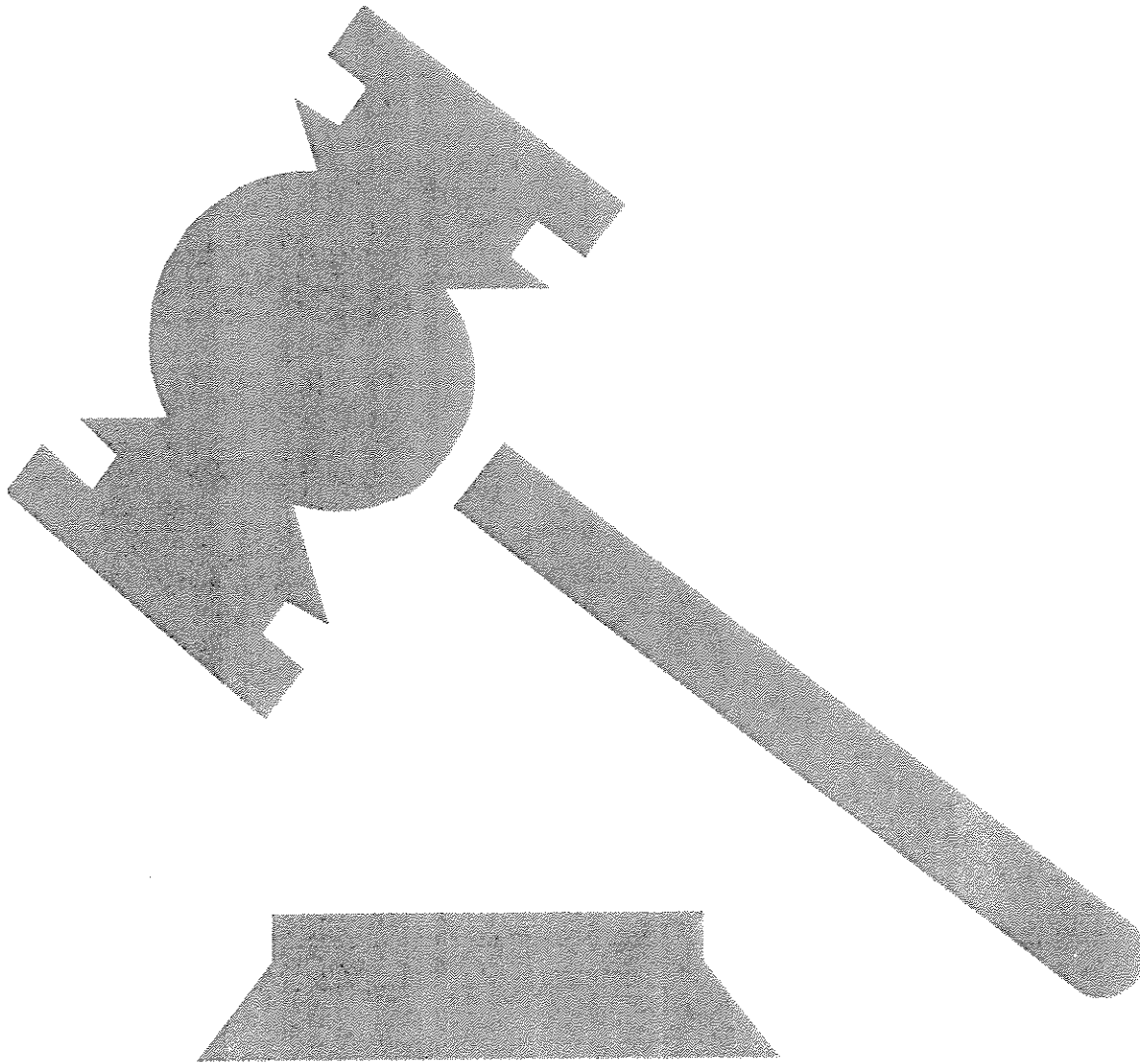




*TRANSPORTATION
CONSENT ITEMS
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Annual Listing of Projects with Federal Funding for Federal Fiscal Year 2006



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Purpose

The new transportation bill passed in 2005, the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) outlines the requirement for Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) to publish an annual listing of projects for which funds have been obligated in the preceding year including a listing of pedestrian and bicycle projects. From SAFETEA-LU, 23 U.S.C. 134(j)(7)(B), 23 U.S.C. 135(g)(4)(B), 49 U.S.C. 5303(j)(7)(B), and 49 U.S.C. 5304(g)(4)(B):

An Annual Listing of projects, including investments in pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities, for which federal funds have been obligated in the preceding year, shall be published or otherwise made available by the cooperative effort of the State, transit operator, and metropolitan planning organization for public review. This listing shall be consistent with the funding categories identified in each metropolitan transportation improvement program (TIP).

This report is published in response to the above requirement by listing all federally funded transportation projects in the Fresno County region that were obligated during the federal fiscal year 2006. Obligation refers to the federal government's commitment to pay or reimburse the lead agency for the federal share of a project's cost. Obligation does not indicate expenditure or project completion; only that the project has been approved for federal reimbursement. Programmed project costs can be found in the corresponding Federal Transportation Improvement Program and Regional Transportation Plan.

