlights and SCAG resources and opportunities, including *Go Human's* Community Safety Ambassador Application recruitment, Community Streets Mini Grants Calls for Applications, and opportunities for safety co-branding. Follow *Go Human* on social media at @GoHumanSoCal for Bike Month promos continuing in June because #EveryMonthIsBikeMonth.

## AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM + GO HUMAN

Administered by the Strategic Growth Council and implemented by HCD, the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program (AHSC) builds healthier communities and protects the environment by increasing the supply of affordable places to live near jobs, stores, transit, and other daily needs. As part of the application process, applicants are required to provide a letter of support from the MPO of the region in which the project is located, indicating that the project is consistent with the most recently adopted regional transportation plan. SCAG is currently reviewing the consistency of 18 applicants with Connect SoCal. Letters of support will be provided to projects consistent with Connect SoCal's Sustainable Communities Strategy. To support the development of competitive applications, SCAG has developed guidance for applicants to leverage its *Go Human* program resources. Completed applications are due to the Strategic Growth Council on June 8. On October 28th, the Strategic Growth Council will announce their Round 6 award recipients. A report will be provided to SCAG's Community, Economic, and Human Development Committee (CEHD) after the awards have been announced. Please contact Lyle Janicek for more information at [janicek@scag.ca.gov](mailto:janicek@scag.ca.gov).

## SCAG HOSTS ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION PERMITTING WEBINAR

SCAG's Clean Cities program, in partnership with the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (Go-Biz), hosted a virtual training session on permit streamlining for electric vehicle (EV) charging stations for stakeholders and jurisdictions in Imperial County on May 12. The training increases adoption of EVs by helping to fulfil a state directive to streamline the EV station permitting process set by Assembly Bill 1236 and achieve the Accelerated Electrification goals of Connect SoCal. Staff from seven jurisdictions and a local utility in Imperial County participated in the training, which also included information on available funding and incentive opportunities for purchasing and installing EV charging infrastructure. The goal of the small group training was to support peer-to-peer learning, share opportunities, and spur local process improvements for electric vehicle charging station permit streamlining. SCAG will continue to work with local jurisdictions across the region to assist with streamlining their EV permitting processes. For more information, please contact [cleancities@scag.ca.gov](mailto:cleancities@scag.ca.gov).

## TOOLBOX TUESDAY ABOUT ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT AND HELPR 2.0

SCAG hosted a Toolbox Tuesday on May 18 focused on Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) and the Housing Element Parcel (HELPR) Tool version 2.0. To support ADU planning, SCAG has collaborated with Cal Poly Pomona's Department of Urban and Regional Planning to identify parcels with potential for detached ADUs using criteria from recently amended State law and parcel-level geospatial data from SCAG. This webinar introduces the updated HELPR version 2.0 with improved visualization capabilities, jurisdictional dashboards of housing statistics, and new data and filtering capabilities based on ADU site dimensions set forth in State law. Speakers included representatives from the City of Garden Grove, Cal Poly Pomona, and SCAG. The webinar provided an extensive overview and insights regarding planning for ADUs, local ADU development trends and policies, and more. The second part of the webinar introduced SCAG's Housing Element Update GIS Support, including: Pre-certified Local Housing Data Reports, Pre-Certified Regional ADU Affordability Analysis, HELPR 2.0, and one-on-one staff training available to our members to access GIS tools. While HELPR 2.0 has not yet been posted, the initial version and housing element support materials are available on the [Housing Elements webpage](#). A recording of the webinar and downloads of the presentation are available on the [Toolbox Tuesday Online Training Materials webpage](#).

## AVIATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ATAC)

On May 4, SCAG and the San Bernardino International Airport (SBD) co-hosted a hybrid virtual/in-person Aviation Technical Advisory Committee (ATAC) meeting. After introductions from Gary Gosliga, ATAC Chair and SCAG staff, SBD Director of Aviation Mark Gibbs and SBD staff presented information about the airport and the surrounding community. Attendees for the meeting included officials and representatives from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), Ontario International Airport (ONT), John Wayne Airport (SNA), San Diego International Airport (SAN), the City of Ontario, and Kimley-Horn Consulting. Following the meeting, Mark Gibbs led a tour of SBD for in-person attendees.

