

BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION  
OF GOVERNMENTS



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
May 25, 2023

## Acronyms for Butte County Association of Governments

ACRONYM	MEANING
AB	Assembly Bill
ACOE	Army Corps of Engineers
AFR	Accident Frequency Ratio
APS	Alternative Planning Strategy
AQMD	Air Quality Management District
ARB	Air Resource Board
AVL	Automatic Vehicle Location
BCAG	Butte County Association of Governments
CALCOG	California Association Council of Governments
CARB	California Air Resource Board
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act
CMAQ	Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality
CON	Construction
CTC	California Transportation Commission
CTIPS	California Transportation Improvement Program System
DFG	California Department of Fish and Game
DOT	Department of Transportation
EIR	Environmental Impact Report
EMFAC	Emissions Factors
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
FTIP	Federal Transportation Improvement Program
FY	Fiscal Year
GARVEE	Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicle Program
GhG	Greenhouse Gas Emissions
GIC	Geographical Information Center
GIS	Geographic Information Systems
GPS	Global Positional Satellite
HCP	Habitat Conservation Plan
IIP	Interregional Improvement Program
IPG	Intermodal Planning Group
ITIP	Interregional Transportation Improvement Program
ITS	Intelligent Transportation Systems
JPA	Joint Powers Agreement
LAFCO	Local Agency Formation Commission
LTF	Local Transportation Fund
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization
NAAQS	National Air Quality Standards
NCCP	Natural Community Conservation Plan
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service (Also NOAA Fisheries)

ACRONYM	MEANING
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries (Also NMFS)
OWP	Overall Work Program
PA&ED	Project Approval & Environmental Document
PDT	Project Development Team
PEER	Permit Engineering Evaluation Report
PL	Federal Planning Funds
PPH	Passengers Per Revenue Hour
PLH	Public Lands Highway
PPM	Planning Programming & Monitoring
PPNO	Project Programming Number
PS&E	Plans, Specifications & Estimates
PSR	Project Study Report
PTMISEA	Public Transportation Modernization Improvement and Service Enhancement Account
PUC	Public Utilities Code
R/W	Right of Way
RFP	Request for Proposals
RHNA	Regional Housing Needs Allocation
RHNP	Regional Housing Needs Plan
RIP	Regional Improvement Program
RTAC	Regional Target Advisory Committee
RTIP	Regional Transportation Improvement Program
RTP	Regional Transportation Plan
RTPA	Regional Transportation Planning Agency
SACOG	Sacramento Area Council of Governments
SAFETEA-LU	Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users
SCEA	Sustainable Community Environmental Assessment
SCS	Sustainable Community Strategy
SDP	Strategic Deployment Plan
SHOPP	State Highway Operation Protection Program
SSTAC	Social Services Transportation Advisory Council
STA	State Transit Assistance
STIP	State Transportation Improvement Program
TAC	Transportation Advisory Committee
TAOC	Transit Administrative Oversight Committee
TCRP	Transportation Congestion Relief Program
TDA	Transportation Development Act
TE	Transportation Enhancements
TIP	Transportation Improvement Program
TPP	Transit Priority Project
TSGP	Transit Security Grant Program
USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
UTN	Unmet Transit Needs
WE	Work Element



# BCAG Board of Directors Meeting

May 25, 2023  
9:00 a.m.



## BCAG Board Room

326 Huss Drive, Suite 100  
Chico, CA 95928

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1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

3. Approval of Minutes from the April 27, 2023, BCAG Board of Directors Meeting (Attachment) – **Ashley**
4. Approval of 2023/24 Findings of Apportionment for the Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funds (Attachment) – **Julie**
5. Approval of Amendment 2 to the 2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) (Attachment) - **Ivan**

### **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA – *If Any***

### **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

6. Approval to Advertise and Authorize Executive Director to Negotiate and Award Construction Contract for the Paradise Transit Center (Attachment) – **Andy**

## **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

7. Butte Regional Transit *B-Line* 2022/23 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report (Attachment) – **Victoria**

## **ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR**

8. Members of the public may present items to the BCAG Board of Directors, but no action will be taken other than placement on a future agenda.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

9. The next meeting of the BCAG Board of Directors has been scheduled for Thursday June 22, 2023, **at the BCAG Board Room & via Zoom.**

*Copies of staff reports or other written documentation relating to items of the business referred to on the agenda are on file at the office of the Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG).  
Persons with questions concerning agenda items may call BCAG at (530) 809-4616.*

***Any handouts presented by speakers are to be distributed to the Board by the Clerk of the Board.***

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ITEM #3



**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES  
OF THE BUTTE COUNTY  
ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
April 27, 2023**

The following minutes are a summary of actions taken by the Board of Directors. A digital recording of the actual meeting is available at BCAG’s office located at 326 Huss Drive, Suite 150, Chico, CA.

Board Member Reynolds called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. at the BCAG Board Room, 326 Huss Drive, Suite 100, Chico, CA.

**MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON**

Kasey Reynolds	Vice Mayor	City of Chico
Tami Ritter	Supervisor	District 3
Tod Kimmelshue	Supervisor	District 4
J Angel Calderon	Councilmember	City of Gridley
Rose Tryon	Vice Mayor	Town of Paradise
Doug Teeter	Supervisor	District 5
David Pittman	Supervisor	City of Oroville
Chuck Nuchols	Councilmember	City of Biggs

**MEMBERS PRESENT REMOTELY**

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Bill Connelly	Supervisor	District 1
Peter Durfee	Supervisor	District 2

**STAFF PRESENT**

Jon Clark	Executive Director
Andy Newsum	Deputy Director
Cheryl Massae	Human Resources Director
Amy White	Assistant Planner
Brian Lasagna	Regional Analyst
Ashley Carriere	Administrative Assistant
Sara Cain	Senior Planner
Julie Quinn	Chief Fiscal Officer
Ivan Garcia	Programming Director
Chris Devine	Planning Director

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Andrea Howard, Allison Griffin  
Eric Smith-City of Oroville Alternate

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1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call

### CONSENT AGENDA

3. Approval of Minutes from the March 23, 2023 BCAG Board of Directors Meeting
4. Approval of Butte County Association of Governments and Butte Regional Transit Purchasing Policy Manual
5. Approval of Final 2022/23 Transportation Development Act (TDA) claims
6. Approval of Performance Measures for Reliability, Congestion and Air Quality

On motion by Board Member Kimmelshue and seconded by Board Member Teeter, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.

### ITEMS FOR ACTION

#### **7: BCAG Final 2023/24 Overall Work Program & Budget**

BCAG staff is required to prepare an annual Overall Work Program & Budget to identify State, Federal and Local transportation planning responsibilities to be undertaken for the coming fiscal year.

Since the March Board meeting, BCAG staff made some minor revisions to the OWP document to address comments provided by Caltrans, FHWA and FTA and has finalized the expenditures and revenues.

BCAG's final 2023/24 OWP & Budget identifies twenty-five specific work elements that address state and federal planning requirements, regional transportation planning needs, capital projects and administration for Butte Regional Transit. Below is a summary of the final work elements included in the 2023/24 OWP and final expenditures and revenues.

