

**MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS
AGENDA**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2025
5:30pm**

Hosted by the Town of Corte Madera
Corte Madera Town Hall
300 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera CA 94925

**5:30 PM to 6:30 PM: “Taste of Corte Madera”, Networking, and Tours of New Town Hall Facility
6:00 PM: Business Meeting
6:30 PM to 8:00 PM: Program and Networking**

Agenda

1. Call to Order: MCCMC President Eli Hill

2. Public Comment (Limit 3 minutes per person)

3. Committee Reports

- 3.a. Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC)
3a. Written reports provided by Pat Eklund, Novato
- 3.b. Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District *
3b. Written report provided by Holli Thier, Tiburon
- 3.c. MCCMC Legislative Committee
3c. Written report provided by Alice Fredericks, Tiburon
- 3.d. Transportation Authority of Marin
3d. Written report provided by Alice Fredericks, Tiburon

4. Business Items

- 4.a. Review of Draft Agenda for May 28, 2025 MCCMC Meeting To Be Hosted by City of Sausalito
Attachment 4a: Draft agenda for May 28, 2025 MCCMC Meeting
- 4.b. Consideration and Possible Approval of Draft Minutes of the March 26, 2025 MCCMC Meeting
Attachment 4.b: Draft minutes of the March 26, 2025 MCCMC meeting

* Indicates report not received by time of agenda publication. Packet will be republished once available.

ADJOURN: To the May 28, 2025 meeting, to be hosted by the City of Sausalito. Deadline for consideration of potential agenda items – May 21, 2025. Please send to: MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com

6:30 PM to 8:00 PM: Program & Networking

Hosted by: Town of Corte Madera

1. Welcome and Introduction of Guests: President Eli Hill and Host Mayor: Pat Ravasio

2. Special Guest Speakers:

Presentation From Bay Area Community Resources Youth Advocacy Committee: Local Marin teens will present their proposal for amendments to current tobacco retailer license ordinances aimed at reducing practices that target teen users.

The youth that will be presenting are: Madeline Yates, Mill Valley
Rhett Krawitt, Corte Madera
Claudia Velasquez, San Rafael

Raven Twilling, Tobacco Prevention Coordinator, will be in attendance to assist with questions.

ABAG Report to MCCMC¹

April 2025

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: This report highlights: (1) a call for all ABAG delegates and/or alternates to register for the General Assembly scheduled for June 20, 2025; (2) ABAG Budget and Workplan for 2025-2026; (3) SF Estuary Partnership accepting applications for the Estuary Youth Council; (4) Bay Area Regional Energy Network update; (5) Bay Area Regional Collaborative Update; (6) nominations for Priority Conservation Areas; and, (6) register for the upcoming **ABAG General Assembly scheduled for June 20, 2025.**

REGISTRATION FOR THE ABAG GENERAL ASSEMBLY – JUNE 20, 2025:

The annual ABAG General Assembly will be held at the Bay Area Metro Center in San Francisco on Friday, June 20, 2025. All ABAG delegates and/or alternates, please register. The agenda for the General Assembly includes a request to approve the ABAG Budget which unfortunately includes a deficit. This year's budget does include a transfer of \$160,000 from the Finance Authority for Nonprofit Corporations' Fund Balance to reduce the projected operating deficit.

ABAG BUDGET AND WORKPLAN FOR FY 2025-2026:

The proposed ABAG Budget for FY 2025-26 is \$3.81 million. The primary source of revenue is membership dues, which is proposed to increase to \$3.2 million, up 3% from FY 2024-25. Member dues are still insufficient to fully cover ongoing expenses, including amortization of unfunded pension obligations, ABAG's contribution for maintaining the Bay Area Metro Center, and other administrative costs.

Total retirement expenses are \$2.8 million, a \$0.1 million increase from FY 2024-25. ABAG has pre-funded its Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) liability and receives full reimbursement from the California Employers' Retiree Benefit Trust (CERBT) for retiree medical expenses. As described in ABAG's Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2024, based on current discount rate and healthcare cost assumptions, ABAG has an OPEB asset and is able to continue covering its liability without additional contributions. Therefore, the \$0.5 million of retiree health care costs will be covered by a withdrawal from the trust. On the other hand, the amortization of the unfunded accrued pension liability of \$2.3 million requires approximately 72% of all membership dues.

The proposed budget results in a \$291,000 operating deficit. ABAG anticipates the projected deficit would be covered by a combination of higher than anticipated interest earnings and lower than budgeted expenses in FY 2024-25, such that the projected fund balance at the end of FY 2025-26 would be equal to the budgeted FY 2024-25 fund balance.

