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**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
STANCOG BOARD ROOM
1111 I STREET, SUITE 308
MODESTO, CA 95354
MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2026
12:00 PM**

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AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address the committee on any item not on the agenda. Comments shall be limited to five minutes unless the Chair of the Committee sets a different time limit.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approve the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of June 8, 2026

B. Recommend the Policy Board Adopt a Resolution Rescinding Resolution 25-61, Approving the Guidelines for the 2027 Regional Active Transportation Plan (ATP)

C. Recommend the Policy Board Approve Resolution Accepting the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 State of Good Repair (SGR) Project List

D. Appointment of Measure L Oversight Committee (MLOC) Member

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM

A. Presentation of the Draft 2026 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), Environmental Impact Report (EIR), and Air Quality Conformity Analysis (Nick St Cook)

B. Presentation of the 2027 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) (Sofia So)

C. Recommend the Policy Board Approve a Professional Services Agreement with Covino, Smith, and Simon Inc for Federal Advocacy Services not to Exceed \$135,000 for a Three-Year Term (Francisco Martin)

D. Draft August Policy Board Agenda (Amber Collins)

6. FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT

7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

8. MEMBER REPORTS

9. ADJOURNMENT

Next Scheduled Executive Committee Meeting:
September 10, 2026 (Thursday) @ 12:00 pm



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CONSENT CALENDAR

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

**StanCOG Board Room
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA**

Minutes of June 8, 2026 (Monday) 12:00 pm

In addition to in person attendance at the location identified above, members of the public were able to join the meeting virtually or participate by teleconference to provide comments to the Executive Committee members during the meeting.

PRESENT: Chair Buck Condit, Vito Chiesa (Stanislaus County); Sue Zwahlen (City of Modesto); Rachel Hernandez (City of Riverbank)

ALSO PRESENT: José Luis Cáceres, Amber Collins, Karen Dunger, Tony Harris, Josey Oshana, Shannon Silva, Monica Streeter (StanCOG); Noemi Badillo (Infinity Technologies); Kristin Bragg, Tony Hill, Dave Leamon, Ron McMurtry (Members of the Public)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Buck Condit called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ron McMurtry provided a Public Comment and Executive Members provided a response.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approve the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2026

B. Recommend the Policy Board Accept the Measure L Funds Received and Investment Recap Report

C. Appointment of Member to Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

D. Appointment of Member to the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

E. Recommend the Policy Board Approve Amendment 4 to the Professional Services Agreement with Elite Transportation Group, Inc. (ETG) for Modeling and Compliance Support Projects for \$126,130.40

F. Recommend the Policy Board Approve Amendment 1 to the Professional Services Agreement for Karen Dunger Consultancy, LLC for \$80,000

- G. Recommend the Policy Board Adopt Resolution Rescinding Resolution 25-50 Approved by the Policy Board on March 18, 2026 and Authorizing the Executive Director to Renegotiate the Lease**
- H. Recommend the Policy Board Adopt by Resolution approving the Salvage and Surplus Property Disposal Policy**

***By Motion (Member Vito Chiesa/Member Sue Zwahlen) and a 4-0 vote**, the Executive Committee approved the Consent Calendar.

Items 4F and 4G were pulled from Consent Calendar to discuss during Closed Session

***By Motion (Member Sue Zwahlen/Member Vito Chiesa) and a 4-0 vote**, the Executive Committee approved the remainder of the Consent Calendar.

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- A. Recommend the Policy Board Approve the Federal Fiscal Year 2027-2030 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), and Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) Funding Round**

José Luis Cáceres presented the Federal Fiscal Year 2027-2030 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), and Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) Funding Round.

***By Motion (Member Vito Chiesa/Member Sue Zwahlen) and a 4-0 vote**, the Executive Committee recommended the Policy Board approve the Federal Fiscal Year 2027-2030 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), and Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) Funding Round.

- B. Recommend the Policy Board Approve the Federal Fiscal Year 2027-2030 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), and Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) Funding Round Projects**

José Luis Cáceres presented the Federal Fiscal Year 2027-2030 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), and Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) Funding Round Projects.

Ron McMurtry provided a comment and Executive Members provided a response.

Members of the Executive Committee asked questions, to which José Luis Cáceres provided a response.

Dave Leamon provided a comment and Executive Members provided a response.

***By Motion (Member Vito Chiesa/Member Sue Zwahlen), and a unanimous 4-0 vote**, the Executive Committee recommended the Policy Board approve the Federal Fiscal Year 2027-2030 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), and Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) Funding Round.

- C. Recommend the Policy Board Approve by Resolution the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Apportionments for Transit and Other Purposes and Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Allocations for Transit**

José Luis Cáceres presented the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Apportionments for Transit and Other Purposes and Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Allocations for Transit.

Ron McMurtry provided a comment and Executive Members provided a response.

Members of the Executive Committee asked questions, to which José Luis Cáceres provided a response.

***By Motion (Member Vito Chiesa/Member Sue Zwahlen), and a unanimous 4-0 vote,** the Executive Committee recommended the Policy Board approve by resolution the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Apportionments for Transit and Other Purposes and Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Allocations for Transit.

D. Recommend the Policy Board Authorize the Executive Director to Enter into a Professional Services Agreement with F.C. Construction, Inc. in an amount not to Exceed \$1,500,000 for the Demolition of Buildings on Properties Acquired for the Construction of State Route 132 (SR-132) West Needham Street to Gates Road

José Luis Cáceres provided an update on the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2027-2030 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Funding call for projects. This item was informational and no action was taken.

***By Motion (Member Sue Zwahlen/Chair Buck Condit), and a unanimous 4-0 vote,** the Executive Committee recommended the Policy Board authorize the Executive Director to Enter into a Professional Services Agreement with F.C. Construction, Inc. in an amount not to Exceed \$1,500,000 for the Demolition of Buildings on Properties Acquired for the Construction of State Route 132 (SR-132) West Needham Street to Gates Road.

E. Recommend the Policy Board Approve Amendment 4 to the Professional Services Agreement with Mark Thomas & Company, Inc. for \$979,443 for the State Route (SR) 132 Project from Needham Street to Gates Road

Tony Harris presented on the Professional Services Agreement with Mark Thomas & Company, Inc. for \$979,443 for the State Route (SR) 132 Project from Needham Street to Gates Road.

***By Motion (Member Vito Chiesa/Member Sue Zwahlen), and a unanimous 4-0 vote,** the Executive Committee recommended the Policy Board approve Amendment 4 to the Professional Services Agreement with Mark Thomas & Company, Inc. for \$979,443 for the State Route (SR) 132 Project from Needham Street to Gates Road.

F. Recommend the Policy Board Authorize the Executive Director to Use Contingency Funds from Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 and FY 2026-27 for Moving and Building Improvements and Other Related Costs

Karen Dunger presented on the use of Contingency Funds from Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 and FY 2026-27 for Moving and Building Improvements and Other Related Costs.

***By Motion (Member Rachel Hernandez/Member Vito Chiesa), and a unanimous 4-0 vote,** the Executive Committee recommended the Policy Board authorize the Executive Director to Ude Contingency Funds from Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 and FY 2026-27 for Moving and Building Improvements and Other Related Costs.

G. Review Alternative Policy Board Meeting Locations for August 2026 – December 2026 (Verbal Report)

Amber Collins discussed alternative Policy Board meeting locations for August 2026 – December 2026. Member Chiesa recommended the following conference rooms: Turlock Library, Veteran's Center, Ceres Community Center, Hughson Samaritan Village.

H. Receive an Update on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 Financial Audit (Verbal Report)

Karen Dunger provided an update on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 Financial Audit.

I. Review the Draft June 17, 2026 Policy Board Agenda

Members of the Committee discussed the proposed draft Policy Board agenda for June 17, 2026.

The Committee recommended Item 4G be brought back on the August agenda and an reorder of an item.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Amber Collins stated that staff participated in the Hills Ferry Bridge Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. Ms. Collins discussed key activities; and work StanCOG has conducted over the last month, as well as updates on staffing and recruitment. Ms. Collins stated that our State Lobbyist, Gus Khouri will be at the June Policy Board meeting.

7. MEMBER REPORTS

Member Hernandez provided an update on the Valley Vision Stanislaus Steering Committee (VVS) meeting and updates on the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). Member Hernandez provided an update on Stanislaus Regional Transit Authority (StanRTA) outreach on the short-range transit plan service cuts. StanRTA is proposing bus service changes to make rides faster and more efficient.

8. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The Executive Committee adjourned to closed session at 1:16 pm.

A. Conference with Real Property Negotiators pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8

Property: 1111 I Street, Suite 300 and 308, Modesto, CA 95354

Agency Negotiator: Amber Collins, Executive Director, Buck Condit, Policy Board Chair, and Craig Lewis, Lewis Capital Advisors

Negotiating Parties: HLG Rental Properties

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

B. Conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6

Agency designated representatives: Amber Collins, Executive Director

Unrepresented employee: All

9. RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION

The Executive Committee reconvened from closed session at 1:53 pm.

Ms. Streeter stated that there was no reportable action.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Buck Condit adjourned the meeting at 1:55 pm.

Next Regularly-Scheduled Executive Committee Meeting:

August 10, 2026 @ 12:00 pm

Minutes Prepared By:



Josephine Oshana

Executive Administrative Assistant



StanCOG

Stanislaus Council of Governments

TO:	Executive Committee	<u>Staff Report</u>
		Motion
FROM:	José Luis Cáceres, Director of Programming and Program Delivery	
DATE:	August 10, 2026	
SUBJECT:	Rescission of Resolution 25-61, Approving the Guidelines for the 2027 Regional Active Transportation Program (ATP)	

Recommendation

By Motion:

Recommend that the Policy Board adopt a Resolution rescinding Resolution 25-61, Approving the Guidelines for the 2027 Regional Active Transportation Program 2(ATP).