The final budget for implementing the 2023/24/ Overall Work Program (OWP) is projected to be approximately \$6,387,210.

BCAG staff presented the Board with upcoming staffing changes that will begin January 2024.

On motion by Board Member Kimmelshue and seconded by Board Member Nuchols. The Final 2023/24 Overall Work Program & Budget (OWP) was unanimously approved.

**8: Butte Regional Transit Final 2023/24 Service Plan & Budget**

The preparation of the Annual Service Plan and Budget for Butte Regional Transit (B-Line) is the responsibility of BCAG.

BCAG staff presented the Final FY 2023/24 B-Line Service Plan and Budget for review and approval.

On March 15, 2023, BCAG staff met with Transit Administrative Oversight Committee (TAOC) to review the FY 2023/24 Service Plan and Budget. The Draft Service Plan and Budget was presented to the Board at the March 23, 2023 meeting.

The proposed Draft Budget for the FY 2023/24 identifies a total operating budget of \$11,818,101 for both Fixed Route and Paratransit service in the urban and rural areas of Butte County. The 2023/24 budget is \$397,234 higher than the prior year, an increase of 3.5%.

Transit service funding is provided from three major categories: farebox ticket sales, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and other grants, and California Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds.

Four electric buses and charging equipment and six smaller diesel buses are scheduled to be ordered in the fiscal year using Restricted TDA funds. BCAG was also awarded FTA 5310 funds for four paratransit vehicles that are scheduled to be delivered in 2024.

On motion by Board Member Tryon and seconded by Board Member Kimmelshue. The Butte Regional Transit Final 2023/24 Service Plan and Budget was unanimously approved.

**ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**9: Butte Regional Transit Routing Study Update**

BCAG staff provided the Board of Directors with an update on the Butte Regional Transit (B-Line) Routing Study.

BCAG/BRT entered into an into an agreement with the LSC Transportation Consultants of South Lake Tahoe in September of 2021, to prepare a routing study that would allow recommendations to improve ridership, identify alternative routing options, and develop other solutions to meet the current and future needs of B-Line riders.

The last comprehensive review of B-Line services was in 2010. Since then, wildfires, COVID 19, application-based micro transit, and zero emissions vehicles have created the need to look at existing service and how it is delivered.



BCAG staff also released a Request for Proposals to develop the B-Line Routing Study to evaluate ridership trends and define the transit services, routes, and schedules that best meet the region's future mobility needs.

This item was presented to the Board for informational purposes.

### **10: Draft Regional Growth Forecasts 2022-2045**

BCAG develops forecasts for population, housing, and employment to support the development of required state and federal transportation plans and studies. New projects are developed every four years.

Staff included a copy of the draft Long-Term Regional Growth Forecasts for the 2022-2045 planning period. The draft document includes forecasts of housing, population, and employment based on an update of forecast prepared as part of the Post-Camp Fire Study completed in 2021. The new forecasts incorporate the latest information from 2020 Census and California Department of finance and changes occurring from the 2020 North Complex Fire and recent annexations.

The forecasts will remain in draft form until adoption of the Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy in December 2024.

This item was presented to the Board for informational purposes.

### **11: Regional Travel Survey Update**

BCAG is working with the consultant team at Place Works to develop a Regional Travel Survey report that identifies current travel trends in Butte County.

A draft Regional Travel Survey has been developed in Butte County as part of the development of the 2024 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) update. This data will help inform the 2024 RTP/SCS update and lead to the development of policies and actions that help achieve the state required RTP/SCS greenhouse gas emission reduction targets.

The draft report synthesizes data from several different sources. The information gathered was supplemented by two separate surveys that were developed by BCAG staff and the consultant team at Place Works including a Community Survey and Regional Employer Survey. The Community Survey targeted residents and employees to learn preferences, barriers, and opportunities related to mobility.

The Community Survey was available in English, Hmong, and Spanish and was promoted through social media and B-line bus advertisements, along with numerous email distribution lists. A total of 38 community members, local employees, and visitors participated in the survey.

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The Regional Employer Survey was promoted through local chambers of commerce and targeted outreach to large employers in Butte County. A total of 49 employers completed the survey, with 45 percent of respondents based in Chico, 36 percent in Paradise/Magalia area, and 6 percent in Oroville.

The final report will be shared with member jurisdiction staff and Caltrans, posted on the BCAG website, and integrated into the 2024 RTP/SCS update.

This item was presented to the Board as information only.

**12: Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)-Amendment #2**

The 2023 FTIP is required to be amended for various local projects. This item was presented for information only with the amendment to be brought to the Board of Directors for approval at the May 25, 2023 meeting.

The purpose of the FTIP is to identify all transportation projects that have federal transportation funding or require some type of federal approval from FHWA or the FTA.

Staff presented the Board with the required amendments for the FTIP. Those being the Active Transportation Program (ATP), Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ), Highway Bridge Program (HBP), Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), Fiscal Year 2023 Congressionally Directed Projects, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 2310 Program.

This amendment was presented to the BCAG Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting on April 6, 2023. BCAG staff will prepare the draft amendment package in accordance with the adopted Public Participation Plan which includes public noticing and Interagency Consultation Review process.

**ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR**

**10: Members of the public may present items to the BCAG Board of Directors, but no action will be taken other than placement on a future agenda.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further items to discuss, the BCAG Board meeting adjourned at 10:33 AM.

**Attest:**

*Jon Clark, Executive Director*

*Ashley Carriere, Board Clerk*

*Butte County Association of Governments*

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
ITEM #4



## BCAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## Item #4 Consent

May 25, 2023

### **APPROVAL OF 2023/24 FINDINGS OF APPORTIONMENT FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) FUNDS**

**PREPARED BY:** Julie Quinn, Chief Fiscal Officer

**ISSUE:** Staff is presenting the FY 23/24 Transportation Development Act (TDA) apportionments for Board approval. Upon approval, Butte County claimants may file claims for the TDA funding.

**DISCUSSION:** The TDA provides two funding sources: State Transit Assistance (STA) and Local Transportation Funds (LTF). Revenues of the STA are derived from the statewide sales tax on diesel fuel and revenues of the LTF are derived from a ¼ cent of general sales tax collected within the county. The STA provides funding for allocation to local transit service for operations and capital associated with local mass transportation programs. The LTF funds a wide variety of transportation programs, including planning and programming activities, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, public transportation and bus and rail projects. Providing certain conditions are met, counties with a population under 500,000 may also use the LTF for bicycle/pedestrian and streets/roads construction and maintenance.

Attached are the FY 23/24 Findings of Apportionment for the LTF and STA.

The State Transit Assistance (STA) apportionment of \$3,000,000 is based on the estimate of \$2,555,628 released from the State Controller in January of 2023, plus additional fund balance of \$444,372. There is no change from the Preliminary Apportionment reviewed with the Board in March of 2023.

The LTF apportionment of \$12,403,710 is based on the Butte County Auditor-Controller's estimate of sales tax revenues for the upcoming year, plus any available fund balance or adjustments for changes in estimate. The FY 23/24 estimate of LTF from the County is \$11,703,610. BCAG has added an additional \$700,000 from the estimated fund balance of FY22/23. This is a \$100,000 increase from the Preliminary Apportionment reviewed with the Board in March of 2023.

