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#### MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA

#### LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM 1503 N. IMPERIAL AVE., SUITE 104 EL CENTRO, CA 92243

Wednesday, May 14, 2025 10:30 A.M.

#### **CHAIR: COUNTY OF IMPERIAL**

VICE CHAIR: LAURA GUTIERREZ

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#### I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

#### II. EMERGENCY ITEMS

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

#### III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

A.	Appro	oval of Management Committee Draft Minutes	April 09, 2025	Pages 5-19
B.	Recei	ve and File:		
	1.	ICTC Commission Minutes:	March 26, 2025	
	2.	ICTC TAC Minutes:	March 27, 2025	
	3.	ICTC SSTAC Minutes:	March 5, 2025	

C. Page 21 Application for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Program Funds FFY 2025

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

- 1. Authorize the Chairman to sign the resolution authorizing the Executive Director to sign the FTA 5311 FFY 2025 grant application with all supporting documentation.
- 2. Direct staff to submit the application to Caltrans.

#### V. REPORTS

- A. ICTC / LTA / IVRMA Executive Director
  - ICTC Executive Director Report Page 24 •
- Southern California Association of Governments B.
  - See attached report page 32
- California Department of Transportation District 11 C. See attached report page 35 •
- Committee Member Reports D.

#### VI. **ACTION CALENDAR**

Page 45 A. Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearing Process - Fiscal Year 2025-2026

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

- 1. Adopt the FY 2025-26 "Findings" and the prioritized 2025 ICTC Unmet Transit Needs List as presented or amended.
- Authorize the Chairman to sign the attached resolution. 2.
- 3. Direct staff to forward the FY 2025-26 "Findings", and all other public hearing documentation and resolution to the State Department of Transportation.
- Adopt the definition of "Unmet Transit Needs" and "Reasonable to Meet" as published and utilized 4. by the Executive Committee of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) in 1981, Imperial Valley Association of Governments (IVAG) in 1992 and ICTC in 2024.
- B. Third Amendment to the Agreement between the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) and Nomad Transit, LLC (Via) for the operation of the Calexico Microtransit Service funded by the Clean Mobility Options (CMO) Voucher Pilot Program and the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) Page 48

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

- 1. Approve the Third Modification to the agreement between ICTC and Nomad Transit, LLC (VIA) for the Calexico On Demand service in the amount of \$500,000 modifying the total contract value to \$2,498,875. The modification is contingent upon receipt of said additional funding.
- 2. Authorize the Executive Director to sign Modification No. 3.

#### VII. NEXT MEETING DATE AND PLACE

A. The next Management Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at 10:30 a.m., at the ICTC Office.

#### VIII. ADJOURNMENT

# IV. CONSENT CALENDAR IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

A.	App	proval of Management Committee Draft Minutes	April 09, 2025
B.	Rec	eive and File:	
	1.	ICTC Commission Minutes:	March 26, 2025
	2.	ICTC TAC Minutes:	March 27, 2025
	3.	ICTC SSTAC Minutes:	March 5, 2025

#### IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES OF April 09, 2025 10:30 a.m.

#### **VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

City of Brawley	Jimmy Duran
City of Calexico	Absent
City of Calipatria	Laura Gutierrez
City of El Centro	Daniel Paramo
City of Holtville	Nick Wells
City of Imperial	Thomas Garcia
County of Imperial	Absent
County of Imperial	Absent
Imperial Irrigation District	Manuel Ortiz
City of Westmorland	Absent
ICTC	David Aguirre

#### STAFF PRESENT: Esperanza Avila, Cristi Lerma

OTHERS PRESENT: David Salgado: SCAG; John Garcia, Alejandro Lopez-Rangel, Rebecca Villarino, Hanh-Dung Khuu, Nick Ventrilla: Caltrans D11; Emmet Fried: City of Brawley

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, April 9, 2025, together with staff reports and related documents attached thereto and incorporated therein by reference.

#### Ι. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Vice-Chair Laura Gutierrez called the meeting to order at 10:36 a.m., roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

#### II. **EMERGENCY ITEMS**

There were none.

#### III. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

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#### IV. **CONSENT ITEMS**

- Α. Approval of Management Committee Draft Minutes: March 12, 2025
- Β. Received and Filed:
  - 1. ICTC Commission Minutes: February 26, 2022
  - 2. ICTC TAC Minutes
- February 27, 2025 ICTC SSTAC Minutes February 5, 2025
- C. Workplace Violence Prevention Plan (WVPP)
  - 1. Approved and Adopted of the ICTC Workplace Violence Prevention Plan
- D. **Travel Policy and Guidelines** 
  - 1. Approved and Adopted of the ICTC Travel Policy and Guidelines

A motion was made by Garcia seconded by Paramo to approve the consent calendar as presented; Motion carried unanimously.

#### V. REPORTS

- A. ICTC Executive Director
  - Mr. Aguirre had the following updates:
    - The Unmet Transit Needs Meeting was held on April 7, 2025. Approximately 50 comments were received through various methods including in-person attendance, Zoom participation, electronic surveys, and physical submissions. The team is currently evaluating these comments and will have another meeting on April 28th to approve the findings.
    - All cities and the County of Imperial must submit projects under the CMAQ and STBG call for projects by May 16, 2025, at 5 PM.
    - A California Transportation Commission Town Hall is planned for Imperial County, offering agencies an opportunity to present their priority projects. Agencies that are interested in presenting at the CTC Town Hall Meeting on April 24th please notify ICTC. ICTC will be finalizing the agenda within the next couple of days and will send it to CTC for consideration.
    - Construction has begun on the Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center, starting with building abatement and demolition. ICTC will continue to provide updates on the Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center construction progress.
    - ICTC to finalize the grant submittal for electronic fare payment mechanisms for fixed route services.
    - ICTC to proceed with construction procurement for the Bus Stop Improvement Project in the next couple of months.
    - All ICTC Executive Directors' updates can be found on page 48.
- B. Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)

Mr. Salgado had the following updates:

- Registration for the 2025 SCAG Regional Conference & General Assembly is still open. The SCAG RC & GA will be held on May 1-2, 2025, at JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa, Palm Desert, Ca. The JW Marriot room block is full, however there will be other host hotels to book upon registration. Mr. Salgado encouraged attendees to register, noting that city managers and elected officials receive free registration.
- Mr. Salgado reminded everyone about the CMAQ STBG Call for Projects, urging submission of applications.
- SCAG updates can be found on page 56 of the agenda.
- C. Caltrans Department of Transportation District 11

Mr. Garcia and Mr. Lopez-Rangel provided the following updates:

- Caltrans announced a highway worker memorial ceremony on April 29th at 10 a.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend.
- Caltrans had a successful Imperial Valley Procurement and Resource Fair on April 3, 2025.
- The final submittal deadline for CTC requests is April 25, 2025, for the CTC meeting scheduled for June 26-27, 2025.

- The District 11 Local Assistance Report starts are page 66 of the agenda. There are several links for grant opportunities. Please review the report for more information.
- Resident Engineers Academy sessions begin May 12-16, 2025.
- Caltrans updates can be found on page 59 of the agenda.
- D. Committee Member Reports
  - There were no other reports.

#### VI. ACTION CALENDAR

- A. Approval of Master Agreement between the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) – Transit Intercity Rail Capital Program – Calexico East Intermodal Transportation Center
  - 1. Approved the attached resolution authorizing the Executive Director or his designee to execute the Master Agreement and to take any actions necessary on behalf of the ICTC for use of TIRCP Funds.
  - 2. Authorized the Executive Director or his designee to execute the Master Agreement between ICTC and Caltrans for use of TIRCP funds.

A motion was made by Contreras seconded by Ortiz for approval as presented; Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center (ITC) Project Contract Change Order No. 1
  - 1. Approved Change Order No. 1 to Hazard Construction Engr. LLC for the Calexico ITC Project in the amount of (\$284,756.00) modifying the total contract value to \$12,728,349.10.
  - 2. Authorized the Executive Director to sign Change Order No. 1.
  - 3. Authorized the Executive Director to execute potential Change Order(s) for a total Not-To-Exceed value of seventy-five thousand (\$75,000.00) dollars.

A motion was made by Wells seconded by Ortiz for approval as presented; Motion carried unanimously.

VII. The next meeting is scheduled for May 14, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. At the ICTC Office.

#### VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

#### IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MINUTES FOR MARCH 26, 2025 6:00 p.m.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:		
	City of Brawley	Gil Rebollar
	City of Calipatria	Javier Amezcua
	City of Calexico	Lorenzo Calderon
	City of El Centro	Sonia Carter
	City of Imperial	Robert Amparano
	City of Holtville	Mike Goodsell
	City of Westmorland	Ana Beltran
	County of Imperial	Absent
	County of Imperial	Martha Cardenas-Singh
	Imperial Irrigation District	Karin Eugenio
		ores, Michelle Bastidas, Esperanz na Pereira, John Garcia: Caltran

STAFF PRESENT: OTHERS PRESENT:	David Aguirre, Cristi Lerma, Marlene Flores, Michelle Bastidas, Esperanza Avila Eric Havens: Counsel; Ann Fox, Melina Pereira, John Garcia: Caltrans; Roger	
	Martinez, Mary Tangloa: Vasquez & CO; John Grass: City of Brawley; Coley Delaney:	
	Pun Group.	
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, March 26, 2025, together with staff reports and related documents attached thereto and incorporated therein by reference.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Amparano called the Commission meeting to order at 6:41 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

#### II. EMERGENCY ITEMS

There were none.

#### III. PUBLIC COMMENTS There were none.

#### IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. ICTC Commission Minutes: February 26, 2025
- B. Receive and file:
  - 1. ICTC Management Committee Meeting: February 12, 2025
  - 2. ICTC TAC Minutes:
  - 3. ICTC SSTAC Minutes: January 02, 2025
- C. Title VI amendment Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Title VI Program amendment for Federal grant funds
  - 1. Approved the amended Imperial County Transportation Commission Title VI Plan which incorporates FHWA Title VI regulations and submit the program to FHWA.

