



Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, June 21, 2019

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Location:

Hanford Civic Auditorium

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Hanford, CA 93230

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| AGENDA June 21, 2019 | | |
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| Item | | |
| I. | Convene Meeting & Introductory Remarks | Chairman Vito Chiesa |
| II. | Recognition of Dignitaries and Sponsors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Darrel Pyle, City Manager, City of Hanford • Sue Sorensen, Mayor, City of Hanford | Chairman Chiesa |
| III. | Public and Board Comments | Public and Board |
| IV. | Consent Calendar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes • Work Group/Priority Reports • Letters of Support • Community Correspondence | Ismael Herrera |
| V. | Sustainability Subcommittee Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AB 1274 (Arambula & Salas) | Ismael Herrera |
| VI. | Legislative Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kristina Solberg, Field Representative, U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein • Matt Rogers, District Director, U.S. Senator Kamala Harris • Gilbert Felix, District Director, U.S. Representative T.J. Cox, CA-21 • Maria Lemus, District Director, California State Senator Melissa Hurtado, District 14 • Dameane Douglas, Principal Field Representative, California State Assemblymember Rudy Salas, District 32 • Larry Salinas, Executive Director, Governmental Relations, Office of the President, California State University, Fresno | Chairman Chiesa |
| VII. | Topic: Regions Rise Together <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Micah Weinberg, CEO, California Forward | Chairman Chiesa |
| VIII. | Partnership Priority #4 – San Joaquin Valley Rail Service Topic: SB 742 Update | Chairman Chiesa |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dan Leavitt, Manager of Regional Initiatives, San Joaquin Valley Rail Commission | |
| IX. | Lunch | |
| X. | <p>Topic: San Joaquin Valley Air Quality Issues/SB 526 (Allen) Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ted Smalley, Executive Director, Tulare County Association of Governments • Tom Jordan, Senior Policy Advisor, San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District • Caitlin M. Miller, Air Pollution Specialist, California Air Resources Board | Chairman Chiesa |
| XI. | <p>Topic: San Joaquin Valley 2020 U.S. Census Complete Count Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus Martinez, Executive Director, Central Valley Immigrant Integration Collaborative • Cindy Quezada, Senior Program Officer, Sierra Health Foundation | Chairman Chiesa |
| XII. | Public and Board Comments | Public and Board |
| XIII. | Adjournment | Chairman Chiesa |



Thank you!



California Partnership for the
San Joaquin Valley

Minutes

2019 Q1 Board of Directors Meeting- March 15, 2019 (Madera, CA)

Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, March 15, 2019

10am – 3pm

MEETING MINUTES

I. Convene Meeting, Introductory Remarks

Chairman Vito Chiesa called the first quarter 2019 meeting of the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley (Partnership) to order at 10:02 a.m. at the Madera County Superintendent of Schools Conference Center in Madera and initiated introductions around the table.

Board members present were James Aleru, Lynne Ashbeck, Sharri Bender Ehlert, Vito Chiesa, DeeDee D’Adamo, Lee Ann Eager, Bryn Forhan, Andrew Genasci, Carole Goldsmith, Glenda Humiston, Genoveva Islas, Ellen Junn, Adam Peck, Adam Peck, Patty Poire, Mary Renner, Chuck Rojas, Albert Rivas, Max Rodriguez, Karen Ross, Luis Santana, Jim Suennen, Robert Tse, Kim Vann, Cherylee Wegman, and Jim Yovino

Board Deputies present were Albert Rivas and Jim Suennen

II. Recognition of Sponsors and Dignitaries

Chairman Chiesa recognized and thanked Caglia Environmental for their generous sponsorship of the meeting as well as recognizing Andrew Medellin, Mayor of the City of Madera and Max Rodriguez, Chairman of the Madera County Board of Supervisors.

III. Public and Board Comments

Chairman Chiesa invited comments from the Board and the public. Glenda Humiston thanked the Partnership for their support for Anna Caballero’s farm bill, and while it didn’t pass it will be brought forward again in the upcoming legislative cycle and would appreciate continued support. Glenda also highlighted the California State Economic Summit coming to Fresno this year for the first time in the Valley with focus on High Value Use of Biomass, Broadband and Water Infrastructure. She recommended Ish be on the steering committee.

Secretary Ross thanked Sonya Logman of the Governor’s Office for continued commitment to keep the issues of the San Joaquin Valley, especially rural areas, at the forefront in the Governor’s office. Sonya indicated an emphasis not only on agriculture, but also drinking water and broadband.

Jim Suennen gave an update on the EITC.

Albert Rivas gave an update on the Governor putting a moratorium on the death penalty.

IV. Consent Calendar

Chairman Chiesa moved to approve the consent calendar as published including addendum. Ellen Junn seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

V. Sustainability Subcommittee Update

Sustainability Subcommittee updates were provided by Ismael Herrera. Joaquin Arambula is sponsoring AB 1274 to codify the Partnership so that it would not be dependent upon executive order. There is a potential change in authorship that may be pending. Meetings are ongoing to identify potential partnerships.

VI. Legislative Update

Matt Rogers for U.S. Senator Kamala Harris - announced updated water allocation projection for the West Side and need new numbers as soon as possible for farmers and rural community water needs. The Senator, along with twelve Republican representatives and all other Democrats, voted to terminate the National Emergency Declaration and will continue to oppose any budget that includes funding for an unnecessary border wall. She has introduced the LIFT Act proposed to provide a \$6,000 per year tax cut for families with income less than \$100K.

Sandra Garcia for U.S. Representative Jim Costa - championed HR-1 making institutions more inclusive and transparent, HR-5 equality for LGBTQ community rights and HR-24 calling for Mueller report to be made public once released (passed 420-0 vote).

Jennifer Hidalgo for CA Senator Anna Caballero - SB-744 No Place Like Home Program, SB-669 Safe Drinking Water, and SB-298 Poverty Reduction for children.

Mika Petrucci for CA Assemblymember Frank Bigelow – represents 9 counties with Madera being one of the largest cities. Issues being explored include insurance for constituents in the wildfire areas. Opposed Governor Newsome’s decision to impose a moratorium on the death penalty and supporting a petition. Supporting AB1375 Dead Tree removal cost share with 90% subsidy from disaster relief fund.

Kristina Solberg for U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein – Number one priority is comprehensive immigration solution. Reintroduced Agricultural Worker Program Act which provides temporary documented status leading to green card status and citizenship. Bills to be introduced related to homelessness (HRSA funding instead of HUD potentially more flexible to provide wrap around services) and wildfire prevention (development of new technologies).

VII. Partnership Priority #1: Water Supply & Quality

Water Policy Updates:

Secretary Karen Ross, Governor is committed to resolving safe drinking water issues this year.

DeeDee D'Adamo, State Water Resources Control Board, developing safe and affordable drinking water funding and administration. Bay Delta plan update overview. Phase I San Joaquin and Phase II Sacramento. Evolving science to protect the environment for the fish to balance flow. Exploring win-win solutions rather than polarities (North vs South, Fish vs Farm, etc).

Jeff Payne, Friant Water Authority, policy to move towards win-win solutions. Flow Measures, Integrated Management, Science, Monitoring and Funding. Comparison of proposals. Preparing SED for State board consideration.

VIII. Partnership Priority #3: Higher Education

Future of Education in the San Joaquin Valley:

Norma Rojas-Mora, Abel Guzman, Liz Rozell, Bakersfield College, looking at eliminating barriers (social, cultural, economic, etc.) to education.

Romeo Agbalog, Kern Community College District, Aaron Resendez, McFarland Unified School District, Brian Bell, McFarland High School, Exploring educational opportunities for youth allowing college credit while in high school so that student graduates with a high school diploma and an AA. McFarland High School offering Early College program. Statistics tend to focus on deficits, but with Early College focus shifts to possibilities. Additional educational opportunities changes family dynamics. Students not interested in formal college education also have options for workforce certificates. K-12 has to change! The model can be replicated in any district with collaboration between multiple partners.

Dr. Carole Goldsmith, Fresno City College, AB288 allowed these programs to exist and enforced partnerships. These programs are at risk. Support for AB30 will allow these programs to continue to exist and simplify the process.

Chairman Chiesa and others asked for language to be sent to facilitate support of AB30.

Glenda Humiston brought forth a call for support of 4-H as a supplement to the Early College model facilitating greater enrollment in STEM courses.

Lynne Ashbeck appreciated the positive story and encouraged highlighting more of what can be and is being done.

IX. Lunch

X. Partnership Priority #5: Regional Industry Clusters

Opportunity Zones

Kaina Pereira, Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, where the opportunity zones are, how they were selected and what they encompass. Regulations being developed concurrent with comment period. Websites available for further information.

XI. Partnership Priority #6: Broadband

Rural Broadband Update:

Kim Dolbow Vann, Rocky W. Chenelle, USDA, there are 8 programs for Broadband. Regulations are still being developed and each has its own regulations. The most interest is in the grant programs. There are challenges in each. Glenda Humiston brought up that most preclude California from being able to apply. Rocky provided tips for applicants. Imperial County has a good model that Kim would share if there was interest. Best practice is to call and discuss project to see how it can be funded. Chairman Chiesa commented that it is important to provide comments about what doesn't work for California.

XII. Public and Board Comments

There were no comments.

XIV. Adjournment

Chairman Chiesa and Ismael Herrera thanked all Board members and meeting hosts for their time and attendance. The meeting was adjourned at 2:49 p.m.