BCAG and the Butte County Auditor-Controller receive allocations off the top per the TDA regulations. The Auditor-Controller allocation remains at \$25,000. The BCAG allocation remains at \$650,000.

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Butte Regional Transit allocation of \$5,290,951 consists of operations funding of \$4,040,951 and \$1,250,000 of capital funding that is reserved for future capital needs including bus purchases. Operating funds are determined from the Board approved B-Line Budget and Service Plan and include adjustments for any prior year carryover. Capital reserves are determined from the bus replacement schedule.

Apportionments totaling \$9,437,758 to the cities, town and county have increased by over \$2.5 million in the current year. This is due to increased state funding, the release of over \$1.2 million in fund balance and a reduction of funds to BRT. The summary of changes can be seen in the Apportionment attachment.

Final apportionments are based on January 1, 2023 population estimates from the State Department of Finance, released May 1, 2023. Preliminary Apportionments were based on January 1, 2022 population estimates. As seen in the table below, the relative county population is shifting from the unincorporated areas to the urban areas, with the City of Chico showing the largest relative population gain from prior year estimates. This shift in population effects the apportionment of TDA in the Final Findings of Apportionment as follows:

Area	Relative Population %		
	2022	2023	Change
Unincorporated	31.25%	29.24%	-2.01%
Biggs	0.96%	0.97%	0.01%
Chico	51.04%	52.24%	1.20%
Gridley	3.57%	3.67%	0.10%
Oroville	9.36%	9.44%	0.08%
Paradise	3.82%	4.45%	0.62%
	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%

Population figures from the Department of Finance are included in the attachment and can be found on the BCAG website at the following link:

<http://www.bcag.org/Planning/Socio-Economic-Data/Population-Estimates---2023/index.html>

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff requests the Board approve the FY 23/24 TDA Findings of Apportionment to be used for the FY 23/24 claims process.

Key Staff: Julie Quinn, Chief Fiscal Officer  
Iván García, Programming Director  
Jon Clark, Executive Director

**STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUND (STA)  
and  
LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUND (LTF)  
Fiscal Year 2023/24  
Findings of Apportionment**

5/25/2023

**STA - Total Funds = \$ 3,000,000**

Jurisdiction	PUC 99313	PUC 99314	2023/24 Allocation	Change in TDA 22-23 Finding
BRT CAPITAL	\$ 750,000	-	\$ 750,000	350,000
BRT OPERATIONS	\$ 2,056,273	103,293	\$ 2,159,566	547,000
GRIDLEY FLYER	\$ 89,030	1,404	\$ 90,434	3,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,895,303</b>	<b>104,697</b>	<b>\$ 3,000,000</b>	<b>\$ 900,000</b>

STA Source: Estimate of State Controller's Office January 2023; plus \$444,372 Fund Balance used

**LTF - Total Funds = \$ 12,403,710**

Jurisdiction	Population	Pop %	2023/24 Allocation	Change in TDA 22-23 Finding
BCAG/Admin	N/A	N/A	\$ 650,000	-
BC AUDITOR/Admin	N/A	N/A	\$ 25,000	-
BRT CAPITAL	N/A	N/A	\$ 500,000	100,000
BRT OPERATIONS	N/A	N/A	\$ 1,881,385	(1,558,969)
BUTTE CO	60,109	29.24%	\$ 2,732,880	599,602
BIGGS	1,990	0.97%	\$ 90,476	24,823
CHICO	107,394	52.24%	\$ 4,882,712	1,398,850
GRIDLEY	7,548	3.67%	\$ 343,173	99,216
OROVILLE	19,409	9.44%	\$ 882,438	243,748
PARADISE	9,142	4.45%	\$ 415,645	154,758
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>205,592</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$12,403,709</b>	<b>\$ 1,062,028</b>

LTF Source: Butte County Auditor's Office estimate of \$11,703,710 for FY 23/24 plus \$700,000 Fund Balance

Source: Population - Department of Finance Report E-1 for Jan 1, 2023

Total FY 23-24 Agency Apportionments for STA and LTF				Change in TDA 22-23 Finding
AGENCY	STA	LTF	TOTAL	
BCAG		\$ 650,000	\$ 650,000	\$ -
AUDITOR		\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ -
BUTTE REGIONAL TRANSIT	\$ 2,909,566	\$ 2,381,385	\$ 5,290,951	\$ (561,969)
BUTTE CO		\$ 2,732,880	\$ 2,732,880	\$ 599,602
BIGGS		\$ 90,476	\$ 90,476	\$ 24,823
CHICO		\$ 4,882,712	\$ 4,882,712	\$ 1,398,850
GRIDLEY	\$ 90,434	\$ 343,173	\$ 433,607	\$ 102,216
OROVILLE		\$ 882,438	\$ 882,438	\$ 243,748
PARADISE		\$ 415,645	\$ 415,645	\$ 154,758
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,000,000</b>	<b>\$ 12,403,709</b>	<b>\$ 15,403,709</b>	<b>\$ 1,962,028</b>

**Summary of Changes in Funding and Distribution**

	FY 22/23 Final Finding	FY 23/24 Final Finding	Change in TDA	% Increase
Change in Funding:				
STA	\$ 2,100,000	3,000,000	\$ 900,000	43%
LTF	\$ 11,341,681	12,403,709	1,062,028	9%
			\$ 1,962,028 *	
Change in Distribution:				
BCAG	\$ 650,000	650,000	\$ -	0%
BC Auditor	\$ 25,000	25,000	\$ -	0%
BRT	5,852,920	5,290,951	\$ (561,969)	-10%
Jurisdictions	6,913,761	9,437,758	\$ 2,523,997	37%
			\$ 1,962,028	

\* Note: Funding includes release of prior year revenues of \$1,244,372

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ITEM #5



## BCAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## Item # 5 Consent

May 25, 2023

### APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT 2 TO THE 2023 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP)

**PREPARED BY:** Ivan Garcia, Programming Director

**ISSUE:** BCAG is required to amend the 2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) for various local projects.

**DISCUSSION:** The purpose of the FTIP is to identify all transportation projects that have federal transportation funding or require some type of federal approval from FHWA or the FTA. Amendment #02 to the 2023 FTIP is required for the following actions:

### FINANCIAL UPDATES TO EXISTING EXEMPT FTIP PROJECTS & GROUPED LISTINGS:

1. **Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Program - BCAG.** The purpose of this modification is to update the funds reflected in the FTIP to the actual apportionment. FTA funds were changed from \$4 million to \$3.16 million and Local Funds were changed from \$4 million to \$2.9 million in FFY 2022/23. No other changes were made. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 "Mass Transit" indicating that operating assistance to transit agencies and purchase of new buses to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansion of the fleet are exempt.
2. **Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Enhancement Program Grouped Listing - Various.** The purpose of this modification is to update and reflect the FTA Section 5310 projects approved for BCAG by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) in June of 2022. This amendment reflects the adding to the grouped listing of 4 medium paratransit buses for \$288,000 and \$72,000 in FTA Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 "Mass Transit" indicating that operating assistance to transit



agencies and purchase of new buses to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansion of the fleet are exempt.

