



HUMBOLDT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
Regional Transportation Planning Agency
Humboldt County Local Transportation Authority
Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING RECORD

June 16, 2025, 4:30 p.m.
Eureka City Hall, Council Chambers
531 K Street, Eureka CA 95501

Present:

Supervisor Steve Madrone (Vice-Chair)
Councilmember Kat Napier
Councilmember Skip Jorgensen
Mayor Kim Bergel
Mayor Pro Tem Bryce Kenny
Councilmember Robert Orr

County of Humboldt
City of Blue Lake
City of Ferndale
City of Eureka
City of Trinidad
City of Rio Dell

Policy Advisory Committee Members:

Alex Stillman (Alternate)
Tatiana Ahlstrand

Humboldt Transit Authority
Caltrans

Absent:

Mayor Mike Johnson (Chair)
Councilmember Stacy Atkins-Salazar

City of Fortuna
City of Arcata

Staff:

Brendan Byrd
Amy Eberwein

Executive Director
Administrative Services Officer

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Steve Madrone called the meeting of June 16, 2025, to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. Adjournment of the HCAOG Board; Convening of the Policy Advisory Committee (PAC)

The PAC convened to include representatives from Caltrans and Humboldt Transit Authority.

3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items - None

4. Consent Calendar

Motion was made (Bergel/Jorgensen) to approve the following consent items:

- Approval of Meeting Records – May 15, 2025**
- Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Policy and Allocations**

The PAC recommended that the HCAOG Board approve the Fiscal Year 2024-25 RSTP Policy and Allocations.

c. Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Federal Transit Administration Section 5311 Fund Allocation Request and Information on the 5311(f) Program

The PAC recommended that the HCAOG Board adopt Resolution 25-13 approving the programming of FFY 2025 Federal Transit Administration Section 5311 Program funds to the Humboldt Transit Authority for Operating Assistance and Resolution 25-14 authorizing the Executive Director to sign and execute a certification and assurance form for all FFY 2025 5311(f) applications that meet the program requirements.

d. Funding Agreement Between Humboldt Transit Authority, County of Humboldt, and HCAOG Regarding Dial-A-Ride Service Operating and Administrative Cost Sharing

The PAC recommended that the HCAOG Board approve the Funding Agreement as proposed by Humboldt Transit Authority and authorize the Executive Director to sign the one-year contract approving HCAOG's portion of \$132,639 for supplemental paratransit service for Fiscal Year 2025-26.

Motion was approved unanimously.

5. Items Removed from Consent Calendar – None

6. PAC Action Items

a. Authorize Executive Director to Submit Carbon Reduction Program Funding Allocation Requests for Local Agency Recommended Projects

Motion was made (Bergel/Napier) to recommend that the HCAOG Board approve the Carbon Reduction Program local funding requests and programming strategy as recommended by the TAC and authorize the Executive Director to complete all necessary documentation.

Motion was approved unanimously.

7. Discussion Items

a. Proposed Approach to the Regional Climate Action Plan (RCAP) Committee and Manager Position for FY 25-26

Executive Director, Brendan Byrd, provided updates on the Regional Climate Action Plan. The PAC provided direction to staff including exploring a regional funding strategy through Memorandums of Understanding to fund the future Climate Action Plan manager, retaining HCAOG budgeted reserve funds in the Overall Work Program to be used for a Climate Action Plan manager if needed, and exploring further options for Board oversight structure and the climate committee.

8. Reconvening of the HCAOG Board

Motion was made (Jorgensen/Kenny) to reconvene as the HCAOG Board and approve the PAC recommendations.

Motion was approved unanimously.

9. HCAOG Staff and Board/PAC Member Reports

a. HCAOG Executive Director's Report

- Executive Director Brendan Byrd discussed the following: Status of the RTP Ad Hoc Committee, TAC and SSTAC meetings for Measure O spending plans, RHNA Working Group and pre-draft RHNA Assessment, Stevie Luther's return from educational leave, and Vision Zero Action Plan activities.

b. Caltrans Report

- PAC Member Tatiana Ahlstrand provided updates on the Ferndale Access Project, 2025 Ten-Year Plan survey, Hydesville pedestrian enhancements, Eureka Slough Bridge Replacement project, award announcements for the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants, and the June Caltrans Milestone Report.

c. Board/PAC Member Reports

- PAC Member Alex Stillman provided updates from Humboldt Transit Authority.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Approved