



Transit Coordinating Committee

February 15, 2023 – TCC 9:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

Hybrid Meeting

Attend in Person: SACOG Board Room

1415 L Street, Suite 300

Sacramento, CA 95814

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Attendees:

Ron Forrest, SacRT

Anthony Adams, SacRT

Darren Conly, SACOG

Sabrina Drago, Paratransit, Inc.

Clint Holtzen, SACOG

Kristina Svensk, SACOG

Keith Martin, YST

Michael Rosson, SACOG

Will Garner, PCT

Lisa Cappellari, Paratransit, Inc.

Tiffani Fink, Paratransit, Inc.

Jim Kaiser, UCP

James Drake, SacRT

Chris Dougherty, SACOG

Jeff Flynn, Unitrans

Jaime Wright, PCT

Caroline Payne, SACOG

Dan Bolster, EDCTC

1) TCC Coordination (All, 15-minutes)

- a. Public Comment on non-agenda topics
- b. Brief introductions and sharing of significant news about transit systems – SacRT – Getting 1st new LRT vehicle at the end of February.
YST – Wrapping up transit plan in April/May and applying for grants.
PI – Increased demand related to mobility services and applying for grants.
PCT – Approved increase in pay for drivers. 50% vacancy rate for drivers in the Tahoe area. Spare is a soft launch for on demand service in west Placer County.
- c. Joint Transit Operator Project or Training Opportunities
- d. General TCC Information & Discussion
 - Draft FY 23-24 LTF, STA and STA-SGR Estimates are now available. Going to the SACOG Board for approval in March 2023.
 - Other

2) Review and Approve December 14, 2022, TCC Minutes (All, 5-minutes) – Approved.

3) Update on Sacramento Regional Emergency Preparedness Strategy (Rosson, 5-minutes) – Working with WSP, have completed technical memos (1-4), and now putting together the strategy document. Working with a variety of partners, tribal

governments, local and state OES agencies. In March we will have a working group session with transit agencies, OES(s) and other public safety partners.

4) Update on Regional Funding Round Working Group (Svensk, 15-minutes) – Looking towards next funding round. Two different working groups for the next funding round in 2024 and provide best resources for partners. There will be a board level one with representatives from each county. We will also be putting together a staff level working group, public works and member(s) from the TCC. The person representing transit will also participate in the board level group. As a result of the corrective action the next funding round will be a 6 county funding round.

PI – Have discussion on how it will be different between 4-County and 6-County projects.

SACOG – Discussing putting together a funding program. Opportunity for more transit capital and planning projects, along with operations.

PI – The most flexibility of funds is great, to see how TCC needs to take items moving forward.

5) 2024 Blueprint Update (Holtzen/All, 30-minutes)

- Update – Clint filling in for Blueprint project manager until new manager is hired. Looking to extend completion to 2025. Federal requirements for MTP – will do minor update for this year, update program set of projects to be adopted at the end of 2023 to take us through full 2025 update.
- Starting next month through summer scenario testing for update – broad set of future pathways, wider range of potential futures. Pathway 1 – greenfield development coverage over frequency, Pathway 3 – 92% of growth happening in existing areas, much more frequency for transit. Won't constrain to a certain budget. Pathway 2 will be something in between.
- For blueprint preferred pathway – coordinating with RTNP pop-up workshops in March and April. Public outreach in the first half of year, with preferred pathway being adopted in fall of 2023. Will be coming back to TCC. Reasonable forecast for costs – individual operator discussion.
- Status of State Legislation to Extend Blueprint Timeline – Now have legislation AB 350, sponsored by Aguiar-Curry.

6) 2024 Blueprint Transit Cost Assumptions (Conly/Holtzen/All, 30-minutes) – RSH from 2019, pulled 2021 operating costs from NTD. How we will forecast ADA and demand response service. ADA service as a proportion of fixed route service. May not be the best approach this time. Huge increases in ADA service. Are forecasting a much higher proportion of over 65 years old population.

PI – A whole TCC discussion. Nationwide increases in ADA services – rebounds are much faster. Will be misalignment on this piece because ADA trips can't be denied. ADA is based on coverage area for transit. Budgeting for ADA is at a focus level different from the past.

SACOG – Put together an agenda on Blueprint transit growth forecast. Don't have a good way of modeling ADA on the cost side.

PI – Demand on social service side is important to keep them going. Otherwise the people/groups they transport will end up move over to the ADA paratransit service.

PCT – Demand response/on-demand is also an issue. How do we transition from running big fixed route buses to using smaller vehicles to deliver service in a more flexible way.

SACOG – We don't have a great way of forecasting on-demand/demand response flex route services in mode but hope to capture it better in next plan.

SacRT – Very popular SmARt Ride service and account for cost and benefit of this type of service in the plan.

SACOG – How may transit operations change with autonomous vehicle technology? Get opinion on how to incorporate into our long-range plan.

PI – Don't see going to autonomous vehicles with no personnel/attendant on vehicle.

SACOG – That reinforces thought of staff.

SacRT – MTC looking into autonomous vehicles very seriously. Have they done anything on autonomous vehicles in their upcoming long-range plan?

SACOG – ZEV transition fleet haven't captured those costs. When will we see economies of scale for ZEVs? How we build transition into the blueprint financial model. More conservative approach to transit in this plan. Where we are including



dramatic service increases – need for additional maintenance facilities, but haven't done that in our plan, need for new facilities when increasing service. Need more vehicles when switching to electric vehicles as well as charging infrastructure/facilities. Inflation number 3.2% over a long period of time. Revenue and costs had the same inflation measure in the past. Not a good comparison since inflation in revenue lags inflation in costs. What would be a better approach? Anything missing?

PI – CalACT is doing a survey on labor cost increases statewide. Would likely share data.

SACOG – March taking housing metrics to board. Come back and present to TCC on divergent blueprint pathways, and what we see from our public outreach. After June we will start working on final blueprint pathway. Please reach out on anything we may be missing.

a. Q & A

7) Meetings/Events/Updates (All, 2-minutes)

- a. Meetings or Events
- b. Updates on Other Items

8) Set Next Meeting Dates (All, 3-minutes)

- a. Next TCC Special Topic meeting on March 22 2023 – via Zoom
- b. Next TCC meeting on April 19, 2023 – Hybrid: participate in person or via Zoom – rescheduled to avoid cap-to-cap and CalACT conference.
- c. Adjourn TCC

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