3. **Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Enhancement Program Grouped Listing - Various.** The purpose of this minor modification is to update and reflect the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funds for the 2020/21 FFY for information. No other changes were made. There are no financial changes for the 4-year period of the FTIP. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency’s Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 “Mass Transit” indicating that operating assistance to transit agencies and purchase of new buses to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansion of the fleet are exempt.
4. **Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311f Butte Regional Transit - BCAG.** The purpose of this minor modification was to update the local funding only. Local funds changed from \$255,000 to \$489,000 in FFY 22/23, \$275,000 to \$489,000 in FFY 23/24 and to \$400,000 in FFY 24/25 & 25/26. Federal funds were not changed. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency’s Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 “Mass Transit” indicating that operating assistance to transit agencies and purchase of new buses to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansion of the fleet are exempt.
5. **Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339 Program- BCAG.** The project is a carryover project from the 2021 FTIP. This amendment identifies the funding apportioned to BCAG for the FTA 5339(a) program. The funding for this program will be used towards bus acquisition, and/or facility, IT, or software upgrades. This amendment programs the apportioned funds and project for a total of \$862,000 in FTA Section 5339(a) funds. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency’s Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 “Mass Transit” indicating that operating assistance to transit agencies and purchase of new buses to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansion of the fleet are exempt.
6. **Grouped Projects for Safety Improvements - HSIP Program – Various Agencies.** The purpose of this modification is to update the HSIP Grouped listing and financial data as listed in the updated Caltrans HSIP list dated 03/15/2023. This amendment adds HSIP Cycle 11 projects to the grouped listing including: H11-03-001 for Butte County. The project is described as various locations along: Forbestown Rd, Coutolenc Rd, Skyway, Cohasset Rd., Palermo Honcut Hwy, and Lwr Honcut Rd. This amendment programs \$249,930 in HSIP funding for FFY 23/24 and \$28,770 in County in local funds for total of \$249,930. The project is exempt

from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 "Safety" indicating that the Highway Safety Improvement Program implementation projects are exempt.

7. **ATP Gap Closure Project – Town of Paradise.** The purpose of this amendment is to carryover the project from the 2017 FTIP. This project is under a time extension approved by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for construction. This amendment adds \$1 million in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds in the 22/23 FFY for the construction component. Project delays and cost increases are the result of the Paradise Camp Fire, COVID and change in construction bidding climate. The project is in downtown Paradise along Fir Street (Skyway to Black Olive), Birch Street (Skyway to Black Olive), in addition to portions of Foster Road (Pearson to Birch), Black Olive Drive (Pearson to Fir) and Elliott Road (Skyway to Almond). The scope is to construct new sidewalks, curbs and gutters and Class II Bicycle Lanes. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 "Air Quality" indicating that bicycle and pedestrian facilities are exempt.
  
8. **Hegan Lane Business Park Access Improvements – City of Chico.** The purpose of this amendment is to remove the CMAQ programming capacity of \$125,000 in FFY 22/23 and \$1,889,000 in FFY 23/24. This project is temporarily delayed. These funds will be programmed for the City of Chico's Bikeway 99 Project listed below. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.127 Exempt Projects, Table 3 "Projects Exempt From Regional Emissions Analyses" indicating that that intersection channelization projects are exempt.
  
9. **SR 99 Corridor Bikeway Phase 5 - 20th Street Crossing– City of Chico.** The purpose of this amendment is to carryover the project from the 2021 FTIP. This project is under a time extension approved by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to award a contract for construction. This amendment addresses a cost increase due to COVID delays and change in construction bid climate. This amendment adds \$3.5 million in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and \$1.5 million in Local funds the construction component. The total cost of the project changed from \$15.9 million to \$19.4 million. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 "Air Quality" indicating that bicycle and pedestrian facilities are exempt.

**NEW EXEMPT FTIP PROJECTS:**

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lanes. The project length is approximately 0.61 miles. This amendment programs \$6.704 million in ATP funds and \$106,000 in Local funds for a total project cost of \$6.810 million. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 "Air Quality" indicating that bicycle and pedestrian facilities are exempt.

This item was presented to the BCAG Transportation Advisory Committee meeting on April 6, 2023 and to the BCAG Board of Directors on April 27, 2023 for information. BCAG's Public Involvement Procedures were followed in preparation of this amendment. The Interagency Consultation Review process was initiated on May 10, 2023.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff requests the Board of Directors approve Amendment #2 to the 2023 FTIP by Resolution #2023/23-13 and authorize staff to make any minor corrections and changes to ensure timely state and federal approval.

Key Staff: Iván García, Programming Director  
Brian Lasagna, Regional Analyst

## Summary of Changes

Project	CTIPS ID	PROJECT TITLE	DESCRIPTION OF CHANGE	% Cost Increase /Decrease (if applicable) (\$ thousands) 4 YEAR FTIP period only			4 YEAR TIP Period- Funding Change	Performance Measure Supportive Projects				CAPTI or CTP 2050 Goals
				New Cost	Prior Cost	% Change		PM 1	PM 2	PM 3	Transit	
1	20200000005	<b>FTA Sec. 5307 Program - B - Line</b>	Updates the funds reflected in the FTIP to the apportionment. FTA funds were changed from \$4 million to \$3.16 million and Local Funds were changed from \$4 million to \$2.9 million in FFY 2022/23. No other changes were made. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 "Mass Transit" indicating that operating assistance to transit agencies and purchase of new buses to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansion of the fleet are exempt.	\$ 34,140	\$ 32,600	5	\$ 1,540			X	X	Safety, Climate Equity, Accessibility, Quality of Life & Public Health, Environment Economy Infrastructure (CAPTI Page 13)
2	20200000182	<b>FTA 5310 Enhancement Program Group Listing - Non Infrastructure</b>	Updated to reflect 5310 projects approved for BCAG by the CTC . Attachment B - FTA Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities 2021 Program of Projects June 2, 2022. Adding 4 medium paratransit buses for \$288,000. \$72k FTA 5310 funds and 18k in FTA Covid for match for each bus.	\$ 1,310	\$ 950	38	\$ 360				X	Safety, Climate Equity, Accessibility, Quality of Life & Public Health, Environment Economy Infrastructure (CAPTI Page 13)
3	20200000008	<b>FTA Sec 5311 Program</b>	Adding American Rescue Plan 5311 apportionments for <b>FFY 2021. \$900k for information.</b>	\$ 7,183	\$ 7,183	0	\$ -			X	X	Safety, Climate Equity, Accessibility, Quality of Life & Public Health, Environment Economy Infrastructure (CAPTI Page 13))

