



**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AGENDA**

DATE: Thursday, August 28, 2025
TIME: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
LOCATION: ICTC Offices
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El Centro, CA 92243

CHAIRPERSON: CITY OF IMPERIAL

VICE-CHAIR: CITY OF CALEXICO

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IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT AND COUNTY OF IMPERIAL**

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. **Introduction**
2. **Adoption of Minutes for June 26, 2025.** *ACTION*
Requesting a motion to adopt
3. **SCAG Mobility Hub Design and Implementation Guide** *PRESENTATION*
Presented by SCAG Staff
4. **Caltrans Updates/ Announcements**
Presented by Caltrans Staff
5. **SCAG Updates/ Announcements**
Presented by SCAG Staff
6. **ICTC Updates / Announcements**
Presented by ICTC Staff
 1. Transit Updates
 - IVT Ride Now
 2. Transportation Planning Updates
 - Federal Funded Project Obligation Updates 24/25
 - State Funded Project Obligation Updates 25/26
7. **Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates**
All
9. **General Discussion / New Business**
10. **Adjournment**

The next meeting of the ICTC TAC is tentatively scheduled for September 25, 2025. For questions you may call Marlene Flores at (760) 592-4494 or contact by email at marleneflores@imperialctc.org

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FOR JUNE 26, 2025

Requesting a motion to adopt



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TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 26, 2025

Present:

Gloria Moreno	City of Calexico
Lili Falomir	City of Calexico
Francisco Barba	City of Calipatria
Melanie Amarillas	City of Calipatria
Hector Salcedo	City of El Centro
Felix de Leon	City of El Centro
Chandler Sinclair	City of Holtville
Jesus Villegas	City of Imperial
Fernando Williams	City of Imperial
Adolfo Garcia	County of Imperial
Veronica Atondo	County of Imperial
Manuel Ortiz	IID
Bently C. Rothfleisch	IID

Others:

Michael Coyne	City of Calexico
Abraham Campos	City of El Centro
Liz Zarate	City of El Centro
Ramiro Barajas	City of Westmorland
David Aguirre	ICTC
Marlene Flores	ICTC
Cesar Beltran	ICTC
Kiran Parmar	Caltrans
Alejandro Lopez-Rangel	Caltrans
Frank Safaie	Caltrans
David Salgado	SCAG

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 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 May 22, 2025 ([Falomir/Ortiz](#)), **Motion Carried.**

2. California Freight Mobility Plan (CFMP) 2027 Update

(Presented by Caltrans Staff)

Mrs. Parmar presented a brief update on the California Freight Mobility Plan (CFMP) 2027 Update. No comments were made.

3. 2025 Call for Projects – Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ), and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Programming Project List – FFY 2026/27 to FFY 2027/28
(Presented by ICTC Staff)

ICTC staff forwarded this item to the Technical Advisory Committee for discussion and recommendation to submit to the ICTC Management Committee and Commission after public comments, if any:

1. Approved the 2025 Call for Projects - Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ), and Surface Transportation Block Grant Recommended Programming Project List for FFY2026/27 to FFY2027/28;
2. Direct staff to program projects in the next available Federal Transportation Improvement Program Formal Amendment upon receipt of approval.

A motion was made to approve the Action Item. ([Falomir/DeLeon](#)) **Motion Carried.**

Ms. Flores provided the item's next steps.

4. Caltrans Updates / Announcements

(Presented by Caltrans Staff)

- Mr. Lopez-Rangel requested a review of the inactive projects list for the agencies of Holtville, Brawley, Calexico, City of Imperial and the ICTC.
- Mr. Lopez-Rangel requested to review the list of Project End Date for the agencies of Holtville, Brawley and ICTC.
- Mr. Lopez-Rangel stated that City of Brawley's UEI expires July 22nd and Calipatria's expires August 19th.
- July 30th is the deadline for submitting the Title VI Program Assessment Online Form.

Mr. Aguirre asked if there were any comments issued from FHWA or Caltrans related to the Title VI plans that were submitted, Mr. Lopez-Rangel commented that he will asked the Program Manager if any.

5. SCAG Updates / Announcements

No updates were given

6. ICTC Updates / Announcements

(Presented by ICTC Staff)

Mr. Aguirre provided several project updates.

7. Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates:

Updates were given by the agencies.

8. General Discussion / New Business

No new business was discussed.

The TAC Members voted to go dark for July. The next meeting is scheduled for August.

The next TAC meeting will be on August 28, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., via Zoom for the public and in person at the ICTC offices.

