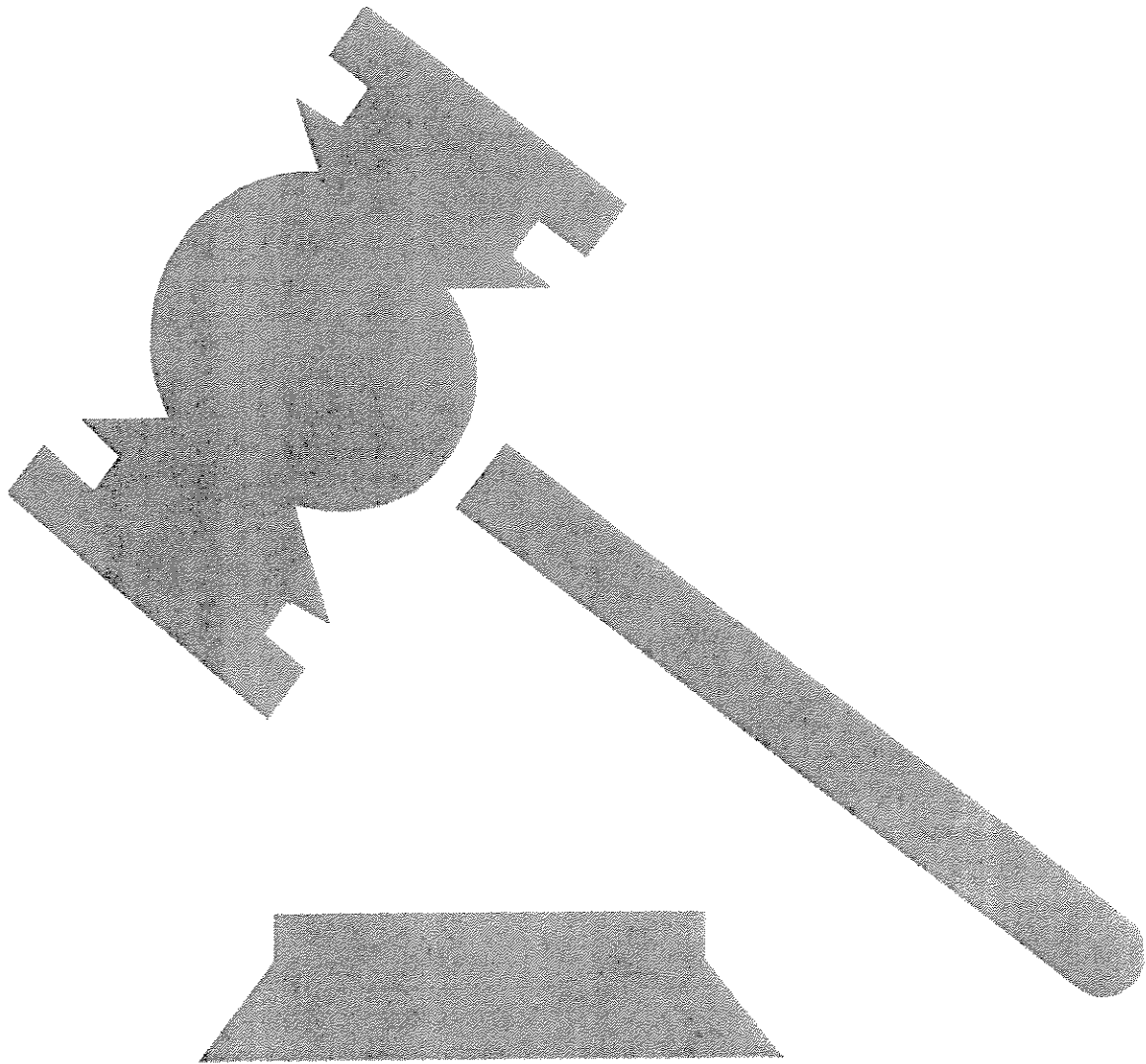




ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT ITEMS
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COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS

Executive Minutes

Date: Thursday, December 14, 2006
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: COG Sequoia Conference Room
2035 Tulare St., Suite 201
Fresno, CA

Members Present: Trinidad Rodriguez, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Kerman, Chairman
Dennis Lujan, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Selma, Vice Chairman
Mayor Pro Tem Bob Whalen, City of Clovis
Mayor Trish Hill, City of Coalinga
Mayor George Conklin, City of Firebaugh
Mayor Jim Simonian, City of Fowler
Councilmember Henry Perea, City of Fresno
Mayor Leland Bergstrom, City of Kingsburg
Mayor Robert Silva, City of Mendota
Mayor Victor Lopez, City of Orange Cove
Mayor Armando Lopez, City of Parlier
Mayor Amarpreet Dhaliwal, City of San Joaquin
Mayor Mike Montelongo, City of Sanger
Supervisor Judy Case, County of Fresno

Alan McCuen, Caltrans
Kevin Briggs, Legal Counsel
Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director

6:30 p.m. Pre-Board Presentation: Joe De Los Santos with DLS Security – Connecting People to Service -- Wi-Fi Technology

Joe De Los Santos with DLS Security
COFCG Sitting As the Transportation Policy Committee

Quorum: At the start of the meeting there were 14 members present representing 96.59% of the population and there was a quorum. (Clovis, Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Fresno, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, San Joaquin, Sanger, Selma and Fresno County)

Introductions – Everyone introduced themselves and special recognition was given to the new Mayor of Coalinga, Trish Hill and the new Mayor of Mendota, Robert Silva.

Member Agencies: The cities of Clovis, Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Fresno, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, San Joaquin, Sanger, Selma & Fresno County

In celebration of the passage of Measure "C", a cake was served to everyone present.

I. PRESENTATIONS

A. Public Presentations

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons wishing to address the Board on items within its jurisdiction but not on this agenda. **Note: Prior to action by the Board on any item on this agenda, the public may comment on that item. Unscheduled comments may be limited to 3 minutes.**

There were no public presentations.

B. Presentation: Dr. Edward Moreno, County Health Officer

Dr. Edward Moreno, the Fresno County Health Officer made a presentation regarding the Pandemic Influenza, the potential impact to all Fresno County communities and response planning efforts which are underway.

C. COG Staff Recognition – 20 Years of Service – Les Beshears, Finance Director

COG Finance Director, Les Beshears was presented with a plaque for 20 years of service to the Council of Governments.

D. FCRTA Staff Recognition – 35 Years of Joint Service to COG & FCRTA – Jeffrey Webster, General Manager

FCRTA General Manager, Jeffrey D. Webster was presented with a plaque for 35 years of joint service to the Council of Governments and the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency.

II. TRANSPORTATION CONSENT ITEMS

All items on the consent agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial by COG staff and may be approved by one motion if no member of the Board or public wishes to comment or ask questions.

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| A. 2006-07 Transportation Funding Claim – City of Huron, Resolution 2006-40 | Approve |
| B. Administrative Amendment No. 3 to the 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement Program | Information |
| C. FY2005-06 Transit Productivity Evaluation | Accept |
| D. Air Quality – Rules and Legislation Update | Information |
| E. Association for the Beautification of Highway 99: Committee Update | Information |
| F. Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System (YARTS) Update | Info/Discussion |

For a summary of these items, please see the December 14, 2006 Annotated Agenda. After an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lujan (Selma) to approve the Transportation Consent items as presented. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

III. TRANSPORTATION ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. PUBLIC HEARING: Formal Amendment #2 to the 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement \ Program (FTIP), Resolution 2006-41

Renee DeVere presented this item. Attention was called to a handout which explained a minor correction to one of the projects already listed in the amendment.

This amendment is a request by Caltrans, the City of Fresno, City of Reedley, and City of San Joaquin to modify the 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement Program

(FTIP). The amendment incorporates changes to the Hazard Elimination Safety Program, SHOPP-Collision Reduction Program, Regional Surface Transportation Program, Transportation Enhancement Program, and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program. Program changes include:

- Addition of funding to the Lump-sum Hazard Elimination Safety Program for Caltrans identified projects.
- Addition of new project category, Lump-sum SHOPP-Collision Reduction, for Caltrans identified projects.
- Addition of City of San Joaquin Transportation Enhancement project FRE040619. This project was originally programmed in the 2004 FTIP. Funding was allocated by the CTC in 2005/06 with an approved allocation extension granted in November 2006.
- RSTP Program modifications incorporate changes requested by the Cities of Fresno, Reedley, and San Joaquin. Changes include the addition of projects from the 2004 FTIP, schedule advances, schedule delays, and funding changes.
- CMAQ Program modifications incorporate changes requested by the Cities of Fresno and San Joaquin. Changes include the addition of projects from the 2004 FTIP, schedule advances, schedule delays, and funding changes.

Chairman Rodriguez (Kerman) opened the hearing for public comments. There being none, he closed the hearing. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lujan (Selma) and seconded by Councilmember Perea (Fresno) to approve Formal Amendment No. 2 to the 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement Program by the adoption of Resolution No. 2006-41. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

B. Proposition 1B: State Route 99 Corridor Improvements & Corridor Mobility Improvement Account Program Submittals, Resolution 2006-42

With the passage of Proposition 1B on November 7, 2006, Fresno COG in its role as a Regional Transportation Planning Agency will now have a responsibility (the role will vary based on the Bond program) to participate in the twelve different funding components that comprise Proposition 1B. Those components and the funding amounts allocated to each program are as follows:

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| 1. Corridor Mobility Improvement Account: | \$ 4.5 billion |
| 2. State Route 99 Corridor Improvements: | \$ 1.0 billion |
| 3. Ports Infrastructure, Security & Air Quality | |
| a.) Trade Corridors Improvement Fund: | \$ 2.0 billion |
| b.) Emission Reduction & Air Quality Improvements: | \$ 1.0 billion |
| c.) Port, Harbor, and Ferry Terminal Security: | \$100 million |
| 4. School Bus Retrofit For Air Quality: | \$200 million |
| 5. State Transportation Improvement Program Augmentation: | \$ 2.0 billion |
| 6. Public Transportation Modernization Improvement & Service Enhancement | |
| a.) Pro-rata Formula Distribution: | \$ 3.6 billion |
| b.) Department Intercity Rail Improvement Program: | \$400 million |
| 7. State-Local Partnership Program: | \$ 1.0 billion |
| 8. Transit System Safety, Security & Disaster Response Account: | \$ 1.0 billion |
| 9. Local Bridge Seismic Safety Retrofit: | \$125 million |

- 10. Highway-Railroad Crossing Safety Account: \$250 million
- 11. State Highway Operations and Protection Program: \$750 million
- 12. Local Streets and Roads, Congestion Relief, and Traffic Safety Account of 2006
 - a.) Cities \$ 1.0 billion
 - b.) Counties \$ 1.0 billion

The first of these responsibilities is developing and submitting Fresno COG's list of candidate projects for the State Route 99 Corridor Improvements program and the Corridor Mobility Improvement Account (CMIA) program. Candidate project submittals are required to be consistent with the Draft SR 99 Guidelines (enclosed) and the CMIA Guidelines (enclosed) adopted by the CTC. Regional candidate project submittals are required to be submitted to Caltrans Headquarters and the California Transportation Commission by January 16, 2007. Once submitted, these projects will compete with other regional candidates statewide for the available Proposition 1B funding. In order to help identify potential candidate projects for the various bond programs, COG issued a "Call for Projects" for Proposition 1B funding programs in mid August, 2006. As a result of that process, COG received candidate project submittals from four member agencies (see enclosure), the majority of which are seeking funding from programs which still lack necessary guidelines or legislation. In the months ahead COG staff will work with its member agencies and our state lobbyist California Consulting Inc. to ensure that those projects are placed in the statewide competitions for those Bond funding programs. COG did receive project submittals from Selma and Reedley for CMIA and SR 99 funding, unfortunately those projects were not eligible due to issues with lack of inclusion in the SR 99 Business Plan which established the funding priorities for the SR 99 corridor or the project would be unable to meet the project delivery date of 2012 established by the guidelines.