January 23, 2025

A motion was made by Rebollar and seconded by Cardenas-Singh 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	Yes
County of Imperial Hawk	Absent
County of Imperial Singh	Yes
City of Westmorland	Yes
Imperial Irrigation District	Yes

#### V. REPORTS

A. ICTC Executive Director

Mr. Aguirre had the following updates:

- ICTC, in coordination with the County of Imperial CEO's office, will be hosting a California Transportation Commission (CTC) Town Hall on April 24-25, 2025. The afternoon of the 24<sup>th</sup> will be dedicated to a Town Hall event and the morning of the 25th will be dedicated to a tour of various areas in Imperial County.
- The Unmet Transit Needs (UTN) public hearing will take place on April 7, 2025, at 3:00 pm at ICTC's Office and the findings meeting is proposed to take place on April 28, 2025.
- The Calexico Intermodal Transit Center project is anticipated to take a year to complete. We had a successful groundbreaking ceremony on February 28, 2025, at 11 a.m. at the project site. Construction is scheduled to begin on Monday.
- The New Border Express demonstration route has been operating since February 10, 2025. The route currently operates Monday through Friday at select times between the 3rd and Paulin Bus Stop to the Calexico East POE. This is being demonstrated in anticipation of a larger scale route associated with the upcoming transit facility that is anticipated to begin when the new East POE facility is completed. There is also an additional IVC Express trip embedded in the new service which will help alleviate some of the congestion we see on some of our IVC Express trips.
- ICTC is making IVT Ride service modifications that will include redeveloping the service logo, in addition to building the mobile software for anticipated use. The project is proposed to go live in July 2025.
- The Transit Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA) is a comprehensive evaluation of ICTC's existing transit services while also presenting evaluation findings and recommendations for further improvement of ICTC's existing public transit system. ICTC intends to evaluate all ICTC operated services in addition to incorporating an assessment of the feasibility of intercity passenger rail. The analysis is anticipated to take a year to complete. The project has kicked off and outreach efforts are underway. The consultant has made presentations to the TAC and management committee. It is anticipated that the consultant will present to the Commission in April.
- ICTC was awarded \$12.6 million by the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) through its Transit Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) to acquire, design and construct a transit facility at the Calexico East Port of Entry (POE). The goal of the Calexico East POE Intermodal Transportation Center is to create a transformative transportation hub that integrates various modes of transportation including public transit buses. The project will have several phases with an estimated completion date in 2030. ICTC is working with Caltrans Staff on the Master Agreement and will likely be an action at the Commission meeting in April.

- ICTC is currently pursuing the implementation of an electronic fare payment system for its fixed route transit services. The system would allow all its fixed route buses to take card payments in addition to its existing cash payment system. ICTC is working on securing the grant funds to implement this project. More information will be forthcoming in the next couple of months.
- All ICTC Executive Directors' updates can be found on page 69
- B. Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)
  Mr. Rebollar had the following updates:
  - The SCAG Scholarship program is now closed. Applications were due on March 21, 2025. Mr. Goodsell will be participating in the scholarship committee.
  - The 2025 Regional Conference & General Assembly will be held on May 1-2, 2025, at JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa, Palm Desert, CA. The room block is full.
  - The online application for the Surface Transportation Block Grant and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program will be available from March 31 through May 16, 2025. Award recommendations will be presented to the SCAG Regional Council by December 2025.
  - Mr. Rebollar was re-elected to the SCAG RC District 1 seat by his peers. He thanked everyone for their support.
  - All other updates can be found on the SCAG report on page 78 of the agenda.

#### C. California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)- District 11 Ms. Fox had the following updates:

- The Imperial Valley Procurement and Resource Fair is scheduled for April 3, 2025.
- The California Mexico Border Relations Council Meeting will be held in El Centro on April 8, 2025. 1:00 – 4:00 pm. Will provide more information when available. The Secretary of the California EPA is the Chair of the council.
- Caltrans will be having a Memorial Event on April 29, 2025, at 10 a.m. at the El Centro Caltrans office.
- Caltrans is working with the US Department of Transportation, including the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, and Federal Rail Administration. As the new Administration appointees fill in, we will share information. Please join California's Transportation Reauthorization Work Group to help us determine priorities in the next bill. Sign up for biweekly updates at federalliaison@dot.ca.gov to remain informed on this effort.
- To improve the accessibility to Calexico West Port of Entry (POE) and mobility on city streets (including SR-111 and SR-98), Caltrans will soon complete a study with short-and long-term strategies. The short-term strategy introduces operational improvements for the new Calexico West POE, focusing on channeling all southbound West POE traffic to Cesar Chavez Blvd. and restricting entrance from the City of Calexico local street, 2nd St, into the Calexico West POE. The long-term strategy proposes the realignment of 2nd St. with a 2nd St. Overcrossing bridge positioned above the existing grade at Cesar Chavez Blvd. The Project Study Report-Project Development Support (PSR-PDS) to be completed by April 2025.
- Grant opportunities were provided. The USDOT website provides a dashboard with information: <u>https://www.transportation.gov/grants</u>.
  - The Bridge Investment Program (BIP) has \$9.62 billion available for funding. August 2025 is the deadline for large bridge project grant applications for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2026. For more information, visit the website at <u>https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bridge/bip/</u>

- Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program has \$27 million available for funding. The application portal closes on April 17, 2025. For more
- All other updates can be found on page 81
- D. Commission Member Reports
  - Updates were provided by various commissioners.

#### VI. ACTION CALENDAR

A. ICTC Fiscal Audit for FY 2023-24

Ms. Bastidas introduced the item and the consultant, Mr. Martinez, who conducted a brief presentation regarding the ICTC Fiscal Audit for fiscal year 2023-24.

- 1. Received and filed the fiscal audit for the Imperial County Transportation Commission, for FY 2023-24.
- 2. Directed staff to transmit the fiscal audit to the State Controller's Office and Federal Audit Clearinghouse.

A motion was made by Cardenas-Singh and seconded by Eugenio to approve Action A 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	Yes
County of Imperial Hawk	Absent
County of Imperial Singh	Yes
City of Westmorland	Yes
Imperial Irrigation District	Yes

#### Motion Carried.

B. 2025 Call for Projects - Project Prioritization Framework- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) – FFY 2026/27 to FFY 2027/28

Ms. Flores provided detailed background information regarding the process to begin this effort, including the project prioritization framework and call for projects schedule. More detail can be found on page 186 of the commission agenda and on the ICTC website at <a href="https://www.imperialctc.org/doing-business-with-ictc">https://www.imperialctc.org/doing-business-with-ictc</a>.

The ICTC Technical Advisory Committee met on February 27, 2025, and the Management Committee met on March 12, 2025, and both forwarded this item to the Commission for review and approval after public comments, if any:

- 1. Approved 2025 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Call for Projects Nominations Schedule.
- 2. Approved the Project Prioritization Framework for the 2025 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Call for Project Nominations.

- 3. Directed staff to convene an evaluation committee to score and rank the projects; and,
- 4. Directed staff to return with a list of recommended projects for approval by the Commission.

A motion was made by Goodsell and seconded by Rebollar to approve Action B 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	Yes
County of Imperial Hawk	Absent
County of Imperial Singh Yes	
City of Westmorland Yes	
Imperial Irrigation District	Yes

#### Motion Carried.

C. Appointment(s) to ICTC delegated SCAG Policy Committees

It was recommended that the ICTC Commission take the following actions after public comment, if any:

1. Appointed one ICTC Commission Members or other nominated elected official to the SCAG Policy Committee of Community, Economy and Housing Development Committee (CEHD)

A motion was made by **Rebollar** and seconded by **Amezcua** to nominate Mr. John Grass for the SCAG Policy Committee of Community, Economy and Housing Development Committee (CEHD):

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	Yes
County of Imperial Hawk	Absent
County of Imperial Singh	No
City of Westmorland	No
Imperial Irrigation District	No

#### Motion Carried.

- D. Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC)/Imperial Valley Transit (IVT) Administration, Operations and Maintenance Center – Property Acquisition APN 064-450-076 – 2204 LaBrucherie Road, El Centro, CA 92243
  - 1. Approved the acquisition of real property identified as APN 064-450-076 2204 LaBrucherie Road, El Centro, CA 92243 in the amount of \$2,250,000.00, in addition to any applicable closing costs. Said acquisition is contingent upon obtaining FTA concurrence.
  - 2. Authorized the Executive Director to sign any applicable escrow documentation,

Certificate of Acceptance and any other documents required to complete the acquisition on behalf of ICTC.

A motion was made by Rebollar and seconded by Amezcua to approve the Action D 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	Yes
County of Imperial Hawk	Yes
County of Imperial Singh	Yes
City of Westmorland	Yes
Imperial Irrigation District	Absent

#### Motion Carried.

#### VII. INFORMATION CALENDER

A. E-Bikes, Scooters, and Street Racing Safety Discussion.

The Commission met to discuss E-Bikes, Scooters and Street Racing Safety concerns. The commission elected to form an ad hoc committee to further discuss the possibilities of creating unified solutions to combat the issues regionally.

#### VIII. MEETING DATE AND PLACE

A. The next meeting will be on April 23, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the ICTC Offices, 1503 N. Imperial Ave., Suite 104, El Centro, CA 92243, and via Zoom Meeting for the public.

#### IX. ADJOURNMENT

A. Meeting Adjourned at 8:36 p.m.



#### 1503 N. IMPERIAL AVE., SUITE 104 EL CENTRO, CA 92243-2875 PHONE: (760) 592-4494 FAX: (760) 592-4410 **TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

#### March 27, 2025

<u>rresent:</u>	
Juan Manuel Cabrera	City of Brawley
Cristhian Barajas	City of Brawley
Gloria Moreno	City of Calexico
Patricia Ramirez	City of Calipatria
Abraham Campos	City of El Centro
Hector Salcedo	City of El Centro
Melanie Amarillas	City of Holtville
Jesus Villegas	City of Imperial
Veronica Atondo	County of Imperial
Manuel Ortiz	IID
Others:	
David Aguirre	ICTC
Marlene Flores	ICTC
Cesar Beltran	ICTC
Bryan Ott	Caltrans
Frank Safaie	Caltrans
Rebecca Villarino	Caltrans
Heidi Busslinger	SCAG
Shea Northfield	SCAG
Anna Eichelberger	SCAG
Denise Sifford	SCAG
Pablo Gutierrez	SCAG
Jessica Karn	SCAG

**Present:** 

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. A quorum was present, and introductions were made. There were no public comments made.