Background

The Active Transportation Program (ATP) is a competitive funding program administered by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to promote the increased use of active modes of transportation, such as biking and walking. The CTC releases an ATP Call for Projects every two years. ATP is broken into three programs:

1. Statewide Program (50% of total)
2. Small Urban/Rural Areas: For populations of 200,000 or less (10% of total)
3. Regional Program: For urban areas with populations greater than 200,000 (40% of total)

ATP has two separate grant award processes, one led by the state for the Statewide and Small Urban/Rural Areas programs, and one led by Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) for the Regional Program.

The Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG), as the MPO for the Stanislaus County region, shares responsibility for programming the Regional ATP. The [ATP Fund Estimate](#) sets aside \$3,776,000 for StanCOG's Regional ATP funding round available in the years 2027-28 through 2030-31. StanCOG may either adopt its own Regional ATP Guidelines or defer to the CTC to select Regional Program projects using the CTC's rubrics and volunteer scorers. If adopting its own guidelines, then both StanCOG and the CTC must approve the guidelines before StanCOG may release its Regional ATP Call for Projects.

Two cycles ago, in 2023, instead of adopting its own optional guidelines, StanCOG deferred to the CTC. Having not received enough applications to program all the region's available ATP funds, StanCOG returned to the CTC with its own Regional ATP Guidelines and issued a subsequent call for projects.

In the last cycle, 2025, StanCOG elected to adopt its own guidelines and scored its own projects. During this process StanCOG discovered that the CTC staff does not support regions having the same scoring rubric as the CTC. In response, StanCOG made minor changes to the rubric to differentiate it from that of the CTC's rubric.

In April 2026, the Policy Board adopted Resolution #25-61, approving the Guidelines for the 2027 Regional ATP. In June, CTC staff contacted StanCOG staff noting that StanCOG's scoring rubric was still too similar to that of the CTC. StanCOG staff was given the option to either develop and adopt new guidelines or to defer to the CTC to select Regional ATP projects.

Discussion

Rather than developing revised Regional ATP Guidelines, StanCOG staff recommends rescinding Resolution #25-61, which adopted the Regional Guidelines, and to instead defer to the CTC to select StanCOG's Regional ATP projects. There are advantages and disadvantages to deferring to the CTC. The rubric would remain very similar. It would save time for local agency and StanCOG staff by not needing to review applications, and it would save time for local agencies not having to resubmit applications. The disadvantages have to do with how projects are scored. StanCOG would have seven to eight reviewers familiar with the region while the CTC would only have two reviewers from outside the region. Using a smaller number of reviewers means a smaller sample size of scores, which would yield a less reliable average of the subjective scoring criteria. For larger funding rounds, StanCOG staff prefers having at least ten reviewers.

Because the effort is substantial for collaboratively developing new funding guidelines, reviewing applications, and submitting applications, and because the funding available is less than \$4 million, staff recommends deferring to the CTC for this round.

With the Policy Board's approval, the state would score and select projects not funded by State ATP for Regional ATP funding. State and Regional ATP recommendations are expected to come out November 1, 2026.

Local agencies have already applied for State ATP. Table 1 lists the applications the CTC received, sorted alphabetically by agency and project name.

Table 1: CTC 2027 ATP Application Receipt Log
(Dollar amounts in \$1,000s)

Agency	Project Name	Cost	ATP Fund Request
City of Patterson	Las Palmas Safety Corridor	\$1,960	\$ 1,764
City of Patterson	Salado Creek Class I Trail Phase II	\$2,431	\$ 2,188
City of Turlock	West Avenue and Montana Avenue SRTS Connectivity Project	\$5,874	\$ 3,999
City of Turlock	West Canal–Tully–Soderquist Safe and Equitable Access Project	\$13,199	\$ 10,846
City of Waterford	Waterford Safe Routes to School Project – Welch Street	\$1,041	\$ 857
Stanislaus County	Keyes Community Sidewalk and Bike Lane Connectivity Improvement	\$4,805	\$ 3,795
Stanislaus County	Southwest Modesto Communities Active Transportation Connectivity Project	\$9,999	\$ 7,999
Total		\$39,309	\$ 31,448

Advisory Committee Action

This item was brought to the Management and Finance Committee (MFC) and Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) on August 5, 2026. They agreed with staffs recommendation.

Should you have any questions regarding this staff report, please contact José Luis Cáceres, Director of Programming and Program Delivery, at 209-525-4645 or via e-mail at jcaceres@stancog.org.

Attachment:

1. Resolution 25-61

**STANISLAUS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION 25-61
APPROVING THE GUIDELINES FOR THE 2027 REGIONAL
ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) is the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) and the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Stanislaus region, pursuant to State and Federal designation; and

WHEREAS, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) oversees the Active Transportation Program (ATP); and

WHEREAS, the ATP provides funding to regions with populations greater than 200,000 to be administered in a regional ATP funding program; and

WHEREAS, regional ATP guidelines are required to be adopted for the program to be administered; and

WHEREAS, the Stanislaus region consisting of the boundaries of Stanislaus County is greater in population than 200,000; and

WHEREAS, StanCOG is the designated recipient of these funds and is responsible for administering a competitive program; and

WHEREAS, StanCOG staff prepared the necessary regional guidelines for the program and submitted them to the CTC; and

WHEREAS, distribution of funding for the 2027 Regional ATP funding round will use the methodology as set in the respective guidelines; and

WHEREAS, StanCOG staff will release the 2027 Regional ATP Call for Projects after adoption of the guidelines by the StanCOG Policy Board and the CTC.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 2027 Regional ATP Guidelines, attached hereto as Exhibit A, are hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director or their designee is authorized to make administrative changes, as needed, so that the program is implemented in the most efficient and cost-effective manner possible.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was introduced at a regular meeting of the Stanislaus Council of Governments, on the 15th day of April 2026. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the foregoing Resolution. Motion carried and the Resolution was adopted.

MEETING DATE: **April 15, 2026**


MATTHEW "BUCK" CONDIT, CHAIR

ATTEST:


AMBER COLLINS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



StanCOG

Stanislaus Council of Governments

TO: Executive Committee

Staff Report
Discussion

FROM: Kassandra Barrientos, Associate Planner

DATE: August 10, 2026

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 State of Good Repair (SGR) Project List.

Recommendation

By Motion:

Recommend that the Policy Board approve Resolution accepting the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 State of Good Repair (SGR) Project List.

Background

On April 28, 2017, Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017), the Road and Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 was signed into law. SB 1 established the State of Good Repair (SGR) Program, designed to provide additional revenues for transit operators for transit infrastructure repair and modernizing existing local transit systems. The SGR program, administered by Caltrans, uses revenues from a portion of the vehicle registration fee.

These funds are for eligible activities such as eligible maintenance, rehabilitation of both existing vehicles and transit facilities, as well as the purchase of new transit vehicles. These funds are intended to support cleaner transit vehicle fleets, enhance reliability and safety, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other pollutants. The allocation of the SGR Program funds follows the State Transit Assistance (STA) formula, with equal allocation based on population and transit operator revenues, as defined in Public Utilities Code Sections 99313 and 99314. However, the funds are restricted to transit operators only.

Before receiving an apportionment of funds, a recipient must submit a list of projects proposed to be funded with SGR funds. Funds are allocated directly to eligible transit agencies and Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs). As the RTPA for the region, the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) as well as the Stanislaus Regional Transit Authority (StanRTA) and the City of Turlock (Turlock Transit) are eligible recipients of SGR funds and receive an annual

apportionment through the State Controller's Office (SCO). As part of the SGR yearly process, StanCOG staff meets with the transit operators to discuss transit projects and their priority for funding. The transit agencies submitted their proposed projects to StanCOG to submit to Caltrans before the deadline of September 1, 2026. If an agency determines that it wants to spend a prior allocation on a project that was not on the approved list, it must coordinate with StanCOG to submit the new project request to Caltrans. There were no projects of this type submitted.

Discussion

On January 31, 2026, the State Controller published SGR revenue allocations for FY 2026-2027. An estimated \$140.68 million will be distributed to transit operators in California in FY 2026-2027. The estimated funds available for Stanislaus County is \$1,045,974.00 of which \$989,939.00 is Section 99313, and \$56,035.00 is Section 99314 as shown in Table 1. Public Utility Code Section 99313 is the regional share of funds based on the region's share of state population while Section 99314 is the operators' share of funds based on the revenues reported to the State Controller. Funding is allocated by the population formulas like STA for the eligible transit agencies.

FY 2026-27 SGR Allocations by Operator are identified in Table 1 below.

Table 1. FY 2026-27 SGR Project List

ALLOCATIONS BY OPERATOR			
State of Good Repair Fund Allocations			
Fiscal Year 2026-2027 (August 2026)			
Agency	99313	99314	Total
StanRTA	\$900,565	\$52,409	\$952,974
City of Turlock	\$89,374	\$3,626	\$93,000
Total	\$989,939	\$56,035	\$1,045,974

The FY 2025/26 SGR funds are proposed for distribution as follows.

