



LAKE COUNTY/CITY AREA PLANNING COUNCIL

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LAKE COUNTY/CITY AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (APC) AGENDA

Wednesday, September 10, 2025
9:00

Primary Location: Clearlake City Council Chambers
14050 Olympic Drive Clearlake, California

Alternate Conference Location:
Caltrans-District 1
1656 Union Street, Eureka, California

Zoom Login:

Dial-in number: 1 (669) 900-6833 / Meeting ID: 862 5350 8130# Passcode: 883791
(Zoom link provided to the public by request.)

Public comments will be accepted in person and through teleconference during the meeting on any agenda item when public comment is invited by the Chair.

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call
 2. Northern Rural Energy Network (NREN) *(Davey-Bates, APC Members)*
 - a) Proposed Approval of Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement for Professional Services between Lake Area Planning Council and Davey-Bates Consulting to implement NREN Staffing and Budget Services
 - b) Adoption of Resolution No. 25-26-13 Allocating Additional Fiscal Year 2025/26 Funds Received to Implement NREN Programs,
 - c) Approval of Amendment #2 to the 2025/26 Lake APC Budget to incorporate additional NREN funding.
 3. NREN Update
 4. Adjourn to Policy Advisory Committee

PUBLIC EXPRESSION

5. Public input on any item under the jurisdiction of this agency, but which is not otherwise on the agenda

CONSENT CALENDAR

6. Approval of August 13, 2025 Minutes

REGULAR CALENDAR

7. Presentation for the State Route 53 Corridor Priority Projects Outreach Report *(Speka - GCW)*

RATIFY ACTION

8. Adjourn Policy Advisory Committee and Reconvene as Area Planning Council
9. Consideration and Adoption of Recommendations of Policy Advisory Committee

REPORTS

10. Reports & Information:
 - a. Lake APC Planning Staff
 - i. Planning Projects *(Speka)*
 - ii. Regional Transportation Plan/Active Transportation Plan Update *(Speka)*



LAKE COUNTY/CITY AREA PLANNING COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

TITLE: Northern Rural Energy Network (NREN)

DATE PREPARED: September 5, 2025

MEETING DATE: September 10, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Lisa Davey-Bates, Executive Director

BACKGROUND/ DISCUSSION:

In late 2021, the Lake APC began discussions of becoming involved with energy efficiency programs along with Mendocino Council of Governments (MCOG). In December 2021, the Lake APC Board gave direction to the Executive Committee to further explore the opportunity. Based on that direction, Lake APC staff and Executive Committee Members met with staff of the Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA) and Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) to learn more about the purpose of the RuralREN and if it would be valuable for Lake County to become a part of. Ultimately, the Executive committee voted unanimously to recommend moving forward as a partner. Lake APC Board Members agreed and approved the Memorandum of Understanding with RCEA on February 9th.

The business plan for the RuralREN was filed with the California Public Utilities Commission in spring of 2022 and approved in June of 2023. Following approval by the CPUC, the RuralREN partners began meeting regularly to work out details of implementation and administration. Unfortunately, the discussions over administration led to disagreements among partners about the roles, responsibilities and level of authority of the Portfolio Administrator (PA) for the program, identified as RCEA in the business plan. In September 2023, an impromptu vote was held at a Leadership Team meeting to remove RCEA as the Portfolio Administrator, and all communications between RCEA and the five southern partners ceased.

On May 21, 2024, the Administrative Law Judge issued a potential path forward for the RuralREN. The proposal suggested the RREN be divided into two by geography: Rural REN-North (RRENN), with RCEA as the lead administrator, would include Humboldt, Lake, Mendocino counties and the Sierra Business Council (Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, El Dorado, Lassen, Mariposa, Nevada, Placer, Plums, Sierra, Sutter, Tuolumne, and Yuba). Rural REN-Central, would include San Louis Obispo as the lead administrator, and include Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz, San Luis Obispo, Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Tulare, Inyo, and Mono counties. The Executive Committee met again on May 29, 2024, and made a unanimous recommendation to continue to move forward with the intent of becoming a full member of the Rural REN – North.

On September 26, 2024, the CPUC issued its decision, officially dividing the RuralREN into RuralREN North and RuralREN Central. Public purpose program funds, paid for by ratepayers, will be utilized to plan, administer, and implement the seven energy efficiency programs that were developed as part of the initial business plan submission. With the new arrangement, an updated business plan and advice letter are due to the CPUC within 120 days of the decision.

Budget allocations by the CPUC for the Rural REN North remained as proposed in the initial business plan, with a total of \$33.1 million available through the end of 2027. The initial budget identified Lake APC as a sub-consultant to Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA), and that RCEA would assume much of the work associated with administration of the NREN Program for Lake County. When the composition of the NREN changed, and APC became a full governing partner, the budget was inadequate to fulfil all of the requirements of a governing partner.

The budget for Lake County was not initially increased when the composition was changed, but it was understood that, if possible, the governing partners would work together to add funding to the APC's budget to accommodate the increased workload.

RCEA, as the Portfolio Administrator, submitted a mid-cycle true-up for the overall NREN budget to the CPUC in August 2025. The updated budget allowed for an additional \$361,545.61 through December 31, 2027 to augment Lake APC's original budget. An amendment to the existing contract between the Lake APC and Davey-Bates Consulting is required for the additional funding.

I've attached Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement, which includes Exhibit A – Davey-Bates Consulting Cost Proposal for your review and consideration. Resolution 25-26-13 and Amendment No. 2 to the Lake APC budget must also be approved as part of this process. I'm available to answer any questions you may have.

ACTION REQUIRED: Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Fiscal and Administrative services contract between Lake APC and Davey-Bates Consulting, Approve Resolution 25-26-13 authorizing additional funding in the amount of \$361,545.61 for additional funding to implement the NREN programs in Lake County, and Amendment No. 2 of the Lake APC budget incorporating the additional funding.

ALTERNATIVES: None identified.

RECOMMENDATION: a) Approve Amendment No.2 of the Administrative and Fiscal Services contract between Lake APC and Davey-Bates Consulting to include additional funding in the amount of \$361,545.61 to fully implement the scope, schedule and tasks developed for the NREN program; b) Approve Resolution 25-26-13 and c) Approve Amendment No. 2 of the Lake APC budget incorporating the additional funding

LAKE COUNTY/CITY AREA PLANNING COUNCIL

AMENDMENT NO. 2 of PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FISCAL STAFFING SERVICES

This **Amendment** is entered into on September 10, 2025, following approval of Amendment No. 1 on December 11, 2024, modifying the Professional Services Agreement initially effective October 1, 2024, by and between the Lake Area Planning Council, hereinafter referred to as the "APC", and Davey-Bates Consulting, hereinafter referred to as "Consultant."

