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Regional Transportation Planning Agency - Local Transportation Commission  
Monterey County Service Authority for Freeways & Expressways  
Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency  
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### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

*Members are: Michael LeBarre, Chair; Chris Lopez, 1st Vice Chair; Dave Potter, 2nd Vice Chair; Mary Adams, Past Chair; Wendy Askew, County Representative; Chaps Poduri, City Representative*

**Wednesday, April 5, 2023**

**\*\*8:30 AM\*\***

### **MEETING LOCATIONS**

Voting members must attend a physical meeting location to count towards quorum

*55B Plaza Circle, Salinas, California 93901  
Transportation Agency Conference Room*

### **Alternate Locations with Zoom Connection Open to the Public**

*2616 1st Avenue, Marina, California 93933  
Supervisor Askew's Office*

*599 El Camino Real, Greenfield, California 93927  
Supervisor Lopez's Office*

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and King City. Any person who has a question concerning an item on this agenda may call the Agency Secretary to make inquiry concerning the nature of the item described on the agenda. Please recycle this agenda.

## 1. **ROLL CALL**

Call to order and self-introductions. If you are unable to attend, please contact Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant. Your courtesy to the other members to assure a quorum is appreciated.

## 2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any member of the public may address the Committee on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of Transportation Agency and Executive Committee. Comments on items on today's agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed.

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## 3. **BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Approve the staff recommendations for items listed below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the **CONSENT AGENDA** for discussion and action.

### 3.1 **APPROVE** the Executive Committee draft minutes of March 1, 2023.

- Rodriguez

### 3.2 **APPROVE** out-of-state travel for one staff member to attend the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) Designing Cities 2023 conference in Denver, Colorado, May 15-18, 2023, and for two staff members and one Board Member to attend the American Public Transit Association (APTA) Rail Conference in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, June 11-14, 2023.

- Zeller

*Transportation Agency rules require the Executive Committee to approve all out-of-state travel requests not approved in the Agency budget in advance. These professional association conferences are an opportunity to network with high-level transportation officials and learn about successful transportation projects nationally.*

## END OF CONSENT AGENDA

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### 4. Legislative Update

1. **RECEIVE** update on state and federal legislative issues; and
2. **RECOMMEND** the Board of Directors adopt positions on proposed legislation.

- Watson

*Staff and consultants will present updates on state and federal legislative activities and present proposed positions on draft legislation.*

### 5. RECEIVE report on draft agenda for TAMC Board meeting.

- Muck

### 6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 7. ADJOURN

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Next Executive Committee meeting:  
**Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.**

**Transportation Agency for Monterey County  
Conference Room  
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas CA 93901**

A quorum of voting members is required to be present in person to hold this meeting.

There will be a zoom link for hybrid participation by members of the public.

If you have any items for the next agenda, please submit them to:

Elouise Rodriguez, Clerk of the Board &  
Senior Administrative Assistant  
[Elouise@tamcmonterey.org](mailto:Elouise@tamcmonterey.org)

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**CORRESPONDENCE, MEDIA CLIPPINGS, AND REPORTS - No items this month.**



## ***Memorandum***

**To:** Executive Committee  
**From:** Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant and Clerk of the Board  
**Meeting Date:** April 5, 2023  
**Subject:** **Executive Committee draft minutes of March 1, 2023**

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### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**APPROVE** the Executive Committee draft minutes of March 1, 2023.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- ▣ Executive Committee draft minutes of March 1, 2023

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**  
 SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAYS EMERGENCIES AND MONTEREY COUNTY  
 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE JOINT POWERS AGENCY

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

*Members: Michael LeBarre (Chair), Chris Lopez (1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair),  
 Dave Potter (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair), Mary Adams (Past Chair),  
 Wendy Root Askew (County representative), Chaps Poduri (City representative)*

**Wednesday, March 1, 2023**

\*\*\* 8:30 a.m. \*\*\*

Transportation Agency Conference Room  
 55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas

<b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</b>	<b>APR 22</b>	<b>MAY 22</b>	<b>JUN 22</b>	<b>AUG 22</b>	<b>SEP 22</b>	<b>OCT 22</b>	<b>NOV 22</b>	<b>JAN 23</b>	<b>FEB 23</b>	<b>MAR 23</b>
Michael LeBarre, <b>Chair</b> King City (C. DeLeon)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P
Mary Adams, <b>Past Chair</b> Supr. Dist. 5 (S. Hardgrave, C. Courtney)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (TC)	P (VC)	P
Chris Lopez, <b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair</b> Supr. Dist. 3 (P. Barba)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Dave Potter, <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair</b> Carmel-By-The-Sea (J. Baron)	P (VC)	A	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	A	P*
Wendy Root Askew, <b>County Representative</b> Supr. Dist. 4 (Y. Anderson, E. Mora)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Chaps Poduri, <b>City Representative</b> (Joe Amelio)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	E	P* (VC)	P

*TC: via teleconference; VC: via video conference*

P = Present

A = Absent

P(A) = alternate present

E = Excused

P(VC) Video Conference

P\*= New Representative

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair LeBarre called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed.

Staff present: Guther, Kise, Muck, Rodriguez, Watson, and Zeller.

Others present: Robert Brayer, County Counsel; Paul Schlesinger, Thorn Run Partners; Gus Khouri, Khouri Consulting; and Yuri Anderson, District 4 alternate.

The Committee welcomes new representative Dave Potter.

## 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment

## 3. CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Committee Member Potter, seconded by Committee Member Adams, the Committee voted 6-0 to approve the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of February 1, 2023, with corrections to note that Committee Members Potter and Poduri are new to the Committee, and noting Committee Member Askew attended in February.

## 4. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

On a motion by Committee Member Potter, seconded by Committee Member Adams, the Committee voted 6-0 to receive an update on state and federal legislative issues; and recommended the Board of Directors adopt positions on proposed legislation, as follows:

- Assembly Bill (AB) 53 (Fong): Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Law: suspension of tax – OPPOSE
- Abx1 2 (Fong): Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Law: suspension of tax – OPPOSE
- Senate Bill (SB 32 (Jones): Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax: greenhouse gas reduction programs: suspension – OPPOSE
- SBx1 1 (Jones): Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax: greenhouse gas reduction programs: suspension – OPPOSE
- SB 670 (Allen): Vehicle Miles Traveled – OPPOSE
- SB 304 (Laird): Monterey-Salinas Transit District: public contracting – SUPPORT
- SB 617 (Newman): Public contracts: regional transportation agencies: design-build procurement – SUPPORT

- SB 825 (Limon): Local government: public broadband services – SUPPORT

Paul Schlesinger, Agency federal legislative analyst, noted that it is going to be an interesting two years in light of the turnover of the House, and that we have a new Congressional Representative, Zoe Lofgren. He noted that appropriations funding allocation requests are due soon to senators and congressional representatives.

Gus Khouri, Agency state legislative analyst, presented the draft state bill list. He noted that the legislature introduced 2,600 bills, but the list of bills of interest to the Agency was only 23 bills so far, many of which are spot bills. He noted that two legislators are proposing to suspend the gas tax, the fund source for most transportation programs.

## **5. TAMC BOARD DRAFT AGENDA**

Executive Director Todd Muck reviewed the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of March 22, 2023. Director Muck announced that the meeting will be held in person with a hybrid option, located at the Monterey County Government Center, Cinnamon Room, 1441 Schilling Place, Salinas. After Executive Committee discussion, directions were provided to staff to place the following items for consideration on the regular agenda:

- Salinas Valley Safe Routes to School Plan and Participatory Budgeting
- 2023 Programming Guidelines & Competitive Grants
- Highway 1 Elkhorn Slough Resiliency Project

## **6. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None this month.

## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair LeBarre adjourned the meeting at 9:51 a.m.