Table 2. FY 2026-27 SGR Project List

PROJECT LIST		
State of Good Repair		
Fiscal Year 2026-2027 (August 2026)		
Agency	Project Name	SGR Funds*
StanRTA	Bus Stop Maintenance and Rehabilitation	\$952,974
City of Turlock	Bus Stop Maintenance and Rehabilitation	\$93,000
Total		\$1,045,974

*SGR Funds are based on estimates from the SCO. Actual amounts distributed to each agency will vary based on the actual amount received each quarter by the SCO.

Fiscal Impact

None.

Advisory Committee Action

This item was brought to the Management and Finance Committee (MFC) and Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) on August 5, 2026. They agreed with staff's recommendation.

Should you have any questions regarding this staff report, please contact Kassandra Barrientos, Associate Planner at 209-525-4632 or via e-mail at kbarrientos@stancog.org.

Attachment:

1. State Controller Letter
2. FY 2026-27 SGR Allocations



MALIA M. COHEN
CALIFORNIA STATE CONTROLLER

January 31, 2026

County Auditors Responsible for State of Good Repair Program Funds
Transportation Planning Agencies
County Transportation Commissions
San Diego Metropolitan Transit System

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2026-27 State of Good Repair Program Allocation Preliminary Estimate

Enclosed is the summary schedule of State of Good Repair (SGR) program funds available to be allocated for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 for each Transportation Planning Agency (TPA), county transportation commission, and the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System for the purposes of Public Utilities Code (PUC) section 99312.1(c). Allocations for the SGR program are calculated pursuant to the distribution formulas in PUC sections 99313 and 99314. Also enclosed is a schedule detailing the estimated available amount calculated pursuant to PUC section 99314 for each TPA by operator.

PUC section 99313 allocations are based on the latest available annual population estimates from the Department of Finance. Pursuant to PUC section 99314.10, the PUC section 99314 allocations are based on the State Controller's Office (SCO) transmittal letter, Reissuance of the FY 2020-21 SGR Program Allocation Estimate, dated August 1, 2023.

According to the FY 2026-27 proposed California Budget, the estimated amount of SGR program funds budgeted is \$140,678,000. Prior to receiving an apportionment of SGR program funds in a fiscal year, an agency must submit a list of proposed projects to the California Department of Transportation (DOT). DOT reports to SCO the eligible agencies that will receive an allocation quarterly pursuant to PUC sections 99313 and 99314. SCO anticipates the first quarter's allocation will be paid by November 30, 2026. Please refer to the schedule for the amounts that relate to your agency.

Please contact Lucas Rasmussen by telephone at (916) 323-1374 or email at LRasmussen@sco.ca.gov with any questions, or for additional information.

County Auditors Responsible for State of Good Repair Program Funds
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Information for the SGR program can be found on the California Department of Transportation website at: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/rail/state-transit-assistance-state-of-good-repair>.

Sincerely,

(Original Signed)

MELMA DIZON

Manager, Local Apportionments Section

Enclosure: State of Good Repair Allocation Summary, 2026-27 January Estimate and
State of Good Repair PUC 99314 Allocation Detail, 2026-27 January Estimate

State Controller's Office

State of Good Repair

Allocation Detail of State of Good Repair Program Allocation Amount Based on Public Utilities Code (PUC) section 99313 pursuant to PUC section 99312.1(c).

Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Preliminary Estimate

For assistance, please contact Lucas Rasmussen at 916-323-1374 or at LRasmussen@sco.ca.gov.

County	Amount Based on PUC section 99313 Amount
Metropolitan Transportation Commission (Alameda County Treasurer)	\$13,638,244.00
Alpine County Transportation Commission (Alpine County Treasurer)	\$2,097.00
Amador County Transportation Commission (Amador County Treasurer)	\$70,470.00
Butte County Association of Governments (Butte County Treasurer)	\$369,647.00
Calaveras County Local Transportation Commission (Calaveras County Treasurer)	\$79,660.00
Colusa County Local Transportation Commission (Colusa County Treasurer)	\$39,233.00
Del Norte County Local Transportation Commission (Del Norte County Treasurer)	\$47,281.00
El Dorado County Local Transportation Commission (El Dorado County Treasurer)	\$316,172.00
Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (El Dorado County Treasurer1)	\$196,244.00
Fresno County Council of Governments (Fresno County Treasurer)	\$1,847,219.00
Glenn County Local Transportation Commission (Glenn County Treasurer)	\$52,313.00
Humboldt County Association of Governments (Humboldt County Treasurer)	\$238,357.00

County	Amount Based on PUC section 99313 Amount
Imperial County Transportation Commission (Imperial County Treasurer)	\$332,196.00
Inyo County Local Transportation Commission (Inyo County Treasurer)	\$33,487.00
Kern Council of Governments (Kern County Treasurer)	\$1,645,777.00
Kings County Association of Governments (Kings County Treasurer)	\$274,334.00
Lake County/City Council of Governments (Lake County Treasurer)	\$119,794.00
Lassen County Local Transportation Commission (Lassen County Treasurer)	\$51,149.00
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Los Angeles County Treasurer)	\$17,592,764.00
Madera County Local Transportation Commission (Madera County Treasurer)	\$289,624.00
Mariposa County Local Transportation Commission (Mariposa County Treasurer)	\$30,133.00
Mendocino Council of Governments (Mendocino County Treasurer)	\$160,002.00
Merced County Association of Governments (Merced County Treasurer)	\$522,040.00
Modoc County Local Transportation Commission (Modoc County Treasurer)	\$15,125.00
Mono County Local Transportation Commission (Mono County Treasurer)	\$22,593.00
Transportation Agency for Monterey County (Monterey County Treasurer)	\$781,654.00
Nevada County Local Transportation Commission (Nevada County Treasurer)	\$178,752.00
Orange County Transportation Authority (Orange County Treasurer)	\$5,656,131.00

County	Amount Based on PUC section 99313 Amount
Placer County Transportation Planning Agency (Placer County Treasurer)	\$577,829.00
Plumas County Local Transportation Commission (Plumas County Treasurer)	\$33,638.00
Riverside County Transportation Commission (Riverside County Treasurer)	\$4,445,282.00
Sacramento Area Council of Governments (Sacramento County Treasurer)	\$3,589,972.00
Council of San Benito County Governments (San Benito County Treasurer)	\$119,025.00
San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (San Bernardino County Treasurer)	\$3,931,906.00
San Diego Association of Governments (San Diego County Treasurer)	\$1,694,851.00
San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (San Diego County Treasurer1)	\$4,166,113.00
San Joaquin Council of Governments (San Joaquin County Treasurer Trans Authority)	\$1,435,406.00
San Luis Obispo Area Council of Governments (San Luis Obispo County Treasurer)	\$497,560.00
Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) (Santa Barbara County Treasurer)	\$796,440.00
Santa Cruz County Transportation Commission (Santa Cruz County Treasurer)	\$469,725.00
Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (Shasta County Treasurer)	\$320,977.00
Sierra County Local Transportation Commission (Sierra County Treasurer)	\$5,647.00
Siskiyou County Local Transportation Commission (Siskiyou County Treasurer)	\$77,146.00
Stanislaus Council of Governments (Stanislaus County Treasurer)	\$989,939.00

County	Amount Based on PUC section 99313 Amount
Tehama County Transportation Commission (Tehama County Treasurer)	\$115,471.00
Trinity County Transportation Commission (Trinity County Treasurer)	\$28,293.00
Tulare County Association of Governments (Tulare County Treasurer)	\$867,826.00
Tuolumne County Transportation Council (Tuolumne County Treasurer)	\$96,822.00
Ventura County Transportation Commission (Ventura County Treasurer)	\$1,476,640.00
Total	\$70,339,000.00

State Controller's Office

State of Good Repair

Allocation Detail of State of Good Repair Program Allocation Amount Based on Public Utilities Code (PUC) section 99314 Pursuant to PUC section 99312.1(c).

Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Preliminary Estimate

For assistance, please contact Lucas Rasmussen at 916-323-1374 or at LRasmussen@sco.ca.gov.