## Memorandum

**Date:** June 23, 2021  
**To:** ICTC Committee Meeting  
**From:** David Salgado, Regional Affairs Officer (RAO)  
**Re:** **Southern California Association of Government's (SCAG) Report**

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The following is a summary of the SCAG Executive Director's Report and/or Federal and State Legislature Staff Report for the Imperial County Transportation Commission's Committee meeting for the month of June 2021.

- 1. SCAG Scholarship Committee Awards:** At SCAG's June Regional Council (RC) meeting the SCAG RC took action to approve the scholarship awardees. The SCAG Scholarship Committee took action to approve the award of eleven (11) scholarships at the May 24, 2021 SCAG Scholarship Committee meeting. SCAG Regional Council Member and El Centro City Mayor Cheryl Viegas-Walker chaired the committee. Seventy-five (75) applications were received of which twenty-eight (28) were forwarded to the committee for review. Eleven (11) total were awarded and two (2) specifically were funded to Imperial County students. Due to COVID-19 restrictions the internship portion of the scholarship program will be waived again this year.
- 2. SCAG and UC Davis: COVID-19 Mobility Study Survey:** To better understand the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on mobility in the six-county region, SCAG partnered with University of California, Davis to launch a survey to investigate the evolving nature of the impacts of the pandemic on transportation in the SCAG region. The survey is part of an on-going investigation on the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on transportation and society, to understand how people are adjusting to the pandemic and to learn more about their attitudes towards future travel choices. The survey seeks to understand both the temporary and long-lasting changes that the COVID-19 pandemic may have on mobility in their region, and how various policies might affect this new "normal" in terms of modified travel behaviors and resulting impacts on equity and on the environment. SCAG will be conducting another round of surveys to further advise the study. Please take the opportunity to complete the survey once released. Please contact SCAG RAO David Salgado with any questions.
- 3. SCAG Regional Data Platform (RDP):** The Regional Data Platform will standardize regionally significant datasets, provide opportunities for local partners to update their data in real-time, and draw insights from local trends. More specifically, it will be an online tool for SCAG and local jurisdictions

to access data necessary for local general plan development and general decision making by monitoring transportation, land development trends, housing and economic growth, and sustainability conditions. The platform will also feature a data-driven collaboration hub for local jurisdictions to engage with stakeholders for individual projects, such as local and regional land use planning, active transportation planning, greenhouse gas reduction strategies and development impact assessments.

Moving beyond just technology, this platform will help government engage with data in a simpler way, allowing the interpretation of information into actionable insights and knowledge, and provide a digital venue for local agencies to engage with their residents using data as a medium.

Process wise, SCAG will enable users to improve the platform through data revision and insight sharing, empower local partners to use the platform for their own initiatives (thereby spotlighting best practices), and ultimately foster continuous experimentation at the local level by helping jurisdictions understand how their plans could impact the region's most significant challenges – transportation, jobs, housing, and sustainability.

- **Housing Element Parcel Tool (HELPR):** The HELPR tool is a readily available mapping and data tool available to SCAG member agencies and partners. The tool drills down on parcel specific data and demographics which will support the development of housing plans and general plan updates.
  - **Local Information Services Team (LIST):** SCAG has created the “Local Information Services Team” in an effort to support the roll out of the Regional Data Platform (RDP) and other housing and data support needs.
4. **SCAG Broadband Action Plan:** At the February 4<sup>th</sup> SCAG Regional Council (RC) Meeting, the SCAG RC adopted a resolution which directs SCAG staff to develop a “Broadband Action Plan.” The development of an action plan would provide a model resolution and policy paper for local jurisdictions, pursue funding opportunities and partnerships to assist local jurisdictions with broadband implementation, convene a working group, and further support broadband planning and data research. These efforts would also be developed to compliment SCAG’s ongoing efforts to support an Inclusive Economic Recovery and efforts supporting Racial Equity and Social Justice.
  5. **SCAG Aerial Imagery Project 2020-21 Update:** The flyovers have been completed and an introductory meeting was held with the vendor, EagleView. The meeting was offered to member jurisdictions and stakeholders to introduce some of the new products provided as a part of the project, which includes high resolution imagery, ortho imagery and other products. SCAG is working with the county to finalize an MOU prior to requesting local contributions for supporting the program.