WHEREAS:

The APC may retain independent contractors to perform special, technical, expert, or professional services. Consultant is equipped, staffed, licensed, and prepared to provide such services;

Professional services described in Exhibit A of the initial Professional Services Agreement may be refined or amended by agreement of the APC and Consultant;

APC's Board of Directors acted on February 9, 2024, to become full members of the Northern California Rural Regional Energy Network through a Memorandum of Understanding, requiring an Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement;

Amendment No. 1, dated June 12, 2024, incorporated significant changes needed to begin implementation of the California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC) Decision 23-06-055 of September 26, 2024, naming Lake Area Planning Council as one of the governing partners;

Amendment No. 2 provides a modification to the original budget incorporating supplementary funding in the amount of \$361,545.61 to perform sufficient staffing duties outlined in the initial Scope of Work, and additional funding for marketing, and portfolio administration throughout the remainder of the budget period, ending December 31, 2027;

All funding to implement the Northern California Rural Regional Energy Network, now known as the Northern Rural Energy Network (NREN), continues to be paid for by ratepayers funded through public purpose program funds;

The APC and Consultant agree to add the following amendments:

1. WORK TO BE PERFORMED

Consultant agrees to provide services, tasks and products to administer and implement programs outlined in the scope and schedule outlined in Amendment No. 1 - Exhibit A of the Professional Services agreement between APC and Consultant.

2. COMPENSATION

Exhibit A of this amendment provides a cost plan assigning hours needed to deliver staffing for implementation of the Northern Rural Energy Network. Compensation for Fiscal Year 2025/26 is not to exceed \$580,858.

Compensation for subsequent fiscal years will be escalated to reflect an accumulated Consumer Price Index (CPI) of 4.5% to address cost escalations that might occur during the contract period related to merit adjustments, cost of living increases, or rising health insurance costs.

Cost overruns and/or failure to perform within the limits of the proposed budget shall not relieve Consultant of responsibility to provide those tasks and products specified in the Exhibit. The APC shall pay Consultant for work required for satisfactory completion of this Agreement according to the process in Section 3 below. The basis for payment for services shall be monthly, plus non-salary expenses, in accordance with Consultant's Cost Proposal, as attached hereto and made a part hereof in Exhibit A.

The APC shall pay Consultant for work required for satisfactory completion of this Agreement according to the process in Section 3 below. The basis for payment for services shall be monthly, plus non-salary expenses, in accordance with Consultant's Cost Proposal to implement Northern Rural Energy Network, as attached hereto and made a part hereof in Exhibit A.

3. TERM OF AGREEMENT

The term of this Agreement shall be from July 1, 2025 to December 31, 2027. All work by Consultant shall be completed and all deliverables submitted to and in the possession of the APC by December 31, 2027. At least six months prior to contract termination, the APC Board or its delegate may conduct a performance review of the Consultant and a cost analysis. Based on the results of the performance review and cost analysis, the Board may elect to amend this contract for an additional period of time.

Extensions of the above term may be made only upon written authorization by the APC.

Consultant acknowledges that timely performance of services is an important element of this Agreement and will perform services in a timely manner consistent with sound professional practices.

4. EXTENT OF AGREEMENT:

This Agreement and all exhibits made a part hereof constitute the entire Agreement between the parties. In case of conflict or inconsistency between this Agreement and any exhibits, this Agreement shall control. This Agreement shall not be modified except by written agreement of both parties.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS of the original Agreement shall remain in full force and effect unless amended in writing by both APC and Consultant.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused their duly authorized officers to execute this Agreement in duplicate as of the day and year first written above.

Stacey Mattina, Chair
Lake Area Planning Council

Lisa Davey-Bates, Owner/Principal
Davey-Bates Consulting

DAVEY-BATES CONSULTING: AMENDMENT NO. 2

Early in 2022, Lake Area Planning Council's (APC) Executive Committee and Board of Directors began exploring the idea of expanding the role of the agency to include energy efficiency programs in the region. After much consideration, the Board gave direction to staff to work with Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA) to become a partner in the multi-county region known as the Rural Regional Energy Network North (RRENN).

Over the course of next few years, disagreements around governance and administration between the initial partners arose, which led to delays in submitting the final Business Plan to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). These differences ultimately led to changes in the original composition of governing partners. There are now four governing partners of the RRENN program: the Lake Area Planning Council, Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA), as the Portfolio Administrator, Sierra Business Council (comprised of 14 counties) and the Mendocino Council of Governments.

On September 26, 2024 the CPUC issued Decision 23-06-055, formalizing the formation of the RRENN. The RRENN overall budget for all governing partners totals \$33.1 million through the end of 2027. In late 2024, the governing partners developed their initial four-year budget to fund program staffing services and other associated costs. Additional funding included allocation for rebates, incentives, loan funding, and residential energy efficiency kits. As part of the initial marketing effort, the decision was made to modify/simplify the name of the program to be the Northern Rural Energy Network (NREN), which was memorialized in a Memorandum of Understanding in January 2025.

In order to begin rollout of the NREN programs, an amendment was required to the existing contract between Lake APC and Davey-Bates Consulting. Amendment #1, approved on December 11, 2024, provided staffing services and direct/other expenses needed to initiate implementation of the NREN programs. Initial compensation for Fiscal Year 2024/25 was not to exceed \$249,928 and reflected a start date of October 1, 2024. The cost proposal also identified an additional \$13,500 for other expenses and travel.

The initial budget identified Lake APC as a sub-consultant to Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA), and that they would assume much of the work associated with administration of the NREN Program for Lake County. When the composition of the NREN changed, and APC became a full governing partner, the budget was inadequate to fulfil all of the requirements of a governing partner. The budget for Lake County was not initially increased, but it was understood that, if possible, the governing partners would work together to add funding to the APC's budget.

Redwood Coast Energy Authority, as the Portfolio Administrator, was required to submit a mid-cycle true up of the original NREN budget to the CPUC. The governing partners worked closely together to refine program and staffing needs. The revised overall NREN budget did not increase, but there was enough flexibility amongst the governing partners to provide additional funding to APC.

The table below outlines hours and fully weighted bill out rates by classification that will now staff the NREN program. Compensation for Fiscal Year 2025/26 will not exceed \$580,858.

LAKE AREA PLANNING COUNCIL – NREN STAFFING & IMPLEMENTATION
2025/26 ASSIGNMENT OF HOURS & COST PLAN

Classification	7/1-12/31	Estimated Hours	Cost	1/1-6/30	Estimated Hours	Cost	2025/26 Total Cost
Principal/E.D.	\$191.69	169	\$32,444	\$191.69	156	\$29,904	\$62,347
Program Manager	\$127.74	841	\$107,365	\$134.13	908	\$121,790	\$229,156
Program Specialist II	\$82.62	882	\$72,871	\$86.75	908	\$78,769	\$151,640
Project Mgr./Admin	\$118.59	144	\$17,107	\$118.59	104	\$12,333	\$29,440
Program Specialist I	\$79.41	460	\$36,509	\$79.41	904	\$71,767	\$108,276
2025/26 Total							\$580,858

Compensation beyond Fiscal Year 25/26 will be escalated to reflect an accumulated Consumer Price Index (CPI) of 4.5% to address cost increases that might occur during the contract period related to merit adjustments, cost of living adjustments, or rising health insurance costs. All costs associated with the implementation of the NREN programs continue to be funded entirely by rate payer funds collected through utility bills.

