



MINUTES

KCAG TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 11, 2026

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the KCAG Technical Advisory Committee was called to order by Joel Gandarilla, at 1:34 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, in the Conference Room, 210 E. 7th Street, Suite 202, Hanford, California, and via Zoom Meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kristie Baley, City of Lemoore, Community Development
Mitch Cabrera, County of Kings, Public Works
Alex Hernandez, County of Kings, Community Development
Orfil Muniz, City of Corcoran, City Engineer
Sandra Scherr, Caltrans District 6
Christal Schisler, City of Lemoore, Public Works

STAFF PRESENT: Joel Gandarilla, Jennifer Morales, Julio Gonzalez, Teresa Nickell

VISITORS PRESENT: Rose Chapley, Hanford Resident, Cynthia Baruch, NAS Lemoore; Braden Duran, Caltrans District 6; Jimmy Macias, Kings County Area Public Transit Agency, Castro Joanna, City of Corcoran, Community Development; Jamar Hugie, City of Lemoore; Juan Lopez, City of Lemoore

A. UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES

None.

B. MINUTES

It was moved and seconded (Hernandez / Muniz) to approve the Minutes of February 11, 2026. The motion carried unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION

A. FY 2026-27 Transportation Development Act Fund Summary

Teresa Nickell stated that the estimate of the FY 2026-27 Local Transportation Fund (LTF) for KCAG member agencies is \$6,400,000 and State Transit Assistance (STA) is \$1,455,715. The claim forms have been sent out and are due to KCAG by April 1st. The City of Corcoran held its unmet transit needs public hearings; the Kings County Area Public Transit Agency (KCAPTA) held one unmet transit needs hearing in February and will hold another hearing in March; and KCAG will hear unmet transit needs testimony at public hearings on April 22nd and May 27th. A breakdown of the FY 2026-27 LTF and STA

apportionments and allocations is included as information. Christal Schisler asked when claims forms were sent to the City of Lemoore. The reply was that TDA claims were sent out to Esteban Benitez and others, however, Christal was not on the distribution list.

B. FY 2025-26 Overall Work Program – Amendment No. 2

Jennifer Morales reported that the FY 2025-2026 Overall Work Program (OWP) for transportation planning includes projects funded with a variety of federal, state, and local funding sources. The final FY 2025-26 apportionment for PL, FTA Section 5303, and SB 1 Formula Grant funds have been received. Amendment No. 2 to the FY 2025-2026 OWP is needed to make changes in PL and FTA 5303 fund amounts. The final FY 2025-26 apportionment of PL funds is \$846,301, thereby requiring a total programming increase of \$56,181, the final apportionment of FTA Section 5303 funds is \$60,113 thereby requiring a program increase of \$889, and the final apportionment of SB 1 Formula Grant funds is \$171,500, thereby requiring a program increase of \$6,928. A summary of the affected work elements was provided. It was asked if the total difference is an increase for jurisdictions. The response was that there is an increase in final apportionments, and the overall share for each jurisdiction did not change. Alex Hernandez asked if the amendment had a deadline or if it could be delayed. The reply was that a delay would require a new amendment since the goal was to include the amendment in this quarter for submittal of reimbursement requests to Caltrans.

It was moved and seconded (Muniz / Schisler) to recommend that Amendment No. 2 to the FY 2025-2026 Overall Work Program be approved by the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee with the adoption of Resolution No. 26-02. The motion carried unanimously.

REGIONAL PLANNING

None

MISCELLANEOUS

Teresa Nickell said that the Low Carbon Transit Operation Program project lists are due April 2, 2026. The Transportation Development Act (TDA) public hearing process starts in April, and there will be SSTAC meeting following the last public hearing.

Julio Gonzales stated that KCAG staff is working with Tulare County Association of Government on the V-TRANSFRM project and a survey email was sent to known stakeholders.

Jennifer Morales reported that the FY 224-25 TDA audits are reaching completion. KCAG staff are working with Housing and Community Development (HCD) on REAP2.0 to obtain approval of the final application.

Braden Duran stated that Shane Gunn is on a limited term as acting Planning Chief; Caltrans received KCAG's FY 26-27 Overall Work Program for review and comment; the California Transportation Commission is considering adopting the Active Transportation Program Cycle 8 guidelines and if adopted, the Call for Project deadline will be in June 2026; and the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) has launched its next cycle of the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) with applications due May 18, 2026 with an estimated \$900 million to be available statewide for the TIRCP.

Cythia Baruch said the NAS Lemoore has cancelled the Air Show.

Christal Schisler stated that the City of Lemoore cancelled the Flight Fest event that was connected to the airshow.

Alex Hernandez stated that Kings County Community Development Department will seek an Abandoned Vehicle Abatement resolution from the County Board of Supervisors. The County is working on the Housing Element and General Plan.

Mitch Cabrera said that the Avenal Cutoff project is out to bid; the roundabout at 22nd Avenue and Grangeville Bypass and the traffic signal at 17th and Houston Avenues are moving forward.

Jimmy Macias stated that the electric charging stations at the new Transit Center are operational with a \$1 session fee and 21 cents charge per kilowatt.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the KCAG Technical Advisory Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for April 8, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri King, Executive Director