State Route 99 Corridor Improvement Program

The State Route 99 Guidelines establish the policies and procedures for allocating Proposition 1B State Route 99 Corridor Improvement Program funding. As has been discussed previously, the State Route 99 Corridor Improvement Program decisions will be guided by the State Route 99 Business Plan which has been previously adopted by the California Transportation Commission. The Business Plan is a "nuts and bolts" approach to achieving the functional goals for the corridor laid out in the Interregional Transportation Strategic Plan, Transportation Concept Reports, and the Route 99 Corridor Enhancement Master Plan. The SR 99 Business Plan was developed to provide a guide for decision makers as they address the needs of this developing corridor.

Following extensive discussion and analysis with Caltrans District 06 and Fresno County Transportation Authority staff, consensus was reached that based on the performance criteria as outlined in the SR 99 Guidelines, the State Route 99 Corridor Improvement Plan project list Fresno COG will be submitting is the following:

Fresno COG Candidate Projects State Route 99 Program (Prop. 1B)

Facility	Project Limits	Project Description	Project Cost	Delivery Date
SR 99	Ashlan Ave. to Ave. 7	Const 4 Ln. to 6 Ln.	\$ 98 million	2011

This project was selected as it has been previously identified in the SR 99 Business Plan as a Priority Category 2 -- Capacity Increasing Project (Fresno County has no Tier 1 projects) and therefore is a logical candidate project that would compete well with other SR 99 Tier 2 projects seeking funding in the San Joaquin Valley. Priority Category 2 projects consist of projects that would widen State Route 99 to a minimum of 6 lanes throughout the corridor, while also providing safety benefits by reducing or eliminating the incidences of stop-and-go traffic on the route thereby leading to a reduction in the number of congestion related accidents that currently occur.

Corridor Mobility Improvement Account (CMIA)

Included as an enclosure are the CMIA Program Guidelines that were adopted by the California Transportation Commission at their November 8, 2006 meeting. The guidelines establish the policies and procedures for allocating Proposition 1B -- Corridor Mobility Improvement Account funding. After reviewing a lengthy list of potential candidate projects (enclosure) and following extended discussions with the California Transportation Commission, Caltrans District 06 and Fresno County Transportation Authority staff, it was determined that the next two State Route 180 E projects that are scheduled for delivery, Clovis Ave. to Temperance Avenue and Temperance Ave. to Academy Ave., can be funded through the following combination of funding sources: existing STIP funding (\$60.5 million), STIP augmentation funding (\$25.0 million), existing Measure "C" funding (\$10.2 million) and new Measure "C" funding (\$71.7 million) and therefore would not require CMIA funding. With that in mind, the following projects are recommended to be the CMIA candidate project submittals for Fresno COG based on their ability to meet the CMIA guidelines as adopted by the California Transportation Commission.

Fresno COG Candidate Projects CMIA Program (Prop. 1B)

Priority	Facility	Project Limits	Project Description	Est. Cost (\$million)	Delivery Date
Interregional CMIA					
1	State Route 180 East (Interregional CMIA)	Academy Ave. to Trimmer Springs Rd..	Widen Existing SR 180 to a 4 Ln divided Expressway	\$61.0	2010/11
2	State Route 180 East (Interregional CMIA)	Trimmer Springs Rd. to Frankwood Ave.	Widen Existing SR 180 to a 4 Ln divided Expressway	\$66.0	2010/11
Urban CMIA					
1	SR 180/168/41 (Urban CMIA)	SR 180/168/41	Braided Ramps to Improve Safety and Connectivity Between State Routes	\$50.0	2012
2	State Route 41 (Urban CMIA)	Divisadero Ave. to Shields Ave.	Convert 6 Ln. Freeway to 8 Ln Freeway & Widen SB off-ramp at Divisadero	\$65.0	2011

After an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Montelongo (Sanger) and seconded by Councilmember Perea (Fresno) to approve submittal of the above identified projects as candidate projects for the State Route 99 Improvement Program and the Corridor Mobility Improvement Program by approving Resolution 2006-42. A vote was called for and the motion passed.

C. Measure "C" Update

Barbara Goodwin, COG Executive Director provided an update on Measure "C" including next steps in the process and formation of the Citizens Oversight Committee mandated by the new Measure C. Ms. Goodwin thanked everyone for their support of the Measure and that the passage of the Measure by 78% was a major accomplishment. Ms. Goodwin stated that a timeline will be distributed in January that explains the process now that the Measure has passed. Nomination forms for the Oversight committee will also be provided. The Measure "C" Steering Committee will be reconvened to seek volunteers to serve on several sub committees that will need to be assembled. Further, the Expenditure Plan will have to be revised showing a delivery schedule for the projects.

At the TTC/PAC meeting a question was raised by the Coalition for Livable Communities, as to whether members of the Citizens Oversight Committee or the Transportation Authority receive compensation. Staff will review the Expenditure Plan language, and also the policies of the Transportation Authority.

This was an information/discussion item and required no further action by the Board.

D. Caltrans Monthly Report

Alan McCuen, Caltrans staff, reported that the California Transportation Plan has been updated and will be available in January. This document gives direction on a Statewide transportation system and program.

1. Route 33 Concept Report

Alan McCuen, Caltrans staff reported on the Route 33 Concept Report that was included in the agenda packet. Colored copies of this document are available on Caltrans website: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist6/planning/tcrs/index.htm>. Review and comment on the report will be completed during early January.

This was an information/discussion item and required no further action by the Board.

COFCG Sitting As the Council of Fresno County Governments

IV. REAFFIRM ALL ACTIONS TAKEN WHILE SITTING AS THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Mayor Silva (Mendota) and seconded by Mayor Lopez (Parlier) to reaffirm all actions taken while sitting as the Transportation Policy Committee.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT ITEMS

All items on the consent agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial by COG staff and may approved by one motion if no member of the Board or public wishes to comment or ask questions.

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| A. Executive Minutes of October 26, 2006 | Approve |
| B. 2007 Triennial Performance Audit, Contract Award to Pacific Municipal Consultants (PMC) | Approve |
| C. FY 2006-07 First Quarter Progress Report | Accept |
| D. CA Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley – Solicitation for Concept Proposals | Information |

For a summary of these items, please see the December 14, 2006 Annotated Agenda. After an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) and seconded by Mayor Dhaliwal (San Joaquin) to approve the Consent items as presented. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Status Report on Sacramento Lobbying Activities—Steve Samuelian, California Consulting, Inc.

Steve Samuelian, California Consulting staff provided an update and handed out information to the Policy Board on lobbying activities as follows:

- Working to secure \$250 million for the San Joaquin Valley from the \$1 billion in the Transportation Bond for Air Quality Mitigation. This has developed into a competition between Southern California, the San Joaquin Valley and the Bay Area to determine how Cal-EPA, ARB and the Legislature will divide up the \$1 billion.
- Mr. Samuelian further explained what California Consulting is doing regarding this issue and what they will continue to do to secure this funding.

This was an Information item and required no further action from the Board.

B. Regional Housing Needs Allocation Plan

Clark Thompson (COG) reported on the Regional Housing Needs Allocation Plan. The Fresno COG has begun the process of preparing the next edition of the Fresno County Regional Housing Need Allocation (RHNA) Plan. The overarching purposes of the Plan, along with similar plans developed for other regions of the state, are to address the statewide concern for “decent housing and a suitable living environment for every California family,” and to reflect the shared responsibility among local governments for accommodating the housing needs of all economic levels.

Housing Element law requires quantification of each jurisdiction’s share of the region’s existing and projected housing need, by income level. This is otherwise referred to as the regional housing need allocation, or RHNA, for each jurisdiction. Each jurisdiction’s RHNA establishes the minimum housing development capacity to be provided for in its housing element. The allocation of the regional housing need to individual cities and counties within a region is typically determined by the region’s COG. The projected housing need is allocated by four income categories. The RHNA Plan is scheduled to be adopted by June 30, 2007 and encompasses the 7½ year planning period from January 2006 through June, 2013. The 5-year housing element planning period extends from July 2008 through June 2013. A team of local planning and housing experts, formed to assist staff with this project, met recently and agreed on the following consensus recommendations:

Housing Construction Need: The State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), in consultation with individual COGs, are required to determine

the projected need for housing in each region. This regional housing construction need figure is established for planning purposes and statutes recognize that future housing production may not equal the regional housing construction need. The methodology used by HCD to determine the housing construction need for Fresno County includes projected population and household formation rates (or headship rates), vacancy rates and housing replacement needs. During the consultation phase between Fresno COG and HCD, the housing construction need figure for Fresno County was reduced from HCD's original proposal of 56,762 units to 52,142 units, a reduction of 4,620 units or 8.14%. This reduction occurred because HCD agreed with COG staff analysis that the trend of declining headship rates (i.e. household formation rates) between 1990 and 2000 ought to be continued and applied to projected 2013 population. This resulted in lower household growth (and therefore a lower housing construction need) than projected by HCD, which kept headship rates the same in 2013 as in 2000 (i.e. no decline).

The housing construction need figure is broken down by income category. The income category allocation is calculated by multiplying total housing construction need by the proportion of households in each income category based on Fresno County Census 2000 median income and income definitions. Income group percentages in 2001 were 25% very low, 17% low, 21% moderate and 37% above-moderate. Percentages used in the 2007 RHNA Plan are, respectively, 23.8%, 16.2%, 18.1%, and 41.9%.

Market Areas: Housing market areas are used throughout the Plan in the gathering, analysis, and presentation of data. For this reason, the boundaries of the market areas are drawn along census tract boundaries. Market areas should not divide developed areas and should define subregions in which there is an interaction between employment opportunities and housing opportunities. The team agreed to utilize the same five market areas used in the 2001 RHNA Plan, a reduction from the seven market areas used in earlier RHNA Plans. These market areas recognize two ongoing trends; commuting trips have become generally longer over time and economic relationships among cities have been formed, particularly regarding the Five-Cities Economic Development Authority (Parlier, Selma, Fowler, Sanger and Reedley).

