



**APPROVED MEETING MINUTES  
OF THE BUTTE COUNTY  
ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
June 23, 2022**

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 K. 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
J Angel Calderon	Councilmember	City of Gridley
Chuck Nuchols	Councilmember	City of Biggs
Tami Ritter	Supervisor	District 3
Doug Teeter	Supervisor	District 5
Bill Connelly	Supervisor	District 1
Rose Tyron	Councilmember	Town of Paradise

**MEMBERS PRESENT REMOTELY**

Debra Lucero	Supervisor	District 2
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**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Jody Jones	Councilmember	Town of Paradise
Tod Kimmelshue	Supervisor	District 4
Chuck Reynolds	Mayor	City of Oroville

**STAFF PRESENT**

Jon Clark	Executive Director
Andy Newsum	Deputy Director
Sara Cain	Associate Senior Planner
Cheryl Massae	Human Resources Manager
Ivan Garcia	Programming Specialist
Victoria Proctor	Assistant Planner
Ashley Carriere	Administrative Assistant
Amy White	Assistant Planner
Julie Quinn	Chief Financial Officer

**OTHERS PRESENT**

- Lance Atencio, Transdev
- Dan Leavitt, SJJPA
- Daniel Hartman, AECOM
- Daniel Krause, AECOM

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Dawn Nevers, City of Oroville

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Roll Call**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- 3. Approval of Minutes from the May 26, 2022 BCAG Board of Directors Meeting**
- 4. Approval of Capital Reserve Funds for IT Infrastructure Upgrades for Butte Regional Transit & BCAG**
- 5. Approval Resolution 2021/22-22 Approving the Revised Allocation Amount for the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) for the Zero Emission Electric Bus Implementation Project**

On motion by Board Member Ritter and seconded by Board Member Nuchols, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.

**ITEMS FOR ACTION**

**6: Acceptance of the TDA Triennial Performance Audit for BCAG, Butte Regional Transit & the Gridley Golden Feather Flyer**

Staff informed the board that BCAG has contracted with Moore and Associates, Inc. to complete the TDA Triennial Performance Audit for FY 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21 for the county's two transit operators and BCAG. As the state and federally designated transportation planning agency for Butte County, BCAG is responsible for the preparation of all state and federal transportation plans and programs that are required to secure transportation funding for the cities and county. BCAG is also responsible for conducting the triennial performance audits of the Local Transportation Funds (LTF) and State Transit Assistance (STA) Funds for the transit operators.

BCAG released a Request for Proposals for the TDA Triennial Performance Audit of and received one proposal from Moore & Associates, Inc. Moore & Associates, Inc. conducted a comprehensive review of BCAG and the two transit operators for the three-year audit period and completed virtual interviews from applicable staff from each agency. The audits can be found on the BCAG website under the Planning tab/TDA. After acceptance of the item, BCAG staff submitted the audit findings to Caltrans Division of Rail and Mass Transportation.

On motion by Board Member Ritter and seconded by Board Member Calderon, the approval of TDA Triennial Performance Audit for BCAG was unanimously approved.

## **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

### **7: North Valley Passenger Rail Strategic Plan Update**

Staff informed the board that the study regarding expanding passenger rail service northward from Sacramento to Butte County, is progressing. The development of the North Valley Passenger Rail Strategic Plan continues to move forward with initial planning work and rail modeling by Caltrans Division of Rail and Mass Transportation.

Data was gathered by the Project Management Team, which includes staff from BCAG and San Joaquin Joint Powers Agency and the consultant team at AECOM. The Project Management Team moved forward with determining initial service and operations planning assumptions so that required modeling work by Caltrans DRMT and Union Pacific Railroad could move forward.

A PowerPoint presentation given went into more detail regarding the data that was gathered. Development of this data included site visits with the PMT and city/county staff in Chico, Gridley, Oroville, and Marysville as the unincorporated community of Plumas Lake. With the development of the initial assumptions complete, Caltrans DRMT has initiated their modeling analysis using the assumptions as inputs and expects to be completed in late June. The PowerPoint presentation was provided at the meeting by BCAG staff, Dan Levitt from SJJPA, and members of the consultant team at AECOM. Staff will continue to keep the Board informed as this study moves forward.

This item was presented for information purposes.

### **8: Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Plan Update**

BCAG staff updated the Board on the progress of the Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) Plan. The NEMT Plan is being completed by BCAG to investigate and provide feasible solutions available to individuals that do not qualify for ADA or Dial-A-Ride in Butte County.

BCAG began working with consultant, AMMA Transit Planning, in August 2021. An online survey has been completed by the project team who met with Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC), interviewed key stakeholders, held an alternatives workshop, and developed the Draft Needs and Alternative Report. The Draft Needs and Alternative Report summarizes the project team's understanding of NEMT needs in Butte County. This report was reviewed by the SSTAC and key stakeholders at the alternatives workshop in March 2022. The analysis showed B-Line fixed route and paratransit services do serve some NEMT needs. There are multiple solutions identified in the report to respond to the county's NEMT challenges. The two alternatives that BCAG staff will study in further detail are the creation of a B-Line

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NEMT Program and a Volunteer-Driver Mileage Reimbursement Program. Both solutions comprehensively address gaps in existing NEMT within Butte County.

BCAG will continue analyzing the operating and capital costs, recommended policies, marketing, and potential implementation strategies of the alternatives discussed in FY 2022/23. The BCAG Board, SSTAC, and key stakeholders will remain engaged and actively participate in these potential solutions. Solutions identified for implementation would likely not be implemented until FY 2023/24.

This item was presented for information purposes

**ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR**

**11: 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 10:04 AM.

**Attest:**

*Jon Clark, Executive Director*

*Ashley Carriere, Board Clerk*

*Butte County Association of Governments*