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TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MEETING

AGENDA

Thursday, May 28, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

Primary Location:
City of Lakeport
Large Conference Room, 225 Park Street, Lakeport

Teleconference Locations:
525 South Main Street, Suite B, Ukiah
Caltrans District 1, 1656 Union Street, Eureka
14050 Olympic Drive, Clearlake
255 N Forbes Street, Lakeport

General Public Teleconference:
Zoom videoconference link is provided by request. Please send comments to our Senior Transportation Planner, John Speka, at spekaj@dow-associates.com and note the agenda item number being addressed. Oral comments will also be accepted by telephone or video during the meeting when public comment is invited.

Dial-in number: 1 (669) 900-6833 / Meeting ID: 867 0785 4309 # Passcode: 490659
Zoom link provided to members in distribution email and to public by request

1. Call to order

2. Approval of April 23, 2026 Minutes

3. Discussion and Possible Approval of Revised 2026 Lake TAC Meeting Schedule

4. Discussion and Recommendation for Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) Funding (*Villa)*

5. Announcements and Reports
    a. Lake APC
        i. Update on Planning Projects (*Speka*)
        ii. Update on 2026 Pavement Management Program (*Villa*)
        iii. Miscellaneous
    b. Lake Transit Authority
        i. Transit Hub Update (*Sookne*)
        ii. Current Transit Projects (*Sookne*)
        iii. Miscellaneous
    c. Caltrans
        i. Lake County Projects Update
        ii. Miscellaneous
    d. Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Update *(Speka)*

e. Local Agency Updates
f. Tribal Updates

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

7. Next Proposed Meeting – **June 18, 2026 – (Note: Lakeport City Hall will be closed 6/18/26)**

8. Adjourn meeting

Public Expression - The TAC welcomes participation in TAC meetings. Comments will be limited for items not on the agenda to three minutes per person, and not more than 10 minutes per subject, so that everyone may be heard. This time is limited to matters under TAC jurisdiction which have not already been considered by the TAC.

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Posted: May 22, 2026

List of Attachments:
Agenda Item #2 – Lake TAC April 23, 2026 Minutes
Agenda Item #3 – Lake TAC 2026 Meeting Schedule
Agenda Item #4 – CRP Staff Report & Fund Balance

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Draft Meeting Minutes

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Present
Blake Batten, Caltrans District 1
Ron Ladd, City of Lakeport (Director of Public Works)
Trystan Hayes, City of Clearlake (Public Works Department)
Scott Hornung, County of Lake (Deputy Public Works Director for Engineering)
James Sookne, Lake Transit Authority
Max Stockton, County of Lake (Associate Planner)

Absent
Efrain Cortez, California Highway Patrol
Lars Ewing, County of Lake (Director of Public Works)
Alan Flora, City of Clearlake (City Manager/Community Development Director)
Adeline Leyba, City of Clearlake (Director of Public Works)
Mireya Turner, County of Lake (Community Development Director)

Also Present
Lisa Davey-Bates, Lake Area Planning Council
Alexis Pedrotti, Lake Area Planning Council
Nephele Barrett, Lake Area Planning Council
Michael Villa, Lake Area Planning Council
Hector Ortega, Lake Area Planning Council
John Speka, Lake Area Planning Council
Julie St Pierre, Lake Area Planning Council
Kyle Finger, Caltrans District 1

1. Call to order
The meeting was called to order at 9:03 am.

2. Approval of January 22, 2026, Minutes
A correction to the spelling of Blake Batten's name was noted on page 5. *Moved by James, seconded by Scott, and carried unanimously to approve the January 22, 2026, minutes as corrected.*

Ron Ladd joined the meeting at 9:07 a.m., following the vote for agenda item 2.

