



HUMBOLDT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
Regional Transportation Planning Agency
Humboldt County Local Transportation Authority
Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies
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Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
MEETING RECORD

Regular Meeting

Thursday, September 3, 2026, 2:30 p.m.
HCAOG Conference Room
611 I Street, Suite B, Eureka, CA 95501

Present:

Katie Collender (Chair)	Humboldt Transit Authority
Tom Mattson	County of Humboldt
Brian Issa	City of Fortuna
Catharine Crayne	Caltrans
Jesse Willor	City of Eureka
Jeff Hodge	Hoopa Tribe
Jordan Ludtke	City of Blue Lake
Misty Rickwalt (via Zoom)	Karuk Tribe
Josh Wolf	City of Trinidad
Michelle Nielsen	City of Ferndale
Leslie Sanders (Alternate)	Trinidad Rancheria
Pat Kaspari (Advisory)	MCSD
Charmin Bailey (Alternate, Advisory, via Zoom)	Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria

Absent:

Steven Pearl	City of Rio Dell
Netra Khatri	City of Arcata
Dennis Korb	Yurok Tribe
Anita Huff (Advisory)	Blue Lake Rancheria
Kaylyn Stainbrook (Advisory)	City of Fortuna – Transit
Lt. Commander Gabriel Parker (Advisory)	California Highway Patrol

Staff:

Rob Holmlund	Executive Director
Amy Eberwein	Fiscal Administrative Officer
Oona Smith	Senior Regional Planner
Stevie Luther (via Zoom)	Senior Regional Planner

1. Call to Order

Chair Katie Collender called the meeting of September 3, 2026, to order at 2:30 p.m.

2. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items

None

3. Presentations

a. Flex Humboldt

Katie Collender, general Manager of Humboldt Transit Authority (HTA) presented on Flex Humboldt, the on-demand shared ride microtransit currently serving the region.

4. Consent Calendar

Motion was made (Mattson/Nielsen) to approve the following item on the consent calendar:

a. Approval of Meeting Record – June 4, 2026

Motion passed unanimously

5. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar

None

6. Discussion Items

a. Vision Zero Action Plan Update

Senior Regional Planner Stevie Luther provided an update on the Vision Zero Action Plan Project including the results of the demonstration projects.

Public Comment: Colin Fiske

b. Partnering Assets and Authorities for Comprehensive Transit (PAACT) Project: Revised Drafts of Transit Network Concepts for Ridership vs. Coverage and Draft Survey Questions

Senior Regional Planner Oona Smith presented the revised drafts of Transit Network Concepts and draft survey questions, and requested input from the TAC.

Public Comment: Colin Fiske

7. HCAOG Executive Director and Staff Reports

a. Reminders:

- NCE Consultants will be attending the November TAC meeting to discuss treatment strategies. Please be prepared to discuss the pavement maintenance and rehabilitation decision tree for your jurisdiction.
- Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants are due on October 9th.
- September is Transit Month with several events being organized by transit advocates. HCAOG is co-sponsoring a public talk titled “Protecting transit’s role in multi-racial inclusive democracy” on Thursday September 10th from 5:45 – 6:45 pm at the McKinleyville Family Resource Center.
- Humboldt Commons is organizing a fundraiser on September 10th at Fieldbrook Winery to support construction of a sidewalk and bike trail along Hiller Rd. in McKinleyville.

b. Updates:

- 30-day notice: HCAOG Transportation Development Act (TDA) Rules revisions will be brought to the TAC at the October meeting. Revisions include but are not limited to increasing the reserve amount for the 2% Bike and Ped Fund.
- Redwood Coast Energy Authority’s Draft Memorandum of Understanding for the Regional Climate Action Plan
- Safe Routes to School Feasibility Study
- SAFE Callbox Updates and Knightscope Contract
- Carbon Reduction Program Updates

8. TAC Member Reports

Katie Collender discussed the groundbreaking of the EaRTH Center.

Catharine Crayne announced the Highway Safety Improvement Program call for applications is currently open until November 2nd. The US 101 Corridor Management Plan is still open for comments through the end of September. There will be three virtual office hours for Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant applications.

Jesse Willor shared an update on the City of Eureka's Complete and Green Streets Performance Measures.

Adjournment 3:45 p.m.