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| Work Group | Air Quality |
| Partnership Staff Liaison | Ismael Herrera |
| Lead Organization | San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District |
| Lead Organization Contact | Jaime Holt |
| Quarter | 1 st Quarter 2019 |
| Reporting Period | January 1 – March 31, 2019 |

In January, the Valley Air District Governing Board approved \$5,000,000 in funding for a new incentive program to replace older, high-polluting emergency vehicles in the San Joaquin Valley. This program will offer incentive funds to Valley cities, counties, fire protection districts and other public entities, who are interested in replacing their existing equipment with newer, cleaner vehicles. Eligible vehicles include pumper trucks, ladder trucks, water tenders or other diesel powered fire trucks and emergency vehicles. The amount of funding per vehicle is expected to vary significantly based on the specific vehicle miles travelled, fuel usage and age of the vehicle. Incentive amounts will be provided up to 90% of the eligible project costs and capped at the Carl Moyer Program maximum cost effectiveness limits.

In February, the Valley Air District Governing Board approved the allocation of up to \$47,500 in funding, leveraged with \$75,000 in public and private match funding from the South Coast Air Quality Management District, Port of Los Angeles, County of Merced, County of Fresno, County of Madera, City of Fresno, and Central Valley Community Foundation, to conduct a study on the feasibility of developing new transportation infrastructure to shift shipping containers from trucks to rail via an inland port system. The development of an inland port near the agricultural and industrial hubs of the Valley could greatly reduce the amount of truck traffic and associated emissions on Valley highways, by allowing goods to be shipped via railway instead of on heavy-duty trucks. The proposed feasibility study will analyze the economic viability and potential emissions reductions of an inland port complex to be located at the former Castle Air Force Base in Merced County, with rail connections installed up and down the SR-99 corridor. The study, which has been proposed to be completed by the consulting group, GLDPartners, will include research on cargo movement markets (including imports and exports to the Valley), interviews of key shippers and carriers, the development of a preliminary logistics business model, and an evaluation of quantifiable environmental improvements. Study results will be used to support business partnership discussions with key stakeholders necessary for the development of the inland port system, including the railroads, importers, exporters, ports, ocean carriers, third-party logistic operators, public agencies and policy makers. The study is expected to be completed by September 2019.

Also in February, the Valley Air District Governing Board approved \$4,000,000 in additional incentive funding for the Valley Air District's new Zero Emission Agricultural Utility Terrain Vehicle (Ag UTV) Program. This program, funded through the state's Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emissions Reductions (FARMER) program provides incentives to replace older, higher polluting gasoline or diesel powered Utility Terrain Vehicles (UTVs) used in agriculture operations with new, zero-emission UTVs. This program was launched by the Valley Air District in October 2018 and was immediately well-received by the agricultural community. The Valley Air District has received more than 146 applications per month, quickly exhausting

the initial \$5,000,000 allocation. Through this program, the Valley Air District has been able to replace more than 460 old high-polluting gasoline or diesel UTVs with new zero-emission units. The additional \$4,000,000 allocation approved by the Governing Board brings the total Valley Air District investment in this program to \$9,000,000 for the current fiscal year.

In March, the Valley Air District Governing Board approved enhancements to the Valley Air District's Clean Green Yard Machine Program, which will now provide rebates for the purchase of a variety of new electric lawn mowers, edgers, trimmers, chain saws, and pole saws without the need to scrap a corresponding gas powered unit. These rebates are based on the purchase price of the new equipment with rebates up to \$25 for equipment with a purchase price less than or equal to \$100, and rebates up to \$50 for equipment with a purchase price more than \$100. Enhanced incentives up to \$250 are still available for the purchase of an electric lawn mower with the retirement of a gas-powered lawn mower at a partnering dismantling facility.

Additionally, the Valley Air District Governing Board approved a resolution authorizing the Valley Air District to apply for \$104,304,000 in Year 2 funding for the state's FARMER Program. The Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emissions Reductions (FARMER) program provides critical funding for the replacement of older, higher-polluting agricultural equipment including tractors, irrigation pump engines, agricultural trucks and agricultural utility terrain vehicles (UTVs). The FARMER Program builds upon more than 25 years of collaboration and innovation between the Valley agricultural community, during which the Valley Air District, CARB and the agricultural community have collectively invested more than \$1.2 billion in public and private funding towards replacing old, higher-polluting equipment and implementing other measures to reduce emissions associated with agricultural operations. In Year 1 of the FARMER Program, the Valley Air District received 80% of the total statewide allocation of funding (\$108,000,000), based on the agricultural equipment inventory as well as the need for further reductions in emissions to meet federal air quality standards. In Year 2, the Valley Air District is again set to receive at least 80% of the total statewide funding, or \$104,304,000.

In March, the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District released its *Annual Report to the Community*. The purpose of the report is to provide Valley residents with a detailed account of the Valley Air District's operations in the preceding year. In contrast to the many detailed, highly scientific and technical reports that are regularly published by the Valley Air District, this report outlines the Valley Air District's goals, objectives, legal obligations, and actions in a more concise and easy to follow format for the general public. The report details the current regulatory challenges faced by the Valley Air District and the extensive growth in the Valley Air District's emissions reduction incentive programs, provides an update on the journey to cleaner air, reviews the accomplishments of the past year and highlights key issues faced by Valley with regard to air quality. Once finalized, copies will be available online at www.valleyair.org and as printed hardcopies upon request.

In March, the Valley Air District Governing Board received a detailed report on efforts by the Valley Air District and authorized District staff to distribute the report to county boards of supervisors, city councils, and local health officers. The Valley Air District's integrated air toxics program integrates local, state and federal measures to prevent localized air toxic hot spots, reduce regional air toxic risk from various source categories and prevent significant risk to the public from new and expanding facilities. Through these efforts the Valley residents have seen a reduction of nearly 90% in cancer risk due to air toxics during the last two decades. For more details, the Annual Air Toxics Report for the Year 2018 is available at www.valleyair.org.

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| Work Group | Economic Development |
| Partnership Staff Liaison | Ismael Herrera |
| Lead Organization | California Central Valley Economic Development Corporation |
| Lead Organization Contact | Jennifer Faughn |
| Quarter | 1 st Quarter 2019 |
| Reporting Period | January 1 – March 31, 2019 |

The proceeding four pages comprise this quarter's report.

California Central Valley EDC (CCVEDC) is the regional economic development marketing group for the 8-county region; focusing on local and national outreach to business and brokers that need sites, information and solutions. Join us in celebrating our new 2019 Outreach “**300 Miles of Opportunity**” where we will talk about “*Workforce, Incentives and Sites - the trifecta of site selection- We've got it all in the Central Valley*”

Activities in 1st Quarter 2019:

BUSINESS ASSISTANCE- During the 1st Quarter of 2019, CCVEDC reached out to over **1180 businesses**.

Through these contacts, they provided region-wide proposals to **11 companies** looking for a location. There were 5 Warehouse Distribution inquiries, 1 Manufacturing, 1 Food Processing, 2 Renewable Energy, 1 Back Office and 1 Development or Broker Assistance. **Several companies located to Central Valley**, including two that were assisted by CCVEDC; a food processing company retention/expansion and Brandman Private College. Other new locations and expansions include: Blue Diamond Growers, Jatco, T-Mobile Call Center, Amazon, Messer Carbon Dioxide Plant and Millipore Sigma, life sciences DC.



WestPack in Anaheim, February 2019

TRADE SHOW- CCVEDC attended the international trade show, **WestPack**, at the Anaheim convention center. This show is co-located with 5 other major shows. There were 240 people that came through our booth; leading to 55 businesses that requested more information on the Central Valley and 2 companies requesting sites, to date.

BROKER MISSIONS- Two Broker missions were conducted to discuss the value of doing business in Central California, with site selectors, brokers and tenant representatives. CCVEDC reached out to over **490 brokers in the Bay Area** resulting in meetings with **40 brokers in 18 meetings** at major brokerage houses. From those meetings, the Central Valley has **2 new potential projects and 18 RFIs**. The second smaller mission was in Sacramento where we met **13 brokers in 6 meetings** with **one new project**. Follow-up is made to all brokers.



ENEWS: Workforce, Opportunity Zones and Spec Buildings

ENEWS and COUNTY SPOTLIGHTS - CCVEDC has a monthly newsletter that is emailed out to all the industry and broker contacts. Quarterly these emails are good news and economic stories about the valley. On the other months, individual counties have an opportunity to be highlighted. **Four (4)** newsletters, listed below, were distributed: 1) Workforce, Opportunity Zones, Spec Buildings in Central California; 2) Special WestPack Coupon Edition; 3) Kings County Spotlight, 4) Regional Industry and Real Estate News. The open rate on **California brokers was 32.3%, Companies were 26%** and the **National broker list was 24%** which exceeds industry standards by almost 10%. Two more County Spotlights are scheduled for April: San Joaquin and Kern. May: Madera and Stanislaus. June: Merced and Tulare.

WORKFORCE- CCVEDC has been working with the Central California Workforce Collaborative (CCWC) on a joint marketing partnership directed to businesses and Site Selectors working in the Valley. CCVEDC has updated its priorities to include highlighting Workforce Initiatives. New information or emails can be disseminated to over **15,000 Valley businesses** through the 8 County EDCs.



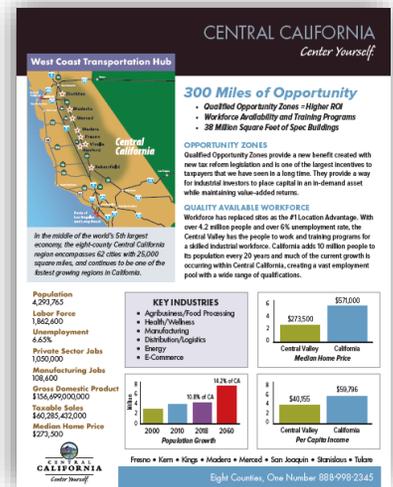
SIOR 2019 Kick-off, Nor CA

SOCIETY OF INDUSTRIAL AND OFFICE REALTORS- Central Valley networked with **147 brokers** at **two (2)** Northern California SIOR activities. These events keep the Central Valley in touch with top decision makers in the real estate industry. The first was an SIOR Kick-off Event at Silicon Valley Capital Club in Newport Beach with about **85 attendees**. The next event was the **SPRING WINE DINNER** held at Del Dotto Vineyards in St. Helena, CA with **62 attendees**. SIOR is the leading networking group in California for brokers that are dealing with national site selection decisions.

were researched and developed by CCVEDC. **Central Valley Large Build-to-Suit Sites** and an update of the **Central California Digital Overview** was completed, highlighting the 300 miles of Opportunity with Qualified Opportunity Zones, Workforce Availability and Training and close to 40 million in Spec Buildings in the Central Valley.

