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**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

April 27, 2023

Present:

Phillip Ramirez	City of Brawley
Lily Falomir	City of Calexico
Francisco Barba	City of Calipatria
Felix De Leon	City of El Centro
Adriana Anguis	City of Holtville
Jesus Villegas	City of Imperial
Veronica Atondo	County of Imperial
Ismael Gomez	Imperial Irrigation District

Others:

Virginia Mendoza	ICTC
Cristi Lerma	ICTC
Marlene Flores	ICTC
Juan Manuel Cabrera	City of Brawley
Ismael Garcia	County of Imperial
Adolfo Garcia	County of Imperial
Nick Ventrilla	Caltrans
Maria Ibarra	Caltrans
Michaela Howard	Caltrans
Robin Owen	Caltrans
Byran Ott	Caltrans
Kevin Hovey	Caltrans
Rafael Reyes	Caltrans
David Salgado	SCAG
Jacob Noonan	SCAG
Alisha James	SCAG
Manuel Ortiz	Imperial Irrigation District
Garrett Fortin	SafeTREC

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:06 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 March 23, 2023 (Atondo/Anguis) **Motion Carried.**

3. Technical Assistance Opportunities for Pedestrian and Bike Safety

(Presented by: Garrett Fortin, SafeTREC)

- A brief presentation was given by Garrett Fortin from SafeTREC on Technical Assistance opportunities for Pedestrian and Bike Safety.
- Detailed Menu: https://safetrec.berkeley.edu/sites/default/files/2023_fr_ta_detailed_menu.pdf
- For more information, please contact fortinga@berkeley.edu

4. Caltrans District 11's Small Business Program

(Presented by: Maria Ibarra, Caltrans)

- A brief presentation was given by Maria Ibarra and Michelle Gongora from Caltrans District 11 on Doing Business with Caltrans District 11 (serving San Diego and Imperial County).
- For more information, please contact D11.SmallBusiness@dot.ca.gov

5. REAP 2.0 Program Update

(Presented by: Alisha James, SCAG)

- A brief presentation was given by Alisha James from SCAG on REAP 2.0 Call for Applications.
- RUSH Industry Forum: <https://scag.ca.gov/post/regional-utilities-supporting-housing-rush-industry-forum>

6. ICTC Updates / Announcements

(Presented by ICTC Staff)

a. Transit Planning Updates

- Drivers, utility workers, and maintenance staff are currently on strike associated with the operator First Transit. The Union, which covers the drivers, utility workers, and maintenance staff, was elected to go on strike on April 25th. Since then, IV Transit has been operating daily while obtaining other drivers from other locations. Due to the strike, the Saturday schedule is being operated. All services are still available but limited. ICTC Staff have been to all the communities, having conversations with the public trying to use the transit service. All information was posted on social media and on the website. While the strike is going on, ICTC is not charging any fares on all services given the inconvenience.

b. Transportation Planning Updates

• Local Partnership Program (LPP) Update:

- Because local agencies chose to combine their cycle 3 and cycle 4 funding, agencies must allocate their funds by **June 30, 2023**.
- If the agency is not planning to allocate, an allocation extension should be submitted to Caltrans Local Assistance no later than the June 30th meeting.

• Federal & State Project Listing for FFY 2022-23:

- Each jurisdiction gave its update.

7. Caltrans Updates / Announcements:

(Presented by: Rafael Reyes and Robin Owen)

- SR-98 Widening Project: Stage 2 construction is currently underway. About 40% has been completed. The target completion date will be mid May 2023.
- I-8 Colorado River Bridge Rehab: Construction started in February 2023 and estimated completion is early 2024. The total project cost is estimated at \$11.1 million.
- Clean California Projects: The bus shelter projects in Niland, Calipatria, and Holtville are currently underway. There have been some delays, however, are still in process.
- June 9, 2023 was the deadline to submit Inactive invoices or justification.
- January 31, 2023 – Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 22/23 Requests for Authorization Obligations

- Due! Please submit RFA packages as soon as possible.
- April 28, 2023 Clean California Local Grant Program – Cycle 2 Call for Projects Applications Due: <https://cleancalifornia.dot.ca.gov/local-grants/local-grant-program>
 - May 9, 2023 – Reconnecting Communities: “Highways to Boulevards” Pilot Program Workshop # 4 <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/rc-h2b> Page 1
 - The next CTC meeting is on March 22, 2023. The following will be on May 17, 2023. To submit for the May 17th CTC Meeting the deadline will be March 17, 2023.
 - Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant – Feb. 28, 2023: Deadline is February 28, 2023
 - April 28, 2023 (Friday) – Local Assistance Program Funding Opportunities Statewide Webinar
 - July 10, 2023 – Deadline for Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program
 - June 1, 2023 – Annual Deadline for *Local Assistance Procedures Manual* Exhibits 9-B & 9-C!
 - Cooperative Training Assistance Program (CTAP) – New Learning Opportunities! (“live” & virtual)
 - <https://highways.dot.gov/federal-lands/programs/wildlife-crossings>
 - FHWA Wildlife Crossings Grant Program due on August 1, 2023
 - Federal Aid Series and the Resident Engineers Academy, both of which fill quickly. “Live” on-site classroom delivery will be returning soon. Please enroll early!
 - Schedule is available here – <https://ca-ctap.org/?pid=1609> Recordings of several trainings are online.

8. SCAG Updates / Announcements:

(Presented by: David Salgado)

- No updates were given.

9. Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates:

- Each jurisdiction gave their update.

10. General Discussion / New Business

No new business was discussed.

Next TAC meeting will be May 25, 2023, via Zoom for the public and in person at the ICTC offices.

Meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.