

EXECUTIVE MINUTES

Date: September 17, 2025

Time: 3:00 pm

Location: Madera County Transportation Commission and
Rural County Representatives of California
400 Resort Road
Grand Sierra Ballroom
Olympic Valley, CA 96146
In person and Zoom

Members Present: Commissioner Jose Rodriguez, Chair
Commissioner Waseem Ahmed
Commissioner David Rogers
Commissioner Rohi Zacharia

Virtual Commissioner Robert Poythress
Commissioner Robert Macaulay

Members Absent: None

Policy Advisory Committee: Above Members
Shane Gunn, Caltrans District 06

MCTC Staff: Patricia Taylor, Executive Director
Dylan Stone, Principal Regional Planner
Jeff Findley, Principal Regional Planner
Evelyn Espinosa, Senior Regional Planner
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. California Association of Councils of Governments (CALCOG) 2026 Regional Leadership Forum

Action: Information and Discussion Only

4-B. California Housing Law & Policy Update

Action: Information and Discussion Only

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

Action: Information and Discussion Only

4-D. Initiate FY 2026-27 Unmet Transit Needs Process

Action: Information and Discussion Only

4-E. Social Services Transportation Advisory Council Appointment

Action: Approve the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council application for appointment: Vincent Parker, to represent a Local Social Service Transportation Provider for Persons with Disabilities.

4-F. Fiscal Year 2025-26 State of Good Repair (SGR) Project List

Action: Approve Resolution 25-09, adopting the FY 2025-26 SGR project list to be submitted in the amount of \$290,091

4-G. Reallocation of Unused Fiscal Year 2017-18 and 2018-19 State of Good Repair (SGR) Funds

Action: Approve Resolution 25-10, Reallocation of Unused Fiscal Year 2017-18 and 2018-19 State of Good Repair Funds to New or Existing Projects

4-H. 2026 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and 2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) Update

Action: Information and Discussion Only

4-I. MCTC 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 8 – (Type 1 – Administrative Modification)

Action: Ratify

4-J. 2026 California Transportation Asset Management Plan Development (TAMP) and Performance Management 2

Action: Support State Targets

4-K. State Route 99 Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan

Action: Information and Discussion Only

4-L. California Waiver Rescission and Conformity Impacts

Action: Information and Discussion Only

4-M. Caltrans FY 2026-27 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Application Guide and Call for Applications

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-4M

Upon motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Ahmed, to approve the Transportation Consent Items 4A-4M. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes:

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

Vote passed 6-0

5. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

5-A. State Legislative Outlook: General Legislative Update, and Legislative Bill Matrix

Action: Information and Discussion Only

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

5-B. 2025 Valley Voice – Washington D.C. Recap

Action: Information and Discussion Only

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

5-C. Adoption of the Addendum to the Negative Declaration for the Madera County Regional Active Transportation Plan Program

Action: Certify the Addendum to the Negative Declaration for the Madera County Regional Active Transportation Plan Program by Resolution 18-07 Amendment No. 1

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

Upon motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Ahmed, to Certify the Addendum to the Negative Declaration for the Madera County Regional Active Transportation Plan. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes:

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

Vote passed 6-0

5-D. Adoption of the 2018 Madera Active Transportation Plan (ATP) Amendment No. 1

Action: Adopt 2018 Madera Active Transportation Plan (ATP) Amendment No. 1 by Resolution Number 18-08 Amendment No.1

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

Upon motion by Commissioner Poythress, seconded by Commissioner Ahmed, to Adopt the 2018 Madera Active Transportation Amendment No. 1. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes:

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

Vote passed 6-0

MCTC SITTING AS THE MADERA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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

Roll call for votes:

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

Vote passed 6-0

7. ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT ITEMS

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7-A. Executive Minutes – July 23, 2025

Action: Approve July 23, 2025, Meeting Minutes

7-B. Transportation Development Act (LTF, STA) – Allocation, Resolution 25-07 Amendment No. 1, Resolution 25-08 Amendment No. 1

Action: Approve Resolution 25-07 Amendment No. 1, Resolution 25-08 Amendment No. 1

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

Administrative Consent Action on Items 7A-7B

Upon motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Ahmed, to approve the Administrative Consent Items 7A-7B. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes:

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

Vote passed 6-0

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. Focus on the Future 2025 Conference

Action: Information and Discussion Only

9-B. HdL Newsletter – 1st Quarter 2025

Action: Information and Discussion Only

9-C. Madera County Transportation Authority (MCTA) Fiscal Year 2023-24 Audit Report

Action: Accept MCTA Fiscal Year 2023-24 Audit Report

9-D. Measure T Fund Compliance Audit Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2024: County of Madera

Action: Accept Measure T Compliance Audit Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2024: County of Madera

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

Administrative Consent Calendar Action on Items 9A-9D

Upon motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Ahmed, to approve the Administrative Consent Items 9A-9D. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes:

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

Vote passed 6-0

10. AUTHORITY – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

10-A. Public Hearing: Measure T FY 2025-26 Annual Work Program

Action: Receive comments and approve the FY 2025-26 Measure T Annual Work Program and the disbursement of interest earned through June 30, 2025

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

Administrative Action/Discussion on Item 10A

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

Roll call for votes:

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

Vote passed 6-0

10-B. Consider Adoption of an Ordinance Implementing and Imposing a Transaction and Use Tax to be Administered by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration – Ordinance No. 2025-01

Action: Waive second reading and adopt an Ordinance of the Madera County 2006 Transportation Authority imposing a transaction and use tax to be administered by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration by title only (Initiative Measure)

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

Administrative Action/Discussion on Item 10B

Upon motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Ahmed, to approve Item 10B. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes:

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

Vote passed 6-0

OTHER ITEMS

11. MISCELLANEOUS

11-A. Items from Staff

Patricia Taylor, Executive Director, provided the following comment:

- Director Taylor expressed appreciation to staff for their work while she was traveling on recent MCTC trips.

