

HUMBOLDT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Bear River Band Rancheria

Regional Transportation Planning Agency Humboldt County Local Transportation Authority Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies 611 I Street, Suite B Eureka, CA 95501 (707) 444-8208

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

MEETING RECORD

Regular Meeting

Thursday, October 2, 2025, 2:30 p.m. HCAOG Conference Room 611 I Street, Suite B, Eureka, CA 95501

Present:

Katie Collender (Chair) **Humboldt Transit Authority** County of Humboldt Tom Mattson City of Fortuna Brian Issa Catharine Crayne Caltrans Jeff Hodge Hoopa Tribe Jesse Willor City of Eureka Mike Foget (Alternate) City of Blue Lake Josh Wolf City of Trinidad Michelle Nielsen City of Ferndale Misty Rickwalt (Via Zoom, Non-voting) Karuk Tribe Merritt Perry (Alternate) City of Arcata Noah Rodriguez (Alternate) Trinidad Rancheria Samuel Martinez (Via Zoom, Non-voting) Yurok Tribe City of Rio Dell Steven Pearl

Absent:

Captain Larry Depee (Advisory)

Anita Huff (Advisory)

Kaylyn Stainbrook (Advisory)

California Highway Patrol

Blue Lake Rancheria

City of Fortuna – Transit

Staff:

Brendan Byrd Executive Director
Amy Eberwein Administrative Services Officer
Oona Smith Senior Regional Planner

1. Call to Order/Introductions

Chair Katie Collender called the meeting of October 2, 2025, to order at 2:30 p.m.

2. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items

Kelsey Benson (Advisory, Alternate)

None

3. Presentations

a. Coordination Opportunities with PG&E

PG&E Regional Senior Manager Brian Gerving discussed his role with the company and opportunities for furthering local agency and PG&E coordination on projects within local right of ways.

4. Consent Calendar

Motion was made (Mattson/Willor) to approve the following items on the consent calendar:

a. Approval of Meeting Record – September 4, 2025

Motion was approved unanimously.

5. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar

None

6. Action Items

a. Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3, Bicycle and Pedestrian 2% Allocation –City of Blue Lake Project Modification Request

Motion was made (Mattson/Nielsen) to recommend that the HCAOG Board approve the modification of the 2024 2% TDA funding request from the City of Blue Lake.

Motion passed unanimously.

b. 2026 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Funding and Project Selection for the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP)

Motion was made (Mattson/Perry) to recommend that proposals received from City of Arcata, City of Blue Lake, City of Eureka, City of Ferndale, and City of Fortuna provide revised budgets for their projects at the November TAC meeting.

Motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion Items

a. 2026 Pavement Management Plan Update

Executive Director Brendan Byrd provided information on the 2026 Pavement Management Plan Update. The TAC provided input on the scope of work for the upcoming Request for Proposals (RFP) including keeping the request for training in the RFP. Discussion took place about options for including sidewalk studies in this update, but the TAC chose not to pursue this option.

8. HCAOG Executive Director and Staff Reports

Executive Director Brendan Byrd expressed the Board's appreciation for the TAC's ability to continually work cooperatively. Staff will be bringing the draft Regional Transportation Plan and the draft Regional Transportation Improvement Program to the November TAC meeting for review.

Senior Regional Planner Oona Smith discussed the Vibrant Neighborhoods project status and requested that TAC members complete the survey that was sent out via email.

9. TAC Member Reports

Catharine Crayne shared that there will be a Brad Mettam Memorial signage dedication at the Indianola Undercrossing ribbon cutting. There are two more workshops for the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant which will take place at 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on October 8th and October 15th. The Research-to-Practice Transit Symposium will take place online on October 28th - 30th.

Adjournment 4:20 p.m.