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## Memorandum

**Date:** June 16, 2021  
**To:** ICTC Commission Members  
**From:** Mark Baza, Executive Director  
**Re:** Executive Director's Report

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The following is a summary of the Executive Director's Report for the ICTC Commission Meeting on June 23, 2021.

- 1) **Calexico East Port of Entry Bridge Widening Project:** The Project proposes to widen the bridge over the All-American Canal at the U.S./Mexico border approximately 0.7 miles south of State Route (SR) 7. The project proposes to widen the existing structure by adding four-lanes: Two New Northbound Auto Lanes and Two New Northbound Commercial Vehicle Lanes. In May 2018, Caltrans and ICTC received \$3,000,000 from the California Transportation Commission and the Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) to complete the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA/ED) for the project. In June 2018, Caltrans completed a Project Initiation Document (PID). In Fall of 2018, the PA/ED phase was initiated by Caltrans, technical studies for the National Environment Policy Act (NEPA) document under Caltrans as the NEPA lead are in progress and is scheduled for completion in May 2020. In December 2018, was awarded \$20 million under the U.S. Department of Transportation's BUILD discretionary grant program to complete the Design-Build construction phase. *ICTC staff completed the procurement process and award action was taken on March 24, 2021. Next steps include issuing a notice to proceed to Hazard Construction to initiate the design of the project. ICTC has recently advertised a Request for Proposals for Construction Management services to provide engineering support on behalf of ICTC through design and construction. Proposals were due on May 21, 2021. ICTC received a total of four responses. The evaluation committee is currently reviewing the responses.*
- 2) **Imperial County Regional Climate Action Plan:** After the kick-off meeting on June 28, 2019, ICTC established Project Management Procedures and Communication Protocols with the Consultant as well as reviewing the Scope of Work and Schedule. The consultant is working on the draft Climate Action Plan (CAP) and finalizing the inventory, forecasts, and targets; anticipating a Final Draft of the CAP by Mid-March, 2021. ICTC member agencies' will have the opportunity to review the Final Draft CAP with a goal of having comments back by March 31, 2021. As we move forward with public comments, ICTC will post the CAP on their website with the intent to get feedback and comments from the public. *The Draft Regional CAP is posted in the ICTC website at <http://www.imperialctc.org/regional-climate-action-plan/>. The public review period took place April 6, 2021 to May 10, 2021. A final draft CAP has been presented to some city councils as an information item during the month of June 2021. The final draft Regional CAP was presented to the ICTC Technical Advisory Committee on May 27, 2021 and ICTC Management Committee on June 9, 2021. The Plan has also been presented to the Coalition of Labor, Agriculture and Business (COLAB) on June 9, 2021; the Imperial Valley Vegetable Growers Association (IVVGA) on June 16, 2021; and the Imperial County Farm Bureau on June 17, 2021. The Regional CAP is scheduled for completion approval consideration by ICTC Commission on June 23, 2021.*

- 3) **State Route 86 (Northbound) Border Patrol Checkpoint:** State Route 86 (Northbound) Border Patrol Checkpoint: In August 2017 following a year of coordination, Caltrans, the County of Imperial and ICTC met with CBP management and operations staff achieved consensus for a new conceptual alternative prepared by Caltrans. The LTA Board met on September 27, 2017, staff presented the Board with a fund request for \$1.3 million from the 5% Regional Highway Set-Aside from the Measure D allocations. A Consultant Agreement with AECOM for design and construction engineering was approved by the LTA on February 28, 2018. Following our ICTC Board meeting in late September 2020, ICTC has initiated a traffic study as required by Caltrans. Design work has been delayed due to Border Patrol's concern related to their ability to provide additional funding necessary to meet their operational requirements. Discussions have been on-going through to this week of March 15, 2021. On Wednesday, March 17th ICTC received confirmation from Border Patrol Headquarters in Washington D.C. that they wish to proceed with the original Canopy Design that is similar to Interstate 8 Pine Valley Checkpoint.