1. A *motion* was made to adopt the minutes for February 27, 2025 (Ortiz/De Leon), Motion Carried.

#### 2. Caltrans Updates/Announcements

(Presented by Caltrans Staff)

- For Inactive Projects, complete justification and contact Alma at and CC your area engineer: Alejandro Lopez-Rangel at <u>Alejandro.lopez-rangel@dot.ca.gov</u> or Frank Safaie at <u>frank.safaie@dot.ca.gov</u>
- Directions, deadlines, and links to apply for the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Grant Opportunities are here: <u>https://www.transportation.gov/grants</u>
- 8/2025 is the Deadline for the **Bridge Investment Program (BIP)**, for more information, please visit the following link: <u>https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bridge/bip/</u>
- 2 billion funding available for the **Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A) Program**, more information, please visit the link: <u>https://www.transportation.gov/grants/SS4A</u>
- 1.5 billion funding available for the **Buses and Bus Facilities Program**, anticipated opening in Spring of 2025. More information in the link: <u>https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/grants/fact-sheet-buses-and-bus-facilities-program</u>
- Charging & Fueling Infrastructure Grants anticipated opening Fall of 2025. 2.5 billion funding available over five years. For more information please visit the link: <u>https://www.transportation.gov/rural/grant-toolkit/charging-and-fueling-infrastructure-grant-program</u>
- 3. SCAG Updates / Announcements No updates were given
- 4. Congestion Mitigation and Air quality (CMAQ) & Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Call for projects Workshop (Presented by SCAG Staff)

A workshop for CMAQ & STBG Call for projects was presented by SCAG Staff. The remaining dates to follow the CMAQ & STBG Call for projects are listed below:

May 16, 2025 (Friday)	SCAG Call for Projects Nomination ends. Project applications deadline is 5:00 pm. (Applications are submitted to SCAG online portal)
May 19, 2025 (Monday)	Project selection evaluation process begins based on the ICTC Project Prioritization Framework.
June 19, 2025 (Thursday)	ICTC Project Prioritization Framework Scoring and Ranking Documentation Due to ICTC.
June 26, 2025 (Thursday)	ICTC Project Prioritization process ends (ICTC staff generates list of projects designated as Highly Recommended, Recommended, Contingency List, or Not Recommended for funding based on eligible applicant evaluation and ranking). Eligible Applicants will meet to complete the ranking process.
July 9, 2025 (Wednesday)	Management Committee reviews and approves project prioritized list recommendations.
July 9, 2025 (Wednesday)	Applicant Executed Resolutions (for match commitment) due to ICTC.
July 23, 2025 (Wednesday)	ICTC Board reviews and approves project prioritized list recommendations.
August 1, 2025 (Friday)	ICTC submits Project Prioritized List to SCAG.

Ms. Flores went through the CMAQ & STBG Call for projects supplemental questionnaire link at the ICTC website, for more information please follow the link below: <u>https://www.imperialctc.org/doing-business-with-ictc</u>

For more information regarding the CMAQ & STBG Call for projects presentation, please follow the link:

https://scag.ca.gov/sites/default/files/2025-03/SCAG-STBG-CMAQ-General-Workshop-Presentation.pdf

#### 5. ICTC Updates / Announcements

(Presented by ICTC Staff)

- A public hearing will take place for the Unmet Transit Needs on April 7, 2025. At 3:00PM at ICTC's office and via Zoom.
- Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center will start construction on April first week.
- ICTC is working on redeveloping the IVT Ride Service logo, in addition to building the mobile software for anticipated use. The project is proposed to go live in July 2025.

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

Updates were given by the agencies.

Cristhian Barajas was presented as new Development Service Director for the City of Brawley.

#### 7. General Discussion / New Business

No new business was discussed.

The next TAC meeting will be on April 24, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., via Zoom for the public and in person at the ICTC offices.

The meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.



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#### SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINUTES March 05, 2025

Present

Voting Attendees: Cristina Leal ARC- Imperial Valley Raul Cordova IC Work Training Center Mike Hack IC Consumer Senior Citizen Camilo Garcia, Workforce & Economic Development HealthNet Kathleen Lang David Aguirre ICTC Karina Leon Access to Independence Sarah Enz Public Administrator Non-Voting Attendees: César Sanchez IVT Hélio Sanchez **IVT** Transit Jose Guillen IVT MedTrans Karla Pacheco **IVT** Access Carolina García Public Authority Program Jeanette Castillo Social Services Esperanza Ávila ICTC Priscilla Baca ICTC Michelle Soto California and Children Services(zoom) Manuel Soto Jarrett Walker and Associates Alvaro Caviedes Jarrett Walker and Associates Jarrett Walker and Associates Liz Marchalonis Jessica Padilla Katherine Padilla & Associates **Dennis Brooks** Katherine Padilla & Associates Andrea Brealt Katherine Padilla & Associates

- 1. Dr. Lang called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. A quorum was present.
- 2. Introductions were made.
  - Hybrid meeting.
- 3. Minutes were adopted for February 5, 2025 (Hack, Cordova), Motion Carried.
- 4. Comprehensive Operational Analysis presentation by Jarrett Walker and Associates

- The presentation was done regarding the Comprehensive Operational Analysis project, which is expected to run through March 2026.
- ICTC Driving Transit Forward will focus on determining optimal transit frequency, service types, and future projections for the next 5-10 years.
- Some of the elements discussed were transit operations, service improvements, and potential new services, along with infrastructure enhancements to help buses move faster.

#### 5. CTSA Reports

Mr. Aguirre had the following information

- ICTC had groundbreaking in Calexico for the Intermodal Transportation Center. Construction starts soon and will take about a year to complete.
- ICTC is progressing with the administrative work needed for the Calexico East Center and designing the environmental aspects for the upcoming Transportation Center. The project is expected to take a couple of years and aims to engage the public for feedback.
- The Bus Stop Improvement Project is nearly complete, with construction expected to start by summer. This project involves procuring and installing shelters at bus stops in El Centro, Calipatria, and Westmorland and a few replacements in Calexico.
- We're currently working on a contactless payment system project, expected to start in a couple of months.
- IVT ride modification is developing the application, aiming to start the transition this July. This will involve outreach to cities and their councils, along with presentations about our IVT Transition
- The Library Project design is finalized and approved by the City of El Centro. We are now completing the documents and aim to start procurement in the next few months.

#### 6.

Miss Baca presented the following information:

- I visited all the city bus stops in El Centro, Calipatria, Westmorland, Calexico, Brawley, and Holtville, where I placed QR codes. Additionally, I conducted UTN surveys at every city bus stop in El Centro, Calipatria, Westmorland, Holtville, and Calexico, including IVC College.
- Distributed the New Border Express Route flyer at the New East Port of Entry. Also participated in a ride-along on the new express route.
- We will be attending upcoming events and reaching out to all senior living communities for presentations. Jose and I attended a Calexico Mexican Council event and are conducting various outreach efforts.

7. Transit Operator FY 2024-25 Reports:

Imperial Valley Transit.

Mr. Sanchez presented the report on the service:

- We received an update on IVT Quarter 2 from the past three months for IVT Transit, IVT Blue Line, Green Line, and Gold Line.
- We are experiencing delays due to construction in the city on Brawley off Main Street. Additionally, there is construction in El Centro on Danenberg. The Danenberg construction will continue until the end of the year.

**IVT Access** 

Ms. Pacheco presented the report on the service:

• Update on Quarter 2 for the past three months.

#### IVT Ride

Mr. Guillen presented the report on all IVT Ride services:

• Update on Quarter 2 for the past three months

IVT MedTrans:

Mr. Guillen presented the report on the service:

- Update on Quarter 2 for the past three months.
- We have a MedTrans ADS page on Facebook. Please share it.

#### 8. General Discussion

- Dr. Sanchez will help post the UTN survey and the new Border Express Route Flyer to IVC students

#### 9. Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 11: 39 a.m.
- The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 2, 2025, at the Imperial County Transportation Commission Office, 1503 N. Imperial Ave., Suite 104, El Centro, CA 92243.

# IV. CONSENT CALENDAR CONSENT CALENDAR

C. Application for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Program Funds FFY 2025

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

- 1. Authorize the Chairman to sign the resolution authorizing the Executive Director to sign the FTA 5311 FFY 2025 grant application with all supporting documentation.
- 2. Direct staff to submit the application to Caltrans.



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May 9, 2025

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

#### SUBJECT: Application for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Program Funds FFY 2025

Dear Committee Members:

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 program provides an annual source of rural grant funding to offset operational costs within an identified rural area for mass transit purposes as specified by the Legislature. The rural grant program is administered by Caltrans, who has issued a call for projects for grants that are due by June 10, 2025.

FTA 5311 Rural Transit Grant Funds in the amount of approximately \$570,467 for FFY 2025 are available for IMPERIAL VALLEY TRANSIT, the countywide transit system and IVT ACCESS, the regional ADA complimentary paratransit service, IVT Ride and the IVT GOLD LINE – Brawley Circulator Route.

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

- 1. Authorize the Chairman to sign the resolution authorizing the Executive Director to sign the FTA 5311 FFY 2025 grant application with all supporting documentation.
- 2. Direct staff to submit the application to Caltrans.

Sincerely,

David Aguirre Executive Director

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

#### **RESOLUTION OF**

#### THE IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (ICTC)

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FEDERAL FUNDING UNDER FTA SECTION 5311 (49** U.S.C. SECTION 5311) AND /OR WITH CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation is authorized to make grants to states through the Federal Transit Administration to support capital/operating assistance projects for non-urbanized public transportation systems under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act (FTA C 9040.1G), and Section 5339 of the Federal Transit Act (FTA C 5100.1); and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has been designated by the Governor of the State of California to administer Section 5311 and 5339 grants for transportation projects for the general public for the rural transit and intercity bus; and

WHEREAS, the Imperial County Transportation Commission desires to apply for said financial assistance to permit operation of service/purchase of capital equipment in the Imperial County; and

WHEREAS, the Imperial County Transportation Commission has, to the maximum extent feasible, coordinated with other transportation providers and users in the region (including social service agencies).

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Imperial County

Transportation Commission does hereby Authorize the Executive Director or his designee, to file and execute applications on behalf of with the Department to aid in the financing of capital/operating assistance projects pursuant to Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act (FTA C 9040.1G), as amended, and pursuant to Section 5339 of the Federal Transit Act (FTA C 5100.1), as amended.

That *Executive Director or his designee* is authorized to execute and file all certifications of assurances, contracts or agreements or any other document required by the Department.

That Executive Director or his designee is authorized to provide additional information as the Department may require in connection with the application for the Section 5311 and/or 5339 projects.

That *Executive Director or his designee* is authorized to submit and approve request for reimbursement of funds from the Department for the Section 5311 and/or 5339 project(s).

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Imperial County Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of said Commission on <u>May 28, 2025</u>

By: \_\_\_\_\_Chairman

ATTEST:

By:

CRISTI LERMA Secretary to the Commission

# V. REPORTS

- 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:	May 9, 2025
To:	ICTC Commission Meeting
From:	David Aguirre, Executive Director
Re:	Executive Director's Report

The following is a summary of the Executive Director's Report for the ICTC Management Committee meeting on May 14, 2025.

