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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA

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Wednesday, November 9, 2022 10:30 A.M.

CHAIR: NICK WELLS VICE CHAIR: MIGUEL FIGUEROA

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I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

II. ACTION CALENDAR

A. Adopt resolution authorizing remote teleconference meetings in accordance with Assembly Bill 361 Page 4

With ICTC Counsel's direction, the Executive Director forwards this item to the Management Committee for review and approval after public comment, if any:

- 1. Approve the resolution of the Imperial County Transportation Commission authorizing remote meetings in accordance with the provisions of the State Assembly Bill (AB) 361.
- 2. Authorize the Chairperson to sign the resolution.

III. EMERGENCY ITEMS

A. Discussion/Action of emergency items, if necessary.

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

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Management Committee on any subject matter within the Commission's jurisdiction, but not an item on the agenda. Any action taken because of a public comment shall be limited to direction to staff. In compliance with the Assembly Bill 361, the meeting will be held remotely and in person. Each speaker should contact the Secretary to the Commission at (760) 592-4494 or by email to cristilerma@imperialctc.org. When addressing the Committee, state your name for the record prior to providing your comments. Please address the Committee as a whole, through the Chairperson. Individuals will be given three (3) minutes to address the Committee; groups or topics will be given a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes. Public comments will be limited to a maximum of 30 minutes. If additional time is required for public comments, they will be heard at the end of the meeting. Please remember to follow the Public Comment Code of Conduct.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of Management Committee Draft Minutes: October 12, 2022 Page 7-22

B. Receive and File:

1. ICTC Commission Minutes: October 26, 2022

ICTC TAC Minutes: September 22, 2022
 ICTC SSTAC Minutes: September 23, 2022

VI. REPORTS

- A. ICTC / LTA / IVRMA Executive Director
 - ICTC Executive Director Report on page 24
- B. Southern California Association of Governments
 - See attached report on page 30
- C. California Department of Transportation District 11
 - See attached report on page 33
- D. Committee Member Reports

VII. ACTION CALENDAR

A. Mini Call for Projects - Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Page 41 Block Grant (STBG) Programming Project List – FFY 2025/26

It is requested that the Management Committee forward this item to the Commission for review and approval after public comment, if any:

- 1. Approve the 2022 Mini Call for Projects -Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) Programming Project List for FFY 2025/26.
- 2. Direct staff to program projects in the next available Federal Transportation Improvement Program Formal Amendment.

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE AND PLACE

A. The next Management Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. at the City of Calexico and via zoom meeting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

A. Motion to Adjourn

II. ACTION CALENDAR II VCLION CALENDAR

A. Adopt resolution authorizing remote teleconference meetings in accordance with Assembly Bill 361

RESOLUTION OF THE IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AUTHORIZING REMOTE MEETINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF STATE ASSEMBLY BILL 361.

RESOLUTION NO.	
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WHEREAS, the County of Imperial is committed to preserving and nurturing public access and participation in meetings of the Imperial County Transportation Commission and other public meetings subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act ("Brown Act"); and

WHEREAS, with the adoption of State Assembly Bill 361 ("AB 361"), section 54963(e) of the California Government Code was amended to make provisions for remote teleconferencing participation in meetings by members of a local legislative body, without compliance with the requirements of 54953(b)(3) of the California Government Code, subject to the existence of certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, a required condition is that a state of emergency is declared by the Governor pursuant to section 8625 of the California Government Code, proclaiming the existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the state caused by conditions as described in section 8558 of the California Government Code; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor proclaimed pursuant to his authority under 8625 of the California Government Code, that a state of emergency exists with regard to the novel coronavirus (a disease now known as COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2021, the Governor clarified that the "reopening" of California on June 15, 2021, did not include any change to the proclaimed state of emergency or the powers exercised thereunder; and

WHEREAS, as of the date of this Resolution, neither the Governor nor the Legislature have exercised their respective powers pursuant to section 8629 of the California Government Code to lift the state of emergency, either by proclamation or by concurrent resolution in the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Local Health Officer for the County of Imperial has recommended that the local legislative bodies that are subject to the Brown Act continue to meet remotely when possible, and that social distancing continues to provide a means by which to reduce the transmission of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Imperial County Transportation Commission believes that it is in the best interest of the public to continue holding remote meetings during the existing state of emergency in accordance with the requirements of AB 361.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Imperial County Transportation Commission resolves as follows:

- (1) The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.
- (2) A proclaimed state of emergency exists as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- (3) The Local Health Officer recommends that all local legislative bodies local legislative bodies that are subject to the Brown Act continue to meet remotely when possible, and that social distancing continues to provide a means by which to reduce the transmission of COVID-19
- (4) The staff of the Imperial County Transportation Commission are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Resolution, including implementing social distancing measures at meetings, and conducting meetings in accordance with section 54953(e) of the California Government Code, and other applicable provisions of the Brown Act.
- (5) This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and shall be effective until the earlier of thirty (30) days from adoption of the Resolution or such time the Imperial County Transportation Commission takes action to extend the time during which it may continue to meet remotely without compliance with section 54953(b)(3) of the California Government Code.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Imperial County Transportation Commission, County of Imperial, State of California, this _______, by the following roll call vote:

Agency	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Brawley				
Calexico				
Calipatria				
El Centro				
Holtville				
Imperial				
Westmorland				
County of Imperial				
County of Imperial				
Imperial Irrigation District				

	NICK WELLS	
	Management Committee Chair	
ATTEST:		
CRISTI LERMA		
Secretary to the Commission		

V. CONSENT CALENDAR OUT OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approval of Management Committee Draft Minutes: October 12, 2022
- B. Receive and File:
 - 1. ICTC Commission Minutes: October 26, 2022
 - 2. ICTC TAC Minutes: September 22, 2022
 - 3. ICTC SSTAC Minutes: October 5, 2022

IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES OF October 12, 2022 10:30 a.m.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

City of Brawley	Tyler Salcido
City of Calexico	Esperanza Colio-Warren
City of Calipatria	Absent
City of El Centro	Marcela Piedra
City of Holtville	Nick Wells
City of Imperial	Dennis Morita
County of Imperial	Miguel Figueroa
County of Imperial	Rebecca Terrazas-Baxter
Imperial Irrigation District	Absent
City of Westmorland	Absent
ICTC	David Aguirre

STAFF PRESENT: Cristi Lerma, Angela Delgadillo, Daveline Villasenor

OTHERS PRESENT: Liz Zarate: City of El Centro

The following minutes are listed as they were acted upon by the Imperial County Transportation Commission Management Committee and as listed on the agenda for the meeting held Wednesday, October 12, 2022, together with staff reports and related documents attached thereto and incorporated therein by reference.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Nick Wells called the meeting to order at 10:36 a.m., roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

II. ACTION CALENDAR

- A. Adopt resolution authorizing remote teleconference meetings in accordance with Assembly Bill 361
 - 1. Approved the resolution of the Imperial County Transportation Commission authorizing remote meetings in accordance with the provisions of the State Assembly Bill (AB) 361.
 - 2. Authorized the Chairperson to sign the resolution.

A motion was made by Morita seconded by Figueroa to approve this item; Roll call was taken:

Agency	Roll Call
City of Brawley	Yes
City of Calipatria	Absent
City of Calexico	Absent
City of El Centro	Yes
City of Holtville	Yes
City of Imperial	Yes
County of Imperial Figueroa	Yes
County of Imperial Terrazas-Baxter	Yes

City of Westmorland	Absent
Imperial Irrigation District	Absent

Motion carried unanimously.

III. EMERGENCY ITEMS

There were none.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

V. CONSENT ITEMS

A motion was made by Salcido seconded by Piedra to approve the consent calendar as presented; Roll call was taken:

Agency	Roll Call
City of Brawley	Yes
City of Calipatria	Absent
City of Calexico	Absent
City of El Centro	Yes
City of Holtville	Yes
City of Imperial	Yes
County of Imperial Figueroa	Yes
County of Imperial Terrazas-Baxter	Yes
City of Westmorland	Absent
Imperial Irrigation District	Absent

Motion carried unanimously.

VI. REPORTS

A. ICTC Executive Director

- Mr. Aguirre had the following updates:
 - State Route 86 Border Patrol Checkpoint is currently in design. Item is on the action calendar for a change order request.
 - Funding for Phase II of the Calexico West Port of Entry update included the following. There is construction taking place which results in closing some lanes at periodic times. Mr. Aguirre is involved in meetings that are associated with any public information that is provided. Any updates or closures that are given, ICTC makes sure to post on the website and IVT Facebook page. This project is anticipated to take about a year. Information is posted on the website at https://www.imperialctc.org/news-and-announcements
 - All member agencies have adopted and passed IVRMA JPA documents. The IVRMA board has also passed the document in September. The EAR report is being completed as well. Mr. Aguirre stated that they are about 99% done.
 - An update regarding Orchard Road and SR115 Traffic Concept Report included the following. During the Commission meeting of September 2022, the Commission asked ICTC staff to follow up on the SR 115 Transportation Concept Report (TCR). ICTC staff is working with Caltrans District 11 staff to meet and discuss next steps. A meeting is anticipated for mid to late October.
 - Calexico East Port of Entry Bridge Widening Project construction is ongoing. About 65% of construction has been completed. Currently, the north tunnel is being constructed. Construction efforts are going well. Target competition date: March 2023.