Fully-weighted rates outlined in the table include staffing services, clerical services, office space, utilities, reproduction of materials, hotels, meals and mileage related to business travel, telephone and internet services, furniture and equipment, postage and delivery, publications, public service announcements and legal notices, office supplies, trainings and conferences, health insurance, sick, vacation and retirement benefits, contractor insurance (liability and disability) and all other operating expenses. Costs for legal services, environmental reviews, audits, and other insurances beyond that required of the contractor shall be funded separately by APC.

LAKE COUNTY/CITY AREA PLANNING COUNCIL

RESOLUTION 25-26-13

ALLOCATING SUPPLEMENTARY FUNDING TO FY 2025/26 FUNDS FOR NORTHERN RURAL ENERGY NETWORK PROGRAMS

THE LAKE AREA PLANNING COUNCIL HEREBY FINDS, DECLARES AND RESOLVES THAT:

WHEREAS, In February 2022, the Lake County/City Area Planning Council approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA) and Mendocino Council of Governments (MCOG) to participate as a subcontractor to RCEA in the recently formed Rural Regional Energy Network (RuralREN), and this RuralREN was approved by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) in June 2023;

WHEREAS, On September 26, 2024, the CPUC issued its Decision Modifying Rural Regional Energy Network Approved in Decision 23-06-055, and divided the RuralREN into RuralREN North (comprising the North Coast and North Sierra Regions) and RuralREN Central (comprising the Central Coast, San Joaquin Valley and High Sierra Regions), in which APC would become a full partner able to use public purpose program funds paid by ratepayers to plan, administer, and implement energy efficiency programs;

WHEREAS, the 2022 MOU between RCEA, APC and MCOG was terminated, and a new RuralREN North Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) and Bylaws were approved by the APC Board of Directors on December 11, 2024 and subsequently executed;

WHEREAS, In January 2025, the partners to the new MOA changed the name from RuralREN North to the Northern Rural Energy Network (NREN) as part of a public outreach and marketing strategy;

WHEREAS, A Pre-Launch Contract with RCEA as Lead Administrator of the NREN was also executed, and a comprehensive Implementation Agreement was executed in July 2025, to receive funding and deliver these needed energy and cost saving programs in Lake County;

WHEREAS, The NREN developed a four-year budget, of which this 2025/26 allocation to fund program staffing services and associated direct costs was allocated;

WHEREAS, The RCEA, as Lead Administrator, submitted a mid-cycle budget adjustment to the CPUC in August 2025, augmenting Lake APC's budget to provide additional funding needed to fully implement the NREN programs; therefore, be it

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Lake Area Planning Council hereby allocates additional FY 2025/26 funds in the amount of \$143,079 for additional staffing to the Northern Rural Energy Network programs. Further, \$89,450 is identified in FY 2025/26 for other costs including residential energy efficiency kits, travel and training to support the NREN programs:

Adoption of this Resolution was moved by Director , seconded by Director , and carried on this 10th day of September 2025, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors
NOES: None
ABSENT: Vacant (Member-at-Large)

WHEREUPON, THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED, AND SO ORDERED.

ATTEST: Lisa Davey-Bates
Executive Director

Stacey Mattina, Chair
APC Member



LAKE COUNTY/CITY AREA PLANNING COUNCIL

FY 2025/26

FINAL - BUDGET SUMMARY

AMENDMENT #2 - BUDGET SUMMARY - 9/10/2025

REVENUES

COMMENTS:

	2024/25 Actuals	Budget				Estimated Actual	
		Adopted: 6/11/25	Amend: #1 8/13/25	Amend: #2 9/10/25			
LOCAL:							
Transportation Development Act (TDA)							
Local Transportation Funds (LTF)							
- 2025/26 Local Transportation Fund (LTF) Estimate		\$ 1,700,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,700,000	2025/26 Approved LTF Estimate - Slight increase based on EC Recommendation.
Local Transportation Fund Carryover :							
- Prior-Year Unallocated LTF Revenue		\$ 388,664	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 388,664	Unallocated LTF Funds received in prior year - BOE alloc. above the "Approved" LTF Est.
- Administration		\$ -	\$ 77,750	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 77,750	Carryover funding from FY 2024/25.
- LTF Reserve Fund Balance		\$ 1,164,422	\$ 88,858	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,253,280	Approved 6.2019 by APC Board/Amended 11.2023
- Planning and Programming OWP		\$ 37,500	\$ 136,777	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 174,277	Actual FY 2024/25 OWP carryover funding.
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Fund Balance		\$ 144,015	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 144,015	Lakeport Balance (\$143,857) + Unallocated (\$158)
- Community Transit Service Fund Balance / CTSA		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Lake Links has been fully allocated for 2024/25.
- Public Transportation / LTA Allocation		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	LTA has been fully allocated for 2024/25.
- Unrestricted Fund Balance		\$ -	\$ 1,228,432	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,228,432	
Total LTF Carryover:		\$ 1,734,600	\$ 1,531,817	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,266,417	
Total LOCAL Revenues:	\$ 2,106,466	\$ 3,434,600	\$ 1,531,817	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,966,417	
STATE:							
Planning Programming & Monitoring (PPM) Funds							
- 2025/26 NEW OWP Allocation		\$ 68,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 68,000	Funds Expire: 6/30/28
- 2024/25 Carryover OWP Allocation		\$ 22,500	\$ 18,108	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,608	2024/25 actual OWP carryover amount.
Total PPM Funds:	\$ 70,000	\$ 90,500	\$ 18,108	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 108,608	
Rural Planning Assistance (RPA) Funds							
- 2025/26 NEW OWP Allocation		\$ 404,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 404,500	Begin FY 2025/26 Additional RPA Alloc (Increase of \$110,500).
- 2024/25 Carryover OWP Allocation		\$ 15,000	\$ 10,897	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,897	2024/25 actual OWP carryover amount.
Total RPA Funds:	\$ 294,000	\$ 419,500	\$ 10,897	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 430,397	
Road Maintenance & Rehab Acct. (RMRA)							
- 2025/26 NEW Sustainable Comm. Grant - WE 618		\$ -	\$ 199,191	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 199,191	Actual Caltrans SC Grant Award for Lake Co. Tribal Transportation Needs Study
- 2024/25 Carry-Over Sustainable Comm. Grant - WE 603		\$ 88,530	\$ 62,322	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150,852	Actual C/O Caltrans SC Grant Award for Lake Co. Zero Emission Vehicle Infra Plan
Total SC - RMRA Grant Funds:	\$ 26,208	\$ 88,530	\$ 261,513	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350,043	
State Highway Account (SHA)							
- 2023/24 Carryover Climate Adaptation Grant - WE 615		\$ 17,706	\$ 28,074	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,780	Actual C/O Caltrans Climate Adapt Grant Award for Lake Co. Wildfire Evac & Prep Plan
Total SHA Grant Funds:	\$ 108,593	\$ 17,706	\$ 28,074	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,780	
Transportation Development Act (TDA)							
State Transit Assistance (STA) Funds							
- 2025/26 NEW Allocation (PUC) section 99313 & 99314		\$ 715,867	\$ (3,679)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 712,188	2025/26 STA Alloc. - based on revised estimate. 8/2025
- 2024/25 Carry-Over Funding		\$ -	\$ 180,375	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 180,375	2024/25 actual carryover amount.
Total STA Funds:	\$ 771,145	\$ 715,867	\$ 176,696	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 892,563	
State of Good Repair (SGR) Program Funds							
- 2025/26 NEW Allocation (PUC) section 99313 & 99314		\$ 124,152	\$ (638)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 123,514	2025/26 SGR Alloc. - Allocation based on revised estimate - 8/2025
- 2024/25 Carry-Over Funding		\$ -	\$ 340,958	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 340,958	2024/25 actual carryover amount.
Total SGR Funds:	\$ 129,043	\$ 124,152	\$ 340,320	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 464,472	
Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP)							
- 2024/25 Carry-Over SB 125 Transit Program		\$ -	\$ 3,992,944	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,992,944	Lake Transit Authority Allocation.
- 2024/25 Carry-Over ADMIN - SB 125 Transit Program		\$ 84,159	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 84,159	Funds are population-based (1% of regions total allocation).
Total SB 125 Funds:	\$ 4,077,103	\$ 84,159	\$ 3,992,944	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,077,103	
Total STATE Revenues:	\$ 5,476,092	\$ 1,540,414	\$ 4,828,552	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,368,966	
FEDERAL:							
Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP)							
- 2025/26 RSTP Local Agency Distribution:		\$ 860,447	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 860,447	Passes through to cities/County
- RSTP Carryover Funds:		\$ -	\$ 732,977	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 732,977	Apport. for FY 2024/25 -Allocat. will be received in 2025/26
Total RSTP Funds:	\$ 830,697	\$ 860,447	\$ 732,977	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,593,424	2024/25 actual carryover amounts for local agencies.
Transit Pass-Through Funding							
5311 Federal Funds - FFY 2025	\$ 538,964	\$ 572,205	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 572,205	FFY 2025-Regional Apportionment to LTA
Total FEDERAL Revenues:	\$ 1,369,661	\$ 1,432,652	\$ 732,977	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,165,629	