Methodology: The team concurred with staff recommendation to utilize the same methodology successfully used in the 2001 RHNA Plan and earlier RHNA Plans. The methodology is acceptable to HCD, is relatively straightforward to understand and implement, and reflects a city-centered and balanced development pattern. In addition, the methodology allows for the ability to make manual adjustments to each jurisdiction's allocation of the regional housing construction need. Recent changes to statute require that local jurisdictions be surveyed to gather information regarding local government infrastructure, housing market, and other local conditions that could influence the distribution of the regional housing need. Information from the survey will be particularly helpful during negotiations, if necessary, regarding potential manual adjustments. [THOMPSON]

After an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Conklin (Firebaugh) and seconded by Mayor Dhaliwal (San Joaquin) to recommend approval of the Housing Construction Need number of 52,142 units and, pursuant to statute, initiate the 60-day public comment period of the proposed allocation methodology. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

C. 2006-07 Overall Work Program Amendment #1

Les Beshears, Finance Director reported that this OWP amendment affects two work elements and increases the FY 2006-07 budget by \$22,500 using state and federal funding.

The first part of the amendment involves Work Element 119 - *San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Blueprint*. The amendment does not change funding sources but does realign existing Blueprint funding. We are requesting approval to purchase a fixed asset (large format plotter) that will be needed to print large scale maps as we move into the scenario planning phase of the project. The estimated \$15,000 cost of the item would be paid from the existing Blueprint budget.

The second part of the amendment involves Work Element 914 - *State Route 99 Consensus Building*. Great Valley Center, the contractor on this project, was unable to complete the project as scheduled and has requested that we carry over the final report into this fiscal year. This project is funded 100% with a combination of state and matching funds from Great Valley Center. [BESHEARS]

After an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Conklin (Firebaugh) and seconded by Mayor Dhaliwal (San Joaquin) to authorize 2006/07 OWP Amendment #1 in the amount of \$22,500 to carry over funding for State Route 99 Consensus Building in Work Element 914. In addition, the amendment also authorizes the purchase of a fixed asset (large format plotter) with existing funds in Work Element 119. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

D. San Joaquin Valley Blueprint Update

Barbara Steck (COG) reported that during the past two months, COG staff has been providing Blueprint update presentations at all member agencies' City Councils and to the Board of Supervisors. Concurrently, the outreach consultant has been conducting workshops and meetings around the county in an effort to learn what values the general public consider important regarding future growth. These values will be translated into the goals, objectives and measurable outcomes that the Blueprint planning process will address as we move forward. A community workshop will be held on Thursday, January 11th from 4:30 – 8:00 PM at the U.C. Center across from Fashion Fair Mall, where we will engage the audience in an exercise aimed at prioritizing the community's values. Ms. Steck stated that the goal is to have a large and diverse group in attendance and she hoped that all COG committee members and the COG Policy Board would attend the workshop and encourage their friends and neighbors to attend as well. A flyer for the Community Workshop was included in the package.

This was an Information/discussion item and required no further action from the Board.

E. "One Voice" – 2007 Washington D.C. Project Recommendations

Barbara Steck, COG staff, presented this item. The One Voice project selection committee held two meetings last month to review, prioritize and recommend a list of regional projects to be promoted during our February 2007 trip to Washington D.C. Our consultant, Simon & Company, suggested that we limit our list to three projects, one for each appropriations bill. Eighteen infrastructure projects were submitted. Project proponents presented details at the first committee meeting and committee members scored each project. We held a second meeting after the election so that we could consider how the ballot measures might affect prioritizing the projects. At the second meeting, committee members were given the project scores and ranking.

After reviewing the recommendations of our consultant, and considering the appropriations bills and project scores, the committee agreed upon recommending the attached list of 9 projects to the COG Policy Board. Three of the projects are not asking for dollar amounts per se. The list represents high scoring projects and/or ones that qualify for different appropriations bills and accounts. At the joint TTC/PAC meeting on December 8th, the County of Fresno submitted a letter asking that the Veterans Boulevard project be included in the list of projects recommended to the Policy Board. After discussion, the committees did not concur with that request and a motion was passed to recommend approval of the project list that was submitted by the project selection committee.

Supervisor Phil Larson (Fresno County) was present to request further consideration of adding Veterans Boulevard to the list of projects. In addition, Jeff Roberts (representing Granville Homes and the Building Industry Association) spoke in favor of adding Veterans Boulevard as well.

Mayor Armando Lopez (Parlier) requested that the Industrial Park Infrastructure project requested for Parlier also be added to the list. Mayor Pro Tem Lujan (Selma) noting the importance of job creation, recommended putting both the Parlier Industrial Park and Kerman Industrial Park together as one project and adding them to the list as well as adding Veterans Blvd.

After an expressed opportunity for further public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lujan (Selma) and seconded by Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) to approve the list of projects submitted by the One Voice Project selection committee and add Veterans Blvd. to the list and also add both the Parlier Industrial Park and Kerman Industrial Park together as one project.

In discussion of the motion, Chairman Rodriguez mentioned that one of the criteria for having a project on the Tier 1 list is that someone representing that project must go to Washington on the One Voice trip. He further questioned whether Mayor Armando Lopez (Parlier) would be available for that trip. Mayor Lopez (Parlier) agreed that he would be available. Tier 2 projects do not have a formal presentation so do not need a representative to go on the trip.

In further discussion, Mayor Bergstrom and Supervisor Case, both who had been on previous One Voice trips stated that they understood why the lobbyist has recommended only taking three projects because there is then a better chance of getting funding. Since the approved list is already nine projects, and even though the other projects are good projects, they feel that is enough projects to present to Legislators.

After listening to discussion, Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) recommended that the Veterans Blvd. project as well as the Parlier Industrial Park Infrastructure and the Kerman Industrial Infrastructure Extension Project be taken as Tier 2 and given to Legislators but without a formal presentation. This would be a compromise to the original motion. Mayor Pro Tem Lujan (Selma) agreed and the vote was called for with all members present voting aye.

Mayor Pro Tem Whalen (Clovis) requested clarification as to where this leaves Veterans Blvd. and the consensus was that it was on the Tier 2 list of projects.

F. Public Resources and Ethics Training Policy Statement – AB 1234, Resolution 2006-43

Barbara Goodwin, COG Executive Director presented an update on the Public Resources and Ethics Training Policy Statement as it relates to AB 1234 and called

attention to a resolution and attachment included in the agenda packet. The information has been reviewed by Legal Council.

After an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Bergstrom (Kingsburg) and seconded by Mayor Dhaliwal (San Joaquin) to approve the Public Resources and Ethics Training Policy by adoption of Resolution 2006-43. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

G. Support Appointment of Supervisor Judy Case as a Representative on the California Air Resources Board from the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District Governing Board, Resolution 2006-44

Barbara Goodwin, COG Executive Director reported that Chairman Trinidad M. Rodriguez requested this resolution be placed before the COG Policy Board, in support of Supervisor Judy Case. Included in the agenda packet was a resolution supporting the appointment of Supervisor Judy Case as a representative on the California Air Resources Board from the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District. [GOODWIN]

After an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lujan (Selma) and seconded by Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) to support the appointment of Supervisor Judy Case to the California Air Resources Board by adoption of Resolution 2006-44. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

H. CA Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley – Elected Official Nominations

Barbara Goodwin called attention to a letter from the Governor and handed out a nomination form. On June 24, 2005 the Governor signed Executive Order S-5-05 establishing the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley, which expired last month. On November 28, 2006 the Governor signed Executive Order S-22-06 reestablishing the Partnership. Each county, through the Council of Governments (COG), has been asked to again submit their list of elected local official nominees to the Governor's Office no later than December 22, 2006. Our prior nominations to the original Partnership membership were: Mayor Alan Autry, City of Fresno; Mayor Leland Bergstrom, City of Kingsburg, and Mayor Ron Lander, City of Coalinga.

Mayor Alan Autry was the nominee appointed by the Governor to serve on the original Partnership. With the new Executive Order, the Partnership membership must also be reestablished. On December 6, 2006 the Fresno COG received the letter from the Governor's Office, requesting our local elected official nominations. All nominees are required to complete the appointments application available through the Governor's office.

In order to meet the nomination timeframe, the Fresno COG Policy Board should make its nominations at this December meeting. An e-mail and fax was sent to all City Managers/County CAO and to each Policy Board member, alerting them to inform their Council members and Board members of the nomination process, and alerting the COG Policy Board member that action would be required on December 14th in order to comply with the Governor's request. Three nominees should be selected and asked to submit formal applications to the Governor's Office for appointment consideration on the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley. The following nominations were received in response to the email: Alan Autry, Mayor, City of Fresno, Henry Perea, Councilmember, City of Fresno, Scott Brockett, Councilmember, City of Reedley, and Rico Aguayo, Councilmember, City of Fowler.

After an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) and seconded by Supervisor Case (Fresno County) to nominate the four: Alan Autry, Mayor, City of Fresno, Henry Perea, Councilmember, City of Fresno, Scott Brockett, Councilmember, City of Reedley, and Rico Aguayo, Councilmember, City of Fowler and any other member who may want to be included in the list before the deadline. A vote was called for and the motion passed. [Note: Supervisor Waterston was also nominated (after the Board meeting but before the 22nd deadline).]

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Items from Staff

Recognition to Chamber

Because of all the hard work involved and the success of the campaign for Measure "C" by the Fresno Chamber of Commerce, a recognition plaque will be presented from the COG to the chamber at their meeting in January. A sample of that plaque was handed out and a signature page was passed around for members to sign so their signature can be added to the recognition certificate.

B. Items from Members

Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) wished to express appreciation to Mayor Riofrio (Mendota) and Mayor Lander (Coalinga) for their service on the COG Board.

Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director explained that COG would present plaques to the members who will be leaving the Board at our January meeting.

COFCG Sitting As the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Authority

A. Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Program – Request by City of Firebaugh

Clark Thompson, COG staff explained this item. Section 22710(c)(2) of the Vehicle Code states that money received by an Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority shall be used only for the abatement, removal, and disposal as public nuisances of any abandoned, wrecked, dismantled, or inoperative vehicles or parts thereof from private or public property. The guidelines for program implementation, contained in the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Program Handbook developed by the California Highway Patrol, state that major purchases exceeding \$2,500 require the participating jurisdiction to request approval from the Service Authority, and these requests shall include a detailed justification. When evaluating a request, a Service Authority shall ensure the funds are being expended in accordance with Section 22710(c)(2) and for the benefit of the AVA Program.

The City of Firebaugh has submitted a request to the Fresno County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority for the partial reimbursement of the cost to purchase code enforcement database software. Firebaugh is requesting reimbursement of \$5,000, or two-thirds of the \$7,500 total cost. Three city departments (Code Enforcement, Police and Public Works) have agreed to purchase the code enforcement database software, with each department responsible for one-third of the purchase cost. Firebaugh indicates that both Code Enforcement and Police, representing two-thirds of the purchase cost, will use the database software to conduct and ensure accurate reporting and tracking of abandoned vehicles. Firebaugh would be reimbursed from its formula share of funding, so the funding amounts of other agency AVA programs are not affected by this request. [THOMPSON}

After an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Montelongo (Sanger) and seconded by Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) to approve Firebaugh's funding request. A vote was called for and the motion carried with one abstention by the City of Firebaugh.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Goodwin".