Background

Fresno COG is a voluntary association of local governments, one of 25 in California and 522 nationwide. In 1967 elected officials of Fresno County and its incorporated cities informally created the Council to provide "a cooperative body" for the discussion and resolution of issues which go beyond their individual boundaries. Subsequent federal and state laws encouraged such efforts, and the agency was formalized in 1969.

Fresno COG fosters intergovernmental communication and coordination, undertakes comprehensive regional planning with an emphasis on transportation, provides for citizen involvement in the planning process and supplies technical services to its member governments.

In all these areas the Fresno COG serves as a consensus builder to develop an acceptable approach on how to handle problems that do not respect political boundaries.

Who are the members, their representatives, and how do they vote?

Fresno COG's member agencies are represented on the Policy Board by the Mayors of each incorporated city, and the Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors, or designated representatives.

The Policy Board is a governing body that establishes policy and guides work activities. They are assisted in making decisions by the Policy Advisory Committee (PAC), composed of the Chief Administrative Officer of each member agency, or their designated representatives. With the exception of urgency matters, all items must first be considered by the PAC before submission to the Policy Board.

The Board and PAC are assisted in the decision- making process by staff from their agencies, citizen and interest groups, and various technical advisory committees who comprise the Transportation Technical Committee, or TTC as it is commonly called.

Fresno COG Policy Board	
<u>Chairman:</u> Mayor Pro Tem Trinidad M. Rodriguez	
<u>Vice-Chairman:</u> Mayor Dennis Lujan	
Member	Representative
Clovis	Mayor Nathan Magsig
Coalinga	Mayor Ron Lander
Firebaugh	Mayor George Conklin, Jr.
Fowler	Mayor Jim Simonian
Fresno City	Mayor Alan Autry
Fresno County	Supervisor Judy Case
Huron	Mayor Ramon Dominguez
Kerman	Mayor Pro Tem Trinidad M. Rodriguez
Kingsburg	Mayor Leland Bergstrom
Mendota	Mayor Joseph Riofrio
Orange Cove	Mayor Victor Lopez
Parlier	Mayor Armando Lopez
Reedley	Councilmember Scott Brockett
San Joaquin	Mayor Amarpreet Dhaliwal
Sanger	Mayor Mike Montelongo
Selma	Mayor Pro Tem Dennis Lujan

*Effective May 1, 2005

The Regional Transportation Plan

The Regional Transportation Plan is a long-range (minimum 20-year) plan that provides a blueprint for future transportation improvements and investments based on specific transportation goals, objectives, policies and strategies. The RTP is based on federal transportation law requiring comprehensive, cooperative, and continuous transportation planning. Fresno COG meets these requirements by developing comprehensive transportation plans that include all surface transportation modes (multi-modal planning), to ensure efficient people and goods movements throughout the region.

The purpose of the RTP is to provide strategic direction for transportation capital investments by assessing regional growth and economic trends. Thus, the RTP helps

planners link transportation investments to provide a cohesive, balanced and multimodal transportation system that will help relieve traffic congestion.

The Federal Transportation Improvement Program

As the designated metropolitan planning organization for the region, Fresno COG prepares and maintains the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). The program includes a listing of all transportation-related projects requiring federal funding or other approval by the federal transportation agencies. The FTIP also lists non-federal, regionally significant projects for information and air quality modeling purposes.

Projects included in the FTIP are consistent with Fresno COG's Regional Transportation Plan and are part of the area's overall strategy for providing mobility, congestion relief and reduction of transportation-related air pollution in support of efforts to attain federal air quality standards for the region.

Public Involvement

Fresno COG aims to proactively engage the public in the regional transportation planning process and embrace federal requirements that MPOs provide the public with complete information, timely public notice, full public access to key decisions, and early and continuing involvement in developing the TIP, Regional Transportation Plan, and other products.

Annual Listing of Projects with Federal Funding for Federal Fiscal Year 2006

Federal law requires Fresno COG to publish for public review an annual listing of projects for which federal funds have been obligated in the preceding year, as a record of project delivery and a progress report for public information and disclosure.

This report is divided into the funding types administered by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Projects are listed by *Lead Agency*, *FTIP Program*, *Federal ID* and *COFCG ID*. The *COFCG ID* number is a unique project identifier used in the FTIP; the category *Total Dollar Amount in FTIP* is included for reference of total project funding. Multiple *Federal IDs* can correspond with one *COFCG ID*. Note this list includes only federal funds obligated; no state or local funds are reported. The information contained in this report was provided by the California Department of Transportation.

This report indicates that approximately \$32.1 million in federal funds were obligated for transportation project in the region between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

The obligated federal funding consisted of approximately \$1.67 million of Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds for bicycle/pedestrian facilities; 18 projects had bicycle/pedestrian components. \$11.6 million of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds were obligated for transit projects and \$4.05 million was transferred from FHWA to FTA for transit projects.