SAN FRANCISCO ESTUARY PARTNERSHIP ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE ESTUARY YOUTH COUNCIL:

The San Francisco Estuary Partnership is accepting applications for its second Estuary Youth Council (EYC) this summer. This program is an environmental and climate leadership program for youth aged 17-24 from marginalized communities in the San Francisco Bay-Delta. The 2025 program will accept 9 youth in total, with 3 youth hosted by each host organization: [Mycelium Youth Network](#) (serving the communities of Oakland and San Francisco), [Nuestra Casa](#) (serving the communities East Palo Alto, North Fair Oaks, Redwood City, and Belle Haven (Menlo Park)), and [Restore the Delta](#) (serving Stockton & surrounding Delta communities). BIPOC & LGBTQ+ youth are strongly encouraged to apply. The program will run from June 2025 - December 2025 in a hybrid format. Participants will be paid \$800/month for 6.5 months, for a total of \$5,200 upon completion of

¹ Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers (MCCMC). For questions, contact Councilmember Pat Eklund; City of Novato at: pateklund@comcast.net; and/or 415-336-9913 (cell).

the program. **Applications should be submitted no later than 11:59pm PT Thursday April 24, 2025.** For more information about the program, visit: sfestuary.org/estuary-youth-council.

BAY AREA REGIONAL ENERGY NETWORK (BAYREN) UPDATE:

BayREN facilitates energy efficiency projects to residents and communities throughout the San Francisco Bay Area Region. In July 2023, the CPUC approved BayREN's 2024-2031 Strategic Business Plan, which added new equity initiatives, an expanded portfolio that includes public sector, refrigerant replacement, and workforce programs.

BayREN was also approved to be the lead of a statewide **Home Energy Score program**, the first time that a non-utility has been selected as lead. The proposed FY 2025-26 BayREN budget is \$79.1 million. This includes \$79.0 million in grant funding from CPUC to support ongoing and new initiatives. Direct incentives, which make up 49.2% of the budget, are \$38.9 million, a \$22.3 million increase from FY 2024-25. General operating expenses and consultant costs are \$37.1 million, a \$17.6 million increase from FY 2024-25. These increases reflect available grant funding that had been budgeted in prior fiscal years but has not been spent. BayREN is allowed to spend this grant funding within the grant period and staff anticipates higher expenditures in the coming months. Staffing and overhead costs are \$3.1 million, a \$0.1 million decrease from FY 2024-25.

BAY AREA REGIONAL COLLABORATIVE (BARC) UPDATE:

BARC is a consortium of regional and state agencies working together to identify and prioritize critical regional issues, catalyze regional action, and raise up a cohesive voice to enable advocacy and the delivery of resources to the Bay Area. The original legislation (SB 849) in 2004 mandates a "Joint Policy Committee" of board members from ABAG, BAAQMD and MTC to coordinate policy and planning. In 2028, the amended legislation added BCDC Board Members to the Joint Policy Committee and expanded policy and planning coordination to include climate change and sea level rise.

The FY 2025-2026 Annual Work Plan includes continuing to focus on advancing measurable progress in meeting climate mitigation and climate resilience goals at the local, regional and state levels. Also, working from the Interagency Regional Flooding and Sea Level Rise (SLR) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) approved in July 2024, BARC has clear roles and responsibilities outlined that are essential in helping the participating agencies to align efforts, expertise, and core functions to support the delivery of priority, multi-benefit, flood risk management projects across the Bay Area. Additionally, the Work Plan includes an emerging area of work focused on strategies to support jurisdictions use of green infrastructure in communities to address issues like extreme heat, poor air quality, stormwater management, ecological restoration, as well as creating improved conditions for safe and enjoyable walking and biking.

REMINDER: Call for Priority Conservation Area Nominations Now Open: Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs) are areas nominated by local governments that include natural lands, working lands, recreation areas, urban green spaces, and locations where nature-based solutions can be used to adapt to climate change. The window to **nominate new PCAs is open through May 2, 2025**, offering an opportunity to help shape the Bay Area's conservation priorities. To support local nominations, ABAG-MTC hosted a webinar on March 4 covering the nomination process and submission tool. Materials from the session, along with additional resources and staff assistance, are available online [[2025 Priority Conservation Area \(PCA\) Nomination Cycle | Metropolitan Transportation Commission](#)]

For questions, contact Councilmember Pat Eklund; City of Novato at: pateklund@comcast.net; and/or 415-336-9913 (cell).

Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) Report to MCCMC¹

April 2025

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: Postponement of BCDC public hearing on application to change use of lanes on San Rafael/Richmond Bridge; Plan to reuse sediment and soil for wetland restoration; revised draft BCDC guidance on climate change; and, BCDC launches leadership academy for San Francisco high school students.

BCDC PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PERMIT APPLICATION TO CHANGE USE OF RIGHT-HAND SHOULDER OF THE EASTBOUND LOWER DECK ON THE SAN RAFAEL/RICHMOND BRIDGE HAS BEEN POSTPONED:

In last month's BCDC report to MCCMC, I highlighted the scheduled April 3, 2025 public hearing on a permit application to change the use the right-hand shoulder of the eastbound lower deck on the San Rafael/Richmond Bridge. Shortly before the hearing date, CALTRANS and MTC requested a postponement to allow MTC more time "to answer questions and satisfy concerns raised by BCDC" since the January workshop. For more information, please refer to the March 2025 BCDC report.

BCDC PLAN TO ADVANCE WETLAND RESTORATION THROUGH BENEFICIAL REUSE OF SEDIMENT AND SOIL:

In late March 2025, BCDC released the new Sediment for Wetlands Adaptation Project (SWAP) Action Plan aimed at increasing the beneficial reuse of sediment and soil to restore and enhance wetlands and help the Bay Area adapt to rising sea levels.

BCDC led a collaborative process to develop the San Francisco Bay Sediment & Soil Beneficial Reuse Action Plan for Wetland Restoration Adaptation (Action Plan). This Action Plan is a foundational strategy for how the Bay Area can more effectively and efficiently beneficially reuse sediment and soil to sustain and adapt the Bay's wetlands in light of increased shoreline flooding due to sea level rise.

Wetlands are vital natural infrastructure. They buffer waves, absorb flood waters, provide wildlife habitat and recreational opportunities, improve water quality, and more. The Bay's shoreline was once lined with over 500,000 acres of wetlands, but diking, draining, filling, and development have deteriorated or drowned an estimated 85-95 percent of these wetlands, leaving the region more vulnerable to shoreline flooding. According to the latest science, restoring the Bay's wetlands and mudflats will require more than 450 million cubic yards of sediment between now and 2100, or the volume of almost 700 Salesforce Towers.

The Action Plan was created with input from a diverse array of stakeholders, including the dredging industry, flood protection managers, contractors, restoration practitioners, the maritime community, agencies at all levels of government, environmentalists, and other private sector partners.

The Action Plan aligns with the [Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan's \(RSAP\)](#) guidance for local jurisdictions to prioritize nature-based solutions as they plan for rising sea levels. The RSAP advises local shoreline planners to consider the efficacy of sediment management for nature-based solutions and emphasizes the need for a sustainable sediment supply to support natural adaptation processes.

The release of the Action Plan marks the end of Phase 1 of the SWAP. Phase 2 of the SWAP will assess whether increasing beneficial reuse requires amending BCDC's [San Francisco Bay Plan](#). In Phase 3, BCDC will develop a

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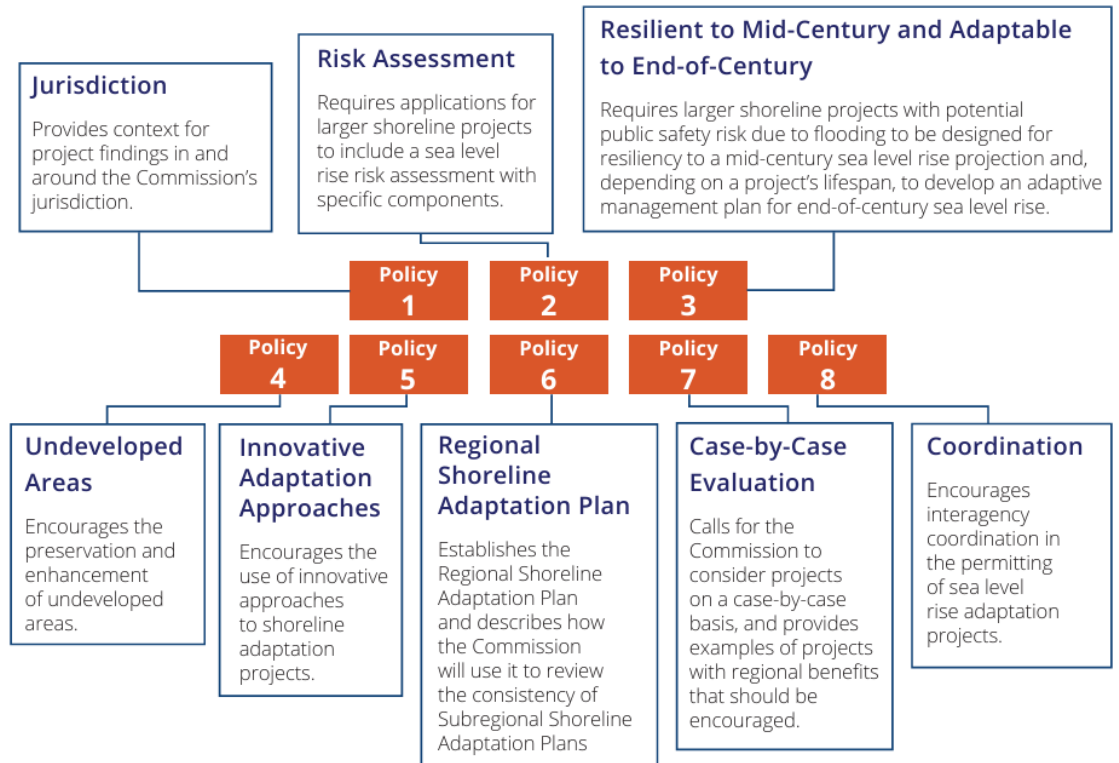
strategy to fund increased beneficial reuse. The project is funded primarily by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, with additional funding from the California Ocean Protection Council.

