

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2026

Starts at 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: SLOCOG CONFERENCE ROOM

**1114 Marsh Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401**

Executive Committee Members:

President Carla Wixom, Vice President Heather Moreno, and Past President Jimmy Paulding

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- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call**
- 2. Public Comments:** Any member of the public may address the Executive Committee for a period not to exceed three minutes on any item not on the agenda within the jurisdiction of the SLOCOG Board. In compliance with the Brown Act, the Committee will listen to all communication and will not take any action on items not on the agenda.
- 3. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes: May 13, 2026 (APPROVE)**
- 4. October 7, 2026 Draft SLOCOG Board Agenda (Attached).** The Executive Committee is asked to review and comment on the proposed agenda items (circled/squared items will be reviewed by SLOCOG's advisory committees):

Director Reports:

- **SLOCOG Executive Director's Report:** SLOCOG Director will present this report.
- **Caltrans District 5 Director's Report:** Caltrans District 5 Director or staff will present this report.

Consent Agenda Items:

- A-1 SLOCOG Board Meeting Minutes – August 5, 2026
- A-2 Executive Committee Minutes – September 9, 2026

- A-3 Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Minutes – September 23, 2026
- A-4 Technical Transportation Advisory Committee (TTAC) Minutes – September 23, 2026
- A-5 Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) Minutes – September 23, 2026
- B-1 Year-to-date Financial Report and Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget Amendment No. 1
- B-2 FY 2026/27 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funding Revisions
- C-1 2027/2028 Unmet Transit Needs Study Schedule, Methodology, Definitions, and Criteria, and Transit Needs Assessment
- C-2 Intercity Rail Update
- C-3 Road to Zero – Road Safety Update
- C-4 Local Choice Program (USHA) Planning Expenditures through FY 2028/2029
- C-5 Regional Call Box System Removal Update
- D-1 TEA 2.0 Final Mapping and Report
- E-1 Correspondence, Press Releases and News Articles

Transportation and Presentation Items:

F-1 2027 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Draft Sections: The staff report summarizes progress on three of the four Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) elements: the Policy Element, Action Element, and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS). The Policy Element's Regional Setting section outlines public engagement, environmental justice requirements, and alignment with relevant local, state, and federal plans. The Action Element has been expanded to address harbors, intelligent transportation systems, fixed-route transit, microtransit, and mid- and long-term actions and solutions. The SCS modeling is underway, and this report provides an overview of SCS requirements, growth projections, land use assumptions, environmental constraints, and public engagement activities.

F-2 2026 Fund Cycle | Major Projects Grants Pursuit Update: The October *Major Projects Grants Pursuit* report will provide an update on implementation of the 2026 Fund Cycle and the region's evolving state and federal grant strategy. In advance of that report, the September 17–18 California Transportation Commission (CTC) Town Hall provides an important opportunity to share SLOCOG's priority Major Projects with Commissioners and Caltrans leadership, including the State Route (SR) 46 corridor, US 101/Prado Road, SR 227 corridor investments, and other projects being positioned for future discretionary funding.

Following the Town Hall, staff will bring forward recommendations for SB 1 Cycle 5 grant pursuits, including TCEP and SCCP candidates, as well as next steps for projects pursuing other state and federal programs. The report will also describe SLOCOG's adaptive programming approach; using grant results, project readiness, updated costs, and partnership commitments to determine when regional funds should remain as grant leverage, be redirected to another ready priority project, or be preserved for the next Fund Cycle.

F-3 State Legislative Update: SLOCOG's Legislative Consultant, Gus Khouri, will provide an update on State Legislative bills of interest to the San Luis Obispo County region. The Governor's bill signing period ends on September 30th. (There will be a recommendation to oppose Proposition 43, which would eliminate an opportunity in the future to pass a citizens' initiative for transportation at the 50% threshold.)

Note: There will be a closed session following Board Member Comments and Reports at the October 7th Board meeting for the Annual Performance Evaluation – SLOCOG Executive Director. This item was continued from the August board agenda.