- The Free Fares Program grant was approved for \$492K which will cover about 9 months of free fares for transit riders. In the month of November, a program is offered for free transportation for veterans for about a week. The annual "stuff a bus" campaign is coming soon as well. This campaign lets people ride the bus for free if they donate a canned good. Essentially, all the canned goods that are generated, are donated to the food bank prior to Thanksgiving holiday. These two programs will be put out for the public before the Free Fares Programs takes place. The Free Fares program will likely start around January 2023.
- IVRMA Report: Hoping to get the electronic document submitted on October 12, 2022. Some grants are taking place soon and looking for opportunities that IVRMA can pursue. ICTC anticipates having CalRecycle down in the month of November so that they can do their spring review.
- B. Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)
 - No updates were given.
- C. Caltrans Department of Transportation District 11
 - Mr. Aguirre had the following update on behalf of Caltrans:
 - There is a SR-78 lane closure in Glamis that starts at Gecko Road. There will be maintenance work that will take place through mid-November. The work will take place from 8am-6pm. Expect delays while Caltrans is at work. This was also posted at the ICTC website at https://www.imperialctc.org/news-and-announcements/sr-78-lane-closures-near-glamis-begins-today

VII. ACTION CALENDAR

A. SR 78/86 Checkpoint Improvement Project Engineering Services – Change Order No. 2 – Contract Amendment

It is requested that the Management Committee forward this item to the LTA Board for review and approval after public comment, if any:

- 1. Approve the contract amendment to the Engineering Consultant Agreement for the SR86 Checkpoint Improvement Project with AECOM in the amount of \$139,000.00 modifying the total contract value to \$641,000.00.
- 2. Authorize the Chairperson to sign the contract amendment.

A motion was made by Colio-Warren seconded by Piedra to approve Action A. Roll call was taken:

Agency	Roll Call
City of Brawley	Yes
City of Calipatria	Absent
City of Calexico	Yes
City of El Centro	Yes
City of Holtville	Yes
City of Imperial	Yes
County of Imperial Figueroa	Yes
County of Imperial Terrazas-Baxter	Absent
City of Westmorland	Absent
Imperial Irrigation District	Absent

Motion carried unanimously.

VIII. The next meeting is scheduled for **November 9, 2022, at 10:30 a.m.** tentatively in the City of El Centro new City Library and via Zoom Meeting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

A. Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION DRAFT MINUTES FOR October 26, 2022 6:00 p.m.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

City of Brawley George Nava

City of Calipatria Maria Nava-Froelich

City of Calexico Raul Urena

City of El Centro Cheryl Viegas-Walker

City of Imperial Absent

City of Holtville Mike Goodsell

City of Westmorland Ana Beltran via zoom

County of Imperial Absent

County of Imperial Luis Plancarte

Imperial Irrigation District Absent

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Caltrans District 11 Gustavo Dallarda

STAFF PRESENT: David Aguirre, Virginia Mendoza, Cristi Lerma, Michelle Bastidas, Angela

Delgadillo

OTHERS PRESENT: David Salgado: SCAG; Eric Havens: Counsel; Rafael Reyes: Caltrans

PUBLIC: None

The following action minutes are listed as they were acted upon by the Imperial County Transportation Commission and as listed on the agenda for the meeting held Wednesday, October 26, 2022, together with staff reports and related documents attached thereto and incorporated therein by reference.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Nava-Froelich called the Commission meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

II. ACTION CALENDAR

- A. Adopted resolution authorizing remote teleconference meetings in accordance with Assembly Bill 361
 - 1. Approved the resolution of the Imperial County Transportation Commission authorizing remote meetings in accordance with the provisions of the State Assembly Bill (AB) 361.
 - 2. Authorized the Chairperson to sign the resolution.
- B. Discussion/Action regarding continued future agendizing of AB 361 resolution

The Commission recommended to bring this item to the agenda for action every month until February 2023.

A motion was made by Ureña and seconded by Plancarte, roll call:

Agency	Roll Call
City of Brawley	Yes
City of Calipatria	Yes
City of Calexico	Yes

City of El Centro	Yes
City of Holtville	Yes
City of Imperial	Absent
County of Imperial Plancarte	Yes
County of Imperial Kelley	Absent
City of Westmorland	Yes
Imperial Irrigation District	Absent

Motion Carried.

III. EMERGENCY ITEMS

There were none.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Received and Filed:

ICTC Management Committee Minutes: October 12, 2022
 ICTC TAC Minutes: September 22, 2022

A motion was made by Viegas-Walker and seconded by Nava to approve the consent calendar as presented, roll call:

Agency	Roll Call
City of Brawley	Yes
City of Calipatria	Yes
City of Calexico	Yes
City of El Centro	Yes
City of Holtville	Yes
City of Imperial	Absent
County of Imperial Plancarte	Yes
County of Imperial Kelley	Absent
City of Westmorland	Yes
Imperial Irrigation District	Absent

Motion Carried.

VI. REPORTS

- A. ICTC Executive Director
 - Mr. Aguirre stated that ICTC will have several Free Fares campaigns in the month of November where riders will be able to ride for free. In recognition of Veterans Day, all active and retired Veterans will be able to ride for free. Additionally, riders will be able to ride free with a canned food item. All donations will be donated to the Imperial Valley Food Bank before Thanksgiving. Beginning in 2023 the Free Fares Program will return for all services until grant funding runs out.
 - Ms. Mendoza provided a list of outreach activities for the Long Range Transportation Program, where residents can provide their comments.
 - Heber Fall Festival: Saturday, October 29, at 4 p.m. Tito Huerta Park, 1165 Palm Avenue, in Heber.
 - Holtville Farmers Market & Street Fair: Saturday, November 5, at 11 a.m. following the annual Veterans Day Parade at Holt Park, 121 W. 5th St., in Holtville.
 - Brawley Cattle Call Chili Cook-off: Saturday, November 5, at 5 p.m. on Main Street and Plaza Park, in Brawley.
 - All other updates are on the Executive Director report on page 17 of the agenda.

- B. Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)
 - All updates are on the SCAG report on page 23 of the agenda.
- C. California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)- District 11
 - Mr. Dallarda requested that we please assist Caltrans in filling out an External Partner Survey that will assist them in their Strategic Plan efforts. A link was provided in the zoom chat by Mr. Reyes and is listed here for the record. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CaltransEPS2022
 - All other updates are on the Caltrans report on page 27 of the agenda.
- D. Commission Member Reports
 - Updates were provided by various commissioners.

VII. ACTION CALENDER

- A. Calexico East Port of Entry Bridge Widening Project Contract Change Order No. 2
 - Approved Change Order No. 2 to Hazard Construction Company for the Calexico
 East Port of Entry Bridge Widening Project in the amount of \$136,890.00
 modifying the total contract value to \$20,141,890.00.
 - 2. Authorized the Executive Director to sign Change Order No. 2.

A motion was made by Nava and seconded by Viegas-Walker, roll call:

Agency	Roll Call
City of Brawley	Yes
City of Calipatria	Yes
City of Calexico	Yes
City of El Centro	Yes
City of Holtville	Yes
City of Imperial	Absent
County of Imperial Plancarte	Yes
County of Imperial Kelley	Absent
City of Westmorland	Yes
Imperial Irrigation District	Absent

Motion Carried.

- B. Appointment to the California Council of Governments (CALCOG) Board
 - 1. Appointed a representative and an alternate from the Commission to the CALCOG Board, beginning November 1, 2022.

A **motion** was made by Viegas-Walker and seconded by Nava to appoint Mr. Goodsell to be the representative and Ms. Nava-Froelich to be the alternate for the CALCOG Board, roll call:

Agency	Roll Call
City of Brawley	Yes
City of Calipatria	Yes
City of Calexico	Absent
City of El Centro	Yes
City of Holtville	Yes
City of Imperial	Absent
County of Imperial Plancarte	Yes
County of Imperial Kelley	Absent

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City of Westmorland	Yes
Imperial Irrigation District	Absent

Motion Carried.

- C. Appointment to the California Vanpool Authority (CalVans) Board
 - 1. Appointed a representative and an alternate from the Commission to the CalVans Board, beginning November 1, 2022.

A **motion** was made by Nava and seconded by Viegas-Walker to appoint Ms. Beltran to be the representative and Ms. Nava-Froelich the alternate for the Calvans Board, roll call:

Agency	Roll Call
City of Brawley	Yes
City of Calipatria	Yes
City of Calexico	Absent
City of El Centro	Yes
City of Holtville	Yes
City of Imperial	Absent
County of Imperial Plancarte	Yes
County of Imperial Kelley	Absent
City of Westmorland	Yes
Imperial Irrigation District	Absent

Motion Carried.

