



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

**Present:**

Katie Collender (Chair)  
 Tom Mattson  
 Brian Issa  
 Catharine Crayne  
 Jeff Hodge  
 Jesse Willor  
 Mike Foget (Alternate)  
 Josh Wolf  
 Michelle Nielsen  
 Misty Rickwalt (Via Zoom, Non-voting)  
 Merritt Perry (Alternate)  
 Noah Rodriguez (Alternate)  
 Samuel Martinez (Via Zoom, Non-voting)  
 Steven Pearl  
 Kelsey Benson (Advisory, Alternate)

Humboldt Transit Authority  
 County of Humboldt  
 City of Fortuna  
 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  
 Bear River Band Rancheria

**Absent:**

Captain Larry Depee (Advisory)  
 Anita Huff (Advisory)  
 Kaylyn Stainbrook (Advisory)

California Highway Patrol  
 Blue Lake Rancheria  
 City of Fortuna – Transit

**Staff:**

Brendan Byrd  
 Amy Eberwein  
 Oona Smith

Executive Director  
 Administrative Services Officer  
 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**

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 8<sup>th</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup>. The Research-to-Practice Transit Symposium will take place online on October 28<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Adjournment 4:20 p.m.**