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4	20200000200	<b>FTA 5311f - Butte Regional Transit</b>	Update for Local Funds only from 255k to 489k in FFY 22/23, 275k to 489k in FFY 23/24 and to 400k in FFY 24/25 & 25/26. No changes to any federal funds.	\$ 2,978	\$ 2,214	35	\$ 764			X	X	Safety, Climate Equity, Accessibility, Quality of Life & Public Health, Environment, Infrastructure (CAPTI Page 13)
5	20200000170	<b>FTA Section 5339 Program</b>	Carryover from 2021 FTIP. Adding updated apportionments to be used towards maintaining a state of good repair through bus acquisition, and/or facility, IT, and software upgrades. Total FTA 5339(a): \$862,080	\$ 862	\$ -		\$ 862			X	X	Safety, Climate Equity, Accessibility, Quality of Life & Public Health, Environment, Infrastructure (CAPTI Page 13)
6	20200000117	<b>SR 99 Corridor Bikeway Phase 5 - 20th Street Crossing</b>	Carryover from 2021 FTIP to address cost increase needed to complete construction component. Amendment adds \$3.5 million in CMAQ and \$1.5m in local funds. Under current time extension from CTC. Scope is to construct new bike/ped bridge connecting to bike/ped paths. Prior funds are zero because project was advanced prior to 23 FTIP. Due to cost increases and need for federal funds, the project is re-introduced into the FTIP for CMAQ funds.	\$ 15,104	\$ -		\$ 15,104	X		X		Safety, Climate, Equity, Accessibility, Quality of Life & Public Health, Environment Infrastructure (CAPTI Page 13)
7	20200000226	<b>Hegan Lane Business Park Access Improvements</b>	Removing CMAQ - 125k in FY22/23 and \$1,889k in FY 23/24. No other changes. Moving capacity to SR 99 Bikeway project. Project is temporarily delayed.	\$ 12,486	\$ 14,500	-14	\$ (2,014)	X	X	X		Safety, Climate, Equity Accessibility, Quality of Life & Public Health, Economy, Environment, Infrastructure (CAPTI Page 13)

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8	2020000070	<b>Grouped Projects for Safety Improvements - HSIP Program</b>	Updating HSIP to March 15, 2023 HQ list for new Cycle 11 project: H11-03-001. Butte County. Various locations along: Forbestown Rd, Coutolenc Rd, Skyway, Cohasset Rd., Palermo Honcut Hwy, and Lwr Honcut Rd. Programs 249,930 in HSIP FY 23/24 and \$28,770 in County local funds for total of \$279,930.	\$ 279	\$ 5,842	-95	\$ (5,563)	X				Safety, Equity, Quality of Life & Public Health, Infrastructure (CAPTI Page 13)
9	2020000197	<b>ATP Gap Closure Project</b>	Carryover project from 2017 FTIP. Project is under a time-extension by CTC. Amendment #2 brings project into 2023 FTIP and adds \$1 million for the CON component in FY 22/23 to address cost increases. Utilizing toll credits to fulfill match requirements. No other changes. Scope is bike and ped improvements in Downtown Paradise.	\$ 1,000	\$ -		\$ 1,000	X	X	X		Safety, Climate, Equity, Accessibility, Quality of Life & Public Health, Environment Infrastructure (CAPTI Page 13)
10	2020000234	<b>South Oroville Bike and Ped Connectivity Project</b>	New ATP Cycle 6 Project. In South Oroville. Gap closure project connecting all four schools with pedestrian and bike safety enhancements. Programs \$9.286 million.	\$ 9,286	\$ -		\$ 9,286	X	X	X		Safety, Equity, Accessibility, Quality of Life & Public Health, Infrastructure (CAPTI Page 13)
11	2020000232	<b>Go Paradise: Neal Gateway Project</b>	New ATP Cycle 6 Project. On Neal Rd from County/Town Limits to Skyway/Neal Junction. Add a new Class I pathway for 1.78 miles. Programs \$13.068 million.	\$ 13,068	\$ -		\$ 13,068	X		X		Safety, Climate, Equity, Accessibility, Quality of Life & Public Health, Environment Infrastructure (CAPTI Page 13)

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12	20200000231	<b>Go Paradise: Pentz Student Pathway</b>	New ATP Cycle 6 Project. Along Pentz Road from Pentz/Skyway to Wagstaff Rd and Bille Rd to Pearson Rd. Completes a four-mile corridor of Class I path for bicyclists and pedestrians to create a continuous facility. Programs \$23.293 million.	\$ 23,293	\$ -		\$ 23,293	X		X		Safety, Climate, Equity, Accessibility, Quality of Life& Public Health, Environment Infrastructure (CAPTI Page 13)
13	20200000233	<b>Go Paradise: Skyway Link Project</b>	New ATP Cycle 6 Project. On the Skyway between Bille Rd and Wagstaff Rd. Project consists of sidewalk infill and class II bike lanes. Project length is approximately 0.61 miles. Programs \$6.81 million	\$ 6,810			\$ 6,810	X	X	X		Safety, Climate, Equity, Accessibility, Quality of Life& Public Health, Environment Infrastructure (CAPTI Page 13))

PM 1 - Safety (Fatalities and Injuries)

PM 2 - Infrastructure Condition (Pavement and Bridges)

PM 3 - System Performance (Freight movement, congestion, and reliability)

Transit - Transit Asset Management (TAM) and Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTSAP): State of good repair and safety for transit





**BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
RESOLUTION NO 2022/2023-13**



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**APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT #02 TO THE 2023 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION  
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP) AND AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY  
DETERMINATION FOR BUTTE COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the Butte County Association of Governments is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for Butte County in accordance with 23 USC 134(b)(6); and Section 450.306 of the Metropolitan and Statewide Planning Rule;

**WHEREAS**, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law of 2021 requires the Butte County Association of Governments, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization, to prepare a Transportation Improvement Program in cooperation with the State and transit operators, to include all projects to be funded under Title 23 and the Federal Transit Administration grants; and requires BCAG to prepare a long-range Regional Transportation Plan / Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and short-range Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP);

**WHEREAS**, the Butte County Association of Governments has prepared Amendment #02 to the 2023 FTIP as attached to this resolution;

**WHEREAS**, the 2023 FTIP through Amendment #02 is financially constrained by year and includes a financial plan that demonstrates projects can be implemented using committed funds;

**WHEREAS**, This amendment does not reflect a change in the design concept and scope of the project or the conformity analysis years as assumed for the regional emissions analysis of the currently conforming RTP and TIP. This amendment meets all applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450 (financial constraint, public involvement and consistency with the RTP).

**WHEREAS**, BCAG does not have any Transportation Control Measures in the State Implementation Plan (SIP), therefore the projects do not interfere with any TCMs;

**WHEREAS**, BCAG posted a notice to provide the public with the opportunity to review and comment in accordance with BCAG's adopted Public Participation Plan.