The meeting adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

4. Caltrans Updates/Announcements

Presented by Caltrans Staff

DISTRICT 11 LOCAL ASSISTANCE REPORT

Area Engineer: Frank Safaie

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City of Brawley

City of El Centro

City of Calexico

City of Holtville

City of Imperial

* ICTC TAC Attendee

Area Engineer: Alejandro Lopez-Rangel

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Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC)

City of Calipatria

City of Westmorland

County of Imperial

Imperial Irrigation District (IID)

* ICTC Management Committee Attendee

*****LOCAL AGENCY ITEMS*****

Inactive Projects

Per Chapter 5 of the Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM), signed Master Agreement (MA), and Program Supplement Agreement (PSA), invoices shall be submitted at a minimum of every six months. Projects that have not submitted an invoice in six or more months are noted on the Inactive List (see link [HERE](#)). If a project has not submitted an invoice in eleven plus months, please work with Alma Sanchez to submit a justification and cc your Area Engineer.

Project End Date (PED)

The Project End Date (PED) is the date the local agency establishes at each project milestone phase estimating the end of a specific phase of Federally eligible participating work. No additional Federally participating costs may be incurred for the authorized phase of work after this date unless a request is submitted by the local agency to establish a new PED. Work performed after a PED expires is ineligible for reimbursement. To allow for processing, please submit a PED extension request a few months prior to expiration, please see an Excel monthly update link [HERE](#). For submitting PED extension request, please see link [HERE](#). For questions, please contact your Area Engineer.

Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)

Per Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requirements, every local agency must have a valid Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) to obligate federal funds. The UEI must be renewed every 12 months. Renewal of the UEIs is a 2-step process with FHWA & Caltrans. For UEI renewal instructions, please contact your Area Engineer.

Quality Assurance Program (QAP)

Per Chapter 16.11, a Quality Assurance Plan (QAP) ensures the materials and workmanship incorporated into each construction project conforms to the requirements of the contract plans and specifications, including approved changes. For Federally funded construction

projects, each local agency is required to adopt a QAP. No Federally funded construction authorizations will be processed without a valid QAP. QAPs are valid for five years. To renew your QAP, please contact your Area Engineer.

California Transportation Commission (CTC) Requests

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) administers funding for State programs listed below. For projects receiving State funds from these programs, Project Allocation Requests and Time Extensions Requests require CTC approval at one of their regularly scheduled meetings. See link [HERE](#) to review schedule of deadlines and prepare requests for CTC approval. Please work with your Area Engineer for CTC submittals.

State Programs administered by the CTC:

- * STIP - State Transportation Improvement Program
- * ATP - Active Transportation Program
- * LPP - Local Partnership Program
- * TCEP - Trade Corridor Enhancement Program
- * SCCP - Solutions for Congested Corridors Program

Friday, October 3, 2025, is the final submittal deadline for (Allocations & Time Extensions) for the December 4-5, 2025, CTC meeting.

Title VI Online Program Assessment Form

Per Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requirements, local public agencies (LPAs) must complete the Title VI program Assessment Online Form, especially if LPAs receive FHWA funds. If required to have an FHWA Title VI Plan, LPAs can check out the [HERE](#) webpage to learn more about the FHWA Title VI requirements, as well as sample plans and templates. Local agencies are required to submit the forms every two years, please see link [HERE](#).

*******GRANTS*******

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

Caltrans Grant Funding Newsletter and Letters of Support

Stay in touch with Caltrans and get updates sent directly to your inbox on current and future grant funding opportunities, including calls for Caltrans letters of support and application training webinars, by subscribing to the Caltrans Office of Strategic Investment Planning newsletter through the [Constant Contact link provided here](#).

For all other grant and funding-related inquiries and requests for Caltrans letters of support, please reach out directly to the Caltrans District 11 Investment Planning Manager Brian Miller at brian.miller@dot.ca.gov.

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

The USDOT website provides a DOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard for 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. Directions, deadlines, and links to apply are [HERE](#).

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

The USDOT 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 USDOT that may be of particular interest to [rural communities](#). The Dashboard is updated weekly. Directions, deadlines, and links to apply are [HERE](#).

Key Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

To provide stakeholders with more visibility on upcoming funding opportunities, DOT publishes a list of anticipated dates for upcoming Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for key programs. This list is not comprehensive and is updated periodically with additional programs and revised dates as appropriate.

Some key programs and their deadlines:

1. ACTIVE NOFOS

FHWA Bridge Investment Program (BIP)

The Bridge Investment Program is a competitive, discretionary program that focuses on existing bridges to reduce the overall number of bridge in poor condition, or in fair condition at risk of falling into poor condition. The program offers three categories of funding: (1) large bridge projects (totaling over \$100 million), (2) regular bridge projects (totaling under \$100 million), and (3) bridge planning and studies.

- * \$2.46 billion available for FFY 2026.
- * The FFY 2026 NOFO is open with an amendment (No 2) posted June 2025, to align the program with current Administration and Department policies. The deadline for (1) regular bridge project grant applications are due November 1, and (2) bridge planning grant applications are due October 1. Large bridge project funding has since closed.
- * Click link [HERE](#) for further information.