## **Memorandum**

**To:** Executive Committee  
**From:** Michael Zeller, Director of Programming & Project Delivery  
**Meeting Date:** April 5, 2023  
**Subject:** **Out of State Travel**

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**APPROVE** out-of-state travel for one staff member to attend the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) Designing Cities 2023 conference in Denver, Colorado, May 15-18, 2023, and for two staff members and one Board Member to attend the American Public Transit Association (APTA) Rail Conference in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, June 11-14, 2023.

### **SUMMARY:**

Transportation Agency rules require the Executive Committee to approve all out-of-state travel requests not approved in the Agency budget in advance. These professional association conferences are an opportunity to network with high-level transportation officials and learn about successful transportation projects nationally.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The NACTO conference costs \$900 per registration for government employees. The APTA Rail conference costs \$975 for the "early bird" member registration (by April 7). Registration, travel, and staff time will be covered by local funds designated for travel and training in the budget.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The National Association of Transportation Officials 2023 Designing Cities conference will be held in Denver, Colorado May 15-18, 2023. Janneke Strause, Transportation Planner, is requesting authorization to attend. Now in its eleventh year, the NACTO Designing Cities Conference brings together 1,000 officials, planners, and practitioners to advance the state of transportation in cities. Sessions at the conference include discussions of open streets, shared micromobility, adaptive leadership, and redesigning streets for safety. The conference also provides networking opportunities and an extensive gathering of exhibitors that showcase the latest products, services and technologies specific to public works.

The American Public Transit Association (APTA) annual Rail Conference is a technical conference that features sessions on technology, operations, maintenance, safety & security, planning, finance, capital projects, workforce development, and more for all rail modes – urban, commuter, high-speed, and intercity rail. This conference is a great networking opportunity to meet, learn from, and share ideas with other rail project proponents around the nation. Staff requests authorization for Christina Watson, Director of Planning, Alissa Guther, Assistant Transportation Planner, and Mike LeBarre, Rail Policy Committee Chair to attend this year's conference in Pittsburgh, PA in June 2023.

### **WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

- [NACTO Designing Cities conference website](#)
- [APTA Rail conference website](#)



## Memorandum

**To:** Executive Committee  
**From:** Christina Watson, Director of Planning  
**Meeting Date:** April 5, 2023  
**Subject:** Legislative Update

### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

#### Legislative Update

1. **RECEIVE** update on state and federal legislative issues; and
2. **RECOMMEND** the Board of Directors adopt positions on proposed legislation.

### SUMMARY:

Staff and consultants will present updates on state and federal legislative activities and present proposed positions on draft legislation.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The legislative proposals may have a financial impact on TAMC if they are enacted.

### DISCUSSION:

Agency legislative analyst Gus Khouri will present an update on state legislative activities and Agency legislative analysts Paul Schlesinger and Jim Davenport will present an update on federal legislative activities.

**Attachment 1** is a state report and **web attachment 1** is a news release from Assembly Member Dawn Addis announcing the formation of a new Central Coast Caucus. **Attachment 2** is a draft state bill list. Changes to the bill list adopted by the TAMC Board on March 22 are indicated by cross-out and underline. **Web attachment 2** is the adopted 2023 legislative program. Staff and Mr. Khouri will review the list at the meeting and request a recommendation from the Committee for the Board to adopt positions on legislation that may impact the Agency.