- 1) Budget Workshop: The budget workshop is scheduled for May 28, 2025, at 5 p.m. prior to the ICTC Commission meeting. The budget will include the budgets for ICTC, IVRMA, LTA and SAFE. Refreshment will be provided.
- 2) Unmet Transit Needs Hearing: Section 99401.5 of the Public Utilities Code states that: "The Transportation Planning Agency shall hold at least one public hearing pursuant to 99238.5, for the purpose of soliciting comments on the Unmet Transit Needs that may exist within the jurisdiction." Unmet Transit Needs that are determined to be "Reasonable to Meet" by ICTC may be established by providing transit services directly, by contracting for new transit services, or the expansion of existing services. The Unmet Transit Needs Including in-person attendance, Zoom participation, electronic surveys, and physical submissions. The Finding Meeting was held on April 28: 2025. The SSTAC also took action to forward the UTN Findings to the Commission on May 7, 2025. The UTN findings will be on the May agendas for approval.
- 3) CMAQ and STBG Call for Projects: ICTC in accordance with SCAG guidelines has implemented a call for projects for the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG). The funding years associated with this call for projects are FFY 2026-27 and FFY 2027-28. SCAG adopted the CMAQ/STBG Guidelines at its March 6, 2025, Regional Council Meeting. This item was taken to the ICTC TAC in February and was presented to the Management Committee and Commission respectively in March 2025. ICTC adopted its scoring framework at the March 2025 Commission Meeting. The Call for Projects opened on March 31, 2025, and closes on May 16, 2025, at 5 p.m. All applications must be submitted through the <u>SCAG portal</u>. For additional resources and complete instructions visit the ICTC website's <u>Doing Business with ICTC page</u>.
- 4) Imperial County CTC Town Hall and Tour: ICTC and the County of Imperial in coordination with the California Transportation Commission (CTC) conducted a CTC Town Hall Meeting in Imperial County on April 24, 2025, at the City of El Centro Library. The CTC Town Hall Meeting provided the opportunity for Imperial County residents to communicate with CTC while also providing the opportunity for Imperial County local agencies to share project achievements and potential transportation infrastructure needs. Presentations and Q&A were provided by the cities of Brawley, Calexico, El Centro, Imperial, the County of Imperial, Caltrans and the ICTC. The California Transportation Commission is responsible for programming and allocating funds for the construction of highway, passenger rail, transit and active transportation improvements throughout California. ICTC and County of Imperial staff also hosted a tour

of Lithium Valley and the Calexico West Port of Entry the following day. Overall, it was a successful turnout and positive experience for everyone involved. ICTC appreciates the support and participation of Imperial County agencies.

- 5) 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 private bus companies, taxis and farm labor buses. ICTC previously received a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality federal program fund to complete the environmental and design plans of the new Calexico ITC. The environmental and design phase has been completed. Right of Way Acquisition for the project has been completed. ICTC was awarded multiple grants to complete the required construction efforts for the project. ICTC received grant awards from the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2.0, Active Transportation Program (ATP) and Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant and Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending Programs. ICTC recently completed the construction procurement efforts, and a contract award was issued to Hazard Construction. The project is anticipated to take a year to complete. We had a successful groundbreaking ceremony on February 28, 2025, at 11 a.m. at the project site. The Contractor continues with construction activities for the project.
- 6) New Border Express Route starting February 10, 2025: Staff have coordinated the implementation of a demonstration route that will operate Monday through Friday at select times between the 3<sup>rd</sup> and Paulin Bus Stop to the Calexico East POE. This is being demonstrated in anticipation of a larger scale route associated with the upcoming transit facility that is anticipated to begin when the new East POE facility is completed. There is also an additional IVC Express Trip embedded in the new service which will help alleviate some of the congestion we see on some of our IVC Express trips. Staff will be providing updates as it pertains to the development of the service.
- 7) 2<sup>nd</sup> Street/Anza Road Bridge Rehabilitation Project: ICTC is working with Caltrans to develop an approach towards proceeding with the development of the required environmental and engineering phases for the rehabilitation 2<sup>nd</sup> Street/Anza Road Bridge Project. ICTC met with Caltrans to discuss the next steps and will begin development of the required actions to proceed with the project. ICTC will be working closely with Caltrans and the city of Calexico on further actions.
- 8) IVT Ride Service Modifications: IVT Ride is a dial-a-ride service that is available to seniors (55 years of age or older) and persons with disabilities in the communities of Calexico, Heber, El Centro, Imperial and Brawley. The service primarily operates in an intracity capacity with the exception of the communities of El Centro, Imperial and Heber and the Westshores service which travels to the city of Brawley or the Coachella Valley. The Westshores service is also available to the general public. Due to continuing declining ridership on all IVT Ride services, staff are exploring the possibility of modifying the service to provide trips to the general public but still provide priority to the senior population. The possible modification would enable the service to capture additional passengers and implement a microtransit-like service in various communities. The possible modification would also require financial investment in technology and the development of a passenger web and mobile application. Staff anticipate bringing the further evaluated concept to the Management Committee and Commission in the coming months. Staff are also pursuing funding opportunities to facilitate the possible transition of the service. Staff provided the Commission with a presentation on August 28, 2024, with further details. There was consensus to proceed with the software development and hardware acquisition. This item received approval to proceed to further development by the commission. ICTC has received state funding to complete the software and hardware upgrades for the project. ICTC Staff are currently working on developing a plan to conduct outreach (including in-person presentations and surveys) to the public about possible service modifications. ICTC is working on redeveloping the service logo, in addition to building the mobile software for anticipated use. The project is proposed to go live in July 2025. ICTC will be completing presentations about the service modifications to key stakeholders and the city councils of the affected communities and will also be conducting a public hearing to finalize the modifications to the service.
- 9) **Transit Comprehensive Operational Analysis:** Staff was able to secure grant funding to complete a Transit Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA). The COA is a comprehensive evaluation of ICTC's existing transit services while also presenting evaluation findings and recommendations to further improvement of ICTC's

existing public transit system. ICTC intends to evaluate all ICTC operated services in addition to incorporating an assessment of the feasibility of intercity passenger rail. Staff recently released the Request for Proposals to the public and issued a contract award in October 2024. The analysis is anticipated to take a year to complete. The project has kicked off and outreach efforts are underway.

- 10) Calexico East Port of Entry Intermodal Transportation Center: ICTC was recently awarded \$12.6 million by the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) through its Transit Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) to acquire, design and construct a transit facility at the Calexico East Port of Entry (POE). The goal of the Calexico East POE Intermodal Transportation Center is to create a transformative transportation hub that integrates various modes of transportation including public transit buses. The facility is anticipated to offer amenities such as shade, seating, bicycle parking, signage, and travel guidance, addressing the current lack of amenities and transportation options for pedestrians crossing the border at the Calexico East POE. Additionally, this project will bring four new zero emission vehicles to provide public transit services to the area. The project will have several phases with an estimated completion date in 2030. The Master Agreement between ICTC and Caltrans will be considered at the April 2025 Commission Meeting. More information to come in the coming months.
- 11) Imperial Mexicali Binational Alliance (IMBA): The IMBA Strategic Planning and regular meetings were held on January 9, 2025, in the City of Mexicali at the CDEM Offices. The rotation of Chair and Vice-Chair was done during the Strategic Planning Meeting. IMBA's 2025 Chair is Abel Graciano representing the Mexicali Region and Vice-Chair is David Aguirre from ICTC representing the Imperial County Region. The next IMBA is scheduled to be held in Imperial County on July 10, 2025, at the ICTC offices.
- 12) Electronic Fare Payments: ICTC is currently pursuing the implementation of an electronic fare payment system to its fixed route transit services. The system would allow all of its fixed route buses to take card payments in addition to its existing cash payment system. ICTC has received approval to utilize grant funds and intends to proceed with the development of the project. More information to come in the coming months.
- 13) Forrester Road Project Study Report (PSR): Caltrans District 11 has been working on a project report on behalf of ICTC. The PSR will analyze safety and operation improvements along Forrester Road between I-8 and SR86/SR78. Other improvements include the Westmorland bypass. A meeting to discuss the draft PSR took place at the ICTC offices on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at 9 a.m. Further updates to the PSR are anticipated along with additional meetings to discuss the updated PSR. The updated PSR was recently completed, and the PSR was presented to the management committee and commission in September 2024. ICTC will proceed with further aspects of project development.
- 14) **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. 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, construction of the canopy, lighting related to the canopy, and traffic related improvements required by Caltrans. Border Patrol is 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. CBP will be working with Caltrans to obtain environmental clearance once funding for construction is obtained. The improvement plans have been prepared in the final draft form and have been submitted to Caltrans for review. Caltrans has provided review comments on the improvement plans. ICTC will work with the design engineer to

complete the required updates. Environmental studies and Caltrans submittal are pending submittal by CBP. ICTC's consultant has finalized the project improvement plans and CBP will proceed with developing environmental documents and pursue funding for the construction of the facility. ICTC continues to engage in discussions with the CBP team on the next steps for the project.

- 15) Reap 2.0 Subregional Partnership Program: ICTC was awarded a total of \$274,133 in funding from the Reap 2.0 Subregional Partnership Program to provide technical support to our local agencies with housing planning and to facilitate housing production. ICTC has notified each of our member agencies about the funding availability. Several cities have expressed interest in the funding and staff is working with each of the agencies to further evaluate their proposed projects. Final projects have been identified and awarded by the commission. A project kickoff meeting was held with SCAG and the funding awardees. SCAG is working with the awardees to proceed with the project.
- 16) Calexico Microtransit Service Calexico On Demand: ICTC submitted a grant application for the Clean Mobility Options (CMO) program in October of 2020. The grant application was submitted to provide a clean energy microtransit service in the city of Calexico. In early 2021, ICTC was notified of its grant award of \$1 Million to fund the pilot microtransit service. The microtransit service currently operates as an on-demand service available to provide trips to the general public within the boundaries of the city of Calexico. The award required that ICTC fund and operate the service for a minimum of 4 years. ICTC partnered with Via Transportation, an experienced transportation operator to operate the service. ICTC and Via began the development of the project including service criteria, marketing information, and operational criteria. ICTC obtained approval from the CMO program to commence the service. ICTC kicked off the service on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Further information about the service can be viewed on the website: <a href="https://city.ridewithvia.com/calexico-ondemand">https://city.ridewithvia.com/calexico-ondemand</a>. ICTC was awarded an additional \$500,000 to be utilized for operations of the service and additional service hours through the CMO program in late 2023. ICTC was recently awarded a grant from the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program in the amount of \$520k to continue funding operations for the service. ICTC also received an additional funding commitment to further continue the service beyond the current grant funding received.
- 17) **2024 Local Partnership Program, Cycle 5:** The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Senate Bill 1) created the Local Partnership Program (LPP) as a program to reward and incentivize local or regional transportation agencies that have sought and received voter approval of taxes or that have imposed fees, which taxes or fees are dedicated solely for transportation improvements. The program is implemented by the California Transportation Commission (CTC). The CTC adopted the 2024 LPP Program Cycle 5 Guidelines on August 15-16, 2024. As a result of the adoption of the Cycle 5 Guidelines the Call for Projects has opened. The LPP Grant funds require a one-to-one match. The Imperial County Region's estimated allocation amount for FY 2025/26 is \$524million and \$520 million for FY2026/27 for a total of \$1,044 million. There is also a competitive program that is administered by the CTC. Guidelines for the program can be found at <a href="https://catc.ca.gov/-/media/ctc-media/documents/programs/local-partnership-program/2024-lpp-competitive-guidelines-adopted-resolution.pdf">https://catc.ca.gov/-/media/ctc-media/documents/programs/local-partnership-program/2024-lpp-competitive-guidelines-adopted-resolution.pdf</a>

