

***TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL
COMMITTEE***

***ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS
AGENDA ITEM III. A***

BEFORE THE
COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 2007-13

In the Matter of:)
)
TRANSPORTATION)
DEVELOPMENT ACT)
OF 1971)
_____)

RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH
FINDINGS OF APPORTIONMENT
FOR THE LOCAL TRANSPORTATION
FUND

WHEREAS, the Council of Fresno County Governments (COFCG) is the administrator of the Local Transportation Fund as provided by Chapter 1400 of the California Statutes of 1971, and

WHEREAS, COFCG is required to annually certify and adopt Findings of Apportionment under adopted Rules and Regulations concerning administration of the Local Transportation Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Fresno County Governments hereby certifies and adopts the attached schedule as Findings of Apportionment for fiscal year 2007-08, which is hereby made a part of this resolution.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Council of Fresno County Governments this 31st day of May, 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 31st day of May, 2007.

Signed: _____
Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director

2007/08
COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUND
APPORTIONMENT TO MEMBER AGENCIES
Final Estimate Without Blue Print Match

05/01/07

2007/08 Estimate per Fresno County Auditor Controller	\$30,000,000
Less Administration	127,000
Gross Amount Available for Allocation	29,873,000

MEMBER	CENSUS		GROSS AMOUNT AVAILABLE	ART. 3	SHARE	RTP	NET FOR	ADD TO	NET
	POPULATION	PERCENT		BIC. & PED.FAC. (2%)	TOWARD ART. 4.5 (5%)		ARTICLES 4 & 8	CTSA's ART. 4.5	ART. 4, 4.5 & 8
	01/01/07					(3%)			
Clovis	92,269	10.06%	3,004,149	60,083	147,203	83,906	2,712,957	157,289	2,870,246
Coalinga	18,061	1.97%	588,041	11,761	28,814	16,424	531,042		531,042
Firebaugh	6,692	0.73%	217,882	4,358	10,676	6,085	196,763		196,763
Fowler	5,293	0.58%	172,332	3,447	8,444	4,813	155,628		155,628
Fresno City	481,035	52.43%	15,661,827	313,237	767,430	437,436	14,143,724		14,143,724
Huron	7,493	0.82%	243,961	4,879	11,954	6,814	220,314		220,314
Kerman	13,591	1.48%	442,504	8,850	21,683	12,359	399,612		399,612
Kingsburg	11,234	1.22%	365,763	7,315	17,922	10,216	330,310		330,310
Mendota	9,426	1.03%	306,898	6,138	15,038	8,572	277,150		277,150
Orange Cove	10,544	1.15%	343,298	6,866	16,822	9,588	310,022		310,022
Parlier	13,080	1.43%	425,865	8,517	20,867	11,894	384,587		384,587
Reedley	24,909	2.71%	811,002	16,220	39,739	22,651	732,392		732,392
Sanger	23,289	2.54%	758,257	15,165	37,155	21,178	684,759		684,759
San Joaquin	3,870	0.42%	126,001	2,520	6,174	3,519	113,788		113,788
Selma	23,194	2.53%	755,164	15,103	37,003	21,092	681,966		681,966
Fresno Co.	173,535	18.93%	5,650,056	113,001	276,853	157,806	5,102,396		5,102,396
FCRTA								451,208	451,208
FCEOC								855,280	855,280
TOTALS	917,515	100%	29,873,000	597,460	1,463,777	834,353	26,977,410	1,463,777	28,441,187

2007/08
COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUND
APPORTIONMENT TO MEMBER AGENCIES
Final Estimate With Blueprint Match

05/01/07

2007/08 Estimate per Fresno County Auditor Controller	\$30,000,000
Less Administration	<u>127,000</u>
Gross Amount Available for Allocation	29,873,000

MEMBER	CENSUS POPULATION 01/01/07	PERCENT	GROSS AMOUNT AVAILABLE	ART. 3 BIC. & PED.FAC. (2%)	SHARE TOWARD ART. 4.5 (5%)	RTP (3%)	Blueprint Planning Match 4 & 8	NET FOR ARTICLES 4 & 8	ADD TO CTSAs ART. 4.5	NET ART. 4, 4.5 & 8
Clovis	92,269	10.06%	3,004,149	60,083	147,203	83,906	11,540	2,701,417	157,289	2,858,706
Coalinga	18,061	1.97%	588,041	11,761	28,814	16,424	2,259	528,783		528,783
Firebaugh	6,692	0.73%	217,882	4,358	10,676	6,085	837	195,926		195,926
Fowler	5,293	0.58%	172,332	3,447	8,444	4,813	662	154,966		154,966
Fresno City	481,035	52.43%	15,661,827	313,237	767,430	437,436	60,159	14,083,565		14,083,565
Huron	7,493	0.82%	243,961	4,879	11,954	6,814	937	219,377		219,377
Kerman	13,591	1.48%	442,504	8,850	21,683	12,359	1,700	397,912		397,912
Kingsburg	11,234	1.22%	365,763	7,315	17,922	10,216	1,405	328,905		328,905
Mendota	9,426	1.03%	306,898	6,138	15,038	8,572	1,179	275,971		275,971
Orange Cove	10,544	1.15%	343,298	6,866	16,822	9,588	1,319	308,703		308,703
Parlier	13,080	1.43%	425,865	8,517	20,867	11,894	1,636	382,951		382,951
Reedley	24,909	2.71%	811,001	16,220	39,739	22,651	3,115	729,276		729,276
Sanger	23,289	2.54%	758,258	15,165	37,155	21,178	2,913	681,847		681,847
San Joaquin	3,870	0.42%	126,001	2,520	6,174	3,519	484	113,304		113,304
Selma	23,194	2.53%	755,164	15,103	37,003	21,092	2,901	679,065		679,065
Fresno Co.	173,535	18.90%	5,650,056	113,001	276,853	157,806	21,703	5,080,693		5,080,693
FCRTA									451,208	451,208
FCEOC									855,280	855,280
TOTALS	917,515	100%	29,873,000	597,460	1,463,777	834,353	114,749	26,862,661	1,463,777	28,326,438