**WHEREAS**, Amendment #02 as described below is within BCAG's programming targets and is financially constrained for the following activities including:

**FINANCIAL UPDATES TO EXISTING EXEMPT FTIP PROJECTS & GROUPED LISTINGS:**

1. **Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Program - BCAG**. The purpose of this modification is to update the funds reflected in the FTIP to the actual apportionment. FTA funds were changed from \$4 million to \$3.16 million and Local Funds were changed from \$4 million to \$2.9 million in FFY 2022/23. No other changes were made. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 "Mass Transit" indicating that operating assistance to transit agencies and purchase of new buses to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansion of the fleet are exempt.
2. **Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Enhancement Program Grouped Listing - Various**. The purpose of this modification is to update and reflect the FTA Section 5310 projects approved for BCAG by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) in June of 2022. This amendment reflects the adding to the grouped listing of 4 medium paratransit buses for \$288,000 and \$72,000 in FTA Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 "Mass Transit" indicating that operating assistance to transit agencies and purchase of new buses to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansion of the fleet are exempt.
3. **Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Enhancement Program Grouped Listing - Various**. The purpose of this minor modification is to update and reflect the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funds for the 2020/21 FFY for information. No other changes were made. There are no financial changes for the 4-year period of the FTIP. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 "Mass Transit" indicating that operating assistance to transit agencies and purchase of new buses to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansion of the fleet are exempt.
4. **Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311f Butte Regional Transit - BCAG**. The purpose of this minor modification was to update the local funding only. Local funds changed from \$255,000 to \$489,000 in FFY 22/23, \$275,000 to \$489,000 in FFY 23/24 and to \$400,000 in FFY 24/25 & 25/26. Federal funds

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5. **Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339 Program- BCAG**. The project is a carryover project from the 2021 FTIP. This amendment identifies the funding apportioned to BCAG for the FTA 5339(a) program. The funding for this program will be used towards bus acquisition, and/or facility, IT, or software upgrades. This amendment programs the apportioned funds and project for a total of \$862,000 in FTA Section 5339(a) funds. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 "Mass Transit" indicating that operating assistance to transit agencies and purchase of new buses to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansion of the fleet are exempt.

6. **Grouped Projects for Safety Improvements - HSIP Program – Various Agencies**. The purpose of this modification is to update the HSIP Grouped listing and financial data as listed in the updated Caltrans HSIP list dated 03/15/2023. This amendment adds HSIP Cycle 11 projects to the grouped listing including: H11-03-001 for Butte County. The project is described as various locations along: Forbestown Rd, Coutolenc Rd, Skyway, Cohasset Rd., Palermo Honcut Hwy, and Lwr Honcut Rd. This amendment programs \$249,930 in HSIP funding for FFY 23/24 and \$28,770 in County in local funds for total of \$249,930. The project is exempt

from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 "Safety" indicating that the Highway Safety Improvement Program implementation projects are exempt.

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Almond). The scope is to construct new sidewalks, curbs and gutters and Class II Bicycle Lanes. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Exempt Projects, Table 2 "Air Quality" indicating that bicycle and pedestrian facilities are exempt.

8. **Hegan Lane Business Park Access Improvements – City of Chico.** The purpose of this amendment is to remove the CMAQ programming capacity of \$125,000 in FFY 22/23 and \$1,889,000 in FFY 23/24. This project is temporarily delayed. These funds will be programmed for the City of Chico's Bikeway 99 Project listed below. The project is exempt from a regional emissions analysis per the Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.127 Exempt Projects, Table 3 "Projects Exempt From Regional Emissions Analyses" indicating that that intersection channelization projects are exempt.
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**WHEREAS**, the amended projects, as listed above, exist in the current 2020 Regional Transportation Plan / Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). The amendment for each project does not reflect a change in the design concept and scope of the project or the conformity analysis years as assumed for the regional emissions analysis of the currently conforming RTP and FTIP. The previous emissions analysis is

consistent with the requirements of 40 CFR 93.118 and 93.119, as applicable. This amendment meets all applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450 (financial constraint, public involvement, and consistency with the RTP). Allocating funds to these projects will not delay the implementation of projects in the 2020 RTP/SCS which are necessary to achieve the highway and transportation system envisioned by the plan. BCAG does not have any Transportation Control Measures in the State Implementation Plan (SIP) and therefore the project does not interfere with any TCMs.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Butte County Association of Governments has prepared and approved Amendment #02 to the 2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program in accordance with the Transportation Conformity Rule requirements applicable to Butte County and determined that the programming is consistent with the policies, goals and objectives of the adopted 2020 Regional Transportation Plan / Sustainable Communities Strategy. Based on this analysis, the Butte County 2020 RTP/SCS and the Butte County 2023 FTIP conforms to the applicable State Implementation Plan (SIP) and all applicable sections of the EPA's Transportation Conformity Rule;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in the interest of project delivery, the Butte County Association of Governments authorizes its staff to modify the programming information including minor adjustments in cooperation with Caltrans and or FHWA as needed to ensure the timely submittal and approval of the amendment.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Butte County Association of Governments on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

**APPROVED:**

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BILL CONNELLY, CHAIR  
BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

**ATTEST:**

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JON A. CLARK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
ITEM #6





## BCAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## Item #6 Action

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### **APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND AWARD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE PARADISE TRANSIT CENTER**

**PREPARED BY:** Andy Newsum, Deputy Director

**ISSUE:** An Invitation for Bids (IFB) of the above - mentioned project is expected to be advertised for construction in June of 2023 with bids due to the BCAG offices in August of 2023.

**DISCUSSION:** In March of 2017, development of the Paradise Transit Center began with the consulting firm Mark Thomas of Sacramento, CA. Design proceeded to 95% with expected construction funding availability. Following the Camp Fire, the construction funding did not materialize, and the project was put on hold.

In March of 2022, capital funding for construction of the project was secured with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). In November of 2022, staff re-engaged Mark Thomas after a public proposal solicitation to complete the project design and prepare the project for construction advertisement in coordination with the Town of Paradise.

Upon receiving bids, staff will perform a proposal, funding and bid analysis to determine the lowest **responsive** and **responsible** bidder and assure available funding can accommodate the contract. Federal and state public contracting code then requires the award of the construction contract to the contractor submitting the lowest responsible and responsive proposal and bid. Funding for the project has been included in the adopted 23/24 BCAG Overall Work Program and 23/24 Butte Regional Transit Budget and Service Plan. Should the approximately \$2 million in approved and secured funding not be enough to accommodate construction, an item will be brought before the BCAG Board with recommendations for further action.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff is requesting that the Board of Directors authorize the Executive Director to award the contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder and authorize the Chair to sign the contract on behalf of the BCAG Board of Directors.

Key Staff: Jon Clark, Executive Director  
Andy Newsum, Deputy Director

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
ITEM #7



## BCAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## Item #7r Information

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### **BUTTE REGIONAL TRANSIT (B-LINE) 2022/23 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER REPORT**

**PREPARED BY:** Victoria Proctor, Assistant Planner

**ISSUE:** Staff is presenting key financial and operating data for Butte Regional Transit (B-Line) for the third quarter of fiscal year 2022/23.