MARKETING INTELLIGENCE PIECES- Two new valley-wide reports

WEBSITE- CCVEDC's website is updated daily and is an important outreach tool targeted toward site selection professionals and potential companies. It provides valuable and comprehensive demographic information and news the Central Valley Region. "One Region ... One Contact" is an important component of the regional effort. Key Industry descriptions were recently added <http://centralcalifornia.org/key-industries/> CCWC was added to the Sponsors in the 'About Us' section <http://centralcalifornia.org/about-us/> and to the Workforce & Education section <http://centralcalifornia.org/location-advantages/workforce/#ujump>. Information on programs will be added as received.



REGIONAL LEADERSHIP- The CCVEDC provides regional leadership through its work to educate Sacramento legislators on issues affecting the valley; representation with for the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley; and participation in regional, statewide and national boards. In March, representatives from EDC's



throughout the Valley met with more than 20 legislators and top government officials to bring the voice of Central Valley businesses to the Capital. On the list of top priorities for the valley were Workforce Development, Infrastructure Development, Regulatory and Tax Reforms, Opportunity Zone

and Tax Incentives. Central Valley priorities were presented in comparison to a list of top site selection factors for business.

SOCIAL MEDIA - CCVEDC actively posts economic development news on LinkedIn and Twitter. During this quarter posts were made on:



- CCVEDC will be in the Bay Area in January visiting brokers- call for appointment
- Central Valley has over 30 million sf in Spec Buildings- Workforce, Buildings and Incentives (Nor Cal Logistics example)
- BNSF Certified Site Program- just added Clovis in addition to the other CV sites (Certified sites link)
- Central Valley growing again! (New distribution center in Visalia's Industrial Park)
- Come by our booth at WestPack in Anaheim (Free pass link)
- Businesses are growing in California Central Valley (Blue Diamond Turlock Mfg. Plant)
- Enews- 300 Miles of Opportunity: Workforce, Opportunity Zones and Spec Buildings
- WORKFORCE- Great things happening with Workforce training in the Central Valley (Automation Success BC)
- Live from Anaheim, It's Central California at WestPack
- Way to go Central Valley! - Austin Company article about Blue Diamond Growers expansion
- We've got lots of space in the Central Valley- 443,640 sf Class A space in Stockton, Cushman
- California Central Valley Continues to grow- Merced County Inland Port
- Stanislaus County attracts a great plastics company- Jatco press release
- WORKFORCE: Our partnership with Colleges and Workforce is the key to success for Valley business- Visalia Community College article
- ENEWS: County Spotlight- Kings County Workforce, Opportunity Zones and Sites Available
- Central California is taking on the future now- Two new Econ Dev projects at Castle Air Force Base in Merced
- Congrats Stanislaus County- Plastics News article about JATCO
- Central Valley EDC at the State capital talking about business challenges and opportunities
- Central Valley EDC meets with CMTA to discuss manufacturing
- Great work team! David White and Tyler Richardson bring more jobs to Modesto.
- Unbelievable the growth happening in Central California!- South Lathrop Commerce Center 5 million sf of warehouse
- WORKFORCE: Growing Central Valley Tech Talent!- Valley Hackathon
- Participating at CALED
- Central Valley is the most affordable place in CA to own a home- Homearea.com says CV has top 3 counties in CA
- Come to Fresno and see the Future Now!- Fresno EDC article on 16th annual RE event.
- ENEWS: California Central Valley Business and Real Estate News
- The Central Valley's Southern border is booming with business!- Tejon Ranch has 5 million sf of industrial and commercial space
- WORKFORCE and MFG: Make Your Reservations! Making CA event
- On the Rise: The Central Valley is beating the Bay Area and LA in key measures
- WORKFORCE: Wishing everyone a successful 2019- Call us if you need a location with a great trained employee pool.



California Central Valley EDC Calendar and Links

| Date | Activity | # | Results |
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| ENEWS January 2019 | Workforce, Opportunity Zones, Spec Buildings in Central California https://conta.cc/2G9ll1b | 2684 | COMPLETE: Total sent 2,684 CA Brokers: 1233 with 32.3% read, 6.3% clicks Natn'l Brokers: 1451, 24% read, 1.3% clicks LinkedIn 340 views, Twitter 74 views (CV acct only) Results: 1 Prospect |
| BOARD MEETING January 11, 2019 | CCVEDC Board Meeting Fresno EDC 10:00 | | COMPLETE |
| ENEWS January 15, 2019 | Special WESTPACK Edition with Coupon https://conta.cc/2CZTrqE | 1786 | COMPLETE: Total sent 1,786 business: West Pack business leads and CA Food Processors 26% read, 9% clicks |
| MISSION January 22-23, 2019 | Bay Area Broker Mission Tues and Wednesday | 490 | COMPLETE: Reps: Fresno, Stanislaus, Madera, Merced, San Joaquin. Results: 18 meetings with 40 brokers; 2 Prospects and 18 RFI's |
| BROKER EVENT January 23, 2019 | SIOR Kick-off Event at Silicon Valley Capital Club | 85 | COMPLETE: Reps: Madera, Merced, Fresno, San Joaquin Results: 85 attendees: Brokers/Developers 63, Finance 12; Engineer 2, EDC 6, Other 2 |
| TRADE SHOW February 5-7, 2019 | WestPack- Anaheim Anaheim Convention Center | 242 | COMPLETE: Reps: Fresno, Merced, Madera, Tulare, Kern, Kings Results: 240 contacts, 55 RFI, 3 Prospects, to date |
| BOARD MEETING February 15, 2019 | CCVEDC Board Meeting | | COMPLETE: Meeting to Develop Legislative Platform |
| ENEWS February 26, 2019 | Kings County Spotlight https://conta.cc/2TB8tNO | 2921 174 | COMPLETE: Total sent 2921 CA Brokers and Businesses 29.3% Read, 2.3% Clicked: Natn'l Brokers Read 23.4%, Clicked 1% |
| BOARD MEETING March 8, 2019 | CCVEDC Board Meeting | | COMPLETE: Finalize Legislative Mission |
| CPSJV March 15, 2019 | Partnership Meeting- Madera County | | COMPLETE: CCVEDC is Econ Dev Committee and we sit on the board |
| MISSION March 18-19, 2019 | Sacramento Legislature Mission | 25 | COMPLETE: Reps: Kings, Fresno, Kern, San Joaquin, Madera Results: 20 Meetings |
| MISSION March 20, 2019 | Sacramento Broker Mission Mini-Mission | 85 | COMPLETE: Reps: Kern, San Joaquin, Madera, Merced Results: 6 meetings with 13 brokers, 1 prospect |
| BROKER EVENT March 21, 2019 | SIOR Nor Cal- SPRING WINE DINNER, Del Dotto Vineyards | 62 | COMPLETE: Reps: Mike Results: There were 62 attendees and exactly half were brokers. |
| CONFERENCE March 27-29, 2019 | CALED Anaheim Not a CCVEDC sponsored event | | COMPLETE: Madera, Kern, Stanislaus, CCVEDC attended Results: 1 new prospect |
| ENEWS March 2019 | California Central Valley Business and Real Estate News https://conta.cc/2Uaqrbm | 3614 | COMPLETE: ENEWS (Regional News) Constant Contact Sent 3,614, Read 24%, Clicked 5% (2,434 brokers; 1180 businesses) LinkedIn 996 views, (CV and Op Stan accts only) |

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| Work Group | Energy |
| Partnership Staff Liaison | Ismael Herrera |
| Lead Organization | San Joaquin Valley Clean Energy Organization |
| Lead Organization Contact | Courtney Kalashian |
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The SJVCEO continued with growth and success in pursuit of the three E’s of sustainable growth—prosperous economy, quality environment, and social equity. While the Organization has focused efforts steadily in Energy Efficiency specifically, opposed to a buck-shot approach with broadly “clean energy”, the return on our efforts has been substantial.

HIGHLIGHTS:

2019 Operating Budget: \$1,096,284.00, and 11% growth over 2018.

Five women on full time staff.

Project teams for PG&E Energy Efficiency Resource programs in Agriculture, Commercial and Public sectors notified to proceed to RFP phase.

Hosted annual recognition luncheon for the VIEW Partnership in January. Over 60 attendees from local governments and utilities attended. Kings County was awarded by PG&E and SCG for their efforts towards reducing energy in their own facilities and participating in energy efficiency awareness programs. The community of Allensworth (Supervisor Pete Vander Poel accepting) received the VIEW Achievement award for their advocacy in raising awareness of the energy needs of all San Joaquin Valley residents. County Supervisors Crocker, Fagundes, Neves, Valle and Vander Poel all received certificates of appreciation for their support of rural outreach programs in their communities.

Hosted first Legislative Roundtable district directors and staff to provide information on the Organization and updates on efforts of local governments in energy efficiency.

Hosted one workshop for local governments, two “Fund-it Fast Chats” by webinar on On-Bill Financing and Revolving Loan Funds, and participated in one community event.