BARBARA GOODWIN, Executive Director
Council of Fresno County Governments
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ATTACHMENT A

Observers and Non-Members
COG Board Meeting
December 14, 2006

Barbara Steck, COG
Clark Thompson, COG
Renee DeVere, COG
Kathy Chung, COG
Dottie Wright, COG
Marla Day, COG
Les Beshears, COG
Jeff Long, COG/FAX
Jeffrey D. Webster, FCRTA
Rico Aguayo, Fowler
Stan Nakagawa, Fresno County
Russ Clemings, Fresno Bee
Gary Joseph, FCEOC
Rob Weyant, FCEOC
Phil Larson, Fresno County Supervisor
Ron Lander, City of Coalinga
Don Pauley, City of Kingsburg
Ed Moreno, County Health Officer
Jeff Roberts, Granville Home, Inc.
Steve Samuelian, Ca. Consulting



Date: December 11, 2006

Memorandum

To: Kathy Chung, Fresno COG.

cc: Mike Bitner, Fresno COG
Kristine Cai, Fresno COG

From: Mike Aronson

Reference: Fresno Model On-Call

Subject: Review of Population Forecasts

P05130

Summary

Dowling Associates recommends use of the population forecasts based on the studies by the Central California Futures Institute (CCFI) for transportation forecasts in Fresno County.

The recommendation is based on the following considerations:

- The CCFI-based projections focus specifically on growth trends in Fresno County
- The CCFI-based projections are between two sets of projections used for long-range transportation planning in California, the projections from the Department of Finance (DOF) and the projections from the Department of Transportation Office of Transportation Economics
- The CCFI-based projections for 2005 were closer to actual 2005 population than any of the state-prepared projections
- The CCFI-based population projections are closer to the population projections which result from compilation of expected household growth in each jurisdiction in Fresno County
- Other regions such as the San Francisco Bay Area regularly use locally-generated population projections for transportation planning which may differ significantly from DOF projections

Population Data Sources

There are several data sources for current population estimates and future population forecasts for Fresno County.

Population Estimates

Estimates of current population are published by the United States Census and by the California Department of Finance (DOF).

The Census population numbers generally represent April 1 conditions for a given year.

The most recent DOF estimates of 2005 population in California cities and counties were published in May, 2006 ("E-2" series). These estimates are for January 1, 2005 and can differ from mid-year population estimates because of seasonal migration.

Population Forecasts

Forecasts of population for Fresno County were compared from several sources.

Department of Finance

The California DOF periodically publishes forecasts of population for California counties out to 40 or 50 years in the future. These are labeled the "P-1" series of publications. Two sets of projections were reviewed, the previous set published in 1998 and the most current set published in 2004. These projections represent July 1 of each year.

Department of Transportation

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Office of Transportation Economics prepares projections of population, other demographics and employment for each California county. The most current set is the "California County Economic Forecasts: 2000-2025" prepared for Caltrans in September, 2005 by the California Economic Forecast.

Central California Futures Institute

The Central California Futures Institute (CCFI) prepared a forecast report specifically focused on Fresno County ("Population Forecast for Fresno County to 2025," April, 2000). The CCFI study referenced a number of statewide demographic forecasts, including DOF, and made independent assumptions about certain demographic trends to reflect observed patterns in Fresno County. The CCFI projections as published represent December 31 of each year, however COFCG has interpolated the projections to represent July 1 of each year to be more consistent with the travel model forecast period and with the DOF projections.

Other Demographic Forecasts

Other proprietary population forecasts are prepared by private institutions and are not readily available. These include forecasts by the UCLA Anderson Forecasting Project and Woods and Poole, Inc.. These forecasts were not directly reviewed for this comparison, but the CCFI forecasts did reference the statewide forecasts from the UCLA Anderson Forecasting Project.

Comparison of Population Sources

The various sources for population forecasts were compared for both near-term and long-term population estimates (Table 1).

Table 1 : Comparison of Fresno County Population Projections

Comparison of Fresno County Population Projections									
Projection Series	Publication		2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030
	Date								
United States Census	2005		799,407	877,584					
California Department of Finance	2006			892,325					
Population Estimates (E-2)*	1998		811,179	881,223	953,457	1,024,323	1,114,403	1,210,143	1,308,767
1998 Projections (P-1)**	2004		803,401	873,613	949,961		1,114,654		1,297,476
2004 Projections (P-1)**									
Caltrans Office of Transportation Economics	2005		804,333	896,631	1,008,020	1,125,166	1,242,565	1,359,636	
Central California Futures Institute	2006		815,601	899,288	992,351	1,086,432	1,185,150	1,290,264	1,402,349
COFCG based on CCFI***									
Comparisons									
1998 DOF Projection vs. 2006 DOF Estimate				-1.2%					
2004 DOF Projection vs. 2006 DOF Estimate				-2.1%					
COFCG/CCFI Projection vs. 2006 DOF Estimate			1.5%	0.8%					
COFCG/CCFI Projection vs. 2004 DOF Projection			1.5%	2.9%	4.5%		6.3%		8.1%
COFCG/CCFI Projection vs. 2005 Caltrans Projection			1.4%	0.3%	-1.6%		-4.6%		

Notes

* For January 1 of each year

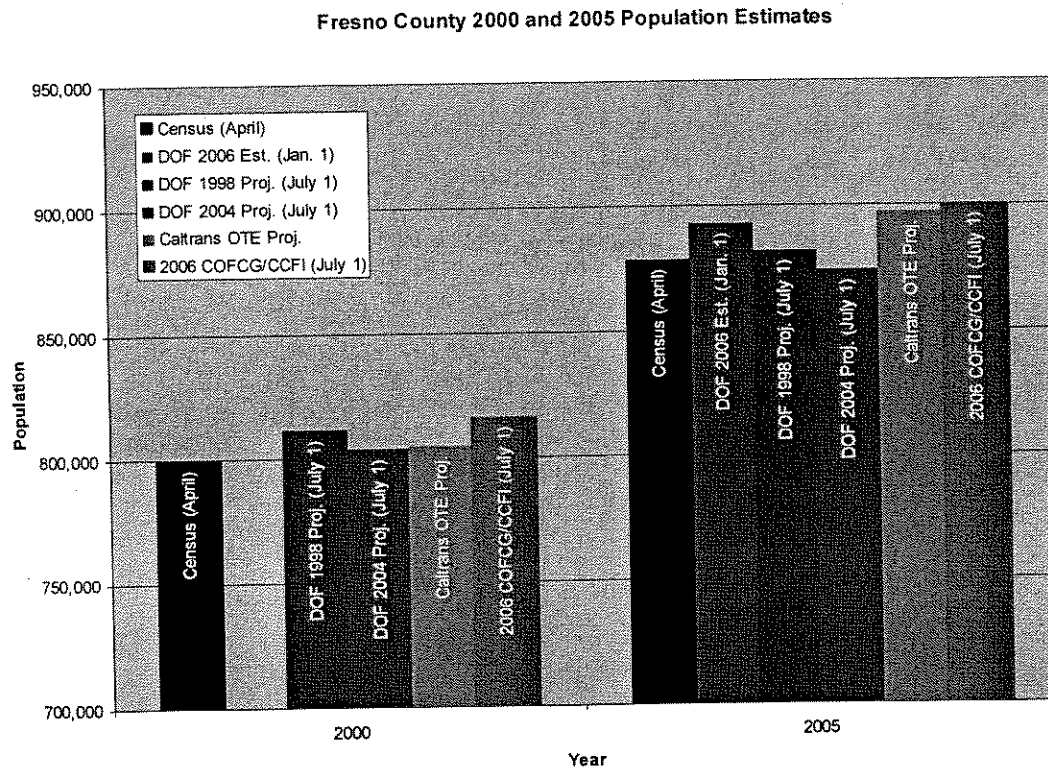
** For July 1 of each year

*** Adjusted from CCFI December 31 date for each year to July 1 mid-year for consistency with other travel model data sources
Extrapolated to 2030

*Near-Term Population

The population estimates for 2000 and 2005 can be compared between the projections that were prepared prior to 2005 and the most current estimates of actual population (Figure 1).

Figure 1: Comparison of Near-Term Population Estimates



The most current DOF estimate of 2005 Fresno County population (892,325) is 1.7 percent higher than the Census estimate of 2005 population. It should be noted that population in Fresno County varies from month to month depending on the amount of agricultural activity. Some of the difference between the Census and DOF estimates of current population can be attributed to the month of the year, with the Census representing April 1 and the DOF representing January 1 of the year.

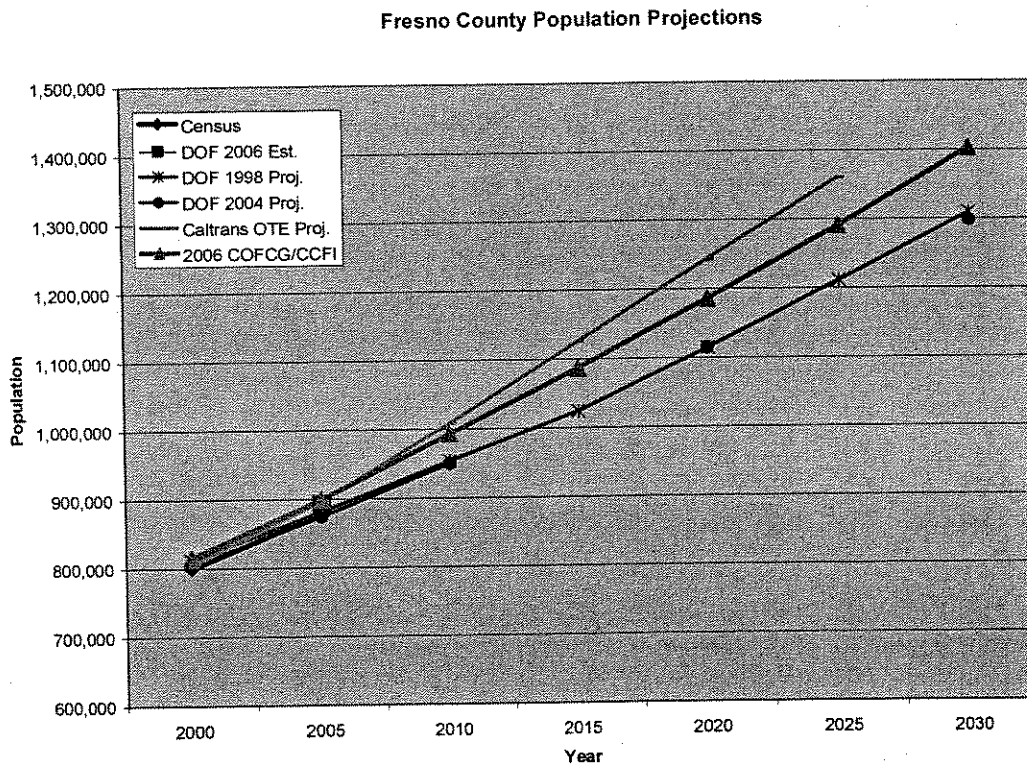
The DOF 1998 Projections were 1.2 percent lower than the current population, the DOF 2004 Projections were 2.1 percent lower than the current population, and the CCFI-based Projections were 0.8 percent higher than the current population. The CCFI-based projections are based on a current population estimate that is closest to the reported current population.