- Assembly Bill (AB) 557 (Hart), "Open Meetings: local agencies: teleconferences" would remove the January 1, 2024, sunset on the Brown Act exemptions for boards to meet virtually during a state of emergency declaration as provided under AB 361, and changes the timing for the Board adoption of the finding from every 30 to every 45 days. This bill is only useful if there is a state of emergency, but TAMC staff recommends a **support if amended** position in the hopes that this bill might be a vehicle for future amendments that would make it more useful in non-pandemic situations.
- AB 817 (Pacheco): "Open meetings: teleconferencing: subsidiary body" would authorize a subsidiary body to use teleconferencing if the legislative body adopts findings once per year. TAMC staff recommends a **support** position, as this bill would empower the Board to allow its advisory committees to meet using teleconferencing without the current noticing requirements, as long as it follows other public notice and comment rules.
- Senate Bill (SB) 746 (Eggman), "Energy conservation contracts: alternate energy equipment: hydrogen" would add hydrogen to the list of primary fuel sources under the definition of "alternate energy equipment". Staff

recommends a **support if amended** position in hopes that this bill might be amended to allow transit districts to get into lease agreements for hydrogen fueling facilities. Including hydrogen as an alternative fuel source will help facilitate the evolution of transportation fuels as well as broaden the opportunities for transportation funding sources.

The President's draft budget was announced on March 9, 2023. The draft budget recommended a funding allocation to Monterey-Salinas Transit for the SURF! Busway and Bus Rapid Transit Project: \$22.17M from the Federal Transit Administration Capital Investment Grant Program (**web attachment 3**).

Per Board direction, staff submitted earmark funding requests to both Senators and both Congressional Representatives for the County's Pajaro to Prunedale G12 Corridor Project, Segment 6: Pajaro and Salinas Road Project. A recommendation on this funding will be included in the transportation appropriations bill expected to be deliberated this summer or fall, and will not be confirmed until the President signs the bill, likely this fall or winter.

Staff and consultants will present verbal updates at the meeting.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

- ▢ State Legislative Update
- ▢ State bill list

#### WEB ATTACHMENTS:

1. [Addis Announces Formation of Central Coast Legislative Caucus](#)
2. [TAMC's adopted 2023 Legislative Program](#)
3. [Federal Transit Administration: MST SURF! project](#)



March 16, 2023

TO: Board Members, Transportation Agency for Monterey County  
FROM: Gus Khouri, President, Khouri Consulting LLC  
RE: **STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – APRIL**

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### **GENERAL UPDATE**

The legislature is currently deliberating on addressing the \$22.5 billion shortfall identified in the Governor’s FY 23-24 January Budget. Per the Constitution, the legislature must submit a balanced budget to the Governor by June 15, and the Governor must sign by June 30. Due to its reliance on special funds such as the gas tax and vehicle registration fee, transportation is fairly insulated from impacts to the General Fund.

On March 10, Senate Budget Subcommittee #5, which oversees transportation budget issues, met to discuss the Governor’s FY 23-24 January Budget Proposal. Comments by Chair Elena Durazo and Senator Josh Newman aimed to find solutions to retain funding for public transportation to maintain investments to encourage mode shift and improve air quality. Senator Kelly Seyarto expressed concerns over not keeping the State Highway Account whole by diverting funding to the Active Transportation Program. The subcommittee will hold all items open until the release of the May Revision before taking final action.

### **Brown Act Bills**

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the need for social distancing made the usual practices for in-person public meetings impossible to continue. Governor Gavin Newsom, via a slew of emergency orders issued in response to the pandemic – Exec. Order No. N-25-20 (Mar. 12, 2020); N-29-20 (Mar. 17, 2020); N-08-21 (Jun. 11, 2021) – suspended many of the Brown Act (local governments and special districts) and Bagley-Keene Act’s requirements (state agencies and commissions) for teleconferenced meetings.

In 2021, the legislature enacted AB 361 (Rivas), Chapter 165, Statutes of 2021, which provided an exception to the Brown Act through 2024, if a state of emergency is declared, to allow all members of a board to meet virtually without complying with the Brown Act's teleconferencing quorum, meeting notice, and agenda requirements. Boards must adopt findings every 30 days to extend the opportunity to meet virtually. Governor Newsom's state of emergency declaration on the COVID-19 pandemic expired on February 28. Therefore, using AB 361 would necessitate issuing another state of emergency declaration.