BEFORE THE
COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 2007-14

In the Matter of:)
)
TRANSPORTATION)
DEVELOPMENT ACT)
OF 1971)
_____)

RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH
FINDINGS OF APPORTIONMENT
FOR THE STATE TRANSIT
ASSISTANCE FUND

WHEREAS, the Council of Fresno County Governments (COFCG) is the administrator of the State Transit Assistance Fund as provided by Chapter 322 of the California Statutes of 1982, and

WHEREAS, COFCG is required to provide the most current estimates of available State Transit Assistance Funds as released by the State of California Business, Transportation and Housing Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Fresno County Governments hereby certifies and adopts the attached apportionment methodology as presented in Exhibit A for fiscal year 2007-08 and which Exhibit is hereby made a part of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as revised estimates are received from the State of California, new schedules shall be formulated in accordance with the adopted methodology and submitted to COFCG member agencies.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Council of Fresno County Governments this 31st day of May, 2007.

AYES: Clovis, Coalinga, Fowler, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, San Joaquin, Sanger, Selma and Fresno County

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Firebaugh and Fresno

Signed: _____
Trinidad M. Rodriguez, Chairman

ATTEST:

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 31st day of May, 2007.

Signed: _____
Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director

2007/08
COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUND
APPORTIONMENT TO MEMBER AGENCIES
Preliminary Estimate

05/01/07

PUC 99313 POPULATION 9,492,066
PUC 99314 OPERATOR 1,397,028

2007/08 Fund Estimate Per State Controller

10,889,094

This estimate is subject to change during the fiscal year.

MEMBER	CENSUS POPULATION 39,083	PERCENT	GROSS AMOUNT AVAILABLE	NET FOR 99314 OPERATOR	NET FOR 99313 POPULATION
Clovis	92,269	10.06%	963,926	9,366	954,560
Coalinga	18,061	1.97%	186,848		186,848
Firebaugh	6,692	0.73%	69,231		69,231
Fowler	5,293	0.58%	54,758		54,758
Fresno City	481,035	52.42%	6,304,703	1,328,200	4,976,503
Huron	7,493	0.82%	77,520		77,520
Kerman	13,591	1.48%	140,604		140,604
Kingsburg	11,234	1.22%	116,220		116,220
Mendota	9,426	1.03%	97,516		97,516
Orange Cove	10,544	1.15%	109,082		109,082
Parlier	13,080	1.43%	135,318		135,318
Reedley	24,909	2.71%	257,694		257,694
Sanger	23,289	2.54%	240,934		240,934
San Joaquin	3,870	0.42%	40,037		40,037
Selma	23,194	2.53%	239,951		239,951
Fresno Co.	173,535	18.91%	1,795,290		1,795,290
FCRTA			59,462	59,462	
FCEOC					
TOTALS	917,515	100.0%	10,889,094	1,397,028	9,492,066



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May 1, 2007

To: Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director

From: Barbara Steck, Senior Transportation Planner *BS*

Subject: Matching Funds – San Joaquin Valley Blueprint

The Blueprint planning process has entered its second year of activity with a \$1.95 million grant from Caltrans. The first year's planning process was funded at the \$2 million level. We were fortunate to have the 20% match of \$500,000 contributed by the Valley Air District. We have now asked them to provide the second year's match but need a strategy to cover the match if the District chooses not to participate again or participate at a lower level. In an effort to be conservative, we are including the "worst case scenario" for budgeting purposes, realizing that we can amend the budget in the event that the Air District provides a match at some level.

As is typical of many of our Valleywide endeavors, we share costs and revenues with our fellow Valley COGs on a population based formula (Fresno = 23.54%). The \$1.95 million grant has a \$487,500 match for a total program of \$2,437,500. Fresno COG's share of the 20% match is \$114,749. Merced COG, the fiscal agent for the Valleywide project is distributing \$1,525,000 off the top for grant administration, Great Valley Center regional planning activities and to guarantee a \$150,000 base amount for the smaller COG's – leaving a net pro rata distribution of \$912,500. Our share of that, plus our \$150,000 base amount is \$364,786. (See attached spreadsheet.)