VIII. MEETING DATE AND PLACE

A. The next meeting will be on November 9, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the ICTC Offices, 1503 N. Imperial Ave., Suite 104, El Centro, CA 92243 and via Zoom Meeting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

A. Meeting Adjourned at 7:11 p.m.



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TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE **DRAFT MINUTES**

September 22, 2022

Present:

Guillermo Sillas City of Brawley Livier Lau City of Calexico Jeorge Galvan City of Calipatria Abraham Campos City of El Centro Adriana Anguis City of Holtville Jesus Villegas City of Imperial Ramiro Barajas City of Westmorland County of Imperial Veronica Atondo

Manuel Ortiz Imperial Irrigation District

Others:

David Aguirre **ICTC** Virginia Mendoza **ICTC** Marlene Flores **ICTC** Angela Delgadillo **ICTC**

Phillip Ramirez City of Brawley Juan Manuel Cabrera City of Brawley City of Brawley Ana Gutierrez Esperanza Colio-Warren City of Calexico Felix De Leon City of El Centro Andres Miramontez City of El Centro Christian Rodriguez City of El Centro Angel Hernandez City of El Centro Othon Mora City of Imperial Marco Coronel City of Imperial City of Imperial Othon Mora City of Imperial Yvonne Cordero Adolfo Garcia County of Imperial County of Imperial Janette Govea

Ben Guerrero Caltrans Nick Ventrilla Caltrans David Salgado **SCAG** Jessica Reyes Juarez **SCAG** Ma'ayn Johnson **SCAG**

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. A quorum was present, and introductions were made. There were no public comments made.
- 2. Adopted resolution authorizing remote teleconference meeting in accordance with Assembly Bill 361. ICTC requested a motion to adopt. (Galvan/Atondo). Motion Carried.
- 3. A motion was made to adopt the minutes for August 25, 2022 (Atondo/Galvan) Motion Carried.

4. REAP 2.0 Grant Funding Program Presentation:

(Presented by: Jessica Reyes Juarez, SCAG)

- About \$246 million will be coming into the SCAG region and will need to be obligated by June 2024 and expended by June 2026.
- This is a state funded program; it is no longer a federal funded program.
- Programs to Accelerate Transformative Housing:
- NOFA-Funding for Lasting Affordability: Funding for innovative housing finance and trust funds.
- Pilot: Regional Utilities Supporting Housing (RUSH): Non-transportation utilities infrastructure improvements
- Pilot: Housing Infill on Public and Private Lands (HIPP): Scaling up development of available land, and large corridor-wide or area-wide infill housing policies and initiatives.
- Definition of Infill (Purpose of the REAP 2.0 Program): (1) the area consists of unused or underutilized lands, AND (2) within existing development patterns, AND (3) that is or will be accessible to destinations and daily services by transit, walking, or bicycling AND is location in either an urban center, corridor, or an area with transit-supportive densities, OR an established community that meets all the following criteria:
- The area consists or previously consisted of qualified urban uses, the area is predominantly surrounded by parcels that are developed with qualified urban uses, and no parcel within or adjoining the area is classified as agricultural or natural working lands.
- Proposed Funding: NOFA-45 million, Pilot RUSH Program-35 million, and Pilot HIPP Program-8 million. A total of 88 million.
- CTC Partnership Program Guidelines will be available at https://scag.ca.gov/reap2021
 September 21st through 3pm on October 12, 2022.
- All written comments should be sent via email to: Alisha James at james@scag.ca.gov
- Mr. Galvan, City of Calipatria, asked if there was anything that precludes leveraging funds from other state resources, such as CTBG or through the tax credit allocation process?
- Ms. Juarez answered and stated that the program allows stacking. This is one way to demonstrate that you have momentum on the project.
- Mr. Galvan asked if there is a maximum per person. Ms. Juarez stated that it is not identified yet, however, it is possible that it will be included in the final draft.
- Ms. Mendoza, ICTC, asked for clarification on the definition of infill section b. "Is intended to capture unincorporated communities that are within the county?" Ms. Juarez stated that it can also be unincorporated communities if they meet the criteria.
- Virtual Information Session on October 5, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
- REAP 2.0 Info. Session Registration Link: <u>REAP 2.0 PATH Virtual Information Sessions</u> (jotform.com)
- For more information or any questions, please contact Jessica Reyes Juarez at <u>juarez@scag.ca.gov</u>, Alisha James at <u>james@scag.ca.gov</u>, Jacob Noonan at <u>noonan@scag.ca.gov</u>, or David Salgado at <u>salgado@scag.ca.gov</u>.

5. Caltrans Updates / Announcements:

(Presented by: Ben Guerrero)

- Please welcome the Caltrans District 11 Local Assistance Engineer (DLAE) Bryan Ott! He resumes this management role as a permanent assignment.
- September 5, 2022 was the deadline to submit "Inactive" invoices or a justification
- A complete list of Inactive Projects https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/projects/inactive-projects
- January 31, 2023 Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 22/23 Requests for Authorization Obligations Due!
- Please transmit all RFA details on *LAPM* Exhibit 3-A and use the newest version from January 2022 https://forms.dot.ca.gov/v2Forms/servlet/FormRenderer?frmid=LAPM3A
- Friday, October 7, 2022, is the final deadline (for that December 7-8, 2022, CTC meeting).
- Project Bundling event on October 4th at 8:30 a.m. 5: 00 p.m. & on October 5th at 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.
- Please register at: FHWA Project Bundling Peer Exchange October 4 and 5, 2022 (google.com)
- For more information on Project Bundling please visit: <u>EDC-5: Project Bundling | Federal Highway Administration (dot.gov)</u>
- Cooperative Training Assistance Program (CTAP) offers free trainings: https://ca-ctap.org/?pid=1609
- Link to Active Transportation Resource Center (ATRC): https://caatpresources.org/1502
- Notice of Funding Opportunity due October 4, 2022 Railroad Crossing Elimination Program Click for further details –
- https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2022-07-06/pdf/2022-14344.pdf
- On June 1, 2022, the list of active project end dates was updated. To avoid expiration, action is required by ICTC and the County of Imperial, as well as the City of Calexico.
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Update: As a reminder, *Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM)* Exhibit 9-F must accompany every invoice that involves payment to a DBE subcontractor
- If you have any questions, please contact Ben Guerrero at Benjamin.guerrero@dot.ca.gov

6. SCAG Updates / Announcements:

(Presented by: David Salgado)

- SCAG Sustainable Communities Program (SCP) Call 4! Civic Engagement, Equity, & Environmental Justice: The fourth Sustainable Communities Program (SCP) Call for Applications is anticipated to be released in Fall 2022, with a focus on Civic Engagement, Equity, and Environmental Justice. Due to the availability of new funding sources for this program, the guidelines for Call 4 are still in development. More information can be found here: https://scag.ca.gov/scp
- Money Mondays" email SCAG has started to send out. SCAG Money Monday (mailchi.mp)
- SCAG's grant opportunities webpage holds links to many of the current, new, and ongoing grant opportunities.
- SCAG Grant Opportunities Website Link: <u>Get Involved Grant Opportunities Southern California Association of Governments</u>
- To receive the information directly please subscribe with this link: <u>Subscribe To Updates Southern California Association of Governments</u>
- If you have any questions, please contact David Salgado at salgado@scag.ca.gov

7. Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates:

- Each jurisdiction gave their update.

8. ICTC Updates / Announcements

(Presented by ICTC Staff)

a. Transit Planning Updates

- The Free Fares Program grant was approved for \$492K which will cover about 9 months of free fares for transit riders. In the month of November, a program is offered for free transportation for veterans for about a week. The annual "stuff a bus" campaign is coming soon as well. This campaign lets people ride the bus for free if they donate a canned good. Essentially, all the canned goods that are generated, are donated to the food bank prior to Thanksgiving holiday. These two programs will be put out for the public before the Free Fares Programs takes place. The Free Fares program will likely start around January 2023.

b. Transportation Planning Updates

- 2022 CMAQ & STBG Mini Call for Projects Update
- The project schedule was updated. TAC members will meet to review and generate list of projects recommended for funding on October 6, 2022 from 2pm 4pm instead of October 5th.
- Local Partnership Formulaic Program (LPP) Update
- City Managers took action on this item last week. It is anticipated that the Commission takes action on October 26th. It has also been confirmed by the state that if any jurisdiction would like to couple Cycle 3 and Cycle 4 funding they can. However, you would be subject to the Cycle 3 deadline: June 30, 2023.