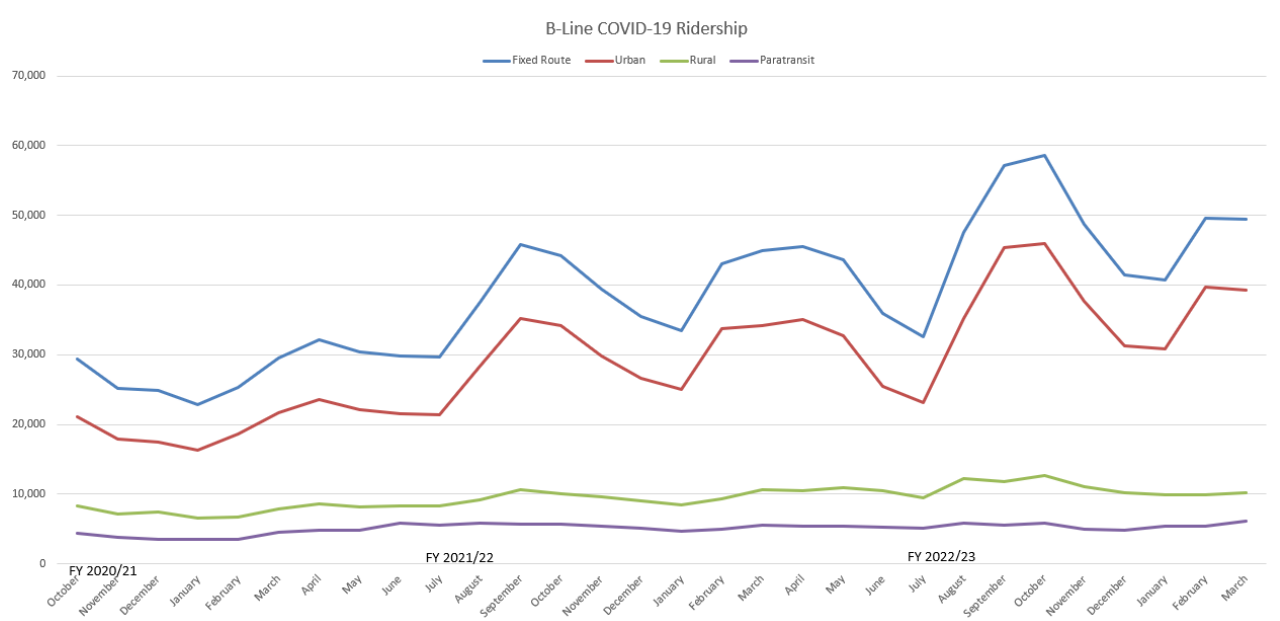
**DISCUSSION:** The attached tables present a summary of key financial and operation results for Butte Regional Transit. Financial data presentation compares third quarter results to the annual budget and to the prior year. Operations tables represent a performance-based assessment in comparison to the same quarter of the prior fiscal year. The measures of revenue, expense, ridership, vehicle revenue hours and passengers per vehicle revenue hour are broken down by the four types of service – fixed route and paratransit, which each differentiate into urban and rural. This separation helps to define where improvements are needed and/or issues are taking place. Farebox ratios for the quarter are presented for reference as only annual ratios are required for the Transportation Development Act (TDA) compliance. Accidents and complaints, gauging safety and customer satisfaction, are analyzed for the system as a whole.

Lack of riders continues to be an issue in meeting the annual farebox ratios previously mandated by the TDA (10% for Rural Fixed, Rural Paratransit and Urban Paratransit; 20% for Urban Fixed). However, in July 2021, California AB 149 was passed that extended the previous TDA exemption from the farebox requirement through the current fiscal year 2022/23. It also changed the definition of “local funds” to allow any nonstate funding as part of the “farebox” ratio. This change now allows federal support to be included as farebox, which will effectively eliminate the risk of farebox shortfall as federal support is historically at least 35% of our total funding. Federal pandemic relief funding continues to help cover lost fare revenues. For the purposes of this report, farebox coverage is still shown as a percentage of fares to operating expense, to illustrate the amount of federal and state subsidies.

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The graph above shows the expected January uptick in ridership in line with the start of the semester at Butte College and Chico State. Since Chico State ridership makes up an average of 30% of B-Line riders, it is expected that peak ridership occurs when in-person classes are in session. A larger version of this graph is included as an attachment to this memo.

**Rural Fixed Route** fares cover 11.1% of operating costs. Ridership has increased 5.7% compared to the prior year's quarter. Passenger fares were 84% of the annual budgeted projection. Expenditures were in line with budget expectations at 73% of the annual budget through the third quarter.

**Urban Fixed Route** fares cover 11.0% of operating costs. Ridership increased 17.8% compared to the prior year's quarter. Passenger fares were 98% of the annual budget expectation showing greater recovery than anticipated. Expenditures were in line with budget expectations at 76% of the annual budget through the third quarter.

**Rural Paratransit** fares cover 7.1% of operating costs. Ridership decreased 0.9% compared to the prior year's quarter. Passenger fares were 74% of the annual budget expectations. Expenditures were lower than budget expectations at 58% of the annual budget due to lower than anticipated service hours. The efficiency for this system was 2.8 passengers per revenue hour for the quarter, which is within expectations.

**Urban Paratransit** fares cover 8.2% of operating costs. Ridership increased by 17.4% for the quarter. Passenger fares were 75% of the annual budgeted expectations. Expenditures were lower than budget expectations at 66% of the annual budget due to lower than expected service hours. Efficiency for this system was 3.1 passengers per revenue hour for the quarter, which is the same as our pre-pandemic goal.

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**Overall** – There were 5 preventable accidents in the quarter, with 361,190 miles driven. There was 1 valid complaint in the quarter which is well within reason for the total number of passengers (156,635) served.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** This item is presented for information only.

Key Staff: Victoria Proctor, Assistant Planner  
Amy White, Assistant Planner  
Julie Quinn, Chief Fiscal Officer

Butte Regional Transit  
3rd Quarter Financial Report  
Fiscal Year 2022/23

	Rural Fixed Route					Urban Fixed Route				
	21/22 Q3 Actual to Date	% of 21/22 Budget	22/23 Annual Budget	22/23 Q3 Actual to Date	% of 22/23 Budget	21/22 Q3 Actual to Date	% of 21/22 Budget	22/23 Annual Budget	22/23 Q3 Actual to Date	% of 22/23 Budget
Passenger Fares	\$ 228,297	70%	\$ 331,336	\$ 278,221	84%	\$ 405,130	111%	\$ 449,080	\$ 441,497	98%
Other Income	\$ 1,246,243	46%	\$ 3,120,683	\$ 1,904,122	61%	\$ 2,032,231	48%	\$ 4,786,041	\$ 2,249,556	47%
Total Income	<u>\$ 1,474,540</u>	49%	<u>\$ 3,452,019</u>	<u>\$ 2,182,343</u>	63%	<u>\$ 2,437,361</u>	53%	<u>\$ 5,235,121</u>	<u>\$ 2,691,053</u>	51%
Operator Expense	\$ 1,279,964	77%	\$ 1,865,250	\$ 1,396,894	75%	\$ 2,872,470	82%	\$ 4,009,533	\$ 3,149,435	79%
Fuel Expense	\$ 391,829	98%	\$ 523,000	\$ 433,609	83%	\$ 277,626	79%	\$ 358,000	\$ 302,591	85%
Other Operating	\$ 445,626	63%	\$ 775,769	\$ 454,867	59%	\$ 372,570	57%	\$ 713,988	\$ 426,774	60%
Services & Supplies	\$ 2,117,419	77%	\$ 3,164,019	\$ 2,285,370	72%	\$ 3,522,666	78%	\$ 5,081,521	\$ 3,878,800	76%
Admin Charges	\$ 206,222	81%	\$ 288,000	\$ 226,092	79%	\$ 109,985	81%	\$ 153,600	\$ 120,582	79%
Total Expense	<u>\$ 2,323,641</u>	77%	<u>\$ 3,452,019</u>	<u>\$ 2,511,462</u>	73%	<u>\$ 3,632,651</u>	79%	<u>\$ 5,235,121</u>	<u>\$ 3,999,382</u>	76%
Actual Expense In(De)crease				7%					9%	
Farebox Coverage	<u>9.8%</u>		<u>9.6%</u>	<u>11.1%</u>		<u>11.2%</u>		<u>8.6%</u>	<u>11.0%</u>	
Revenue Hours	15,933	76%	20,990	15,734	75%	35,227	80%	45,120	35,490	79%
Annual Passengers	85,214			97,720		268,349			327,965	
Annual Pass/Rev Hr	5.3			6.2		7.6			9.2	

