



**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, 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
Catharine Crayne	Caltrans
Jeff Hodge	Hoopa Tribe
Jesse Willor	City of Eureka
Jordan Ludtke	City of Blue Lake
Michelle Nielsen	City of Ferndale
Misty Rickwalt (via Zoom)	Karuk Tribe
Netra Khatri	City of Arcata
Noah Rodriguez (Alternate)	Trinidad Rancheria
Steven Pearl	City of Rio Dell
Kelsey Benson (Alternate, Advisory)	Bear River Band Rancheria
Patricia Ulmer (Alternate)	Yurok Tribe
Jose Hernandez (Alternate, Advisory)	Blue Lake Rancheria
Lt. Commander Gabriel Parker (Advisory)	California Highway Patrol

**Absent:**

Josh Wolf	City of Trinidad
Brian Issa	City of Fortuna
Kaylyn Stainbrook (Advisory)	City of Fortuna – Transit

**Staff:**

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

**1. Call to Order/Introductions**

Chair Katie Collender called the meeting of February 5, 2026, to order at 2:35 p.m.

**2. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items**

None

### 3. Consent Calendar

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

#### a. Approval of Meeting Record – December 4, 2025

**Motion passed unanimously.**

### 4. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar

None

### 5. Action Items

#### a. Draft FY 2026-27 Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget

**Motion was made** (Mattson/Pearl) to recommend that the HCAOG Board approve the draft FY 2026-27 OWP and Budget.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

#### b. FY 2026-27 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Local Transportation Fund (LTF) Apportionment

**Motion was made** (Willor/Khatri) to recommend that the HCAOG Board adopt Resolution 25-24 approving the FY 2025-26 OWP & Budget Amendment #2.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

#### c. 2026 Pavement Management Program (PMP) Consultant Selection

**Motion was made** (Mattson/Nielson) to recommend that the HCAOG Board approve awarding a professional services contract to Nichols Consulting Engineers to complete the 2026 PMP.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

#### d. Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Final Draft

**Motion was made** (Collender/Crayne) to consider recommending that the HCAOG Board adopt the final draft of the 2026-2046 RTP.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

### 6. Discussion Items

#### a. Transportation Development Act 2% Bicycle and Pedestrian Set-Aside

Staff provided the TAC with options for increasing the funding reserve in the 2% Bicycle and Pedestrian Set-Aside fund and asked for direction from the TAC. The TAC directed staff to renew the 50/50 option starting with the next round of 2% Bike and Pedestrian Call for Projects. 50% of the set-aside will be reserved for trail maintenance projects until the reserve reaches \$1 million. The remaining 50% will be available each year for jurisdictions to submit project requests.

### 7. HCAOG Executive Director and Staff Reports

Executive Director Brendan Byrd discussed the following:

- The Request for Proposals for the Loleta Safe Routes to School Project will close on February 19<sup>th</sup> and will come back to the TAC to consider awarding a contract in March.
- McKinleyville Community Services District has requested TAC membership. This will be reviewed and brought back to the TAC at the next meeting.
- The Vision Zero Action Plan is progressing and upcoming discussions will take place regarding the list of intersections and segments which will be analyzed and assigned countermeasures as part of this project.
- Reminders about new Brown Act requirements for the new year including that voting members attending online must have their camera on during the entire meeting.

Senior Regional Planner Oona Smith discussed the status of the Partnering Assets and Authorities for Comprehensive Transit (PAACT) project.

**8. TAC Member Reports**

Catharine Crayne announced multiple funding opportunities and updates on the Strategic Transportation Planning Grant applications and the District Transit Plan.

Katie Collender discussed Humboldt Transit Authority's microtransit program.

**Adjournment 3:17 p.m.**

Approved