Represented the region as a member of the following:

- Rural Hard to Reach Working Group (co-chair emeritus)
- California Energy Efficiency Coordinating Committee
- SCE Consumer Advisory Panel
- SCE Clean Energy Access Working Group
- Edison High School Clean Energy Academy Advisory Committee
- Central California Energy Watch Collaborative

NARRATIVE

The Valley Innovative Energy Watch (VIEW) Partnership (funded by CPUC Public Purpose Program dollars, formerly Public Goods Charges Revenue) between the SJVCEO, PG&E, SCE, SCG and 13 local governments in Kings and Tulare Counties continues to be a best practice case study in successful public agency program delivery. The program's success has resulted in the SJVCEO receiving contracts to replicate the work in the High Desert region of San Bernardino County and San Luis Obispo County. Through VIEW the local governments have saved in excess of 23,000,000 kWh, or 108,245,245 metric tons of Green House Gas emissions. In 2018 the Partnership local governments had a goal of saving 898,737 kWh and installed 1,242,405 kWh!

Additionally, the SJVCEO has benchmarked more than 4,000 utility accounts for the 13 local governments, allowing them to monitor their energy use and expenditures. In Q1 of 2019 we performed continued maintenance on all 4,000+ accounts. However, we continue to hit setbacks, in that the AB 802 energy use disclosure law did not include language related to cost data, resulting in all Investor Owned Utility's eliminating that data set from reporting. *Cost data is critical to helping public agencies make investment decisions*, and the SJVCEO is working with groups from Southern California--The Energy Coalition and the Ventura County Regional Energy Alliance--to petition the California Energy Commission to modify the language in AB 802 to require utilities report cost data. PG&E has made efforts to restore energy cost data, but the southern utilities have not progressed.

The SJVCEO continues to offer the Municipal Energy Tune Up (METU) to all Public Agency customers served by PG&E in the eight county region. This is a cradle to grave project management program designed to save energy and reduce costs for public agencies, as well as build capacity for public agency staff. All services are paid for by CPUC PPP funds, and free to customers.

LOOKING AHEAD TO Q2 2019

SJVCEO continues work on our Energy Upgrade California grant to educate customers of Time of Use changes, and is actively working in Kings, Tulare, Kings, Mono and Inyo counties.

The SJVCEO will respond to the PG&E released RFA for Local Government Partnership Energy Efficiency Programs to ensure the region maintains it's return of ratepayer dollars in Q2/Q3.

The SJVCEO, as part of the Rural Hard to Reach Working Group (a nine member workgroup, representing rural public agencies throughout California), is looking into the feasibility and need of a Rural Regional Energy Network, funded at \$15 million through Public Purpose Program dollars. The concept is in the socialization stage and will take the whole of 2019.

The Organization is working with staff for a local Congressman to fund the weatherization of 51 Veterans Halls/Veterans of Foreign Wars Halls/Veterans Memorial Buildings/American Legion Posts that are in various states of disrepair. Our success in partnering with the Wonderful Company in 2017 to retrofit the Avenal Veterans Memorial Building has shown dramatic cost

savings in energy that can in turn be spent in community programs and support. The total cost of the program would come in at approximately \$963,000.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 26 and 27th, Statewide Energy Efficiency Collaborative (SEEC) Forum, Long Beach, California. SJVCEO Executive Director, Courtney Kalashian will be a panelist on a session discussing free ridership in public sector energy efficiency and a plenary speaker on the lasting legacy of Local Government Partnerships.

July 9, Fund-it Fast Chat: PG&E's Whole Building Program for Public Sector, webinar.

July 11, Understanding Community Choice Energy, Kings County, California. The SJVCEO, with OCED, will hosts a half day workshop for local governments to learn about Community Choice Energy, ask tough questions, and push for honest answers.

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YouTube: San Joaquin Valley Clean Energy Organization (SJVCEO)

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| Work Group | Housing |
| OCED Staff Liaison | Ismael Herrera |
| Lead Organization | San Joaquin Valley Housing Collaborative |
| Lead Organization Contact | Frida Cardoza |
| Quarter | 1st Quarter 2019 |
| Reporting Period | January 1 – March 31, 2019 |

REPORT

The San Joaquin Valley Housing Collaborative (Collaborative) is a regional 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that formed out of the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley Housing Workgroup in 2009. The Collaborative works to address housing issues that affect households and communities in the eight-county region of the San Joaquin Valley. Over the past 10 years, the Collaborative has served as a much needed forum to discuss regional housing challenges and strategies and is an invaluable tool for the region to organize as one voice when communicating with state and federal policymakers and regulatory agencies.

The Collaborative is governed by a board of directors and operates as a joint partnership between the Office of Community and Economic Development at Fresno State and California Coalition for Rural Housing.

2018 Board Members

- Leilani Barnett, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
- Peter Carey, Retired, Self-Help Enterprises, Board Member with Housing Assistance Council
- Ray Chavez, Retired, Tulare County Office of Education, *Secretary/Temporary Treasurer*
- Heidi Crabtree, City of Clovis
- Michael Duarte, Fresno Housing Authority, *Chair*
- Susan Long, Self-Help Enterprises
- Carol Ornelas, Visionary Homebuilders of California, *Vice Chair*
- Sandra Jackson-Bobo, Housing Authority of Kings County
- Michael Sigala, Sigala Inc.
- Teresa Kinney, Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority

The SJVHC Board of Directors ended their year with Quarter 4 Board meeting on December 17th and discussed the next steps for 2019 calendar year. This year the San Joaquin Valley Housing Collaborative will host the 8th Annual Affordable Housing Summit in South Valley. A June workshop in Central Valley as well as an October workshop in North Valley.

The SJVHC combined their 2019 Quarter 1 board meeting with an in person board and staff member retreat. The Q1 Meeting/Board Retreat took place on March 14th, 2019 in Three Rivers, CA at St. Anthony's Retreat. A total of eight board members and four staff members were present. Outcomes from the retreat

were the main topic of the June workshop and the theme to the 8th annual affordable housing summit. The June workshop will be hosted in Fresno, at Parc Grove Commons (one of Fresno Housing Authority's sites). The workshop topic suggested was Opportunity and Investment in the San Joaquin Valley. Additional outcomes from the retreat include continuing strategic planning to grow the impact of the organization and to build out the board of directors.

This year the San Joaquin Valley Housing Collaborative will host the 8th Annual Affordable Housing Summit in South Valley. A Save the Date is available to our housing listserv for September 19, 2019 at Wyndham in Visalia, CA.

8th Annual Affordable Housing Summit

- Early Bird rate \$145 (Ending August 7th)
- Regular rate \$165
- Presenter rate \$80

Scholarships available

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| Priority #4 | San Joaquin Rail Service |
| Partnership Staff Liaison | Ismael Herrera |
| Lead Organization | San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority |
| Lead Organization Contact | Daniel Leavitt |
| Quarter | 4 th Quarter 2018 & 1 st Quarter 2019 |
| Reporting Period | October 1 – March 31, 2019 |

During the 1st Quarter of 2019, San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (SJPA) began working with Senator Allen and other sponsors and supporters of Senate Bill 742 (SB 742), which would amend Section 14035.55 provisions to enable the Joint Power Authorities (San Joaquin, Capitol Corridor, and LOSSAN) to pick up and drop off passengers on their Amtrak intercity thruway bus routes without requiring them to have a train ticket as part of their trip. SB 742 provisions would increase revenues for the state at virtually no additional cost, provide improved access to priority and underserved communities, reduce the amount of greenhouse gases and air pollution emissions by diverting trips that would have previously been taken by an automobile, and provide better utilization of current infrastructure and reduce congestion on some of the state’s most congested freeways. SJPA greatly appreciates the Partnership’s support of SB 742 and will continue to update the Partnership as the bill makes its way through the Legislature and hopefully to the Governor for signature. SB 742 passed on the Senate Floor with a **37-0** vote on May 20, 2019. The bill is expected to be heard next by the Assembly Transportation Committee on July 8, 2019. Partnership Members are encouraged to help get additional letters of support from agencies and organizations for this bill which will greatly benefit the San Joaquins service. For more information please contact Dan Leavitt (dan@acerail.com).

In support of CHSRA’s May 2019 Project Update Report, SJPA worked with CHSRA’s Early Train Operator during the reporting period (October 1 – March 21, 2019) to provide inputs for improved San Joaquins connectivity to the northern terminus of an initial HSR operating segment between Merced and Bakersfield. Connectivity to San Joaquins and ACE at Merced and to San Joaquins Thruway bus services at Bakersfield were key to the Governor identifying Merced to Bakersfield as the initial operating segment in the San Joaquin Valley. SJPA will continue to work with CalSTA, CHSRA, Caltrans, on the Network Integration Study effort, which focuses on the coordination and connectivity of the San Joaquins and ACE services with future HSR operations as part of the 2018 State Rail Plan Vision. This will include planning for direct connection between the San Joaquins and HSR at Merced and service options south of Merced along the BNSF corridor that would complement HSR operations. SJPA is also partnering with the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRR) and the Tri-Valley – San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority with the “Altamont Corridor Vision” effort to plan for a vastly improved rail connection between Merced and the Bay Area via the Altamont Corridor.

As part of their 2019 Draft Business Plan Update (approved on March 22, 2019), SJPA requested operating funds from the state for a pilot program to operate a new Thruway bus between

Madera and San Jose. This contract, as well as future Thruway bus contracts, are expected to be managed by the SJJPA in coordination with CalSTA, Caltrans, and Amtrak. Planning estimates suggest that new revenue generated from this new route should exceed the cost of its operations after an initial start-up period.

Work on the Valley Rail environmental process continued during the reporting period and a draft document for public review is now expected to be available for the San Joaquins/ACE Extension to Sacramento by fall 2019 and the Final EIR should be certified by the end 2019. Construction is anticipated to start in early 2020.

SB 742 ALLEN

(COAUTHORS SENATOR GALGIANI & ASSEMBLYMEMBERS GRAY & FLORA) INTERCITY PASSENGER RAIL SERVICES: MOTOR CARRIER TRANSPORTATION OF PASSENGERS

BACKGROUND

SB 804 (Perata) was passed in 1999 with the objective of protecting private intercity bus lines from competition from the state sponsored Thruway bus network. SB 804 added Section 14035.55 to the Government Code requiring that passengers using state supported Amtrak Thruway buses (associated with the San Joaquins, Capitol Corridor, and Pacific Surfliner intercity passenger rail services) must have a rail component to their journey.