OTHER Revenue:						
Northern Rural Energy Network (REN)						
- 2025/26 NEW NREN Staff Allocation:	\$ 437,779	\$ -	\$ 143,079	\$ -	\$ 580,858	NREN Approved Budget Amount for Staffing Services. and travel/direct program expenses
- 2025/26 NEW NREN Program Other Costs	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 89,400	\$ -	\$ 89,400	NREN Approved Budget Amount for Other Program Costs.
- 2024/25 Carry-Over NREN Allocation	\$ 158,656					
Total OTHER Revenues:	\$ 437,779	\$ -	\$ 232,479	\$ -	\$ 670,258	
GRAND TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 6,845,445	\$ 7,093,346	\$ 232,479	\$ -	\$ 14,171,270	

ALLOCATIONS

COMMENTS:

	2024/25 Actuals	Budget				Estimated Actual	
		Adopted: 6/11/25	Amend: #1 8/13/25	Amend: #2 9/10/25			
LOCAL:							
Transportation Development Act (TDA)							
2025/26 Local Transportation Funds (LTF) Annual Priority Allocations							
- Administration Allocation							
Admin Contract (July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026)	\$ 630,146	\$ 655,684	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 655,684	APC/LTA Admin Contract based on 2024/25 DBC Contract + CPI
Board Member Reimbursement for Meetings	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000	Board Member reimbursement to board members for meeting attendance.
Training/Travel Expenses (uncontracted)	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,000	Covers expenses for training/travel not included in contract or work program.
Lake County Auditor/Controller	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,000	Accounting services by the County of Lake Auditor's Office
Fiscal Audit / Performance Audit	\$ 40,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,000	Annual requirement of TDA to audit LTF/STA funds.
Membership Dues -CalCOG, NARC, NSSR	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000	Facilitates communication between COGs, local officials, state/federal agencies & public
Contingency	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,000	Unexpected costs beyond typical annual budget expenses.
Sub-Total 2025/26 Admin Allocations	\$ 705,146	\$ 705,684	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 705,684	
- LTF Reserve Fund (5%) Allocation	\$ 80,000	\$ 85,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 85,000	(5% of LTF Estimate \$1.7M)
- Planning and Programing (3%) Allocation	\$ 59,790	\$ 51,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 51,000	New Overall Work Program Planning Amount for FY 2025/26.
- Pedestrian and Bicycle (2%) Allocation	\$ 17,897	\$ 19,886	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,886	2% LTF Allocation for Bike and Pedestrian Purposes
- Community Transit Service (5%) Allocation - CTSA Act	\$ 44,743	\$ 49,716	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49,716	These funds will be allocated to Lake Links, CTSA for Lake County.
- Public Transportation Allocation - Lake Transit Authorit	\$ 1,021,686	\$ 1,177,378	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,177,378	FY 2025/26 Transit Allocation
Total 2025/26 LTF Allocations:	\$ 1,929,262	\$ 2,088,664	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,088,664	Total LTF Revenue through Apportionment
Local Transportation Fund Carryover :							
- Administration (Act. 531)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 77,750	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 77,750	
- LTF Reserve Fund Balance (Act. 534)	\$ 1,164,422	\$ 88,858	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,253,280	
- Planning and Programming OWP (Act. 532)	\$ 37,500	\$ 136,777	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 174,277	Actual carryover funding.
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Fund Balance (Act. 526)	\$ 144,015	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 144,015	Lakeport Balance (\$143,857) + Unallocated (\$158)
- Community Transit Service Fund Balance (Act. 414)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	No expected carryover from FY 2024/25.
- Public Transportation / LTA Allocation (Act. 412)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	No expected carryover from FY 2024/25.
- Unrestricted Fund Balance (Act. 527)	\$ -	\$ 1,228,432	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,228,432	
Total LTF Carryover :	\$ 1,345,936	\$ 1,531,817	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,877,753	
Total LOCAL Allocations:	\$ 1,929,262	\$ 3,434,600	\$ 1,531,817	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,966,417	
STATE:							
Planning Programming & Monitoring (PPM) Funds							
- 2025/26 NEW OWP Allocation	\$ 68,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 68,000	2025/26PPM Allocation Amount
- 2024/25 Carryover OWP Allocation	\$ 22,500	\$ 18,108	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,608	2024/25 actual carryover amount.
Total PPM Allocations:	\$ 70,000	\$ 90,500	\$ 18,108	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 108,608	
Rural Planning Assistance Funds (RPA)							
- 2025/26 NEW OWP Allocation	\$ 404,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 404,500	
- 2024/25 Carryover OWP Allocation	\$ 15,000	\$ 10,897	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,897	2024/25 actual carryover amount.
Total RPA Funds:	\$ 294,000	\$ 419,500	\$ 10,897	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 430,397	
Road Maintenance & Rehab Acct. (RMRA)							
- 2025/26 NEW Sustainable Comm. Grant - WE 618	\$ -	\$ 199,191	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 199,191	Actual Caltrans SC Grant Award for Lake Co. Tribal Transportation Needs Study
- 2024/25 Carry-Over Sustainable Comm. Grant - WE 603	\$ 88,530	\$ 62,322	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150,852	Actual C/O Caltrans SC Grant Award for Lake Co. Zero Emission Vehicle Infra Plan
Total SC - RMRA Grant Funds:	\$ 26,208	\$ 88,530	\$ 261,513	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350,043	
State Highway Account (SHA)							
- 2023/24 Carryover Climate Adaptation Grant - WE 615	\$ 17,706	\$ 28,074	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,780	Actual C/O Caltrans Climate Adapt Grant Award for Lake Co. Wildfire Evac & Prep Plan
Total SHA Grant Funds:	\$ 108,593	\$ 17,706	\$ 28,074	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,780	
Transportation Development Act (TDA)							
State Transit Assistance (STA) Funds							
- 2025/26 NEW Allocation (PUC) section 99313 & 99314	\$ 715,867	\$ (3,679)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 712,188	2025/26 STA Alloc. - based on revised estimate. 8/2025
- 2024/25 Carry-Over Funding	\$ -	\$ 180,375	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 180,375	2024/25 actual carryover amount.
Total STA Funds:	\$ 771,145	\$ 715,867	\$ 176,696	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 892,563	
State of Good Repair (SGR) Program Funds							
- 2025/26 NEW Allocation (PUC) section 99313 & 99314	\$ 124,152	\$ (638)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 123,514	2025/26 SGR Alloc. - Allocation based on revised estimate - 8/2025

