

COUNCIL OF SAN BENITO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

DATE: Thursday, November 6, 2025

2:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Council of San Benito County Governments

650 San Benito St., Ste. 120

Hollister, CA 95023

MEMBERS: Binu Abraham, Council of Governments

Heather Adamson, Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments

Noel Coady, California Highway Patrol Jill Leal-Andrade, Caltrans District 5

Rod Powell, City of Hollister Development Services

William Via, City of Hollister Public Works Community Services

Ashley Collick, City of San Juan Bautista

Steve Loupe, San Benito Co. RMA Public Works, Engineering

Abraham Prado, San Benito Co. RMA Planning and Building Services

Persons who wish to address the Technical Advisory Committee must address the Chairperson when public comment is called. Following recognition, persons desiring to speak are requested to state their name for the record. After hearing audience comments, the Public Comment portion of the agenda item will be closed. The opportunity to address the Technical Advisory Committee on items of interest not appearing on the agenda will be provided during Item 4. Public Comment.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Verification of Certificate of Posting
- 4. **Public Comment:** (Opportunity to address the committee on items of interest <u>not</u> appearing on the agenda. No action may be taken unless provided by Govt. Code Sec. 56954.2. <u>Speakers are limited to 3 minutes.</u>)
- 5. Member Announcements
 - a. City of San Juan Bautista
 - b. City of Hollister
 - c. County of San Benito
 - d. Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments
 - e. California Highway Patrol

- f. Caltrans District 5
- g. Council of Governments

CONSENT AGENDA:

(These matters shall be considered as a whole and without discussion unless a particular item is removed from the Consent Agenda. <u>Members of the public who wish to speak on a Consent Agenda item must submit a Speaker Card to the Clerk and wait for recognition from the Chairperson.</u> Approval of a consent item means approval as recommended on the Staff Report.)

6. APPROVE TAC Meeting Minutes dated October 2, 2025 – Gomez

INFORMATION ITEMS:

- 7. RECEIVE Update on the Status and Development of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan Borick
- 8. RECEIVE Information Regarding the Purpose and Intent of Transit First Policies Borick

ADJOURN TO REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 4, 2025, AT 2:00 P.M.

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I, Monica Gomez, swear under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

BY:

Monica Gomez

Monica Gomez, Secretary II

Council of San Benito County Governments

COUNCIL OF SAN BENITO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING Council of San Benito County Governments

650 San Benito St., Ste. 120, Hollister, CA 95023

October 2, 2025, 2:00 PM

ACTION MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER:

SBCOG Executive Director Binu Abraham called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Binu Abraham; Council of San Benito County Governments, Heather Adamson; Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments, Captain Noel Coady; California Highway Patrol, Jill Leal-Andrade; Caltrans District 5, Abraham Prado; San Benito Co. RMA Planning & Building Services (arrived at 2:05 p.m.).

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Steve Loupe; San Benito Co. RMA Public Works Engineering, William Via; City of Hollister Public Works Comm. Services, Ashley Collick; City of San Juan Bautista, Rod Powell; City of Hollister Development Services.

STAFF PRESENT:

Samuel Borick; Transportation Planner, Myranda Arreola; Transportation Planner, Monica Gomez; Secretary II.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Bhupendra Patel, Gina Schmidt, Will Condon; Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (via-Zoom).

3. CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

Motion made to acknowledge Certificate of Posting:

Motion: Heather Adamson Second: Jill Leal-Andrade

Motion carried: 4/0

Yes: Abraham, Adamson, Leal-Andrade, Coady

No: None Recused: None Abstention: None

Absent: Loupe, Collick, Powell, Via, Prado

4. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

5. MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Jill Leal-Andrade announced that information for the upcoming Caltrans Planning Grants Workshop was emailed to TAC members. She reminded members that FY 2026-27 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant applications are due November 21, 2025, by 5pm. She noted that the deadline to accept draft applications for review by District 5 is October 23, 2025, by 5pm (no exceptions). Caltrans will host a virtual public meeting for the US 101 Pavement Rehabilitation Project on October 9, 2025, from 6pm to 7pm. Additionally, a public workshop for the SR 25 Project is planned for November 19, 2025, at Paine's Restaurant 5:30pm (tentative). Caltrans will confirm the final time via email.

Heather Adamson reported that AMBAG is finalizing the MTP/SCS and Draft EIR, anticipated for release in November. Public workshops and hearings, both virtual and in-person, are planned for January 2026.

Captain Coady reminded the TAC that the San Benito County Fair begins tomorrow and advised everyone to expect increased traffic in the area. He expressed appreciation to Jill Leal-Andrade and Caltrans District 5 for their prompt and effective efforts in identifying pad setups that allow CHP staff to position themselves perpendicular to traffic, improving visibility and enforcement effectiveness.

Abraham Prado provided an update on San Benito County's Housing Element. The Mitigated Negative Declaration for the rezone and General Plan amendments is currently out for public review. The plan is to take the item to the Planning Commission in November for a public hearing, followed by a recommendation to the Board in December, with adoption and submittal to HCD for certification afterward.

Myranda Arreola provided an update on the Regional Traffic Impact Mitigation Fee (TIMF) Nexus Study. Staff is forming the Evaluation Committee for the upcoming TIMF RFP with one member from each jurisdiction. Also, SBCOG is preparing the Measure G Annual Report and has requested each jurisdiction provide their list of Measure G projects and expenditures for July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025, by October 10, 2025.