California's Amtrak Thruway Bus Network is one of the largest bus networks in the United States connecting over 250 communities throughout California and major cities in Nevada. This network is underutilized because of the Section 14035.55 restriction on who can use this network, being limited to only those who ride a train on a segment of their travel. By eliminating this restriction, the State could provide transportation services to more people while reducing energy consumption and emissions.

This year, rail passenger advocates and the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority began working together to support legislation in order to amend Section 14035.55 that would enable the Joint Power Authorities (San Joaquin, Capitol Corridor, and LOSSAN) to pick up and drop off passengers on their Amtrak intercity thruway bus routes without requiring them to have a train ticket as part of their trip.

PURPOSE

Senate Bill 742 would amend Section 14035.55 provisions to enable the Joint Power Authorities (San Joaquin, Capitol Corridor, and LOSSAN) to pick up and drop off passengers on their Amtrak intercity thruway bus routes without requiring them to have a train ticket as part of their trip. Amending Section 14035.55 provisions would increase revenues for the state at virtually no additional cost, would provide improved access to priority and underserved communities, and would reduce the amount of greenhouse gases and air pollution emissions by

diverting trips that would have previously been taken by an automobile. This change will also provide better utilization of current infrastructure and reduce congestion on some of the state's most congested freeways.

Amending Section 14035.55 could have a very positive effect on California's underserved priority and rural communities by providing a convenient and inexpensive alternative to the rising costs of automobile and airline travel. Connecting these communities to each other and to California's large economic centers would increase safe and affordable transportation options between these communities.

Intercity passenger rail and its associated Thruway bus network is environmentally friendly, and the state has a continuing interest in the provision of cost-effective and efficiently administered intercity passenger rail/Thruway bus services.

VOTES & BILL STATUS

- Senate Transportation Committee (12 – 0)
- Senate Appropriations Committee (passed without vote)
- Senate Floor (37 – 0)
- Assembly Transportation Committee
- Assembly Appropriations Committee
- Assembly Floor
- Senate Concurrence

SPONSORS/SUPPORTERS

- Rail Passengers Association of California and Nevada (Sponsor)
- S J Valley Regional Planning Agencies' Directors' Committee¹ (Sponsor)

¹ San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Agencies' Directors' Committee Member Agencies are: Fresno Council of Governments, Kern Council of Governments, Kings County Association of Governments, Madera County Transportation Commission, Merced County Association of Governments, San Joaquin Council of Governments, Stanislaus Council of Governments, and Tulare County Association of Governments.

- Central Valley Rail Working Group² (Sponsor)
- San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority
- Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority
- Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency
- California Intercity Passenger Rail Leadership Group
- San Joaquin Valley Rail Committee
- Sacramento Regional Rail Working Group
- Downtown Stockton Alliance
- Valley Vision
- Mendocino Transit Authority
- Los Rios Community College District
- Downtown Sacramento Partnership
- King City
- San Joaquin Bike Coalition
- San Joaquin Council of Governments
- The Rising Sun Center for Opportunity
- Butte County Association of Governments
- Transportation Agency for Monterey County
- Active San Gabriel Valley
- Coast Rail Coordinating Council (CRCC)
- Breathe California Sacramento Region
- Madera County Transportation Commission
- City of Manteca
- California Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
- Stockton Mayor, Michael Tubbs
- Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District (SMART)
- Madera County Board of Supervisors
- Madera County Supervisor Frazier
- City of Arcata
- Humboldt County Association of Governments
- Humboldt County Board of Supervisors
- Huddle CoWork
- City of Bakersfield
- City of Sacramento
- Southwest Passenger Rail Association
- Santa Barbara County Association of Governments
- City of Monterey
- Monterey County Board of Supervisors

- Bay Area Council
- San Joaquin County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
- CA Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley
- California Walks
- Natural Resources Defense Council
- Transform
- Seamless Bay Area
- California Bicycle Coalition
- Planning and Conservation League
- Safe Routes Partnership
- Sierra Club California
- Catholic Charities Diocese of Stockton
- Leadership Council for Justice & Accountability
- Coalition for Sustainable Transportation
- CA Council of the Blind
- Walk Sacramento
- Kern County North of the River Chamber of Commerce

OPPOSITION

- California Bus Association
- Amador Stage Lines
- Discovery Charters
- Greyhound
- H&L Charter Co.

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| Work Group | Sustainable Communities |
| OCED Staff Liaison | Ismael Herrera |
| Lead Organization | San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Agencies Policy Council (RPC) |
| Lead Organization Contact | Michael Sigala |
| Quarter | 1st Quarter 2019 |
| Reporting Period | January 1 – March 31, 2019 |

The **San Joaquin Valley Regional Planning Agencies Policy Council (RPC)** was established to discuss and build regional consensus on issues of importance to the San Joaquin Valley (Valley) eight-county region. RPC includes the San Joaquin Council of Governments, Stanislaus Council of Governments, Merced County Association of Governments, Madera County Transportation Commission, Fresno Council of Governments, Kings County Association of Governments, Tulare County Association of Governments and Kern Council of Governments. RPC consists of two elected officials from the boards of each regional planning agency and the executive director of the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (Air District). The San Joaquin Valley Regional Policy Council is a partnership that exemplifies the regional transportation planning agencies’ commitment to working collaboratively to address regional issues, challenges and opportunities. The following highlights some of the major accomplishments and activities of the RPC during the reporting period.

Valley Voice is the RPC’s advocacy program that communicates the region’s priorities to state and federal legislators. Each year, a coalition of elected officials and COG staff from throughout the region travel to Sacramento and Washington DC to advocate on behalf of the valley with a unified voice. During the reporting period, pre-trip planning and legislative platform preparation was conducted for Valley Voice Sacramento, which was held on April 3, 2019.

Regional Priority Project Funding under SB 1 continues to be an important undertaking by the RPC. Funding for the completion of the State Route 99, as approved in the 99 Business Plan, is of utmost importance for the efficient movement of people and goods. SR 99 is the backbone of the Valley’s economy, is over-concentrated with truck traffic, and is rated one of the most unsafe and deadliest freeways in the nation. Much of these circumstances are worsened by the bottleneck areas, where two lane traffic in each direction causes congestion and unsafe driving conditions. The regional planning agencies of the San Joaquin Valley are working with federal and state agencies to fund major improvements along SR 99, and other major east-west regional corridors. With the passage of SB 1, the prospect of funding these improvements is better, but still challenging, as other more populated regions of the state demand funds as well. Major advocacy continues for funding under the State Inter-Regional Transportation Improvement Program, Trade Corridor Enhancement Program and Solutions for Congested Corridors programs. Construction will soon commence on SR 99 improvements in

Madera County, and in Merced County; two segments which were recently funded.

Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) and Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) work activities are ongoing, and as a result, MPO staff are continually engaged in these planning activities. 2018 RTP/SCS, 2019 FTIP, and associated Conformity Documents have received MPO, State, and Federal approval. The SCS is part of each county's RTP and integrates transportation, land-use, and housing policies for achieving greenhouse gas emissions reductions as required by Senate Bill 375. MPO staff are now engaged in dialogue with California Air Resources staff regarding greenhouse gas emissions reduction results. All Valley MPOs appear to be on track to meet SB 375 targets with their 2018 RTP/SCS.

Goods Movement, two recent major goods movement studies; 1) I-5/SR 99 Goods Movement Corridor Study – specifically analyzing the major north-south corridors of the Valley and making recommendations for improving mobility and safety, including a demonstration project. And, 2) SJV Goods Movement Sustainable Implementation Plan – specifically analyzing critical first-and-last-mile connectors, truck parking and routing, priority rural corridors, and freight modeling have been completed. Both studies provide data rich assessments of goods movement flows within and out of the San Joaquin Valley, and help position the valley for goods movement funding opportunities. Major deliverables and other information for both studies can be found on the sjvcog's website: http://sjvcogs.org/valleywide_activities/good-movement/.

The San Joaquin Valley MPOs are currently in discussions with Caltrans, FHWA, and other related parties, to ascertain the possibility of funding a pilot study for deploying driverless trucks on Interstate 5 throughout the San Joaquin Valley. More information will be reported on this activity in future reports.

Rural Transit Alternatives Study and Implementation is a partnership between San Joaquin Valley MPOs, the UC Davis Institute of Transportation Studies (ITS), and Caltrans to examine if shared access services (ride-sourcing and ride-sharing arrangements such as uber/lyft, or car sharing), and other options, can provide alternatives for meeting transportation needs in rural areas of the Valley. The final report, *Opportunities for Shared-Use Mobility Services in Rural Disadvantaged Communities in the California's San Joaquin Valley: Existing Conditions and Conceptual Program Development* is available online: https://ncst.ucdavis.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/NCST_Rodier_SJV-Transit-Alternatives_Final-Report_SEPT-2017.pdf

A conceptual program was designed for areas that would most benefit from shared mobility services: 1) carsharing and ridesourcing in the Dinuba, Cutler, and Orosi communities of Tulare County, and the Lamont-Arvin and Wasco communities of Kern County. And, 2) a technology platform that enables improved efficiency for multiple independently operated demand responsive transportation services in jurisdictions in northeast Stanislaus and southeast San Joaquin counties. The full implementation for this work, beyond planning, has been awarded to

the Valley with a \$2.25 million grant from ARB under their Car Sharing and Mobility Options Pilot Project program.

During the reporting period, implementation efforts continued for the ARB funded program. MioCar (South Valley) has installed electric vehicle charging stations in six affordable housing developments in Tulare and Kern Counties, and several electric vehicles have been purchased. These locations will host the proposed car sharing activities. In the north valley, Valley Flex, is underway to optimize rural transit service in San Joaquin and Stanislaus counties through enhancements in passenger routing and service delivery. VanPools, Self Help Enterprises, Mobility Development Partners and the Office of Community and Economic Development at Fresno State are also partners in these efforts.

