



**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 18, 2026, 4:30 p.m.
Eureka City Hall, Council Chambers
531 K Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Present:

Mayor Mike Johnson (Chair)	City of Fortuna
Supervisor Steve Madrone	County of Humboldt
Mayor Kim Bergel	City of Eureka
Councilmember Katheryn Napier (Alternate)	City of Blue Lake
Mayor Pro Tem Bryce Kenny	City of Trinidad
Councilmember Robert Orr	City of Rio Del
Mayor Kimberley White	City of Arcata
Councilmember Skip Jorgensen	City of Ferndale

Policy Advisory Committee Members:

Tatiana Ahlstrand	Caltrans
Natalie Arroyo	Humboldt Transit Authority

Absent: None

Staff:

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

1. Call to Order

Chair Johnson called the meeting of June 18, 2026, 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. Presentations

a. Fiscal Years 2022-23 through 2024-25 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Triennial Performance Audits

Kathy Chambers of Moore and Associates presented audit findings and recommendations.

5. Consent Calendar

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

a. Approve the Meeting Records for May 21, 2026.

b. This item was removed for further discussion.

c. Adopt Resolution 26-15 approving the FY 2026-27 State Transit Assistance and State of Good Repair Allocations.

d. Adopt Resolution 26-17 approving the City of Trinidad's FY 2025-26 Transportation Development Act Local Transportation Fund Claim.

e. Approve the FY 2025-26 Regional Surface Transportation Program Policy and Allocations.

f. Approve an Employment Agreement for CalPERS Retired Annuitant Debbie Egger, remove Brendan Byrd from all CCCU accounts, authorize Debbie Egger as the primary signatory on all accounts, and authorize the closing of Brendan Byrd's CCCU Business credit card.

Motion was approved unanimously.

6. Items Removed from Consent Calendar

5b. Reallocation of City of Arcata's Fiscal Year 2024-25 State of Good Repair Funds

Motion was made (Napier/Arroyo) to adopt Resolution 26-14, amending and restating Resolution 24-08, to reallocate the City of Arcata's FY 2024-25 SGR allocation in the amount of \$18,009 to Humboldt Transit Authority.

Motion was approved unanimously.

7. Action Items

a. Senate Bill (SB) 125 Long Term Financial Plan

Motion was made (Arroyo/Jorgensen) to accept the SB 125 Long Term Financial Plan and authorize staff to submit to the California State Transportation Agency.

Motion was approved unanimously.

8. Reconvening of the HCAOG Board

Motion was made (Madrone/Bergel) 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 – None

b. Caltrans Report

- Indianola Interchange Project: The median crossing closures at Mid-City Motors, the site of the old mill, Bracut, and Bayside Cutoff will happen in July, and once the work gets going, it will happen quickly, within a couple of weeks. The construction of the northbound traffic signal at Airport Road is underway and should go live in

mid- to end of July. All construction activities should be wrapped up by the end of the summer.

- Comprehensive Adaptation and Implementation Plan (CAIP): Caltrans is seeking public input on the Comprehensive Adaptation and Implementation Plan (CAIP). This plan addresses sea level rise concerns for US 101 between Eureka and Arcata, and it functions as a high-level feasibility study. The public comment period on the CAIP closes on June 30th.
- US 101 Corridor Management Plan: The draft US 101 Corridor Management Plan is also currently out for public comment. This plan guides the development of the US 101 over a 20–25-year planning horizon, and considers highway, transit, bike, freight and operational improvements. The comment period will be open at least through the end of July.
- Caltrans FY 26-27 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program: The City of Arcata and HCAOG (as a sub-applicant) Reconnect Arcata Project planning grant proposal was awarded. The next cycle will have a call for applications in mid-August. Also, the Draft FY 2027-28 grant application guide is currently open for a 30-day public comment period.

c. Board/PAC Member Reports

- PAC Member Arroyo discussed the State Transit Assistance allocation and working with City of Fortuna on their expanded services.

10. Closed Session

The Board met in closed session regarding public employee appointment/employment. **Motion was made** (Madrone/White) to direct the Interim Executive Director to enter into contract negotiations with the candidate who was selected to fill the Executive Director position.

Motion was approved unanimously.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:36 p.m.