The CCFI-based projections also do not underestimate current population as the DOF Projections do, and therefore the CCFI-based projections represent a more conservative projection for transportation planning purposes.

Long-Term Population Forecasts

The long-term population forecasts from each source were compared (Figure 2). The highest forecasts for Fresno County are from the Caltrans OTE, and the lowest forecasts are from the DOF. The 1998 and 2004 DOF projections for Fresno County are very similar.

Figure 2 : Comparison of Long-Term Fresno County Population Forecasts



The CCFI-based projections are generally between the Caltrans and DOF forecasts. For the year 2020 where a direct comparison is possible, the CCFI-based forecasts are 6.3 percent higher than DOF and 4.6 percent lower than Caltrans.

Population Forecasts in Other Regions

Other regions in California regularly use demographic forecasts for regional planning which may differ significantly from the DOF forecasts.

The San Francisco Bay Area uses forecasts prepared by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) for input to transportation planning and other studies. The most

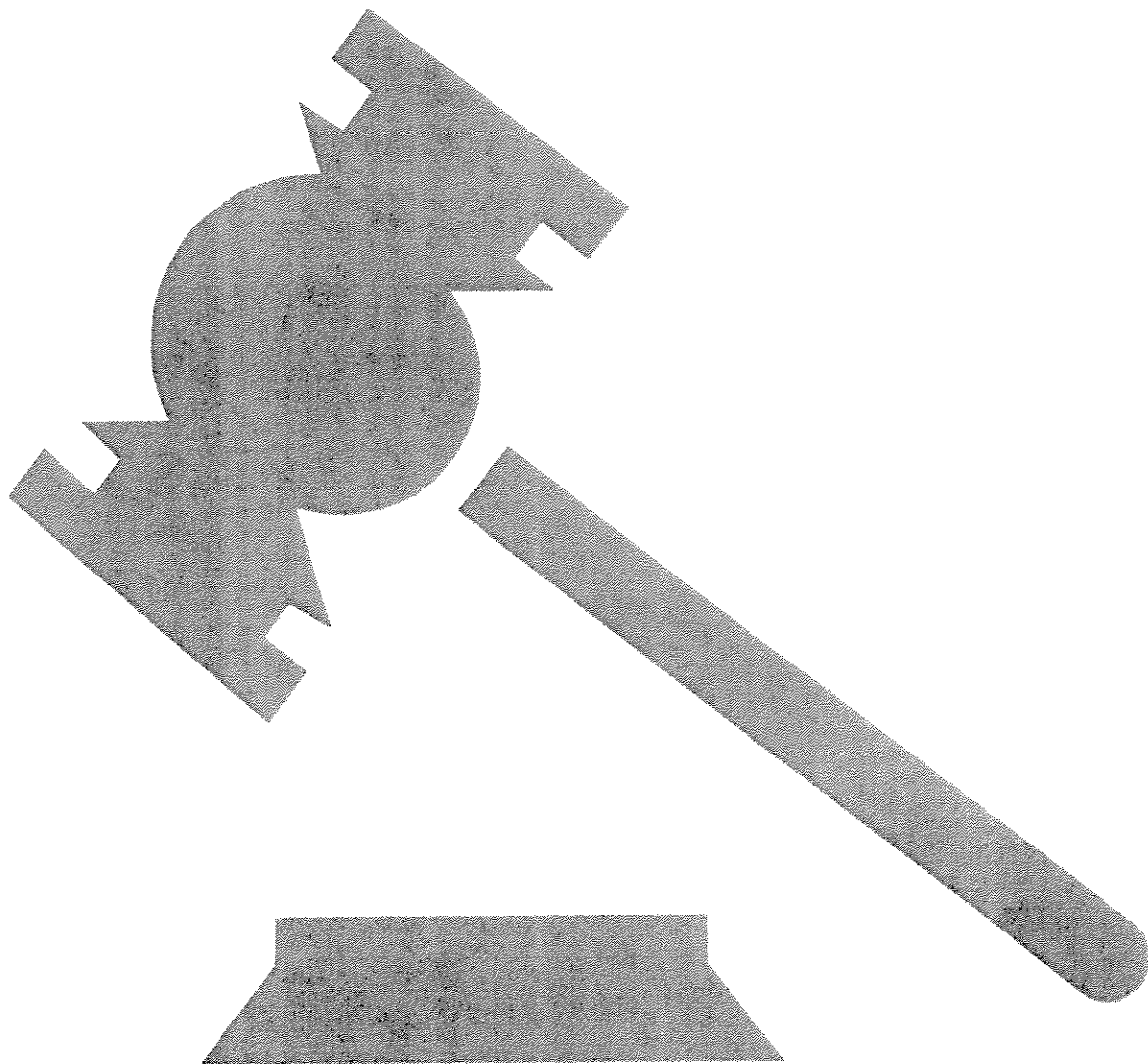
recent ABAG projections (Projections 2005) were compared to the most current 2004 DOF projections (Table 2). The ABAG projections differ significantly from the DOF projections in most counties, varying from 22 percent lower than DOF to 16 percent higher than DOF. The overall difference in the 2030 population forecast for the region is 4.7 percent.

Table 2 : Comparison of San Francisco Bay Area Population Projections

County	2000			2030		
	DOF	ABAG	Percent Difference	DOF	ABAG	Percent Difference
Alameda	1,451,109	1,443,741	-0.5%	2,038,482	1,884,600	-7.5%
Contra Costa	954,504	948,816	-0.6%	1,543,053	1,244,800	-19.3%
Marin	248,473	247,289	-0.5%	248,684	284,000	14.2%
Napa	124,945	124,279	-0.5%	190,234	153,400	-19.4%
San Francisco	781,174	776,733	-0.6%	796,208	924,600	16.1%
San Mateo	710,493	707,163	-0.5%	814,065	848,400	4.2%
Santa Clara	1,691,183	1,682,585	-0.5%	2,152,963	2,267,100	5.3%
Solano	396,784	394,542	-0.6%	677,628	581,800	-14.1%
Sonoma	461,347	458,614	-0.6%	715,298	558,400	-21.9%
TOTAL	6,820,012	6,783,762	-0.5%	9,176,615	8,747,100	-4.7%

Conclusions

- The population projections for Fresno County based on CCFI appear to be reasonable as they fall between the two population projections prepared by state agencies, and are based on the closest estimate of current (2005) population
- It is appropriate to use population projections based on independent analysis which may differ from the Department of Finance projections



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January 11, 2007

Memorandum

To: Policy Board
Policy Advisory Committee

From: Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director

Subject: **Proposed Policy Regarding Meal Expenses**

The Executive Director is recommending a revision to the Employee Expenses Travel Reimbursement Policy (5003.01 #8). Our current policy is over 20 years old and has not been adjusted to reflect current circumstances when traveling, or even to reflect that under federal guidelines the offering of a minimum 15% gratuity is an accepted process. In developing this recommendation we undertook a survey of other Valley COG's and the Cities of Clovis and Fresno as well as the County of Fresno to arrive at the recommendation (attached). The proposed rates fall between the City of Clovis' rates and the County of Fresno's rates, and is similar to rates paid by San Joaquin COG (max \$63.25 when tip included) and Stanislaus COG (\$52.00 with receipts).

The main changes proposed are:

- Allow reimbursement for gratuities (tips) on meals (as identified under Incidental Expenses in the IRS Rules for Employer Provided Meals and Lodging) not to exceed 15% of the meal cost.
- Increase the current per diem amount from \$30/\$40, to \$50/\$60.
- Provide employees two options for reimbursement of meals while traveling.

The current per diem is set at \$30 per day except in major metropolitan areas where the limit is increased to \$40. I am recommending a change allowing employees the option of choosing between a Flat Per Diem Option (\$50) or an Actual Cost Option (\$60). The gratuity, not to exceed 15% of the cost of the meal, would be included within the dollar amount of the option chosen. The recommendation is also based on the desire to have a policy that would probably not need a revision within the next five years.

Member Agencies: The cities of Clovis, Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Fresno, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, San Joaquin, Sanger, Selma & Fresno County

PROPOSED LANGUAGE REVISION

5003 TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

5003.01 This policy establishes the general guidelines and procedures to be followed when business travel is required.

8. With respect to meal expenses, employees would have two options for reimbursement. Option 1 is available only if the employee is absent the entire day on Fresno COG business. Also, the method selected for reimbursement must be used consistently on a full day/per trip basis.

Option 1

Flat Per Diem Option: \$50.00

The allowance for meals, including gratuity, shall not exceed the established per diem at the time the expense is incurred. There is no per-meal limitation and receipts will not be required for the flat per diem election. An employee may spend the allowance in any combination for meals, so long as the daily allowance is not exceeded. In the event that a specific meal is included and provided by a sponsor of a seminar, conference or otherwise provided when COG processes a registration document, the \$50 meal allowance would be reduced by the following appropriate amount:

Breakfast	\$10
Lunch	\$12
Dinner	<u>\$28</u>
	\$50

Fresno COG employees should be aware that if Fresno COG's flat per diem rate is greater than the applicable federal per diem rate for the destination city, that difference becomes taxable income and will be included in the employee's W2. Accounting staff can make available the destination city's applicable federal per diem rate for employees, prior to the decision to choose Option 1.