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| Work Group | Workforce Development |
| Partnership Staff Liaison | Ismael Herrera |
| Lead Organization | Central California Workforce Collaborative |
| Lead Organization Contact | Adam Peck |
| Quarter | 1 st Quarter 2019 |
| Reporting Period | January 1 – March 31, 2019 |

Regional Plan Modification The Regional Plan modification draft was completed and published for the public comment period from February 1 - March 1, 2019. The final Regional Plan Modification was submitted to the California Workforce Development Board on March 13, 2019 together with the Local Plan updates for each county in the region.

Development of the formal Partnership Agreement and execution of the agreement between California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) and the region's eight counties were completed per the Regional Plan Modification work plan.

Regional Prison to Employment (P2E) Planning Workgroup meetings are a regional focus as well as implementing training on serving the re-entry population. The Central California Workforce Collaborative (CCWC) has gathered input through a regional survey about training and the CCWC is leading the planning and implementation of sessions designed to address identified areas of interest.

The region's overall approach to implementing P2E strategies is based on agreements for protocols and strategies that will be customized, refined, and implemented within the context of local resources, priorities, and infrastructure capacity. We intend a bifurcated focus under which local workforce systems will work with both county probation agencies (to serve both the AB 109 supervised population, and others subject to county oversight), and with the California Department of Corrections, and Rehabilitation facilities located within the boundaries of the San Joaquin Valley and Associated Counties Regional Planning Unit (SJVACRPU).

Every Workforce Development Board (WDB) in the SJVAC RPU has entered into the Partnership Agreement with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) finalized, and signed in March 2019. We entered into this partnership to link education, job training, and work experience in-prison to post-release jobs to foster a system of coordinated service delivery to the reentry, and justice-involved persons. CDCR representatives participate in the Community Correction Partnership (CCP) meetings in our region communities along with Workforce Development representatives in San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced, Fresno, and Kern (Inyo, Mono) Counties. Continuous discussions about how the two organizations can partner together ongoing and under the auspices of the Prison to Employment Initiative.

WDB leaders agree that there is early success in the partnering with CDCR and with providing Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) service information to justice involved individuals in a group, and one-on-one format.

Many partners have been engaged in P2E planning throughout the Region such as Mental and Behavioral Health, Police and Sheriff's Departments, Social Services Departments including Child Support, Central Valley Opportunity Center, Department of Rehabilitation, and Food Banks. Other partners include: San Joaquin County Superior Court Judge Richard Vlavianos, Fresno State Project Rebound, Madera Bridge Academy, Madera Community College, Medical Services Blue Anthem, People Ready, Roots and Rebound Legal Aid, Salvation Army, Victim Services, Celebrate Recovery, Alcohol & Narcotics Anonymous, Fresno Public Defender's Office, Fresno WIOA Youth Offender Program, Butte County Office of Education Back 2 Work Program.

The three "Access for All" training sessions held in the North, Mid-Valley, and South sub regions were designed for management level staff and customized to increase staff awareness of who and how customers are served, how to perform a gap analysis to evaluate available partner services, how to create an outreach plan based on gap analysis results, to problem solve outreach challenges, and to develop a strategy to overcome each challenge, to discuss the key components of co-case management, to review the role communication plays in co-case management success, and to identify methods for documenting partnership services. This training provided some groundwork toward planning to work with the re-entry population and some of the specific issues related to challenges facing this group. The "Access for All" sessions were conducted on March 25, 29, and 27, 2019.

A regional training survey was generated with input from the CCWC members and related staff. Every WDB in the region participated in the survey and 76 percent of the respondents requested a new training opportunity on the topic of planning to work with the reentry population and preparing to engage with the Prison to Employment planning grant.

As the majority of incarcerated people are serving their sentences in state prisons and local jails, state and local jurisdictions are the front line for criminal justice reform. A June 30, 2017 research brief from the Center for Law and Social Policy states that 650,000 people are released from prisons and jails each year. "These individuals experience systemic, legally embedded discrimination that prevents economic mobility and increases the chances of recidivism." Training on how to couple local policy with state reforms to build sustainable strategies would be desirable across our region.

Regional Business Template Merced WDB is identified as the lead for this project and has contracted with Tulare WDB to produce the deliverables. The career ladder template will feature, from each of the eight WDBs in the Region, the local area's top five industry sectors, the local area's ten occupations for each sector, the wages for each occupation, and the minimum educational requirements for each occupation, and can be customized for each WDB in the Region.

Business Attraction and Retention The California Central Valley Economic Development Corporation (CCVEDC) is a regional marketing group whose mission is to promote job creation in the eight counties of the San Joaquin Valley. CCVEDC provides businesses with the resources necessary when evaluating, planning and implementing a site location/expansion in the region.

CCVEDC is contracted by the CCWC to be a resource for, and to support, business attraction and retention, and to develop marketing materials for promoting what Workforce is doing throughout the Central Valley. Merced WDB is the local area lead on this project area. Breakouts have been completed for the following sectors: Agribusiness/Food Processing, Health & Wellness, Manufacturing, Distribution/Logistics, Energy, and E-Commerce.

Regional Training SJVAC is one of the largest regions geographically and one reason that coordinating regional training is complex. The Regional Training Coordinator (RTC) role has been beneficial to the regionalism of professional development and the cycle of continuous improvement. Implementing the training components identified in the Regional Plan by convening sessions by the RTC in locations throughout the region that provided for clusters of WDB staff to reasonably travel and collaborate together on a variety of topics is core to increasing the depth of collaboration and leverage of resources designed to achieve growth in our regional priority areas of focus. Further, the logistics of securing room set-up with internet access, marketing sessions, registering participants via a web-based platform, communication with trainers and participants, reminders, follow up with evaluations, responding to requests for information, and reporting were centrally managed and coordinated by the RTC. The RTC role ensures that the leadership, management, and tasks associated with implementing comprehensive training in the region is completed efficiently and without duplication of effort by each of the eight WDBs.

Access for All Leadership Series, presented by Human Solutions, LLC, and the Career Development theory and Application, presented by Pathways Consultants, were very well received across the SJVAC Region. Career Development focused on both the theory and practical applications of career advising through games, group discussions, case examples, and role play. Participants performed a gap analysis to evaluate available partner services in the Access for All session. An outreach plan was discussed with strategies to overcome each potential barrier.

Twelve sessions were provided to the SJVAC RPU between February and March 2019. A total of 135 staff were trained during the grant period.



California Partnership for the
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Letters of Support

AB 30 (Holden)

AB 417 (Rivas)

AB 720 (Muratsuchi & Smith)

SB 742 (Allen)



California Partnership for the
San Joaquin Valley

April 9, 2019

The Honorable Patrick O'Donnell
Chair, Assembly Education Committee
California State Assembly
1020 N. Street, Room 159
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SUPPORT – AB 30 (Holden)

Dear Assemblymember O'Donnell,

We the undersigned are writing in support of AB 30 (Holden), College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP), which protects access to early college opportunities for a more diverse population of students and promotes the development of college- and career-focused school and community college district partnerships.

Dual enrollment has three key benefits: reduction of time to degree completion, increasing college attainment, and closing achievement gaps for underrepresented students. Participating students are more likely to complete college than their non-participating peers (An, 2013; Struhl & Vargas, 2012; Taylor, 2015). Dual enrollment has also proven particularly effective for young men of color, low-income students, and 1st generation students (Rodriguez, Hughes, & Belfield, 2012; Struhl & Vargas, 2012). Prior to the Legislature's support of the CCAP Act, (AB 288 of 2016), no more than five percent of the students in a given grade at a high school could participate in a community college summer session as part of a dual enrollment program. It's time for California to fully embrace dual enrollment as a proven and successful education practice that should be available to broad and diverse range of students.

AB 30 would prevent CCAP partnerships across California from expiring at the end of 2021 and provides greater certainty to existing partnerships across the state. The bill ensures dual enrollment opportunities remain available to students who may not already be college bound or who are underrepresented in higher education and adds continuation high schools to the definition of students that can benefit from dual enrollment programs. AB 30 streamlines the process for developing CCAP agreements between K-12 and community college districts. AB 30 also recognizes student needs by allowing high school students to complete one application for the duration of their attendance at a community college as a dual enrollment student and simplifies the student application.

CCAP dual enrollment partnerships are an effective strategy to create seamless pathways from high school to college. AB 30 protects these partnerships and enables the expansion of the

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proven practice. For these reasons, we are in strong support and respectfully request that you approve Assembly Bill 30 (Holden).

Respectfully,



Vito Chiesa
Board Chair



Karen Ross
Deputy Co-Chair



Luisa Medina
Deputy Co-Chair

cc: Assemblymember Chris Holden
Members, Assembly Education Committee



California Partnership for the
San Joaquin Valley

March 21, 2019

Honorable Susan Eggman
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 4117
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SUPPORT – AB 417 (Rivas)

Dear Assemblymember Eggman,

We the undersigned are writing in support of AB 417 (Rivas), the Agriculture and Rural Prosperity Act of 2019. This bill would authorize the Department of Food and Agriculture to identify opportunities to support and develop the State's rural agriculturally-based economies.

California's agricultural prowess is domestically and internationally unrivaled, however, the only value available to articulate this is the farm gate value, identifying a \$50.4 billion contribution in 2017 to the State's economy. Ostensibly, this represents 2% of the State's GDP, but it fails to reflect the *total* economic value of agriculture to the State's economy. Agriculture is central to ancillary industries in the State's food chain—such as specialized support, pest control advisors, irrigation specialists, engineers and researchers, food and beverage processors and manufacturers, hospitality, and California's vast distribution and trade networks. When considered in the aggregate, the indirect and direct economic contributions of the whole sector far exceed the current valuation.

