CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the KCAG Technical Advisory Committee was called to order by Terri King, at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 8, 2014, in the Conference Room, 339 West “D” Street, Suite B, Lemoore, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lou Camara, City of Hanford
Greg Gatzka, County of Kings
Ron Hughes, CalVans
Paul Marquez Caltrans
Kevin McAlister, County of Kings
Steve Sopp, City of Avenal
David Wlaschin, City of Lemoore
Viviana Zamora, KCAPTA

STAFF PRESENT: Bruce Abanathie, KCAG Staff
Kendall Flint, KCAG Consultant
Terri King, KCAG Staff
Chris Lehn, KCAG Staff

VISITORS PRESENT: Jim Christian, Grand Jury Member
Glenda Dwyer

A. UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES

None

B. MINUTES

It was moved and seconded (McAlister / Gatzka) to approve the Minutes of November 13, 2013. Motion carried.

TRANSPORTATION:

A. 2014 Regional Transportation Plan

Bruce Abanathie reviewed the federal and state requirements for the development of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the necessity that it be completed in a
timely manner. He reviewed the timeline as it is stated in the staff report and discussed the beginning of the RTP Stakeholder Group meetings. The Stakeholder Group will be taking the information from the local agency General Plans and the public outreach results to formulate the Sustainable Communities Strategy Element of the RTP as required by SB 375.

A discussion ensued regarding the SCS and how it will relate to the general plans. Bruce and Kendall Flint explained how the scenarios will reflect the general plans and the results of the public input and that implementation is directed by the text of SB 375.

A request was made that the TAC be informed of the membership of the RTP Stakeholder Group. KCAG confirmed that the list would be provided to the group.

B. **Caltrans Transportation Planning Grants**

Bruce Abanathie introduced the planning grants and asked that Paul Marquez, Caltrans, provide a report on the grant programs. Paul noted that the grant programs have been curtailed this year while they retool two of the state funded programs. Some of the funding from the programs on hiatus has been transferred into the Partnership Planning Grant Program. The grant programs this year are also focusing on sustainability in general as part of the consideration for funding. Paul highlighted some recent successful grant application project types.

Caltrans Planning Grant Application Guides were provided to the members. The deadline for applications is February 3, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. All grant applications must be submitted electronically to the address in the application guide.

C. **Caltrans Update Newsletter**

Paul Marquez highlighted projects and programs in the newsletter that apply to the Kings Region.

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A. **Regional Climate Action Plan Update**

Ms. Lehn summarized that a Regional Climate Action Plan Advisory Committee meeting was held on December 16, 2013 at the City of Hanford. As discussed at the meeting, comments are now being sought on the potential greenhouse gas reduction measures quantification and draft measures descriptions. Ms. Lehn stated that the next Advisory Committee meeting will take place on either February 4th or 5th at 1:00 p.m.

B. **San Joaquin Valley Voice Legislative Platform**

Ms. Lehn introduced the draft 2014 Sacramento legislative platform, outlining the six focus areas. She elaborated that the Valley Voice delegation will discuss transportation funding, the transportation initiative voter threshold, cap and trade funding, goods movement, the San Joaquin Amtrak Intercity Passenger Rail, and water during the March 5-6 meetings. Ms. Lehn clarified that unlike prior legislative trips, the focus this year will be to have large discussions with groups of our state legislators instead of the past one on one meetings. She added that the additional time will be spent meeting
with state agencies. Ms. Lehn concluded that KCAG is hoping to get commitments from members of the KCAG Commission to participate in the Sacramento trip.

C. FY 2014-15 Overall Work Program Activities

Ms. King summarized that the required overall work program identifies projects and programs, funding sources, and the work schedule for the upcoming fiscal year. She noted that the overall work program does not include any new projects and contains two carryover grant projects including the Transit Development Plan and the SR 198 Corridor Study. Ms. King went on to review each of the individual projects as detailed in the staff report and reported that a draft overall work program document will be considered at an upcoming meeting.

D. 2014 KCAG Meeting Calendar

Ms. King presented the 2014 KCAG meeting calendar and clarified that the November and December meeting dates may be adjusted to accommodate the holidays.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Lou Camara discussed various project and reported on the water main relocation for 12th Avenue Interchange modification project, the Grangeville Resurfacing project, 10th Ave widening project, Campus Drive extension project, FY 2014 Cape and Seal project start, resurfacing of Harris Street, In and Out Burger is open, and Costco EIR comments are in and a public hearing is closed.

Viviana Zamora reported that the federal triennial audit is in progress and KCAPTA is continuing to move forward on their ongoing projects.

Kevin McAlister reported on the County’s three Safe Routes to Schools Projects, bridge projects, 13th and Lacey project is moving forward, and working on building projects within the county.

Ron Hughes talked about expansions of the Vanpool system and the talks he has had with additional areas that may be interested in the program.

Kendall Flint talked about planned outreach for the RTP.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the KCAG Technical Advisory Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:42 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri King, Executive Director