In 2022, the legislature enacted AB 2449 (Rubio), Chapter 285, Statutes of 2022, allowing individual members of local boards to participate virtually without posting their location if at least a quorum of the members of the body participates in person at a singular physical location, and the public can participate virtually, as long as those members meet very specific and limited criteria, through January 1, 2026. Unfortunately this bill does not solve the problems and introduces complexities that TAMC staff feel are unnecessary; the TAMC Board adopted a policy to not utilize the provisions of AB 2449, but instead follow the original Brown Act rules for remote participation, namely that an alternate location be noticed in the agenda from which members of the Board or Committee can participate, and that the meeting location be posted at that location and that it be open to the public.

TAMC staff anticipates that TAMC's technical and citizens advisory committees may struggle to establish a quorum. Virtual meetings help to reduce vehicle miles traveled. TAMC's 2023 legislative program includes the following priority (15S): "Modernize the Brown Act to enhance transparency and wider public access to allow the use of remote access to public meetings without requiring noticing of all remote Board or committee member locations, provided the public can participate via remote access software or in-person." The following bills have been proposed to amend the Brown Act:

**AB 557 (Hart)** would remove the January 1, 2024, sunset on the Brown Act exemptions for boards to meet virtually during a state of emergency declaration as provided under AB 361, and changes the timing for the Board adoption of the finding from every 30 to every 45 days. This bill is only useful if there is a state of emergency, but TAMC staff recommends a "support if amended" position in the hopes that this bill might be a vehicle for future amendments that would make it more useful in non-pandemic situations.

**AB 817 (Pacheco)**, jointly sponsored by the California Association of Recreation and Park Districts and the League of California Cities, was amended on March 16 to authorize advisory committees to a legislative body to meet remotely.

**SB 411 (Portantino)** would allow local boards with appointed members subject to the Brown Act with a population of over 3 million to meet remotely. As drafted, this bill only applies to Los Angeles County.

**AB 1348 (Grayson)** and **SB 537 (Becker)** are additional spot bills for Brown Act amendments.

**TAMC Bill Matrix – March 2023**

<b>Measure</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Bill Summary</b>	<b>Recommended Position</b>
<b>AB 6 (Friedman)</b> <b>Transportation Planning: local sales tax measures</b>	12/5/2022 Introduced	Spot bill for legislation that would require regional transportation agencies to prioritize and fund transportation projects, including those funded by a local sales tax measure, that significantly contribute towards the goals outlined in a region’s sustainable communities strategy and the state’s climate goals. This bill is like AB 2237 (Friedman) of 2022, which attempted to influence the delivery of projects in locally approved sales tax measure expenditure plans. That bill failed in the Senate Transportation Committee.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 1S</b>
<b>AB 7 (Friedman)</b> <b>Transportation: funding: capacity projects</b>	12/5/22 Introduced	Spot bill for legislation that would eliminate single occupancy vehicle freeway capacity projects and allow capacity projects only for bus rapid transit, rail, active transportation purposes, projects that significantly add safety, and projects that significantly reduce congestion, without interfering with existing maintenance and rehabilitation needs. This bill resembles AB 2438 (Friedman) from last year, which attempted to make all state funding programs subject to the Governor’s Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI) as adopted in July of 2021. Governor Newsom vetoed the bill citing the need to work more closely with transportation planning agencies to craft solutions unique to each region to help accelerate the state’s climate goals.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 1S</b>
<b>AB 9 (Murasutchi)</b> <b>California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: emissions limit</b>	1/26/23 Assembly Natural Resources	This bill would require the California Air Resources Board to ensure that statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 55%, rather than 40%, below the 1990 level by no later than December 31, 2030.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority N/A</b>