Option 2

Actual Cost Option: \$60

The allowance for meals, including gratuity, shall be for the amount expended, not to exceed the \$60 limit. The purchase of alcoholic beverages is not a reimbursable expense. **Receipts for meals must be provided** in order for expense reimbursement to be made. No reimbursement will be made for a specific meal that is included and provided by a sponsor of a seminar, conference or otherwise provided when COG processes a registration document. Reimbursements are made to actual cost of the meal up to the following limits:

Breakfast	\$12
Lunch	\$16
Dinner	<u>\$32</u>
	\$60

Travel Reimbursement Questionnaire
September 2006

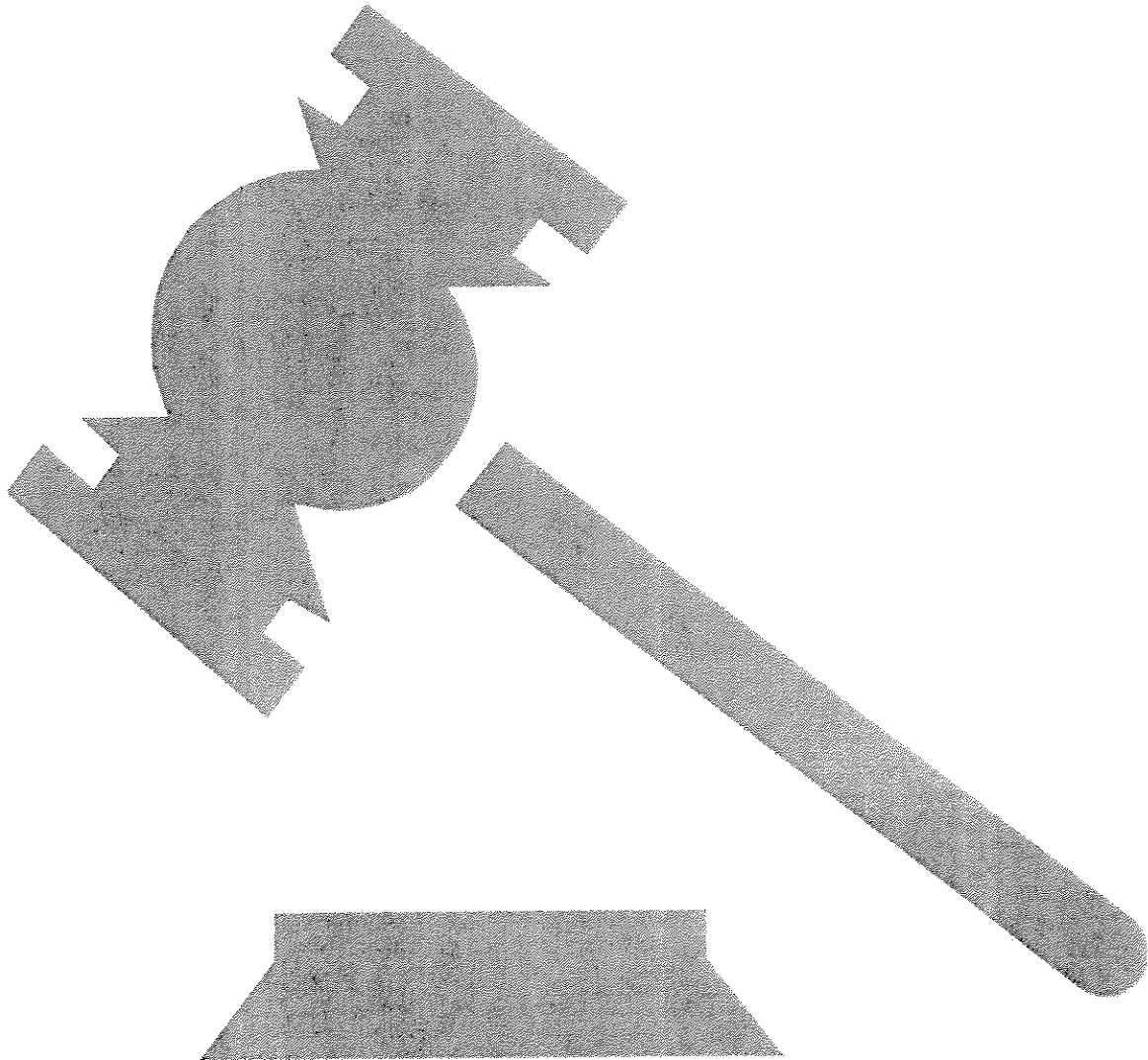
Questions:

1. What is the dollar limit per day of your travel reimbursement for meals?
2. Are employees reimbursed based on receipts submitted up to the \$ limit or are they issued a flat dollar amount they can keep even if they don't use?
3. Do you reimburse for tips? If yes, are they included in the per diem?
4. Do you have a set dollar amount limit for breakfast, lunch & dinner or a total amount of per diem that can be used for the day?
 Example: No breakfast, \$10 for lunch \$28 for dinner would be within the Fresno COG \$40 per day per diem.
5. How do coffee, refreshments, mini bar, etc. relate to per diem? Example: Would you allow a Starbucks Coffee for \$4 to be reimbursed as breakfast if it was the only expense turned in as breakfast and was within your maximum limit?
6. Is your staff allowed to make their own travel arrangements or is a staff person assigned to make all travel arrangements including hotel reservations, registration for conferences, flights, etc.?
7. Valet parking is normally a higher rate than self parking. Will your agency reimburse employee the higher priced valet parking if used or only up to the self parking rate?

Answers:

	Dollar limit per day for meals	Do you reimburse based on receipts or flat amount?	Do you reimburse for tips?	If yes, is tip included in \$ per day limit?	Can employee keep per diem if not used?	Do you have a set limit for individual meals	Coffee, mini bar allowed in per diem?	Do you pay for valet parking as opposed to self	Who makes travel arrangements?
COGS									
Fresno	\$40.00	receipts	no	xx	no	no	yes	Hasn't come up	both
Kings	\$43.00	receipts	no	xx	no	yes=B \$8 L \$12, D \$23	yes		staff makes own
Kern	\$45.00	flat	yes	yes	yes				
Madera	\$40.00	receipts	no	xx	no	no	yes	Only if self not available	both
Merced	\$34 *	receipts	no	xx	no	no	yes	Only if self not available	both
Stanislaus	\$52.00	receipt to max per meal	yes	yes	no	yes= B \$12, L \$15, D \$25	yes	Only if self not available	admin asst
San Joaquin	\$55.00	2 options	yes	on top of	as if flat option chosen	yes= B \$10, L \$15, D \$30	yes	Only if self not available	support staff
Other									
City of Clovis	\$60 & \$75	2 options	yes	yes	yes if flat option	no	yes	Only if self not available	both
City of Fresno	\$42 & \$48	2 options	no	xxx	option 1	no			
County of Fresno	\$45 & 58	receipts	yes	yes	no	yes= B \$9, L \$11, D \$25 High area			
						B \$12, L \$14, D \$32			

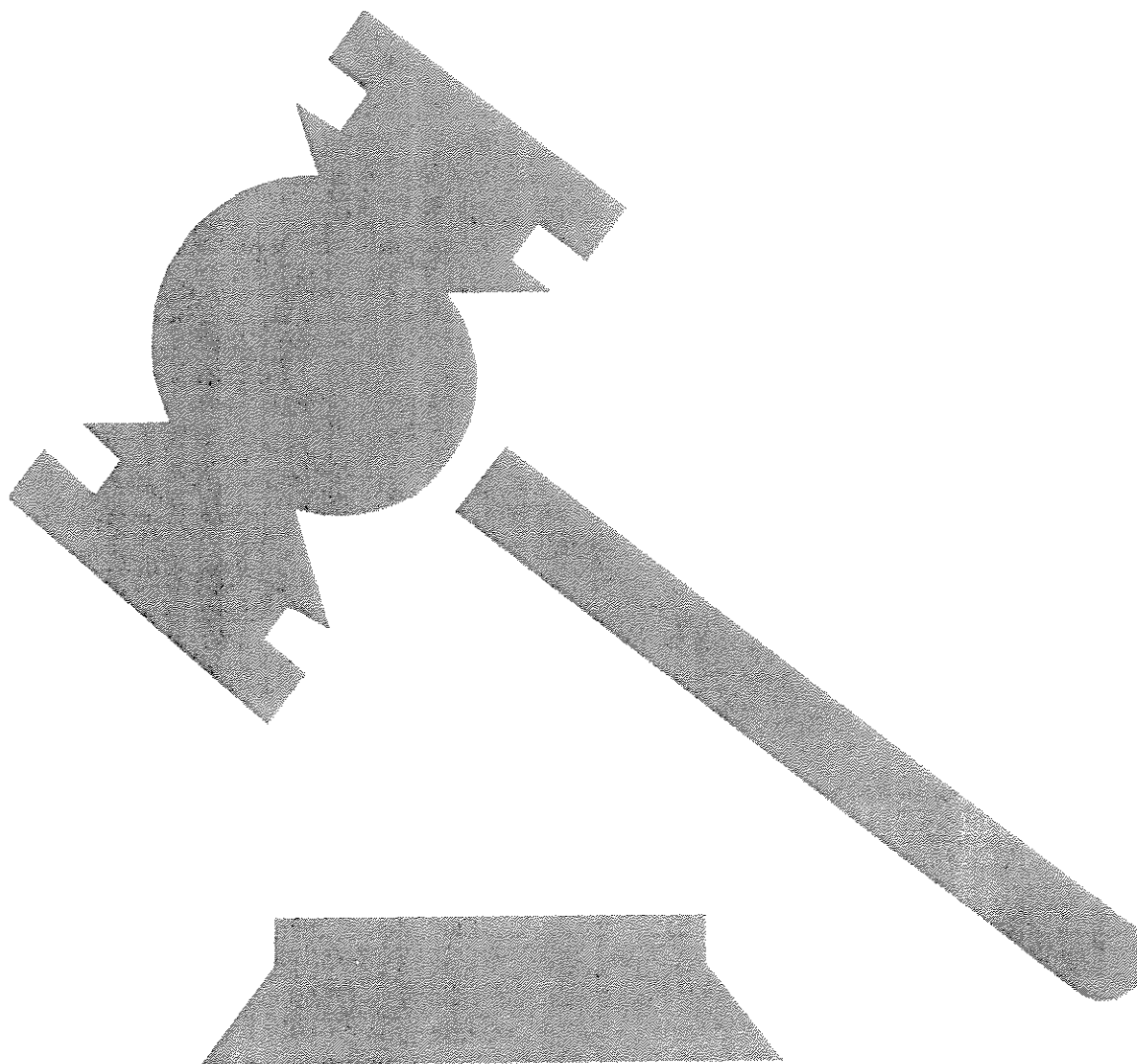
* Bound by Merced County rates, which are currently under review



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Fresno COG 2007 One Voice - Project Recommendations

Project/Bill/Account	Project Description	Project Location	Total Request	Applicant
Friant Corridor Road Widening <i>TTHUD (TCSP)</i>	Widen two-lane road to four-lane divided road with class II bicycle lanes.	Friant Rd. Copper/Millbrook Aves to Millerton Rd.	\$3,500,000	Fresno County Public Works.
State Route 180 - Temperance to Academy Ave. <i>TTHUD (STP)</i>	Completion of construction of the segment of SR 180 from Temperance to Academy	Southeast Fresno County	\$5,000,000	City of Sanger
Golden State Corridor Ec. Dev. Infrastructure <i>TTHUD (STP)</i>	Roadway rehabilitation, improvements and enhancements to facilitate economic development.	Golden State Boulevard through Kingsburg, Selma, Fowler, and portions of Fresno Co.	\$2,750,000	Fresno County Public Works
Highway 269 Bridge Project <i>TTHUD (STP)</i>	Build a 500 foot bridge across the Arroyo Pasajero Creek	City of Huron	\$1,500,000	I-5 Business Development Corridor
Westside Vocational Center <i>TTHUD (EDI)</i>	Build a 20,000 sq. ft flexible vocational facility to provide trade skills training to low income area of county.	City of Mendota	\$3,000,000	I-5 Business Development Corridor
Recycled Water Master Plan System – Phase C <i>Interior (EPA-STAG)</i>	Complete build-out of main water transmission lines. Developed in 5 phases – Total Cost - \$35 million	City of Clovis	\$2,300,000	City of Clovis
The following projects are considered more policy oriented:				
Future of the 144th Fighter Wing, California Air National Guard <i>Defense (Authorization)</i>	To assign F-15 aircraft to the 144th Fighter Wing to replace the F-16 dated to expire in the year 2012.	Fresno Yosemite International Airport	\$0	City of Fresno
Fresno Yosemite International Airport <i>DHS (Authorization)</i>	Establish FYI as an international Port of Entry (POE) with the US Dept. of Homeland Security, Customs and Border Protection Agency (CBP)	Fresno Yosemite International Airport	\$0	City of Fresno - Dept. of Airports
Mendota Federal Correctional Institution <i>(Byrne-JAG)</i>	Completion of correctional institution	City of Mendota	Restoration of \$87,000,000	City of Mendota



VII. OTHER BUSINESS

Presentation Request Form

ALL REQUESTS MUST BE TYPEWRITTEN:

At the March 2005 Council of Fresno County Governments' Policy Board meeting the following procedure was adopted for presentations.