Regional Entity and Operator(s)	Revenue Basis	Amount Based on PUC section 99314 Amount
Altamont Corridor Express*		
Alameda County Congestion Management Agency	NA	\$55,015.00
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority	NA	\$31,739.00
San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission	NA	\$177,739.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$0	\$264,493.00
	\$0	(\$264,493.00)
Metropolitan Transportation Commission		
Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District, and the City of San Francisco**	\$2,032,465,904	\$25,096,641.00
Central Contra Costa Transit Authority	\$12,684,408	\$156,626.00
City of Dixon	\$123,850	\$1,529.00
Eastern Contra Costa Transit Authority	\$6,132,724	\$75,726.00
City of Fairfield	\$2,250,751	\$27,792.00
Golden Gate Bridge Highway and Transportation District	\$138,827,667	\$1,714,227.00
Livermore-Amador Valley Transit Authority	\$6,084,421	\$75,130.00
Marin County Transit District	\$23,726,064	\$292,967.00
Napa Valley Transportation Authority	\$1,722,522	\$21,269.00
Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board	\$144,681,126	\$1,786,505.00
City of Petaluma	\$739,065	\$9,126.00
City of Rio Vista	\$39,373	\$486.00
San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority	\$39,452,081	\$487,150.00
San Mateo County Transit District	\$145,105,738	\$1,791,748.00
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority	\$439,800,215	\$5,430,600.00
City of Santa Rosa	\$2,483,478	\$30,666.00
Solano County Transit	\$5,290,076	\$65,321.00
County of Sonoma	\$3,459,517	\$42,718.00
Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit District	\$29,993,581	\$370,357.00
City of Union City	\$1,879,467	\$23,207.00
City of Vacaville	\$402,817	\$4,974.00
Western Contra Costa Transit Authority	\$8,044,931	\$99,338.00
Regional Entity Subtotals	\$3,045,389,776	\$37,604,103.00
Alameda County Congestion Management Agency - Corresponding to ACE*	NA	\$55,015.00
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority - Corresponding to ACE*	NA	\$31,739.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$3,045,389,776	\$37,690,857.00
Sacramento Area Council of Governments		
City of Davis (Unitrans)	\$2,957,630	\$36,520.00
County of Sacramento	\$1,189,071	\$14,683.00
Sacramento Regional Transit System	\$88,543,261	\$1,093,321.00
Yolo County Transportation District	\$4,689,895	\$57,910.00
Yuba Sutter Transit Authority	\$1,343,449	\$16,589.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$98,723,306	\$1,219,023.00
San Diego Association of Governments		
North County Transit District	\$33,932,036	\$418,989.00
San Diego Metropolitan Transit System		
San Diego Metropolitan Transit System	\$33,958,141	\$419,311.00
San Diego Transit Corporation	\$62,951,421	\$777,317.00
San Diego Trolley, Inc.	\$42,794,978	\$528,427.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$139,704,540	\$1,725,055.00
Southern California Regional Rail Authority***		
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority	NA	\$1,465,905.00
Orange County Transportation Authority	NA	\$643,746.00
Riverside County Transportation Commission	NA	\$327,576.00
San Bernardino County Transportation Authority	NA	\$330,794.00
Ventura County Transportation Commission	NA	\$156,769.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$0	\$2,924,790.00
	\$0	(\$2,924,790.00)
Tahoe Regional Planning Agency		
Tahoe Transportation District	\$900,147	\$11,115.00
Alpine County Transportation Commission		

County of Alpine	\$12,816	\$158.00
Amador County Transportation Commission		
Amador Transit	\$204,076	\$2,520.00
Butte County Association of Governments		
Butte Regional Transit	\$1,601,714	\$19,778.00
City of Gridley - Specialized Service	\$22,232	\$275.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$1,623,946	\$20,053.00
Calaveras County Local Transportation Commission		
Calaveras Transit Agency	\$79,417	\$981.00
Colusa County Local Transportation Commission		
County of Colusa	\$140,877	\$1,740.00
Del Norte County Local Transportation Commission		
Redwood Coast Transit Authority	\$204,530	\$2,526.00
El Dorado County Local Transportation Commission		
El Dorado County Transit Authority	\$1,730,379	\$21,367.00
Fresno County Council of Governments		
City of Clovis	\$1,770,328	\$21,860.00
City of Fresno	\$22,991,076	\$283,891.00
Fresno County Rural Transit Agency	\$1,875,194	\$23,155.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$26,636,598	\$328,906.00
Glenn County Local Transportation Commission		
County of Glenn Transit Service	\$119,071	\$1,470.00
Humboldt County Association of Governments		
City of Arcata	\$213,054	\$2,631.00
Humboldt Transit Authority	\$3,063,481	\$37,827.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$3,276,535	\$40,458.00
Imperial County Transportation Commission		
Imperial County Transportation Commission	\$2,462,028	\$30,401.00
Quechan Indian Tribe	\$21,107	\$261.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$2,483,135	\$30,662.00
Inyo County Local Transportation Commission	None	None
Kern Council of Governments		
City of Arvin	\$62,152	\$767.00
City of California City	\$25,760	\$318.00
City of Delano	\$279,451	\$3,451.00
Golden Empire Transit District	\$5,882,508	\$72,636.00
County of Kern	\$1,194,767	\$14,753.00
City of McFarland	\$12,106	\$149.00
City of Ridgecrest	\$159,250	\$1,966.00
City of Shafter	\$57,568	\$711.00
City of Taft	\$360,169	\$4,447.00
City of Tehachapi	\$28,252	\$349.00
City of Wasco	\$31,839	\$393.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$8,093,822	\$99,940.00
Kings County Association of Governments		
City of Corcoran	\$122,620	\$1,514.00
Kings County Area Public Transit Agency	\$762,823	\$9,419.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$885,443	\$10,933.00
Lake County/City Council of Governments		
Lake Transit Authority	\$498,852	\$6,160.00
Lassen County Local Transportation Commission		
Lassen Transit Service Agency	\$186,872	\$2,307.00
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority		
Antelope Valley Transit Authority	\$20,326,872	\$250,994.00
City of Arcadia	\$1,607,131	\$19,845.00
City of Burbank	\$3,769,842	\$46,550.00

City of Claremont	\$456,234	\$5,634.00
City of Commerce	\$4,235,696	\$52,302.00
City of Culver City	\$15,278,536	\$188,658.00
Foothill Transit	\$67,815,955	\$837,383.00
City of Gardena	\$13,772,242	\$170,058.00
City of Glendale	\$8,225,171	\$101,563.00
City of La Mirada	\$874,670	\$10,800.00
Long Beach Public Transportation Company	\$60,542,189	\$747,568.00
City of Los Angeles	\$98,801,791	\$1,219,993.00
County of Los Angeles	\$6,316,927	\$78,001.00
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority	\$1,332,273,335	\$16,450,749.00
City of Montebello	\$20,096,742	\$248,152.00
City of Norwalk	\$9,188,277	\$113,456.00
City of Pasadena	\$7,704,457	\$95,134.00
City of Redondo Beach	\$2,905,619	\$35,878.00
City of Santa Clarita	\$26,010,198	\$321,171.00
City of Santa Monica	\$47,544,183	\$587,070.00
Southern California Regional Rail Authority***	\$236,865,779	NA
City of Torrance	\$20,472,763	\$252,795.00
Regional Entity Subtotals	\$2,005,084,609	\$21,833,754.00
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority - Corresponding to SCRRRA***	NA	\$1,465,905.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$2,005,084,609	\$23,299,659.00
Madera County Local Transportation Commission		
City of Chowchilla	\$524,476	\$6,476.00
City of Madera	\$169,785	\$2,096.00
County of Madera	\$67,286	\$831.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$761,547	\$9,403.00
Mariposa County Local Transportation Commission		
County of Mariposa	\$73,004	\$901.00
Mendocino Council of Governments		
Mendocino Transit Authority	\$957,692	\$11,825.00
Merced County Association of Governments		
Transit Joint Powers Authority of Merced County	\$1,025,125	\$12,658.00
Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System (YARTS)	\$958,913	\$11,841.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$1,984,038	\$24,499.00
Modoc County Local Transportation Commission		
Modoc Transportation Agency	\$107,653	\$1,329.00
Mono County Local Transportation Commission		
Eastern Sierra Transit Authority	\$2,824,223	\$34,873.00
Transportation Agency for Monterey County		
Monterey-Salinas Transit District	\$19,637,486	\$242,481.00
Nevada County Local Transportation Commission		
County of Nevada	\$369,077	\$4,557.00
City of Truckee	\$323,083	\$3,989.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$692,160	\$8,546.00
Orange County Transportation Authority		
City of Laguna Beach	\$1,910,271	\$23,588.00
Orange County Transportation Authority	\$110,748,483	\$1,367,509.00
Regional Entity Subtotals	\$112,658,754	\$1,391,097.00
Orange County Transportation Authority - Corresponding to SCRRRA***	NA	\$643,746.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$112,658,754	\$2,034,843.00
Placer County Transportation Planning Agency		
City of Auburn	\$21,830	\$270.00
County of Placer	\$5,410,141	\$66,804.00
City of Roseville	\$1,175,827	\$14,519.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$6,607,798	\$81,593.00
Plumas County Local Transportation Commission		
County Service Area 12 - Specialized Service	\$80,198	\$990.00
County of Plumas	\$346,829	\$4,283.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$427,027	\$5,273.00

Riverside County Transportation Commission		
City of Banning	\$208,349	\$2,573.00
City of Beaumont	\$318,557	\$3,934.00
City of Corona	\$426,555	\$5,267.00
Palo Verde Valley Transit Agency	\$175,762	\$2,170.00
City of Riverside - Specialized Service	\$493,635	\$6,095.00
Riverside Transit Agency	\$18,329,390	\$226,329.00
Sunline Transit Agency	\$11,506,078	\$142,076.00
Regional Entity Subtotals	\$31,458,326	\$388,444.00
Riverside County Transportation Commission - Corresponding to SCRRA***	NA	\$327,576.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$31,458,326	\$716,020.00
Council of San Benito County Governments		
San Benito County Local Transportation Authority	\$151,384	\$1,869.00
San Bernardino County Transportation Authority		
Morongo Basin Transit Authority	\$1,027,787	\$12,691.00
Mountain Area Regional Transit Authority	\$564,732	\$6,973.00
City of Needles	\$58,190	\$719.00
Omnitrans	\$34,279,207	\$423,276.00
Victor Valley Transit Authority	\$4,530,204	\$55,938.00
Regional Entity Subtotals	\$40,460,120	\$499,597.00
San Bernardino County Transportation Authority - Corresponding to SCRRA***	NA	\$330,794.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$40,460,120	\$830,391.00
San Joaquin Council of Governments		
Altamont Corridor Express *	\$21,420,132	NA
City of Escalon	\$51,911	\$641.00
City of Lodi	\$887,825	\$10,963.00
City of Manteca	\$77,826	\$961.00
City of Ripon	\$44,345	\$548.00
San Joaquin Regional Transit District	\$10,156,807	\$125,415.00
City of Tracy	\$194,489	\$2,402.00
Regional Entity Subtotals	\$32,833,335	\$140,930.00
San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission - Corresponding to ACE*	NA	\$177,739.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$32,833,335	\$318,669.00
San Luis Obispo Area Council of Governments		
City of Atascadero	\$37,783	\$467.00
City of Morro Bay	\$42,401	\$524.00
San Luis Obispo Regional Transit Authority	\$1,903,882	\$23,509.00
City of San Luis Obispo Transit	\$821,105	\$10,139.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$2,805,171	\$34,639.00
Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG)		
City of Guadalupe	\$69,525	\$858.00
City of Lompoc	\$136,501	\$1,685.00
County of Santa Barbara	\$0	\$0.00
Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG)	\$1,620,453	\$20,009.00
Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District	\$13,488,703	\$166,557.00
City of Santa Maria	\$906,214	\$11,190.00
City of Solvang	\$104,313	\$1,288.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$16,325,709	\$201,587.00
Santa Cruz County Transportation Commission		
Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District	\$34,885,448	\$430,761.00
Shasta Regional Transportation Agency		
Redding Area Bus Authority	\$1,357,867	\$16,767.00
Sierra County Local Transportation Commission		
County of Sierra - Specialized Service	\$17,768	\$219.00
Siskiyou County Local Transportation Commission		
County of Siskiyou	\$271,330	\$3,350.00
Stanislaus Council of Governments		
Stanislaus Regional Transit Authority	\$4,244,345	\$52,409.00
City of Turlock	\$293,666	\$3,626.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$4,538,011	\$56,035.00
Tehama County Transportation Commission		