**TAMC Bill Matrix – March 2023**

Measure	Status	Bill Summary	Recommended Position
<b>AB 53 (Fong)</b> <b>Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Law: suspension of tax</b>	12/5/222 Introduced	This bill would suspend the imposition of the tax on motor vehicle fuels for one year. The bill would require that all savings realized based on the suspension of the motor vehicle fuels tax by a person other than an end consumer be passed on to the end consumer, and would make the violation of this requirement an unfair business practice, in violation of unfair competition laws. The bill would require a seller of motor vehicle fuels to provide a receipt to a purchaser that indicates the amount of tax that would have otherwise been applied to the transaction.	<b>OPPOSE</b> <b>Priority 1S</b>
<b>AB 69 (Waldron)</b> <b>Transportation: traffic signal synchronization: roadway improvement projects</b>	2/2/2023 Assembly Transportation	This bill would authorize moneys in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to be allocated for an investment in a traffic signal synchronization component that is part of a roadway improvement project requiring multiple signals, including multimodal redevelopment projects, rail trail projects, urban renewal projects, or a project near transit facilities, if the component is designed and implemented to achieve cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and includes specific emissions reduction targets and metrics to evaluate the project’s effect.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 14S</b>
<b>AB 295 (Fong)</b> <b>Caltrans: maintenance projects</b>	2/9/23 Assembly Transportation	This bill would authorize Caltrans to enter into agreements with local governmental entities, fire departments, fire protection districts, fire safe councils, and tribal entities to perform specified projects authorized by Caltrans on roadways managed by Caltrans including activities related to roadside maintenance and the removal and clearing of material.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority N/A</b>



**TAMC Bill Matrix – March 2023**

Measure	Status	Bill Summary	Recommended Position
<b>AB 557 (Hart)</b> <b>Open Meetings: local agencies: teleconferences</b>	2/17/23 Assembly Local Government	This bill would remove the January 1, 2024, sunset on the Brown Act exemptions for boards to meet virtually during a declared state of emergency declaration provided under AB 361 (Rivas), Chapter 165, Statutes of 2021.	<del>Watch</del> <b><u>SUPPORT if amended</u></b> <b>Priority 15S</b>
<b>AB 610 (Holden)</b> <b>Youth Transit Pass Pilot Program: free youth transit passes</b>	3/14/23 Assembly Appropriations	Upon the appropriation of moneys by the Legislature, this bill would create the Youth Transit Pass Pilot Program, administered by Caltrans for purposes of awarding grants to transit agencies for the costs of creating, designing, developing, advertising, distributing, and implementing free youth transit passes to persons attending certain educational institutions, providing free transit service to holders of those passes, and administering and participating in the program. Riders under the age of 18 would be authorized to use a system for free. This bill is like AB 1919 (Holden) from 2022, which TAMC supported.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 2S</b>
<b>AB 744 (Carillo)</b> <b>California Transportation Commission: data, modeling, and analytic software tools procurement</b>	3/2/23 Assembly Transportation	Upon the appropriation of funds by the Legislature, this bill would require the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to acquire public domain or procure commercially available or open-source licensed solutions for data, modeling, and analytic software tools to support the state’s sustainable transportation, congestion management, affordable housing, efficient land use, air quality, and climate change strategies and goals. The bill would require the CTC to provide access to the data, modeling, and analytic software tools to state and local agencies. This bill would authorize the CTC to establish best practices for use of data in transportation planning and to identify data elements that should be made available to state and local agencies for transportation planning.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 2S</b>