- 2024/25 Carry-Over Funding		\$ -	\$ 340,958	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 340,958	2024/25 actual carryover amount.
Total SGR Funds:	\$ 129,043	\$ 124,152	\$ 340,320	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 464,472	
Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP)							
- 2024/25 Carry-Over SB 125 Transit Program		\$ -	\$ 3,992,944	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,992,944	Lake Transit Authority Allocation.
- 2024/25 Carry-Over ADMIN - SB 125 Transit Program		\$ 84,159	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 84,159	These funds will be carried over until fully expended.
Total SB 125 Funds:	\$ 4,077,103	\$ 84,159	\$ 3,992,944	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,077,103	
Total STATE Allocations:	\$ 5,476,092	\$ 1,540,414	\$ 4,828,552	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,368,966	
FEDERAL:							
Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP)							
- NEW Local Agency Distribution (2025/26):		\$ 860,447	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 860,447	Passes through to Cities/County
Lakeport (8%)		\$ 88,426	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 88,426	Apportionment for FY 2024/25. Allocation will be received in 2025/26
Clearlake (22%)		\$ 243,170	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 243,170	
Lake County (70%)		\$ 528,851	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 528,851	County's separate RSTP 182.6(d2) apportionment-\$244,873 included in formula
- 2024/25 Carry-Over Funding:		\$ -	\$ 732,977	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 732,977	APC holds local agency funds until required documentation has been submitted.
Total RSTP Funds for Distribution:	\$ 830,697	\$ 860,447	\$ 732,977	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,593,424	
Transit Pass-Through Funding							
5311 Federal Funds - FFY 2025	\$ 538,964	\$ 572,205	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 572,205	FFY 2025-Regional Apportionment to LTA
Total FEDERAL Allocations:	\$ 1,369,661	\$ 1,432,652	\$ 732,977	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,165,629	
OTHER PROGRAM ALLOCATIONS:							
Northern Rural Energy Network (REN)							
- 2025/26 NEW NREN Staff Allocation:		\$ 437,779	\$ -	\$ 143,079	\$ -	\$ 580,858	NREN Approved Budget Amount for Staffing Services. and travel/direct program expenses
- 2025/26 NEW NREN Program Other Costs		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 89,400	\$ -	\$ 89,400	NREN Approved Budget Amount for Other Program Costs.
- 2024/25 Carry-Over NREN Allocation	\$ 158,656	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Total OTHER Revenues:		\$ 437,779	\$ -	\$ 232,479	\$ -	\$ 670,258	
GRAND TOTAL ALLOCATIONS		\$ 6,845,445	\$ 7,093,346	\$ 232,479	\$ -	\$ 14,171,270	

Updated: 9/7/25 AJP



LAKE COUNTY/CITY AREA PLANNING COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

TITLE: Northern Rural Energy Network (NREN)

DATE PREPARED: September 2, 2025

MEETING DATE: September 10, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Jennifer Brennan, Energy Program Manager, NREN

BACKGROUND

NREN is part of a statewide initiative of regional energy networks focused on helping communities address rising utility costs through the adoption of energy efficiency programs targeted at rural customers. NREN Lake is launching 6 energy efficiency programs in Lake County focused on the residential, commercial, and public sectors, while also providing financing, promoting enhanced local codes and standards adoption and workforce development opportunities. (The NREN general partners recently decided to combine the “Codes and Standards” program into either the “Public” or “Workforce” program to decrease bureaucratic reporting, not services.)

The four NREN partners are LAPC, Mendocino Council of Governments (MCOG), Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA) and Sierra Business Council (SBC) that cover 17 counties in rural Northern California.

NREN Lake staff continue to be busy engaged in training, program coordination and development, organizing local events and outreach.

Important Update:

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) approved NREN’s current Business Plan in the last week of August. Now, the partners will begin crafting the next Business Plan to be submitted to the CPUC in February of 2026 that will include a new, 4-year work plan and budget to carry us through 2031.

Lake NREN Accomplishments:

Over 250 Energy Efficiency Kits have been provided to Lake County Ratepayers to date.

Senior Center luncheon events to provide free NREN Energy Efficiency kits:

Upper Lake Senior Center - August 27th
Kelseyville Senior Cener - September 5th

Other Events and Presentations:

Eastern Regional Town Hall – August 6th
Buckingham HOA Meeting and Energy Efficiency Kit event - August 19th

Free home Energy Assessments are currently being offered in Lake County (although there is a waiting list).

Non-Residential Needs Assessment

Working with the NREN consultant ERI, a survey has launched, interviews have taken place and focus groups were conducted August 7th and 12th in Lakeport and Lower Lake to collect information from public facilities, schools and businesses on how the NREN Lake commercial energy efficiency program should be designed to benefit these key sectors. Unfortunately, ERI has not met NREN’s expected results on these tasks, and the partners are currently considering options on how to resolve (if possible) issues that have arisen.