We are proposing to use Local Transportation Fund (LTF) Article 4 and 8 monies for our share of the match, which would also use population to determine the share for each of our member agencies (see attached LTF Apportionment to Member Agencies Table). We are proposing LTF to match the grant as it is the only local funding source we have available to us at this time.

A point of comparison: As you may recall, our 2005/06 surplus LTF amounted to over \$3.6 million. The \$114,749 match we need for the second year of the Blueprint would have taken only 3% of that surplus. I believe that this is the most prudent approach for us to pursue in accounting for the match, knowing that we can make adjustments if and when the Valley Air District decides to partner with us on the matching funds. .

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

San Joaquin Valley Regional Blueprint Funding Share

May-07

	2005/2006	2006/2007	Total
Grant amount	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 1,950,000	\$ 3,950,000
Required Match	\$ 500,000	\$ 487,500	\$ 987,500
Admin	\$ (150,000)	\$ (200,000)	\$ (350,000)
GVC	\$ (125,000)	\$ (125,000)	\$ (250,000)
Total available	\$ 2,225,000	\$ 2,112,500	\$ 4,587,500
Less Base amount	\$ (1,200,000)	\$ (1,200,000)	
Remaining to distribute based on population	\$ 1,025,000	\$ 912,500	\$ 1,937,500

County	Population (Jan. 1, 2005 Dept. of Finance)	% of SJ Valley pop by county	Base amount	Funding allocation by pop.	Total	Population (Jan. 1, 2006 Dept. of Finance)	% of SJ Valley pop by county	Base amount	Funding allocation by pop.	Total	Two Year Total	
Fresno	883,537	23.69%	\$ 150,000	\$242,782	\$392,782	899,514	23.54%	\$ 150,000	\$214,786	\$364,786	\$757,568	Fresno
Kern	753,070	20.19%	\$ 150,000	\$206,932	\$356,932	779,869	20.41%	\$ 150,000	\$186,217	\$336,217	\$693,149	Kern
Kings	144,732	3.88%	\$ 150,000	\$39,770	\$189,770	147,729	3.87%	\$ 150,000	\$35,275	\$185,275	\$375,045	Kings
Madera	141,007	3.78%	\$ 150,000	\$38,747	\$188,747	144,396	3.78%	\$ 150,000	\$34,479	\$184,479	\$373,225	Madera
Merced	240,162	6.44%	\$ 150,000	\$65,993	\$215,993	246,751	6.46%	\$ 150,000	\$58,919	\$208,919	\$424,912	Merced
San Joaquin	653,333	17.51%	\$ 150,000	\$179,526	\$329,526	688,265	17.49%	\$ 150,000	\$159,568	\$309,568	\$639,094	San Joaquin
Stanislaus	504,482	13.52%	\$ 150,000	\$136,624	\$288,624	514,370	13.46%	\$ 150,000	\$122,821	\$272,821	\$561,445	Stanislaus
Tulare	409,871	10.99%	\$ 150,000	\$112,626	\$262,626	420,619	11.01%	\$ 150,000	\$100,435	\$250,435	\$513,062	Tulare
Total	3,730,194	100.00%		\$1,025,000	\$2,225,000	3,821,513			\$912,500	\$2,112,500	\$4,337,500	

MATCH SHARE			
Population	Full Match Needed	Possible from Air District	Local Share
23.54%	\$ 487,500	\$ 243,750	\$ 243,750
20.41%	\$114,749	\$57,374	\$57,374
3.87%	\$99,486	\$49,743	\$49,743
3.78%	\$18,845	\$9,423	\$9,423
6.46%	\$18,420	\$9,210	\$9,210
17.49%	\$31,477	\$15,739	\$15,739
13.46%	\$85,249	\$42,624	\$42,624
11.01%	\$65,617	\$32,808	\$32,808
100%	\$53,657	\$26,829	\$26,829
	\$487,500	\$243,750	\$243,750

Source: <http://www.dof.ca.gov/HTML/DEMOGRAPHIC-TEXT.htm>

*06/07 year readjusted with January 1, 2006 future population estimates

***TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL
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***ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS
AGENDA ITEM III. B***

BEFORE THE
COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 2007-06

In the Matter of:)
)
OVERALL WORK PROGRAM)
AND LINE ITEM BUDGET)
_____)

RESOLUTION ADOPTING
THE OVERALL WORK
PROGRAM AND LINE ITEM
BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR
2007-08

WHEREAS, the Council of Fresno County Governments (Fresno COG) has been designated the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for Fresno County by the Secretary of the Business and Transportation Agency pursuant to Section 29532 of the California Code of Regulations (as amended by AB 402, 1977); and acting as the Metropolitan Planning Agency (MPO) (Federal Highway Act of 1974 and the Urban Mass Transportation Administration Act of 1964 as amended pursuant to the joint regulations - Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Part 450; Title 49, Part 613); and

WHEREAS, the Fresno COG is the State designated Areawide Clearinghouse to coordinate the evaluation and review of Federal and Federally assisted programs and projects as required by the Presidential Executive Order 12372; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno COG is required by Federal and State funding agencies to prepare and submit an Overall Work Program pursuant to the Department of Transportation, Intermodal Planning Group Region IX Guidelines for Metropolitan Planning Organizations; and