**TAMC Bill Matrix – March 2023**

Measure	Status	Bill Summary	Recommended Position
<b>AB 761 (Friedman)</b> <b>Transit Transformation Task Force</b>	2/23/23 Assembly Transportation	This bill would require the Secretary of the California State Transportation Agency to establish and convene the Transit Transformation Task Force to include representatives from Caltrans, the Controller’s office, various local agencies, academic institutions, nongovernmental organizations, and other stakeholders. The task force would be required to develop a process for early engagement to develop policies to grow transit ridership and improve the transit experience for all users of those services.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 3S</b>
<b>AB 817 (Pacheco)</b> <u>Open meetings:</u> <u>teleconferencing:</u> <u>subsidiary body</u>	<u>3/16/23</u> <u>Assembly Local Government</u>	<u>This bill would authorize a subsidiary body to use alternative teleconferencing provisions similar to the emergency provisions indefinitely and without regard to a state of emergency. In order to use teleconferencing pursuant to this act, the bill would require the legislative body that established the subsidiary body by charter, ordinance, resolution, or other formal action to make specified findings by majority vote, before the subsidiary body uses teleconferencing for the first time and every 12 months thereafter.</u>	<b><u>SUPPORT</u></b> <b><u>Priority 15S</u></b>
<b>AB 825 (Bryan)</b> <b>Vehicles: bicycles on sidewalks</b>	2/23/23 Assembly Transportation	This bill would prohibit a local authority from prohibiting the operation of a bicycle on a sidewalk adjacent to a highway or corridor that does not include a Class I, Class II, or Class IV bikeway. The bill would require a person riding a bicycle upon a sidewalk to yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and to adhere to a 10-miles-per-hour speed limit.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 9S</b>
<b>AB 1348 (Grayson)</b> <b>Local government: open meetings:</b>	2/16/23 Introduced	Spot bill for legislation to modify the Ralph M. Brown Act.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 15S</b>

**TAMC Bill Matrix – March 2023**

<b>Measure</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Bill Summary</b>	<b>Recommended Position</b>
<b>AB 1385 (Garcia)</b> <b>Local transportation funds: transit operators</b>	2/17/23 Introduced	Spot bill for legislation to amend transit farebox recovery ratio qualification requirements.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 12S</b>
<b>ABx1 2 (Fong)</b> <b>Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Law: suspension of tax</b>	2/24/23 Assembly Transportation	This bill would suspend the imposition of the tax on motor vehicle fuels for one year. The bill would require that all savings realized based on the suspension of the motor vehicle fuels tax by a person other than an end consumer be passed on to the end consumer, and would make the violation of this requirement an unfair business practice, in violation of unfair competition laws. The bill would require a seller of motor vehicle fuels to provide a receipt to a purchaser that indicates the amount of tax that would have otherwise been applied to the transaction. This bill is identical to AB 53.	<b>OPPOSE</b> <b>Priority 1S</b>

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<p><b>SB 32 (Jones)</b>  <b>Motor vehicle fuel tax: greenhouse gas reduction programs: suspension</b></p>	<p>12/5/22                      Introduced</p>	<p>This bill would suspend the Low Carbon Fuel Standard regulations, adopted by the California Air Resources Board to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, for one year. The bill would exempt suppliers of transportation fuels from regulations for the use of market-based compliance mechanisms for one year. This bill, like AB 53 and ABx1 2, and identical to SBx1 1, would suspend the imposition of the tax on motor vehicle fuels for one year. The bill would require a seller of motor vehicle fuels to provide a receipt to a purchaser that indicates the amount of tax that would have otherwise applied to the transaction. This bill would require that all savings realized based on the suspension of the motor vehicle fuels tax, the suspension of the Low Carbon Fuel Standard regulations, and the exemption of suppliers of transportation fuels from regulations for use of market-based compliance mechanisms by a person other than an end consumer be passed on to the end consumer, and would make the violation of this requirement an unfair business practice, in violation of unfair competition laws.</p>	<p><b>OPPOSE</b>  <b>Priority 1S</b></p>
<p><b>SB 304 (Laird)</b>  <b>Monterey-Salinas Transit District: public contracting</b></p>	<p>2/15/23                      Assembly                      Transportation</p>	<p>This bill would increase, from \$100,000 to \$150,000, the monetary threshold for the Monterey-Salinas Transit District (MST) to award contracts for the purchase of supplies, materials, and equipment, to the lowest responsible bidder, or to the responsible bidder that provides the best value. The bill would require MST to obtain a minimum of 3 quotes that permit prices and terms to be compared whenever the expected expenditure required for the purchase exceeds \$10,000 but does not exceed \$150,000. The bill would apply those rules concerning monetary thresholds for contracts to contracts for the purchase of services.</p>	<p><b>SUPPORT</b>  <b>Priority 16S</b></p>