Lead Agency	FTIP Program	Funding Type	Federal ID	COFEG ID	Location	Work Description	Date of Obligation	Federal Funds Obligated	Phase	Total Dollar Amount in FTIP	Bicycle/Pedestrian Related Projects
Clovis	CMAQ	CML	5208(076)	FRE040101	Along Shaw Avenue from Clovis Avenue to Willow Avenue	Install Fiber Optic Cable, Conduits, Pull Boxes, & connect to exist. Tr. Signal Controller Cabinets	12/22/05	20,096	PE	289,179	
Clovis	CMAQ	CML	5208(078)	FRE040101	On Shaw Avenue from State Route 168 to Clovis Avenue	Fiber Optic Cabling Install fiber optic cable, conduits, pull boxes, & connect to exist. Traffic Signal Controller cabinets	09/14/06	269,083	PE/CON	-	
Clovis	CMAQ	CML	5208(075)	FRE040102	On Shaw Avenue from State Route 168 to Willow Avenue		12/22/05	6,020	PE	61,700	
Clovis	CMAQ	CML	5208(077)	FRE040104	On the east side of Clovis Avenue from Gettysburg to Dakota Avenue	Construct curb and gutter	09/14/06	166,964	CON	209,200	
Clovis	CMAQ	CML	5208(077)	FRE040104	Along "H" St bwn Merced St alignment and Divisadero St and bike route signage down Divisadero St and Palm Avenue	Construct bike lanes and bike route signage	09/14/06	123,942	PE/CON	745,500	3
Fresno	CMAQ	CML	5060(117)	FRE020129	At the intersection of Chestnut Avenue and Kings Canyon Road	Traffic flow improvements Traffic flow improvements including installation of dual NB & SB lanes & separate Rt. turn lane	08/02/06	86,317	RW	1,129,800	
Fresno	CMAQ	CML	5060(081)	FRE040110	At the intersection of Shaw Avenue and Cedar Avenue	Improve Traffic Operation by Replacing existing signal controllers	12/22/05	1,500	CON	101,700	
Fresno	CMAQ	CML	5060(119)	FRE040107	At various locations on the following streets; Blackstone, Shaw, Divisadero St and Broadway St	Construct sidewalks and curb ramps	09/14/06	291,300	CON	434,300	
Fresno	CMAQ	CML	5060(128)	FRE020134	Cedar, "B", Brawley, Willow and Kings Canyon	Construct Bike Lanes	09/14/06	23,000	PE	647,400	3
Fresno	CMAQ	CML	5060(129)	FRE020129	On First Street from Dakota Avenue to Herndon Avenue	Construct Bike Lanes	08/02/06	19,900	PE/CON	745,500	3
Fresno	CMAQ	CML	5060(129)	FRE020129	On First Street from Dakota Avenue to Herndon Avenue	Construct Bike Lanes	09/14/06	144,300	PE/CON	1,256,500	3
Fresno	CMAQ	CML	5060(130)	FRE020129	On Fruit Avenue from 400' south of Ashlan to McKinley Avenues	Modify Striping to provide Bike Lanes	08/02/06	19,900	PE/CON	-	3
Fresno	CMAQ	CML	5060(130)	FRE020129	On Fruit Avenue from 400' south of Ashlan to McKinley Avenues	Modify Striping to provide Bike Lanes	09/14/06	336,900	PE/CON	-	3
Fresno	CMAQ	CML	5060(101)	FRE020130	Various Signal Locations in the City of Fresno	Maintenance operation for Traffic Signal Synchronization Facilities	09/14/06	442,650	PE	1,256,500	
Fresno County	CMAQ	CML	5942(152)	FRE020158	Barstow Ave 300' east of Palm to Maroa Ave (North Side Only); North Ave from Clovis Ave to McCall Ave; Adam Ave from SR 99 to Clovis Ave; and Reed Ave fm SR 180 to Parlier Ave	Shoulder Improvements including Asphalt Concrete Overlay and Shoulder Backing	09/14/06	931,336	CON	1,639,100	
Fresno County	CMAQ	CML	5942(108)	FRE020156	In Fresno County on Auberry Road-Copper to Millerton	Construct Bike Path	08/20/06	333,800	CON	408,500	3
Fresno County	CMAQ	CML	5942(158)	FRE040120	On American Ave from Alta Avenue to SR-63	Shoulder Paving and Stabilization	07/01/06	28,329	PE	684,800	
Kingsburg	CMAQ	CML	5170(026)	FRE040112	Golden State Blvd: Bethel Ave to Laurel St	Construct Class I bike path	09/14/06	29,300	PE	309,600	3
Kingsburg	CMAQ	CML	5170(027)	FRE040113	On 10th Avenue from Sierra St to Stroud Avenue	Sidewalk	09/14/06	7,800	PE	82,100	3
Orange Cove	CMAQ	CML	5301(003)	FRE020143	Rails-to-Trails Project - on the abandoned AT & SF Railroad right-of-way from Anchor to Hills Valley Road	Purchase Abandon Railroad Right-of-Way and construct Pedestrian and Bike Trail	04/28/06	193,792	RW	243,400	3
Fresno Area Express	CMAQ	FTACML	6008(013)	FRE041403	FTA Grant No. CA-90-Y504	CA-90-Y504; Intermodal Facility Pgm; Operating Assistance: Downtown Circulator; Peak Svc Pgm & Downtown Vanpool Pgm	8/25/2006	4,052,300	CON	7,841,800	
Fresno County	Demo.	DEM05L	5942(160)	FRE020647	On Friant Road from Millbrook Avenue to Millerton Road	Reconstruct / Widen Roadway	09/14/06	491,964	CON	19,746,669	
Fresno County	Demo.	STPLMA	5942(099)	FRE020647	On Friant road from Willow Ave to Bugg St	Reconstruct/widen to 4 lanes	08/03/06	2,972,239	CON	-	