WHEREAS, Fresno COG staff has sought input from member agencies, including transit operators, and the State with respect to proposed work to be performed to satisfy Federal and State requirements, in addition to local priorities; and

WHEREAS, the **Overall Work Program** cites activities to which Fresno COG commits to satisfy various Federal regulations including equal opportunity and fair employment practices and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise requirements; and

WHEREAS, the proposed **Overall Work Program** has been prepared to meet Federal and State requirements; and

WHEREAS, the **Overall Work Program** is considered to be a guide for work activity and may be considered for amendment by the Fresno COG Policy Board during the 2007-08 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno COG has prepared a line item budget which is consistent with the Overall Work Program, and

WHEREAS, the **Overall Work Program** has been circulated through the Areawide Clearinghouse process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fresno COG adopts the 2007-08 **Overall Work Program and Line Item Budget for 2007-08** including statements of commitment to satisfy all Federal and State requirements for grant approval.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fresno COG Executive Director and/or Policy Board Chairman are authorized to execute and submit certifications, applications for funding to State and Federal agencies identified as proposed sources of funding by the 2007-08 Overall Work Program; and execute and submit agreements with participating member agencies and auditors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Fresno COG will continue to work with State and Federal funding agencies in addition to member agencies on any adjustments to the Overall Work Program and Line Item Budget which may occur subsequent to July 1, 2007.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Council of Fresno County Governments this 31st day of May, 2007.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Signed: _____

Trinidad M. Rodriguez, Chair

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 31st day of May, 2007.

Signed: _____

Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director

***TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL
COMMITTEE***

***ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS
AGENDA ITEM III. C***

BEFORE THE
COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 2007-15

In the Matter of:)
)
CERTIFYING THE FINAL)
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT)
REPORT (EIR))

RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE
FINAL EIR FOR THE 2007 RTP

WHEREAS, the Council of Fresno County Governments is a Regional Transportation Planning Agency and a Metropolitan Planning Organization, pursuant to State and Federal designation; and

WHEREAS, federal planning regulations require Metropolitan Planning Organizations to prepare and adopt a long range a Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for their region; and

WHEREAS, the Council of Fresno County Governments (Fresno COG) has prepared an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the 2007 Regional Transportation Plan relating to and assessing environmental effects related to the development of the 2007 Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, a Notice of Completion of the Draft EIR was filed and the Draft EIR was routed to the State Clearinghouse, responsible agencies, other governmental and trustee agencies having discretionary approval or jurisdiction by law over natural resources affected by the Project, the County of Fresno, affected transportation agencies, and other interested persons and agencies; and

WHEREAS, all comments on the EIR concerning environmental issues that were received during the public review period were evaluated by Fresno COG Staff and a written response was prepared in accordance with the requirements of CEQA Guideline, section 15088. Both the comments and responses thereto are included in the final EIR; and

WHEREAS, the final EIR contains the elements required by CEQA, including, but not limited to:

- (a) Identification, description and discussion of all potential significant environmental effects of the proposed project, both direct and indirect, both short term and long term.
- (b) A description of mitigation measures proposed to minimize potentially significant environmental effects of the proposed project identified in the final EIR.
- (c) A description of those potentially significant environmental effects which can not be avoided or which can be mitigated, but not reduced to a level of insignificance.
- (d) A description of a range of reasonable alternatives to the proposed project and evaluation of the comparative merits and potentially significant environmental effects of the alternatives, including the "no project" alternative.
- (e) A discussion of cumulative impacts, in accordance with the requirements of CEQA Guidelines section 15130.
- (f) A list of all Federal, State and local agencies or other organizations and private individuals consulted in preparing the EIR, and the firm preparing the EIR; and

WHEREAS, the responses to comments were supplied to public agencies that had submitted comments on the draft EIR; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno COG has heard, been presented with and is familiar with the information in the administrative record, has reviewed and considered the information in the EIR for completeness and compliance with CEQA; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno COG held a public hearing on April 26, 2007 to consider the 2007 RTP Program EIR and the 2007 RTP; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno COG heard comments from members of the public on the EIR.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Fresno COG, based on the foregoing facts and circumstances as follows:

1. The final EIR reflects the independent judgment of the Fresno COG Policy Board, has been completed and processed in compliance with the requirements of CEQA.
2. The final EIR has been completed and processed in compliance with CEQA.
3. The 2007 Regional Transportation Plan Program Final EIR is thus certified.

WORKING DRAFT
DISCUSSION ONLY

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Council of Fresno County Governments this 31st day of May 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 31st day of May, 2007.