5. Late Breaking News

6. Executive Committee Member Comments and Adjournment

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 14, 2026

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SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 13, 2026

SLOCOG Conference Room
1114 Marsh Street, San Luis Obispo, California

Members Present: Carla Wixom, President
Heather Moreno, Vice President
Jimmy Paulding, Past President

Staff Present: Peter Rodgers, Executive Director (SLOCOG)
James Worthley, Deputy Director (SLOCOG)
Jenna Morton, Legal Counsel (SLOCOG)
Sara Sanders, Transportation Planner (SLOCOG)
Stacey Dougan, Administrative Assistant (SLOCOG)

Also Present: Geoff Straw, Executive Director, Regional Transit Authority (RTA)

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** President Carla Wixom called the meeting to order at **10:00 a.m.** Silent roll call was taken.
2. **Public Comments:** None heard.
3. **Executive Committee Meeting Minutes – March 11, 2026:**

Executive Committee action: President Carla Wixom moved the motion to approve the meeting minutes of March 11, 2026 as presented. Past President Paulding seconded, and the motion passed.

4. **June 3, 2026 Draft SLOCOG Board Agenda:** Peter Rodgers and staff discussed the draft SLOCOG Board agenda for June 3, 2026:

Director Reports:

- **SLOCOG Executive Director's Report:** Peter Rodgers summarized the draft Executive Director's report, noting the following:
 - Octagon barn workshop. We may have a third one but with a different format.
 - US 101 managed lane groundbreaking. The project could take a year and a half with intermittent lane closures.
 - The Governors "May Revise" should be coming out soon. Transit resources are strained.
 - Bike month this year has been very busy with bike breakfasts and events throughout the month of May.
 - Recent travel to a CRCC Rail conference in Sacramento with Erica Stewart and Kassi Dee
 - New frequency of Pacific Surfliner has begun. The rail buy down program is still happening. Any advertising has been delayed until any bugs have been ironed out.

Vice President Heather Moreno inquired on the new time spots. **Rodgers** clarified the times. **President Carla Wixom** is happy with the new service times and goes on to ask about if the funding is good for one year. **Rodgers** confirms that the program has been funded for the year.

- Staff are working hard with rail partners in preparation for when the Olympics come to Los Angeles. Cooperation & support from Union Pacific, LOSSAN, the Capital Corridor and Caltrans on a pilot program will be needed.

Vice President Heather Moreno asks about any legislative help. **Rodgers** says yes - we need legislative help. **Senator John Laird** has indicated an "Olympics bill" may be part of next year's legislative process. **President Carla Wixom** asks if Visit California is involved and she'll talk with visit SLO when she attends their meeting tonight.

- **Caltrans District 5 Director's Report:** *Caltrans Director will present this report or will assign staff to present on his behalf.*

Consent Agenda: **Peter Rodgers** briefly mentioned notable items in the consent agenda, highlighting Items B-4, C-6, C-9, C-10, and C-13.

- A-1 SLOCOG Board Meeting Minutes – April 1, 2026
- A-2 Executive Committee Minutes – May 13, 2026
- A-3 Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Minutes – May 20, 2026
- A-4 Technical Transportation Advisory Committee (TTAC) Minutes – May 20, 2026
- A-5 Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) Minutes – May 20, 2026
- B-1 Year-to-date Financial Report and Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget Amendment #3
- B-2 Conditional Approval of Transportation Development Act (TDA) Claims for FY 2026/2027
- B-3 AGP Video Production of Board Meetings - Contract Extension
- B-4 Regional Vanpool Subsidy Contract Extensions with Vanpool Service Providers **Rodgers** noted we are extending the contract and there is no available funding to expand services.
- B-5 Contract with Bike SLO County for Safe Routes to School (SRTS) On-Bike Education
- C-1 Hybrid Farebox Recovery Ratio for San Luis Obispo Regional Transit Authority (RTA)
- C-2 Contract with Ride-On Transportation
- C-3 SB 125 Long-Term Financial Plan
- C-4 Renew Park-and-Ride (P&R) Lot Lease with St. William's Church
- C-5 Transit Programming Update: Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) Cycle B
- C-6 Call Box Removal Plan Sole Source Contract **Rodgers** noted the removal of the remaining 40 call boxes. **President Carla Wixom** expressed concern areas of no cell service. **Rodgers** said he would find out about those areas. (*UPDATE: There are no more "land line" call boxes and all areas now have cell coverage*)
- C-7 Final Morro Bay Estuary Climate Resiliency Transportation Plan
- C-8 Long Range Transit Plan (LRTP) Update
- C-9 Mariposa Pass Update **Rodgers** notes this will benefit up to 1,000 members of various disadvantaged groups (Seniors, physically or economically disadvantaged, long commuters etc.) **Vice President Moreno** asked about the start of the program. **Rodgers** explained there is a specific State funding program for reduced fares (LLCTOP) and states the original plan was to create a year of free transit but ran into implementation problems related to ADA services. **Geoff Straw** confirmed Tap to Ride is up and running.
- C-10 Rail Buy-Down Program Extension
- C-11 Positive Train Control SB 125 Funds Transfer Agreement [NEW]
- C-12 Price Canyon Road Construction Impacts
- C-13 Service Operation Plan Contract for Olympics Pilot Train Service **Rodgers** noted a request for a service planning to make this happen.
- C-14 SLOCOG Sponsored Infrastructure | Maintenance and Funding Partnership Policy
- C-15 *Placeholder* - Mark Thomas Contract Amendment