Lead Agency	FTIP Program	Funding Type	Federal ID	COFCS ID	Location	Work Description	Date of Obligation	Federal Funds Obligated	Phase	Total Dollar Amount in FTIP	Bicycle/Pedestrian Related Projects
Clovis	RSTP	RPSTPLE	5208(065)	FRE041812	East of Temperance Avenue and south of Ness Avenue along the Enterprise Canal.	Pedestrian and Bike Path	07/01/06	213,000	PE	499,300	3
Clovis	RSTP	RPSTPLE	5208(066)	FRE041813	On Ashlan Avenue from Whittier Avenue to McKelvy Avenue.	Construct Median Island with Landscaping	09/14/06	1,000	PE	335,500	
Fresno	RSTP	RPSTPLE	5060(106)	FRE041815	On Shaw Avenue from State Route 99 to Golden State Blvd.	Construct a median island with landscaping and irrigation	03/05/06	1,000	PE	313,400	
Fresno	RSTP	RPSTPLE	5060(106)	FRE041815	On Shaw Avenue from State Route 99 to Golden State Blvd.	Construct a median island with landscaping and irrigation	06/29/06	18,800	PE	-	
Fresno	RSTP	RPSTPLE	5060(106)	FRE041815	On Shaw Avenue from State Route 99 to Golden State Blvd.	Construct a median island with landscaping and irrigation	09/14/06	257,600	CON	-	
Fresno	RSTP	RPSTPLE	5060(107)	FRE041814	South of McKenzie Avenue trail from Willow Avenue to Clovis Avenue.	Reconstruct Class I Bike / Pedestrian Path	11/24/05	27,000	PE	256,700	3
Fresno County	RSTP	RPSTPLE	5942(153)	FRE041820	North Fresno County in the Sierra National Forest along the San Joaquin River from the Kerkdhooff Reservoir to the Upper Redinger Reservoir.	Construct Pedestrian and Bike Trail	03/25/06	35,000	PE	540,000	3
Kingsburg	RSTP	RPSTPLE	5170(024)	FRE041817	On 18th Ave from Hayward Street to Stroud Avenue	Construct a median island with Landscaping and irrigation	09/14/06	3,000	PE	154,000	
San Joaquin	RSTP	RPSTPLE	5245(003)	FRE041818	On Main Street from Colorado Avenue to Nevada Avenue.	Install decorative crosswalks, landscaped planter islands, street lights and benches	08/03/06	16,000	PE	246,800	3
Selma	RSTP	RPSTPLE	5096(019)	FRE041819	Along the Consolidated Irrigation District's Selma Branch Canal from Floral Avenue to Lincoln Middle School	Construct Class I Bike Path, block wall, lighting and in-pavement crosswalk lights	12/22/05	28,000	PE	752,300	3
Selma	RSTP	RPSTPLE	5096(019)	FRE041819	Along the Consolidated Irrigation District's Selma Branch Canal from Floral Avenue to Lincoln Middle School	Construct Class I Bike Path, block wall, lighting and in-pavement crosswalk lights	09/14/06	12,000	PE	-	3
Clovis	RSTP	STPL	5208(072)	FRE020603	In the City of Clovis on Nees Avenue from Armstrong Avenue to Enterprise Canal.	Asphalt Concrete Overlay	01/25/06	56,900	CON	1,690,700	
Clovis	RSTP	STPL	5208(055)	FRE020604	Peach Ave; Herndon Ave to 150 ft s/o Magill Ave	Construction of median island, pavement widening and signing and striping to include bike lane.	06/29/06	84,700	CON	574,300	3
Clovis	RSTP	STPL	5208(067)	FRE040624	Fowler Ave; Merced Street to South Ave	Roadway Widening	10/12/05	423,700	CON	478,600	
Fowler	RSTP	STPL	5173(016)	FRE020610	(1) Gentrysburg from Winery Ave to Peach Ave; (2) Peach Ave from Santa Ana Ave to Shaw Ave; (3) Willow Ave from Gettysburg Ave to Shaw Avenue and (4) Willow Ave from Shaw Ave to Beverly Ave	Asphalt Concrete Overlay	09/20/06	13,279	PE	151,800	
Fresno	RSTP	STPL	5060(132)	FRE040603	(1) Orange Ave from Muscat to North; (2) Jensen Ave from SR-41 to Chestnut; (3) Cherry Ave from Annadale to North and (4) Maple Ave from North to Vine	Road Rehabilitation	08/02/06	138,800	PE	1,206,200	
Fresno	RSTP	STPL	5060(103)	FRE020621	Along Fresno Street from State Route 99 to Divisadero Street and along Tulare Street from State Route 99 to State Route 41.	Landscaping	09/14/06	133,410	CON	903,700	
Fresno	RSTP	STPL	5060(072)	FRE020621	On Herndon Avenue from Cedar Ave to Willow Ave.	Roadway widening and modify signal	09/14/06	44,200	CON	-	
Fresno	RSTP	STPL	5060(110)	FRE020622	At the intersection of Fresno Street and Sierra Avenue.	Upgrade Signals	09/20/06	83,800	CON	5,058,300	
Fresno	RSTP	STPL	5060(102)	FRE020622	On (1) "O" Street from the SR41 off-ramp to Ventura Street and on (2) Ventura Street from "O" Street to "M" Street.	Roadway Widening, signalization and landscaping	09/14/06	2,163,300	CON	-	
Fresno	RSTP	STPL	5060(102)	FRE020622	On (1) Peach Ave from Ashlan to Dakota; (2) Clovis Ave from McKinley to Garland; (3) Clinton Ave from Clovis to Sunnyside Ave and (4) Olive Ave from Clovis to Minnewawa	Road Rehabilitation	08/02/06	69,000	PE	600,800	
Fresno	RSTP	STPL	5060(118)	FRE040614	On Cedar Avenue from Olive Avenue to Shepherd Avenue	Install atomic docks on existing traffic signals	09/14/06	68,000	CON	89,900	