Signed: _____
Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director

***TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL
COMMITTEE***

***ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS
AGENDA ITEM III. D***

CONSENT ITEMS
AGENDA ITEMS II. A-K

TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL
COMMITTEE

BEFORE THE
COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 2007-16

In the Matter of:)
)
2007 RTP, 2007 FTIP)
AMENDMENT #7, AIR QUALITY)
CONFORMITY ANALYSIS)
_____)

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
2007 RTP, 2007 FTIP
AMENDMENT #7, AND
AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY
ANALYSIS

WHEREAS, the Council of Fresno County Governments is a Regional Transportation Planning Agency and a Metropolitan Planning Organization, pursuant to State and Federal designation; and

WHEREAS, federal planning regulations require Metropolitan Planning Organizations to prepare and adopt a long range a Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for their region; and

WHEREAS, Section 65080 of the California Government Code requires each regional transportation planning agency to prepare a regional transportation plan and update it for submission to the governing Policy Board for adoption; and

WHEREAS, a 2007 Regional Transportation Plan has been prepared in full compliance with federal guidance; and

WHEREAS, a 2007 Regional Transportation Plan has been prepared in accordance with state guidelines adopted by the California Transportation Commission; and

WHEREAS, federal planning regulations require that Metropolitan Planning Organizations prepare and adopt a short range Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) for their region; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment #7 has been prepared to comply with Federal and State requirements for local projects and through a cooperative process between the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans), principal elected officials of general purpose local governments and their staffs, and public owner operators of mass transportation services acting through the Council of Fresno County Governments forum and general public involvement; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 FTIP Amendment #7 program listing is consistent with: 1) the 2007 Regional Transportation Plan; 2) the State Transportation Improvement Program; and 3) the Air Quality Conformity Analysis; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 FTIP Amendment #7 contains the MPO's certification of the transportation planning process assuring that all federal requirements have been fulfilled; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 FTIP Amendment #7 includes projects and financial information for four years of programming; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 FTIP Amendment #7 includes updates to the Expedited Project Selection Procedures; and

WHEREAS, projects submitted in the 2007 FTIP Amendment #7 must be financially constrained and the financial plan affirms that funding is available; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 RTP and 2007 FTIP Amendment #7 do not interfere with the timely implementation of the Transportation Control Measures; and

WHEREAS, the MPO must demonstrate conformity per 40 CFR Part 93 for the RTP and FTIP; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with EPA Companion Guidance for the Conformity Rule for multi-jurisdictional areas, the Council of Fresno County Governments has developed their portion of the PM2.5 regional emissions analysis separately and provided the entire PM2.5 nonattainment area conformity demonstration; and

WHEREAS, the PM2.5 nonattainment area conformity demonstration is contingent upon adoption by all MPOs in the PM2.5 nonattainment area; and

WHEREAS, the Council of Fresno County Governments has also developed a regional emissions analysis for Carbon Monoxide (CO), Ozone, and PM-10 for Fresno County; and

WHEREAS, the documents have been widely circulated and reviewed by the Council of Fresno County Governments advisory committees representing the technical and management staffs of the member agencies; representatives of other governmental agencies, including State and Federal; representatives of special interest groups; representatives of the private business sector; and residents of Fresno County; and

WORKING DRAFT
DISCUSSION ONLY

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted on April 26, 2007 to hear and consider comments on the 2007 RTP, 2007 FTIP Amendment #7, and associated Air Quality Conformity Analysis and the remainder of the MPOs in the PM2.5 nonattainment area have conducted public hearings as well; and

WHEREAS, the Council of Fresno County Governments Policy Board has reviewed the Air Quality Conformity Analysis and made a finding that the 2007 Regional Transportation Plan and the 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #7 are in conformance with the applicable transportation conformity rules for the applicable air quality standards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Fresno County Governments adopts the 2007 RTP, 2007 FTIP Amendment #7, and associated Air Quality Conformity Analysis.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by Council of Fresno County Governments this 31st day of May, 2007.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Signed: _____
Trinidad M. Rodriguez, Chairman

ATTEST:

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 31st day of May, 2007.

Signed:

Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director

***TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL
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BEFORE THE
COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 2007-17

In the Matter of:)
)
CONGESTION MITIGATION AND)
AIR QUALITY PROGRAM)

)

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
LOCAL COST-EFFECTIVENESS
CONGESTION MITIGATION AND
AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) POLICY

WHEREAS, the Council of Fresno County Governments is a Regional Transportation Planning Agency and a Metropolitan Planning Organization, pursuant to State and Federal designation; and

WHEREAS, federal transportation legislation provides states and Metropolitan Planning Organizations funding from the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program for their region; and

WHEREAS, the San Joaquin Valley Air District has been designated by the Governor of California as the regional air quality planning agency in San Joaquin Valley; and

WHEREAS, the San Joaquin Valley Air District has requested an Extreme classification for the eight-hour ozone nonattainment designation, which would extend the attainment date to 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Planning Organizations in the San Joaquin Valley participated in the development of the eight-hour ozone plan and are committed to improving air quality in the region; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Planning Organizations in the San Joaquin Valley are committed to identify methods of improving funding programs that affect air quality; and

WHEREAS, the resolution and Exhibit A have been reviewed by Council of Fresno County Governments advisory committees representing the technical and management staffs of the member agencies; representatives of other governmental agencies, including State and Federal; representatives of special interest groups; representatives of the private business sector; and residents of Fresno County; and

WHEREAS, the policy listed in Exhibit A only affects federal CMAQ funds and does not imply changes to other funding programs; and.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Council of Fresno County Governments commits to implement the local cost-effectiveness CMAQ policy listed in Exhibit A.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Council of Fresno County Governments agrees to proceed with a good faith effort to implement the policy as scheduled and with the funding source identified. Recognizing, however, that the availability of necessary funding depends on the programs or processes of various state and federal agencies, the Council of Fresno County Governments will consider modifications or removal of policies, as necessary. Should future transportation legislation not include CMAQ funding, the cost-effectiveness policy listed in Exhibit A will no longer be in effect.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by Council of Fresno County Governments this 31st day of May 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 31st day of May 2007.