Notes:

Other Income includes: TDA allocations, FTA grants, Interest, Proceeds from Sales, other miscellaneous income.

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	Rural Paratransit					Urban Paratransit				
	21/22 Q3 Actual to Date	% of 21/22 Budget	22/23 Annual Budget	22/23 Q3 Actual to Date	% of 22/23 Budget	21/22 Q3 Actual to Date	% of 21/22 Budget	22/23 Annual Budget	22/23 Q3 Actual to Date	% of 22/23 Budget
Passenger Fares	\$ 30,780	79%	\$ 43,019	\$ 31,655	74%	\$ 100,080	92%	\$ 142,251	\$ 106,455	75%
Other Income	\$ 7,445	1%	\$ 721,307	\$ 632,648	88%	\$ 1,692,513	76%	\$ 1,827,150	\$ 21,173	1%
Total Income	<u>\$ 38,225</u>	4%	<u>\$ 764,326</u>	<u>\$ 664,303</u>	87%	<u>\$ 1,792,593</u>	77%	<u>\$ 1,969,401</u>	<u>\$ 127,628</u>	6%
Operator Expense	\$ 341,213	48%	\$ 622,046	\$ 364,136	59%	\$ 946,012	50%	\$ 1,510,684	\$ 1,034,973	69%
Fuel Expense	\$ 37,614	58%	\$ 55,000	\$ 39,457	72%	\$ 119,110	79%	\$ 160,000	\$ 124,946	78%
Other Operating	\$ 74,539	123%	\$ 66,680	\$ 30,775	46%	\$ 138,823	66%	\$ 225,917	\$ 95,403	42%
Services & Supplies	\$ 453,366	54%	\$ 743,726	\$ 434,368	58%	\$ 1,203,945	53%	\$ 1,896,601	\$ 1,255,322	66%
Admin Charges	\$ 13,992	76%	\$ 20,600	\$ 12,482	61%	\$ 49,095	76%	\$ 72,800	\$ 42,273	58%
Total Expense	<u>\$ 467,358</u>	54%	<u>\$ 764,326</u>	<u>\$ 446,850</u>	58%	<u>\$ 1,253,040</u>	54%	<u>\$ 1,969,401</u>	<u>\$ 1,297,595</u>	66%
Actual Expense In(De)c				-5%					3%	
Farebox Coverage	<u>6.6%</u>		<u>5.6%</u>	<u>7.1%</u>		<u>8.0%</u>		<u>7.2%</u>	<u>8.2%</u>	
Revenue Hours	4,251	47%	7,000	4,115	59%	11,828	49%	17,000	11,650	69%
Annual Passengers	11,891			11,972		36,536			37,032	
Annual Pass/Rev Hr	2.8			2.9		3.1			3.2	

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**B-Line Operating Data**  
**FY 2022/23 - Third Quarter**

**RURAL FIXED ROUTE**

Quarter	Passengers		
	21/22	22/23	change
1st	28,057	33,574	19.7%
2nd	28,676	33,965	18.4%
3rd	28,565	30,181	5.7%
4th	31,832		

Quarter	Vehicle Revenue Hours		
	21/22	22/23	change
1st	5,678	5,226	-8.0%
2nd	5,278	5,239	-0.7%
3rd	5,204	5,269	1.2%
4th	5,226		

Quarter	Passengers per Revenue Hr		
	21/22	22/23	change
1st	4.9	6.4	30.0%
2nd	5.4	6.5	19.3%
3rd	5.5	5.7	4.4%
4th	6.1		

**URBAN FIXED ROUTE**

Quarter	Passengers		
	21/22	22/23	change
1st	84,956	103,745	22.1%
2nd	90,438	114,735	26.9%
3rd	92,952	109,485	17.8%
4th	93,118		

Quarter	Vehicle Revenue Hours		
	21/22	22/23	change
1st	11,325	11,376	0.5%
2nd	12,436	12,164	-2.2%
3rd	11,809	11,950	1.2%
4th	11,600		

Quarter	Passengers per Revenue Hr		
	21/22	22/23	change
1st	7.5	9.1	21.6%
2nd	7.3	9.4	29.7%
3rd	7.9	9.2	16.4%
4th	8.0		

**RURAL PARATRANSIT**

Quarter	Passengers		
	21/22	22/23	change
1st	3,978	4,063	2.1%
2nd	3,784	3,817	0.9%
3rd	4,129	4,092	-0.9%
4th	4,355		

Quarter	Vehicle Revenue Hours		
	21/22	22/23	change
1st	1,448	1,290	-10.9%
2nd	1,370	1,355	-1.1%
3rd	1,433	1,470	2.6%
4th	1,494		

Quarter	Passengers per Revenue Hr		
	21/22	22/23	change
1st	2.7	3.1	14.6%
2nd	2.8	2.8	2.0%
3rd	2.9	2.8	-3.4%
4th	2.9		

**URBAN PARATRANSIT**

Quarter	Passengers		
	21/22	22/23	change
1st	13,198	12,417	-5.9%
2nd	12,372	11,737	-5.1%
3rd	10,966	12,878	17.4%
4th	11,795		

Quarter	Vehicle Revenue Hours		
	21/22	22/23	change
1st	4,257	3,750	-11.9%
2nd	3,925	3,727	-5.0%
3rd	3,646	4,173	14.5%
4th	3,777		

Quarter	Passengers per Revenue Hr		
	21/22	22/23	change
1st	3.1	3.3	6.8%
2nd	3.2	3.1	-0.1%
3rd	3.0	3.1	2.6%
4th	3.1		

**PREVENTABLE ACCIDENTS**

Qtr-FY	Accidents	Miles	Ratio (1 per x)
3-22/23	5	361,190	72,237
2-22/23	3	357,434	119,144
1-22/23	0	347,964	n/a
4-21/22	1	350,251	350,250

**VALID PASSENGER COMPLAINTS**

Complaint	Rides	Ratio (1 per x)
1	156,636	156,635
6	164,254	27,375
5	153,799	30,759
2	141,100	70,549



# B-Line COVID-19 Ridership

Fixed Route Urban Rural Paratransit