D-1 Placeholder for possible planning item

D-2 Placeholder for possible planning item

E-1 Correspondence, Press Releases and News Articles

Public Comments: None heard.

Public Hearing, Transportation and Presentation Items:

F-1 Draft 2027 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP): Rodgers explained the FTIP is the process by which the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is implemented, providing an orderly allocation of federal, state, and local funds for use in planning and building specific transportation projects.

F-2 TEA 2.0 Draft Report: EcoNorthwest will be back to present in person the draft TEA 2.0 Economic Study. **Sara Sanders** notes that the comments and responses from the April Board meeting will be presented. **Vice President Moreno** is concerned that the cost was not fully analysed within the Economic Study. **Sanders** mentions that the draft includes an expanded discussion on the costs but encouraged the Executive Committee to provide more comments to the consultant during the discussion item. **Vice President Moreno** is appreciative of this. **Past President Paulding** notes if Community Betterments projects can be included in this Study since the public likes to see these completed community investments.

F-3 Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA): With the passage of AB 1275 (2025), RHNA timelines moved forward requiring the Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) to begin SLOCOG's 7th Cycle RHNA at least 34 months prior to Housing Element adoption. Each of the Executive Committee members requested clarification on the unit numbers and the complexities of how these figures are decided. **James Worthley** and **Sara Sanders** discuss the numbers and how SLOCOG works with HCD and DOF to find an appropriate number. **Past President Paulding** suggests SLOCOG work with Khouri Consulting on the legislative aspect of this topic. **Rodgers** suggests a three-prong approach. **Jon Ansolabehere** suggests staff work with Legal on framing the conversation by assisting with pointed legal terminology. **Rodgers** goes on to suggest a three-pronged approach be added to the agenda. All Executive Committee members agree this would be acceptable.

F-4 State Legislative Update: SLOCOG's State Legislative Consultant, Khouri Consulting, will provide an update.

G-1 Supplemental Funding - James Worthley announced the Citizens Committee petitions were missing multiple pages, invalidating over 12,000 collected signatures. SLOCOG's Local Roads First has gained all necessary approvals from the County and the cities. One final approval from the SLOCOG Board would allow the voters to have a say in November. **President Wixom** and **Vice President Moreno** discussed past and current polling numbers. Discussion ensued on who will have to fund this if it moves forward. **Jon Ansolabehere** states SLOCOG would need to provide funding. **President Wixom** requests an estimated cost. **Vice President Moreno** concurs. **Rodgers** agrees that SLOCOG will investigate this.

Public Comments: None heard.

5. **Late Breaking News:** **Geoff Straw** will not be asking the board to convene in July. Nor will RTA piggyback with SLOCOG on June 3rd. There will not be July RTA Executive Committee meeting.

6. **Executive Committee Member Comments and Adjournment:**

There being no further comments, **President Carla Wixom** adjourned the Executive Committee meeting at 10:39 a.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 10, 2026

Minutes prepared by Stacey Dougan

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SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2026

**San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors Chambers
KATCHO ACHADJIAN GOVERNMENT CENTER SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY
1055 Monterey Street, San Luis Obispo, California 93401**

PLEASE NOTE THE TIME:

9:00 A.M.