As discussed and confirmed with Border Patrol, ICTC will only provide the remaining funds we had available (February 2021) of approximately \$1 million to complete the traffic study, 100% design plans, and construction of the canopy, lighting related to the canopy, and traffic related improvements required by Caltrans. Border Patrol has committed paying for all other construction related costs and Border Patrol will lead the construction contract. *Border Patrol, Caltrans and ICTC are having weekly meetings to complete design plans and Caltrans Permits with a goal to begin construction in Fall 2021 with construction completed in approximately six months after construction begins. Detailed schedule is being developed.*

- 4) **I-8 / Imperial Avenue Interchange Reconstruction:** Caltrans and construction team have been meeting with City of El Centro and ICTC to discuss details of construction phases and the public information campaign for both the Interchange Project and the Imperial Avenue Extension South Project. *Stage 1 of construction began on Monday, May 6, 2020. During the extended closure, motorists on eastbound I-8 will be detoured along 4th Street/State Route 86 (SR-86) located east of Imperial Avenue. On July 23<sup>rd</sup> closure of the I-8 was needed to demolish and remove the existing bridge. Crews have completed the demolition of the existing bridge at the I-8/Imperial Avenue Interchange. There were no reported incidents and detoured traffic was flowing with no major delays. Over the next month, the community will see crews performing general earthwork operations. There will be construction equipment, noise (including OSHA required backup alarms), dust and some minor traffic control. Stage 2 work on the northern portion of I-8 is anticipated to take four to six months to complete and could begin as early as December. During Stage 2, all I-8/Imperial Avenue on- and off- ramps will be fully closed. The interchange is expected to open to traffic by the end of 2022 with project completion by mid-2023.*
- 5) **State Route 98 Widening from Ollie to Rockwood:** As part of the Calexico West POE Expansion project, SR-98 and Cesar Chavez Boulevard were widened and improved to serve the expansion to the west. Caltrans' SR-98 work between VV Williams and Ollie Avenue was completed in March 2018, and the Cesar Chavez Blvd. Widening was completed in October 2019. Caltrans has completed the design and right of way phase for SR-98 Widening between Rockwood Avenue and Ollie Avenue. On June 24, 2020, CTC authorized construction funding. The total project cost is estimated at \$7 million using a combination of 2016 Earmark Repurposing, Demonstration, Traffic Congestion Relief, ICTC and local funds. *The construction start date has been delayed to August 2021 due to environmental impacts and other utility projects in progress within the project area.*
- 6) **Imperial Mexicali Binational Alliance Meeting:** *The last IMBA meeting was held May 8, 2021. The meeting included updates on the Calexico East Port or Entry/Mexicali II bridge Widening Project by ICTC and a detailed presentation on the Calexico West Port of Entry / Mexicali I Mexico Roadway/Bridge Improvements from Secretaria de Infraestructura, Desarrollo Urbano y Reordenacion Territorial (SIDURT). Daniel Hernandez, Senior Resident Engineer from Caltrans provided a brief update of the State Route 98 Project from Ollie Avenue to Rockwood Avenue. Plus, economic development updates from IVEDC and Mexicali counterparts. The next IMBA meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2021.*
- 7) **Imperial Valley Transit (IVT) FREE FARES PROGRAM:** On August 7, 2020, the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) announced the implementation of a **Free Fares Program** for various Imperial Valley Transit (IVT) services. Eligible services include IVT Fixed Route, IVT Circulators (Blue, Green and Gold Lines), IVT ACCESS and IVT RIDE (EL Centro, Imperial, Heber, Brawley, Calexico, Westshores).