FTA 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program: Caltrans Open Call for Projects

On June 30, 2025, the Caltrans FTA 5310 Call for Projects application was released for transit-related funding to support mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities, and to remove barriers and expand mobility transportation services/options available to these populations.

- * \$54.7 million is available for FFYs 2024 and 2025
- * Deadline to apply is **September 1, 2025**. Applications can be accessed via [BlackCat Transit Data Management System](#) and must be submitted online through this system.
- * Please contact FTA5310@dot.ca.gov if your agency needs access or assistance with BlackCat Transit Data Management System.

2. ANTICIPATED NOFOS

FTA Pilot Program for Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Planning

Funding for TOD-related comprehensive or site-specific planning on an eligible transit project whereby the project sponsor will also be utilizing FTA's Capital Investment Grants Program funds in addition. TOD strategies emphasize local development in and around high-quality transit services to create compact, mixed-use communities with easy access to jobs and destination centers via transit alternatives.

- * \$14 million in funding available.
- * Anticipated opening in Summer of 2025.
- * Click link [HERE](#) for more information.

FHWA Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund

Funds for the development of strategic transportation safety plans by Tribes to identify transportation safety needs and how those needs will be addressed in Tribal communities. Funding will cover the following eligible activities: transportation safety plans; data assessment, improvement, and analysis; systemic roadway departure countermeasures; and other infrastructure improvements listed under 23 USC 148(a)(4).

- * \$25 million estimated funding will be available with up to 110 expected awards
- * Anticipated opening October 1, 2025 with applications due Jan 15, 2026
- * Click link [HERE](#) for more information on pre-announcement

FHWA 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 [HERE](#) for more information.

Further details on active and upcoming NOFOs and programs are available via this link: [Key Notices of Funding Opportunity \(US Department of Transportation\)](#)

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 [HERE](#).

Title VI Nondiscrimination Program

Local agencies must comply with all Title VI requirements (LAPM Section 9.2). Title VI compliance is subject to review at any time. For questions related to Title VI, please contact the District 11 Title VI

<https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/local-civil-compliance/title-vi>

*****TRAININGS/WEBINARS*****

This section of the report provided training opportunities for local agencies. This section also serves as the closing remarks section of the Local Assistance Report.

Active Transportation Research Center (ATRC) Counts+ Technical Assistance Workshop

Caltrans District 11 is hosting an in-person workshop for the [ATRC Counts+](#) pilot program, which is designed to explore evaluation metrics that capture benefits generated by projects for potential inclusion in or for future applications to the Active Transportation Program (ATP) – all while keeping the burden low for local agencies. This workshop consists of three sessions, including a hands-on demonstration, that will examine best practices for active transportation data collection, tools, and evaluation.

This in-person workshop will be held at the Caltrans District 11 offices on **August 14** from **8:00AM to 12:00pm**. All local agencies are eligible to attend. Please see link [HERE](#) for more information on workshop details and registration. For questions or information on Counts+, please contact ATRC@dot.ca.gov

Caltrans Local Assistance Day – August 19, 8:30am to 11:30am PDT

Caltrans DLA and California LTAP present another edition of Local Assistance Day, the quarterly statewide webinar designed to update and inform our RTPA, MPO, Local Agency, and Tribal Partners. LAD is free to attend and all interested transportation stakeholders are invited.

Planned Topics Include:

- Right of Way Certification (3 & 3W)
- Interim Timely Use of Funds Policy
- Active Transportation Program Symposium
- Avoiding Common Invoicing Errors
- Latest from the Division of Local Assistance
- Training Updates from California LTAP

Register [HERE](#) to attend.

2027 Active Transportation Program Kick-Off Workshop

The California Transportation Commission will host the 2027 Active Transportation Program Kick-Off Workshop for guideline development on Thursday, August 21, 2025, from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. The workshop will be held via Zoom.

Attached you will find the [SAVE the Date](#), which includes the workshop information and the registration link.

Additional materials will be posted prior to the workshop on the Commission's Active Transportation website under the "2027 ATP (Cycle 8)" tab: [HERE](#).

Grant Writing Basics - September 18, 6:00am to 9:00am PDT

WV LTAP is hosting a free 3-hour online training on effective grant writing to help you leverage more resources for your agency's priorities. Participants will gain an understanding of the grant-writing process and how to identify the right funding sources and creating a compelling application.

Training Objectives:

- Demonstrate compliance with program eligibility requirements
- Stretch capabilities through inter-agency consultation/collaboration
- Methods to transform your narrative into a powerful story
- How blended funding can reduce/eliminate the need for local match

Register [HERE](#) to attend.