REVISED DRAFT BCDC’S REVISED CLIMATE CHANGE POLICY GUIDANCE:

On May 1, 2025, BCDC will receive a briefing and possibly vote on whether to approve an updated *San Francisco Bay Plan Climate Change Policy Guidance* document. The updated guidance is aligned with the *State of California Sea Level Rise Guidance: 2024 Science and Policy Update*, incorporates changes to the climate change policies

included in Bay Plan Amendment No. 1-24 (the Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan), and includes analyses and guidance based on permits granted since the Commission adopted its existing guidance document several years ago.

The link to the revised guidance document is: [San Francisco Bay Plan Climate Change Policy Guidance](#). If you have any comments, please email me or call me at home.



BCDC LAUNCHES LEADERSHIP ACADEMY FOR S.F. HIGH SCHOOLERS:

In January 2025 the Bay Conservation and Development Commission and the [Port of San Francisco](#) launched the San Francisco Shoreline Leadership Academy, a 15-week training program for high school juniors and seniors. Participants will get to tour parts of the San Francisco shoreline and be trained by subject matter experts on a variety of topics including sea level rise, flooding, beneficial reuse of sediment, economic development, and more.

The Academy is an opportunity for high schoolers to meaningfully engage with issues related to the Bay environment and shoreline, and to practice how they can be changemakers in these spaces, individually and collaboratively. In addition to weekly in-person meetings and discussions, participants will be able to create and present a final project that combines their learning.

BCDC selected 17 participants from San Francisco high schools out of 177 applications. Each participant receives a \$1,800 stipend upon completion of the Academy (as well as food and travel stipends throughout) and will have a chance to apply for a summer internship with the Port of San Francisco.

For questions, contact Pat Eklund, Councilmember; City of Novato at: 415-336-9913 (c) and/or pateklund@comcast.net.

MCCMC Legislative Committee

Report to Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers

Respectfully Submitted

Alice Fredericks, Chair

April 26, 2025

The Legislative Committee meets on the fourth Monday of each month, with some exceptions when the Legislature is not in session. Positions were taken on the following bills at the March 24th meeting:

AB1 – Support: The bill proposes to provide incentives to homeowners and communities to invest in demonstrably cost-effective community-wide and property-level wildfire mitigation measures. The bill would give incentives to insurers to provide coverage for homes and businesses in California by requiring CDI to periodically review and update its Safer from Wildfires regulations to include additional community-wide wildfire mitigation programs or property-level wildfire mitigation measures.

AB 262 Support Assembly Bill (AB) 262, establishes a grant program to provide financial assistance to local agencies, community-based organizations, and individuals for specified costs related to a disaster.

AB 846 Support provides local agencies with a voluntary, streamlined process that prioritizes wildfire preparedness activities and public safety while upholding environmental laws and permitting authorities. A city, county, city and county, special district, or other local agency would be authorized to submit to the department a wildfire preparedness plan to conduct wildfire preparedness activities on land designated as a fire hazard severity zone, as defined, that minimizes impacts to wildlife and habitat for candidate, threatened, and endangered species.