3. Discussion and Recommended Approval of the FY 2026/27 Final Overall Work Program (OWP)

Lexi summarized the OWP process. Applications were reviewed and ranked, with three applications chosen to move forward. The draft OWP including these projects, as well as standard work elements and a grant match for a pending Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning grant application, was submitted in February for review by Caltrans. Since then, minor changes have been made. Lexi identified these changes, including estimated carryover funding amounts, and pointed out what information is still pending. The new OWP total is $974,149. There have been no changes regarding applications. *Moved by Ron, seconded by Max, and carried unanimously to recommend approval of the FY 2026/27 Overall Work Program, as prepared, to the APC Board.*

4. Announcements and Reports

a. Lake APC

i. Updates on Planning Projects/Grants -

John reported that drafts of the Zero Emissions Vehicle Infrastructure Plan as well as the Local Roads Safety Plans (LRSP) will be presented at the May 13 board meeting for adoption. The LRSPs are a requirement for the upcoming Safe Streets for All grants. The Tribal Transportation Needs Study is holding a kickoff meeting, and a technical advisory group will be formed soon. John and James will be working on the Urban Greening Grant for the Transit Hub in Clearlake. Finally, potential applications for the Active Transportation Program Grants for the City of Clearlake and a combined project with the County and the City of Lakeport are underway. The Clearlake project will focus on safer routes for vehicles and pedestrians around Burns Valley Elementary School. The combined project centers around potential improvements on Lakeshore Drive from Howard Street/Rainbow Road to Hartley Road.

ii. Update on Available Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) Funds

Michael reported on CRP, a federal funding source for projects designed to reduce transportation emissions. Funding for Cycle 1 and a portion of Cycle 2 have been de-obligated after the City of Clearlake was unable to use them. Cycles 1 and 2 now have a deadline of September 30, and later cycles may be obligated prior to the deadlines. Available funding is estimated at $613,570, but there are population restrictions which limit funding eligibility. A call for projects will be announced soon.

Ron asked a question which led to a conversation about population and census designated areas. There may be flexibility regarding population requirements. Caltrans Headquarters will have more involvement going forward. It was noted that the small funding amounts make it difficult to make an infrastructure project application worthwhile.

iii. Miscellaneous - None.

b. Lake Transit Authority

i. Transit Hub Update - James explained that the Transit Hub is still in the design phase, and they are working through the conditional use permit process. Consultants, surveyors and engineers have joined the project and are progressing.

ii. Current Transit Projects - James reported that he plans to put in an application for the CRP funds for new EV buses and charging infrastructure. Additionally, new buses were ordered several months ago and are expected soon.

iii. **Miscellaneous -** None.

c. **Caltrans**

i. **Lake County Projects Update –** Blake reported that District 1 will participate in the April 29 town hall meeting in Lucerne combining the three northshore municipal advisory committees including Western Region Town Hall, Central Region Town Hall, and Eastern Region Town Hall. The Caltrans Highway Maintenance Program is preparing to advertise for the Lake 20 Pedestrian Safety Enhancement Project involving four RRFB crossings and other safety improvements in Lucerne to discourage passing in the left turn lane. Blake also shared about a few upcoming events, including a May 21 Tribal Summit at the Middletown Rancheria, and two open houses. One will take place in Eureka in June, and another will be held in Ukiah in July. Finally, Caltrans is preparing a comment letter for the draft Local Roads Safety Plans.

ii. **Miscellaneous -** None.

d. **Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Update –** John reported that the RHNA methodology as well as the Regional Transportation Plan have been adopted. The next step is to create a RHNA plan, which will be due in the coming months.

e. **Local Agency Updates**

County of Lake: Scott reported that both the South Main Street/Soda Bay Road Project and the Hill Road Slide Project, are slated for 2027. The Konocti Road Sidewalk project will begin construction in May. The Lampson Field Airport Rehab Project is currently advertising. Additionally, Max provided an update on the Lake County 2050 General Plan, and said progress is ongoing.

City of Lakeport: Ron reported that the Lakeport Boulevard Project design is complete. He asked Michael about authorizing construction funding, and stated that there are plans to utilize city funds to expand the project.

