

EXECUTIVE MINUTES

Date: March 19, 2025

Time: 3:00 pm

Location: Madera County Transportation Commission
In person and Zoom

Members Present Commissioner Robert Macaulay
Commissioner Robert Poythress
Commissioner Jose Rodriguez
Commissioner David Rogers
Commissioner Rohi Zacharia

Members Absent: Commissioner Waseem Ahmed

Policy Advisory Committee: Above Members
Caleb Brock, Caltrans District 06

MCTC Staff: Patricia Taylor, Executive Director
Troy McNeil, Deputy Director/Fiscal Supervisor
Dylan Stone, Principal Regional Planner
Jeff Findley, Principal Regional Planner (Remote)
Natalia Austin, Senior Regional Planner
Sandy Ebersole, Administrative Analyst
Samantha Saldivar, Accounting Technician

1. CALL TO ORDER by Chair Rodriguez

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

This time is made available for comments from the public on matters within the Board's jurisdiction that are not on the agenda. Each speaker will be limited to three (3) minutes. Attention is called to the fact that the Board is prohibited by law from taking any substantive action on matters discussed that are not on the agenda, and no adverse conclusions should be drawn if the Board does not respond to the public comment at this time. It is requested that no comments be made during this period on items that are on today's agenda. Members of the public may comment on any item that is on today's agenda when the item is called and should notify the Chair of their desire to address the Board when that agenda item is called.

Chair Rodriguez opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was received.

MCTC SITTING AS THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

4. TRANSPORTATION CONSENT ITEMS

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4-A. Notice of Funding Opportunities

Action: Information and Discussion Only

4-B. Senator Padilla Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) Requests

Action: Information and Discussion Only

4-C. February 2025 edition of *The Commission Vision*

Action: Information and Discussion Only

4-D. Unmet Transit Needs Update

Action: Information and Discussion Only

4-E. MCTC 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 3 – (Type 1 – Administrative Modification)

Action: Ratify

4-F. MCTC 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 4 – (Type 1 – Administrative Modification)

Action: Ratify

4-G. California Air Resources Board Extended Timeline for Senate Bill 375 Guidelines and Target Setting

Action: Information and Discussion Only

4-H. San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority 2025 Draft Business Plan

Action: Information and Discussion Only

Chair Rodriguez opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was received.

Transportation Consent Calendar Action on Items 4A-4H

Upon motion by Commissioner Macaulay, seconded by Commissioner Poythress, to approve the Transportation Consent Items 4A-4H. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes:

Chair Rodriguez	Yes
Commissioner Ahmed	Absent
Commissioner Macaulay	Yes
Commissioner Poythress	Yes
Commissioner Rogers	Absent
Commissioner Zacharia	Yes

Vote passed 4-0

Commissioner Rogers entered the meeting at 3:04 pm.

5. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

5-A. State Route 233 Corridor Plan – Final

Action: Information and Discussion Only

5-B. Rural Counties Task Force: Rural Induced Demand Study

Action: Information and Discussion Only

5-C. State Legislative Outlook, Madera Advocating Day in Sacramento Recap, and SJV Regional Policy Council Valley Voice Trip Recap

Action: Support staff recommendation on Bills of Interest – SUPPORT: AB 259 (Rubio), AB 289 (Haney), AB 891 (Zbur), SB 71 (Wiener), SB 239 (Arreguin), SB 752 (Richardson); and OPPOSE: AB 267 (Macedo), AB 1058 (Gonzalez), AB 1268 (Macedo)

Chair Rodriguez opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was received.

Transportation Action/Discussion Item 5C

Upon motion by Commissioner Macaulay, seconded by Commissioner Rogers, to approve Transportation Action/Discussion Item 5C. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes:

Chair Rodriguez	Yes
Commissioner Ahmed	Absent
Commissioner Macaulay	Yes
Commissioner Poythress	Yes
Commissioner Rogers	Yes
Commissioner Zacharia	Yes

Vote passed 5-0

MCTC SITTING AS THE MADERA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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

6-A. **Action:** Reaffirm all Actions Taken While Sitting as the Transportation Policy Committee

Chair Rodriguez opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was received.

Upon motion by Commissioner Poythress, seconded by Commissioner Zacharia, to reaffirm all actions taken while sitting as the Transportation Policy Committee. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes:

Chair Rodriguez	Yes
Commissioner Ahmed	Absent
Commissioner Macaulay	Yes
Commissioner Poythress	Yes
Commissioner Rogers	Yes
Commissioner Zacharia	Yes

Vote passed 5-0

7. ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT ITEMS

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7-A. Executive Minutes – February 19, 2025

Action: Approve February 19, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Chair Rodriguez opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was received.

Administrative Consent Action on Item 7A

Upon motion by Commissioner Poythress, seconded by Commissioner Macaulay, to approve Administrative Consent Item 7A. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes:

Chair Rodriguez	Yes
Commissioner Ahmed	Absent
Commissioner Macaulay	Yes
Commissioner Poythress	Yes
Commissioner Rogers	Yes
Commissioner Zacharia	Yes

Vote passed 5-0

8. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

NONE

MCTC SITTING AS THE MADERA COUNTY 2006 TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

9. AUTHORITY – ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT ITEMS

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9-A. FY 2025-26 Measure T Estimated Allocation

Action: Information and Discussion Only

Chair Rodriguez opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was received.