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<b>SB 411 (Portantino)</b> Open meetings: teleconferences: bodies with appointed membership.	2/22/23  Senate Governance & Finance	This bill would allow local boards with appointed members subject to the Brown Act with a population of over 3 million to meet remotely.	<b>Watch</b>  <b>Priority 15S</b>
<b>SB 537 (Becker)</b> Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences	2/14/23  Introduced	Spot bill for legislation to modify the Ralph M. Brown Act.	<b>Watch</b>  <b>Priority 15S</b>
<b>SB 614 (Blakespear)</b> Transportation Development Act	2/15/23  Introduced	Spot bill for legislation to modify the Transportation Development Act.	<b>Watch</b>  <b>Priority 12S</b>
<b>SB 617 (Newman)</b> Public contracts: regional transportation agencies: design-build procurement	2/22/23  Senate Transportation	This bill provides an authorization to use design-build procurement, which includes progressive design-build procurement. Progressive design-build procurement is defined as a project delivery process in which both the design and construction of a project are procured from a single entity that is selected through a qualifications-based selection at the earliest feasible stage of the project.	<b>SUPPORT</b>  <b>Priority 8S</b>

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<b>SB 670 (Allen)</b> <b>Vehicles miles traveled</b>	3/1/23 Senate Transportation	This bill would require state and local transportation agencies to create a single model for vehicle miles traveled (VMT) mapping to be used for transportation planning and funding. This bill proposes one statewide standard for VMT reduction, which fails to acknowledge the uniqueness of each region.	<b>OPPOSE</b> <b>Priority 3S</b>
<b>SB 746 (Eggman)</b> <b>Energy conservation contracts: alternate energy equipment: hydrogen</b>	3/1/23 Senate Energy Utilities and Commerce	This bill would add hydrogen to the list of primary fuel sources under the definition of “alternate energy equipment”. This bill allows transit districts to engage in energy service contracting to construct electrolytic hydrogen energy conservation projects and to enter contracts relating to the financing, construction, operation, and use of electrolytic hydrogen as a form of alternative energy. Transit districts will be eligible to enter facility financing contracts, facility ground lease agreements, and contracts to sell electrolytic hydrogen produced by the energy conservation facility on their terms.	<b><u>SUPPORT if amended</u></b> <del>Watch</del> <b>Priority 4S</b>
<b>SB 825 (Limón)</b> <b>Local government: public broadband services</b>	3/1/23 Senate Governance and Finance	This bill would add metropolitan planning organizations and regional transportation planning authorities to the list of local government agencies included in the definition of “local agency” eligible to directly apply for local technical assistance grants administered by the California Public Utilities Commission for implementation of broadband.	<b>SUPPORT</b> <b>Priority 6S</b>

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<b>SBx1 1 (Jones)</b> <b>Motor vehicle fuel tax:</b> <b>greenhouse gas</b> <b>reduction programs:</b> <b>suspension</b>	12/5/22 Introduced	This bill is identical to SB 32. It would suspend the Low Carbon Fuel Standard regulations, adopted by the California Air Resources Board to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, for one year. The bill would exempt suppliers of transportation fuels from regulations for the use of market-based compliance mechanisms for one year. It would suspend the imposition of the tax on motor vehicle fuels for one year. The bill would require a seller of motor vehicle fuels to provide a receipt to a purchaser that indicates the amount of tax that would have otherwise applied to the transaction.	<b>OPPOSE</b> <b>Priority 1S</b>