Signed: _____

Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director

EXHIBIT A

LOCAL COST-EFFECTIVENESS CMAQ POLICY

Summary

The Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program provides funding for transportation projects or programs that will contribute to attainment or maintenance of the national ambient air quality standards. The CMAQ program supports two important goals of the Department of Transportation: improving air quality and relieving congestion. SAFETEA-LU strengthens these goals by establishing priority consideration for cost-effective emission reduction and congestion mitigation activities. Exhibit A provides a summary of the policy for distributing at least 20% of the CMAQ funds to projects that meet a minimum cost-effectiveness threshold for emission reductions beginning in FY 2011. This policy will focus on achieving the most cost-effective emission reductions, while maintaining flexibility to meet local needs.

Estimates of Available Funds

Caltrans Programming provides apportionment estimates to all regions of the state. The FTIP is currently developed for a four-year programming cycle; with each new FTIP document, the Council of Fresno County Governments (Fresno COG) will use the Caltrans estimate to develop the available CMAQ funds over the four-year period. Fresno COG commits to dedicate at least 20% of the total funding for the four-year period of each FTIP as part of the local cost-effectiveness CMAQ policy. For example, if an agency is estimated to receive \$20 million over a four year period, it would allocate 20%, or \$4 million, of the CMAQ program to projects that meet a minimum cost-effectiveness.

The CMAQ allocation formula is currently based on population, ozone status, and carbon monoxide status. Revisions to the formula or updates to estimates may result in changes to available funds for the Fresno COG CMAQ program; such updates will also affect the funds available for the local cost-effectiveness policy. CMAQ estimates may be revised at any time due to changes from Caltrans, Federal legislation, or classification of the air quality standards in the San Joaquin Valley.

Timeframe

The local cost-effectiveness CMAQ policy is scheduled to be implemented in FY 2011 because the current federally approved 2007 Federal Transportation Improvement Programs (FTIPs) have committed CMAQ funds through FY 2009 and in some cases, regional commitments through FY 2010. In addition, the current CMAQ programming assists in implementing approved local RACM (Amended 2003 PM-10 Plan) that are committed through 2010.

The San Joaquin Valley Air Basin is currently classified as a serious ozone nonattainment area with an attainment deadline of 2013. As part of the 2007 Ozone plan, the Air District is requesting an “extreme” classification, which would delay the attainment deadline until 2023. If approved and assuming no change to the current funding formula, the MPOs may continue to receive CMAQ funding through that time (2023). The local cost-effectiveness CMAQ policy may remain in effect through 2023; however, continuation of the policy will be reviewed on a regular basis per the Policy Review section below.

Local Allocation of Funds

New CMAQ guidance based on SAFETEA-LU was released by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) on October 31, 2006. The new legislation and guidance clarifies project eligibility, including advanced truck stop electrification systems and the purchase of diesel retrofits. SAFETEA-LU directs States and MPOs to give priority to diesel retrofits and to cost-effective congestion mitigation activities that provide air quality benefits. Though SAFETEA-LU establishes these investment priorities, it also retains State and local agencies' authority in project selection, meaning that changes to local procedures are not required by SAFETEA-LU. Fresno COG has previously developed procedures for allocating CMAQ funds; the local cost-effectiveness CMAQ policy will be incorporated into existing procedures. Prioritization and funding of projects will continue to be based on criteria developed by Fresno COG.

Cost-Effectiveness Threshold

Cost-effectiveness is a key component of providing funding to projects that improve air quality and reduce congestion. The cost-effectiveness of an air quality project is based on the amount of pollution it eliminates for each dollar spent. Policies that focus on cost-effectiveness will result in the largest emission reductions for the lowest cost. Cost-effectiveness can be based on total project costs, including capital investments and operating costs. However, for the purposes of this policy, cost-effectiveness is based on CMAQ funding dollars only.

In the state of California, the Air Resources Board (ARB) provides funding for air quality improvement projects through the Carl Moyer Program, which requires that heavy-duty vehicle projects meet a cost-effectiveness threshold. The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD) also uses cost-effectiveness thresholds for projects funded through the REMOVE II and Heavy-Duty Incentive Programs. However, there is currently no minimum cost-effectiveness established for the CMAQ program, and according to recent studies, the numbers vary widely across the country and by project type.

Prior to allocation of CMAQ funds for the local cost-effectiveness policy with each FTIP, the SJV MPOs in consultation with the interagency consultation (IAC) partners will develop the minimum cost-effectiveness threshold. While other criteria may be developed at the discretion of Fresno COG, all projects funded by the 20% of CMAQ dollars related to the local cost-effectiveness CMAQ policy must meet that minimum threshold.