All passengers are eligible to benefit from the Free Fares Program. The fares are subsidized by a State of California grant and fare contributions to IVT RIDE passengers by the County of Imperial's Area Agency for the Aging (AAA). *The Free Fares Program will remain in effect while the grant funds are available. All regular service eligibility requirements and restrictions remain in effect.*

- 8) **SR-78/Glamis Multiuse Grade Separated Crossing Feasibility Study:** *The Study was completed and adopted by the Commission on January 27, 2021. A final study is on the ICTC website at <http://www.imperialctc.org/sr-78-glamis-crossing/>. The Study recommendations include identifying a lead agency and funding to carryout the proposed project.*
- 9) **Potential Bus Stop in Calipatria:** ICTC has evaluated all of its fixed route service routes to attempt to provide service to the east side of Calipatria. Staff conducted time trials as well utilized several types of buses to verify buses would not have issues with other existing stops within proposed routes. Potential stops for the area include a stop along Commercial Avenue and potentially another stop near Alexandria Street. Staff is proposing to utilize its IVC Express route to potentially service the area. Final location and infrastructure associated with the potential bus stop(s) is pending discussion with the city of Calipatria staff.
- 10) **FY 2019 Public Transit Fare Analysis:** *The final draft of the analysis was presented at the January 2021 meeting(s). The study is currently in the final public comment period. A pre-recorded bilingual presentation will be posted on the ICTC website in the upcoming weeks at: <http://www.imperialctc.org/publications-&-reports/transit-and-non-motorized/>*
- 11) **Funding for Phase II of the Calexico West Port of Entry:** As previously noted, Congress authorized \$98 million for Phase 1. The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) began construction for Phase 1 in December 2015 with completion now scheduled for July 2018. Phase 2A was awarded in the amount of \$191million and will include six additional northbound privately-owned vehicle (POV) inspection lanes, permanent southbound POV inspection, expanded secondary inspection and adding a pre-primary canopy, new administration building, and employee parking structure. *Funding for phase 2B is in the President's Budget Proposal in the amount of \$99.7million. Work for phase 2B will include demolition of the old port building and construction of the new pedestrian building. The total estimated cost for phases 2A plus 2B are \$276million. According to GSA Phase 2A is anticipated to be completed Spring 2023.*
- 12) **Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center (ITC):** A new Intermodal Transportation Center in the City of Calexico has been part of ICTC's long range transit planning. The new Calexico ITC will serve as a regional mobility hub that will accommodate bus bays for Imperial Valley Transit in addition to the City of Calexico's private transit operators, taxis and farm labor buses. ICTC received a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality federal program fund to complete the environmental and design plans of the new Calexico ITC. ICTC staff is in the process of completing the contract award for a consultant firm that will complete the environmental and design phase. Currently, ICTC staff is completing the Caltrans award review process with multiple Caltrans' departments. The ICTC Board adopted the agreement with Psomas on September 26, 2018. *Environmental phase is in progress with consultant team and agency partners, including the City of Calexico, Caltrans and ICTC. Design is also underway and Right of Way Acquisition will begin in Summer 2021.*
- 13) **State and Federal funding Obligations:** Projects programmed in programmed in Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2019/2020 were fully obligated according to Caltrans Local Assistance. Beginning October 1, 2020, agencies can move forward with request for authorization (RFA) for Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Surface Transportation Block Grant program (STBG) programmed in FFY 2020/2021. Other state funding also included in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) include the Active Transportation Program (ATP). *See complete project list attached.*
- 14) **2018 Trade Corridor Enhancement Program:** The Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP), created by Senate Bill (SB) 1 (Beall, Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017), provides approximately \$300 million annually for infrastructure improvements on federally designated Trade Corridors of National and Regional Significance, on the Primary Freight Network, and along other corridors that have a high volume of freight movement. ICTC in partnership with Caltrans and the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) were successful in