FTA 5307 Program

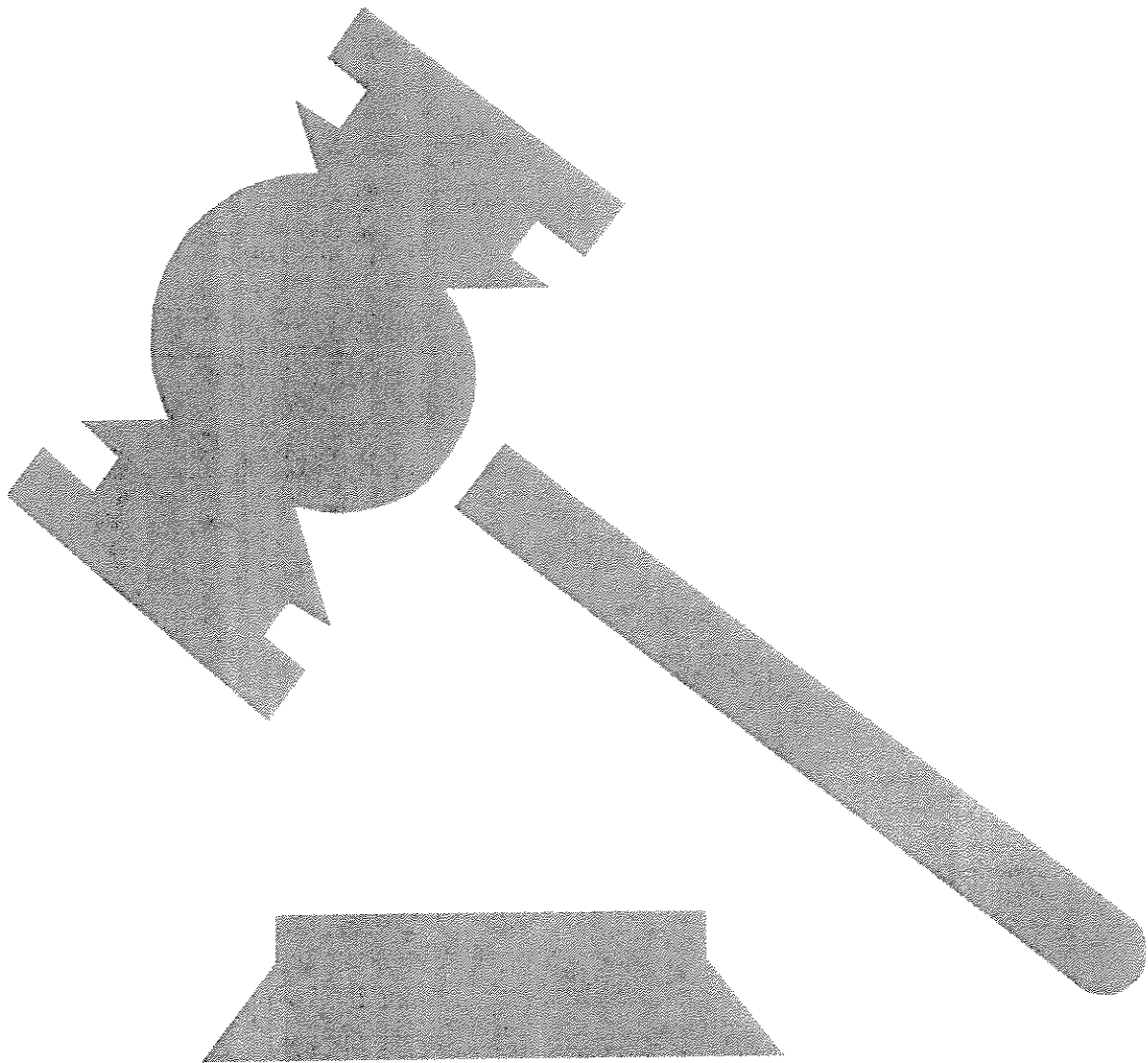
COFCG ID	Work Description	Federal 05/06 FFY Monies
FRE021501	Various Planning Project/FAX & COFCG Staff/Annual Planning O & M Expenses and Special Projects	300,000
FRE021502	Various Planning Projects/FAX Staff/Annual Planning O & M Expenses and Special Projects	423,300
FRE021503	Preventive Maintenance Expense	5,735,000
FRE021504	Contracted Paratransit Service Operations	2,560,000
FRE021505	Capital Lease-Handy Ride Facility	61,800
FRE021506	Capital Lease-Vehicle Tire Lease	153,400
FRE021507	Non-Revenue Vehicle Service Expansion/Replacement (18 Vehicles)	62,400
FRE021508	Paratransit Vehicle Service Expansion/Replacement of 17 Vehicles	142,800
FRE021509	FAX Facility Upgrades To Include Portable Life Equipment; Farebox Systems; Life Pump and Cylinders; Automated Passenger Counters; Bus Washer; Passenger Information Kiosks; etc.	1,680,000
FRE021510	Passenger Amenities	80,000