SB 346 Support authorizes a city, county, or city and county, to enact an ordinance to require a short-term rental facilitator to report, in the form and manner prescribed by the local agency, the assessor parcel number of each short-term rental during the reporting period, as well as any additional information necessary to identify the property as may be required by the local agency. This bill also would authorize a local agency to impose an administrative fine or penalty for failure to file a report and would authorize a local agency to initiate an audit of a short-term rental facilitator

SB 677 Oppose The bill proposes to streamline housing development approvals, particularly for projects in single-family zones, potentially allowing for more housing units to be built. Conforming to proposed SB 677 as proposed removes local community and government input without certainty in generating affordable housing. SB 677 could

diminish local government ability to make decisions about zoning and development, potentially leading to projects that don't align with local needs. Moreover, SB 677 could lead to increased density and potentially negatively impact and disrupt the character of established neighborhoods.

Even if this bill leads to a rapidly increased housing supply, the result has disturbing potential to lead to gentrification and the displacement of long-term residents, particularly in low-income areas. Addressing those concerns requires a wide range of input from cities and towns.

SB 79 Oppose (SB) 79 requires cities to ministerially approve higher-density residential projects - up to 7 stories - near public transit stops, regardless of zoning codes. SB 79 limits the use of local development standards and allows transit agencies full land-use authority over residential and commercial development on property they own or lease, without any requirement that developers build housing, let alone affordable housing. SB 79 overrides the state's own mandated local housing elements by forcing cities to approve transit-oriented development projects near specified transit stops - up to seven stories high and a density of 120 homes per acre - without regard to the community's needs, environmental review, or public input. SB 79 provides transit unlimited land use authority on property they own or have a permanent easement, regardless of the distance from a transit stop; power to determine all aspects of residential and commercial development including height, density, and design, without any regard to local zoning or planning; and lastly, the ability to develop 100% commercial projects, even at transit stops, and not provide a single new home.

SB 445 Oppose) (SB) 445 would require a lead agency to provide a written notice with specified information to a third-party entity, defined by the bill to mean a local agency, electrical corporation, or private telecommunications provider, regarding its need to use, relocate, alter, change, or otherwise improve facilities, publicly owned and managed utilities, public spaces, or other publicly or privately owned facilities under the third-party entity's jurisdiction or ownership for the implementation of a sustainable transportation project. This bill would define "sustainable transportation project" to mean a project where the lead agency is a state agency, operator, or local agency that proposes the construction or modification of facilities meeting at least one of several specified criteria, including that it is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the above-described provisions.

SB 445 would grant transit agencies the authority to begin construction if those arbitrary deadlines are not met. Allowing construction to begin based on arbitrary deadlines undermines the ability of local jurisdictions to thoroughly review the project, assess environmental and community impacts, and ensure that development aligns with local

planning needs. Rushing the permitting process could also lead to unintended consequences, including environmental degradation, displacement, and inadequate infrastructure planning.

Bills to Be Considered: The following bills will be considered for positions at the upcoming Legislative Committee meeting April 28th. Please contact your city representative to the MCCMC Legislative Committee with any input.

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- o **AB 306 (Schultz and Rivas):** Building regulations: state building standards
- o **AB 888 (Calderon):** California Safe Homes grant program.
- o **AB 1143 (Bennett):** State Fire Marshal: home hardening certification program
- o **SB 455 (Blakespear):** Electric Bicycles
- o **AB 609 (Wicks):** California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: housing development projects.
- o **SB 336 (Weiner/Haney/Stefani):** Real property tax: welfare exemption: moderate-income housing

Transportation Authority of Marin Report

Report to Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers

Respectfully Submitted

Alice Fredericks

April 26, 2025

Proposed Regional Transportation GO Bond Measure June 2026

Commissioner Moulton-Peters reported that the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) approved support (if amended) for Senate Bill (SB) 63 (Wiener/Arreguín), the regional transportation revenue measure authorizing legislation. MTC also approved support for Assembly Bill (AB) 736 (Wicks) and Senate Bill 417 (Cabaldon), which would place a \$10 billion general obligation bond measure on the June 2026 statewide ballot for a variety of housing production and preservation programs.

Executive Director Report

Report found here: <https://www.tam.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/3-EDR-4-24-25.pdf>

Executive Director Anne Richman reported on some of the many programs to encourage alternate mobility trips and funding information:

Marin Commutes Rewards program allows anyone living or working in Marin County to earn up to \$500 per year for logging eligible green trip in a Marin Commutes Rewards account. Register or [log into your Marin Commutes Rewards account](#) Log your green trips.