Scheduled Outreach Events

Veterans’ Stand Down – September 18th

Clearlake Oaks-Glenhaven Business Association Dinner – September 25th

Lake County Realtors’ Association Regular Meeting – September 26th

ACTION REQUIRED: None

ALTERNATIVES: N/A

RECOMMENDATION: None



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LAKE COUNTY/CITY AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (APC) (DRAFT) MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, August 13, 2025

Location: Lakeport City Council Chambers
225 Park Street Lakeport, California & Zoom

Teleconference Locations:

525 South Main Street Suite B, Ukiah
Caltrans District 1, 1656 Union St., Eureka

Present

Bruno Sabatier, Supervisor, County of Lake
Brad Rasmussen, Supervisor, County of Lake
Stacey Mattina, City Council Member, City of Lakeport
Russ Cremer, City Council, City of Clearlake
Dirk Slooten, City Council, City of Clearlake
Kenneth Parlet, Council Member, City of Lakeport
Danny Wind, Member at Large

Absent

Also Present

Lisa Davey-Bates, Executive Director – Lake APC
Alexis Pedrotti, Admin Staff – Lake APC
James Sookne, Admin Staff – Lake APC
Charlene Parker, Admin Staff – Lake APC
Samuel Gaytan, Project Manager – Paratransit Services

Attending via Zoom

Michael Villa, Planning Staff – Lake APC
Hector Ortega, Admin Staff – Lake APC
John Speka, Planning Staff – Lake APC
Jennifer Brennan, Energy Program Manager – NREN
Ryan O’Neill, Energy Program Specialist – NREN
Tatiana Ahlstrand, Caltrans District 1 (Policy Advisory Committee)
Adeline Leyba, City of Clearlake
Jeff Pimentel – Caltrans District 1
Valency Fitzgerald – Caltrans District 1
Laurie Fisher – Lake Links

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Mattina called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Secretary Charlene Parker called roll.
Members present: Sabatier, Rasmussen, Cremer, Slooten, Mattina, Parlet, Wind

2. Northern Rural Energy Network (NREN)

Jennifer Brennan reported on the Northern Rural Energy Network's recent activities, which included hosting five energy-efficiency events at senior centers, presenting at four town halls, and distributing 207 energy-efficiency kits. The team is also working to increase rebate amounts, launch home energy assessments, and design a new commercial program. NREN staff remain actively engaged in training, program coordination and development, and participation in local events throughout Lake County, such as those organized by the Lake County Realtor's Association and various homeowner associations.

Additional activities included working with a program consultant ERI, launching community surveys, conducting efficiency interviews, and hosting two focus groups in Lakeport and Lower Lake. These efforts were used to collect information from public facilities, schools, and businesses to help design the NREN Lake commercial energy-efficiency program. Jennifer outlined the scheduled events in the upcoming month.

Director Parlet asked to be added to the list for commercial use. He wanted to make sure that the small business owners who needed it the most were included in the program. Jennifer said she would give the consultant his information to schedule an interview in order to gather his input on the commercial program.

Lisa announced that APC will be looking into additional support staff for this program and will bring it to the Board if there is flexibility within the NREN overall budget.

3. Adjourn to Policy Advisory Committee

Chair Mattina adjourned to the Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) at 9:09 a.m. to include Caltrans District 1 staff and allow participation as a voting member of the Lake APC.

PUBLIC EXPRESSION

4. Public input on any item under the jurisdiction of this agency, but which is not otherwise on the agenda.

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

5. Approval of June 11, 2025 Draft Minutes

Director Sabatier made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Parlet and carried unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes (8)-Directors Sabatier, Rasmussen, Cremer, Slooten, Mattina, Parlet, Wind, Tatiana Ahlstrand, Noes (0); Abstain (0); Absent (0)

REGULAR CALENDAR

6. Presentation for the 2025 Ten-Year Plan Projects for Lake County – State Highway Operations & Protection Program (SHOPP)

Valency Fitzgerald, Office Chief Program Asset Manager, Caltrans, presented the 2025 Ten-Year Plan projects in Lake County, highlighting District 1's Performance Plan, project timelines, stakeholder feedback, and public involvement opportunities.

Valency highlighted the \$1.5 billion budget for Lake County projects over the next five years, noting that the figure didn't include safety or already planned projects. The focus is on pavement, drainage, complete streets, and pedestrian/bicycle safety. Key planned projects include pavement improvements in Lower Lake, satellite assets, drainage along Lake 20 in

Northshore communities, bike lanes, sidewalks, and crosswalks as part of the Clearlake Oaks Complete Streets project, and new crosswalks and sidewalks through the Middletown Complete Streets project.

Additional discussion involved the Bell Avenue intersection improvement project. Tatiana confirmed that the project at Bell Avenue remains on schedule for construction in summer 2026.

7. Discussion and Proposed Action of Resolution #25-26-12 Approving the Project List for FY 2025-26 California State of Good Repair Program

James Sookne reported that as part of the project submittal process, the regional entity (RTPA) must approve and submit all proposed projects from operators such as LTA to Caltrans. James explained that the estimated State of Good Repair (SGR) funds available to Lake Transit for this fiscal year was \$123,514. Staff recommended that the FY 25/26 funds be allocated towards the local match for nine buses.

Director Sabatier made a motion to approve Resolution #25-26-12 Approving the Project List for FY 2025-26 California State of Good Repair Program, as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Cremer and carried unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes (8)-Directors Sabatier, Rasmussen, Cremer, Slooten, Mattina, Parlet, Wind, Tatiana Ahlstrand, Noes (0); Abstain (0); Absent (0)

8. Discussion and Recommended Approval of the First Amendment to the FY 2025/26 Overall Work Program

Alexis Pedrotti provided an update on the Overall Work Program (OWP). Alexis explained that the first amendment to the fiscal year 2025/26 Overall Work Program (OWP) incorporates carryover funding on work elements from fiscal year 2024/25. She added that the total amount carried over into the Fiscal Year 2025/26 OWP was \$437,414. In addition to presenting the carryover amounts for each agency, Alexis provided a thorough breakdown of the carryover amounts for each funding source, which includes Planning Grant Funds, Rural Planning Assistance (RPA), Local Transportation Funds (LTF), and Planning Programming and Monitoring funding (PPM). Additionally, this amendment included the recently awarded Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant funds to complete the Lake County Tribal Transportation Needs and Engineered Feasibility Study. As part of the award requirements from Caltrans, Lake APC was required to amend the funds into the Overall Work Program.

General discussion followed regarding fund distribution, programming, and the role of the TAC in approving changes.

Director Sabatier made a motion to approve the First Amendment to the FY 2025/26 Overall Work Program, as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Slooten and carried unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes (8)-Directors Sabatier, Rasmussen, Cremer, Slooten, Mattina, Parlet, Wind, Tatiana Ahlstrand, Noes (0); Abstain (0); Absent (0)

9. Discussion and Recommended Approval of the First Amendment to the 2025/26 Lake APC Budget

Alexis Pedrotti provided an update on the budget amendment, which included the OWP carryover funds as part of the Fiscal Year 2024/25 closeout. The carryover involved adjustments to the estimated amounts to reflect the actual figures, including the recently awarded Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant. Alexis also noted a few changes from the final budget, including the addition of Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) SB 125 funding. Lake APC

was the agency responsible for the designated transit funding. TTRCP funding, in the amount of \$3,992,944, was identified in the Lake APC budget and also reflected in the Lake Transit Authority budget.

Director Cremer made a motion to approve the First Amendment to the 2025/26 Lake APC Budget, as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Sabatier and carried unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes (8)-Directors Sabatier, Rasmussen, Cremer, Slooten, Mattina, Parlet, Wind, Tatiana Abstrand, Noes (0); Abstain (0); Absent (0)

RATIFY ACTION

10. Adjourn Policy Advisory Committee and Reconvene as Area Planning Council

Chair Mattina adjourned the Policy Advisory Committee at 9:48 a.m. and reconvened as the APC.