For persons wishing to appear before the Transportation Technical Committee, Policy Advisory Committee or Policy Board the following procedure should be used:

For presentations beyond the regular three minute presentation, under Public Presentations, a letter, including this form and supporting materials, should be submitted to the Chair of the Committee at 2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201, Fresno, CA 93721, detailing the subject matter and action to be taken by the Board and other pertinent details. In particular the letter should state why the Committee/COG Policy Board is the entity where this presentation needs to occur. Staff will schedule requests for each meeting, but limit the presentations to two per meeting, and the presentations themselves would be limited to five minutes each, and be placed at the end of the business agenda. Persons requesting more than five minutes may need special consideration.

NAME/TITLE: _____

AGENCY: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PRESENTATION DATE REQUESTED: _____

SUBJECT: _____

PURPOSE OF PRESENTATION: _____

LENGTH OF PRESENTATION: _____

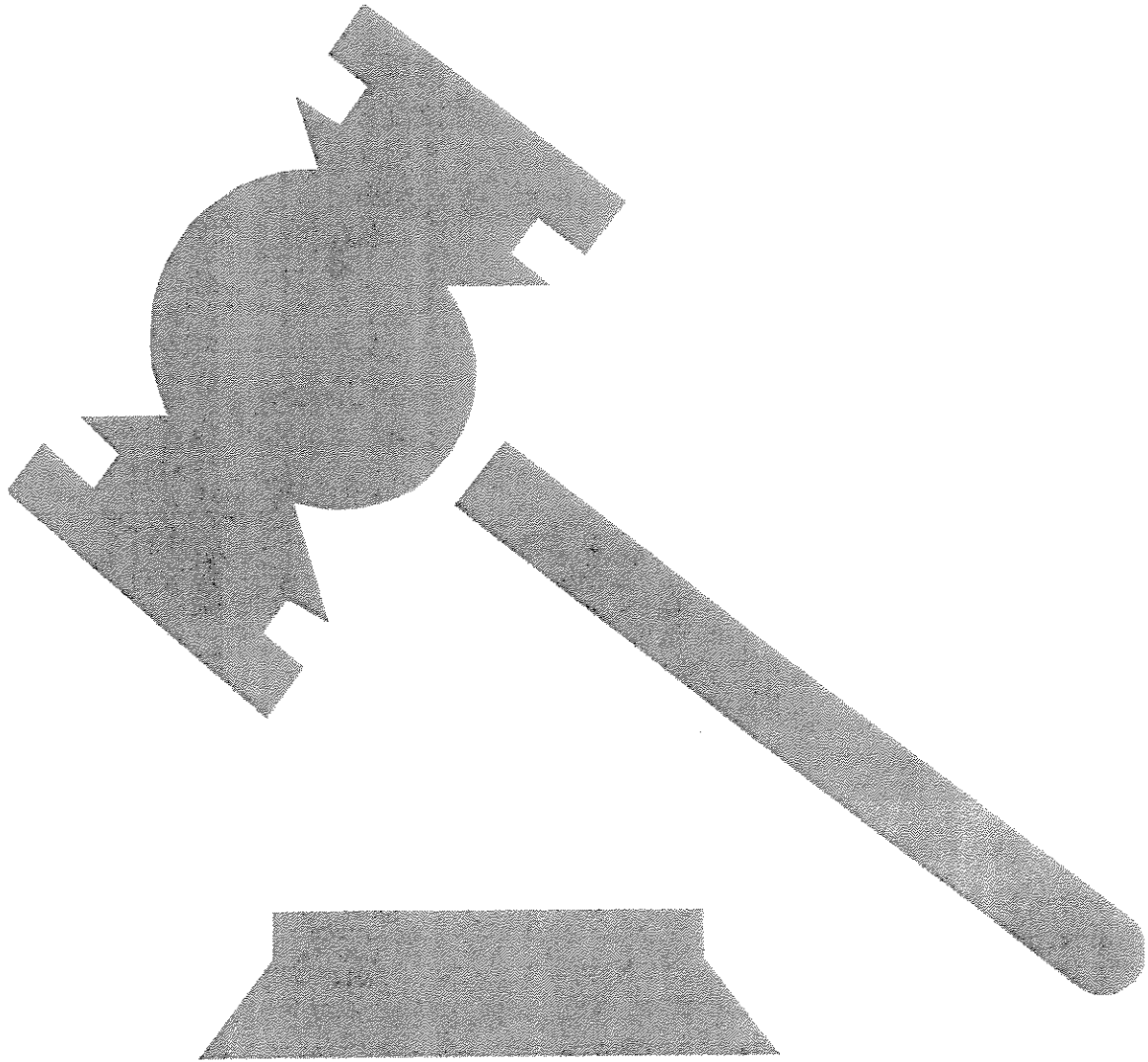
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ACTION REQUIRED: _____

If you have any questions, please contact our office at 559-233-4148.

Signature

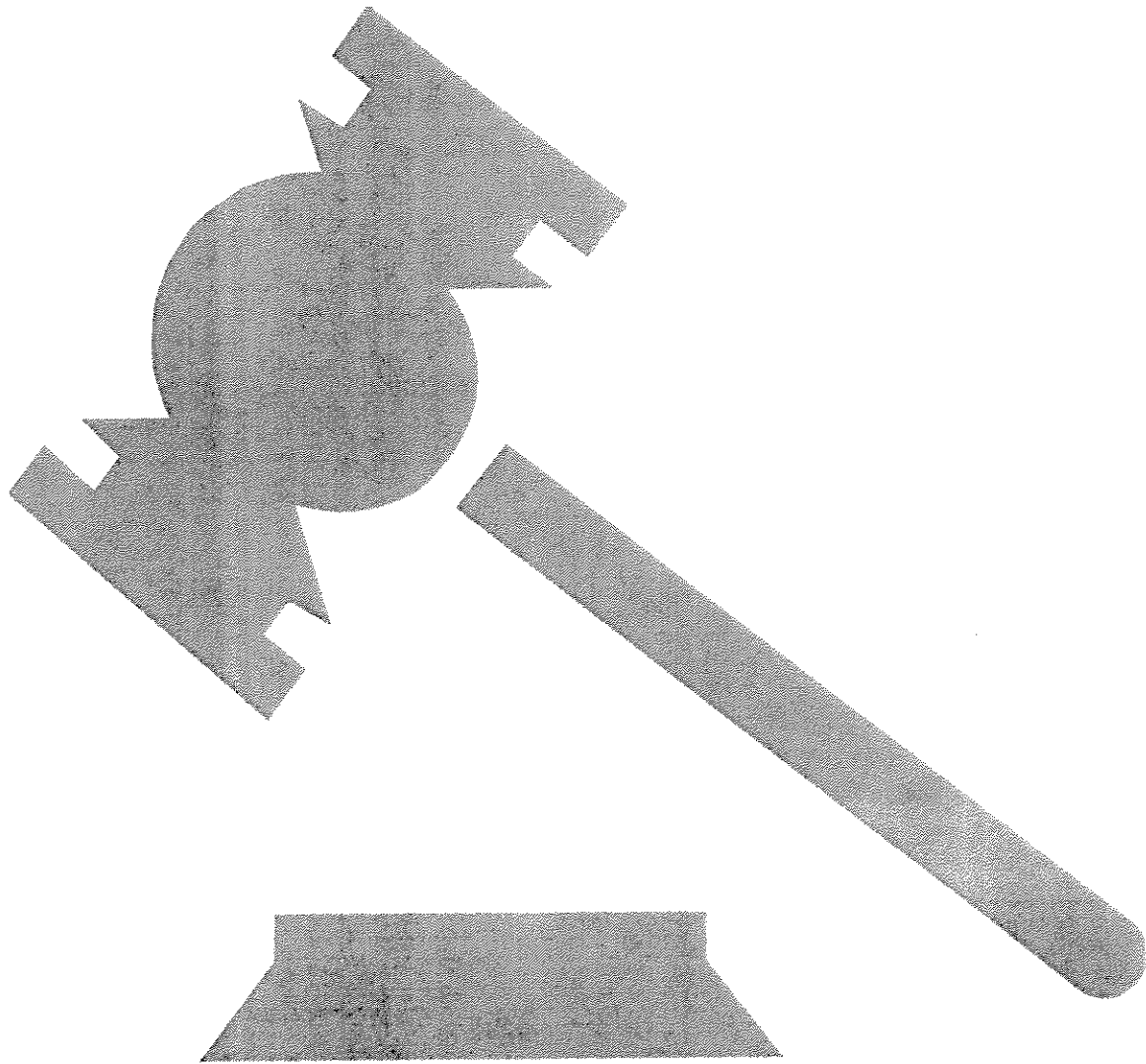
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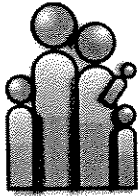
ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT

**FRESNO COUNTY ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT SERVICE AUTHORITY
ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT PROGRAM
STATUS REPORT FOR FIRST QUARTER FY 2006-07**

