

**Background Information:**

**Consent Calendar:**

2. **Approval of the October 5, 2016 Meeting Minutes.**

**Regular Agenda:**

3. **Review and Comment on the 2016 Regional Transportation Plan's Draft Environmental Impact Report with the comment period ending on November 4, 2016.**

This agenda item will allow Technical and Citizen Advisory Committee (TAC & CAC) members another opportunity to review and comment on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR). At the October TAC/CAC Meeting, the Draft EIR was discussed and presented with a PowerPoint Presentation. The next steps for RTP EIR include responding to Draft EIR comments and releasing the Final EIR in late November. TCTC staff is planning on placing the Final EIR and the Final Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) at the December TAC/CAC agenda. As part of the Draft RTP, public comments received will be included and responded to Appendix J - Public Participation Results.

The Tuolumne County Transportation Council (TCTC) as the lead agency has prepared a Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the 2016 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The 2016 RTP is intended to guide future transportation projects for the next 20 years. The Draft EIR is a Program EIR and per the CEQA Guidelines, a Program EIR is an EIR that may be prepared on a series of actions that can be characterized as one large project. The purpose of a Program EIR is to allow the lead agency to consider broad policy alternatives and program-wide mitigation measures at an early time when the agency has greater flexibility to deal with basic problems or cumulative impacts.

The deadline to submit comments ends on November 4<sup>th</sup>. A Public Hearing for the Draft Environmental Impact Report was held on Wednesday October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 3pm.

- One member from the public spoke, John Buckley from the Central Sierra Environmental Resource Center (CERC).

As of this writing, the TCTC has received two written comment letters from the Central Valley Water Control Board and CSERC.

As TCTC's EIR consultant, Rincon Consultants will address all Draft EIR comments in the Final Draft EIR; the document will include the Draft EIR comments along with a response to each specific comment.

## **Environmental Review Findings**

The TCTC has prepared a Draft Program EIR because of the potential for unavoidable, significant adverse effects resulting from program implementation. The EIR prepared for the 2016 RTP identifies and discusses potential impacts, mitigation measures, residual impacts, and monitoring requirements. Significant and unavoidable impacts on the environment are anticipated in the following areas:

- Greenhouse Gas Emissions/Climate Change;
- Traffic and Circulation;
- Cultural Resources.

### **Attachments:**

*Draft Environmental Impact Report – Volume 1*

*Draft Environmental Impact Report – Volume 2 – Appendices*

*\*\*\*Due to the size of these attachments, they will be presented at the meeting.*

### **Recommended Actions:**

*Review and comment on the 2016 Regional Transportation Plan's Draft Environmental Impact Report and the comment period ends on November 4<sup>th</sup> 2016.*

### **Regular Agenda:**

#### **4. Review and Comment on the SR 120/108 Control Evaluation Report**

The TCTC has received a copy of the revised Intersection Control Evaluation (FLE) Report for SR 120/108 (attached) The ICE report is presented to the Advisory Committees for review and comment. The ICE report evaluates traffic signal, high tee and round-a-bout designs in regard to each designs' ability to achieve project objectives. Staff from the TCTC and County will provide input on to the Project Development Team at a meeting on November 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **Attachments:**

*Intersection Control Evaluation (ICE) Report SR 108 Intersection Improvement report.*

### **Recommended Action:**

*Review and comment on the ICE report for SR120/108 intersection.*

#### **5. Approval and Execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Wood Rodgers for Engineering and Transportation Planning Consulting Services.**

As you may recall, the TCTC distributed a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to solicit proposals to for engineering and transportation planning consulting services for various projects included in the TCTC's Overall Work Program.

Statements of Qualifications were received from the following firms:

- Wood Rodgers
- TJKM
- AECOM
- Mott MacDonald
- Kimley Horn and Associates

The Review Committee scored each of the statements of qualifications and ranked Wood Rodgers as the top firm. The Committee recommends the TCTC award the agreement to Wood Rodgers.

A final Agreement has been negotiated with Wood Rodgers, which is hereby presented to the TCTC for final approval and execution. The Agreement has been approved by the TCTC's legal counsel and Risk Manager.

Financial Impact:

The Scope of Work will be set forth in Work Orders that will be approved by the parties on various projects included in the TCTC Overall Work Program. Work Orders will be approved by the Executive Director of the TCTC and an authorized representative of the Consultant. The Consultant will be paid on a time and reimbursable expense basis at the rates set forth the Agreement.

**Attachment:**

*Request for Qualifications*

*Agreement with Wood Rodgers*

**Recommended Actions:**

*Recommend the TCTC approve and execute the proposed Agreement between the TCTC and Wood Rodgers and authorize the Chair to sign.*

**6. Adopt Resolution 555-16 updating the Purchasing Policies for the TCTC.**

The purpose of this agenda item is to request the TCTC update their policies for purchasing goods and services to be more consistent with the County's and to add language regarding the role of various staff members in the purchasing process.

Resolution 555-16 has been prepared to address the items discussed above. This policy update has been approved by legal counsel. Staff recommends the TCTC adopt Resolution 555-16 as presented.

For information purposes, staff has provided two versions of Attachment A to the resolution. One shows the revisions highlighted, the second is the new version with all the revisions saved.

**Attachments:**

*Resolution 555-16 and the TCTC Purchasing Goods and/or Services Quotation/Bidding Guidelines*

**Recommended Action:**

*Recommend the TCTC adopt Resolution 555-16 updating the Purchasing Policies as presented.*

**7. Consideration of joining Amador, Alpine, Calaveras, San Joaquin and the California Bicycle Coalition to examine Routes 4, 49 12 and 120 to be improved to promote safe travel of bicyclists and other users of the State Routes.**

The TCTC staff has participated in several conference calls to discuss the attached scope of work. Revisions to the proposed scope of work are underway. The proposed study would require a \$500,000 grant and \$125,000 local match. Staff is soliciting comments from the TAC/CAC on the proposed partnership project.

**Attachments:**

*Scope of Work for STPG 2017-18 Grant (Draft)*

**Recommendation Action:**

*Support the proposed grant application with a commitment of \$26,000 toward the local match development.*

**8. Reports**