11. Consideration and Adoption of Recommendations of Policy Advisory Committee

Director Sabatier made a motion to adopt the recommendations of the Policy Advisory Committee and reconvene as the APC. The motion was seconded by Director Parlet and carried unanimously.

REPORTS

12. Reports & Information

a. Lake APC Planning Staff

i. Planning projects

John Speka gave a brief update on the current projects.

Wildfire Evacuation and Preparedness Plan:

The Wildfire Evacuation and Preparedness was nearing completion. The Administrative Draft of the Final Plan had been released, with comments requested by August 15. Once released for public review, two workshops were scheduled in Clearlake on September 10 and in Lakeport on September 11, for further public input and feedback. The Draft Final Plan was expected to be presented to the Board in October for final approval, with an additional presentation planned for the County Board of Supervisors during the same month.

Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Infrastructure Plan:

The Countywide Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Infrastructure Plan aims to assess the region's charging and fueling infrastructure to support future expansion. The project was in the process of collecting public feedback regarding charging infrastructure needs. Online surveys and an interactive mapping tool were advertised on public social media pages to gather input. Further engagement was planned, including hosting a table at the County Fair later in the month to collect information on location preferences for charging stations and other data related to electric vehicle use within the region. The interactive mapping tool had received 68 comments, along with 87 survey responses. Lisa announced that feedback for the Plan would be appreciated and would provide the link to the mapping tool and survey.

State Route 53 Corridor Priority Projects Outreach Study

The State Route 53 Corridor Priority Projects Outreach Study is focused on identifying and prioritizing safety improvement projects along the SR 53 corridor within the city limits of Clearlake. The final report was expected by the end of the month. The outreach strategy includes engaging stakeholders and the public through a combination of in-person events, printed materials, and digital platforms.

Tribal Transportation Needs Study

Lake APC was awarded a Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant for a Tribal Transportation Needs and Engineered Feasibility Study. The project will assess deficiencies, needs, and priorities within tribal road systems and identify opportunities to improve transportation networks. It will also support updates to existing Tribal Transportation Plans and foster collaboration on future projects benefiting both the tribes and the region. The group discussed the benefits of the Tribal Transportation Needs Study to help with connections and collaboration. Additionally, reaching out to Supervisor Crandell in regard to a newly established local tribal meetings connection.

John further reported that the Local Road Safety Plan update for all three jurisdictions is progressing, and staff is currently preparing the Request for Proposals (RFP), which will be distributed soon.

ii. Regional Transportation Plan/Active Transportation Plan (RTP/ATP) Update

John reported that the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Active Transportation Plan (ATP) were continuing. A draft was nearing completion and would soon be released for public comments. The adoption of the final plan was anticipated by February.

iii. Miscellaneous

b. Lake APC Administration Staff

- i.* **Next Meeting Date** – September 10, 2025 (*Clearlake*)
- ii.* **Miscellaneous**

c. Local Agency Updates

Adeline Leyba, City of Clearlake, provided an update on three city projects currently in the design phase. The Dam Road Roundabout project is expected to be completed by early January. The Moss Davis project has been released for bidding, and the Arrowhead/Burns Valley project is in its final stages before being put out to bid.

Lisa inquired whether there was a new Public Works Director for the County of Lake. Director Sabatier responded that Lars Ewing is currently serving as the interim director.

Director Sabatier reported that 37 miles of double-chip seal are being completed in the Kelseyville and Lower Lake areas, along with 16 miles of pavement rehabilitation in the Cobb area.

d. Lake APC Directors

Director Parlet reported that a major shipping company had cancelled all zero-emission vehicle shipments due to a ship sinking and subsequent fire, which is expected to significantly impact automakers that are mandated to sell these vehicles.

Director Parlet also expressed concerns regarding the inadequate utilization of electronic road signs during emergency situations, referencing a recent fire near Lucerne that resulted in significant traffic congestion. Director Slooten noted that the nearly completed Fire Evacuation Plan is designed to address protocols for handling such emergencies. Lisa added that the plan's consultant had evaluated sign locations to support evacuation efforts and confirmed that the signs were activated during the Lucerne incident to display highway closure information and delay warnings.

Tatiana from Caltrans acknowledged the communication challenges and explained that widespread power outages and generator issues during the incident affected the functionality of the sign system. She confirmed that Caltrans is reviewing and improving its emergency response procedures to ensure that more effective communication protocols are in place.

Further discussion addressed the success of prescribed burns on Lake 29, and other potential locations for future burns were welcomed for consideration. Director Parlet commended Caltrans for their efforts on the recent burn and suggested that the overgrown hillsides west and east of Lucerne, which extend steeply up to residential areas, should be prioritized for similar treatments. Director Sabatier added that the weeds and trees on Caltrans-owned property near the intersection of Lakeshore and Highway 53, also need to be addressed. In response, Tatiana stated that Caltrans would review maintenance needs for that area.

Director Sabatier recommended conducting an annual review of road safety statistics, noting that Lake County currently ranks fourth in the state for per capita road fatalities. He emphasized that regular reviews would help determine the effectiveness of recently implemented safety projects and assess whether they are making a measurable impact.

Director Wind announced that a Blue Zones Project event was being held for Lake County, focused on bringing active transportation visions to reality. He stated that he would share additional information with the group and extended an invitation to attend the event.

e. Caltrans

i. SR 29 Project Update:

Jeff Pimentel provided an update on the State Route 29 Konocti Corridor Segment 2B project. He reported that the funding application for the Trade Corridors Enhancement Program (TCEP) was unsuccessful. However, the feedback received indicated the application was well-prepared and included recommendations for improvement. The new strategy is to pursue partial construction funding through the Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP) and seek the remaining funds during the next round of TCEP, which would delay project delivery to the 2029/30 fiscal year. Jeff also noted that Caltrans is currently conducting a traffic study on truck priority signalization along Lake 29 to divert interregional truck traffic away from the community streets of Lucerne and Nice, with the goal of making those areas safer and more walkable for pedestrians and cyclists. He expressed optimism that the study's findings would strengthen support for the project and future funding requests. Additionally, Jeff stated that he is carefully managing staff time on the project to maximize efficiency, control costs, and evaluate the optimal timing for right-of-way acquisitions.

Discussion ensued regarding funding for the RTIP and ITIP, and how it is typically required that a project phase be fully funded before it can be programmed, avoiding the challenges associated with partial phases.

ii. Lake County Project Status Update:

Tatiana congratulated Lake APC on being awarded the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant for the Tribal Transportation Needs and Engineered Feasibility Study. She noted that, while the City of Clearlake was not selected for funding for the Safe

Routes to School Study, the application scored well at the district level. A debriefing was to be held with the City. Caltrans staff were also hopeful that the City would reapply in the next funding cycle, which opened in September.