County of Tehama	\$194,589	\$2,403.00
Trinity County Transportation Commission		
County of Trinity	\$76,212	\$941.00
Tulare County Association of Governments		
City of Porterville	\$846,792	\$10,456.00
City of Tulare	\$589,094	\$7,274.00
County of Tulare	\$1,191,032	\$14,707.00
Tulare County Regional Transit Agency	\$290,035	\$3,581.00
City of Visalia	\$4,391,535	\$54,226.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$7,308,488	\$90,244.00
Tuolumne County Transportation Council		
Tuolumne County Transit Agency	\$203,234	\$2,510.00
Ventura County Transportation Commission		
City of Camarillo	\$751,079	\$9,274.00
Gold Coast Transit District	\$4,272,461	\$52,756.00
City of Moorpark	\$299,991	\$3,704.00
City of Simi Valley	\$1,167,392	\$14,415.00
City of Thousand Oaks	\$423,749	\$5,232.00
Regional Entity Subtotals	\$6,914,672	\$85,381.00
Ventura County Transportation Commission - Corresponding to SCRRA***	NA	\$156,769.00
Regional Entity Totals	\$6,914,672	\$242,150.00
State Totals	\$5,696,443,829	\$70,339,000.00
* The amounts allocated to the member agencies of Altamont Corridor Express are included with their corresponding transportation planning agency.		
** The amounts for Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District, and the City of San Francisco are combined.		
*** The amounts allocated to the member agencies of Southgern California Regional Rail Authority are included with their corresponding transportation planning agency.		



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Stanislaus Council of Governments

TO: Executive Committee **Staff Report**
Motion

FROM: José Luis Cáceres, Director of Programming and Program Delivery
Josephine Oshana, Executive Administrative Assistant

DATE: August 10, 2026

SUBJECT: Appointment of Measure L Oversight Committee (MLOC) Member

Recommendation

By Motion:

Accept the appointment of Pam Franco by The City of Turlock to the Measure L Oversight Committee (MLOC).

Background

Measure L, the ½ cent sales tax measure for transportation projects and programs, was passed by Stanislaus County voters in November of 2016. Measure L includes strong taxpayer safeguards to ensure that the projects and programs approved by the voters are funded and delivered. A Measure L Oversight Committee (MLOC) was created to provide an enhanced level of accountability for expenditures made under the Plan to ensure that all voter mandates are carried out and that the financial integrity and performance of the program is maintained. The MLOC includes one representative from each municipal agency, selected by the agency. MLOC meetings are held quarterly, are open to the public and are subject to the Brown Act.

Discussion

Pam Franco was appointed by the Council of the City of Turlock on December 9, 2026, to represent City of Turlock on the MLOC for a three-year term.

Should you have any questions regarding this staff report, please contact José Luis Cáceres, Director of Programming and Program Delivery, at 209-525-4600 or via email at jcaceres@stancog.org



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DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS



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Stanislaus Council of Governments

TO:	Executive Committee	<u>Staff Report</u>
		Discussion
FROM:	Nick St Cook, Associate Planner	
DATE:	August 10, 2026	
SUBJECT:	2026 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, Environmental Impact Report, and Air Quality Conformity Analysis	

Recommendation

Consider the information presented.

Background

On July 6, 2026, StanCOG published a notice in English and Spanish to announce public review periods and two public hearings for the 2027 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP), 2026 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), accompanying Air Quality Conformity Analysis, and Environmental Impact Report (EIR). (See separate staff reports for details on the documents.) Notices were published in the following local papers: Ceres Courier, Hughson Chronicle, Oakdale Leader, Patterson Irrigator, Riverbank News, Turlock Journal, The Modesto Bee, Waterford News, and Westside Index.

The public review period for each of the previously referenced documents is currently underway. The first public hearing was held on July 20, 2026, at the Turlock Public Library. A recording of this hearing can be found here: <https://stancog.org/187/Regional-Transportation-Plan-RTP>

Discussion

The second public hearing for the 2026 RTP/SCS and associated environmental documents is scheduled for August 19, 2026, during StanCOG's August Policy Board meeting. The August 19, 2026, public hearing will be held to solicit feedback related to the 2026 RTP/SCS, Air Quality Conformity Analysis, and EIR. (The comment period of the Draft 2027 FTIP will have already closed.)

Further details and instructions for how to join the August 19, 2026, public hearing, and how to submit comments can be found in Attachment 1, or at StanCOG's website.

In accordance with StanCOG's Public Participation Plan the public review periods for each of the documents referenced above are as follows:

- 55-day public review period for the Draft 2026 RTP/SCS and Air Quality Conformity Analysis
 - July 6 to August 30, 2026
- 45-day public comment period for the EIR
 - July 10 to August 24, 2026
- 30-day public review period for the Draft 2027 FTIP
 - July 6 to August 5, 2026

The Draft 2026 RTP/SCS and related environmental documentation are available to review on StanCOG's website. The direct link to view the Draft 2026 RTP/SCS is: https://stancog.org/DocumentCenter/View/2545/Draft-RTP_SCS-2026. The direct link to view the 2027 FTIP is <https://stancog.org/DocumentCenter/View/2542/Draft-2027-FTIP>.

All comments and responses to comments will be included as part of final documentation presented to the Policy Board for approval at its September 16, 2026, meeting. Federal approval is anticipated on or before December 16, 2026. California Air Resources Board review and acceptance of the SCS may take six to twelve months.

Fiscal Impact

None.

Should you have any questions regarding this staff report, please contact Nick St Cook, Associate Planner, at 209-525-4639 or via e-mail at nstcook@stancog.org.

Attachment:

1. Public Notice

**STANISLAUS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (STANCOG)
NOTICE OF 30-DAY and 55-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD AND
PUBLIC HEARINGS
DRAFT 2027 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP),
2026 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN/SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES
STRATEGY (RTP/SCS), AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY ANALYSIS,
AND
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR THE STANCOG RTP/SCS
45-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) has released the following documents for public review and comment and will be holding public hearings to receive public comment: [The Draft 2027 Federal Transportation Improvement Program \(FTIP\), 2026 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy \(RTP/SCS\), accompanying Air Quality Conformity Analysis, and the Draft Environmental Impact Report \(EIR\) prepared for the 2026 RTP/SCS.](#)

Public Review and Comment

A 30-day public review and comment period for the Draft 2027 FTIP will begin on July 6, 2026 and end on August 5, 2026, at 4:00 PM. A 55-day public review and comment period for the Draft 2026 RTP/SCS and Air Quality Conformity Analysis will begin on July 6, 2026, and end on August 30, 2026, at 4:00 PM. A 45-day public comment period for the PEIR will begin on July 10, 2026, and end on August 24, 2026, at 4:00 PM.

Public participation for the 2027 FTIP satisfies the program of projects (POP) requirements of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Urbanized Area Formula Program Section 5307 and FTA Bus and Bus Facilities Program Section 5339. If no comments are received on the proposed POP, the proposed transit program (funded with FTA 5307 and FTA 5339 dollars) will be the final program.

Following the public comment period, the documents will be considered for adoption, by resolution, by StanCOG at a regularly scheduled Policy Board meeting to be held on September 16, 2026. The documents will then be submitted to state and federal agencies for approval.

Project Descriptions: The 2027 FTIP is a near-term listing of capital improvement and operational expenditures utilizing federal and state monies for transportation projects in Stanislaus County during the next four years. The 2026 RTP/SCS is the region's long range transportation plan through 2049 and is an update to the 2022 RTP/SCS.

The accompanying Conformity Analysis contains the documentation to support a finding that the 2027 FTIP and 2026 RTP/SCS meet the air quality conformity requirements for ozone and particulate matter.

Project Location: The 2026 RTP/SCS covers the entire area of Stanislaus County and includes the cities of Ceres, Hughson, Modesto, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Riverbank, Turlock, and Waterford. Capital improvement transportation projects, identified in the draft 2026 RTP/SCS, are located on State highways, County roads, and locally owned streets, as well as on transit district property, airports, rail lines and property, and public utility lands.