City of Clearlake: Trystan reported on the Arrowhead/Burns Valley/Olympic Paving Project, which will begin on May 5, and the Dam Road Roundabout Project, which has bid opening on May 7.

5. **Public input on any item under the jurisdiction of this agency, but which is not otherwise on the above agenda-** None.

6. **Next Proposed Meeting** – May 28, 2026

7. **Adjourn Meeting** – Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nephele Barrett
Lake Area Planning Council

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LAKE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)
2026 MEETING SCHEDULE

January 22

February 26

March 26

April 23

May 28

June 18

July 23

August 27

September 24

October 22

November 19

December 17

Note: All meetings are scheduled to take place at the City of Lakeport - Large Conference Room at 9:00AM.

In order to participate via Zoom, your remote location must be identified on the agenda and posted as an option for the public to attend.

LAKE COUNTY/CITY AREA PLANNING COUNCIL
TAC STAFF REPORT

TITLE: Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) Discussion and Recommendation

DATE PREPARED: 5/22/2026
MEETING DATE: 5/28/2026

SUBMITTED BY: Michael Villa, Regional Project Coordinator

BACKGROUND: The Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) is a federal funding source provided by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) available for award by the RTPA. The purpose of the CRP is to reduce transportation emissions through the development of State carbon reduction strategies and by funding projects designed to reduce transportation emissions.

On April 30th, 2026 a Call for Projects was announced for the Carbon Reduction Program, with a deadline for May 21st at 5pm, during which we received one project submission. We will review and determine if this project is to be selected for the Carbon Reduction Program. TAC members were instructed to score the Project Evaluation Criteria for discussion at the May 28 meeting.

Below is a brief summary of the project:

2026 Zero Emission Bus Purchase (Lake APC) – Received 5/21/26, 4:50p.m.
Funding Requested: $613,571 (CON)
Total Requested: $613,571

At this time the TAC will discuss/review the application and scoring sheet. Then a recommendation will be made for the Lake APC Board of Directors to approve.

ACTION REQUIRED: Yes

ALTERNATIVES: None.

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval for the Lake APC Board

FOR PREVIEW USE ONLY

Local Carbon Reduction Program Project Alignment Confirmation (PAC) Form Submittal

Instructions:

1. We recommend you use this Word document to prepare your responses, as the online form cannot be saved mid-process. Once you have prepared all your answers in this Word document, return to the online form and paste your responses there.
2. After submission, a PDF of your responses will be generated and sent to an email address you identify below to obtain the Local Agency and MPO/RTPA signatures. The email will be titled "*Local CRP Project Alignment Confirmation Form Submitted: Signatures Needed.*"
3. Once you have obtained both signatures, email the completed PDF to carbon.reduction@dot.ca.gov for Caltrans' review and approval.
4. The Caltrans Office of Sustainability (Sustainability) will then review the project for alignment with the Carbon Reduction Strategy.
5. If Sustainability approves, they will send the form to the Caltrans Division of Local Assistance for their review and approval of the project's proposed funding and schedule.
6. A response will be sent back to the MPO/RTPA within 15 business days of the email submittal of the signed PDF.

Links:

- Learn more about the process at the Caltrans Local CRP webpage.
- View all projects at the public dashboard.
- Send questions to carbon.reduction@dot.ca.gov.

*****Required Information*

Information Needed for Online Form Submittal

***What type of submittal is this?**

☒ I am submitting an application for a **new** local CRP project.

☐ I am submitting a **revision** to a signed and approved local CRP Project Alignment Confirmation form.

***For a *REVISION to replace an existing signed and approved local CRP project*, enter the Project ID for your project** The Project ID will be in this format: PAC-YYYY-### and may be found on the first page of the original PAC form under "Project Information" (only on newer versions of the form). You may also find your Project ID **here**:

Click or tap here to enter text.