This data gap is even more so apparent in our rural communities, which rely predominately on agricultural industries as the major source of local revenues, stable wages, employment, and economic growth. Unfortunately, most state and federal policies are framed in a manner that prioritize urban centers and fails to specifically target agriculture even though it is the predominant economic driver of these areas. This is exacerbated by the scattered distribution of resources to respond, technical and financial capacity issues, like broadband connectivity, that make them inaccessible, market competitiveness from out-of-state businesses, and dwindling natural resources. With full implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) on the horizon and studies projecting it will lead to the fallowing of anywhere from half a million to a million acres of agricultural land, these impacts will become more acute and the ability for rural communities to cope will become more difficult.

These challenges to rural, agricultural regions, endemic and ever-growing, require unique approaches, dissimilar from the conventional methods available for urban California, and based in data-driven innovation. AB 417 will provide for rural regions to develop and implement this

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approach by generating economic data to target investment, identifying methods to attract and retain businesses, determining and forecasting the economic influences of agriculture and related industries, and mustering resources to expand broadband and technological deployment and workforce development. An investment in rural communities through AB 417 will yield far-reaching benefits for all Californians. Thank you for your consideration and we offer our strong support for this measure.

Respectfully,



Vito Chiesa
Board Chair



Karen Ross
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cc: Assemblymember Robert Rivas
Members, Assembly Agriculture Committee
Victor Francovich, Chief Consultant, Assembly Agriculture Committee
Calvin Rusch, Policy Consultant, Assembly Republican Caucus



California Partnership for the
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May 23, 2019

The Honorable Connie M. Leyva
Chair, Senate Education Committee
State Capitol, Room 2083
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SUPPORT – AB 720 (Muratsuchi & Smith)

Dear Senator Leyva,

On behalf of the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley, we the undersigned are writing in support of AB 720 (Muratsuchi & Smith), which requires that courses offered by California's community colleges to public safety agencies via instructional service agreements (ISAs) be funded outside the new student-centered funding formula. While the funding formula has the potential to yield some positive outcomes for our students, it also carries unintended consequences. One of the most concerning is its impact on community colleges' partnerships with public agencies, especially fire and police departments.

Police and fire personnel have ongoing training mandated by their respective state agencies. Colleges collaborate with local agencies to offer this training under the California Community College apportionment-funding model. These partnerships exist at a considerable number of colleges across the system. According to data for the 2016-17 academic year, there are 32 districts—almost 30 percent of California's community college system—that offer public safety classes through ISAs. These courses serve nearly 15,000 full-time equivalent students (FTES) statewide. In the past, 100 percent of the funds received from the state for these training programs came from FTES apportionment.

Under the new funding formula, however, over the next three years colleges will receive 60 percent of the funding based on apportionment. The remaining 40 percent is based on 1) serving students of need, and 2) student outcomes such as graduation rates, degrees, and employment. Students who participate in ISAs, however, are already employed, already hold credentials, and are not students of need. The criteria tied to the remaining 40 percent are not applicable to the students served through these partnerships.

The impact of the change in FTES funding will limit the ability of colleges to serve this important role in our state and may jeopardize public safety training in our communities.

Time is of the essence on this issue. The funding formula's oversight committee has until 2022 to determine whether to incorporate ISAs into the funding formula—far too long given the

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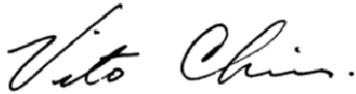
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urgency of resolving the problem. Therefore, the legislative solution provided by AB 720— separating this category of FTES from the current metrics and keeping ISA classes outside the funding formula—is vitally important. For that reason, we respectfully urge you to support AB 720.

Respectfully,



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California Partnership for the
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May 23, 2019

The Honorable Benjamin Allen
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 4076
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SUPPORT – SB 742 (Allen)

Dear Senator Allen,

We the undersigned are writing in support of Senate Bill (SB) 742, which would amend Section 14035.55 provisions to enable the Joint Power Authorities (San Joaquin, Capitol Corridor, and LOSSAN) to pick up and drop off passengers on their Amtrak intercity thruway bus routes without requiring them to have a train ticket as part of their trip.

We appreciate that SB 742 provisions would:

- Increase revenues for the state at virtually no additional cost
- Provide improved access to priority and underserved communities
- Reduce the amount of greenhouse gases and air pollution emissions by diverting trips that would have previously been taken by an automobile
- Provide better utilization of current infrastructure and reduce congestion on some of the state's most congested freeways

California's Amtrak Thruway Bus Network is one of the largest intercity bus networks in the United States connecting over 250 communities throughout California and major cities in Nevada. This network is underutilized because of the Section 14035.55 restriction on who can use this network, being limited to only those who ride a train on a segment of their travel. By eliminating this restriction, the State could provide transportation services to more people while reducing energy consumption and emissions.

Amending Section 14035.55 could have a very positive effect on California's underserved priority and rural communities by providing a convenient and inexpensive alternative to the rising costs of automobile and airline travel. Connecting these communities to each other and to California's large economic centers would increase safe and affordable transportation options between these communities.

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Intercity passenger rail and its associated Thruway bus network is environmentally friendly, and the state has a continuing interest in the provision of cost-effective and efficiently administered intercity passenger rail/Thruway bus services.

For these reasons, we are in strong support of SB 742.

Respectfully,



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Community Correspondence

April 16, 2019 – See Lee



Ismael Herrera <isherrera@mail.fresnostate.edu>

Re: SJV Partnership: Why Not Merced?

1 message

Ismael Herrera <isherrera@mail.fresnostate.edu>
To: See Lee <see.lee@2020professionalservices.com>

Tue, Apr 16, 2019 at 3:29 PM

Hello See,

Nice to meet you over this email exchange. I appreciate your interest in the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley (Partnership).

To answer your question about Merced County representation on the [Partnership Board of Directors](#), we are actually in the process of filling the vacant Partnership Board of Director position that corresponds to an elected official from Merced County. This position was previously held by Joe Oliveira, City of Gustine Councilmember. Each of the eight counties that comprise the San Joaquin Valley has one elected official and one private sector representative that serve on the Partnership Board of Directors. The Merced County private sector position also needs to be filled.

In regards to your request about learning more about the Partnership's efforts around health and wellness, I want to start by directing you to the Partnership Health Work Group's webpage: <http://www.sjvpartnership.org/work-groups/health/>. The Partnership Executive Committee is in the process of finding ways to give this work group more activity with input from four Partnership Board Members whose professional backgrounds are in the health and wellness industry. In fact, there's a likelihood that the 2019 Quarter 2 Board of Directors meeting agenda will include a presentation item on health and wellness. That meeting is scheduled for June 21st from 10 am to 3 pm in Kings County. Exact location to be determined at a later date. Here is a link to our meeting calendar: <http://www.sjvpartnership.org/board/board-meetings/>.

I welcome the opportunity to meet with you in person or over the phone to discuss health and wellness issues that you consider priorities for the region. Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Thank you.

ISMAEL D. HERRERA, JR. | INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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On Mon, Apr 8, 2019 at 4:58 PM See Lee <see.lee@2020professionalservices.com> wrote:
Hi Mr. Herrera:

6/18/2019

Fresno State Mail - Re: SJV Partnership: Why Not Merced?

My name is See Lee and I came across the CA San Joaquin Valley Partnership as I was researching for health resources. I am writing to you because I'm curious to know why there isn't representation from Merced County on the board?

Additionally, I would like to learn more about the work you're doing around health. Please let me know if you're available to get on a call or prefer to meet in person.

Thank you,

See Lee
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Sustainability Subcommittee Update

AB 1274 (Arambula)


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AB-1274 California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley. (2019-2020)

Senate: 1st Cmt

Assembly: 1st Cmt 2nd 3rd Pass

| Bill Status | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Measure: | AB-1274 |
| Lead Authors: | Arambula (A) , Salas (A) |
| Principal Coauthors: | - |
| Coauthors: | - |
| Topic: | California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley. |
| 31st Day in Print: | 03/24/19 |
| Title: | An act to add Chapter 34 (commencing with Section 7599.100) to Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code, relating to California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley. |
| House Location: | Senate |
| Last Amended Date: | 04/29/19 |
| Committee Location: | Sen Business, Professions and Economic Development |

| Type of Measure |
|------------------------------------|
| Active Bill - In Committee Process |
| Majority Vote Required |
| Non-Appropriation |
| Non-Fiscal Committee |
| Non-State-Mandated Local Program |
| Non-Urgency |
| Non-Tax levy |

| Last 5 History Actions | |
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| Date | Action |
| 06/12/19 | Referred to Com. on B., P. & E.D. |
| 05/30/19 | In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. |
| 05/29/19 | Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 77. Noes 0. Page 2069.) |
| 04/30/19 | Read second time. Ordered to third reading. |
| 04/29/19 | Read second time and amended. Ordered returned to second reading. |

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 29, 2019

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 10, 2019

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2019–20 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1274

Introduced by Assembly Members Arambula and Salas

February 21, 2019

An act to add Chapter 34 (commencing with Section 7599.100) to Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code, relating to California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1274, as amended, Arambula. California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley.

Existing law establishes public-private partnerships within the state for various purposes. By executive order in 2005, and continued in existence by executive orders in 2006, 2008, and 2010, the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley was established as a public-private partnership to, among other things, identify projects and programs that will improve the economic vitality of the San Joaquin Valley.

This bill would *enact the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley Act of 2019, which would* establish in statute the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley for the same purposes. The bill would incorporate language of the executive orders to, among other things, require the partnership to identify projects and programs that will improve the economic vitality of the San Joaquin Valley. The bill would require the partnership, on and after January 1, 2021, to ~~report~~

to the Legislature on its progress; post a progress report on its internet website and send a letter informing the Legislature of that posting.