Caltrans Federal Grants 101 Webinar Series

Caltrans is making available recordings from its Federal Grants 101 Webinars, a 5-part series designed to assist local, regional and Tribal partners with the competitive Federal grants application process and ensure successful outcomes for all our partners involved.

1. Watch [recording](#) of Session 1 (How to Create Competitive Federal Grants Applications), Password: iGhC4Sc7
2. Watch [recording](#) of Session 2 (Learn about Federal Grant Requirements and Resources), Password: tMNYMVa4
3. Watch [recording](#) of Session 3 (All about Benefit-Cost Analysis), Password: rPtJMFJ8
4. Session 4 (Post-Award: What happens now?) – TBA

Survey: Identifying the Needs of Local Public Agencies and Tribes

The California LTAP (CALTAP), Caltrans Division of Local Assistance (DLA), and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) need help identifying the support needs for our local public agency and tribal partners, and their stakeholders. Once we have this information,

we endeavor to prioritize the delivery of training and technical assistance throughout California. Based on last year's feedback, we listened and delivered the Resident Engineers Academy and Labor Compliance to assist those who completed the survey.

Please help us by taking this brief, less than 10-minute [SURVEY](#) to let us know:

- What are your staff training needs?
- Are they being met by current class offerings?
- Do you need more effective (or responsive) technical support?
- Are you kept informed of key funding opportunities & training schedules?

We thank you in advance for helping us plan, develop, and prioritize local assistance services in ways that can more effectively serve your organizations' goals.

For questions or comments, please contact [CALTAP](#).

Caltrans Federal Affairs Update

This Federal update provides Hot topics, trainings, resources, grants/NOFOs, etc. Please see link [HERE](#) for more information.

Caltrans Local Assistance Trainings & Resources

The Caltrans Local Assistance website is a great place for Tribal resources, RE Academy videos, various Federal trainings, California Transportation Commission related links, etc. Please see link [HERE](#) for additional information.

Note from the Caltrans Office of the Federal Liaison:

We have received a lot of inquiries from our transportation partners regarding recent news, actions and executive orders coming from the Trump Administration. At this point in time, the situation is extremely fluid. As things settle down and we hear from our federal partners (Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, Federal Rail Administration, etc.), Caltrans will do its best to keep you all in the loop. We will provide updates when we get more definitive guidance from our federal partners.

Please see the Caltrans Local Assistance Blog (LAB), which has additional resources and updates. [LocalAssistanceBlog.com](#)

5. SCAG

Updates/Announcements

Presented by SCAG Staff

Memorandum

Date: July 2, 2025
To: ICTC Committee and Management Meeting
From: David Salgado, Government Affairs Officer (GAO)
Re: Southern California Association of Government's (SCAG) Report

The following is a summary of the SCAG Executive Director's Report and/or Federal and State Legislature Staff Report for the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) Management Committee and Regular Commission meeting for the month of JULY 2025.

1. Connect SoCal 2024 Implementation Update: Sustainable Communities Strategy Accepted

On May 7, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) informed SCAG that it had accepted SCAG's determination that the Connect SoCal 2024 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) meets CARB's greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction targets. CARB's acceptance ensures transportation projects in the SCAG region remain eligible for all SB1 funding programs.

However, the lengthy review process highlights SCAG's concerns about the need to revisit Senate Bill 375 to better support SCS implementation. On May 21, CARB presented proposed scenarios at a public workshop on the GHG target-setting process. SCAG is preparing a joint public comment letter reiterating concerns about the applicability of the scoping plan scenario to metropolitan planning organization (MPO) targets and the need for clarity on the technical assumptions guiding both target-setting and SCS evaluation. SCAG and other MPOs have requested CARB maintain current targets. Given current economic and demographic challenges, along with restrictions on crediting electric vehicle transition, MPOs face growing difficulties meeting current targets.

CARB plans to release a draft target report in fall 2025, followed by a final report and environmental assessment in spring 2026, which will apply to SCAG's next SCS, expected in 2028. SCAG will continue to engage with CARB throughout the process and provide updates to policy committees after the draft target report.

2. July 01, 2025: California State Budget Reduces Barriers to Housing Production and Extends Deadline for Regional Early Action Planning (REAP 2.0) Program

The governor signed the 2025-2026 state budget, which includes a suite of reforms to reduce barriers to housing production. The two budget trailer bills, AB130 and AB131, include several provisions to streamline application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to housing development. These reforms are consistent with long-standing priorities in SCAG's legislative platform and provisions previously included in SB 607, which SCAG's Regional Council voted to support.

The trailer bills also include a six-month extension for expenditures under the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) program. This extension helps to make up for time lost during proposed cuts to the REAP program during the 2024 state budget process, which jeopardized SCAG’s \$231 million in funding from this program, most of which had been granted to projects throughout Southern California. SCAG staff will work with California Department of Housing and Development (HCD) to determine how the time extension will be administered and how this affects SCAG’s timeline for delivery of the program.