Expenditure of Funds under the Local Cost-Effectiveness Policy

Fresno COG will make every effort to expend the minimum 20% funding for the cost-effective projects as soon as possible beginning in FY 2011. However, recognizing that there are additional issues related to project delivery and financial constraint, Fresno COG will be allowed to meet the 20% funding over the course of the FTIP, beginning with the 2008 FTIP and each new FTIP thereafter. For example, if the four-year estimate is \$5 million, then the MPO could spend \$1 million per year over the four year FTIP cycle, \$5 million in one year, or other combination of funding.

Project eligibility will continue to be based on federal CMAQ guidance. MPOs can continue to fund projects within the local jurisdictions, or contribute funding to the SJVAPCD air quality grant incentive programs to meet their cost-effectiveness threshold requirements.

Emissions Estimates

CMAQ projects must demonstrate an air quality benefit, and the expected emissions reductions will continue to be estimated with the most recent methodology. As of 2007, the ARB “Methods to Find the Cost-Effectiveness of Funding Air Quality Projects” released in 2005 is the appropriate methodology. If necessary, interagency consultation will be used to reach agreement on the methodology for future estimates. Emission benefits and cost-effectiveness calculations will continue to be based on the applicable pollutants for the region, including nitrogen oxides (NOx), volatile organic compounds (VOC), and particulate matter (PM).

Reporting Requirements

Tracking of the CMAQ policy will be achieved through several methods. MPOs must develop annual reports for Caltrans and FHWA that specify how CMAQ funds have been spent and the expected air quality benefits. This report is due by the first day of February following the end of the previous Federal fiscal year (September 30) and covers all CMAQ obligations for that fiscal year. A copy of the CMAQ annual report will also be submitted to the Air District for information purposes. In addition to the required annual report, Fresno COG will post information related to the implementation of the local cost-effectiveness CMAQ policy on its website; this includes a summary of the projects selected for the minimum cost-effectiveness threshold that will be made available at the earliest opportunity.

Policy Review

Due to changes in project costs and technology over time, the MPOs will revisit the minimum cost-effectiveness threshold, as well as policy feasibility, at least once every four years prior to FTIP development. A periodic review of the policy is necessary due to potential changes in federal transportation legislation, apportionments, and project eligibility. This policy will only affect 20% of the allocated federal CMAQ funds, and does not imply changes to other funding programs. Should future transportation legislation not include CMAQ funding, this policy will no longer be in effect.

Example Schedule

The following is an example schedule of the policy implementation and updates. This information is only representative of the general approach and specific schedules will be developed in the future (annual reports will continue to be prepared and submitted as required).

Summer 2007	Develop cost-effectiveness threshold through interagency consultation
Fall 2007	Identify funding available in the 2008 FTIP related to the 20% local cost-effectiveness policy
Spring 2008	Fresno COG call for projects – Quantify, rank, and select CMAQ projects
Summer 2008	Approve 2008 FTIP
Summer 2011	Review policy feasibility. If policy is continued, proceed with following steps.
	Update cost-effectiveness threshold through interagency consultation
Fall 2011	Identify funding available in the 2012 FTIP related to the 20% local cost-effectiveness policy
Spring 2012	Fresno COG call for projects – Quantify, rank, and select CMAQ projects
Summer 2012	Approve 2012 FTIP

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Measure C Citizens Oversight Committee

Six public-at-large appointees:

Kuldip Singh Kaleka is a Kerman Farmer with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He will represent the unincorporated area west of Highway 99.

Joe Levy is the Chairman of Gottschalks, Inc., served 9 years on the California Transportation Commission and is currently serving on the California State Transportation Committee representing the Fresno Area Chamber of Commerce. He will represent to Fresno-Clovis metropolitan area.

Shawn David Carlson is an Estimator for Quality Carpets Design Center. He will represent the Fresno-Clovis metropolitan area.

Sengthiene Bosavanh is an Advocate for Central California Legal Services. Currently serves on the boards of Fresno Metro Ministries, Central California Forum on Refugee Affairs, Southeast Asian Educational Council Board, Health Net Community Advisory Committee, and the Blue Cross Community Advisory Committee representing the Fresno-Clovis metropolitan area.

Jose Villarreal is a retired Public Defender for Santa Clara County. He is a former member of the Sanger Planning Commission, and former Board Member of the Sanger Chamber of Commerce. He will represent cities outside the Fresno-Clovis metropolitan area.

Lonnie O. Work is the CEO of Work Enterprises, Inc. currently living in Dunlap. Has degrees in Agricultural Economics and Business Management. He is a Board Member of the Dunlap Community Club and a member of the Fresno Association of Realtors. He will represent the unincorporated rural area east of Highway 99.

Seven Community Organization appointees:

Ray C. Knight will represent the Firebaugh Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee. He is an Owner – Broker of Golden Valley Realty & Knight Living Trust 1994. He is a former Firebaugh City Council Member and former Chairman of the Firebaugh Planning Commission.