Agency Information

***Local Agency Name:** Lake County/City Area Planning Council

***County:** Lake

***Congressional District** Look up your District here**:** 4

***Caltrans District:** 1

***MPO or RTPA** For urban area specify MPO; for rural area specify MPO or RTPA. Must have jurisdiction where project is located. Please check this link to be sure your MPO/RTPA is listed in our system. If your MPO or RTPA is not listed, please email carbon.reduction@dot.ca.gov to have it added to the system prior to submittal:

Lake County/City Area Planning Council

***Contact Name** Enter the local agency contact to answer any questions regarding this form and proposed project: James Sookne

***Contact Title:** Program Manager

***Primary Phone No.:** 707-234-3314

Secondary Phone No.: Click or tap here to enter text.

***Email:** jsookne@dbcteam.net

Project Information

***Project Name:** 2026 Zero Emission Bus Purchase

☐ **FOR REVISION SUBMITTALS ONLY, please check this box if this is a REVISED PROJECT NAME to replace an existing and approved PAC submittal** If this is not a REVISION or Project Name was not revised, please do not check this box.

> *** Enter ORIGINAL PROJECT NAME if "Revised Project Name" box was checked above.** Original Project Name will help us identify and replace that project for record-keeping purposes.

***Project Location:** Lakeport, CA

***Scope of Work:** Purchase of two battery electric buses and the necessary charging equipment

Project Authorization Funding and Schedule

***Select the phase(s) where CRP funding is requested.**

☐ **PE**
☐ **RW**
☒ **CON**
☐ **CE**

***Enter estimated month/year (mm/yyyy) when authorization will be requested ONLY for the selected phase(s) above.**

PE:

RW:

CON: 07/2026

CE:

Select the Federal Program Code(s) ONLY corresponding to each phase where CRP funding is requested.** Federal Program Codes are Y600, Y601, Y606, Y607, & Y608. Local Agencies shall review the Apportionments section on the Caltrans Local CRP Apportionments webpage and consult with their MPO/RTPA and Caltrans District Local Assistance Engineer (DLAE) for code selections. ***Failure to identify the correct codes may result in the need for PAC form resubmittal.

PE: ☐ **Y600** ☐ **Y601** ☐ **Y606** ☐ **Y607** ☐ **Y608**

RW:	☐ **Y600**	☐ **Y601**	☐ **Y606**	☐ **Y607**	☐ **Y608**
CON:	☐ **Y600**	☐ **Y601**	☐ **Y606**	☒ **Y607**	☐ **Y608**
CE:	☐ **Y600**	☐ **Y601**	☐ **Y606**	☐ **Y607**	☐ **Y608**

***Enter Grant Fund Amount for each phase and Federal Program Code ONLY where CRP funding is requested.** Enter ONLY NUMERALS into the online form, no commas or symbols.

PE Y600:
PE Y601:
PE Y606:
PE Y607:
PE Y608:

RW Y600:
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RW Y607:
RW Y608:

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CON Y607: $613,570.86
CON Y608:

CE Y600:
CE Y601:
CE Y606:
CE Y607:
CE Y608:

☐ **Check this box if requesting "Flex" FTA funding transfer (for transit, transit related, and multi-modal projects** See FHWA CRP Guidance Section C, No. 3 for more information.

Local Agency Signatory's Information for Certification, if known:

If Local Agency Signatory Information is not known, leave the fields blank. The information can be entered when signatures are obtained.

Name: James Sookne

Job Title: Program Manager

Agency: Lake County/City Area Planning Council

Email: jsookne@dbcteam.net

Phone: 707-234-3314

MPO (or Rural RTPA without MPO) Signatory's Information for Certification, if known:

If MPO/RTPA Signatory Information is not known, leave the fields blank. The information can be entered when signatures are obtained.

Name: Lisa Davey-Bates

Job Title: Executive Director

Agency: Lake County/City Area Planning Council

Email: ldaveybates@dbcteam.net

Phone: 707-234-3314

Contact responsible for collecting Local Agency and MPO/Rural RTPA signatures:

This contact will receive an automatically generated PDF containing the form responses and will then need to obtain Local Agency and MPO/RTPA signatures in the appropriate certification sections of the PDF. After the signatures are obtained, please email the PDF to carbon.reduction@dot.ca.gov for Caltrans' review, as described in the instructions above.