“SCAG applauds the governor and legislature for creating an easier path for producing more housing in California. We are grateful for their continued support of local and regional efforts to address the housing affordability crisis, including our Regional Early Action Planning grant program,” said Kome Ajise, Executive Director of SCAG.

3. SCAG Economic Roundtable Publishes Quarterly Report on the Regional Economy

SCAG’s Economic Roundtable met on May 22 for its second quarterly meeting in 2025 to review trends, data, and current events impacting the region’s economy. According to the SCAG Economic Roundtable, the region is showing several severe economic warning signs, including low regional job growth, with all new jobs created in 2024 and 2025 being in the healthcare, local government, and logistics industries. Tariffs, federal funding cuts, and low consumer confidence weaken the outlook further.

4. SCAG Releases Two Reports on Expanding Access to Economic Opportunity in Southern California

SCAG has released two new reports that examine the region’s economic landscape and propose strategies to expand access to quality jobs, career training, and long-term economic mobility—particularly for communities historically underrepresented in the workforce.

Together, the “Addressing Barriers to Economic Opportunities” and “Apprenticeships: Expanding Economic Opportunities in Southern California” reports offer data-driven insights and actionable recommendations for building a more inclusive regional economy.

Both reports are published to implement SCAG’s Inclusive Economic Recovery Strategy, adopted by the SCAG Regional Council in 2021, which outlines over 50 recommendations for equitable recovery in housing, transportation, and workforce and economic development.

Understanding the Barriers

The “Addressing Barriers to Economic Opportunities” report identifies and quantifies structural challenges that limit access to economic opportunity across Southern California. Key barriers identified include lack of affordable housing, limited access to reliable and affordable transportation, skills mismatch, and inadequate access to affordable child and family care.



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The report also highlights how these barriers vary across geographies and populations, disproportionately impacting Black, Indigenous, and People of Color, youth under 25, and people with disabilities. Commute times also emerged as a particularly significant issue, with nearly 85 percent of jobs in the region not reachable within a 45-minute commute despite high rates of automobile access.

The report also offers policy recommendations to address these challenges, including universal basic mobility programs, infrastructure investments focused on safety, improved access to training and networks, and adopting a workforce-centric lens in regional planning efforts.

Apprenticeships as a Pathway Forward

Building on these findings, the “Apprenticeships: Expanding Economic Opportunities in Southern California” report explores how apprenticeship programs can address workforce gaps and provide meaningful, debt-free pathways for job training and employment opportunities.

With California aiming to expand its support to 500,000 apprentices by 2029, the report outlines best practices and real-world case studies from across the SCAG region to guide the expansion of both traditional and non-traditional apprenticeship models. These include employer-driven programs in construction, public transportation, healthcare, and advanced manufacturing.

The report identifies key strategies for success, such as employer engagement, mentorship, and improved pay structures, and outlines policy recommendations to streamline program development, expand public sector roles, and raise awareness of apprenticeships as a workforce solution.

Inclusive Regional Economy

Together, these two reports reinforce SCAG’s commitment to equitable economic recovery and long-term workforce development. By identifying systemic barriers and advancing proven solutions like apprenticeships, SCAG supports communities, employers, and policymakers in creating a more accessible and resilient economy for Southern California.

5. 2025 Inland Zero Emission Vehicle Forum - August 27, 2025 - 9:00AM - 3:00PM

Please plan to join SCAG at the 2025 Inland Zero Emission Vehicle Forum, co-hosted by the Western Riverside County Clean Cities Coalition (hosted within the Western Riverside Council of Governments, or WRCOG) and the Southern California Clean Cities Coalition (hosted within SCAG), on Wednesday, Aug. 27, at the Riverside Convention Center.

This event will bring together local, regional, and state leaders to collaborate on accelerating zero-emission vehicle and infrastructure deployment in Inland Southern California. Attendees will gain access to industry updates, technical training, insightful discussions, and networking opportunities.



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The Forum will feature panel discussions, interactive workshops, expo sessions, and hands-on experience with zero-emission and alternative fuel vehicle technologies. It also supports the work of the Inland Zero Emission Vehicle Network by providing in-person networking and collaboration opportunities, as well as opportunities for network participants to connect with state and local leaders.

6. Surface Transportation Block Grant and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program

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 [SCAG STBG/CMAQ webpage](#). 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 [National Ambient Air Quality Standards](#) 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).

6. ICTC

Updates/Announcements

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Memorandum

Date: July 16, 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 Commission meeting on July 23, 2025.