Administrative Consent Calendar Action on Item 9A

Upon motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Macaulay, to approve Administrative Consent Item 9A. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes:

Chair Rodriguez	Yes
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Commissioner Ahmed	Absent
Commissioner Macaulay	Yes
Commissioner Poythress	Yes
Commissioner Rogers	Yes
Commissioner Zacharia	Yes

Vote passed 5-0

10. AUTHORITY – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

10-A. Measure T Citizens' Oversight Committee Member Appointment

Action: Appoint Santos Garcia to serve as a committee member representing Supervisorial District 4

Chair Rodriguez opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was received.

Administrative Action/Discussion on Item 10A

Upon motion by Commissioner Poythress, seconded by Commissioner Macaulay, to approve Item 10A. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes:

Chair Rodriguez	Yes
Commissioner Ahmed	Absent
Commissioner Macaulay	Yes
Commissioner Poythress	Yes
Commissioner Rogers	Yes
Commissioner Zacharia	Yes

Vote passed 5-0

OTHER ITEMS

11. MISCELLANEOUS

11-A. Items from Staff

Patricia Taylor, Executive Director, provided the following comments:

- The February 2025 edition of *The Commission Vision* has been released.
- The April Policy Board Meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 23, 2025, instead of the usual third Wednesday of the month.
- The Unmet Transit Needs Hearing will be conducted during the April 23, 2025, Policy Board Meeting.
- There will be no Policy Board meeting in June unless it is necessary

- The San Joaquin Valley Regional Policy Council Conference will be held April 9-11 in Merced. There will be a panel discussion featuring the Rural Counties Task Force Induced Demand Study.
- Director Taylor recognized Policy Board Members for their participation in a lobby day in Sacramento, strengthening relationships with legislators and executive staff.
- At the March 2025 CALCOG Regional Leadership Forum, Commissioner Poythress was honored with the Poppy Award in recognition of outstanding contributions to service and leadership.

Troy McNeil, Deputy Director/Fiscal Supervisor, provided the following comment:

- The CALCOG Regional Leadership Forum serves as a platform for connecting with peer agencies across the state, including both rural and urban areas. The forum is highly beneficial, providing an opportunity to discuss common transportation challenges faced by most agencies, fostering collaboration on effective solutions.

11-B. Items from Caltrans

Caleb Brock, Caltrans District 06. provided the following comments:

- The State Route 99 Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan is set for completion by June 30, 2025. With the public workshops now concluded, the draft will be available for review in April and presented at the San Joaquin Valley Policy Conference from April 9-11.
- The South Madera Six-Lane Project (Avenue 7 to Avenue 12) is currently in design, with completion expected by October 2025. Caltrans is addressing right-of-way issues with property owners. Construction is scheduled for summer 2026. The environmental review process for the SR 99 North Madera 6-Lane Project (Avenue 17-22) has begun and is expected to be completed by October 2027. The Downtown Madera Capital Preventative Maintenance project utility certification is expected in May 2025. The project will be Ready To List in June 2025, construction anticipated to begin in January 2026.
- The State Route 99/233 Interchange Improvement project 60% constructability review meeting is targeted for April 2025. Project is expected to Ready To List for construction in summer 2026.
- Cottonwood Creek Bridge Replacement project construction is anticipated to be completed by May 2025, weather permitting.
- The Madera Ranchos Rehabilitation project between Avenue 15 and State Route 145 project is open to traffic. Project completion is anticipated in April 2025.
- The Chowchilla Capital Preventative Maintenance project PS&E right of way phases are underway, and ready to list November 2026. The truck traffic signage and maintenance of palm trees will be addressed.

- The State Route 145 Corridor Plan is released for comments.
- The CALCOG Regional Leadership Forum had strong representation from the San Joaquin Valley, with MCTC having three of the seven cohort members successfully complete the CARL program.

11-C. Items from Commissioners

- Commissioner Poythress recognized Director Taylor for receiving the 2025 Fresno State University International Transportation Innovations Summit Individual Award, honoring her leadership in transportation.
- Commissioner Poythress also announced that Director Taylor will be honored with the Darrel Hildebrand Blueprint Leadership Award at the San Joaquin Valley Policy Conference, in recognition of her leadership and contributions to transportation planning. The conference will take place April 9-11, 2025.
- Commissioner Rodriguez echoed Commissioner Poythress's remarks, emphasizing Director Taylor's distinguished reputation across the state.
- Commissioner Rodriguez further recognized the reopening of Madera Community Hospital.
- Commissioner Macaulay acknowledged Chair Rodriguez's depth of experience and leadership as Chair of the MCTC Policy Board.

12. CLOSED SESSION

NONE

13. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:24 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 23, 2025

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "PST", is written above the name Patricia S. Taylor.

Patricia S. Taylor
Executive Director
Madera County Transportation Commission