Tatiana provided updates on various other grants and projects, including two conceptual safety projects on State Route 53 that incorporate roundabouts and pedestrian improvements. The first project focused on State Route 53 through the City of Clearlake, proposing roundabouts at 18th Avenue and 40th Avenue, with the possibility of an additional roundabout at Dam Road. The second project was on State Route 53 through Lower Lake, from State Route 29 to the Lake County Probation Office, and proposed new crosswalks, bike lanes, lighting, intersection upgrades, and ADA improvements.

Also, a new round of the Clean California grant program, totaling \$25 million statewide, was announced to open in September. The program focuses on cleanup and workforce development, and additional information will be provided by the local assistance team.

Further, the District Transit Plan, which will help identify transit needs on the State Highway System, was progressing, and Saskia planned to provide an update at the next Lake Transit Authority meeting.

Finally, Tasha noted that the open house for the Middletown South safety projects was well attended. Discussions included intersection delineation, sidewalks, lighting concerns, and potential construction impacts.

iii. **Miscellaneous:** None

f. Rural Counties Task Force

i. Next Meeting Date – September 19 (*Teleconference*)

g. California Transportation Commission

i. Next Meeting Date – August 14-15 (*Sacramento*)

h. California Association of Councils of Governments (CalCOG)

i. CDAC Meeting – (*TBD*)

ii. CalCOG Board of Directors Meeting – August 18 (*Virtual*)

i. Miscellaneous

Lisa confirmed that Director Sabatier plans to attend the CalCOG meeting on Monday.

13. INFORMATION PACKET

a) 5/22/25 Draft Lake TAC Minutes

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Mattina at 10:29 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

DRAFT

Charlene Parker, Administrative Associate



LAKE COUNTY/CITY AREA PLANNING COUNCIL

STAFF REPORT

TITLE: State Route 53 Public Outreach Report
Presentation, Discussion and Possible Adoption

DATE PREPARED: September 4, 2025
Meeting Date: September 10, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: John Speka, Senior Transportation Planner

BACKGROUND: Last year (FY 2024/25), a task was added to Work Element 613 (Transportation Information Outreach and Public Participation) of the Overall Work Program (OWP) to “[c]onduct extensive Public Outreach activities for the State Route 53 Corridor, including but not limited to public outreach in-person/online meetings, online surveys, and various community input outlets to allow input from stakeholders in the community.” In early April 2025, Lake APC contracted with the consulting firm GCW to perform the work.

The intent of the project was to gather concerns and insights of community members on safety projects along the SR 53 corridor within the city limits of Clearlake. By developing a set of community priorities for potential projects, it will assist with future grant funding by showing public support.

The subject presentation of the Draft Final Plan will summarize how the project was developed and provide the findings from the outreach efforts. The Final Draft is available for review here- <https://www.lakeapc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/SR-53-Corridor-Priority-Projects-Outreach-Study.pdf>

Upon conclusion of the presentation, the Board will be asked to consider adoption of the Report.

ACTION REQUIRED: Consider adoption of the State Route Public Outreach Report

ALTERNATIVES: Provide comments, recommend revisions, and seek approval at the following APC meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board approves the Lake County Transit Development Plan Update as presented.



LAKE COUNTY/CITY AREA PLANNING COUNCIL

STAFF REPORT

TITLE: Regional Transportation Plan/Active Transportation Plan

DATE PREPARED: September 3, 2025

MEETING DATE: September 10, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: John Speka, Senior Transportation Planner

BACKGROUND: The Regional Transportation Plan/Active Transportation Plan (RTP/ATP) is the region's long-term planning document covering a 20-year time span intended to promote a safe and efficient transportation system for the movement of people and goods throughout the region. The primary purpose of the plan is to identify transportation needs and priority projects in all modes of transportation including streets, highways, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, aviation and transit. Updated every four years, the RTP/ATP covers present and future transportation needs, deficiencies and constraints, as well as providing estimates of available funding for future transportation projects in the region.

A draft of the RTP/ATP text is currently available for public review, with maps, appendices, and photos still to be added (approximately two weeks out). Staff will be seeking comments from interested agencies and the public until its adoption, anticipated to take place at the December Board meeting.

The Draft RTP/ATP can be found on the Lake APC Website by the link here:

<https://www.lakeapc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/2026-Draft-RTP-ATP.pdf>

ACTION REQUIRED: None, informational only

ALTERNATIVES: None

RECOMMENDATION: None, informational only



LAKE COUNTY/CITY AREA PLANNING COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

TITLE: 2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program
STIP Fund Estimate

DATE PREPARED: 9/3/2025
MEETING DATE: 9/10/2025

SUBMITTED BY: Michael Villa, Regional Project Coordinator

BACKGROUND:

Each odd-numbered year we consider the programming of projects that are to be included in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) that goes into effect July 1 of the following year. We do this by developing our Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) which programs our Regional Improvement Program (RIP) shares of funding as identified by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) in the Fund Estimate (FE).

The CTC approved the Fund Estimate (FE) for the 2026 cycle at the August 14-15, 2025, meeting. The FE identified a STIP programming target through FY 2030/31 of \$1,901,000. Of the \$1,901,000, \$95,050 will be programmed for Planning, Programming and Monitoring, leaving \$1,805,950 available for projects. In the previous STIP cycle we had an unprogrammed amount of \$5,558,000 which has been added to the FE, increasing the total for projects to **\$7,363,950**.

During the 2024 STIP cycle, the FE identified a target share of \$5,558,000 and a max share of \$17,030,000. The TAC recommended reserving the target share for the County's Soda Bay Road Project as well as reserving \$5,500,000 in future shares for Clearlake's Dam Road Roundabout Project, where it was later voted and approved by the APC Board. The reason for this was because at the time there was uncertainty about when the Dam Road Roundabout Project would be ready for allocation and the County's project already had money programmed for construction and would only require an allocation request rather than programming, to utilize the target share.

Although the 2026 FE shows an additional target share, the maximum share has been reduced to \$8,677,000 through FY 31/32 from the previous \$17,030,000. This drastic reduction is a direct result of several statewide fiscal challenges. According to the California Transportation Commission (CTC), the 2026 STIP's overall programming capacity is \$155 million less than the 2024 STIP's capacity, a decrease primarily driven by a decline in incremental fuel excise tax revenue. This is a consequence of long-term trends, including a reduction in gasoline consumption and a significant number of projects from the previous cycle drawing from future shares. Furthermore, the 2026 STIP is overcommitted in its first three years, which places additional constraints on the funding available for new projects and contributes to the reduced county shares.

We anticipate the County of Lake will allocate \$5,558,000 within the next few months, which will leave a remaining balance of \$1,805,950. These funds could potentially be programmed for the City of Clearlake's Dam Road Roundabout Project to help fund the construction phase if they could make the component whole with local funds. Funds could also remain unprogrammed for now, if the City preferred to wait for additional STIP funds.

Even if a region does not program funds and instead chooses to reserve them, an RTIP is still required. This gives local agencies the flexibility to make necessary changes to current projects and helps keep them on track with funding deadlines.

ACTION REQUIRED: No Action Required. For informational and discussion purposes only.

ALTERNATIVES: None

RECOMMENDATION: None