***Email address:** Click or tap here to enter text.

Please doublecheck that the email address is typed correctly.

Once you have completed this Word document, you may copy/paste your answers in the online submittal form, as outlined in the instructions on the first page.

Carbon Reduction Program Policy/Application Requirements

On February 14, 2024, the Lake APC Board of Directors approved and adopted the policy for the administration and management of CRP funds for the Lake County Region. Eligible applicants should refer to the following policies as they prepare their applications.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

A. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) (Bipartisan Infrastructure Law) provides $6.4 billion dollars to states, Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), and non-MPO Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs) like the Lake Area Planning Council (Lake APC) for the Carbon Reduction Program (CRP). The purpose of the CRP is to reduce transportation carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions, from on-road sources. CRP funds are available for five years (2022-2026) and provide opportunities to support local priorities that decrease CO2 emissions in the transportation sector and support regions towards net zero emissions by 2050.

B. The allocations are split, with 65% as Local CRP and 35% as State CRP. Local CRP is allocated by population based on the 2020 US Census Urbanized Areas (UZA). Local CRP funds are allocated to MPOs or RTPAs and must be made available for use within the entire boundary. For Lake APC, this means the entire Lake County region. The CRP funds cannot be further suballocated within the Lake APC boundary. Instead, Lake APC must use a competitive, performance-driven process to select and program projects for CRP funds.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

A. Eligible applicants include Lake APC, cities, counties, tribal governments, transit agencies, and non-profit organizations within the Lake County region. For-profit organizations are not eligible. All other entities must partner with a city, county, or transit agency to apply for and/or administer a federal aid transportation project.

B. Since this is a reimbursement program, recipients must have the capacity to cover project costs at the outset of project or program implementation. Eligible expenses will be reimbursed once the applicant has submitted a reimbursement request and supporting documentation.

PROJECT ELIGIBILITY

A. CRP funds cover many different types of activities that address carbon emission reductions. A full list of eligible activities is available in the FHWA program guidance: https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/sustainability/energy/policy/crp_guidance.pdf.

B. The utilization of CRP funds necessitates their allocation to projects from the federally-eligible list, strategically supporting three crucial pillars: bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, rail and

transit initiatives, and the development of zero-emission vehicles and related infrastructure. Eligible applicants must indicate on their Project Evaluation Criteria form how the proposed project meets one or more of the above "pillar" categories.

C. It is required that an 11.47% percent local match, consisting of non-federal funds, be provided.

D. The funds can be flexed to FTA upon approval by Caltrans and FHWA. If funds are flexed to FTA, FTA local match rules apply.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

A. Priority – I
   - A public transportation project eligible under 23 U.S.C. 142; (this includes eligible capital projects for the construction of a bus rapid transit corridor or dedicated bus lanes as provided for in BIL Section 11130 (23 U.S.C. 142(a)(3)).
   - A transportation alternative (as defined under the Moving Ahead for Progress under the 21st Century Act [23 U.S.C. 101(a)(29), as in effect on July 5, 2012]), including, but not limited to, the construction, planning, and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other nonmotorized forms of transportation.
   - Development of a carbon reduction strategy developed by a State per requirements in 23 U.S.C. 175(d).
   - A project or strategy designed to support congestion pricing, shifting transportation demand to nonpeak hours or other transportation modes, increasing vehicle occupancy rates, or otherwise reducing demand for roads, including electronic toll collection, and travel demand management strategies and programs.
   - Efforts to reduce the environmental and community impacts of freight movement.
   - Sustainable pavements and construction materials. Sustainable pavements technologies that reduce embodied carbon during the manufacture and/or construction of highway projects could be eligible for CRP if a lifecycle assessment (LCA) demonstrates substantial reductions in CO2 compared to the implementing Agency's typical pavement-related practices.
   - Climate Uses of Highway Right-of-Way Projects including alternative uses of highway right-of-way (ROW) that reduce transportation emissions are also eligible. For example, renewable energy generation facilities, such as solar arrays and wind turbines, can reduce transportation emissions.
   - Mode Shift Projects that maximize the existing right-of-way for accommodation of non-motorized modes and transit options that increase safety, equity, accessibility, and connectivity may be eligible.
   - Projects that separate motor vehicles from pedestrians and bicyclists