<https://marincommutes.rideamigos.com/#/networks/61781ca131ba68ca091f0a48?join=1f0a48>

May 7, Bike to School Day – Modeled after the successful Walk & Roll to School Day, students celebrate Bike to School Day on the first Wednesday in May by riding their bikes to school.

May 15, Bike to Work Day <https://bayareabiketowork.com/>

Civil rights icon and renowned children's book author, Ruby Bridges, made a special virtual appearance at Lucas Valley Elementary on March 28. In 2021, TAM's Safe Routes to Schools launched the inaugural Ruby Bridges Walk and Roll to School Day at Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy with almost 100% participation. The November event has grown to include 35 elementary schools across Marin County.

Bike share: Launched in October 2024, the bikeshare program has distributed 262 e-bikes in Santa Rosa, Rohnert Park, Cotati, Petaluma, Novato, San Rafael, and Larkspur and expanded from 262 to 300 bikes. Last month, the system saw a record high of 555 trips.

Nuestro Canal Saturday, May 3rd, TAM joins the Canal Alliance for the Nuestro Canal, Nuestro Futuro (NCNF) community fair. NCNF, part of the Marin Climate Justice Collaborative, is an initiative launched by the Canal Alliance to create a Neighborhood Vision Plan for the Canal. TAM staff, the 101-580 Project Team, and community members from Voces de Canal will host a booth to share information about the 101-580 Project, provide the latest concepts for improving Bellam Boulevard and hear from community members. More about the event here.
<https://www.canalalliance.org/evento/feria-comunitaria-nuestro-canal-nuestro-futuro/>

Smart Shuttle service expands to 7 days/week. The SMART Connect Larkspur shuttle was launched in June 2024 to offer a convenient and accessible transportation option serving the SMART Larkspur station, the Golden Gate Ferry Larkspur Terminal, and the surrounding Larkspur Landing area. The shuttle provides support for passengers who have difficulty walking and can accommodate up to two wheelchair users at a time. On weekends, SMART Connect Larkspur also serves The Village and Town Center shopping malls in Corte Madera. The shuttle has carried over 6,500 passengers since inception. Shuttle Hours of Service are:
Monday – Friday: 7:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. and Saturday – Sunday: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

FUNDING

Local Road Funding The Measure AA Expenditure Plan dedicates 22% of the funds to Category 2.1 to maintain and manage local roads to provide safe and well-maintained streets for all users, including bicyclists, pedestrians, and transit users. \$6,528,669 is available for local projects in Marin for fiscal year 25/26

HUTA Funding The Highway Users Tax Account (HUTA) is funded by the state's gasoline tax, which is a per-gallon excise tax. Funds collected for HUTA are used for a variety of purposes, including local street and road construction, maintenance, and operation. Since 2017, SB1 has been supplementing HUTA with annual funding for the Local Streets and Roads Program to address deferred maintenance on the local streets and roads system through the prioritization and delivery of basic road maintenance and rehabilitation projects.

On July 1 of each fiscal year, local agencies are required to submit their lists of projects to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for the coming year's SB 1 programs. The CTC is scheduled to adopt the project lists for FY25/26 funding in October 2025.

APPOINTMENTS to the COC (Citizen Oversight Committee).

The COC oversees the Measure A/AA 1/2-Cent Transportation Sales Tax and the Measure B \$10 Vehicle Registration Fee revenue and expenditure activities as required by the voter approved Expenditure Plans for the respective measures.

COC assures that the voter approved Measure A/AA Sales Tax and Measure B VRF Expenditure Plans are carried out according to the requirements specified in the plans. The COC is composed of 12 members and 12 alternates who are private citizens residing in Marin County and collectively represent diverse interests of Marin County. COC members should have no economic interest in TAM's projects.

The TAM Board appointed the following members to the Community Oversight Committee (COC): Jeffrey Olson, Central Marin Planning Area • Member: Kate Powers, Environmental Organizations • Member: Peter Pelham, Major Marin Employers

BUDGET

TAM Board accepted the FY2024-25 Third Quarter Financial Report; and amended the budget to reflect the adjustments proposed. The Annual Budget and related amendments are support various projects, programs, and goals identified in the Countywide Transportation Plan (CTP) and ensure appropriate use of resources through regular financial reporting.