In the past call for projects, ICTC staff proposed options to TAC members for the distribution of the LPP funds. The distribution calculations proposed were Option 1- Population and Maintained Mileage Based Distribution and Option 2- Using a Flat Distribution in addition to Population and Maintained Mileage Distributions. The proposed distribution is similar to the Local Transportation Authority (LTA) formula distribution. On August 22, 2024, the TAC committee members reviewed and ultimately recommend Option 2 to be forwarded to the Commission for approval and authorized ICTC to open the Call for Projects for the Local Partnership Formulaic Program Cycle 5. On August 28, 2024, the Commission approved TACs recommendation. The Competitive Call for Projects for the CTC opened on August 16, 2024, with a deadline of November 20, 2024, for submittal to the CTC. All agencies with the exception of the city of Westmorland were able to submit a project to CTC for consideration. All agencies have had their projects approved by the CTC. **Project Allocations will take place in the coming months as needed by the cities/county.** 

18) **Bus Stop Improvement Project:** Staff are working on developing a bus stop improvement project across multiple cities throughout the county. The project consists of installing various bus shelters and potentially other amenities. ICTC will be coordinating with the various cities to complete the development. ICTC released the

Request for Proposals for design services for the project. ICTC is looking to begin design services soon and have construction take place within FY23-24/FY24-25. The contract was awarded at the April Commission meeting. ICTC has already participated in a kickoff meeting with the consultant and all of the effected agencies. The project design is ongoing and is anticipated to be completed in the next few months. ICTC obtained additional funding to incorporate additional bus stop locations. The new location designs are being incorporated into the overall project design. The 65% percent improvement plans have been completed and were distributed to participating agencies. ICTC has received agency comments, and the comments have been forwarded to the consultant for incorporation into the project improvement plans. The improvement plans have been finalized to obtain 90% completion level. Final preparation of the project improvement plan is being completed.

- 19) Imperial County EV Charging Infrastructure Feasibility Study: ICTC recently submitted a grant application under the Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) to prepare a Countywide EV Charging Infrastructure Feasibility Study. The project will aim to identify strategic locations within the county for EV Charging Infrastructure. Caltrans is currently developing a similar project for locations along State facilities. Staff is currently working on the development of the Scope of Work for the project to proceed to the issuance of a Request for Proposals. Staff is anticipating releasing the RFP in the coming weeks.
- 20) ICTC/IVT Operations and Maintenance Facility: ICTC staff has engaged with the proposed property owner's representative about ICTC's interest in the property. ICTC has also communicated with the city of El Centro regarding action items that would need to take place to facilitate the goal of the project. ICTC has also communicated with grant agencies and our Zero Emission Bus Plan engineering consultant to develop a preliminary site plan of the proposed improvements. Next steps include executing a Letter of Intent with the property owner, continuing coordination with the city of El Centro, and to begin conducting the required environmental studies like a Phase 1 Site Assessment. ICTC will also continue to work on grant opportunities to fund the acquisition of the property. A preliminary site plan has been prepared and was shared with the commission. ICTC was recently informed that it had received a funding commitment for the completion of the proposed site. ICTC has obtained NEPA clearance from the FTA for the acquisition of the project. ICTC is working to finalize FTA compliance in the coming weeks. During the meeting on March 26, 2025, the Commission approved the acquisition of the property pending FTA concurrence. Staff is currently working with the FTA to obtain concurrence.
- 21) Imperial Valley Resource Management Agency receives a Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) program award: The HHW program provides Imperial Valley residents with the opportunity to dispose of HHW properly and free of charge. The IVRMA was notified in December that it was awarded the HHW grant for FY 2025/2026 and FY 2026/2027 in the amount of \$100,000. This is the first time that IVRMA has secured this grant. The award will allow IVRMA to continue to provide HHW services to its residents. More information regarding the HHW program can be found on the website at <a href="https://www.ivrma.org/programs/household-hazardous-waste-program">https://www.ivrma.org/programs/household-hazardous-waste-program</a>.
- 22) Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG), Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ) 2024 Call for Projects – FFY 2023-2024 to FFY 2025/2026: The STBG, CRP and CMAQ Call for Projects began on November 9, 2023. Applications were due on Friday, January 26, 2024, at the ICTC office. All agencies were provided with guideline documentation and were encouraged to submit potential projects.

Program	Applicants	TotalValueRequestedbyApplicants
CMAQ	City of Imperial	\$388,000
STBG	City of Imperial, City of Brawley and City of El Centro	\$2,416,000
CRP	ICTC – City of Imperial	\$1,083,000

Due to the number of projects submitted, ICTC was able to evaluate all projects internally without utilizing the normal

process which involves all cities participating in the scoring and ranking process. ICTC recommended projects to SCAG as part of the final submittal process. SCAG recently approved the list of projects anticipated to receiving funding. The project list is as follows:

Program	Applicants	TotalValueRequestedbyApplicants
CMAQ	City of Imperial – Aten Blvd Sidewalk Installation Phases 1 through 3	\$388,000
STBG	City of Imperial – P Street Rehab	\$519,000
STBG	City of El Centro – S. Imperial Avenue Utility Relocations	\$520,000
STBG	City of Brawley – Western Avenue Improvements	\$599,000
CRP	ICTC – EV Charger Study	\$150,000
CRP	City of Imperial – EV Charger Installation Phases 1 and 2	\$622,000

ICTC staff will be working with local agency staff and programming all approved projects in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). Several projects have already started development for use of the grant funds.

- 23) Calexico East Port of Entry Bridge Widening Project: The project construction efforts are now complete, and the project is now in the closeout phase. For additional information regarding this project visit the ICTC website at: <u>https://www.imperialctc.org/projects/calexico-east-port-of-entry-bridge-expansion</u>.
- 24) EV Charger Installation Project: Staff are working on developing an EV charger installation project across multiple cities throughout the county. ICTC will be coordinating with the various cities to complete the development. It is anticipated that the project will be completed by FY 24-25/25-26.
- 25) Regional Active Transportation Program: The ATP is funded by 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 ATP 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 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 received state scoring of ATP applications from Imperial County and present staff recommendations to TAC, Management and for final approval from the Commission. Projects are underway at various stages by the agencies. See the table below for further information on Projects from Cycle 7.

Regional ATP Projects Cycle 7			
Agency	Project Name	Total ATP Funds Requested	Total ATP Funds Awarded
Imperial County Office of Education	Safe Pathways to Schools	\$547,000	\$338,000
	TOTAL Regional ATP funds		\$338,000

26) 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 17<sup>th</sup>. 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.

- 27) San Diego & Imperial Counties Sustainable Freight Strategy: The study is posted to the ICTC website at: <u>https://www.imperialctc.org/assets/san-diego-imperial-counties-sustainable-freight-implementation-strategy-final-report-2024-02-01.pdf</u>
- 28) 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: <u>https://www.sco.ca.gov/ard\_payments\_rmra\_cities.html</u> For RMRA remittance advice by counties visit: <u>https://www.sco.ca.gov/ard\_payments\_rmra\_counties.html</u>

#### 29) Funding Opportunities:

- LPP Cycle 5 Call-for-Projects: LPP Cycle 5 is expected to include about \$72M/per year made up of Federal and State funding. The funding/programming years include the 25/26 and 26/27 fiscal years.
- Schedule and major milestones can be found at: <u>https://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/local-partnership-program/local-partnership-program-formulaic</u>
- For a complete list of California specific grant opportunities go to <u>https://www.grants.ca.gov/</u>
- For a complete list of federal transportation grant opportunities go to <u>https://www.transportation.gov/infrastructure-investment-and-jobs-act</u>

#### 30) Meetings/trainings attended on behalf of ICTC Executive Director and staff:

Various project specific meetings are held throughout the month. Various community presentations are held throughout the month

- April 9, 2025 Literacy Fair Day in the City of Calexico (attended by Priscilla Baca)
- April 9, 2025 ICTC Management Committee Meeting in the City of Brawley
- April 9, 2025 AB 617 El Centro-Heber-Calexico April CSC Meeting on zoom (attended by David Aguirre and Gustavo Gomez)
- April 11, 2025 Transit Budget Discussion (David Aguirre, Michelle Bastidas, Gustavo Gomez, Espy Avila)
- April 17, 2025 IVT Ride Marketing meeting with Conveyor Group via zoom meeting (attended by Gustavo Gomez)
- April 18, 2025 Mobility 21 Board meeting (Joint with Advisory Board) via teleconference
- April 18, 2025 CTC CEO's/SCAG Meeting via zoom meeting
- April 19, 2025 IVRMA Community Clean up event in Palo Verde (attended by IVRMA staff)
- April 21, 2025 Congressman Raul Ruiz Town Hall in the City of El Centro
- April 23, 2025 ICTC Commission meeting at the ICTC offices
- April 24, 2025 ICTC TAC meeting at the ICTC offices
- April 24, 2025 CTC Town Hall and reception in the City of El Centro and City of Imperial, respectively
- April 25, 2025 CTC tour of Lithium Valley and Calexico West Port of Entry
- April 26, 2025 IVRMA Community Clean up event in Heber (attended by IVRMA staff)
- April 27, 2025 Staff meeting at the ICTC offices
- April 27, 2025 UTN 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting at the ICTC offices (attended by Commissioner Marth Cardenas-Singh and staff)
- April 29, 2025 Earmark Repurposing Workshop via Microsoft Teams (attended by Marlene)

- April 30, 2025 Brown Act briefing with CALCOG via zoom meeting (attended by Cristi Lerma)
- April 30, 2025 California Baja (CaliBaja) Border Resiliency Plan Interagency Task Force via zoom meeting
- May 1-2, 2025 2025 SCAG Regional Conference and General Assembly in Palm Desert
- May 6, 2025 Caltrans Local Assistance Day Webinar via zoom meeting (attended by Marlene)



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## Memorandum

Re:	Southern California Association of Government's (SCAG) Report
From:	David Salgado, Government Affairs Officer (GAO)
To:	ICTC Committee and Management Meeting
Date:	April 9, 2025

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 (ICTC) Management Committee and Regular Commission meeting for the month of APRIL 2025.

#### 1. 2025 SCAG Scholarship Program

The 2025 SCAG Scholarship Program application process closed Friday March 21. The program, in partnership with the California Transportation Foundation, provides nine \$4,000 scholarship awards for high school or community college students from the SCAG region. Students of any field of study are invited to apply; however, preference is given to applications that demonstrate a commitment to community planning, regional planning, urban planning, civil engineering, political science, public administration, sustainable development, or other related fields.

SCAG Regional Council Member Mike Goodsell will serve on the SCAG Scholarship Committee. The committee will convene and review the top applicants to identify successful awardees. IT is anticipated the scholarships will be awarded at the 2025 SCAG General Assembly and Regional Conference.

