



## Planning Directors Forum

Monday, March 27, 2023

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Zoom

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## AGENDA

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### 1. Welcome/Roll Call (5 mins)

### 2. Discussion Items

#### a. 2023 Public Participation Plan Development Process (Miranda Taylor, AMBAG) (15 mins)

AMBAG staff will provide an overview of the 2023 Public Participation Plan (PPP) development process. Planning Directors are asked to provide feedback on the development of the 2023 Public Participation Plan.

### 3. Informational Updates

#### a. Program Opportunities from Central Coast Community Energy (Kevin Miller, 3CE) (15 mins)

Central Coast Community Energy (3CE) offers rebates and incentive programs for the electrification of the transportation sector and built environment. Staff will present an update regarding incentive offerings for residential new construction projects, existing residential retrofits, and EV charging projects.

### 4. Other Items/Announcements (5 mins)

#### a. REAP 2.0 Update

### 5. Next Steps/Adjourn (5 mins)

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### 1. 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle Housing Element Technical Assistance: Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (Chelsea Lee, Mao Lee, and Anthony Errichetto, HCD) (75 mins)

HCD staff will provide an overview of the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing requirements for the 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle Housing Elements.

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** AMBAG Planning Directors Forum

**FROM:** Miranda Taylor, Planner

**SUBJECT:** 2023 Public Participation Plan Development Process

**MEETING DATE:** March 27, 2023

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff will provide an overview of the 2023 Public Participation Plan (PPP) development process. Planning Directors are asked to provide feedback on the development of the 2023 Public Participation Plan.

**BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:**

The federally required 2023 Public Participation Plan is a comprehensive document that guides regional planning agencies and local jurisdictions in the public participation process for the tri-county Monterey Bay region that either receive federal funds or are subject to a federally required action.

AMBAG, as the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Monterey Bay region, prepares and adopts the Public Participation Plan at least once every four years. The prior Public Participation Plan, the *2019 Monterey Bay Area Public Participation Plan*, was adopted in October 2019 to comply with the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) legislation. The 2023 Public Participation Plan will cover the four-year period from 2023-2026 and must comply with the current Federal Surface Transportation Act, Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act), which was enacted in 2015. The *2023 Public Participation Plan* emphasizes the transportation decision making process, including the expanded use of visualization techniques and innovative online marketing strategies in public outreach.

AMBAG is required to update the Public Participation Plan every four years. The requirements for the Public Participation Plan under the FAST Act include increased

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involvement and collaboration with members of the public, decision makers and staff from the local jurisdictions and partner agencies within the region.

Key sections of the 2023 Public Participation Plan are listed below:

- Public Participation Plan Guiding Principles
- 2023 Public Participation Plan Timeline
- Incorporating Limited-English Proficiency (LEP) Populations into the PPP
- PPP Procedures and Development Process
- Interested Parties and Public Engagement
- Online and Visualization Outreach Strategies

An updated Public Participation Plan is the required guide for all public involvement activities conducted by AMBAG. As such, the PPP contains the procedures, strategies and techniques used by AMBAG for public involvement in all programs and projects that use federal funds.

A number of appendices will be included in the 2023 PPP. For example, Appendix G will include the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Public Involvement Program. This appendix outlines how AMBAG will engage the public and stakeholders throughout the development of the 2050 MTP/SCS.

Below are key dates for developing the *2023 Public Participation Plan*:

- **March - April 2023:** Present an overview of the 2023 Public Participation Plan development process to regional Advisory Committees/Councils, Planning Directors Forum, and to the AMBAG Board of Directors
- **February - May 2023:** Develop the Draft Public Participation Plan
- **May - July 2023:** Present the Draft 2023 Public Participation Plan to Advisory Committees/Councils, Planning Directors Forum, and to the AMBAG Board of Directors
- **June 14, 2023 - August 23, 2023:** 70-Day Public Comment Period
- **August - September 2023:** Prepare the Final 2023 Public Participation Plan
- **October 11, 2023:** AMBAG Board of Directors will be asked to adopt the Final 2023 Public Participation Plan

A detailed timeline is also included as Attachment 1.

#### **ATTACHMENT:**

1. 2023 Public Participation Plan Timeline

**AMBAG 2023 Public Participation Plan Update  
Final Schedule & Process**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Tasks/Objective</b>	<b>Due Dates</b>
January/early February 2023	Outreach to RTPAs by email and confirm point of contacts	2/3/2023
	Draft Schedule and Process Reviewed by RTPAs	2/28/2023
February/March 2023	Publish PPP Survey	2/28/2023
March/April 2023	<b>Present 2023 PPP Update Process to all RTPA TAC/SSTAC meetings and AMBAG Board</b>	
	3/16/23 - Present 2023 PPP Update Process at SCCRTC ITAC Meeting	3/16/2023
	3/24/23 - Present 2023 PPP Update Process at SBtCOG SSTAC	3/24/2023
	3/27/23 - Present 2023 PPP Update Process at AMBAG PDF	3/27/2023
	3/29/23 - Present 2023 PPP Update Process at TAMC/MST MAC	3/29/2023
	4/6/23 - Present 2023 PPP Update Process at TAMC and SBtCOG TAC Meetings	4/6/2023
	4/11/23 - Present 2023 PPP Update Process at SCCRTC E&D TAC	4/11/2023
	4/12/23 - Present 2023 PPP Update Process at AMBAG Board Meeting	4/12/2023
April/ May 2023	<b>Develop Administrative Draft 2023 PPP</b>	3/30/2023
	Email Administrative Draft PPP document to RTPAs for review	4/13/2023
	Edits/Changes on Administrative Draft 2023 PPP from RTPAs due on 5/8/2023 to AMBAG	5/8/2023
	Develop Draft 2023 PPP	5/31/2023
June 2023	<b>Present Draft 2023 PPP to Committees/Boards, Release Public Notice (70 days) and Start Public Comment Period</b>	Open Comment Period on: 06/14/2023
	5/31/23 - Present Draft 2023 PPP at TAMC/MST MAC	Close Comment Period on: 8/23/2023
	6/1/23 - Present Draft 2023 PPP at TAMC TAC Meeting	
	6/1/23 - SCCRTC Board Meeting	
	6/13/23 - Present Draft 2023 PPP at SCCRTC E&D TAC	
	6/14/23: AMBAG Board Meeting	
	6/15/23 - Present Draft 2023 PPP at SCCRTC ITAC Meeting	
	6/15/23 -SBtCOG Board Meeting	
	6/23/23 - Present Draft 2023 PPP at SBtCOG SSTAC	
	6/26/23: AMBAG PDF	
	6/28/23 - TAMC Board Meeting	
	7/6/23 - Present Draft 2023 PPP at SBtCOG TAC Meeting	
August 2023	<b>Public Hearing on 2023 PPP at AMBAG's August Board Meeting</b>	8/9/2023
	<b>RTPAs to Also Hold Public Hearings (if using AMBAG PPP as their plan)</b>	
	8/1/23 - SCCRTC Public Hearing	8/1/2023
	8/17/23 - SBtCOG Public Hearing	8/17/2023
	8/23/23 TAMC Public Hearing	8/23/2023
	Summarize comments and make revisions for Final 2023 PPP	9/8/2023
September/October 2023	Adoption of PPP by SBtCOG (if using AMBAG PPP as their plan)	9/21/2023
	Adoption of PPP by TAMC (if using AMBAG PPP as their plan)	9/27/2023
	Adoption of PPP by SCCRTC (if using AMBAG as their plan)	10/5/2023
	Final 2023 PPP for adoption by AMBAG Board	10/11/2023