Some Highlights: Reduction of \$400,000 in Measure AA Sales Tax Revenue in accordance with the revenue forecast presented at the March 27, 2025 Board meeting, net increase in Expenditures of \$447,112, adjustment of Administration accounts with a net decrease of \$4,000. Salaries and benefits, an Increase of \$24,440 in Professional Services for expected expenses related to the federal lobbyist, construction support of the North-South Greenway, and the initial expenses of the Marin City Noise Analysis project; , allocation of \$225,000 in Measure AA Sales Tax to support the cooperative agreement with Caltrans for the Marin City Noise Analysis and to cover grant application expenses related to the 101-580 project;, \$201,672 in TFCA project expenses for which reimbursements will be requested in FY2024-25.

Transportation Acronyms pg 33 of the agenda packet.

<https://www.tam.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/4-24-25-TAM-Board-Packet.pdf>

MARIN CITY NOISE ANALYSIS

: The TAM Board authorized the following actions associated with the Marin City Noise Analysis Project Initiation Document (PID) Project:

1. Allocate an additional \$100,000 in Transportation Sales Tax Measure A Interest funds to the Marin City Noise Analysis PID Project, resulting in a total allocation of \$350,000;

2. Authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and enter into a Co-Operative Agreement for \$150,000, with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to provide oversight for the development of a PID;
3. Authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with BKF Engineers for \$530,000 to develop a PID likely to be a Project Study Report-Project Development Support (PSR-PDS);
4. Authorize the Executive Director to enter into an Interagency Agreement with the County of Marin to receive \$350,000 to be used for cost sharing to develop the PSR-PDS.

Next steps: Following the current Board approval, staff will enter into agreements with Caltrans, BKF Engineers and the County of Marin. In addition, staff will work with the County of Marin to fully develop an outreach strategy. Further action will be decided when the noise analysis determines whether the results meet Caltrans thresholds for allowing a soundwall.

HOV Hours of Operation

The TAM Board approved a letter to Caltrans confirming its [corridor strategy and concerns](#) that the Scenario 1 regional hours proposed by CALTRANS, the decision maker, will result in additional delay to HOV and general-purpose lane users, as well as to transit services that provide local service on the corridor within the general purpose lanes.

The completion of the HOV lane system along U.S. 101 in Marin and Sonoma counties will result in 52 continuous miles of HOV lanes northbound and southbound on Highway 101 from Richardson's Bay in southern Marin County to Windsor in Sonoma County. HOV lanes in this final segment (MSN B7) will be open in summer 2025, with hours of operation determined by Caltrans.

Caltrans corridor strategy will synchronize hours of operation of HOV (high occupancy vehicle) lanes in the 101 corridor from Marin thru Sonoma County to improve transit speed and reliability. Proposed hours for operation of HOV lanes are: 5:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. both directions (consistent with 7 state- owned bridges) . Like other managed lanes in the state, Caltrans will continue to monitor performance of the proposed corridor hours.

The coordination of HOV lane hours and current planned activation of onramp metering is expected to have no impact on current operations of local approach roads, since the planned operation of the metering lights includes releasing ramp traffic to the highway when the ramps are full.

Discussion of Measure A Expenditure Plan Review Process.

The Measure AA Expenditure Plan Review is identified in CTP 2050 as an early action in the implementation plan. CTP 2050 specifically notes that "to achieve the greatest

benefit of the CTP” the Measure AA Expenditure Plan review should “ensure funding criteria advance the CTP vision and goals” (page 92 of CTP 2050). Staff are reviewing Measure AA funding categories for alignment with the CTP vision, goals, strategies and performance measures, and will identify opportunities to align the CTP and Measure AA Expenditure plan for Board consideration.

County wide Transportation Plan can be found here: <https://mtc.ca.gov/digital-library/5045227-marin-countywide-transportation-plan-2050>

Any amendments would consider the need to respond to transportation evolving needs, and consistency with the Amendments of the Measure A Expenditure Plan. Amendments must be approved by a two-thirds majority of the total commissioners on TAM’s Board, and include a noticed public hearing, and a 45-day public comment period. Following the two-thirds vote, any plan amendment will be submitted to each of the cities and towns in Marin County and to the County Board of Supervisors for approval. Amending the Expenditure Plan will require a majority vote of 50+% of the cities or towns representing 50+% of the incorporated population, as well as a majority vote of the Board of Supervisors.