9. General Discussion / New Business

Next TAC meeting will be October 27, 2022 via Zoom at ICTC offices

10. Meeting adjourned at 11:43 a.m.



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SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES October 5, 2022

Present Voting Attendees:

Ted Ceasar Consumer

Dr. Kathleen Lang California Health & Wellness (CH&W)

Raul Cordova Work Training Center (WTC)
Letty Zuno Access to Independence

Pricilla Lopez Workforce and Economic Development

Sarah Enz Area Agency on Aging (AAA)

Mitzi Perez ARC-IV

Michelle Soto California Children Services-CCS

David Aguirre CTSA-ICTC
Maricela Galarza CTSA-ICTC
Gustavo Gomez CTSA-ICTC

Non-Voting Attendees:

Cesar Sanchez IVT/IVTAccess/IVTRide/IVTMedtrans

Helio Sanchez IVT

Jose Guillen IVT MedTrans Karla Pacheco IVT Access Karla Aguilar IVT Ride

- 1. Dr. Lang called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. **A quorum was present.** Introductions were made.
 - Hybrid attendance.
- 2. SSTAC Remote Resolution.
 - Dr. Lang explained the purpose of the implementation of the resolution. The resolution will be required for this meeting and future meetings until further notice.
 - SSTAC members reviewed the resolution and motioned to approve it as is. (Perez, Ceasar), **Motion Carried.**
 - Required signatures will be collected after the meeting.
- 3. Minutes adopted for May 4, 2022. (Enz., Perez.), Motion Carried.

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4. Review of SSTAC's Roles and Responsibilities:

- A presentation was given by Ms. Galarza, reviewing what Social Services Transportation Advisory Committee (SSTAC) is, what is SSTAC's role, why it's necessary, and what it consists of. It also reviews ICTC's possible projects, activities, etc..., for the upcoming FY 2022-23.
- Ms. Galarza and Dr. Lang encouraged SSTAC members to participate in providing information on their agencies as it is vital to know when referring clients to other resources.

5. Reappointment of Voting Positions:

Ms. Galarza explained to SSTAC members that 3 voting positions are set to expire, which include;

- 2 positions for Category 3, Service Providers for Seniors.
- 1 position for Category 4, Service Providers for the Disabled.

Ms. Galarza asked if the agencies that are currently in the voting position would like to continue serving as voting members.

- Mr. Cordova accepted to continue serving as an SSTAC voting member under Category 3, for another 3 years, as a representative for Work Training Center. Mr. Cordova also added an alternate individual to attend meetings in his absence. Minerva Palacios will be added as an alternate representative for WTC.
- Ms. Perez accepted to continue serving as an SSTAC voting member under Category 4, for another 3 years, as a representative for Imperial Valley ARC.
- Ms. Enz accepted to continue serving as an SSTAC voting member under Category 3, for another 3 years, as a representative for Area Agency on Aging. Ms. Enz also added an alternate individual to attend meetings in her absence. Madeline Desert will be added as an alternate representative for AAA.
- Ms. Galarza asked Ms. Lopez, a representative of the I.C. Workforce and Economic Development if she wishes to participate as a voting SSTAC voting member. Ms. Lopez accepted to be added as a voting member.
- Ms. Zuno mentioned that Ms. Teran was no longer with Access to Independence so the name would need to be changed.

Dr. Lang called for a motion to approve all appointed voting positions as accepted. (Perez, Cordova), **Motion Carried.**

6. Installation of Officers:

- Ms. Galarza stated that the Chair and Vice positions are set to expire and asked current position holders if they wish to continue. Dr. Lang asked if there are any volunteers or nominations for SSTAC Chairperson/Vice-Chair. There were no volunteers or nominations, therefore;
 - Dr. Lang, a representative from California Health & Wellness, accepted to continue as SSTAC Chairperson.
 - Ms. Enz, a representative from Area Agency on Aging, accepted to continue as SSTAC Vice-Chairperson.

(Zuno, Cordova), Motion Carried.

7. CTSA Reports:

Mr. Aguirre had the following updates:

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- ICTC is working with some member agencies to install bus stop infrastructure in some cities, for example, in front of El Centro Library. Also, in Calexico and Calipatria.
- There is a new and improved rider guide that is expected to come out in about two weeks. In addition, looking at the possibility of putting QR codes out on buses and bus stops linking to the new riders' guide.
- The new Calexico Micro transit service is underway now and working on the development of the new service. It is expected to be implemented at the beginning of January.
- The Calexico Intermodal Transfer Center is still in progress. ICTC is working on obtaining funds for the construction phase, we are looking at a cost of about 12 million dollars. ICTC is looking through a variety of possible funding options.
- The holiday season is approaching and ICTC will be doing the Stuff a bus and Veteran's day event after not running it for a couple of years due to COVID. This is where passengers can donate a can or dry food item in exchange for a ride. The Stuff a bus event usually runs a couple of and the Veteran's day event runs one week, with the same concept of donation for a ride. This event will run in November.
- The free fare program will be implemented again after the promotional events; Stuff a bus, Veteran's Day and Ride Free Day in December. The free fare program is expected to be implemented in January.
- Mr. Aguirre extended gratitude to AAA for continuously providing funding for free rides to seniors on the IVT Ride service.

Mr. Gomez had the following updates:

- Staff participated in a senior event at the Brawley Day Out. It occurred on September 14, 2022.
- Staff provided a presentation to IVC Tiny home residents on their transportation options.
- Staff participated in another event last week, coordinated by Calexico Farmacia Del Pueblo.
- Staff will be participating more in upcoming events in October. The goal is to do more outreach efforts to provide information on the available public transit services.
- There were about 20-30 IVT Ride sign-ups this past month and had several for IVT Access as well.
- Mr. Gomez mentioned to all agencies that if any brochures or rider's guides are needed to contact staff to arrange a drop off of resources. Also, the staff is available for transit services presentation in person or via zoom.

8. Transit 101: Transit 101 Presentation

- Mr. Gomez presented on Transit 101, all services;
 - > Stats, fleets, Available public transit services, etc.
- 9. Transit Operator Service 4th Quarter Reports:

Imperial Valley Transit;

Mr. H. Sanchez presented the 4th quarter report for service:

- Ridership is rising but not as much as it used to be.
- The service is dealing with some construction on La Brucherie, Imperial, etc. During this type of situation, services still try to run as normally as possible and attempt not to miss bus stops. Although, construction is disrupting some routes for the service. Alternate bus stops are in place and information is put on service websites for the awareness of passengers.

IVT Access:

Ms. Pacheco presented the 4th quarter report for service:

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- IVC students are in session and it's helping the ridership. It is expected that ridership will stay up due to IVC continuing to be in session

IVT Ride:

Ms. Aguilar presented the 4th quarter report for service:

- Service continues to run on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Tuesday alternates between the Coachella area and the Brawley area. Thursdays continue to serve locally in Salton city.

IVT MedTrans;

Mr. C. Sanchez presented the 4th quarter report for service:

- Service continues to have the same service hours but based on demand only sends one bus a day.

10. General Discussion

- Ms. Lopez stated that Workforce and Economic Develop has funding for individuals that need transportation to work or school.
 - Mr. Aguirre stated that staff can work with her to use those funds to purchase bus tickets to pass out to their clients.

11. Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m. (Enz), Motion Carried.
- The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 2, 2022, at the Imperial County Transportation Commission Office, 1503 N. Imperial Ave., Suite 104, El Centro, CA 92243.



- A. ICTC/LTA/IVRMA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT
- B. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS REPORT
- C. CALIFORNIA DEPATMENT OF TRANSPORTATION-DISTRICT 11
- D. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS



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Memorandum

Date: November 1, 2022

To: ICTC Commission Members

From: David Aguirre, Interim Executive Director

Re: Executive Director's Report

The following is a summary of the Executive Director's Report for the ICTC Commission meeting on November 9, 2022.

1) 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 17, 2021 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 \$1.3 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 to paying for all other construction related costs and Border Patrol will lead the construction contract. Border Patrol, Caltrans and ICTC are having weekly meetings toward completing design plans and obtaining Caltrans Permits and Environmental Clearance.

2) 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 was awarded in the amount of \$103.4 million. Work for phase 2B will include demolition of the old port building and construction of the new pedestrian building. The total estimated investment for the Calexico West POE improvements are \$416.2 million. Construction efforts for the West Port of Entry are anticipated to begin on September 26, 2022. Noticing information pertaining to lane closures and closure times, adjustments to the East Port of Entry passenger vehicle operating hours and other items have been distributed and shared via multiple media outlets including ICTC's

website at Canopy construction at the Calexico West Port of Entry to impact vehicle traffic | Imperial County Transportation Commission (imperialctc.org)

3) Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ) 2022 Call for Projects – FFY 2022/2023 to FFY 2024/2025: The STBG and CMAQ Call for Projects began on November 18, 2021. The approved 2022 CMAQ & STBG Guidelines are posted on the ICTC website at http://www.imperialctc.org/call-for-projects/. Applications were submitted on Friday, February 25, 2022 to ICTC office. All agencies submitted with the exception of the City of Westmorland and IID. A total of 10 STBG and 11 CMAQ applications were received by ICTC. Funding requests exceed the CMAQ and STBG amounts available for the three (3) fiscal years.