#### 2. 2025 Regional Conference & General Assembly

Join SCAG for the <u>2025 Regional Conference and General Assembly</u>, May 1-2 at the JW Marriott in Palm Desert. This year, SCAG will celebrate its 60th anniversary. SCAG has worked with the region's leaders to plan for a brighter future for Southern California since 1965.

Attend the 2025 Regional Conference and General Assembly and join regional leaders from the public and private sectors to share best practices and lessons learned and work toward common goals. At the event, SCAG members can access all the <u>benefits of membership</u> while networking with panelists and SCAG staff to learn about resources and tools available to support the region's collective success. The Regional Conference and General Assembly also offers an annual opportunity to represent local causes at the regional scale, including voting on SCAG's new leadership and budget for the coming fiscal year.



#### **Program Preview Now Available**

The <u>2025 Regional Conference and General Assembly</u>'s program of panels, discussions, and activities will feature leading thinkers and practitioners in planning and related fields from Southern California and around the nation. Event panels are already taking shape:

- From Smart Cities to a Smart Region: Advancing Mobility Strategies and Technology Innovations – An exploration of a holistic, regional approach to smart cities to create efficiency and deliver better services.
- Fostering a Healthy Local Economy for All A look at the economic recovery toward greater resilience in the context of new population trends.
- Strong Foundations: Housing Solutions in the Wake of Disaster A showcase of innovative housing and community development success stories, recognizing the heightened urgency and changing market due to Southern California wildfires.
- Sustainable Infrastructure for Resilient Growth A discussion of infrastructure's role in sustainable growth, with a focus on utilities.

<u>Register online</u> today to join SCAG in celebrating the 60th anniversary of regional planning in Southern California while looking to the next 60 years and beyond

## **3.** Surface Transportation Block Grant and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program Call for Project Nominations Now Open

The federal fiscal year 2026-27 and federal fiscal year 2027-28 Surface Transportation Block Grant program (STBG) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement program (CMAQ) SCAG online application opened for all eligible applicants on March 31. This application will be available through May 16 at 5 p.m.

The call for project nominations will make available an estimated \$1.2 billion for eligible transportation projects in the SCAG region in federal fiscal year 2026-27 and federal fiscal year 2027-28.

SCAG hosted two general program workshops and co-hosted five additional county-level program workshops in March 2025 to support eligible applicants in learning about program requirements. Workshop materials are available for reference on the <u>SCAG STBG/CMAQ webpage</u>

Applicants should coordinate with their county transportation commissions to ensure project applications align with county priorities. Award recommendations will be presented to the SCAG Regional Council by December 2025.

These Federal Highway Administration programs fund transportation projects and programs based on unique eligibility criteria. The STBG program supports transportation projects that preserve and improve



conditions and performance of highways, bridges, and public roads; pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure; and transit capital projects. The CMAQ program supports transportation projects and programs that reduce congestion and improve air quality for areas that do not meet the <u>National Ambient Air Quality Standards</u> for ozone, carbon monoxide, or particulate matter (i.e., nonattainment areas) and for former nonattainment areas that are now in compliance (i.e., maintenance areas).

#### 4. Regional Council Adopts 2025 Federal Legislative Platform

In April, the Regional Council adopted SCAG's 2025 Federal Legislative Platform. The 2025 platform updates the adopted 2024 platform, streamlining language and aligning with the Connect SoCal 2024 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities strategy, newly implemented laws, and other changes to the political landscape. SCAG's 2025 Federal Legislative Platform is available online.

#### 5. Regional Council Approves 2025 Active Transportation Program

In April, the Regional Council approved the 2025 Regional Active Transportation Program (ATP), comprising 15 projects totaling \$35 million and 113 contingency projects totaling \$972.2 million that support walking, bicycling, and other forms of active transportation in the region. SCAG partnered with the region's six county transportation commissions to develop the program according to the statewide 2025 ATP Guidelines and 2025 ATP Regional Guidelines, the latter of which were adopted by the Regional Council in April 2024.

At its March 6, 2025, meeting, the SCAG Transportation Committee recommended the 2025 Regional ATP for Regional Council approval. SCAG staff will now submit the 2025 Regional ATP for adoption by the California Transportation Commission on June 26, 2025. More information about the 2025 Regional ATP is available in the April staff report.

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To: ICTC Commission

Date: April 2025

From: ANN FOX Caltrans District 11 Director

Subject: DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

#### Informational

April 29, 2025. Highway Workers Memorial Ceremony held at our El Centro Maintenance Yard. Memorial begins at 10:00am at 1102 Montenegro Way, El Centro, CA

#### Federal Update.

Caltrans is working with US Department of Transportation including Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, and Federal Rail Administration. As the new Administration appointees fill in, we will share information.

Please join California's Transportation Reauthorization Work Group to help us determine priorities in the next bill. More information <u>here</u>. Sign up for biweekly updates federal-liaison@dot.ca.gov.

#### Projects

District 11 Truck Parking and Medium/Heavy Duty ZEV Charging Station Site Assessment. California Senate Bill 671 Clean Freight Corridor Efficiency required identification of freight corridors and the infrastructure needed to support zero-emission medium and heavy-duty vehicles. In July 2024, Caltrans a completed feasibility study that identified potential sites and conceptual plans for truck parking facilities with medium and heavy duty Zero Emission Vehicle charging stations in San Diego and Imperial counties.

Status: The Project Initiation Document (PID) is on hold. PID efforts will restart in July of this year.

**Calexico East Land Port of Entry Joint Operations Systems.** As the lead planning cross border planning agency, Caltrans works with ICTC and the Federal Government to improve reliability of cross border trade, reduce congestion, and reduce pollution at the

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California Mexico border. This project will create a commercial vehicle appointment system at the Calexico East Port of Entry. If successful, the pilot could be scaled to other POEs and potentially implemented at both northern and southern border POEs across the United States.

Status: The Project Initiation Document (PID) is on hold. PID efforts will restart in July of this year.

**Electrical Vehicle Electrification Feasibility Study.** A Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program award was made to the Quechan Indian Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation to complete an Electric Vehicle Electrification Feasibility Study. Some of the overall project objectives are to plan and implement the Tribes' fleet transition to electric vehicles and prioritize charger locations. The Plan will analyze usage patterns, traffic flow, and accessibility to determine the most strategic zones for electric vehicle charging locations.

Status: Consultant is currently working on the existing conditions analysis. The Plan has an anticipated completion date of April 2026.

**Calexico West Port of Entry (POE) Travel Corridor Improvements**. To improve the accessibility to Calexico West Port of Entry and mobility on city streets (including SR-111 and SR-98), Caltrans will soon complete a study with short- and long-term strategies. The short-term strategy introduces operational improvements for the new Calexico West Port of Entry (POE) focusing on channeling all southbound (SB) West POE traffic to Cesar Chavez Boulevard (Blvd) restricting entrance from the City of Calexico local street, 2nd Street (St), into the Calexico West POE. The long-term strategy proposes the realignment of 2nd Street with a 2nd Street Overcrossing bridge positioned above the existing at grade Cesar Chavez Blvd.

Status: The Project Study Report-Project Development Support to be completed by May 2025.

**SR-86 and Dogwood Road Intersection Widening and Installation of Traffic Signals**. Currently in design phase with a tentative updated construction start date of October 2025. Coordination with County of Imperial. Improvements are part of the mitigation measures listed under the Environmental Impact Report for the Imperial Valley Mall, the Imperial Valley Commons, and the Plaza at Imperial Valley.

**SR-186 Highway Realignment and Construct New Bridge over the All-American Canal (AAC).** The project will replace the existing structure crossing the AAC (carrying SR-186 traffic) with a new segmental concrete bridge, including standard 12-foot lanes, 8-foot shoulders, 6-foot sidewalks, and concrete barrier railing in each direction. Access for AAC maintenance and operation will be improved. Replacement of existing bridge

structure was requested by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (BOR). Ongoing coordination with U.S. BOR, Imperial Irrigation District, Quechan Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation, and International Boundary and Water Commission (IBWC).

Status: The Categorical Exclusion/Categorical Exemption (Environmental Document) was approved in January 2025. The Project Report is in circulation. The Project Report to be completed by May 2025.

**SR-98 Pavement Rehabilitation.** Caltrans ensures the reliability and maintenance of the State Transportation System. This is a SHOPP pavement preservation anchor asset project along SR-98 (22-lane miles). Also included in the scope of the project is lighting rehabilitation, sign panel replacement, upgrades to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) curb ramps, flashing beacons, census stations, traffic signals, complete street improvements, and replacing existing safety systems.

Status: Project is in the Project Approval & Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase with scheduled completion of December 2025.

**SR-86, SR-111, and SR-115 Curb Ramps & Complete Streets.** Caltrans ensures the reliability and maintenance of the State Transportation System. This is a SHOPP Complete Streets anchor asset project on various routes. Proposed complete streets improvements include fixing existing sidewalk, new sidewalk, and potentially new class II bike lanes. Satellite asset improvements include ADA curb ramp upgrades, lighting systems and traffic signal upgrades, overhead sign structure rehabilitation, roadside sign panel replacements, new enhanced visibility crosswalks, and guardrail upgrades. The project also proposes additional improvements to pavement including micro-surfacing or cold-plane and overlay for the traveled way and shoulders to preserve and extend the service life of segments on the SR-115 existing roadway.

Status: Project is in the Project Approval & Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase with scheduled completion of July 2025.

#### MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC OPERATIONS

1. El Centro Traveled Way Crew – Fence repair: I-8/SR-111, Crack sealing: SR-86-El Centro, Dig out/paving: EB I-8 east of Ocotillo.



2. El Centro Functional/Marking Crew – Sign/Landscape maintenance, Refresh pavement markings/Sign repair: SR-86\_Pico Ave.



3. Midway Traveled Way Crew - Crack sealing I-8



4. Brawley Traveled Way Crew – Sweeping/brush control Crack sealing-SR-111/Rutherford Road, Ditch cleaning: SR-98 JEO Dogwood Rd.



**Pavement Preservation.** The purpose of this project is to extend the service life of the existing asphalt concrete (AC) pavement by placing a Microsurfacing seal coat. For locations that have damaged AC, the AC will be removed and replaced by a Cold Planing (grinding) operation and the placement new the AC Pavement. Other work includes re-striping, upgrading roadway signs, shoulder backing and placing rumble strips to enhance safety. Start of construction in August 2025. *(11-2N178: IMP-8-PM 0/10: HM-1)* 

**Pavement Preservation.** The purpose of this project is to extend the service life of the existing asphalt concrete (AC) pavement by placing a Microsurfacing seal coat and placing a thin rubberized hot mixed (RHMA) asphalt concrete (AC) at various locations. Locations that have damaged AC, will be removed and replaced by cold planing and placing a new layer of AC. Other work includes re-striping, upgrading roadway signs, shoulder backing and placing rumble strips to enhance safety at Various Locations. Start of construction in Spring 2025 (11-2N197: IMP-111-PM 23.5/32.1: HM-1: Pavement Preservation at Various Locations).

