# TEHAMA COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Tehama County Transportation Commission Office 1515 Schwab Street Red Bluff, CA 96080

# AGENDA FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025

#### 3:00 PM

Chairman: Scott Miller - City of Red Bluff Vice-Chairman: Kelly Zolotoff - Caltrans District 2

Elijah Stanley - City of Corning, Carolyn Steffan - City of Tehama, Lynn Siedschlag - Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians, Will Pike - County of Tehama

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# Standing Items

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Public Comment

#### 3. Announcements By Staff

25-0301

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These promotions acknowledge their hard work and commitment to advancing transportation projects and policies in the region. Please join us in congratulating Ashley and Cole on their well-deserved achievements!

# **Regular Items**

# 1. Approval of Minutes - Transportation Planner Aide Houghtby

25-0286

Waive the reading and approve the minutes from the November 6th, 2024 Regional Transportation Planning Agency Technical Advisory Committee regular meeting.

Attachments: RTPA TAC Minutes 11-6-2024

#### 2. Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2025 Calendar Year

**25-0285** 

In order to elect a Chair and Vice Chair, the Council must make the following motion:

- a.) A motion to nominate and elect a Chair to serve for the calendar year of 2025.
- b.) A motion to nominate and elect a Vice Chair to serve for the calendar year of 2025.

#### 3. Transportation Funding Updates - Staff

25-0297

This item is to provide updates on key transportation funding matters, including the 2026 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Cycle, the Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Fund Transfer, and the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) Transfer. No formal action is required at this time.

#### 4. California Rural Counties Task Force - Rural Induced Demand Study

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Informational presentation and material distribution sharing item regarding the Rural Induced Demand Study released by the California Rural Counties Task Force (RCTF).

- a.) This item is for informational purposes only. No formal action is required at this time, however
- b.) Consider directing staff to return to a future meeting with an analysis of how the study's findings may impact local or regional transportation planning efforts. Consider possible endorsement of the study findings and direct staff to communicate the results to relevant state agencies, advocating for updates to existing guidance on induced demand in rural areas.

#### 6. Transportation Study Updates - Staff & TAC Members

**25-0300** 

This item is to provided updates on key transportation studies that are currently in progress or under review. No formal action is required at this time.

7. Transportation Project Updates - TAC Members

**25-0298** 

This item is to provide updates on key transportation projects currently in progress, including the 99W and South Main Project, the B Street Project, and an opportunity for any additional project updates in the region. No formal action is required at this time.

Attachments:

B St Map for environmental

B St Map-proposed extension

- 8. Items for Future Agenda
- 9. Closing Comments
- 10. Adjourn

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# **Financial Impact:**

None.

#### **Background Information:**

None.



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File #: 25-0286 Agenda Date: 3/5/2025 Agenda #: 1.

# **Approval of Minutes - Transportation Planner Aide Houghtby**

# Requested Action(s)

Waive the reading and approve the minutes from the November 6th, 2024 Regional Transportation Planning Agency Technical Advisory Committee regular meeting.

## **Financial Impact:**

None.

# **Background Information:**

See attached minutes.



# **Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, November 6, 2024 3:00 PM

Board Chambers Tehama County Board of Supervisors Chambers 727 Oak Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080 3:00 PM

Regional Transportation Planning Agency Technical
Advisory Committee

Chairman: Scott Miller, City of Red Bluff Vice-Chairman: Kelly Zolotoff, Caltrans District 2

Robin Kampmann, City of Corning; Carolyn Steffan, City of Tehama Tad Williams, Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians, Jim Simon, County of Tehama

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#### 1. Call to Order

#### 2. Public Comment

Scott Miller offered his thanks to Tad Williams for his work on the committee and wished him goodbye.

#### 3. Announcements

 a) The next Regional Transportation Planning Technical Advisory Committee Meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2025, unless a follow-up meeting is required for Regional Transportation Plan recommendation for adoption.

Item #7 has been pulled from the agenda

#### 4. TAC Announcements

No announcements.

# 5. Approval of Minutes - Associate Transportation Planner Fox

a) Waive the reading and approve the minutes from the September 11, 2024 Regional Transportation Planning Agency Technical Advisory Committee (RTPA TAC) meeting.