Program	Total Amount Available	Amount Requested by All Applicants
CMAQ	\$5,222,306	\$9,136,697
STBG	\$7,706,117	\$16,640,508

Technical staff representing all the cities and county participated in a scoring and ranking meeting on March 17, 2022, at the ICTC offices. This item was approved by the Commission on April, 27, 2022. ICTC staff worked with local agency staff and programmed all approved projects in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). Additionally, in response to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) corrective action of future CMAQ and STBG funds, ICTC staff has worked with member agency staff and completed a mini call for projects for FFY 2025/26 CMAQ and STBG funds. On Thursday, October 6th all member agencies reviewed and ranked projects submitted for FFY2025/26 funding. *Project list recommendation was reviewed and approved for recommendation by TAC on October 27, 2022 and will be presented for Management Committee and Commission consideration in the November meetings*.

- 4) **IVRMA Joint Powers Agreement (JPA)** Amendment: *IVRMA* has been working with all member agencies towards completing various amendments to the existing *IVRMA JPA*. The proposed amendments include required newly adopted legislation language and the expansion of services that the *IVRMA* is anticipated to provide to the member agencies. The member agencies took action during the month of September 2022 to adopt the amended *JPA*. The *IVRMA* board approved the amended *JPA* at the September 2022 board meeting. *IVRMA* will be forwarding the fully executed amendment to CalRecycle for approval.
- 5) Orchard Road & SR115 Traffic Concept Report: During the Commission meeting of September 2022, the Commission asked ICTC staff to follow up on the SR 115 Transportation Concept Report (TCR). ICTC staff has conducted meetings with Caltrans and County Public Works staff during the week of October 17th. ICTC staff in partnership with County and Caltrans staff are continuing discussions for short term options to deter trucks from using Orchard Road. The parties are also expected to discuss long term options as well. More information will be shared as discussions continue.
- 6) Imperial Mexicali Binational Alliance (IMBA): The September 8, 2022, IMBA meeting was held in the City of Calexico and included updates on Calexico East Port of Entry Bridge Widening project, Calexico West Port of Entry Phase 2A and 2B, Lithium Valley, education, Calexico East Port of Entry Gateway project. The next IMBA meeting is scheduled for December 8, 2022, in the City of Mexicali. The meeting will be available via Zoom and in-person.
- 7) Regional Active Transportation Program: ICTC staff has been working with staff from the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) in the development of the Active Transportation Program (ATP) guidelines. The ATP is funded from various federal and state funds including the federal Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), State Highway Account, and Safe Routes to Schools (SR2S). The approved California Transportation Commission 2023 ATP (Cycle 6) program guidelines divide the funds into state and regional shares. State funds are available through a competitive application process. Applicants that are unsuccessful at the state level are considered for regional funds. Regional ATP funds are administered by the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO). SCAG is Imperial County's MPO. Per SCAG's 2023 ATP Regional

Guidelines, county transportation commissions may assign up to 20 points to each statewide project application deemed consistent and meeting eligibility requirements. ICTC staff has completed the adoption process of the scoring methodology. ICTC staff is waiting for state scoring of ATP applications from Imperial County. Once received, the scoring and ranking of the additional 20 points will be evaluated and presented to TAC, Management Committee and Commission for approval consideration.

- 8) **2022 Long Range Transportation Plan:** The ICTC in its capacity as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency is responsible to lead the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) in Imperial County. The last update to the LRTP was conducted in 2013. ICTC staff completed a Request for Proposal (RFP) to prepare a full update of the Imperial County LRTP. Michael Baker International was the selected consultant. The goal of the LRTP is to provide the following:
 - Identify and promote the relationship between the transportation system to existing and future land use and community comprehensive plans and programs.
 - Provide guidance to promote the improvement of multi-modal transportation circulation of people and goods, using both motorized and non-motorized transportation modes, new technologies and infrastructure facilities.
 - Recommendations and guidance to provide a safe, efficient, accessible, socially equitable and cost-effective transportation system.
 - Ensure compliance with state and federal transportation planning regulations
 - Develop recommendations that ensure environmentally sustainable planning practices.

The consultant team continues to work on the existing conditions technical memorandum. The first TAC meeting was held on March 30, 2022, that was attended by a diverse stakeholder group comprised of local, regional, environmental justice groups and economic development organizations. In addition, an all-day event with six (6) subgroup meetings was held on April 6, 2022, that encompassed subgroups for:

- Highways and Local Roadways
- Border and Goods Movement
- Pedestrian, Bicycles and Microbility
- Transit and Paratransit / Senior and Disabled Service
- Environmental and Environmental Justice
- Developers / Economic Development / Small Business Liaison

The Consultant has completed drafts of the Existing Conditions technical memorandum and Transportation Issues and Strategies technical memorandum. Both technical memorandums are under review by TAC members. To access the draft document, please visit the project website located at https://ictc-lrtp2023.org/new-page-2. The second TAC meeting was conducted on September 22, 2022, where both technical memorandums were summarized and available for TAC member review. The Consultant team has draft listing of Projects and Program listing and is conducting one-on-one meetings with local agencies for input.

Outreach activities for the Long Range Transportation Program have been scheduled in conjunction with community events for the following days:

- Heber Fall Festival: Saturday, October 29, at 4 p.m. Tito Huerta Park, 1165 Palm Avenue, in Heber
- Holtville Farmers Market & Street Fair: Saturday, November 5, at 11 a.m. following the annual Veterans Day Parade at Holt Park, 121 W. 5th St., in Holtville
- Brawley Cattle Call Chili Cook-off: Saturday, November 5, at 5 p.m. on Main Street and Plaza Park, in Brawley
- 9) 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

has been completed. *Design was completed in the month of April 2022 and Right of Way Acquisition is underway. ICTC is exploring funding opportunities to complete the required construction efforts.*

- 10) 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, ICTC was awarded \$20 million under the U.S. Department of Transportation's BUILD discretionary grant program to complete the Design-Build construction phase. ICTC subsequently received TCEP in the amount of \$7.4 Million for construction efforts. The design portion of the project is complete. The project construction is underway, and construction is anticipated to be completed in early 2023.
- 11) **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. ICTC and City staff have begun coordination to implement infrastructure associated with the bus stop(s). ICTC has begun utilizing the IVC Express route to service both bus stops along the east side (intersection of Bonita Place and Commercial Avenue) and (intersection of Alexandria Street and Brown Avenue) of Calipatria. The City of Calipatria has engaged its engineering team to review applicable infrastructure needs. ICTC has received a proposed cost to complete the infrastructure improvements. ICTC is pursuing a grant opportunity to fund the Calipatria bus stops in addition to other bus stops. Additional updates pertaining to this item are to follow.
- 12) **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). *ICTC was able to secure a new grant to provide free fares for all of its transit programs. ICTC is currently working on program rollout.*
- 13) **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 was delayed to due to environmental impacts and other utility projects in progress within the project area. Construction of the project began on August 6, 2021. The existing contractor of the project has been removed. Caltrans has secured a new temporary contractor to complete the project improvements from Ollie Avenue to Highway 111. Construction activities have commenced and are anticipated to be completed prior to the Thanksgiving holiday.
- 14) **State and Federal Local 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).

15) State Legislation for Transportation Funding – SB 1 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA): According to the California League of Cities, overall local streets and roads allocations to cities and counties from the Highway Users Tax Account (HUTA) and the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) are projected to climb 14.8% in the current fiscal year, 2021-22, above last year, reflecting a rebound from peak impacts of the pandemic in 2020. For the budget year 2022-23, allocations are projected to grow 10.8% over the current year. This presumes that if the scheduled July 1 cost-of-living fuel tax increase is suspended, the Legislature will backfill any revenue impacts to local governments as leaders have pledged. The estimates are based on new statewide tax revenue estimates released by the California Department of Finance with the Governor's 2022-23 Proposed Budget. The county estimates were prepared in collaboration with the California State Association of Counties.

For RMRA remittance advice by cities visit: https://www.sco.ca.gov/ard_payments_rmra_cities.html
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16) State Legislation for Transportation Funding – SB 1 Local Partnership Program (LPP): Local Partnership Program is comprised of formulaic program and competitive programs. The Local Partnership Formulaic Program (LPFP) funds share distributions for Cycle 3 are in the amount of \$1,549,000. Cycle 3 LPFP funds must be programmed and allocated in FY 2022-2023 and before June 30, 2023. The Program guidelines require a 50% match, project nomination forms must be collected by ICTC and submitted to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for programming approval. Subsequently, the cities/county must submit allocation request to the CTC for use of funds. A one time extension is allowed for allocation approval by the CTC for up to 12 months. If both programming, allocation, and/or time extension is approved by June 30, 2023, funds will lapse.

ICTC staff is preparing to initiate the funding distribution discussion with member agency staff at the TAC meeting in August 25, 2022. Upon review and recommendations received by TAC members, project nomination forms will be gathered and presented to the ICTC Management and Commission in the September or October meetings.