The AGENDA is available/posted at: www.slocog.org

President: Carla Wixom

Vice President: Heather Moreno

Board Members:

John Peschong (First District - SLO County)
Bruce Gibson (Second District - SLO County)
Dawn Ortiz-Legg (Third District - SLO County)
Jimmy Paulding (Fourth District - SLO County)
Heather Moreno (Fifth District - SLO County)
Aileen Loe (Arroyo Grande)

Heather Newsom (Atascadero)
Kassi Dee (Grover Beach)
Carla Wixom (Morro Bay)
Fred Strong (Paso Robles)
Ed Waage (Pismo Beach)
Erica A. Stewart (San Luis Obispo)
Scott Eades (Ex-Officio, Caltrans District 5)

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III. DIRECTOR REPORTS

- a. SLOCOG Executive Director**
- b. Caltrans District 5 Director**

IV. **CONSENT AGENDA (INFORMATION AND ACTION ITEMS – ROLL**

CALL): The following Items are considered routine and non-controversial by staff and will be approved by one motion if no member of the COG or public wishes an item be removed. If discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately. Questions of clarification may be made by COG Board members without removal from the Consent Agenda. The recommendations for each item are noted in parenthesis.

Consent Agenda – Minutes of Meetings:

- A-1 SLOCOG Board Meeting Minutes – August 5, 2026 (APPROVE)**
- A-2 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes - September 9, 2026 (INFORMATION)**
- A-3 Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Minutes – September 23, 2026 (RECEIVE INFORMATION)**
- A-4 Technical Transportation Advisory Committee (TTAC) Minutes – September 23, 2026 (RECEIVE INFORMATION)**
- A-5 Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) Minutes – September 23, 2026 (RECEIVE INFORMATION)**

Consent Agenda - SLOCOG Administrative Office & Regional Rideshare Items:

- B-1 Year-to-date Financial Report and Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget Amendment No. 1 (a. RECEIVE AND FILE YEAR-TO-DATE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS [ATTACHMENTS A AND B]; b. ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVING FY 2026/27 OWP AND BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 1 [ATTACHMENTS C AND D]. Ashley Kneeland / Jacob Kramer**
- B-2 FY 2026/27 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funding Revisions (APPROVE FY 2026/27 TDA FUNDING REVISIONS TO STA and SGR). Ashley Kneeland**

Consent Agenda – Programming Division Items:

- C-1 2027/2028 Unmet Transit Needs Study Schedule, Methodology, Definitions, and Criteria, and Transit Needs Assessment (APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION). Lance Okuno / Paige Anderson**
 - A. Approve draft flyers for distribution (Pages C-1-7 to C-1-8)
 - B. Approve resolution (Attachment A) adopting schedule, methodology, definitions and criteria (Attachments B and C)
 - C. Accept information and submit Transit Needs Assessment (Attachment D) to Caltrans
- C-2 Intercity Rail Update (Receive Information). Lance Okuno**
- C-3 Road to Zero – Road Safety Update. (RECEIVE INFORMATION) John DiNunzio & Audrey Bonifacio**
- C-4 Local Choice Program (USHA) Planning Expenditures through FY 2028/2029 (_____). Richard Murphy**

- C-5 Regional Call Box System Removal Update** (APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION). Tim Gillham
1. Approve Call Box Removal RFP for release in January 2027.
 2. Find the scope of work is exempt from CEQA provisions pursuant to 14 CCR § 15301(c) and approve the filing of the attached Notice of Exemption on that basis.

Consent Agenda – Planning Division Items:

- D-1 TEA 2.0 Final Mapping and Report** (Accept Final Report). Sara Sanders & Jayden Hermansen
- D-2** None at this time.

Consent Agenda – Correspondence, News Items & Other Reports:

- E-1 Correspondence, Press Releases and News Articles** (RECEIVE INFORMATION). Annie Bowsky

V. TRANSPORTATION AND PRESENTATION ITEMS

- F-1 2027 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Draft Sections** (VOICE VOTE - REVIEW AND COMMENT; SUPPORT DIRECTION). Stephen Hanamaikai & Sara Sanders
- F-2 2026 Fund Cycle | Major Projects Grants Pursuit Update** (VOICE VOTE – APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION). Richard Murphy
- F-3 State Legislative Update** (VOICE VOTE - APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION). Gus Khouri, Legislative Consultant / Tim Gillham
- a. Reaffirm positions on bills in SLOCOG Bill Matrix (Attachment A).
 - b. Accept September _____ State Legislative Update (Attachment B).

VI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS & BOARD REPORTS

VII. CLOSED SESSION

G-1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code section 54957.6):

Title: Executive Director

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Government Code section 54957.6).

Agency designated representative: Jenna Morton

Unrepresented employee: Executive Director Peter Rodgers

VIII. OPEN SESSION: SLOCOG Legal Counsel Reports Out

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Next SLOCOG meeting: Wednesday, December 9, 2026 (*moved from December 2nd due to a conflict with CSAC conference*).