FINANCIAL OPERATIONS																		
	Clovis	Coalinga	Firebaugh	Fowler	Fresno City	Huron	Kerman	Kingsburg	Mendota	Orange Cove	Parlier	Reedley	Sanger	San Joaquin	Seima	Fresno County	Admini- stration	Total
YTD REVENUES																		
Registration Fees																		\$179,520.10
Interest																		\$3,120.78
Other																		
TOTAL REVENUES																		\$182,640.88
COSTS (4th QUARTER)																		
Personnel	7,990.00	8,930.00	5,640.00	3,948.00	92,820.00	1,410.00	0.00	2,162.00	2,632.00	0.00	0.00	7,520.00	7,332.00	0.00	5,452.00	0.00	2,375.00	148,211.00
Services and Supplies	0.00	0.00	140.00	0.00	0.00	225.00	0.00	100.00	2,174.85	0.00	0.00	1,191.70	2,867.66	0.00	520.00	0.00	0.00	7,219.21
Major Purchases (\$2,600+)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL COSTS	7,990.00	8,930.00	5,780.00	3,948.00	92,820.00	1,635.00	0.00	2,262.00	4,806.85	0.00	0.00	8,711.70	10,199.66	0.00	5,972.00	0.00	2,375.00	155,430.21
YTD COSTS	7,990.00	8,930.00	5,780.00	3,948.00	92,820.00	1,635.00	0.00	2,262.00	4,806.85	0.00	0.00	8,711.70	10,199.66	0.00	5,972.00	0.00	2,375.00	166,430.21
UNEXPENDED REVENUES																		\$27,210.67
VEHICLES ABATED																		
VOLUNTARY ABATEMENTS																		
PUBLIC	11	49	52	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		144
PRIVATE	50	0		0	524	9	0	19	28	0	0	66	46	0	42	0		784
TOWS (ABATEMENTS)																		
PUBLIC	3	23	0	5	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0		35
PRIVATE	9	0	4	0	11		0	2	0	0	0	7	16	0	7	0		56
TOTAL ABATEMENTS																		
PUBLIC	14	72	52	37	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0		179
PRIVATE	59	0	4	0	535	9	0	21	28	0	0	73	62	0	49	0		840
GRAND TOTAL ABATEMENTS	73	72	56	37	535	12	0	21	28	0	0	73	62	0	50	0		1019



VII. BOARD PRESENTATIONS



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Fresno, CA 93727



Design & Ecology 디앤에코

MEMORANDUM

To: Barbara Goodwin
Executive Director, Fresno COG

From: Miguel A. Lopez
President and CEO
Human Resource Connect / Corporate Relocator Program
DnEco California USA Representative

Re: Presentation before COG by DnEco Company regarding Advanced Waste Water Treatment Technology

Date: January 2, 2007

A request for a presentation from Mayor Victor P. Lopez, Mayor for the City of Orange Cove and member of COG has been requested for Dr. GiRyong Jung, President and CEO / President Overseas Business for DnEco Company, Ltd regarding an advanced technology related to waste water treatment.

We are forwarding to you an abbreviated description on our waste water technology which has been recognized as innovative and cost effective technology by the California State Water Resources Control Board, and the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This technology has been presented to these agencies as well as to other members of the private and public sector in California e.g., Western Dairy Association, California Department of Food and Agriculture, Tulare County, and the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District in Fresno, California, the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region 5, and all have acknowledge that the technology is very much in need and welcomed.

We would like to preface to members of COG that the DnEco Technology has several applications; 1.) It is being used for septic and traditional waste water sewage processing for human; 2.) It is being used for waste water treatment for the food processing industry; and 3.) It is being used for livestock waste water treatment. At the presentation we will focus on the sewage waste water treatment plant capabilities.

The Rotating Activated *Bacillus* Contactor (RABC) is a process for waste water treatment for the aforementioned, a sewage processing technology of the Retiform Rotating Micro Organism Contact Tank and Biological Reaction Tank application.

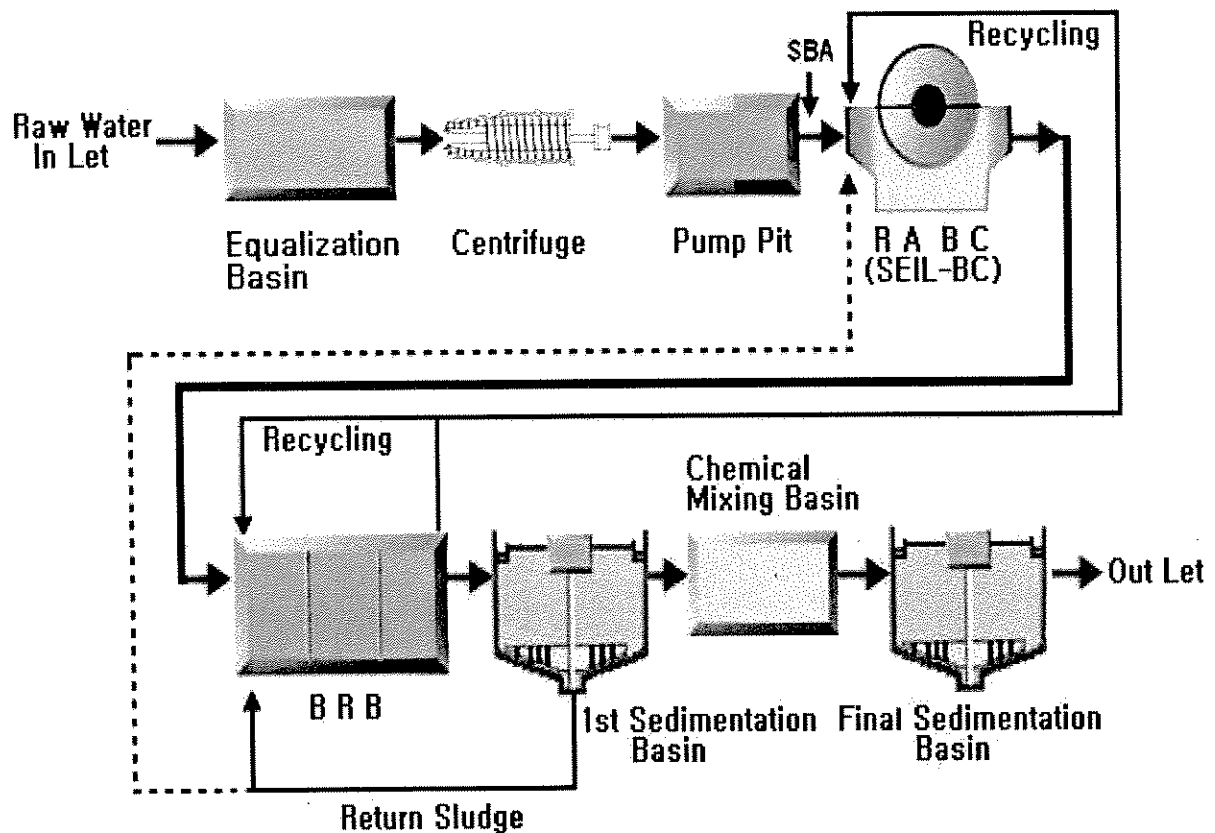
Introduction of the Technology

The RABC (Rotating Activated *Bacillus* Contactor) method is an advanced technology and sewage process technology that uses the *Bacillus Sp.*, the rotating micro-organism contact tank and the Biological reaction tank, and removes highly concentrated organic matter, nitrogen and phosphates. Please see the schematic for your review.

Treatment SYSTEM

Process:

RABC



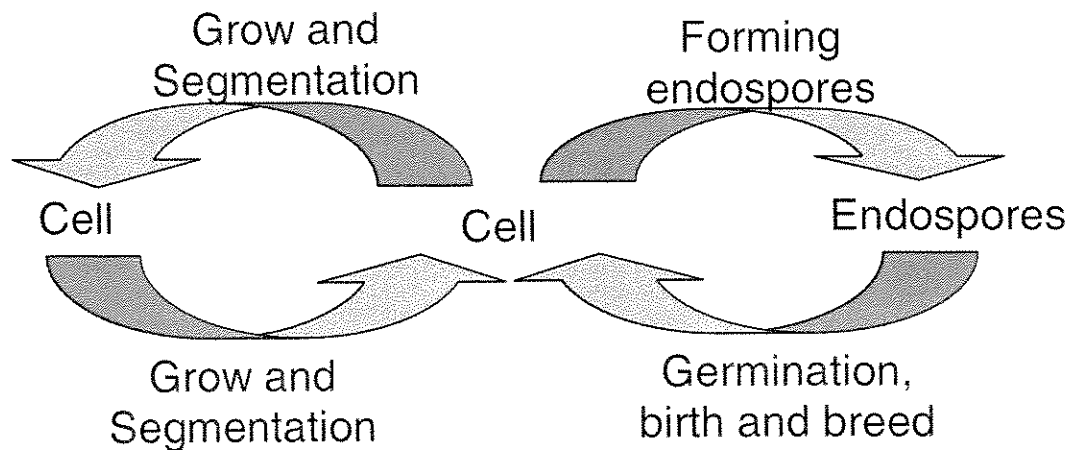
Characteristics and Strengths

- ▶ *Bacillus Sp.* based technology maximizes the efficiency of the process using the *Bacillus S.*
- ▶ Combination of bio film and floating growth strengthens the change of temperature and load or organic matter due to the RABC (Bio Film) and the Biological Reaction Tank (floating) (See Schematic)

- Biological, chemical and mechanical processes all linked, capable of processing livestock waste and sewage composed of highly concentrated, not easily decomposable matter.

Fundamental Principle of the Technology

- Characteristics of the *Bacillus Sp* absorbs organic matter, ammonium ($\text{NH}_4\text{-N}$) and phosphorous ($\text{PO}_4\text{-N}$) directly and grows in the form of filament and when the environment becomes harsh, it forms endospores to survive.
- Strong hydrolysis enzymes are being formed when cells grow and take segmentation which will turn the bio-non degradable organics into degradable matters.



- Intracellular Polymeric Substances (EPS) are formed when the endospores are created which destroy E-Coli.
- The DnEco technology totally eliminates all offensive odors which will be removed perfectly by the *Bacillus Sp.*, so that deodor facilities will not be required.

The major features associated with this technology are the stable and high removal of BOD, TN, TP for a high fluctuation of loading – small area required for the installation of the process facility and highly convertible to the conventional activated sludge process – easy maintenance and low running cost (about 40% less), and no facility required for deodorization and disinfection. And the benefits of the DnEco Bio System can provide for the improvement in the quality of public health through the advanced environmental technologies and acquired high quality of water resources.

Please be advised that a major hallmark of this technology is its ability to process water beyond tertiary and grey water standards within hours, returning over 90% of the water, which can be very beneficial to municipality, food processors, and livestock operations. Another key factor is the emerging processing of sludge converting it through nitrification to a highly concentrated granule of valuable organic nitrogen fertilizer. It may also be of interest to the clients operation to know that the processed water quality is

potable, and can be reused by the client in their operation. This eliminates the need for evaporation ponds and saves a tremendous amount of water for other purposes. This process eliminates ponding basins and lagoons, and totally eliminates additional EIR's. Another key hallmark is that we have been approved by the state to disperse the effluent into any public domain water body such as a reservoir, irrigation canal or river due to our technology's de-chlorinization capabilities.

In closing we hope that we have been able to provide you with sufficient information about our technology, a technology that has been tested and proven, with well over 31 plants in operation in South Korea, with more going up in Japan and China, and Europe, and 3 in California. We will also be collaborating with California State University Fresno's Water Technology Department, we feel confident that DnEco can be a valuable part of any equation that will prevail in making the process of waste water treatment, a more efficient and environmental friendly one to all those concerned.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 559.255.8617 or by my cell phone at 559.360.7445, or by e-mail at Miguel_lopez@go2hrc.org. We will wait for your response, and we look forward to meeting with you and members of COG to further elaborate on this cutting edge technology.

With Warmest Regards,

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