receiving TCEP funds for Advanced Technology Corridors at the California-Mexico Ports of Entry (POE). The goal project is to implement Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) strategies that will improve border travel delays. Some of the ITS strategies will include Bluetooth and Wi-Fi readers to help track vehicle delays, as well as implement changeable message signs on State Routes to inform border travelers of POE delays. Caltrans will serve as the implementing agency of this project and has an estimated completion date of early 2020. *Caltrans has initiated the environmental phase and preliminary design of the project. TCEP funds will be used in collaboration with the BUILD grant award for the design and construction phases. ICTC is making a request for allocation from the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for the \$7.5 million for design and construction at their June 23, 2021 meeting.*

- 15) **State Legislation for Transportation Funding – SB 1 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA):** \$1.5 Billion annually will go to cities and counties for local road improvements. The following are projected annual revenues of RMRA for the FY 20/21. This list of projects for all cities and the county can also be found on the ICTC website at: <http://www.imperialctc.org/senate-bill-1/>

*Below are the projected annual revenues for FY 2020/2021. All Imperial County cities and the county are required to submit their list of projects in order to be eligible for funding distribution.*

<b>Agency</b>	<b>RMRA Amount FY 2020-2021</b>
Brawley	\$469,831
Calexico	\$725,242
Calipatria	\$132,423
El Centro	\$794,848
Holtville	\$116,508
Imperial	\$342,513
Westmorland	\$42,296
County of Imperial	\$8,185,798
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,809,459*</b>

*\*Estimate source is from the California League of Cities dated May 15, 2020*  
<http://californiacityfinance.com/LSR2005.pdf>

- 16) **California-Baja California Binational Region:** A Fresh Look at Impacts of Border Delays: Building upon previous Caltrans, SANDAG, and ICTC studies, this project will refine the economic models developed to assess economic impacts of delays at the land ports of entry (POEs) between the San Diego and Imperial Counties region and Baja California, Mexico, on the border region economies. It will also estimate greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions of passenger and commercial vehicles due to northbound and southbound border delays at the six California POEs and propose strategies to reduce GHG emissions at the border region. Lastly, extensive outreach to government agencies, local border communities, and private sector stakeholders was conducted.

*A final report was completed in the fall of 2020. The report can be found at:*  
<https://sandag.org/index.asp?classid=19&projectid=535&fuseaction=projects.detail>

- 17) **State Legislation for Transportation Funding – SB 1 2018 Local Partnership Program (LPP):** Local Partnership Program is comprised of formulaic program and competitive programs. In FY2017/2018 total amount available statewide is \$200M and distribution is 50/50 for both formulaic and competitive programs. The formulaic program share distributions for the Local Partnership Program were presented at the CTC meeting in December 6-7, 2017. The Imperial County received \$1,632 of Local Partnership Formulaic Program (LPFP) funds in Cycle 1 (\$1,076) and Cycle 2 (\$556) for a total of \$1,632.

List of projects for Imperial County:

Local Partnership Program (LPP) Programing for FY19/20						
Agency	Project Name	LPP Formulaic Funds	Local Match	Total Cost	Project Implementation Fiscal Year	Proposed CTC Programming Date
Brawley	2020 Legion Street Improvements	\$ 209,000	\$ 209,000	\$ 418,000	2019-2020	1/30/2020
Calexico	Scaroni Road Improvements	\$ 305,000	\$ 550,000	\$ 855,000	2019-2020	5/16/2019
Calipatria	Calipatria Date Street Sidewalk Improvement Project	\$ 41,000	\$ 41,000	\$ 82,000	2019-2020	5/16/2019
County	Overlay of Picacho Road from Winterhaven Road to Quechan Drive	\$ 523,000	\$ 523,000	\$ 1,046,000	2019-2020	5/16/2019
Imperial	Aten/Clark Road Improvements	\$ 154,000	\$ 327,000	\$ 481,000	2019-2020	5/16/2019