B. Priority – II

- A project described in 23 U.S.C. 149(b)(4) to establish or operate a traffic monitoring, management, and control facility or program, including advanced truck stop electrification systems.
- A project described in 23 U.S.C. 503(c)(4)(E) for advanced transportation and congestion management technologies.
- Deployment of infrastructure-based intelligent transportation systems capital improvements and the installation of vehicle-to-infrastructure communications equipment.
- A project to replace street lighting and traffic control devices with energy-efficient alternatives.
- A project that supports deployment of alternative fuel vehicles, including acquisition, installation, or operation of publicly accessible electric vehicle charging infrastructure or hydrogen, vehicle fueling infrastructure, and purchase or lease of zero-emission construction equipment and vehicles, including the acquisition, construction, or leasing of required supporting facilities.
- A project described in 23 U.S.C. 149(b)(8) for a diesel engine retrofit.
- Certain types of projects to improve traffic flow that are eligible under the CMAQ program, and that do not involve construction of new capacity; [§ 11403; 23 U.S.C. 149(b)(5); and 175(c)(1)(L)].
- A project that reduces transportation emissions at port facilities, including through the advancement of port electrification.
- Climate Uses of Highway Right-of-Way Projects including alternative uses of highway right-of-way (ROW) that reduce transportation emissions are also eligible. For example, biologic carbon sequestration practices along highway ROW to capture and store CO2 may demonstrate potential for substantial long-term transportation emissions reductions. State DOTs Leveraging Alternative Uses of the Highway Right-of-Way Guidance provides information on these practices.
- Projects that match vehicle speeds to the built environment, increase visibility (e.g., lighting), and advance implementation of a Safe System approach and improve safety for vulnerable road users may also be eligible.
- Micromobility and electric bike projects, including charging infrastructure, may also be eligible.

LAKE APC AND PARTNER ROLES

A. FHWA and Caltrans guidelines identify the roles and responsibilities of state, regional, and local agencies. The following is a summary of those roles:
    a. The **FHWA** is responsible for final review and approval.
    b. **Caltrans HQ Division of Local Assistance** is responsible for performing eligibility review of projects selected by Lake APC.
    c. District 1 is responsible for reviewing projects, inputting the project information into the Funding Allocation and Delivery System (FADS), and submitting the project details to the Headquarters Implementation division of Caltrans.

d. **Lake APC** is responsible for developing a program for managing CRP funds, conducting a call for projects, selecting projects for funding, programming projects for funding, and tracking progress on project funding. Lake APC may also serve as an eligible applicant.
e. **Eligible applicants** identify eligible projects and compete for CRP funds, provide Lake APC and Caltrans necessary information for the programming of funds on selected projects, implement and complete projects, and submit annual (or more frequent) reporting for their projects.

CALL FOR PROJECTS AND PROJECT SELECTION

A. Lake APC announces a call for projects via email and Lake APC's website and provides guidance and technical support to applicants.

B. All projects undergo thorough evaluation to ensure alignment with project eligibility criteria and funding priorities, thereby ensuring consistency and strategic allocation of resources.

C. Following the application deadline, applications will be selected through a competitive process.

PROJECT FUNDING, PROGRAMMING, AND OBLIGATION

A. The Obligation Deadline (E76) for the year 2022 is September 30, 2025, while for 2023 it is September 30, 2026. The deadlines for the years 2024 to 2026 will be determined based on updates from Caltrans at this website: https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/carbon-reduction-program. It is important to note that the deadline to obligate (E76) is three Federal Fiscal Years after the FFY the funds were apportioned.