Probable Environmental Effects: The Draft PEIR provides a programmatic analysis of environmental impacts related to the implementation of the 2026 RTP/SCS. It discloses significant effects for the following resource categories: aesthetics; agriculture; air quality; biology; cultural resources; energy; geology and soils; greenhouse has and climate change; hazards and hazardous materials; hydrology and water quality; noise; transportation; tribal cultural resources; and wildfire.

Public Hearings

StanCOG will hold two public hearings at the following dates, times, and locations:

- **July 20, 2026, at 4:00 PM at the Turlock Public Library (in-person/virtual)**
 - Location: 550 N Minaret Ave, Turlock, CA 95380
 - Virtual Attendance via Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/3trk9h3z>
 - Meeting ID: 893 1251 9655
 - Passcode: 873631
 - Phone Number: +1 669 444 9171
- **August 19, 2026, at 6:00 PM during the StanCOG Policy Board Meeting (in-person/virtual)**
 - Location: 1111 I Street, Suite 308, Modesto CA, 95354
 - To attend virtually, please use the information in the Policy Board agenda for the August meeting at: <https://www.stancog.org/AgendaCenter/Policy-Board-9>

How to submit comments ahead of public hearings:

- **Email:** publiccomment@stancog.org
- **Phone:** (209) 525-4600
- **Mail:** StanCOG, 1111 I Street, Suite 308, Modesto CA, 95354, Attn: Nick St Cook

Contact Person:

Nick St Cook, Associate Planner
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Modesto, CA 95354
Phone: (209) 525-4639
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Stanislaus Council of Governments

TO: Executive Committee

Staff Report
Discussion

FROM: Sofia So, Assistant Planner

DATE: August 10, 2026

SUBJECT: 2027 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)

Recommendation

Consider the information presented

Background

The Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) is the StanCOG region's four-year capital improvement program that includes all federally funded projects and regionally significant projects. The FTIP must be updated every two years. The 2027 FTIP spans Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2027 through 2030. It is a financially constrained program that identifies the current and pending uses of federal and state transportation funds and demonstrates fiscal constraint by including sufficient financial information to confirm that the projects can be implemented using committed or reasonably available resources.

The 2027 FTIP was developed in coordination with the 2026 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), the region's long-range transportation and land use planning document. The RTP/SCS establishes the long-term vision for the regional transportation system, and FTIP serves as its short-term implementation program by identifying projects expected to receive funding during the four-year programming period. (Additional information on the region's long-range transportation planning, goals, policies, and investment strategy is provided in the separate 2026 RTP/SCS staff report.)

Federal regulations require the FTIP to be consistent with the adopted RTP/SCS. Accordingly, the projects included in the FTIP implement the long-range transportation investments identified in the RTP/SCS to improve mobility, support regional development, and contribute to air quality goals. Under federal law, no capital transportation project may receive federal funding unless it is included in an approved FTIP.

As part of the planning process, the projects contained in the FTIP and RTP/SCS are evaluated collectively through to show that the region is on track to meet its goals for air quality. StanCOG uses a regional travel demand model to analyze and demonstrate conformity with the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for air quality in the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin. (Additional information on the Air Quality Conformity Analysis is provided in the separate 2026 RTP/SCS staff report.)

Discussion

The FTIP was developed following the agency's guidelines for public outreach and it complies with all state federal requirements.

To develop the FTIP, staff met with all project sponsors (lead agencies) and partners, including the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission, Caltrans, and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Staff then compiled this information into the Draft 2027 FTIP and released it for public review starting on July 6, 2026. This is in keeping with the StanCOG Public Participation Plan. The public comment period closes August 5, 2026. A public hearing was held on July 20, 2026, at the Turlock Public Library. (As of July 21, 2026, StanCOG has not received any comments.)

Following approval, staff will submit to Caltrans the adopted 2027 FTIP and accompanying documents. Caltrans will conduct state review of the Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP), which will include StanCOG's FTIP and those from other regions in the state. Then Caltrans will submit the FSTIP to FHWA and Federal Transit Administration for review. Federal approval is anticipated on December 16, 2026.

Milestone	Date
Draft 2027 FTIP Package Presented to Committees	August 4-5
Final 2027 FTIP Package Presented to Committees	September 1-2
2027 FTIP Package Presented to Policy Board for Adoption	September 16
2027 FTIP Package Submitted to Caltrans	September 30
Caltrans Submits FTIP to FHWA/FTA	November 13
Final Federal Approval of 2027 FTIP	December 16

Fiscal Impact

None.

Should you have any questions regarding this staff report, please contact José Luis Cáceres, Director of Programming and Project Delivery, at 209-525-4645 or via e-mail at jcaceres@stancog.org.

Attachments:

1. Public Notice for the Draft 2027 Federal Transportation Improvement Program, 2026 Regional Transportation Program/Sustainable Communities Strategy, Environmental Impact Report, and Air Quality Conformity Analysis

**STANISLAUS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (STANCOG)
NOTICE OF 30-DAY and 55-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD AND
PUBLIC HEARINGS
DRAFT 2027 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP),
2026 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN/SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES
STRATEGY (RTP/SCS), AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY ANALYSIS,
AND
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR THE STANCOG RTP/SCS
45-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) has released the following documents for public review and comment and will be holding public hearings to receive public comment: [The Draft 2027 Federal Transportation Improvement Program \(FTIP\), 2026 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy \(RTP/SCS\), accompanying Air Quality Conformity Analysis, and the Draft Environmental Impact Report \(EIR\) prepared for the 2026 RTP/SCS.](#)

Public Review and Comment

A 30-day public review and comment period for the Draft 2027 FTIP will begin on July 6, 2026 and end on August 5, 2026, at 4:00 PM. A 55-day public review and comment period for the Draft 2026 RTP/SCS and Air Quality Conformity Analysis will begin on July 6, 2026, and end on August 30, 2026, at 4:00 PM. A 45-day public comment period for the PEIR will begin on July 10, 2026, and end on August 24, 2026, at 4:00 PM.

Public participation for the 2027 FTIP satisfies the program of projects (POP) requirements of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Urbanized Area Formula Program Section 5307 and FTA Bus and Bus Facilities Program Section 5339. If no comments are received on the proposed POP, the proposed transit program (funded with FTA 5307 and FTA 5339 dollars) will be the final program.

Following the public comment period, the documents will be considered for adoption, by resolution, by StanCOG at a regularly scheduled Policy Board meeting to be held on September 16, 2026. The documents will then be submitted to state and federal agencies for approval.

Project Descriptions: The 2027 FTIP is a near-term listing of capital improvement and operational expenditures utilizing federal and state monies for transportation projects in Stanislaus County during the next four years. The 2026 RTP/SCS is the region's long range transportation plan through 2049 and is an update to the 2022 RTP/SCS.

The accompanying Conformity Analysis contains the documentation to support a finding that the 2027 FTIP and 2026 RTP/SCS meet the air quality conformity requirements for ozone and particulate matter.

Project Location: The 2026 RTP/SCS covers the entire area of Stanislaus County and includes the cities of Ceres, Hughson, Modesto, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Riverbank, Turlock, and Waterford. Capital improvement transportation projects, identified in the draft 2026 RTP/SCS, are located on State highways, County roads, and locally owned streets, as well as on transit district property, airports, rail lines and property, and public utility lands.

Probable Environmental Effects: The Draft PEIR provides a programmatic analysis of environmental impacts related to the implementation of the 2026 RTP/SCS. It discloses significant effects for the following resource categories: aesthetics; agriculture; air quality; biology; cultural resources; energy; geology and soils; greenhouse has and climate change; hazards and hazardous materials; hydrology and water quality; noise; transportation; tribal cultural resources; and wildfire.

Public Hearings

StanCOG will hold two public hearings at the following dates, times, and locations:

- **July 20, 2026, at 4:00 PM at the Turlock Public Library (in-person/virtual)**
 - Location: 550 N Minaret Ave, Turlock, CA 95380
 - Virtual Attendance via Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/3trk9h3z>
 - Meeting ID: 893 1251 9655
 - Passcode: 873631
 - Phone Number: +1 669 444 9171
- **August 19, 2026, at 6:00 PM during the StanCOG Policy Board Meeting (in-person/virtual)**
 - Location: 1111 I Street, Suite 308, Modesto CA, 95354
 - To attend virtually, please use the information in the Policy Board agenda for the August meeting at: <https://www.stancog.org/AgendaCenter/Policy-Board-9>

How to submit comments ahead of public hearings:

- **Email:** publiccomment@stancog.org
- **Phone:** (209) 525-4600
- **Mail:** StanCOG, 1111 I Street, Suite 308, Modesto CA, 95354, Attn: Nick St Cook

Contact Person:

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<https://www.stancog.org/DocumentCenter/View/2542>



StanCOG

Stanislaus Council of Governments

TO: Executive Committee

Staff Report
Motion

FROM: Francisco Martin, Director of Planning

DATE: August 10, 2026

SUBJECT: Professional Services Agreement with Covino, Smith & Simon, Inc. for
Federal Advocacy Services

Recommendation

By Motion:

Recommend the Policy Board award a contract and authorize the Stanislaus Council of Governments' (StanCOG) Executive Director to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Covino, Smith & Simon, Inc. for federal advocacy services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$135,000 for a three (3) year period.

Background

StanCOG released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Federal Advocacy Services on Friday, May 29, 2026, with proposals due by Monday, June 29, 2026. StanCOG posted the RFP on the OpenGOV website and solicited proposals from individuals/firms with a proven track record in advocacy/lobbying at the Federal level to assist in developing and successfully pursuing StanCOG's legislative priorities.