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

17) Partnerships with IVEDC:

• Southern Border Broadband Consortium (SBBC): 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. On October 10, 2022, Southern Border Broadband Consortium was notified of payment approval for reimbursements of Year 2, Quarters 3 and 4, and Year 3, Quarters 1, 2, 3 and 4. Budget Recap:

Cycle 1: 2017-2020

Original Grant Amount: \$450,000.00

Total Reimbursements Received to Date: \$109,369.48

Reimbursements Submitted and Pending Approval: \$28,919.99

Dates Covered	Quarter	Reimbursement Amount	Payment Status
4/1/17 – 7/31/17	Y1Q1	\$19,384.62	Received on 03/15/2018
8/1/17 - 9/30/17	Y1Q2	\$27,792.18	Received on 08/24/2018
10/1/17 - 3/31/18	Y1Q3	\$28,919.99	Requested, Not Yet Received

4/1/18 - 6/30/18	Y1Q4	\$21,165.69	Received on 09/03/2019
7/1/18 – 9/30/18	Y2Q1	\$20,604.88	Received on 09/03/2019
10/1/18 - 12/31/18	Y2Q2	\$20,422.11	Received on 09/03/2019
1/01/19 - 3/31/19	Y2Q3	\$25,344.08	Approved, Not Yet Received
4/1/19 - 6/30/19	Y2Q4	\$21,583.12	Approved, Not Yet Received
7/1/19 – 9/30/19	Y3Q1	\$24,337.72	Approved, Not Yet Received
10/01/19 – 12/31/19	Y3Q2	\$20,379.71	Approved, Not Yet Received
1/1/20 - 3/31/20	Y3Q3	\$15,040.56	Approved, Not Yet Received
4/1/20 - 6/30/20	Y3Q4	\$17,015.71	Approved, Not Yet Received
	TOTALS	\$261,990.37	

• 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 is 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 is the fiscal agent and has developed an MOU which will define roles and responsibilities (Audits, Administration and Project Management) of ICTC and IVEDC. SCS Engineers Tasks include the Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) and project management plan as required by EPA. As of October 19, 2022, there is a remaining grant balance of \$49,398. Of the \$49,398, \$46,159 is the remaining contract balance for SCS Engineers. IVEDC Staff provided an update at the Commission meeting on September 28, 2022.

18) Meetings attended on behalf of ICTC:

- Various Weekly Reoccurring Calexico East POE Bridge Widening Project Meetings
- Various Weekly Project Specific Meetings
- October 12, 2022 ICTC Management Committee Meeting at the ICTC Offices
- October 18, 2022 SCAG & CTC Planning Directors Briefing via zoom meeting
- October 19, 2022 SR115 Orchard Road meeting
- October 26, 2022 ICTC Commission Meeting at the ICTC Offices and via zoom meeting
- October 26, 2022 Community Resource Fair in Westmorland (attended by Mobility staff)
- October 26, 2022 Safety and Wellness Fair in Calipatria (attended by Mobility staff)
- October 27, 2022 ICTC TAC Meeting at the ICTC Offices and via zoom meeting
- October 27, 2022 IVRMA TAC Meeting at the ICTC Offices and via zoom meeting
- October 27, 2022 Community Resource Fair in Niland (attended by Mobility staff)
- October 27, 2022 ICTC Long Range Transportation Plan Agency Meeting(s) at the ICTC Offices and via zoom meeting
- October 27, 2022 League of California Cities, Imperial County Division Meeting in Calexico
- November 2, 2022 ICTC SSTAC Meeting at the ICTC Offices and via zoom meeting
- November 2, 2022 ICTC Long Range Transportation Plan Agency meeting with Dean Nuñez of San Diego State University Imperial Valley campus
- November 3, 2022 SCAG Regional Council meeting via zoom meeting



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Memorandum

Date: November 9, 2022

To: ICTC Management and Commission Meeting

From: David Salgado, Regional Affairs Officer (RAO)

Re: Southern California Association of Government's (SCAG) Report

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 Committee meeting for the month of November 2022.

1. REGISTRATION OPEN: SCAG 2022 ECONOMIC SUMMIT

On Thursday, Dec. 1, SCAG will host the 13th annual Southern California Economic Summit at the Sheraton Grand in downtown Los Angeles. The theme of this year's summit is "Resourcing the Region." Southern California is uniquely rich in both natural and economic resources.

Register to join us! Elected officials and city managers may attend for free. Learn more and register to attend at scag.ca.gov/economicsummit.

2. REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PROGRAM (REAP) 2.0 PROGRAM UPDATE
Since the approval of the REAP 2.0 Program Framework by the Regional Council (RC) in July, staff
has continued outreach efforts to develop specific programs using the framework as a guiding
document. This has included targeted outreach to the Subregional Councils of Governments to inform
the development of the Subregional Partnership Program 2.0 Guidelines, engagement with the County
Transportation Commissions (CTC) to better understand opportunities and define project concepts to
be incorporated into CTC Partnership Program, and soliciting feedback on the program guidelines for
the Connect SoCal Sustainable Communities Program (SCP) Call 4: Civic Engagement, Equity and
Environmental Justice. Most recently, SCAG held a series of 20 engagement activities to refine the
development of the Programs to Accelerate Transformative Housing (PATH) program through oneon-one meetings, listening sessions and presentations. These engagements allowed SCAG staff to
solicit stakeholder input on the proposed focus areas and prioritization of projects.

As SCAG continues to shape the program, staff will engage stakeholders through various outreach efforts that target disadvantaged communities. Program guidelines will be brought to policy committees and the RC for approval. Key program updates to highlight include: the CTC Partnership Program guidelines are currently available for public comment and will be recommended for approval



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at the Transportation Committee (TC) and RC in November 2022, after being presented to TC on Oct. 6. The PATH program is also currently available for public comment, and after being presented to the Community, Economic and Human Development (CEHD) Policy Committee on Oct. 6, will be recommended for approval at CEHD and RC on Nov. 3. The SCP Call 4 guidelines are planned to be approved by the RC in January 2023. Staff will seek authorization from the Executive Administration Committee (EAC) to submit the final REAP 2.0 program application to the state before the Dec. 31 deadline.

More information on SCAG's REAP program can be found at scag.ca.gov/reap2021.

3. SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM (SCP) CALL 4: VIRTUAL INFORMATION SESSION 1 NOVEMBER 10, 2022 - 5:00PM - 6:30PM

SCAG will host two virtual information sessions for attendees to learn about the Sustainable Communities Program Call for Applications, focused on Civic Engagement, Equity, and Environmental Justice. SCAG is postponing the scheduled release of the Call for Applications to January 2023 to make funding available from multiple funding sources. We invite you to join us at one of the upcoming information sessions.

The workshops will cover updates to the funding program including: applicant eligibility, project categories and eligible uses, application schedule and process, evaluation criteria, and contracting and reporting requirements including possible metrics that could be used to measure impact. Participants will also be encouraged to ask questions during the session and will be offered opportunities to set up additional application coaching sessions with SCAG staff following the session.

To learn more about the program and view recordings of previous Information Sessions, please visit the <u>Civic Engagement</u>, <u>Equity and Environmental Justice website</u>. Please contact Anita Au, Senior Regional Planner, for more information at <u>au@scag.ca.gov</u>. Our team looks forward to continued conversation together.

4. SCAG LEADERSHIP: CURT HAGMAN ELECTED AS REGIONAL COUNCIL SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

As recommended by the Nominating Committee, the Regional Council today approved the election of San Bernardino County Supervisor Curt Hagman for the position of Second Vice President for the balance of the 2022-2023 term. This was a special election resulting from a vacancy.

5. HOUSING LEGISLATION FORUM: NOVEMBER 15, 2022 - 1:00PM - 3:00PM

SCAG will host its fourth Housing Policy Forum entitled "California's 2022 Housing Legislation and Budget: What You Need to Know." The SCAG Housing Policy Forum Series offers an opportunity



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for emerging and established leaders to engage in shared learning about housing policy issues and trends while identifying opportunities for cross-sector collaboration and innovation.

6. SECURING FEDERAL FUNDING FROM THE IIJA AND IRA

Toolbox Tuesday Money Monday Session: NOVEMBER 21, 2022 - 1:00PM - 2:30PM

With the one-year anniversary of the passage of the historic Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) approaching and the recently passed Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), there is unprecedented opportunity for local governments to secure critical federal funding to invest in infrastructure and to mitigate the impacts of climate change. This presentation will provide an overview of the IIJA funding that has been released; key criteria that the Administration has used to evaluate funding proposals and tips for successful applications; as well as upcoming opportunities for both IIJA and IRA.

Toolbox Tuesdays provide training on a range of practical skills and knowledge for local planning practitioners including training in the use of technology and education for practical approaches to timely issues. All classes and webinars are COMPLIMENTARY for staff of SCAG-member local governments and other SCAG partners in Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura Counties. Private sector planners, non-profit staff, academics and students are welcome to attend. **Register online here!** https://form.jotform.com/SCAGweb/toolbox-tuesday

7. LOCAL DATA EXCHANGE PROCESS FOR CONNECT SOCAL 2024

SCAG's Local Data Exchange, or LDX, is a foundational step in developing Connect SoCal 2024, SCAG's next Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy. The objective of the LDX process is to engage with the 191 cities and six counties that make up our region to develop the Forecasted Regional Development Pattern and seek input on other elements of the plan.