B. The Expenditure Deadline for the years 2022 and 2023 is September 30, 2030, and September 30, 2031, respectively. The Expenditure Deadline for the years 2024 to 2026 will be determined based on updates from Caltrans at this website: https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/carbon-reduction-program .

C. To effectively manage project funds Lake APC will:
- Review all projects to ensure compliance with Build America Buy America (BABA) requirements, if applicable.
- Conduct quarterly monitoring project process to identify potential issues or delays that could impede timely completion.
- When a project is at risk of delay or cancellation, promptly notify the local agency responsible for implementation. Request the agency to assess the reasons behind the project's inability to proceed.
- Seek the board's approval for reprogramming funds towards a new project(s) if needed.
- Once approved, initiate the necessary steps to obligate the funds for the selected project(s) and coordinate with relevant stakeholders for smooth execution.
- Continuously monitor the progress of the new project(s) to ensure timely implementation, promptly addressing any issues or delays and taking corrective actions as necessary.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Eligible entities must submit the following documents as part of their application request:

A. Project Alignment Confirmation (Attachment A)
B. A map of the project location
C. Project Evaluation Criteria (Attachment B)
D. Preliminary project estimate
E. Additional project support documents, such as excerpts from prior plans or studies may also be attached.

EVALUATIONS

Due to the limited funding available, in the event partner agency requests exceed available funding the project requests will be evaluated by a review panel and scores will be determined by consensus, based on the following initial evaluation criteria:

Project Evaluation Criteria	Points
Eligible Activities and how well the project supports the State's priorities and one (or more) of the three pillars of the State's CRS plan: • Bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure • Rail and transit initiatives • Zero-emission vehicles and related infrastructure	**20**
Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Regional Priorities/Region-wide benefits	**15**
Project Readiness	**5**
Maximum Available Points	**40**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information on Lake APC's CRP policy please contact Michael Villa, Lake APC Project Coordinator at 707-263-7799

ATTACHMENTS

A. Project Alignment Confirmation Form
B. Project Evaluation Criteria

Project Evaluation Criteria

1) Supports the State's Priorities and one (or more) three pillars of the State's CRS plan 20 points

Applicants must specify how their project aligns with eligible activities as defined in the FHWA guidelines and should describe which of the State's three Carbon Reduction Strategy "Pillars" the project falls under (must be one, but can be more) and how the project supports them.

The Lake APC, on behalf of Lake Transit Authority, is applying for funding for the purchase of two zero emission battery electric buses and necessary charging infrastructure. The two buses will initially be used on the local Route 8 in Lakeport and may be used on additional routes after analyzing usage data. This project supports two of the three "Pillars" of the State's Carbon Reduction Strategy. It will help promote transit service by providing new, reliable buses, ensuring consistent service in the and around the city of Lakeport. These buses will replace traditional internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicles with battery electric buses, reducing LTA's GHG footprint and supporting the transition to a zero-emission fleet.

2) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and regional priorities 15 points

Describe how the project relates to the regional priorities considered in the Lake County RTP and how the region-wide benefits refer to positive outcomes and advantages that are experienced by an entire region or area, rather that being limited to sepcific individuals or communities.

This project is consistent with the following policies of the 2026 Lake County Regional Transportation Plan/Active Transportation Plan:

- OI-3: Reduce Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions by promoting and facilitating transit use and increasing active transportation alternatives
- PT-4.1: Continue to see ways in which to reduce Greenhouse Gas emissions from public transit sources
- PT-4.2: Seek ways in which to reduce fuel and utility costs for public transit

This project will lower fuel and maintenance costs on the buses used on the Route 8, leading to cost savings that can be used towards other routes in the system. It will also begin LTA's transition to zero emission vehicles which, when complete, will benefit the entire region.

3) Project Readiness 5 points

Applicants must specify the current phase of the project and estimated time of delivery for future phases.

Once funding is approved and obligated, LTA will begin the procurement process of the new buses and charging infrastructure.