#### 6. 2025 Meeting Schedule - Associate Transportation Planner Fox

Adopt the RTPA TAC regular meeting dates for 2025.

#### 7. Senate Bill 960 - Deputy Director Riske-Gomez

Informational presentation on Senate Bill No.960.

## 8. Regional Transportation Plan - GreenDOT Transportation Solutions

Review Draft Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and make possible recommendation to the Transportation Commission to Adopt the 2024 RTP.

## 9. Bylaw Amendment - Deputy Director Riske-Gomez

Request recommendations and approval of the amended Tehama County Regional Transportation Planning Agency Technical Advisory Committee.

#### 10. State highway Needs Coordination - Caltrans District 2

Informational presentation for State Highway Needs in the region.

## 11. Items for Future Agenda

Chairman Miller proposed the future consideration of electing a new Chairman for the Committee. Robin Kampmann advised that Elija Stanley, Corning Public Works Director, would be transitioning into her seat on the Committee for future meetings.

#### 12. Closing Comments

No closing comments.

#### 13. Adjourn

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:52 PM.

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#### **Financial Impact:**

None.

# **Background Information:**

Pursuant to the Committee's bylaws, during the first meeting of the calendar year, a Chair and Vice Chair will be elected by the Committee and serve for one calendar year.

To facilitate the election process, Committee members may nominate candidates from among the members. Once nominations are made, the Committee will vote to elect the new Chair and Vice Chair.



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#### **Transportation Funding Updates - Staff**

#### Requested Action(s)

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#### **Financial Impact:**

Varies by funding source.

#### **Background Information:**

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#### SUB-ITEMS

## a. 2026 STIP Cycle

The 2026 STIP cycle is underway, and Tehama must begin preparing project proposals in accordance with the California Transportation Commission (CTC) guidelines. The RTIP is a critical funding source for regional transportation projects, and this cycle will determine project programming for the next five years. The update will cover:

- Key considerations include upcoming deadlines for project nominations and amendments
- Regional priorities and funding constraints
- Potential impacts of state funding availability on project selection
- This funding cycle staff would like to look at existing projects to ensure 100% funding prior to programming new projects

#### b. RSTP Fund Transfer

The Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) provides flexible funding that can be used for various transportation projects, including road rehabilitation and transit improvements. This update will cover:

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- The status of the RSTP fund transfer process
  - o Currently waiting on Standard Agreements
- No expected delays or administrative requirements
- Eligible uses and programming considerations for available funds
  - Still flexible by agency nomination and reported on by TCTC staff

#### c. LTF Fund Transfer

The Local Transportation Fund (LTF) is a primary funding source for transit and non-motorized transportation projects. The update will discuss:

- Fund availability and allocation updates
  - Staff have concluded Unmet Needs
- Potential impacts on local transit operations and planning
  - Increases to TRAX insurance which have adversely affected regional fund transfers
- Distribution of fund estimates and anticipated warrant delivery dates



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- b.) Consider directing staff to return to a future meeting with an analysis of how the study's findings may impact local or regional transportation planning efforts. Consider possible endorsement of the study findings and direct staff to communicate the results to relevant state agencies, advocating for updates to existing guidance on induced demand in rural areas.

# **Financial Impact:**

None at this time.

#### **Background Information:**

The California Rural Counties Task Force (RCTF) has officially released the Rural Induced Demand Study (February 2025) in response to the implementation of Senate Bill 743 (Steinberg, 2013) and its statewide application to transportation projects.

The study examines the impact of state policy on capacity-increasing projects in rural areas, particularly the use of Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) as the primary metric for determining transportation impacts.

While existing guidance on induced demand is largely based on research in congested urban highways, this study seeks to determine the extent to which induced demand occurs in rural highway corridors and to provide recommendations for refining state policies and environmental analyses.

The findings highlight the unique challenges faced by rural agencies in securing funding for critical regional projects, including safety improvements, evacuation routes, connectivity enhancements, access expansions, and goods movement.

#### **Key Findings:**

Existing methodologies for assessing induced demand are not well-suited for rural contexts.

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Project location and context must be key considerations in project-level analyses.

Many rural corridors lack the conditions that typically lead to induced demand, such as significant congestion, latent demand, or significant travel time reductions.