CONSENT AGENDA:

6. Approve TAC Meeting Minutes dated August 7, 2025 – Gomez

There was no public comment on the Consent Agenda.

Motion made to approve the Consent Agenda:

Motion: Jill Leal-Andrade Second: Noel Coady

Motion carried: 5/0

Yes: Abraham, Adamson, Leal-Andrade, Coady, Prado

No: None Recused: None Abstention: None

Absent: Loupe, Collick, Powell, Via

INFORMATION ITEMS:

7. Receive Update on the Status and Development of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan – Borick

Samuel Borick provided an update on the development of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). Recent efforts are focused on developing a draft 2050 RTP Budget, drafting chapters of the 2050 RTP, and assisting in the development of the draft EIR. He provided an overview of the balanced draft 2050 RTP Budget handout. Over the coming months Draft RTP chapters will be presented to the TAC for review and members are encouraged to provide feedback to ensure compatibility with local initiatives and policies.

Heather Adamson noted that the draft EIR is scheduled to be released for public comment in November 2025. The comment period will close on January 30, 2026, and final adoption of the 2050 RTP scheduled for June 2026.

Binu Abraham emphasized the importance of TAC members reviewing and providing feedback on the Draft RTP chapters once they are circulated, to ensure alignment with local initiatives and policies.

There was no public comment.

8. Receive Information on the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments Activity Based Model and Land Use Model – Borick/ AMBAG

AMBAG staff, Bhupendra Patel, Ph.D., Director of Modeling, and Gina Schmidt, GIS Coordinator, provided a presentation via-Zoom on the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments' Regional Travel Demand Model Program and addressed questions from TAC members.

Binu Abraham expressed appreciation to AMBAG staff for providing the presentation to the TAC.

There was no public comment.

There being no further business to discuss, Heather Adamson motioned to adjourn the Technical Advisory Committee meeting at 3:33 p.m. Motion seconded by Noel Coady.

Motion carried: 5/0

Yes: Abraham, Adamson, Leal-Andrade, Coady, Prado

No: None Recused: None Abstention: None

Absent: Loupe, Collick, Powell, Via

ADJOURN TO THE REGULAR TAC MEETING OF NOVEMBER 6, 2025, AT 2:00 P.M.



STAFF REPORT

Information Agenda Item No. 7

Prepared By: Samuel Borick Approved By: Binu Abraham, Executive

Transportation Planner Director

Subject: 2050 Regional Transportation Plan Meeting Date: November 6, 2025

Update

Recommendation:

RECEIVE update on the status and development of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan.

Summary:

The Council of San Benito County Governments (SBCOG) is currently in the process of developing the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (2050 RTP). Recent efforts are focused on finalizing the draft 2050 RTP Budget, which details the plan's expenditures and revenues in the 2050 RTP, and reviewing draft performance measures. In order to ensure the 2050 RTP accurately reflects the goals and priorities of the San Benito region, SBCOG is collaborating closely with the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) throughout the update process. The final 2050 RTP is scheduled for adoption by the SBCOG board in June 2026.

Background/ Discussion:

Draft 2050 RTP

Draft chapters of the 2050 RTP will be circulated to the TAC for review and comment as they are prepared. Input from TAC members helps ensure 2050 RTP chapters are consistent with local initiatives and aligned with adopted policies. Draft Chapters 5 and 6, which detail the plan's expenditures and revenues, were circulated to TAC members on October 29 and will be discussed at the November TAC meeting. Feedback on draft chapters will be incorporated into the draft 2050 RTP prior to it being presented to the SBCOG Board. SBCOG staff will present the draft 2050 RTP Budget to the Board for approval in November and the draft 2050 RTP to the Board for adoption in December.

Performance Measures

Performance measures included in the 2050 RTP are used to evaluate the impacts and benefits of planned transportation investments. These investments can significantly enhance the region's quality of life, by improving mobility, air quality, safety, and economic vitality. Draft 2050 performance measures will be provided for discussion and review at the December TAC meeting.

Purpose and Development of the 2050 RTP

The RTP is a 25-year planning document that guides the development and maintenance of the region's transportation system. Updated every four years as required by law, the RTP focuses on transportation policy and investment priorities. An overall goal of improving the quality of life for residents is pursued through transportation accessibility and mobility investments that also enhance economic and environmental conditions throughout the county. During this process, SBCOG relies on ongoing collaborations with the TAC to ensure the 2050 RTP aligns with local initiatives and policies. RTP items are routinely brought to the TAC for review and comment before being presented to the SBCOG Board.

Financial Impact:	
None	
Attachments:	
None	



STAFF REPORT

Information
Prepared By: Samuel Borick
Transportation Planner
Subject: Transit First Policy

Agenda Item No. 8 Approved By: Binu Abraham, Executive

Director

Meeting Date: November 6, 2025

Recommendation:

RECEIVE information regarding the purpose and intent of Transit First Policies

Summary:

The objective of a Transit First policy is to establish a clear, actionable framework at the jurisdictional level that prioritizes public transit in planning, design, and operations.

Transit First Policies aim to enhance transit equity, reliability, and competitiveness by integrating transit-supportive infrastructure, land use strategies, and multimodal connectivity features. The

overall goal is to create a transit-oriented environment that supports sustainable growth, reduces vehicle miles traveled, and improves mobility for all.
Background/ Discussion:
None.
Financial Impact:
None.
Attachments:
None.