**Safety Improvement Project.** The purpose of this projects is to mainly enhance safety for motorists by Installing rumble strips and pavement markings (re-stripe) to prevent run-off-the road collisions. The project is currently in construction and near completion. *(11-2N204: IMP-8-PM R36.4/R39.5 and SD-8-PM 2.9/11.7: HM4 Safety Project.)* 

**Safety Improvement Project.** The purpose of the project is to extend the service life of the existing asphalt concrete (AC) by placing a Microsurfacing seal coat. Other improvements include pavement marking and striping, rumble strips and shoulder backing. The project is going thru the award process and expect to be in construction in the summer of 2025. (11-2N230: IMP-86-PM 4.5/8.5 and 20.4/21.39. HM-1 Pavement Preservation).

**Bridge Preservation.** The purpose of this project is to repair two culvert boxes/bridges to extend their service life and to increase their service efficiency.

The project is currently advertised and going thru the award process. The project is expected to be in construction in the summer of 2025. *(11-2N147: IMP-111-PM 50.56/52.43. HM-3)* 

**Safety Project.** The purpose of this projects is to mainly enhance safety for motorists by Installing rumble strips and pavement markings (re-stripe) to prevent run-off-the road collision and cross over collision prevention. The project is currently going thru the award process and expect to be in construction in the summer of 2025. *(11-2N226: IMP-98 PM 0/57: HM4)* 

**Safety Project.** The purpose of this projects is to mainly enhance safety for motorists by Installing rumble strips and pavement markings (re-stripe) to prevent run-off-the road collision and cross over collision prevention. Other work includes installing roadway signs. The project is currently going thru the award process and expect to be in construction in the summer of 2025. (11-2N225: IMP-78-PM 0/34 and SD-78 PM 16/95. HM4).

**Pavement Preservation**. The purpose of this project is extend the service life of the existing asphalt concrete (AC) by a placing a Microsurfacing seal coat and to further improve the ride quality. Other work includes placing rumble strips to prevent run-off-the road collision and cross over collision prevention and placing pavement delineation (re-stripe). The project is currently going thru the award process and expect to be in construction in the summer of 2025. *(11-2N228: IMP-78-PM 0/13. HM-1)* 

**Pavement Preservation**. The purpose of this project is to improve the pavement condition and to extend the service life of the existing asphalt concrete (AC) at various ramps by placing a Microsurfacing seal coat. Other work includes shoulder backing, pavement delineation (re-striping), install roadway signs at ramps. This stand-alone ramp pavement project completes all of the remaining ramps along IMP-8. This project is currently going thru the award process and it is expected to be in construction in the summer of 2025. *(11-2N176: Microsurfacing Ramps at IMP-8-PM R50.3/R96.7).* 

#### **DISTRICT 11 LOCAL ASSISTANCE REPORT**

Area Engineer: Frank Safaie

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#### \*\*\*\*\*GRANTS\*\*\*\*\*

Select Grant Funding Opportunities are listed below. Please click on below grant links for additional information on deadlines, qualifications, submittal information, etc.

#### U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Grant Opportunities

The USDOT website provides a DOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard, which is a great tool that your local agency can use to find grant opportunities in various areas such as: Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART), Rural Opportunities to Use Transportation for Economic Success (ROUTES), and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant programs, just to name a few. In the link provided below, you can filter for your agency specifics to narrow down grant opportunities. Directions, deadlines, and links to apply are <u>HERE</u>.

#### U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Competitive Grants Dashboard

The DOT Competitive Grants Dashboard provides communities with an overview of competitive grant opportunities that can help meet their transportation infrastructure needs. Designed with all communities in mind, the Dashboard identifies grant programs with rural and Tribal set-asides or match waivers available. The Dashboard also includes Federal grant programs outside of DOT that may be of particular interest to <u>rural communities</u>. The Dashboard is updated weekly. In the link provided below, you can filter for your agency specifics to narrow down grant opportunities. Directions, deadlines, and links to apply are <u>HERE</u>.

#### Bridge Investment Program (BIP)

The Bridge Investment Program is a competitive, discretionary program that focuses on existing bridges to reduce the overall number of bridges in poor condition, or in fair condition at risk of falling into poor condition.

\* \$9.62 billion of funding available.

\* 8/2025 is the deadline for large bridge project grant applications for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2026. Click link <u>HERE</u> for further information.

#### Key Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

To provide stakeholders with more visibility on upcoming funding opportunities, DOT is

publishing a list of anticipated dates for upcoming Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for key programs. This list is not comprehensive and will be updated periodically with additional programs and revised dates as appropriate.

#### Some key programs and their deadlines:

#### Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A)

This program Empowers tribal, local, and regional efforts to save lives and reduce serious injuries on our roadways.

- \* \$2 billion of funding available.
- \* The FFY 2025 Notice of Funding Opportunity is now open.
- \* Click link <u>HERE</u> for more information.

#### Buses and Bus Facilities Program

Funding to operate fixed route bus service to replace, rehabilitate, and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities including technological changes or innovations to modify low- or no- emission vehicles or facilities.

\* \$1.5 billion in funding available.

- \* Anticipated opening in Spring of 2025.
- \* Click link <u>HERE</u> for more information.

#### Pilot Program for Transit Oriented Development

Funding for efforts associated with an eligible transit project for which the project sponsor will seek funding through FTA's Capital Investment Grants Program. TOD focuses growth around transit stations to create compact, mixed-use communities with easy access to jobs and services.

- \* \$14 million in funding available.
- \* Anticipated opening in Summer of 2025.
- \* Click link <u>HERE</u> for more information.

#### Charging & Fueling Infrastructure grants

Funding to strategically deploy publicly accessible electric vehicle charging infrastructure and other alternative fueling infrastructure.

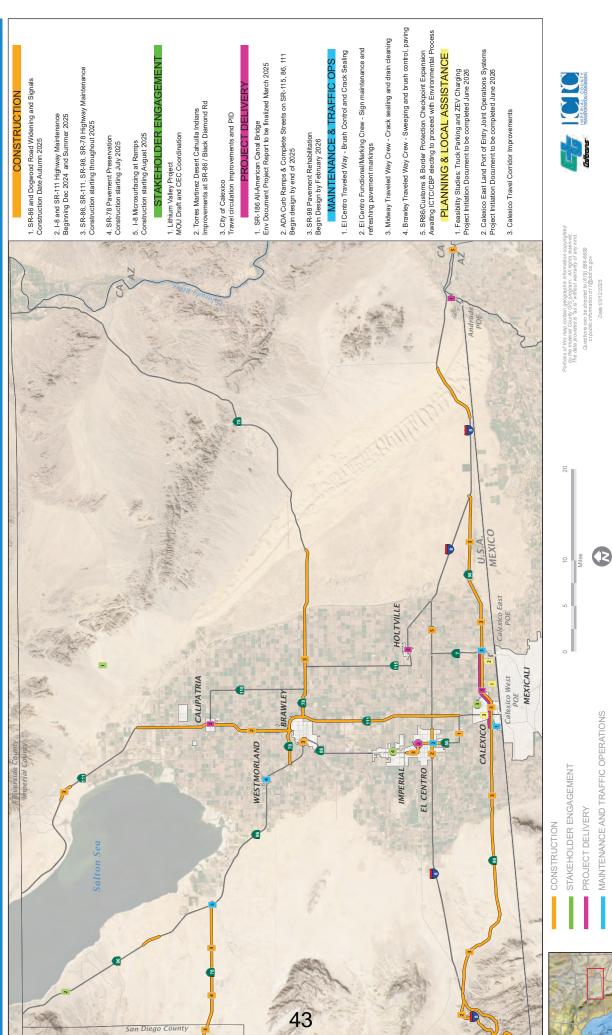
- \* \$2.5 billion funding available over five years.
- \* Anticipated opening in Fall of 2025.
- \* Click <u>HERE</u> for more information.

Further NOFO grant details are available at this link – *Key Notices of Funding Opportunity Department of Transportation*.

Additional Grant Tool - The DOT Navigator is a resource to help communities understand how to apply for grants, and plan for and deliver transformative infrastructure projects and services. Use the search box to quickly find resources. See link <u>HERE</u>.



# STATUS OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS



MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC OPERATIONS

PLANNING AND LOCAL ASSISTANCE

## **VI. ACTION CALENDAR**

#### A. Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearing Process - Fiscal Year 2025-2026

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

- 1. Adopt the FY 2024-25 "Findings" and the prioritized 2024 ICTC Unmet Transit Needs List as presented or amended.
- 2. Authorize the Chairman to sign the attached resolution.
- 3. Direct staff to forward the FY 2024-25 "Findings", and all other public hearing documentation and resolution to the State Department of Transportation.
- 4. Adopt the definition of "Unmet Transit Needs" and "Reasonable to Meet" as published and utilized by the Executive Committee of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) in 1981, Imperial Valley Association of Governments (IVAG) in 1992 and ICTC in 2017.



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May 9, 2025

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

SUBJECT: Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearing Process - Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Dear Committee Members:

Section 99401.5 of the Public Utilities Code states:

"...The Transportation Planning Agency (TPA) shall hold at least one public hearing pursuant to Section 99238.5, for the purpose of soliciting comments on the Unmet Transit Needs that may exist within the jurisdiction..."

Unmet Needs that are determined to be reasonable to meet may be established by offering services directly, contracting for new services or the expansion of existing services.

On April 7, 2025, the Unmet Transit Needs Hearing Panel conducted the required local Public Hearing. The Hearing Panel reconvened on April 28, 2025, to consider the verbal and written testimony, and staff recommendations. After discussion of the analysis portion, the Panel developed the "Findings" regarding public transit services for FY 2025-26. These "Findings" assist in the allocation of resources and determination of the service levels to be provided. The process consequently guides the FY 2025-26 Transit Financing Plan and work program activities.

After review of the staff prepared analysis, the Panel accepted five requests as "Reasonable to Meet". ICTC will continue to focus on recovering ridership lost as a result of the pandemic, the items considered as "Reasonable to Meet" and further items that are considered goals have been placed on the official 2025 ICTC Unmet Transit Needs List in prioritized order, which is an attachment to the "Findings" document. Should funding be identified, this list is used to advance new services and routes and facilitate building additional transit infrastructure. ICTC will also continue to coordinate with Imperial Valley College regarding possible service changes to accommodate changing class schedules, in addition to the continued evaluation of all services and routes.

After adoption of the "Findings", staff will develop the budget for the ICTC Transit Financing Plan for FY 2025-26 and anticipates submittal in the June 2025 time frame.