- 1) **Bus Stop Maintenance Program:** ICTC has been working towards developing a bus stop maintenance program for many years. Part of the program was to develop a bus stop inventory which noted the gps locations of the bus stops in addition to a description of the assets (if any) at the bus stop. Under its existing structure, the cities/county (where the bus stops are located) are responsible for the maintenance and repair of the bus stops. In return, ICTC provides each of the cities/county funding to maintain and repair the bus stops. To provide a consolidated maintenance effort, ICTC is working with each of the cities/county to transition the maintenance and replacement of the bus stops to ICTC. ICTC will in turn utilize the funding it currently provides to the cities/county to complete the same effort. ICTC has begun the maintenance efforts associated with the bus stops for the cities of El Centro, Calexico, Calipatria, Holtville and the unincorporated communities of Seeley, Niland and Heber. ICTC is working with the cities of Imperial and Brawley to transition maintenance efforts soon.
- 2) **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 at the 100% completion level. Final preparation of the project specifications and contract documents plans is being completed. ICTC is working towards procurement and hopes to start construction in the fall of 2025.**
- 3) **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. Project demolition activities have been completed, and grading efforts are underway, in addition to the services associated with the onsite building.**

- 4) **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 has redeveloped the service logo, in addition to finalizing the mobile software for anticipated use. The project is proposed to go live in September 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. The public hearing is scheduled to take place prior to the July 2025 commission meeting.**
- 5) **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 have taken place. The Analysis is currently being developed.**
- 6) **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 design/environmental phases of the project. **ICTC has completed a phase 1 and 2 site assessment for the proposed site. ICTC has obtained NEPA clearance from the FTA for the acquisition of the project. During the meeting on March 26, 2025, the Commission approved the acquisition of the property pending Federal Transit Administration (FTA) concurrence. ICTC completed the acquisition of the project site in June 2025. Staff are currently developing the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Environmental and Design Services. Staff's goal is to release the RFP in August 2025. Staff was also able to submit multiple grant**

applications for the anticipated construction efforts under the FTA 5339 for Bus Facilities and Low No Emission Programs.

- 7) **CMAQ and STBG Call for Projects:** SCAG 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 **closed on May 16, 2025**, at 5 p.m. Applications were due to SCAG via its online application portal. **The Imperial County region submitted a total of 15 applications from the cities of Calexico, Calipatria, El Centro, Holtville, Imperial and the County of Imperial. The scoring and ranking of projects was completed by members of the ICTC TAC in June 2025. The recommendations were presented to the Management Committee in July 2025 and it is anticipated that a priority list of projects will be submitted to the commission in July 2025. Upon acceptance, Staff will submit the list of projects to SCAG for further evaluation.**
- 8) **2nd 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 2nd 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. ICTC is anticipating proceeding environmental analysis and design in early 2026.**
- 9) **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 has issued the RFP for the project and the procurement process is anticipated to close in late June 2025. ICTC received multiple responses and is working on the final steps for potential contract award.**
- 10) **EV Charger Acquisition Project:** Staff are working on developing an EV charger acquisition project across multiple cities throughout the county. ICTC will be coordinating with the various cities to complete the development. Once the charger stations are acquired, ICTC will proceed with the next steps associated with the installation. **It is anticipated that the project will be completed in FY 2025-26.**
- 11) **Local Transportation Authority (LTA), Measure D Program:** A publication highlighting agency projects completed in FY 2022/23 and FY 2023/24 using Measure D funds was published in the Imperial Valley Press on Saturday, May 17, 2025, and again on Wednesday, May 21, 2025. The LTA Local Taxpayer Supervisory Committee (LTSC) has requested in previous years that this information be published annually to ensure transparency, public awareness, and accountability in the use of Measure D funds. Our goal is to continue this effort moving forward, ensuring that the public remains informed about the ongoing investment and impact of Measure D in our communities.
- 12) **Potential HHW Site in Calipatria:** Staff are currently exploring the potential development of a Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection site within the City of Calipatria. This initiative is part of our ongoing efforts to enhance environmental stewardship and promote public safety by providing residents with a dedicated and accessible location for the proper disposal of household hazardous materials. The implementation of this project is contingent upon securing appropriate grant funding, which will support the necessary infrastructure, operational costs, and community outreach efforts. Should the grant be awarded, this facility would significantly improve local access to safe and environmentally responsible HHW disposal options, thereby reducing the risk of improper waste management and its associated environmental and health impacts. Staff will continue to seek opportunities and will keep the Commission informed of any developments as they arise.
- 13) **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 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. **Staff will be providing updates as it pertains to the development of the service.**

- 14) **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 was approved at the April 2025 Commission Meeting. **ICTC received approval to proceed with Right of Way acquisition from the California Transportation Commission (CTC) in June 2025. ICTC is working on next steps to have the proposed property appraised and to work towards acquisition.**
- 15) **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.
- 16) **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. **ICTC recently received various bids from interested parties for consideration. ICTC is evaluating the responses and intends to work towards a potential contract award in September 2025.**
- 17) **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.**
- 18) **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 September 11, 2025, in Mexicali.**
- 19) **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.**