11-B. Items from Caltrans

Shane Gunn, Acting Deputy Director, Caltrans District 06 provided the following comments:

- Ryan Dermody, District 09 Director, is the Acting Chief Deputy Director effective September 6th, following Mike Keever's retirement.
- The second edition of the Transportation Analysis Framework (TAF) and Transportation Analysis under CEQA (TAC) has been released by Caltrans and is available on the Caltrans SB 743 website. These updated resources reflect the latest policy direction, guidance, stakeholder input, and are designed to support consistent transportation analysis.
- Public comments are open until October 10 on the Revised Caltrans System Investment Strategy (CSIS) Climate Action Plan Infrastructure Alignment Metrics (CAPTI). The Revised CAPTI Alignment Metrics is a companion document to CSIS, which is the main policy document. CSIS applies to all state and federal discretionary grant programs that make funding available for multi-modal transportation infrastructure projects.
- FHWA announced Brigitte Mandel as the Acting Deputy Division Administrator in FHWA's California Division.
- On September 8, California State Transportation announced an open call for applicants to serve on the Interagency Equity Advisory Committee. Members of the Equity Advisory Committee review, advise and make recommendations on transportation related plans, programs and policies to the California State

Transportation Agency (CalSTA), the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and the California Transportation Commission (CTC). Committee members serve two-year terms, of which there are three vacancies for the 2026-2028 term. Visit the CTC Interagency Equity Advisory Committee webpage for more information.

- Caltrans will be launching its yearly cycle for the STPG program later this year. District 06 will host a guidelines workshop virtually on September 29. Caltrans will also be holding weekly “office hours” and are available for 1:1 as well. Applications tentatively due in January 2026.
- Comments on the Draft SR 99 Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan (CMCP) by Caltrans partners and stakeholders closed on September 12, 2025.
- The South Madera Six Lane project is currently in the design phase, anticipated completion is October 2025. Construction is scheduled to begin summer 2026. Caltrans has selected the Madera Maintenance Station for the Zero Emission Vehicles (ZEV) charging stations as part of their greenhouse gas mitigation. TCEP funding for the right of way phases was extended to November 2026.
- The North Madera Six Lane project is currently in the environmental phase. Caltrans hosted a virtual and in-person Public Scoping Meeting in August 2025. Director Taylor attended the virtual meeting. Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) is targeting April of 2028, Ready to List (RTL) is targeting 2031.
- The Downtown Madera Capital Preventative Maintenance project is ready to list and will be advertised in fall 2025. Construction is targeted to begin January 2026.
- The SR 99/233 project was unsuccessful in securing the Local Partnership Program grant award. Caltrans has presented a scaled-back alternative aimed at reducing overall project costs. A meeting has been scheduled with the City of Chowchilla to discuss next steps and determine their preferred course of action. The Supplemental Project Report is currently on hold, awaiting the City’s decision on whether to move forward with the scaled-down alternative.
- Cottonwood Creek Bridge Replacement project Ribbon Cutting was held September 3, 2025. The speakers for the event included MCTC Chair Jose Rodriguez, MCTC Vice Chair Robert Poythress, representatives from Assemblymember David Tangipa, Congressman Adam Gray, and Senator Marie Alvarado-Gil.
- The Chowchilla Capital Preventative Maintenance project - Plans Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) and Right of Way (ROW) phases are under way and will be ready to list spring 2026.

11-C. Items from Commissioners

Commissioner made the following comment:

- Commissioner Rogers met with Ray McPadden, Acting Superintendent of Yosemite National Park, and discussed plans for an entrance and egress as well as the concept of State Route 41 being recognized as a federal lands access highway. The designation of a federal lands access highway could potentially qualify State Route 41 to apply for additional federal grant programs. Also discussed was raising the park entrance fee for foreign visitors.

Commissioner Poythress made the following comment:

- The Technical Advisory Committee for the California Road Charge program will be holding a virtual meeting on Friday, September 19. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Commissioner Poythress will be participating and will report back at the next MCTC Policy Board Meeting.

Commissioner Rodriguez made the following comment:

- Commissioner Rodriguez and Commissioner Poythress won their second basketball league game.
- Commissioner Rodriguez thanked Commissioners and MCTC staff who attended the Cottonwood Creek Ribbon Cutting September 3, 2025.
- Caltrans District 06 held a Golf Tournament in Madera, Commissioner Rodriguez attended.

Commissioner Macaulay made the following comment:

- Chief Administrative Officer Jay Varney will retire following his last Madera County Board Meeting on Tuesday, September 23, 2025. A retirement recognition event will be held on Sunday, September 21, 2025, at the Vineyard Restaurant.

12. CLOSED SESSION

NONE

13. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 22, 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "PST", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Patricia S. Taylor
Executive Director
Madera County Transportation Commission