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

The Unmet Transit Needs Panel of Commissioners forwards this item to the ICTC Management Committee, and Commission, for their review and approval after public comment, if any:

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- 1. Adopt the FY 2025-26 "Findings" and the prioritized 2025 ICTC Unmet Transit Needs List as presented or amended.
- 2. Authorize the Chairman to sign the attached resolution.
- 3. Direct staff to forward the FY 2025-26 "Findings", and all other public hearing documentation and resolution to the State Department of Transportation.
- 4. Adopt the definition of "Unmet Transit Needs" and "Reasonable to Meet" as published and utilized by the Executive Committee of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) in 1981, Imperial Valley Association of Governments (IVAG) in 1992 and ICTC in 2024.

Sincerely,

DAVID AGUIRRE Executive Director

attachment

#### **RESOLUTION OF**

#### THE IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (ICTC)

#### MAKING A DETERMINATION AS TO UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS WITHIN THE REGION **OF THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL FOR FY 2025-26**

WHEREAS, the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC), is the designated Transportation Planning Agency for the County of Imperial, and is therefore responsible for the administration of the Transportation Development Act, Public Utilities Code 99200 et seq; and

WHEREAS, under Sections 99238, 99238.5, 99401.5 and 99401.6, of the Public Utilities code, because the legislative intent for the use of the funds is for transit purposes, a public hearing should be held. From a review of the testimony received and the adopted Regional Transportation Plan, a finding must be made that there are no unmet public transit needs in the jurisdiction that can be reasonably met, or unmet transit needs that can be reasonably met must be identified and prioritized; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing and subsequent public meeting was held in Imperial County on April 7, 2025, and April 28, 2025, after sufficient public notice was given, and at which time the public testimony and comment was received; and

WHEREAS, the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council reviewed the proposed "Findings" on May 7, 2025, in accordance with the requirements of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the comments of the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council have been taken into consideration; and

WHEREAS, a final opportunity for further public comment was provided on May 28, 2025; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Imperial County Transportation Commission, hereby resolves that the Unmet Transit Needs Adopted "Findings" and the "2025-26 ICTC Unmet Transit Needs List" as attached, are identified, and there are no further unmet public transit needs within the County of Imperial that can be reasonably met at this time.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Imperial County Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of said Commission on <u>May 28, 2025</u> .

By: Chairperson

ATTEST:

By:

CRISTI LERMA Secretary to the Commission



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April 28, 2025

#### UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS FINDINGS FISCAL YEAR 2025-26

The Imperial County Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearing was conducted at 3:00 p.m., on April 7, 2025, at Imperial County Transportation Commission offices via zoom. After review and consideration of the testimony received at the hearing, this Panel reconvened on April 28, 2025 to make the following "Findings":

The following "Findings" are unmet transit needs or transit needs which are reasonable to meet. The ICTC Transit Financing Plan and TDA claims for Fiscal Year 2024-25 shall be approved consistent with these stated "Findings".

- I. Existing transit services should be continued:
  - A. IVT RIDE Brawley, Calexico, El Centro, Heber, Imperial and Westshores
  - B. County-Wide Transit System- Imperial Valley Transit
  - C. ADA Paratransit Services IVT Access
  - D. IVT MedTrans
  - E. Calexico On Demand
- II. Continue coordination between existing transit services, including paratransit services provided by both public and social service agencies. ICTC staff shall provide recommendations and technical assistance when requested by social service and public agencies.
- III. All transit services shall comply with the American's with Disabilities Act of 1990; provisions specific to respective services offered.

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

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- IV. All transit services shall comply with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and/or Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Drug and Alcohol Testing rules; provisions specific to respective services offered.
- V. Staff will continue to pursue resources for the implementation of the proposed IVT Red Line in Imperial.
- VI. Staff will continue to provide technical assistance to the City of Calexico for the development of the City's transfer terminal project.
- VII. Staff will continue to pursue resources for the implementation of service changes in accordance with the priorities in the FY 2025-26 Unmet Needs List (attachment).

All other services and issues as presented by written or verbal testimony are hereby declared as not reasonable to meet, at this time.

Martha Cardenas Singh, Chair

County of Imperial

Lisa Tylenda, Council Member City of Calexico

**STAFF:** 

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David Aguirre Executive Director



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APRIL 28, 2025

#### UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS LIST FISCAL YEAR 2025-26

#### **Priority order**

- 1. Add mobile ticketing fare option/contactless payment option (e.g, passengers, third parties), per action taken by ICTC XX-XX-25
- 2. Explore and analyze transportation needs at Northern cities within the Imperial County, *per action taken by ICTC XX-XX-25*
- 3. Add an IVC Express Route from Calexico to IVC and from IVC to Calexico in the evening after 5:30PM, from Monday thru Friday (SRTP, 2018) *Per action taken by ICTC XX-XX-25*
- 4. Add Sunday service in the city of Westmorland and Calipatria, Per action taken by ICTC XX-XX-25
- 5. Add microtransit service in the city of El Centro and other cities in the Imperial County, *per action taken by ICTC XX-XX-25*

#### DEFINITION: UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS

Unmet Transit needs are at a minimum, those public transportation or specialized transportation services that are identified in the Regional Short Range Transit Plan, Regional Transportation Plan or similar Mobility Plan, that have not been implemented or funded.

#### DEFINITION: REASONABLE TO MEET

Reasonable to Meet shall include all of the following factors:

<u>Community Acceptance:</u> Whether or not the community will allow buses or a facsimile in their area.

<u>Timing</u>: Whether or not the social, economic or political environment is amiable to project implementation.

Equity: The fair availability of the service to all affected persons.

Economy: The project can be implemented at reasonable cost.

<u>Cost Effectiveness</u>: The ratio of the service cost to product shall be at or below the standards of evaluation criteria, or minimum farebox ratio (10%).

Adopted: ICTC May 27, 2024

### **VI. ACTION CALENDAR**

B. Third Amendment to the Agreement between the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) and Nomad Transit, LLC (Via) for the operation of the Calexico Microtransit Service funded by the Clean Mobility Options (CMO) Voucher Pilot Program and the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP)

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

- 1. Approve the Third Modification to the agreement between ICTC and Nomad Transit, LLC (VIA) for the Calexico On Demand service in the amount of \$500,000 modifying the total contract value to \$2,498,875. The modification is contingent upon receipt of said additional funding.
- 2. Authorize the Executive Director to sign Modification No. 3.



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May 9, 2025

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

SUBJECT: Third Amendment to the Agreement between the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) and Nomad Transit, LLC (Via) for the operation of the Calexico Microtransit Service funded by the Clean Mobility Options (CMO) Voucher Pilot Program and the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP)

Dear Committee Members:

The Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) partnered with Via Transportation, Inc. (Via) to develop a grant application under the Clean Mobility Options Voucher Pilot Program (CMO) to implement and operate a zero emission microtransit service in the city of Calexico. ICTC was awarded the CMO grant for \$998,875. The CMO program requires the applicant to provide the proposed services for a period of 5 years (1 year of service development and 4 years of service operation). The CMO program has funded the first two years of service operation while ICTC will fund the remaining two years of service operation utilizing the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) and other funding programs. ICTC is generating Fare Revenues to offset the cost of the service.

Under the partnership, Via provides turnkey operations, infrastructure, software applications, customer service, marketing assistance and maintenance, while ICTC provides administration, oversight and assistance with marketing efforts. ICTC is actively involved in the project operations and monitors its performance. The Calexico On-Demand Service currently provides microtransit type public transportation services within the city of Calexico utilizing 3 to 4 plug in hybrid emission vehicles (PHEV). The service is open to the public and rides can be obtained by using the service's mobile application or via phone. The service currently operates Monday through Friday (federal holidays excluded) during the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The existing agreement between the two parties is for a two-year service period with options for two additional one-year mutual service period extensions. ICTC recently executed an amendment exercising one of the two single-year options. The current agreement term ends in December 2025.

ICTC was previously able to apply for an additional \$500,000 in grant funds bringing the total grant funds available for the project to \$1,498,875. ICTC completed Amendment 1 to the existing agreement to incorporate the additional grant funds into service operations.

ICTC was also able to secure an additional grant from the CMO program for a total of \$300,000 and a secondary grant from the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) in the amount of \$520,353 to further fund operations of the service. ICTC also recently applied for an additional grant from the LCTOP program in the amount of \$516,782 to further fund operations of the service. The total grant funding received between the two programs is \$2,835,010.

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Due to significant demand, it is ICTC's intention to utilize the additional funding to cover the cost of operations through December 2025 and beyond. ICTC is currently operating approximately 800 hours of service on a monthly basis which equates to a dollar value of approximately \$72,000 per month. To date, ICTC has spent approximately \$1.7M on the service.

The existing contract value with VIA which includes the initial contract, and two separate amendments totals \$1,998,875.00. ICTC is seeking to increase the contract with VIA by \$500,000, bringing the total contract value to \$2,498,875.00.

ICTC will continue to search and attempt to secure additional funding to continue to operate the service beyond the required CMO grant requirement of 5 total years. To date ICTC has completed 1 year of development and 2 plus years of operations.

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

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- 2. Authorize the Executive Director to sign Modification No. 3.

Sincerely,

David Aguirre Executive Director

#### MODIFICATION #3 TO AGREEMENT FOR CALEXICO ON DEMAND TRANSIT SERVICES

THIS THIRD MODIFICATION TO AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES ("Third Modification"), made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2025, is by and between the IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION ("ICTC") and NOMAD TRANSIT LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and registered as a foreign limited liability company in California ("CONSULTANT") (individually, "Party;" collectively, "Parties").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, ICTC and CONSULTANT entered into that certain Agreement for Services on January 26, 2022 through Minute Order No. 7C, as amended by a First Modification on June 28, 2023 through Minute Order No. 5C, as amended by a Second Modification on October 23, 2024 through Minute Order No. 7B ("Agreement"), incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, section 9.1 of the Agreement contains two (2) single year mutual options to extend and parties have exercised one (1) option period to extend through December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, to pay for additional necessary services, additional funding has been allocated, and the Parties now wish to amend the total not to exceed compensation amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of their mutual covenants, ICTC and CONSULTANT have and hereby agree to the following:

1. Section 6 of the Agreement shall be amended to read as follows:

"Additional funds have been allocated in a total amount of 500,000 = 500,000. Therefore, the total compensation payable under this Agreement shall not exceed 1,998,875 + 500,000 = 2,498,875 unless otherwise previously agreed to by ICTC. However, this Third Modification *is contingent upon receipt of said additional funds.*"

2. Section 31 of the Agreement regarding Non-appropriation is reiterated.

3. All other terms and conditions of the Agreement are and will remain in full force and effect. There are no other modifications, express or implied except as herein provided. **IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Parties have executed this Third Modification on the day and year first above written.

#### IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

#### CONSULTANT NOMAD TRANSIT LLC

By: Robert Amparano Chair of the Commission By: Erin Abrams CEO

ATTEST:

By: Cristi Lerma Secretary to ICTC

#### **APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

By: Eric Havens ICTC Counsel