Local Partnership Program (LPP) Programing for FY20/21						
Agency	Project Name	LPP Formulaic Funds	Local Match	Total Cost	Project Implementation Fiscal Year	Proposed CTC Programming Date
Holtville	Orchard Road/Cedar Avenue	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000	\$ 120,000	2020-2021	Jun-20
El Centro	Dogwood Road from Villa Road to Commercial Avenue	\$ 339,000	\$ 339,000	\$ 678,000	2020-2021	Jun-20

The following is the link to the 2019 Local Partnership Program guidelines:  
[http://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/lpp/docs/062719+Amended\\_LPP%20Guidelines.pdf](http://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/lpp/docs/062719+Amended_LPP%20Guidelines.pdf)

18) **Partnerships with IVEDC:**

- a) **Southern Border Broadband Consortium (SBBC):** For FY 2020/2021, SBBC continues to work with local stakeholders to identify, prioritize and advance broadband infrastructure and improvement projects; facilitate and promote broadband education community wide using survey data; work with the Boys and Girls Club of IV and the Workforce Development Board to create Digital Literacy Centers throughout Imperial County; and develop a preferred scenario for 98% deployment in Imperial County and present to the California Advanced Service Fund and the CPUC. Recent updates to SBBC’s role in the region include a partnership with local healthcare organizations including ECRMC, Pioneers Hospital and Alliance Healthcare to identify telemedicine broadband needs and funding opportunities in Imperial County; working with the California Emerging Technology Fund and the Inland Empire Regional Broadband Consortium as part of a SCAG project to identify transportation broadband strategies to reduce VMT and greenhouse emissions; and working with local internet services providers including AT&T to assist successful applications for funding opportunities with the CPUC in locations such as north County, central Imperial and the Imperial Business Park by end of July 2020. SBBC completed the objectives of the 2017-2020 CPUC CASF Consortia Grant cycle, which ended in June 2020. SBBC applied for a second grant cycle in summer of 2020 and was approved in the Fall for a start date of December 1, 2020. This cycle will have bi-annual reporting, every 6 months, starting this upcoming May 31, 2021 through the end of the cycle, November 31, 2023. The 2020-2023 grant cycle is currently underway. We are getting ready for the first report of the cycle, due at the end of May. SBBC is also working on the final reporting for the previous cycle and subsequent payment from CPUC with the help of CPA, Roger Tubach and our contacts at CASF.

- b) **The Brawley Transit Corridor Brownfield Assessment:** ICTC in partnership with IVEDC received a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfields Communitywide Assessment Grant award of \$300,000 from the Environmental Protection Agency's Brownfields Assessment Program. This assessment will be focused along the transit circulator route within the 13-mile Imperial Valley Transit's (IVTs) Brawley Gold Line Transit Route and the Brawley Transit Center that serves as the IVTs North Imperial County transfer terminal. The commercial corridors in the target assessment area include over 100 known commercial properties and suspected historical gas station sites with known or suspected underground tanks in the target area. ICTC will be the fiscal agent and has developed an MOU which will define roles and responsibilities (Audits, Administration and Project Management) or ICTC and IVEDC. SCS Engineers have initiated early Tasks that include the Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) and project management plan as required by EPA.
- (1) The Finnell Property has 3 parcels. Phase 1 and Phase 2 reports have been finalized and 3 underground storage tanks have been excavated and disposed of. Currently assisting the property owner in identifying grant dollars to apply to the site cleanup that is being required after uncovering significant contamination.
  - (2) The Chai Property has 2 parcels. It received DTSC approval on March 28, 2019. Phase 1 report completion occurred on October 15, 2019 and no further action is required. Completed and closed out.
  - (3) The Lesicka Property has 2 parcels. It received DTSC approval on August 29, 2019 and Phase 1 and Phase 2 reports have been finalized and no further action is required. Completed and closed out.
  - (4) The Dek Property has 1 parcel. It received DTSC approval on April 22, 2020. Phase 1 was improperly completed by a previous engineering firm. 95% of the re-development was completed when the contractor discovered concerning amounts of underground contamination on site. We stepped in and completed a phase 2 and we are currently assessing the situation while collecting additional soil samples and pending laboratory results. With our guidance on where to relocate the project's retention basin they were able to complete construction and open the business in early 2021. Completed and closed out.
  - (5) The Pioneers Property has 3 parcels. It received DTSC approval on May 11, 2020. Phase 1's were completed on all parcels. 1 parcel which is the site of a former Chevron station closed on 1975 will require a phase 2. The Field Sampling Plan is currently under review for approval with the EPA staff. Approvals of this nature have been significantly stalled due to COVID. We expect resolution by mid May.
  - (6) The Gibson property received DTSC approval on April 28, 2021. This is a former fueling station and will likely have a recommended Phase 2 site assessment.
  - (7) We are working on a new potential site being considered for redevelopment by a company who wishes to develop a manufacturing facility on the north end of the City of Brawley. We are currently negotiating with the land owner and the developer for inclusion into the brownfield program.