Nicholas Paladino will represent the Fresno Cycling Club. He was a former member of the Measure C Steering Committee.

Marc Johnson will represent the Sanger Chamber of Commerce and Sanger Unified School District for which he is currently the District Superintendent.

John Clements will represent the Kings Canyon Unified School District for which he is currently Director of Transportation. Currently Vice-chair of the City of Reedley Planning Commission.

Jeffrey Reid will represent the Valley Taxpayer Coalition. He is a Partner at the law firm McCormick Barstow Sheppard Wayte & Caruth. Mr. Reid was a member of the Measure C Steering Committee.

Cynthia Matson will represent California State University Fresno where she is currently Vice President, Administration and Chief Financial Officer.

Mary Savala will represent the League of Women Voters of Fresno. She was a member of the Measure C Steering Committee.

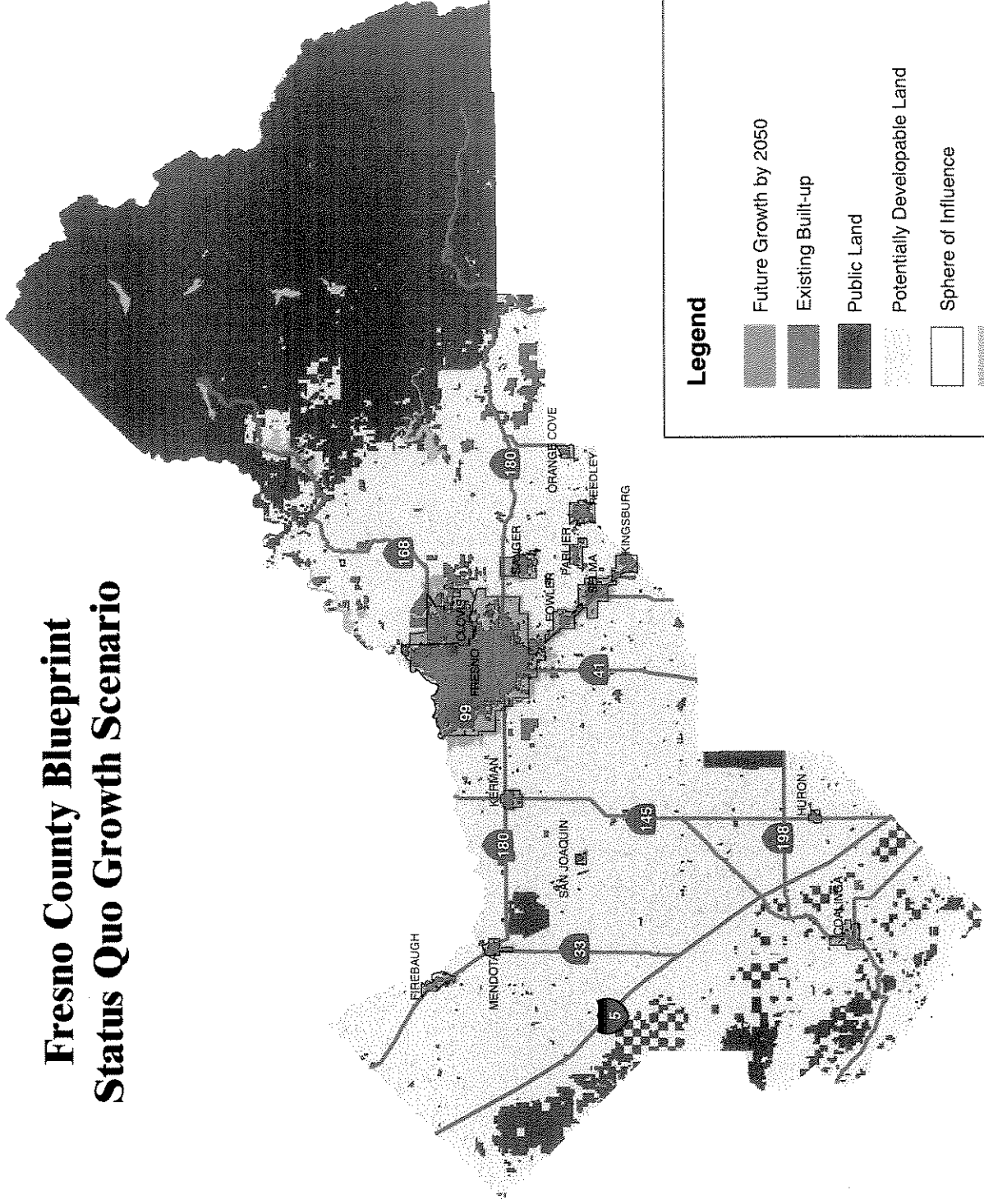
Fresno County Transportation Authority Board

Rico Aguayo, Fowler City Council member was appointed to the Fresno County Transportation Authority Board. He will represent cities east of Highway 99 other than Fresno and Clovis.

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Fresno County Blueprint Status Quo Growth Scenario



Legend

- Future Growth by 2050
- Existing Built-up
- Public Land
- Potentially Developable Land
- Sphere of Influence
- Lakes