FTA 5311 Program

COFCG ID	Work Description	Federal 05/06 FFY Monies
FRE021701	Section 5311 Apportionment	459,000

Total Obligated Funds

11,657,700



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BEFORE THE
COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 2007-01

In the Matter of:)
)
FEDERAL TRANSIT)
ADMINISTRATION)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
FILING OF APPLICATIONS WITH THE
FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION, AN
OPERATING ADMINISTRATION OF THE
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION, FOR FEDERAL
TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE
AUTHORIZED BY 49 U.S.C CHAPTER 53, TITLE
23 UNITED STATES CODE AND OTHER
FEDERAL STATUTES ADMINISTERED BY THE
FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION.

WHEREAS, the Federal Transportation Administrator has been delegated authority to award Federal financial assistance for a transportation project;

WHEREAS, the grant or cooperative agreement for Federal financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the Council of Fresno County Governments , and may require the Council of Fresno County Governments to provide the local share of the project cost;

WHEREAS, the Council of Fresno County Governments has or will provide all annual certifications and assurances to the Federal Transit Administration required for the project.;

WHEREAS, the Council of Fresno County Governments has been designated by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger in a letter to Ms. Sandra Bushue Deputy Administrator, Federal Transit Administration, delegating authority to the designated recipients of the large urbanized areas of California, for the Section 5316 Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARRC) and Section 5317 New Freedom (NF) programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Council of Fresno County Governments

1.The Executive Director or his/her designee is authorized to execute and file application for Federal assistance on behalf of the Council of Fresno County Governments with the Federal Transit Administration for Federal assistance authorized by 49.U.S.C. Chapter 53, Title 23, United States Code, or other Federal statutes authorizing a project administered by the Federal Transit Administration

2.The Executive Director or his/her designee is authorized to execute and file with its application the annual certification and assurances and other document the Federal Transportation Administration requires before awarding a Federal assistance grant or cooperative agreement.

3.The Executive Director or his/her designee is authorized to execute grant and cooperative agreements with the Federal Transit Administration on behalf of the Council of Fresno County Governments.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Council of Fresno County Governments this 25th day of January, 2007.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

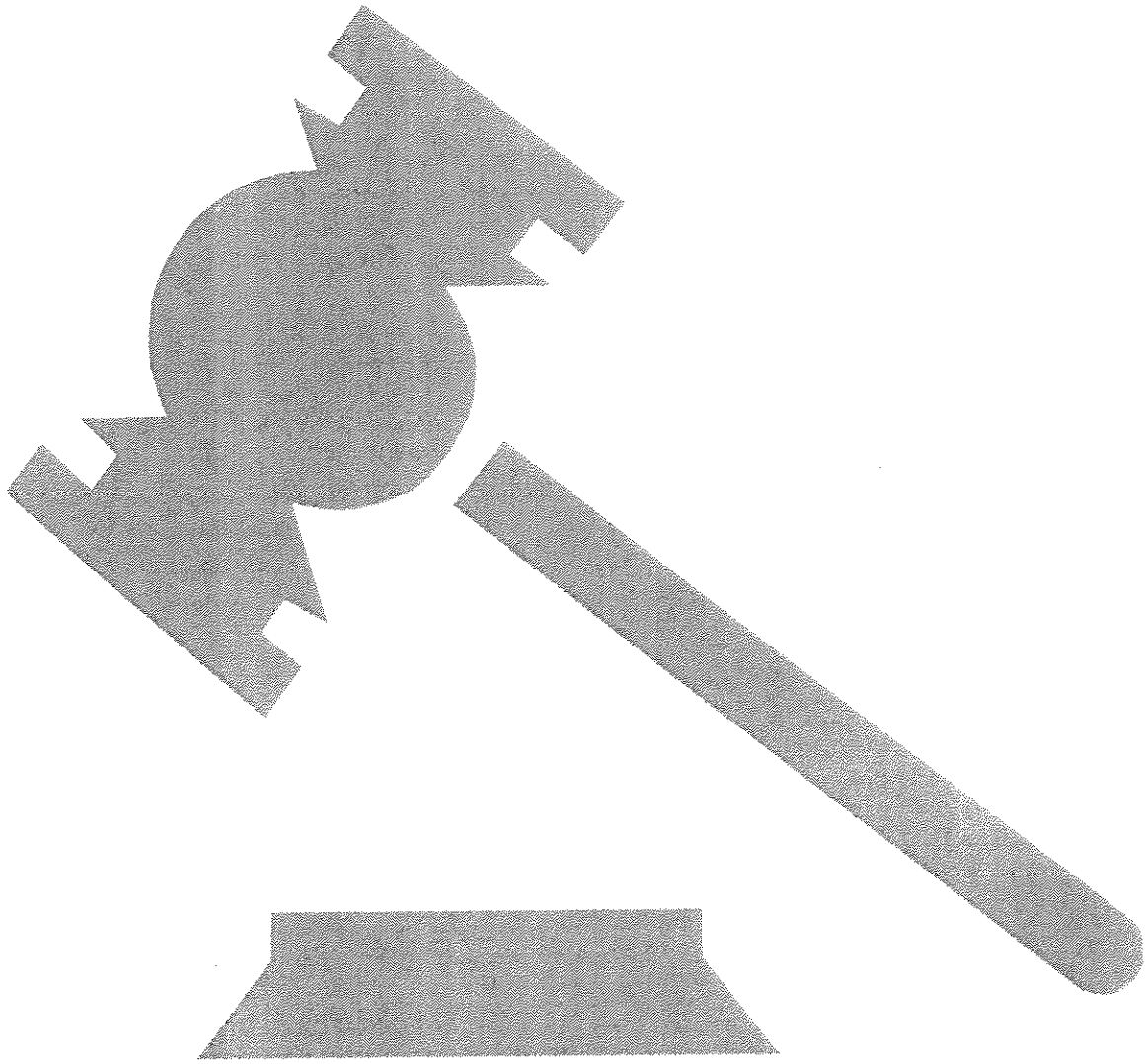
ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Signed: _____
Trinidad M. Rodriguez, Chairman

