



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, February 6, 2025, 2:30 p.m.
HCAOG Conference Room
611 I Street, Suite B, Eureka, CA 95501

Alternate Meeting Sites:

Contact: Samuel Martinez
Yurok Tribal Office – Community Room
190 Klamath Blvd. Klamath, CA

Contact: Misty Rickwalt
Karuk Tribal Office Council Chambers
37960 Highway 96, Orleans, CA

Present:

Brendan Byrd
Katie Collender
Catharine Crayne
Jeff Hodge
Jesse Willor
Jordan Ludtke
Josh Wolf
Michelle Nielsen
Misty Rickwalt (Via Zoom)
Netra Khatri
Noah Rodriguez (Alternate)
Samuel Martinez (Alternate, Via Zoom)
Steven Pearl
Tom Mattson

City of Fortuna
Humboldt Transit Authority
Caltrans
Hoopa Tribe
City of Eureka
City of Blue Lake
City of Trinidad
City of Ferndale
Karuk Tribe
City of Arcata
Trinidad Rancheria
Yurok Tribe
City of Rio Dell
County of Humboldt

Absent:

John McGinnis (Advisory)
Anita Huff (Advisory)
Captain Larry Depee (Advisory)
Kathy Rexford (Advisory)

Bear River Band Rancheria
Blue Lake Rancheria
California Highway Patrol
City of Fortuna – Transit

Staff:

Debbie Egger
Amy Eberwein
Noah Sary

Interim Executive Director
Administrative Services Officer
CivicSpark Intern

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Brendan Byrd called the meeting of February 6, 2025, to order at 2:30 p.m.

2. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items – None

3. Presentations

a. Week Without Driving Walk Audit Report

Colin Fiske, Executive Director of the Coalition for Responsible Transportation Priorities (CRTP) presented on the walk audits done during the Week Without Driving.

4. Consent Calendar

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

a. Approval of Meeting Record – October 3, 2024

b. Rio Dell Local Match Contingency Fund Request

The TAC recommended that the HCAOG Board approve funding for the Rio Dell Traffic/Circulation Study in the amount of \$7,250 from the local match contingency fund.

Motion was approved unanimously

5. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar – None

6. Action Items

a. Election of Officers

Motion was made (Wolf/Khatri) to elect Katie Collender as Chair and Tom Mattson as Vice-Chair for calendar year 2025.

b. Draft FY 2025-26 Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget (encl)

Motion was made (Mattson/Khatri) to recommend that the HCAOG Board approve the draft FY 2025-26 OWP and Budget with edits as discussed.

7. Discussion and Informational Items

a. 2% Bike and Ped Solicitation

HCAOG staff provided an update on the 2% Bike and Pedestrian set aside fund and upcoming solicitations for projects.

b. Prioritization of Projects for Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Regional Transportation Improvement Plan (RTIP) (encl)

The TAC directed staff to return this item in March as an action item in order to form an ad-hoc committee to establish a policy for prioritizing projects listed in the RTP and the RTIP.

8. HCAOG Executive Director and Staff Reports

Interim Executive Director Debbie Egger discussed the following:

- Requested input and direction on the Safe Streets and Roads for All grant, particularly related to the purchase of cameras.
- Provided an update on the available Carbon Reduction Program (FSTIP) funding.
- Provided an update on the recruitment for the new HCAOG Executive Director.

9. TAC Member Reports

- Netra Khatri requested updates on the status of Federal grants when and if HCAOG receives any news.
- Jesse Willor requested a future presentation from Caltrans regarding an update on the HM4 project. He also initiated a discussion regarding the potential for working together regionally in order to increase maintenance and safety on trails.
- Brendan Byrd announced that City of Fortuna submitted a Build Program grant for the 12th street interchange project. They will also potentially seek funding from a Coastal Conservancy grant for pre-planning work on The Great Redwood Trail.
- Catharine Crayne provided the following Caltrans updates:
 - 6 applications were received for the 2025-26 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants. Awards will take place in June.

Adjournment 3:54 p.m.