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the San Joaquin Valley.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 34 (commencing with Section 7599.100)
2 is added to Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code, to read:

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4 CHAPTER 34. CALIFORNIA PARTNERSHIP FOR THE SAN JOAQUIN
5 VALLEY ACT OF 2019

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7 7599.100. *The chapter shall be known and may be cited as the*
8 *California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley Act of 2019*

9 ~~7599.100.~~

10 7599.101. (a) (1) The California Partnership for the San
11 Joaquin Valley established by Executive Order S-5-05, and
12 continued by Executive Orders S-22-06, S-17-08, and S-10-10, a
13 public-private partnership, is hereby continued in existence.

14 (2) The partnership shall include the following counties:

15 (A) The County of Fresno.

16 (B) The County of Kern.

17 (C) The County of Kings.

18 (D) The County of Madera.

19 (E) The County of Merced.

20 (F) The County of San Joaquin.

21 (G) The County of Stanislaus.

22 (H) The County of Tulare.

23 (b) For purposes of this chapter, the following terms have the
24 following meanings:

25 (1) "Board" means the board of directors set forth in subdivision

26 (c).

27 (2) "Partnership" means the California Partnership for the San
28 Joaquin Valley.

29 (3) "San Joaquin Valley" means the area comprised of all of
30 the counties set forth in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a).

1 (c) *The purpose of the partnership shall be to support regional*
 2 *collaboration among individuals and public and private entities*
 3 *committed to improving the quality of life in the San Joaquin*
 4 *Valley.*

5 ~~(e)~~

6 (d) (1) The partnership shall be governed by a board of directors
 7 that shall consist of the following members:

8 (A) A board chair and two deputy chairs ~~who~~ *appointed by the*
 9 *Governor. The board chair and deputy chairs shall be voting*
 10 *members of the board. These members shall be appointed by the*
 11 ~~Governor as follows:~~ *from the following:*

12 (i) One member *shall be a representative* from a state agency.

13 (ii) One member *shall be a representative* from a local agency
 14 *within the counties set forth in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a).*

15 (iii) One member *shall be a representative* from the private
 16 ~~sector.~~ *sector whose residence and place of employment is within*
 17 *one or more of the counties set forth in paragraph (2) of*
 18 *subdivision (a).*

19 ~~(B) Six classes of Representatives from six stakeholder groups~~
 20 *shall serve as voting directors, appointed by the Governor, as*
 21 *follows:*

22 ~~(i) Eight Class A~~ state government directors representing various
 23 ~~state agencies, appointed to the board~~ *agencies shall serve* as ex
 24 officio voting directors.

25 ~~(ii) Eight Class B~~ local government directors, one from each of
 26 the eight counties set forth in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a).
 27 These directors shall be appointed by the Governor from lists of
 28 candidates nominated by each of the eight corresponding councils
 29 of governments. The nominees from each council of governments
 30 shall be made from among the mayors and members of city
 31 councils representing cities located within the county and members
 32 of board of supervisors of the county. Each council of governments
 33 shall submit a list to the Governor containing three candidates.

34 ~~(iii) Eight Class C~~ private sector directors, one from each of the
 35 eight counties set forth in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a).

36 ~~(iv) Five Class D~~ liaisons to government agencies and
 37 commissions, which shall be a resident of one of the eight counties
 38 set forth in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a), and who serve on one
 39 of the following state agencies and commissions:

40 (I) The State Air Resources Board.

1 (II) The California Transportation Commission.

2 (III) The California Workforce Development Board.

3 (v) Twelve ~~Class E~~ representatives of consortia, who shall be
4 representatives of regional consortia of existing organizations
5 within the counties set forth in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a).
6 The regional consortia representatives shall be nominated by the
7 board for consideration of appointment by the Governor.

8 (vi) Not more than five ~~Class F~~ directors with specialized
9 expertise, who shall be individuals with specialized subject matter
10 expertise and knowledge of San Joaquin Valley issues
11 recommended by the board chair.

12 (C) Every member of the Legislature and the United States
13 Congress that represents the counties set forth in paragraph (2) of
14 subdivision (a) shall be ex officio nonvoting members.

15 (2) (A) ~~Class A~~ *Voting* directors shall serve at the pleasure of
16 the Governor.

17 (B) Ex officio nonvoting directors shall not serve for a term and
18 shall not be subject to term limits.

19 (C) (i) The terms of service for ~~Class B, Class C, and Class D~~
20 *voting* directors shall be three years and for no more than three
21 terms, including partial terms.

22 (ii) The remaining term of office for any director, other than a
23 ~~Class A director, the board chair and deputy chairs~~, serving upon
24 the effective date of the act adding this chapter shall be determined
25 based upon the terms of office for that director that were effective
26 on January 1, 2019.

27 (iii) In the event of a vacancy ~~on~~ *of a voting member of the*
28 *board, which may result from the death, resignation, or removal*
29 *of a director, a successor shall an acting director may be appointed*
30 *by the board to serve with full voting rights until the expiration of*
31 *the term of the replaced director and until a successor has been*
32 *selected and qualified. the Governor has appointed a new director.*
33 *The Governor's replacement appointee shall serve for a full term,*
34 *unless otherwise removed by the Governor.*

35 (D) (i) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (A) and (C), a director
36 may be removed at the discretion of the Governor.

37 (ii) A director who fails to attend 50 percent or more of the
38 meetings of the board in any 12-month period is subject to removal
39 from the board.

1 ~~(d) Meetings of the board shall be presided over by the chair.~~
2 ~~In the absence of the chair, one of the two deputy chairs shall~~
3 ~~preside. A majority of the appointed directors shall constitute a~~
4 ~~quorum for the transaction of business. Ex officio nonvoting~~
5 ~~members shall not be counted for purposes of determining whether~~
6 ~~a quorum has been achieved. Every decision made by a two-thirds~~
7 ~~vote of directors participating in a meeting in which a quorum has~~
8 ~~been constituted shall be regarded as an act of the board.~~

9 ~~(e) The California State University, Fresno Foundation~~
10 ~~(94-6003272), Cost Center 340675, may continue to receive and~~
11 ~~administer appropriations on behalf of the partnership.~~

12 ~~(f) The board may appoint an executive committee, comprised~~
13 ~~of the chair, the two deputy chairs, and up to four additional board~~
14 ~~members appointed by the chair, and delegate to the committee~~
15 ~~any of the authority of the board except for any final action on~~
16 ~~matters which, under the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation~~
17 ~~Law (Part 2 (commencing with Section 5110)) of Division 2 of~~
18 ~~Title 1 of the Corporations Code, also requires approval of a~~
19 ~~majority of all directors. The board may also appoint other~~
20 ~~committees as appropriate.~~

21 ~~(g) The partnership shall have the following duties:~~

22 ~~(1) Identification of projects and programs that will best utilize~~
23 ~~public dollars and most quickly improve the economic vitality of~~
24 ~~the San Joaquin Valley, especially those that leverage federal,~~
25 ~~state, local, and private sector resources in a coordinated effort to~~
26 ~~address critical needs in the San Joaquin Valley.~~

27 ~~(2) Work with members of the state's congressional delegation~~
28 ~~and federal officials, including the federal Interagency Task Force~~
29 ~~for the Economic Development of the Central San Joaquin Valley,~~
30 ~~to gain federal support for projects identified by the partnership~~
31 ~~as critical to the region.~~

32 ~~(3) Partner with the University of California, the California~~
33 ~~State University, community colleges, and the state's other research~~
34 ~~and educational institutions, as well as private foundations to~~
35 ~~provide guidance, advice, and encouragement in support of studies~~
36 ~~of particular interest and importance to the San Joaquin Valley.~~

37 ~~(4) Review state policies and regulations to ensure they are fair~~
38 ~~and appropriate for the state's diverse geographic regions, including~~
39 ~~the San Joaquin Valley, and determine whether alternative~~
40 ~~approaches can accomplish goals in less costly ways.~~

1 ~~(5) Recommend to the Governor changes that would improve~~
 2 ~~the economic well-being of the San Joaquin Valley and the quality~~
 3 ~~of life of its residents.~~

4 ~~(h) Commencing on January 1, 2021, and on or before January~~
 5 ~~1 of each year thereafter, the partnership shall report on its progress~~
 6 ~~to the Legislature. This report shall comply with Section 9795.~~

7 7599.102. (a) (1) *Meetings of the board shall be presided*
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 12 *for the transaction of business. Ex officio nonvoting members shall*
 13 *not be counted for purposes of determining whether a quorum has*
 14 *been achieved.*

15 (4) *All votes shall be recorded and available for inspection by*
 16 *the public. Every decision made by a two-thirds vote of directors*
 17 *participating in a meeting in which a quorum has been constituted*
 18 *shall be regarded as an act of the board.*

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13 the economic well-being of the San Joaquin Valley and the quality
14 of life of its residents.

15 (e) Commencing on January 1, 2021, and on or before January
16 1 of each year thereafter, the partnership shall post a progress
17 report on its internet website and submit a letter to the Legislature
18 informing the Legislature that the progress report has been posted.

19 SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that a special statute
20 is necessary and that a general statute cannot be made applicable
21 within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California
22 Constitution because of the unique challenges faced by the San
23 Joaquin Valley. The Legislature finds and declares that continuing
24 the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley will aid in
25 addressing the needs of the San Joaquin Valley, including areas
26 where the San Joaquin Valley is underserved.

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29 **CORRECTIONS:** _____

30 **Heading—Line 1.**

31 **Digest—Page 1.**

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California Partnership for the
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2019 Partnership Board of Directors Meeting Schedule

2019

| DATE | COUNTY |
|--------------|------------|
| March 15 | Madera |
| June 21 | Kings |
| September 20 | Kern |
| December 13 | Stanislaus |

*Meeting schedule is tentative

Meeting Scheduling

- Meetings are typically scheduled on a quarterly basis on the third Friday of the month with the exception of December.
- Meetings are typically scheduled from 10am to 3pm.