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Council of Fresno County Governments duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 25th day of January, 2007.

Signed: _____
Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director



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Appendix G – Citizen Oversight Committee

Committee Purpose

To inform the public and to ensure that the Measure "C" funding program revenues and expenditures are spent as promised to the public.

Administrative Issues

Committee Formation

- The Committee will be formed within 6 months upon approval of the Measure "C" Extension by the voters of Fresno County in November 2006.
- The Citizen Oversight Committee (Committee) shall not be amended out of the Expenditure Plan.
- Meetings will commence when Measure "C" Extension revenues are recommended for expenditure; including Expenditure Plan updates.

Selection and Duties of Committee Chair and Vice Chair

- The Committee shall select a Chair and Vice Chair from the members, each of whom shall serve a one (1) year term.
- The duties of the Chair will be to call meetings, set agendas, and preside over meetings.
- The duties of the Vice chair will be to perform the same duties described above in the absence of the Chair.

Committee Meetings

- The Committee will hold one formal meeting annually, with additional meetings scheduled as needed by the Committee.
- All Committee meetings must be held in compliance with the Brown Act.
- All meetings will be conducted as per "Robert's Rules of Order."

Subcommittee Requirements

- Subcommittees: the Committee may elect to form subcommittees to perform specific parts of its purpose.
- All subcommittees shall have an odd number of members so that tie votes are less likely.

Committee Membership and Quorum

- Membership - The Committee shall be composed of thirteen (13) members including:
 - Six (6) at-large public members:
 - ◆ Five (5) who must each respectively reside in each one of the five Fresno County Supervisorial Districts; and
 - ◆ Three (3) must reside in the Fresno-Clovis Metropolitan Area (FCMA); and
 - ◆ Two (2) must reside in the unincorporated rural area of the county, one from the east side and one from the west side of the county.
 - ◆ One (1) must reside in an incorporated city outside of the FCMA.
 - Seven (7) members who must each be representatives drawn from a diverse mix of interested community organizations. The members are expected to provide a balance of viewpoints.
- Quorum
 - A Quorum will be no less than seven (7) members of the Committee.

- An action item of the Committee may be approved by a simple majority of the quorum present.

Membership Selection

Selection Committee

- Oversight Committee members will be selected by the Fresno County Mayors' Selection Committee (the 15 mayors within Fresno County) and the Chair of the Fresno County Board of Supervisors.

Recruitment Process

- Each year as terms of various members expire or as vacancies occur, annual postings of membership openings will be noticed 60 days in advance of the application process pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 99238.
- Potential members must submit an application to the Selection Committee.
- The Selection Committee will screen all applications and approve candidates for membership on the Committee.

Term of Membership

- Terms of membership will be for four (4) years. No member may serve more than eight (8) years.
- Members will not be compensated for their service on the Committee.
- In an effort to maintain Committee member consistency, during the first four (4) years of the Committee, terms will be staggered with six (6) of the members to serve a four-year term, seven (7) of the members to serve a two-year term. Such assignment of terms shall be made by the Selection Committee at time of appointment.
- Members who are not in attendance for two (2) consecutive meetings or are not present at 50% of the Committee meetings over a 12-month period shall be replaced with a new member selected by the Selection Committee.
- If a member position on the Committee becomes vacant, the Selection Committee will fill the vacant position within 90 days of the date when the position became vacant.
- No proxy voting will be permitted.

Eligibility

- U.S. citizen 18 years of age or older who resides in Fresno County.
- Not an elected official at any level government.
- Not a public employee from Fresno County, nor of any of the incorporated cities, in Fresno County, Caltrans, the Fresno County Transportation Authority (Authority), or the Council of Fresno County Governments (Fresno COG).
- Restricted to individuals without economic interest in any of the Authority's projects.
- Must submit an annual statement of financial disclosure consistent with Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) rules and regulations and filed with the Authority.

Staffing

- Fresno COG will staff the Committee and provide technical and administrative assistance to support and publicize the Committee's activities, with the staff assignment subject to approval of the Committee.

