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Fresno County Regional Long Range Transit Plan

Steering Committee Meeting #6 Notes
Wednesday, December 13, 2017

1. Introductions
   a. Fresno COG & Partners: Fresno Area Express (FAX), Clovis Transit, and Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA)

      Kristine Cai, Fresno COG
      Moses Stites, FCRTA

   b. VRPA Team: VRPA, CDM Smith, Mobility Planners and Nelson\Nygaard

      Calli Cenizal, Nelson\Nygaard
      Cliff Chambers, Mobility Planners
      Hector Guerra, VRPA
      Bhanu Kala, CDM Smith
      Richard Lee, VRPA

   c. Steering Committee Members, representing Cities of Fresno and Clovis, Fresno County, smaller cities, Caltrans and other stakeholders

      Harpreet Kooner, County of Fresno
      Lorena Mendibles, Caltrans
      Amanda Monaco, Leadership Council

2. Review and Approve Meeting Notes from November 2, 2017

   Prior to the meeting, the meeting notes from Steering Committee Meeting #5 were emailed to all attendees. Attendees were asked to review the meeting notes and inform the consultant team of any requested revisions.

3. Existing Plans Review

   This is essentially complete except for a summary of the draft 2018 Fresno RTP

4. Status Report on Related Studies
   a. FAX Route Restructure Public Engagement Study

      The public outreach component for the study has now been completed. It is anticipated that an onboard survey will take place in January 2018. The study is expected to conclude in Spring 2018.

   b. Fresno COG 2018 RTP/SCS

      The Fresno COG 2018 RTP/SCS has approximately 70 proposed transit projects, which include: BRT, Park and Ride, High-Speed Rail, and new maintenance facilities/upgrades to facilities.

   c. Regional Active Transportation Plan (ATP)

      The Draft ATP is now available on the Fresno COG website. The ATP is currently going through the environmental review process.

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d. Tulare – Kings Cross Valley Corridor Study

A Public Draft of the Cross Valley Corridor Plan (CVCP) is expected by early 2018. The CVCP directly affects Fresno County due to the City of Huron being the proposed western terminus in the study.

5. Public Outreach

a. Webpage

The webpage is up on Fresno COG's new website and can be found at https://www.fresnocog.org/regional-long-range-transit-plan/

b. Report on East of SR 99 Rural Workshop

The East of SR 99 Rural Workshop was held at the Selma Senior Center on Tuesday November 14, 2017 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. The workshop began with the Project Team guiding attendees through an Introductory PowerPoint Presentation that provided an overview of the project. Following the Introductory PowerPoint Presentation, the Project Team conducted a Mapping Exercise where attendees provided comments on the FCRTA Services Map. Next, two group exercises were conducted that asked workshop attendees to prioritize transit features that are important to them and to identify improvement to FCRTA services should funds become available. The workshop concluded with a Wrap-up Opinion Polling exercise.

c. Report on December 2nd Pop-up Event: Firebaugh Christmas Parade

A pop-up event was held at the City of Firebaugh's Christmas Street Parade on December 2, 2017. Two members of the Project Team, including a bilingual community outreach specialist attended the event. The Project Team's information area included a Display Board, Fact Sheets, and Survey and Comments Cards.

d. Timing and Venues for Urban Workshop

It is anticipated that the urban workshop will be held January 2018 in Fresno.

6. Other Items/Next Steps

Next steps will include conducting the urban workshop and administering bus stop surveys. The study team will also begin bicycle and pedestrian integration, draft goals and objectives, and develop conceptualize plan alternatives.

7. Next Steering Committee meeting/call date and time

A conference call is scheduled for Thursday, February 1 at 1:30 PM.

8. Adjourn – At approximately 2:30 PM

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