The primary focus of the Federal Legislative Advocate is to assist StanCOG to influence legislation, advance StanCOG's interests before Congress, federal representatives, federal agencies, related stakeholder groups, identify and help secure funding and apply for competitive grants, earmarks, and other discretionary funding.

The scope of work included in the RFP consisted of:

- Federal legislative and budget monitoring;
- Bill tracking;
- Legislative advocacy;
- Coordination of legislative/regulatory efforts;
- Establish an active presence in Washington D.C. on behalf of StanCOG;
- Supporting StanCOG's appropriations requests and legislative objectives;
- Coordinate StanCOG delegation trips to Washington;
- Prepare monthly updates highlighting relevant legislation, regulatory changes, and budget information; and
- Provide Policy Board presentations.

StanCOG received proposals from three companies: Covino, Smith & Simon, Inc., Nossaman LLP, and PACE LLP, before the deadline.

Discussion

A selection committee comprised of four members of StanCOG staff reviewed the three proposals against the evaluation criteria detailed in the RFP, which is shown in Table 1.

Table 1. RFP Evaluation Criteria

	Point Value
Written Response to Request for Proposal and experience of the consultant's overall team assigned to complete the work.	20
Proposed understanding of and identified approaches to addressing the services outlined in the RFP scope.	20
Experience with similar projects, specifically providing lobbying services for municipal agencies, including Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), Transportation and Air Quality agencies.	30
Familiarity and knowledge of the San Joaquin Central Valley legislative efforts.	15
Cost	15
Maximum Points Awarded	100

Covino, Smith & Simon, Inc. received the highest average score from the selection committee. The final ranking, from highest to lowest scoring responses, is as follows:

1. Covino, Smith & Simon, Inc.
2. PACE LLP
3. Nossaman LLP

Covino, Smith & Simon, Inc. has effectively provided federal legislative advocacy services to StanCOG since January 2016. They have assisted StanCOG to meet transportation and government officials, improve its efforts to influence legislation, capture revenues available to local government and assist StanCOG in identifying and applying for competitive grants and other discretionary funding available to StanCOG. The successful representation by Covino, Smith & Simon, Inc. has resulted in funding allocations for large transportation projects for the Stanislaus region.

StanCOG staff are recommending the Policy Board to authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Covino, Smith & Simon, Inc. The contract will be for a period of three years not to exceed \$45,000 annually, with an option to extend the contract for an additional two years, for an amount not to exceed the annual budget for federal advocacy services.

The scope of work and fee provided by Covino, Smith & Simon, Inc. are included as **Attachment 1**.

Advisory Committee Action

This item was taken to the Management and Finance Committee (MFC) on August 5, 2026. The committee agreed with the recommendation.

Fiscal Impact

The contract is for \$45,000.00 (Forty-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars) annually for three (3) years. The billing structure would be a retainer set at \$3,750.00 per month for the duration of the three (3) years. This amount was included in the FY 26/27 budget and Overall Work Program (OWP).

Should you have any questions regarding this staff report, please contact Nick St Cook, Associate Planner, at 209-525-4639 or via e-mail at nstcook@stancog.org.

Attachment:

1. Covino, Smith & Simon, Inc. Scope of Work and Fee

Attachment 1 – Covino, Smith & Simon, Inc.

Scope of Work and Fee

The following scope of work and fee will be included in the professional services agreement with Covino, Smith & Simon, Inc. for federal advocacy services.

Scope of Work

Approach

Covino, Smith & Simon Inc.'s (consultant) primary responsibility is to support the mission of StanCOG by working to advance legislative, regulatory, and funding priorities, working in partnership with the Administration and their Congressional delegation. The consultant's comprehensive advocacy strategies utilize the following work streams to advance the federal priorities of local elected officials and public administrators outlined below:

- **Intergovernmental Relations:** Establishing or enhancing StanCOG's relationships with the Administration, Members of Congress, and other appropriate stakeholders.
- **Legislative Monitoring and Advocacy:** Tracking bills throughout the legislative process, articulating positions, and working with Members of Congress, staff, committees, and coalitions to influence language or outcomes.
- **Regulatory Analysis:** Reviewing proposed rule makings, assessing and communicating potential local impact, drafting and submitting public comments, and ensuring long-term compliance with federal programmatic requirements.
- **Federal Funding Opportunities:** Identifying federal resources, including grants, earmarks, tax credits, and credit assistance, available to advance local projects or initiatives, offering consultation to local staff, and advocating for proposals.
- **Coalition Building Activities:** Working with transportation advocates, industry, and nonpartisan intergovernmental associations, to advance shared goals.
- **Executive Communications:** Drafting communications on behalf of the Executive Director and/or Policy Board, as appropriate, to articulate positions.

Executive Branch - Engagement with the Administration

The consultant has enjoyed productive working relationships with Democratic and Republican Administrations alike over the past three decades, including their engagement with the previous Trump Administration from 2017-2021. President Donald J. Trump, the 45th President of the United States, was reelected in November 2024 and inaugurated as the 47th President of the United States in January 2025, coming back to the White House with a Republican "trifecta" aligning governance across the Executive and Legislative Branches during the 119th Session of Congress. The consultant will continue working to ensure the StanCOG maintains effective working relationships with the Executive Branch to pursue resources and policy objectives that support the needs of your local community.

The consultant's work with the Executive Branch typically focuses on educating the White House and federal agencies on agency priorities, supporting StanCOG staff applying for federal grants and financial assistance programs, assessing the impact of executive actions on local government operations and constituents, responding to proposed regulations and policy directives, and troubleshooting any administrative challenges

that may arise.

The consultant will seek opportunities to proactively engage officials in the White House and across federal agencies to ensure that the Executive Branch is familiar with your priorities, projects eligible for federal assistance, and any positions on regulations or the implementation of laws passed by Congress. The consultant is connected with key personnel across the Executive Branch, including political appointees and career staff. The consultant particularly values relationships with intergovernmental counterparts across federal agencies. The consultant will connect local officials with Trump-Vance Administration officials as requested. The consultant will coordinate meetings with political appointees and career staff within the Executive Branch, attending and providing staffing assistance to StanCOG officials throughout those discussions.

Executive Branch - Regulatory Analysis

The regulatory process has become increasingly important for the Executive Branch to shape federal policy and the provision of federal financial assistance to prospective project sponsors over recent years. The consultant monitors federal agency actions daily and review publications to the Federal Register and the federal e-rulemaking portal (Regulations.gov) for proposed regulations. The consultant will share these updates with StanCOG officials in a timely manner, summarizing key takeaways from the Administration's proposals.

President Trump issued dozens of Executive Orders in the early days of his second term that had significant impacts on how agencies conducted business with intergovernmental partners. The consultant will continue to assess the regional and local implications of President Trump's executive actions and regulatory actions for StanCOG and its member agencies. The consultant will draft public comments on StanCOG's behalf and share concerns about regulatory actions directly with the Administration or Legislative Branch.

In the San Joaquin Valley, MPOs, including StanCOG, have recently contended with direct and indirect impacts of the Administration's revocation of waivers to the State of California authorized under the Clean Air Act. These regulatory actions impact the MPO's individual ability and the region's collective ability to demonstrate transportation conformity. This is just one example of the importance of monitoring regulatory actions on an ongoing basis and coordinating responses among local or regional jurisdictions to ensure continued compliance.

Executive Branch - Federal Funding Opportunities

The consultant reviews notices of federal funding opportunities released by federal agencies on a daily basis, and will work with StanCOG to pursue well-aligned funding streams. The consultant will send memoranda summarizing funding opportunities as solicitations or notices of funding opportunity become available, identifying when programs could provide support for local projects. When StanCOG decides to apply for federal funding, the consultant will provide strategic recommendations on how to write a competitive application and fulfill applicable federal requirements associated with those funds. We will work with the Congressional delegation to secure letters of support and coordinate any other necessary advocacy in support of a proposal.

Legislative Branch - Engagement with the Congressional Delegation

The consultant has a long history of collaboration with Stanislaus County's Congressional delegation, and it would be an honor to continue to support your relationships with your Senators, Representatives, and legislative staff. The consultant is responsible for communicating local priorities to Members, staff, and schedulers here in Washington and back in District Offices. Those activities include the preparation of

legislative language for inclusion in bills, the development and submission of Community Project Funding (CPF) or Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) requests through the annual appropriations process, and the submission of requests for letters of support to accompany federal grant applications submitted to federal agencies.

Legislative Branch – Legislative Monitoring and Advocacy

The consultant will monitor legislative developments and opportunities and regularly consult with the Congressional delegation and their staff in their Washington, DC and District offices back in California. The consultant will track committee-level activity, including hearings and markups of legislative proposals, and the floor schedule for consideration of major legislation and bills of interest to StanCOG. The consultant will send monthly reports to the Executive Director and staff, these urgent legislative developments will be covered in weekly updates – the Washington Friday Report and the Infrastructure Update – and via direct communications with designated staff in real time. The consultant will work directly with Congressional staff to submit legislative requests and articulate positions on measures.

The consultant will prepare StanCOG for legislative opportunities on the horizon as Congressional committees prepare and draft bills for consideration. Throughout the session, the consultant will monitor key pieces of legislation of concern and provide real-time updates on bills of interest to StanCOG. The consultant will provide analysis of major pieces of legislation under consideration within 24-48 hours of the introduction of that bill and assess how any provisions included in that measure will impact your operations or projects. The consultant will monitor key House and Senate committee hearings and markups in real time. The consultant will analyze proposed amendments submitted to committees and communicate concerns.