"Lane miles" is not an ideal proxy for measuring induced travel, as travel behavior changes primarily due to reduced travel times and increased access to developable land.

Travel surveys indicate that substantial travel time reductions (15+ minutes) are required to influence travel behavior.

Traditional elasticity-based methods lack the necessary specificity for project-level analysis under CEQA and should be used with caution.

A hybrid methodology combining travel demand models and elasticity-based approaches can provide more accurate assessments.

The study proposes an "Induced Demand Screening Criteria" to guide the evaluation of projects where induced demand is unlikely to occur.



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#### **Transportation Study Updates - Staff & TAC Members**

#### Requested Action(s)

This item is to provided updates on key transportation studies that are currently in progress or under review. No formal action is required at this time.

#### **Financial Impact:**

Varies by project.

#### **Background Information:**

#### **BACKGROUND**

This agenda item provides updates on key transportation studies that are currently in progress or under review. The studies covered in this update include the **99W South County Corridor Study**, the **Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) CRP**, the **Woodson Bridge Study**, and the **Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) & Amendment**. Each sub-item below outlines the latest developments, findings, and next steps.

#### SUB-ITEMS

#### a. 99W South County Corridor Study Update

The 99W South County Corridor Study is focused on improving connectivity, mobility, and safety along this key corridor in partnership with TAC partners. This update will address:

- Progress on funding authorizations
- Plans for advertising for Project Management
- Project timeline

#### b. VMT CRP Update

The Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) CRP study examines compliance with state-mandated VMT reduction goals and the impact of current policies. This update will include:

- Status of ongoing project
- Implications for regional transportation planning and funding
- Next steps for agency coordination and policy recommendations

#### c. Woodson Bridge Study Update

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The Woodson Bridge Study evaluates transportation and infrastructure considerations related to the bridge's long-term viability. This update will cover:

- Standard Agreement
- Potential project alternatives and funding options
- · Timeline for further study and decision-making

## d. Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) & Amendment

The RTP serves as a long-term blueprint for transportation investments in the region. This update will provide:

· Status of the RTP amendment process



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#### **Transportation Project Updates - TAC Members**

#### Requested Action(s)

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#### **Financial Impact:**

Varies by project.

#### **Background Information:**

#### **BACKGROUND**

This agenda item provides updates on key transportation projects currently in progress, including the 99W and South Main Project, the B Street Project, and the opportunity for any additional project updates in the region. Each sub-item outlines the current status, recent developments, and next steps.

#### **SUB-ITEMS**

#### a. 99W and South Main Project Update

The 99W and South Main project continues to progress as efforts focus on addressing cost overruns and securing additional funding. This update may cover:

- Current project status and timeline
- Any challenges impacting project completion

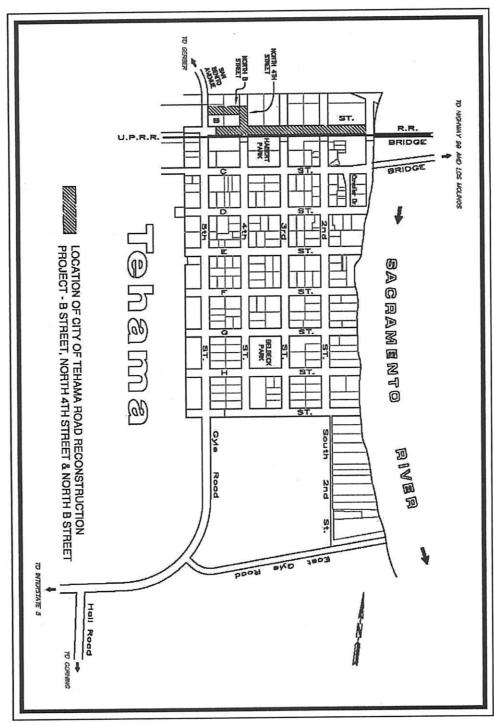
#### b. B Street Project Update

The B Street project is advancing through key phases, with ongoing coordination agencies and stakeholders. This update may include:

- Recent project milestones and upcoming phases
- Funding and permitting considerations
- Any anticipated delays or modifications

#### c. Roundtable for Additional Project Updates

City of Tehama B Street Road Reconstruction Project



LOCATION MAP