- 20) **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. The City of Calexico and City of Westmorland were able to secure additional funding from SCAG to further develop their projects.**
- 21) **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 9th, 2023. Further information about the service can be viewed on the website: <https://city.ridewithvia.com/calexico-ondemand>. 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 was also able to secure an additional grant through the CMO program to continue funding the service. ICTC also received an additional funding commitment to further continue the service beyond the current grant funding received.
- 22) **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 <https://catc.ca.gov/-/media/ctc-media/documents/programs/local-partnership-program/2024-lpp-competitive-guidelines-adopted-resolution.pdf>

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.**

- 23) **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	Total Value Requested by All Applicants
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	Total Value Requested by All Applicants
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.**

- 24) **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

- 25) **Orchard Road & SR115 Traffic Concept Report:** During the Commission meeting of September 2022, the Commission asked ICTC staff to follow up on the SR 115 Transportation Concept Report (TCR). ICTC staff has conducted meetings with Caltrans and County Public Works staff during the week of October 17th. ICTC staff, in partnership with County and Caltrans staff, are continuing discussions for short term options to deter trucks from using Orchard Road. The parties are also expected to discuss long-term options as well. More information will be shared as discussions continue.
- 26) **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: <https://www.imperialctc.org/projects/calexico-east-port-of-entry-bridge-expansion>.
- 27) **San Diego & Imperial Counties Sustainable Freight Strategy:** The study is posted to the ICTC website at: <https://www.imperialctc.org/assets/san-diego-imperial-counties-sustainable-freight-implementation-strategy-final-report-2024-02-01.pdf>
- 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: https://www.sco.ca.gov/ard_payments_rmra_cities.html
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- 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: <https://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/local-partnership-program/local-partnership-program-formulaic>
 - For a complete list of California specific grant opportunities go to <https://www.grants.ca.gov/>

- For a complete list of federal transportation grant opportunities go to <https://www.transportation.gov/infrastructure-investment-and-jobs-act>

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

Various transit community services provided throughout the month

- June 18, 2025 – CMAQ & STBG Scoring and Ranking meeting at the ICTC offices
- June 25, 2025 – ICTC, IVRMA and LTA meetings at the ICTC office
- June 26, 2025 – ICTC TAC Meeting at the ICTC offices
- June 26, 2025 – IVRMA TAC Meeting at the ICTC offices
- June 26-27, 2025 – CTC Meeting in Sacramento (attended by Gustavo Gomez)
- June 27, 2025 – SANDAG Borders Committee in San Diego
- June 29-July 2, 2025 – SHRM Conference in San Diego (attended by Cristi Lerma)
- July 2, 2025 – ICOE Student Training (attended by Priscilla Baca)
- July 2, 2025 – Knightscope QBR via Zoom (attended Espy Avila)
- July 2, 2025 – Presentation Day Out (attended by Priscilla Baca)
- July 3, 2025 – 51S Ride Along (attended by Priscilla Baca)
- July 7, 2025 – Ride Along-IVT Green Line (attended by Priscilla)
- July 9, 2025 – ICTC Management Committee meeting at the ICTC offices
- July 9, 2025 – AB 617 Community Steering Committee meeting via zoom meeting
- July 10, 2025 – Imperial Mexicali Binational Alliance meeting in Calexico with a tour of Gateway Park (attendee by Marlene Flores, Cesar Beltran and Espy Avila)
- July 10, 2025 – Caltrans Binational Rail Strategy Kick-off Meeting in San Diego
- July 14-17, 2025 – NTI Procurement II Training-Risk Assessment and Basic Cost of Price Analysis in Philadelphia (attended by Gustavo Gomez)
- July 14, 2025 – Staff Meeting
- July 15, 2025 – IVRMA Administrative meeting
- July 15, 2025 – City of Brawley Council Meeting for IVT RIDE NOW presentation (attended by Marlene Flores)
- July 15, 2025 – City of El Centro Council Meeting for IVT RIDE NOW presentation
- July 16, 2025 – City of Calexico Council Meeting for IVT RIDE NOW presentation
- July 16, 2025 – District 11 Obligation Plan meeting via Teams