- Fresno COG services and any necessary outside services will be paid using the Fresno County Transportation Authority's Measure "C" Extension Administration Program revenues.
- Expert staff may be requested to provide information and make presentations to the Committee, as needed.
- The cities and County of Fresno shall each provide to the Citizen Oversight Committee, on an annual basis for a specific time period prescribed, and in a timely fashion at least two weeks prior to the meeting of the Citizen Oversight Committee, a specific report on the local jurisdiction's planned budget for Measure "C" fund expenditures and financial report on the use of those funds.
- The precise format of the report may be based on similar report formats for other jurisdictional monitoring, but must be separate from the comprehensive agency budgets and general and enterprise fund financial reports of the cities and the County of Fresno and will be prescribed by the Citizen Oversight Committee.

Responsibilities

The Committee may receive, review and recommend any action or revision to plans, programs, audits or projects that is within the scope of its purpose stated above. Specific responsibilities include:

- Receive, review, inspect, and recommend action on independent financial and performance audits related to the planning and implementation of the Measure "C" Extension program.
- Receive, review, and recommend action on other periodic reports, studies and plans from responsible agencies including the Authority, Fresno COG, the Cities, the County or other agencies. Such reports, studies and plans must be directly related to Measure "C" Extension programs, revenues, or expenditures.
- Review and comment upon Measure "C" Extension expenditures to ensure that they are consistent with the Expenditure Plan.
- Annually review how sales tax receipts are being spent and publicize the results.
- Present Committee recommendations, findings, and requests to the public and the Authority

**STRATEGY RESEARCH INSTITUTE
SCOPE OF SERVICES
FOR
FEBRUARY 1 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2007**

INTENT: Now that Fresno County voters have overwhelmingly authorized the extension of Measure C, the Fresno COG must turn its attention to developing the detailed Strategic Plan necessary to implement the Expenditure Plan that was approved as part of this initiative. It is imperative that the Fresno COG take specific steps to maintain the consensus among stakeholders, and stakeholder groups/organizations (many with competing agendas), that was created while structuring the Expenditure Plan that was central to securing voter approval for the continuation of Measure C. In other words, we can anticipate some amount of posturing and competition by these special interests when the monies from Measure C begin to be allocated to specific projects, and we must be prepared to address their concerns and hold on to the consensus.

Toward that end, we need to create a **Strategic Plan** that actually capitalizes on the consensus that was built while developing the Expenditure Plan placed before, and approved by, Fresno County voters. As the Measure C Strategic Plan unfolds, we must strive to keep any form of controversy that could surface at a minimum. You will recall that Dr. Manross and his Institute designed and administered community and voter surveys, developed statistical intelligence, and successfully mediated the Measure C Steering Committee that put together the Expenditure Plan that accompanied the successful ballot measure. Thus, the Executive Director of Fresno COG is recommending a renewal of our contract with Strategy Research Institute, under the direction of its Chairman/CEO, Dr. Gary Manross, for the period between February 1, 2007 and June 30, 2007 for the main purpose of aiding in the Strategic Plan development.

Beyond this, Dr. Manross has indicated a willingness to undertake other tasks on behalf of the Fresno COG and under the direction and supervision of the Executive Director.

SPECIFIC SCOPE OF SERVICES:

The professional services provided by and/or through SRI during the life of the contract would include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

1. Helping develop a **Strategic Plan** for implementing the Measure C Expenditure Plan and working with the various subcommittees that will be created during the process.
2. **Consensus Building** activities; e.g., among stakeholders and stakeholder groups/organizations, as needed, including (but not necessarily limited to) Measure C, Blueprint, One Voice, and other projects not yet identified.
3. Assist with Fresno COG's **Outreach Efforts**.

3.1 Secure "intelligence" needed for preparing appropriate materials that "tell the story" about topics that are central to Fresno COG's "mission"; e.g., how the Agriculture Industry in The Central Valley is vital to the nation's economy, well-being, and quality of life. These "stories" will be useful when Fresno COG officials meet with public officials, and their staff, in Sacramento, Washington, D.C., and in helping to secure grants from a host of public agencies and perhaps through public/private partnerships. The agricultural example used is going to be a critical component in securing funding under the State's Goods Movement Action Plan and available goods movement bond funding.

3.2 Assist in BOTH internal communication (e.g., with member agencies) and external communication (e.g., media relations, various external "publics" that are central to Fresno COG's mission), and other stakeholders.

4. Design and administer a **Salary Survey** for comparing the Agency's salary structure to similar regional MPO's and other comparable agencies, helping to determine whether or not Fresno COG is presently staffed properly and whether it's compensation parameters are appropriate.

5. **Data Collection** as needed, including analysis, report writing, presentation.

COST:

The cost to Fresno COG for these professional services will be a monthly retainer fee of \$5,500 per month. Thus, the total cost to Fresno COG during the contract period will be \$27,500. This retainer fee will cover ALL professional services provided by and/or through Dr. Manross and his support team at SRI during the life of the contract. It will also include any routine out-of-pocket expenses, such as the cost of travel, housing, food, etc. while working on behalf of Fresno COG. The only additional cost to the Fresno COG would be such out-of-pocket expenses as the cost of data collection, purchasing of lists, tele-matching lists to secure phone numbers, and the like...should the COG decide to conduct additional survey research, focus group research, or other form research methodology during the life of the contract. Any "out of pocket" expense MUST be pre-authorized (approved in advance) by the Executive Director. Residual local funds carried over from last year will be used to cover the costs of SRI's professional services during the contract period.