If StanCOG takes a position on a bill, the consultant will draft communications to express StanCOG's stance on provisions, articulate the overall position to the delegation, and work to garner support for outcomes that will be favorable to the MPO. The consultant will track bills of interest throughout the process of consideration from committee to the floor of each chamber. The consultant will also share Statements of Administration Policy from the White House.

Legislative Branch – Appropriations Request

Earmarks have returned to serve as an additional source of federal funding for local projects and initiatives beyond the traditional grantmaking process. After a decade-long moratorium, lawmakers in the House and Senate agreed to restore earmarks during the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 budget and appropriations process. The consultant has worked directly with clients, advising on project concepts for submission as well as the formal submission of those requests, including coordination of letters of support from regional and local government supporters.

These requests are now formally known as Community Project Funding (CPF) requests in the House of Representatives and Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) requests in the Senate. The budget and appropriations process now offers an accessible pathway for units of state and local government and nonprofit organizations to directly compete for federal funds through a competitive process overseen by the House and Senate Appropriations Committees. Representatives may submit up to twenty (20) requests per Congressional District to the House Appropriations Committee, while Senators are subject to certain caps on the number of requests they may submit to the Senate Appropriations Committee based on eligible spending bills and accounts. Following that vetting by Members of Congress, selected projects are then reviewed by the Appropriations Committees to ensure eligibility requirements with each corresponding spending bill. CPF and CDS projects

included in the House and Senate spending bills, respectively, must ultimately be included in the final spending agreements reconciled between the two chambers for sponsors to secure those federal dollars.

Intergovernmental Coalitions

Coalition building is critical to advancing legislative priorities through both chambers of Congress. Outside of the consultant's direct work with the federal government, the consultant relies on their long-established relationships with bipartisan or nonpartisan national associations, intergovernmental organizations, external stakeholders, and industry. These connections provide the consultant with policy expertise and strong supporting evidence from a diverse collection of voices involved in federal advocacy here in Washington, DC.

As appropriate, the consultant will consult with nonpartisan or bipartisan intergovernmental organizations, such as the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC), the U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM), the National League of Cities (NLC), and the National Association of Counties (NACo). The coordination helps to inform strategies and participate in coalition-building activities. The consultant will attend meetings and conferences organized by these groups to maintain strong connections with their leadership and staff. These opportunities allow the consultant to be exposed to a broad swath of federal, regional, and local government audiences and to more fully understand the impacts of federal decisions in the transportation, housing, and other policy spaces on local communities nationwide.

Executive Communications

The consultant is responsible for drafting effective communications on behalf of local officials to federal officials to articulate positions or concerns on legislative and regulatory proposals for various private or public audiences. Federal advocacy products may include drafting letters to Members of Congress or the Administration to articulate positions on federal issues; sending invitations to federal officials requesting their participation in local events; preparing Congressional written and oral testimony for appearances before House or Senate Committees; writing letters of support on behalf of a client or a community partner; and drafting public comments responding to Notices of Proposed Rulemakings published by federal agencies for public review in official dockets.

The consultant can develop talking points and background materials.

Fee Schedule

Covino Smith & Simon, Inc.'s professional services fee is \$45,000.00 annually for a three-year (36-month) period. The billing structure will be a monthly retainer set at \$3,750.00 per month for the duration of the three (3) years. StanCOG will have the opportunity to extend this agreement, prior to its expiration, for two (2) additional one-year terms if services rendered are satisfactory. The maximum term will not exceed five (5) years. The firm does not propose an additional budget for reimbursable expenses. Covino Smith & Simon, Inc. does not offer an hourly billing rate for its federal advocacy services. Their team of government relations professionals functions as a unit in providing client services.

Jen Covino, President and Project Manager

- Director of Intergovernmental Relations and Engagement with the Executive and
- Legislative Branches and Intergovernmental Organizations (varies)
- Director of Legislative Monitoring and Advocacy and Bill Tracking (8 hours/weekly)
- Director of Communications with StanCOG Policy Board and staff (8 hours/weekly)
- Consultation on Federal Funding Opportunities (1-2 hours/monthly)
- Briefing StanCOG Policy Board (1-3 hours/quarterly)
- Briefing Executive Director and staff (1-2 hours/biweekly)

Aly Hernandez, Senior Associate

- Preparation of Weekly Communications with StanCOG staff (8 hours/weekly)
- Legislative Monitoring and Advocacy and Regulatory Analysis (8 hours/weekly)
- Identification of Federal Funding Opportunities (8 hours/weekly)
- Engagement with Executive and Legislative Branches (0-8 hours/weekly)

Stephanie McIntosh, Administrator

- Support with Legislative Monitoring (8-10 hours/weekly)
- Oversight of Billing and Submission of Monthly Invoices (8/hours monthly)
- Administrative Support (1-2 hours/daily, as needed for meetings or briefings)

Invoices will be sent to StanCOG at the end of each month with payment due to be remitted to Covino Smith & Simon, Inc. upon receipt.



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City of Riverbank • City of Turlock • City of Waterford • County of Stanislaus

**POLICY BOARD MEETING
STANCOG BOARD ROOM
1111 I STREET, SUITE 308
MODESTO, CA 95354**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2026
6:00 PM**

In addition to in-person attendance at the location identified above, the following options are available to members of the public to listen to this meeting and provide comments to the Policy Board members during this meeting.

1. Join the Policy Board meeting from your computer or tablet. Register in advance for this meeting at:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/TEAhi85dT86Ox_V0iUYWxg

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OR

2. For participation by teleconference only, please use the following telephone number and access codes:

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Passcode: 649281

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Materials related to an item on this Agenda submitted to the Policy Board after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection at the address listed above during normal business hours. These documents are also available on StanCOG's website, subject to staff's ability to post the documents before the meeting.

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Aviso con Respetto a Personas que no Hablan el Idioma de Inglés: Las reuniones de la Mesa Directiva del Consejo de Gobiernos de Stanislaus son conducidas en Inglés. Cualquier persona que desea dirigirse a la Mesa Directiva se le aconseja que traiga su propio intérprete o llame a Shannon Silva al (209) 525-4600 durante horas de oficina regulares o a lo menos 72 horas antes de la reunión, para proporcionarle con un intérprete.

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address the Policy Board on any item not on the agenda. Comments shall be limited to five minutes unless the Chair of the Board sets a different time limit. The Policy Board cannot take action on matters not on the agenda, unless the action is authorized by Section 54954.2 of the Government Code.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A.** Approve the Policy Board Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2026
- B.** Accept the Measure L Funds Received and Investment Recap Report
- C.** Approve Scope Change to City of Turlock's Intersection Improvements at Taylor Road & Walnut Road Project
- D.** Adopt Resolution Accepting the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 State of Good Repair (SGR) Project List
- E.** Approve a Professional Services Agreement with Covino, Smith and Simon Inc. for Federal Advocacy Services not to Exceed \$135,000 for a Three-Year Term
- F.** Adopt Resolution Approving the Response to the Stanislaus County Civil Grand Jury Report Case # 26 - 22GJ

6. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. 2026 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), Environmental Impact Report (EIR), and Air Quality Conformity Analysis (José Luis Cáceres)
- B. 2027 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) (José Luis Cáceres)

7. DISCUSSION/ACTION

- A. Consider and Adopt a Resolution(s) of Necessity to Acquire Real Property, or an Interest in Real Property, By Eminent Domain for the State Route 132-West Project for the Following Parcels:

Resolution No.	Owner(s)	Parcel	ROW Acquisition Area
Resolution	Crysal D. Matthews, a single woman	216 Linden Street, Modest, CA 95351 APN: 101-004-063	An approximately 2,795 square foot fee acquisition, an 853 square foot road easement, and a 3,587 square foot forty-eight (48) month temporary construction easement
Resolution	Neftali Perazza, an unmarried man	111 Laurel Street, Modesto, CA 95354 APN: 101-004-014	Full fee
Resolution	UVR Enterprises, Inc.	459 N. Dakota Avenue, Modesto, CA 95358 APN: 007-022-007	An approximately 26,128 square foot road easement
Resolution	Richard E. Quaresma, and Evelyn Marie Johnston, Trustee of the Evelyn Marie Johnston Family Trust, Trust B, under declaration of trust, dated April 2, 2008 and Diane H. Quaresma and Frank D. Quaresma, Trustees of the Quaresma Family Living Trust, Dated August 6, 2019	543 Butler Road, Modesto, CA 95358 APN: 012-060-004	An approximately 15,330 square foot partial fee acquisition

- B. Appoint Policy Board Member to serve as the Alternate on the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (SJJP) Board (Amber Collins)
- C. Adopt Resolution Rescinding Resolution 25-61, Approving the Guidelines for the 2027 Regional Active Transportation Program (ATP) (José Luis Cáceres)

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items are for information only.

- A. State and Federal Legislative Update
- B. Project Delivery and Program Delivery Status Report
- C. California Transportation Commission Update
- D. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of August 10, 2026
- E. Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2026
- F. Management and Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2026
- G. Social Services Transportation Advisory Council Meeting Minutes of June 2, 2026

9. CALTRANS REPORT

10. FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT

11. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

13. MEMBER REPORTS

14. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

- A. Conference with Legal Counsel: Potential Litigation
Pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: Two cases

15. RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION

- A. Report from Closed Session

16. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regularly-Scheduled Policy Board Meeting:
September 16, 2026 @ 6:00 pm