FFY24/25 Federal Funded Project Obligation List						
Updated on 7/2/2025						
Federal funding Obligations: The following is a list of projects that must submit a Request for Authorization to Caltrans Local Assistance. Projects must obligate (E-76) federal funds in FFY 2024/25. (Starting October 1, 2024 thru September 30, 2025)						
Agency	Project ID	Project Title	Funding Type	Programming Phase	Federal Amount in FY 2024/25 (in 000's)	Obligation Status/ Notes
Brawley	IMP220608	B Street from Eastern Avenue to Palm Avenue	STBG	CON	\$456	E-76 Received
Brawley	IMP240703	Western Avenue Improvement Project (HWY 86 to Main Street)	STBG	CON	\$599	RFA submitted
Calipatria	IMP220603	South Brown Avenue Roadway and Pedestrian Facilities Improvement Project between Main Street/SR115 to Church Street.	CMAQ	CON	\$1,649	RFA submitted
Calipatria	IMP220610	Main Street Roadway Improvements Project between Lake Avenue and International Boulevard.	STBG	CON	\$298	RFA will be submitted next week
El Centro	IMP220604	Imperial Ave. Traffic Signal Synchronization Project from Ocotillo Dr. to Main St.	CMAQ	CON	\$570	June 15th Revision Submitted
El Centro	IMP220611	S. Imperial Avenue Extension Phase III from Danenberg Dr. to Manuel Ortiz Ave.	STBG	CON	\$2,195	E-76 Received
Holtville	IMP220612	West 9th Street Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements Project Between Melon Road and Olive Avenue	CPFCDS	R/W	\$871	Project completed
Holtville	IMP220612	West 9th Street Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements Project Between Melon Road and Olive Avenue	STBG	CON	\$587	RFA submitted
Imperial City	IMP240701	Aten Boulevard Sidewalk Installation Project Phase II, Between Myrtle Road and Old SR-86	CMAQ	CON	\$112	ROW
Imperial City	IMP240702	EV Chargin Station of EV Purchase, Phase II	CRP	CON	\$311	ROW

Imperial County	IMP220607	Main Street Improvements from SR 111 to Memphis Ave. (South Side) and Isis Avenue Improvements from Main St. to Third St. in the Community of Niland	CMAQ	CON	\$1,163	Submit RFA July 15th
Imperial County	IMP220614	Bowker Road Rehabilitation from McCabe Rd. to Ross Rd.	STBG	CON	\$1,666	Out to Bid, expected to be awarded on June
Imperial County	IMPL507	Grouped Projects for Bridge Rehabilitation and Reconstruction - HBP Program (projects are consistent with 40CFR part 93.126 exempt tables 2 categories - widening narrow pavements or reconstructing bridges (no additional travel lanes) - Toll Credits used	HBP	CON	\$5,279	Requested an Extension
ICTC	IMP160410	Construction of an Intermodal Transportation Center in downtown Calexico inclusive of sidewalk improvements on Rockwood Avenue between 1st Street to 3rd Street.	CPFCDS	CON	\$553	Under Construction
ICTC	IMP160410	Construction of an Intermodal Transportation Center in downtown Calexico inclusive of sidewalk improvements on Rockwood Avenue between 1st Street to 3rd Street.	CPFCDS	CON	\$3,563	Missing R/W Funds and CON for STATE ATP - ATP packet sent by David.
ICTC	IMP230401	Installation of EV Charging Stations at various locations in Imperial Valley	CRP	CON	\$403	Working on RFP
ICTC	IMP240603	Imperial County Region Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station Feasibility Study	CRP	CON	\$150	Staff is anticipating releasing the RFP in the coming weeks.
					\$20,425	

FY24-25 State Funded Project Obligation List

Updated on 6/27/2025

State Funded Allocations: *The following is a list of projects that must submit a Request for Allocation to Caltrans Local Assistance for State approval during FY 2024/2025 (Starting July 1, 2024 thru June 30, 2025)*

Agency	Project ID	Project Name	Funding Type	Programming Phase	State Amount in FY 2024/25 (in 000's)	Obligation Status/ Notes
County	IMP230703	Sidewalk improvements on Heffernan Avenue from 14th street to 11th street.	ATP		\$909	Completed
Brawley	IMP230701	Main Street & 8th street Improvements	HSIP	CON	\$208	Design
Brawley	IMP230702	Dogwood Rd & Mead Rd. Roadway Improvements	HSIP	CON	\$692	Design
Calipatria	IMP230703	City of Calipatria - Bonita Place Pedestrian Safety Project	ATP MPO	CON	\$909	Working RFP for PS&E Phase
El Centro	IMP230704	City El Centro Pedestrian Improvement Project	ATP MPO	R/W	\$1,200	
ICTC	IMP100101	Planning, Programming, and Monitoring (PPM) funds to pay for eligible staff and program expenses for ICTC	STIP	CON	\$279	
ICTC	IMP160410	Construction of an Intermodal Transportation Center in downtown Calexico inclusive of sidewalk improvements on Rockwood Avenue between 1st Street to 3rd Street.	ATP MPO	CON	\$1,073	Construction started on April 2025
					\$5,270	