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Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
MEETING RECORD

Regular Meeting
January 4, 2018, 2:30 p.m.
HCAOG Conference Room

Present:

Merritt Perry (Chair)	City of Fortuna
Netra Khatri	City of Arcata
Cody Long (Alternate)	City of Blue Lake
Praj White	City of Ferndale
Tom Mattson	Humboldt County
David Caisse	City of Rio Dell
Josh Wolf	City of Trinidad
Wendell Freeman	Bear River/Rohnerville Rancheria
Emily Stokes (Alternate)	Blue Lake Rancheria
Mike Hostler	Hoopa Tribe
Misty Rickwalt	Karuk Tribe
Grant (Alternate)	Yurok Tribe
Leslie Sanders (Alternate)	Trinidad Rancheria
Jim Wilson (Alternate)	Humboldt Transit Authority
Jesse Robertson	Caltrans District 1

Absent:

Jesse Willor	City of Eureka
Doby Class	Arcata & Mad River Transit System
Kevin Carter	City of Fortuna (Transit)
Vacant Seat	California Highway Patrol

Staff:

Debbie Egger	Fiscal Administrative Officer
Christie Smith	Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order

Chair Merritt Perry called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

2. Introductions

3. Public Participation

There was no public participation for items not on the agenda.

4. Approval of Meeting Record – December 7, 2017

Motion was made (Mattson/White) to approve the December 7, 2017, meeting record to as submitted.

Motion carried.

Abstentions: Freeman

5. Presentation – Richardson’s Grove Improvement Project

Kim Floyd, Caltrans Project Manager, provided a presentation and distributed a fact sheet on the Richardson’s Grove Improvement Project.

6. Action Items

a. Draft FY 2018-19 Overall Work Program (OWP) & Budget

Debbie Egger provided a report on the updates to the 2018-19 OWP. The TAC provided the following requests/recommendations.

- Work Element 14: Regional Safe Routes to School – The TAC requested a progress report on the Safe Routes to School Prioritization Tool. Staff will provide an update at the February TAC meeting.
- Work Element 4: Advanced Planning – Referencing Task 2 - The TAC discussed adding staff time to focus on additional effort on looking at the SHOPP and providing feedback and involvement when projects are being considered for addition or deletion. The goal would be to make this a regional effort with HCAOG as the lead. When feedback is required from the local agencies, it would be provided to HCAOG and HCAOG would provide that feedback to Caltrans, rather than having each agency provide comments separately to Caltrans.
- Work Element 16: Global Climate Change-Sea Level Rise – The TAC recommended that staff consult with Hank Seemann to assist in determining additional tasks for this item. It was also recommended that staff work with the agencies to make sure that all are using the same design standards.

Motion was made (Mattson/Wolf) to revise the FY 2018-19 OWP & Budget to include edits discussed and recommended by the TAC and forward to the HCAOG Board to approve for submittal to Caltrans for their review and comments.

Motion carried unanimously.

b. Letter in Support of Assembly Bill 1324

Motion was made (Mattson/White) to recommend that staff forward the draft letter to the HCAOG Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. HCAOG Staff and TAC Member Reports

a. FY 2017-18 Local Transportation Fund Quarterly Report

Debbie Egger provided a report on the quarterly report noting that there was an increase in funds.

Debbie Egger reported that at the December HCAOG Board meeting, the Board passed a motion to make no changes to the original RTIP submitted to the California Transportation Commission.

The TAC requested follow up on CHP patrols for Highways 36 and 96. The TAC requested regular updates at future meetings. Staff will provide a report at a future meeting and invite a representative of the CHP to attend.

Tom Mattson reported that the anti-SB1 coalition has started campaign efforts. The ballot that is moving forward is to repeal gas tax, and make it a mandate that even if Legislature votes on a gas tax at a 2/3 vote, it would still have to go to the voters for another 2/3 vote, which would be detrimental for future transportation funding. Tom stressed the importance of getting projects out this spring and summer so that voters can see where funds are going.

Netra Khatri asked about the process for submitting the 2% Bike and Ped set aside for TAC review and discussion. The TAC agreed that in addition to forwarding submittals before HCAOG's deadline, members also have the option of providing submittals on the day of the meeting for discussion and approval. The only exception would be if an agency is requesting the full amount of the available set aside allocation. In this case, the submittal will need to be forwarded prior to the deadline.

Jesse Robertson provided information on the January 30, 2018 Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant Workshop.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Christie Smith, Executive Assistant