See attached map of project locations in the transit corridor.

# FY20-21 State Funded Project Obligation List

Updated on 6/16/2021

State Funded Allocations: The following is a list of projects that must submit a Request for Allocation to Caltrans Local Assistance for State approval during FY 2020/2021 (Starting July 1, 2020 thru June 30, 2021)						
Agency	Project ID	Project Name	Funding Type	Phase	State Amount in FY 2020/21 (in 000's)	Obligation Status
El Centro		Dogwood Road from Villa Road to Commercial Avenue	LPP	CON	\$339	RFA was submitted for May 2021 CTC meeting action
Holtville		Orchar Road/Cedar Avenue	LPP	CON	\$60	Obligated
County	IMP190716	Sidewalk improvements on Heffernan Avenue from 14th street to 11th street.	ATP	R/W	\$44	RFA was submitted for May 2021 CTT meeting action
County	IMP190715	Aten Road Bicycle Path Improvements from Dogwood Road to Imperial Valley College in Imperial County.	ATP	CON	\$215	Request for Extension
					<b>\$658</b>	

CON- Construction
PE- Design
R/W- Right of Way
RFA- Request for Allocation
ATP- Active Transportation Program
LPP- Local Partnership Program

# FFY20-21 Federal Funded Project Obligation List

Updated on 6/16/2021

**Federal funding Obligations:** *The following is a list of projects that must submit a Request for Authorization to Caltrans Local Assistance. Projects must obligate (E-76) federal funds in FFY 2020/2021. (Starting October 1, 2020 thru September 30, 2021)*

Agency	Project ID	Project Name	Funding Type	Phase	Federal Amount in FY 2020/21 (in 000's)	Obligation Status
Brawley	IMP190701	Pedestrian and street improvements (paving of dirt road) on Legion Street between State Route 86 and Western Avenue	CMAQ	CON	\$797	Delay on RFA
Calexico	IMP191001	Weakley Street between Scaroni Blvd. and Portico Blvd. (unpaved street)	CMAQ	CON	\$291	Delay on RFA
El Centro	IMP190704	Traffic Signal Synchronization Dogwood Avenue and 8th Street	CMAQ	CON	\$343	RFA was submitted May 2021
El Centro	IMP190710	Imperial Avenue Extension Phase II	STBG	CON	\$715	Working on R/W Certification - RFA will be submitted June 2021
Holtville	IMP190705	Cedar Avenue Sidewalk Improvements	CMAQ	CON	\$193	Received E76
Imperial	IMP190301	2nd Street Rehabilitation and Reconstruction from Old SR-86 to P Street	STBG	CON	\$1,841	60% Design Plans - RFA will be submitted June 2021
County	IMP190713	Improvements on Main Street Such as widening of existing road t add bike lane, sidewalks, shoulder, curb and gutter from Highway 111 to Memphis Ave. in Niland	CMAQ	PE	\$107	Received E76
					<b>\$4,287</b>	

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PE- Design
R/W- Right of Way
RFA- Request for Authorization
CMAQ- Congestion Mitigation Air Quality
STBG- Surface Transportation Block Grant