Over the course of 2022, SCAG Local Information Services Team (LIST) plans to meet one-on-one (approximately 90 minutes) with all local jurisdictions to discuss the maps in their local context, provide background on the development of Connect SoCal 2024, and provide training on available tools in the Regional Data Platform to local jurisdictions. To date, LIST members have met one-on-one for LDX meetings with 90 jurisdictions in the region. Detailed information about the LDX process can be found in a letter that was sent via email to all City Managers and Planning Directors on May 23 from Sarah Jepson, SCAG Planning Director. For Imperial, Los Angeles and Ventura County jurisdictions, please select a meeting time at your earliest convenience. Please reach out to LIST at list@scag.ca.gov for any questions.

California Department of Transportation





November 2022 ICTC Commission/Management Committee Date: To:

GUSTAVO DALLARDA From:

Caltrans District 11 Director

Subject: DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

CONSTRUCTION

1. **I-8/Imperial Avenue Interchange**: The project includes installing two ramps that will provide direct access to southbound Imperial Avenue which will provide connectivity to southern El Centro. The interchange was opened to traffic on December 21st. The community identifier installation was completed on February 8.





The contractor will continue with plant establishment and close out activities through 2023.

https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-11/current-projects/i8-imp-interchange

SR-98 Widening Project: As part of the Calexico West POE Expansion project, SR-98 and Cesar Chavez Blvd were widened and improved to serve the expansion to the west. 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 by the City of Calexico. Construction for stage 1 of the SR-98 widening between Rockwood Avenue and Ollie Avenue is underway. The target completion date for Stage 1 is mid-November. Following the completion of Stage 1, the contractor will begin work on Stage 3 (westbound SR-98 from SR-111 to Rockwood) with the intent to minimize

- disruptions to local businesses during the holiday season. The total project cost is estimated at \$8.2 million.
- 3. SR-111 Niland Geyser/Mud Pot: The SR-111 Niland Geyser/Mud Pot continues to be active. The caldera is approximately 9 feet from the SR-111 edge of traveled way, another smaller caldera recently appeared a few feet to the north-east of the original and is active. Water from the Mud Pot continues free-flowing through the subsurface drainage installed in 2019. The original temporary detour road was opened to traffic in August of 2020. Due to the Mud Pot's unpredictable change in direction, a revised detour was required. The revised detour was completed on April 30, 2021. The detour will remain in place as the mud pot moves beyond the original freeway. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ek1buV2HA68
- 4. I-8 Colorado River Bridge Rehab: This project is located near the Arizona border on I-8. The scope includes replacement of bearing pads, portions of the concrete pavement on the bridge deck and approach slabs. Part of workfootprint straddles the California/Arizona border. Detours are expected and will be announced prior to commencement of work. Construction is expected to start in early 2023 and estimated completion is early 2024. The total project cost is estimated at \$11.1 million.

PROJECT DELIVERY

1. Clean California Projects: District 11 will be delivering projects funded by the Clean California Grant Program. They include bus shelter improvements in Niland(SR111), and bus shelter installations in Calipatria(SR111), Brawley(SR86) and Holtville(SR115). Additionally, median island improvements in El Centro(SR86) and a gateway beautification project at SR-7/Nina Lee Rd just north of the Calexico Port of Entry are also included as part of this effort. The projects are expected to be completed by July 2023. Below is a conceptual rendering of the gateway sign.



2. I-8, SR-78 Bridge Rehab at Various Locations: The project scope includes 4 bridge locations on I-8 at Brock Research Center Rd, All American Canal (left/right) Bridges and at Winterhaven Dr/4th Ave. The 2 locations on SR-78 are at Palo Verde Drain and Palo Verde Outfall bridges near Palo Verde. The project is currently in design and is expected to go out to bid in fall 2022 with construction estimated to start in early 2023. Total estimated cost is \$13.2 million.

3. SR-186 All-American Canal Bridge: This project proposes to construct a new bridge over the All-American Canal (AAC). The new bridge will improve safety and better facilitate international and interregional movement of people, goods and services. A 2019 feasibility study proposed 8 alternatives including a no-build option. The following stakeholders have been identified, Fort Yuma Quechan Indian Tribe, US BIA, US BOR, IID, International Boundary and Water Commission, County of Imperial, Union Pacific Railroad and US GSA. Project Milestones: Project Approval/Environmental Clearance 6/2024. The Anticipated funding fiscal year for construction is 2025/26.

MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC OPERATIONS

1. El Centro Traveled Way Crew – Sweeping I-8/SR111, joint sealing SR111, storm response/cleanup, graffiti abatement SR86







2. El Centro Functional/Marking Crew – Sign/landscape maintenance, striping and sign installations SR86/I-8







3. Midway Traveled Way Crew – Crack sealing SR98, storm response/repairs, tree trimming SR115







4. Brawley Traveled Way Crew – Sweeping/brush control, SR78 clearing washes, storm response/repairs, fog sealing and striping on SR78 west of SR86







5. El Centro Clean CA Crew – Litter control/landscaping activities I-8 east of Sidewinder Rd







6. SR-86/Customs & Border Protection Checkpoint Expansion: AECOM has submitted a revised concept plan with a standard acceleration lane from the secondary inspection facility and it has been approved. AECOM is expected to submit revised design plans with the approved concept soon. The environmental studies are being prepared by ICTC and will soon be sent for review. Caltrans will assist ICTC in coordinating upcoming meetings.

An environmental document as well all other appropriate studies will be needed to finalize the project. A series of permits will be required for existing traffic control at the checkpoint, for the inspection operations and equipment within the facility, and for a temporary checkpoint while the project is in construction. A new Freeway Maintenance Agreement will be required for the portion of the existing canopy that is within Caltrans ROW.

PLANNING AND LOCAL ASSISTANCE

1. Project Study Report: Forrester Road Improvements - This study will propose improvements to Forrester Road from I-8 to the SR 78 intersection in the City of Westmorland. This is a critical goods movement corridor that handles a high volume of interregional and local agricultural trucks and anticipated volumes will continue to increase. Caltrans and ICTC are preparing a PSR spearheaded by a Technical Working Group (TWG) that includes the County of Imperial, the Imperial Irrigation District (IID), and the cities of El Centro,

Westmorland, Imperial, and Brawley. To address the needs of this corridor, likely improvements will include shoulder widening, passing lanes, intersection improvements, multimodal elements, and a bypass to the city of Westmorland.

2. Local Assistance:

Clean California Local Grant Program - Cycle 2

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) developed the Clean California Local Grant Program through which funds will go to local communities to beautify and improve local streets and roads, tribal lands, parks, pathways, and transit centers to clean and enhance public spaces. https://cleancalifornia.dot.ca.gov/local-grants/local-grant-program

California Transportation Commission (CTC) Allocation Requests

Please review the attached schedule of deadlines to send requests for California Transportation Commission (CTC) approval durin the January 25-26, 2023 meeting. Caltrans District 11 must receive all documents at least two months prior to the CTC meeting date. Friday, November 25th is the deadline for the January meeting.

Title VI Nondiscrimination Program

Local agencies must comply with all Title VI requirements – LAPM Section 9.2, Title VI compliance is subject to review at any time.

www.dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/guidance-and-oversight/title-vi

RELINQUISHMENTS

- 1. SR-86 from SR-111 to Countryside Dr, West Ralph Rd to Calle Estrella, and just east of Brandt Rd to SR-78. Relinquishment to County of Imperial, estimated completion 2026. (#11 on Status Map)
- 2. **SR-86** from Countryside Dr to Treshill Rd. Relinquishment to City of El Centro, estimated completion 2026. (#12 on Status Map)

2023 MEETING SCHEDULE CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Adopted June 29, 2022

JANUARY 25(W) – JANUARY 26(TH), 2023 – ROCKLIN

FEBRUARY 2023 - NO REGULARLY SCHEDULED COMMISSION MEETING

MARCH 22(W) - 23(TH), 2023 - LOS ANGELES AREA

<u>APRIL 2022 – NO REGULARLY SCHEDULED COMMISSION MEETING</u>

April 12(W) & 13(TH) – Town Hall Meeting – Redding TBD – Joint CTC/CARB/HCD Meeting — TBD

MAY 17(W) - 18(TH), 2023 - BAY AREA

<u>JUNE 28(W) – 29(TH), 2023 – SACRAMENTO</u>

JULY 2023 – NO REGULARLY SCHEDULED COMMISSION MEETING

AUGUST 16(W) – 17(TH), 2023 – SAN DIEGO

<u>SEPTEMBER 2023 – NO REGULARLY SCHEDULED COMMISSION MEETING</u>

September 20(W) & 21(TH) – Town Hall Meeting – San Benito

OCTOBER 18(W) - 19TH), 2022 - CENTRAL VALLEY

TBD - Tri-State Meeting -

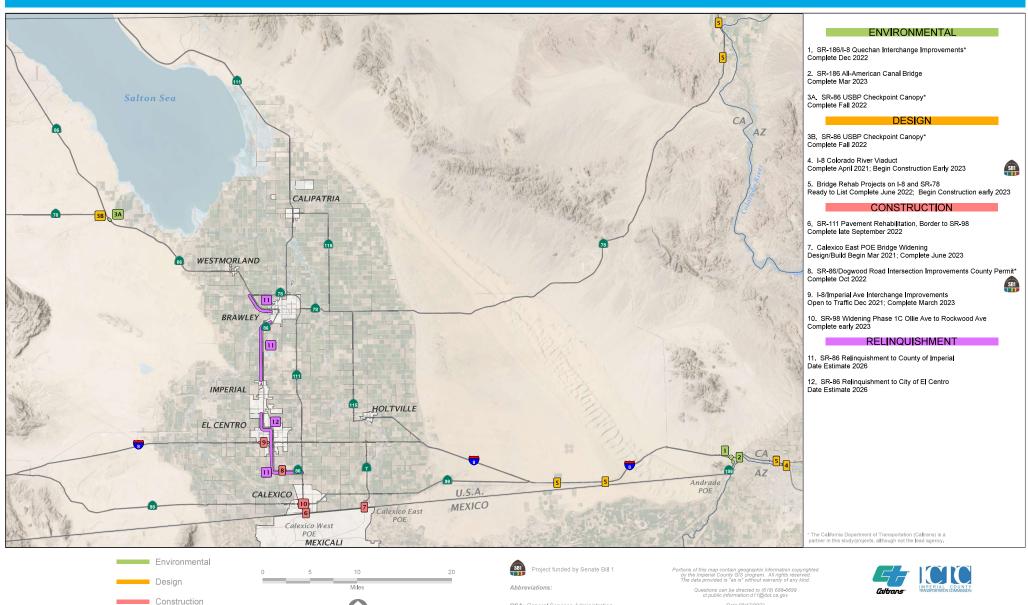
NOVEMBER 2023 - NO REGULARLY SCHEDULED COMMISSION MEETING

TBD – Joint CTC/CARB/HCD Meeting – TBD

DECEMBER 6(W) - 7(TH), 2023 - RIVERSIDE

IMPERIAL COUNTY STATUS OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

Relinguishment



POE: Port of Entry

GSA: General Services Administration

Date:08/17/2022

VII. ACTION CALENDAR AIT VCLION CYTENDYS

- A. Mini Call for Projects Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Programming Project List FFY 2025/26
 - 1. Approve the 2022 Mini Call for Projects—Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) Programming Project List for FFY 2025/26.
 - 2. Direct staff to program projects in the next available Federal Transportation Improvement Program Formal Amendment.



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November 4, 2022

ICTC Management Committee Imperial County Transportation Commission 1503 N. Imperial Ave., Suite 104 El Centro, CA 92243

SUBJECT: 2022 Mini Call for Projects - Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface

Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Programming Project List – FFY 2025/26

Dear Committee Members:

The Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) receives revenue information for the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) funding by staff at the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG). As a result, ICTC leads a call for projects for both programs for three federal fiscal years. A call for projects of STBG and CMAQ programs was conducted and completed in May 2022 for federal fiscal years FFY2022/23 to FFY2024/25. All approved projects in FFY2022/23 to FFY2024/25 have been programmed in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP).

On August 25, 2022, ICTC staff requested a special call for projects for CMAQ and STBG for FFY 2025/26 to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The request is due to the significant amount of requirements and uncertainty on future programming of CMAQ and STBG funds coming from the Corrective Action issued by Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)/Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to Caltrans on Sub-Allocations. The current programming allocations of CMAQ and STBG will no longer be population based. These changes present uncertainty on the project selection process and program amounts in future years. Programming CMAQ and STBG projects up to FFY2025/26 allows an opportunity to secure projects up to that year. All projects programmed in the FTIP prior to June 30, 2023, will not need to adhere to the new guidelines.

As a result, ICTC staff presented this item for discussion and recommendation to proceed with a selection of projects based on the recently completed Call for Projects in 2022 and select the next list of priority projects from both CMAQ and STBG programs in FFY 2025/26. Based on the recommendation of the TAC members on August 25, 2022, the collective group opted to conduct a Mini Call for Projects for CMAQ and STBG for FFY 2025-26.

A mini call for projects was open on September 2, 2022, for both CMAQ and STBG programs with applications due to ICTC on September 23, 2022. An estimated \$4.3 million is available in FFY2025/26 for both programs.

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

Below are the estimated amounts for the CMAQ and STBG Programs under FFY 2025/26:

CMAQ Funding Estimates				
FY2025/26 TOTAL				
\$1,732,034	\$1,732,034			

STBG Funding Estimates				
FY2025/26 TOTAL				
\$2,597,998	\$2,597,998			

^{*}FFY 25/26 amounts shown for CMAQ and STBG are estimated apportionments

On October 6, 2022, members of the TAC met to review, score, and rank 10 projects totaling a fund request of \$6.4 million. With the use of the CMAQ and STBG Guidelines and scoring results of all projects, TAC members were able to agree on a recommended list of projects. Attached is a list of the original request amounts and the recommended projects by agency, project title, and priority. The recommendation of projects would utilize the programming capacity of the proposed federal fiscal year for both programs.

The Technical Advisory Committee met on October 27, 2022, for discussion and recommendation and request that the following is submitted to the ICTC Management Committee for their review and approval after public comments, if any:

- 1. Approve the 2022 Mini Call for Projects -Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) Programming Project List for FFY 2025/26; and
- 2. Direct staff to program projects in the next available Federal Transportation Improvement Program Formal Amendment.

Sincerely,

VIRGINIA MENDOZA Program Manager

VM/mf Attachment

Fina	Final 2022 Mini Call for Projects CMAQ FUNDING APPORTIONMENTS			Original Distribution Funding 2022 Call for Projects			Proposed Funding Adjustments 2022 Mini Call for Projects		
Agency	Priority	Project	FY 2025/2026 TOTAL			FY 2025/2026		TOTAL	
		Traffic Signal Synchronization & Intelligent Transportation Systems-Phase II on Main Street from 6th Street to Best							
Brawley	1	Avenue, and on 8th Street from Main Street to B Street.	\$708,240	\$	708,240	\$708,000	\$	708,000	
				\$	708,240		\$	708,000	
Holtville	1	Pine Avenue Revitalization and Pedestrian Improvement Project between 4th Street and 5th Street	\$708,098	\$	708,098	\$708,000	\$	708,000	
				\$	708,098		\$	708,000	
Imperial	1	City of Imperial Old Town Pedestrian Facilities Improvements	\$763,000	\$ \$	763,000 763,000		\$ \$	-	
County	1	Isis Avenue Improvements from 1st Street to Main Street and from 3rd Street to 5th Street in Niland Project	\$513,474	\$ \$	513,474 513,474		\$ \$	-	
Westmorland	1	Side-walk and pedestrian improvements at various locations	\$300,000	\$	300,000 300,000	\$316,000	\$	316,000 316,000	
Programmed		\$0		\$0	\$0		\$0		
Proposed			\$2,992,812		\$2,992,812	\$1,732,000		\$1,732,000	
Available			\$1,732,000		\$1,732,000	\$1,732,000		1,732,000	
Over/Under prog	grammed		-\$1,260,812			\$0			

Final 2022 Mini Call For Projects STBG FUNDING APPORTIONMENTS			Original Distribution STBG Funding by FFY			Proposed Funding Adjustments STBG Funding by FFY			
Agency	Priority	Project	FY2025/2026	Ĭ	Total	FY2025/2026	Total		
Calexico	1	Cole Boulevard between Scaroni Road and Railroad Crossing Rehabiliation Project	\$ 682,1	47	\$ 682,147	\$ 519,000			
					\$ 682,147		\$ 519,000		
Calipatria	1	Main Street Roadway Rehabilitatiion Project between Sorenson Avenue/SR 111 to Park Avenue	\$ 618,1	22	\$ 618,122	\$ 497,000	\$ 497,000		
					\$ 618,122		\$ 497,000		
El Centro	1	Imperial Avenue Overlay, Orange Avenue to Adams Avenue	\$ 612,0	000	\$ 612,000	\$ 541,000	\$ 541,000		
					\$ 612,000		\$ 541,000		
Imperial	1	Aten Boulevard Rehabilitation Project between Old SR- 86 and the West Right-of-Way Line of the Southern Pacific Railroad	\$ 787,0	000	\$ 787,000	\$ 530,000	\$ 530,000		
					\$ 787,000		\$ 530,000		
County	1	Bowker Road Improvements from Jasper Road to Calexico City Limits	\$ 717,0	93	\$ 717,093	\$ 511,000	\$ 511,000		
					\$ 717,093		\$ 511,000		
Programmed			······	\$ -		\$ -			
Proposed			\$3,416,		\$3,416,362		\$		
Available Over/Under programmed			\$2,598,		\$2,598,000		÷		
Over/Under programmed			-\$818,	362		\$0			