Staff review of any amendments needed is underway:

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Wednesday, May 28, 2025
Hosted by City of Sausalito

Guest Speakers: To be determined

Tentative Committee Reports

Association of Bay Area Governments
Homeless Committee
Marin County Disaster Council Citizen Corps
Marin Transit
Sonoma/Marin Area Rail Transit Commission
Golden Gate Bridge & Highway Transportation District
Transportation Authority of Marin
MCCMC Legislative Committee
Local Agency Formation Commission

Business Meeting

Nominations for MCCMC President and Vice President for 2025-26

Review Of Draft Agenda For The June 25, 2025 MCCMC Meeting – In person, hosted by TO BE DETERMINED

Consideration and Possible Action to Approve the Draft Minutes of the April 30, 2025 MCCMC Meeting

ADJOURN: to the June 25, 2025 meeting – to be held in person and hosted by To Be Determined

Deadline for consideration of potential agenda items – June 18, 2025 Please send to:
MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com

1 **MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS**
2 **DRAFT MINUTES**

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4 **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2025**

5 **6:00pm**

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7 VIA Zoom VIDEOCONFERENCE ONLY
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9 **Members Present**

10 Belvedere: Mayor Jane Cooper, Councilmember Pat Carapiet,
11 Corte Madera: Mayor Pat Ravasio, Councilmembers Eli Beckman, Fred Casissa, Rosa Thomas
12 Fairfax: Mayor Lisel Blash, Councilmember Stephanie Hellman
13 Larkspur: Mayor Catherine Way, Councilmember Stephanie Andre
14 Mill Valley: Mayor Stephen Burke, Councilmember Caroline Joachim
15 Novato: Mayor Tim O'Connor, Councilmembers Pat Eklund, Kevin Jacobs, Mark Milberg
16 Ross: Mayor Bill Kircher, Councilmembers Teri Dowling,
17 San Anselmo: Councilmember Chantel Walker
18 San Rafael: Councilmembers Eli Hill, Maika Llorens Gulati,
19 Sausalito: Mayor Joan Cox, Councilmember Jill Hoffman
20 Tiburon: Mayor Holli Thier

21 **Ex Officio:** MCCMC Secretary Rebecca Vaughn; City Managers: Cristine Alilovich (San Rafael); Marin
22 County Board of Supervisors: Stephanie Moulton Peters, Nancy Hall Bennett (CalCities North Bay
23 Division); District Attorney Lori Frugoli
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25 **1. Call to Order / Roll Call**

26 President Eli Hill called the meeting to order at 6:04p.m., and welcomed everyone to the meeting of the
27 Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers, for March 26, 2025.
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29 A roll call of the Marin towns/cities was taken. There was a quorum of the 11 Marin cities/towns, with
30 representatives from all 11 Marin cities/towns in attendance.
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32 **2. Public Comment –**

- 33 a. District Attorney Lori Frugoli - provided an announcement of an upcoming event, free film
34 screening & panel discussion for Human Trafficking Awareness Forum 2025: "Hidden In
35 Plain Sight", Wednesday, April 30, 2025 | 6:00 to 7:30 pm, Dominican University of
36 California, Guzman Lecture Hall | 50 Acacia Ave. | San Rafael, CA. 94901 Seating is limited.
37 Please register to secure your seat! Register to Attend Free Screening. Link here: or see
38 attached flyer. (It was noted that the date does conflict with the next MCCMC meeting, and
39 DA Frugoli is hoping that there will be other showing dates scheduled in the near future.
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41 **3. Welcome and Introduction of Guests**

42 President Hill welcomed guests in attendance
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- 44 **4. Presentation:** MCCMC received a presentation from John Carroll, Marin County
45 Superintendent of Schools, who provided an update on the Marin County Office Of Education.
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47 **5. Committee Reports**

48 All Committee reports were submitted in writing and are available in the [agenda packet on the MCCMC](#)
49 [website](#). President Hill thanked those who submitted written reports and encouraged the membership to
50 review the reports.
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52 Comments: Pat Eklund highlighted several items from her written reports for ABAG and BCDC:
53 For the Bay Conservation and Development Commission, she announced that there is going to

4.b.

1 be an all-day hearing on April 3rd on the San Rafael Richmond Bridge before the Bay
2 Conservation Development Commission. She asked that Council members please read the
3 report and share their thoughts with her. The report can be viewed here:
4 <https://www.mccmc.org/wp-content/uploads/BCDC-Report-March-2025.pdf>
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6 For ABAG, there are several items that she highlighted: There is some money available for
7 priority conservation areas. So if you nominate one, there is a good possibility of getting a grant
8 to help you purchase that property. There is also a new housing platform that ABAG just started.
9 It is called the Doorway Housing Platform and her report highlights a lot of policies that you
10 might want to consider for your particular community. And lastly, on that issue is legislation that
11 will allow jurisdictions to claim credit if you save an affordable housing unit. For example, if there
12 is a possibility of a low-income housing unit going out of affordability, if you save it, you'll you
13 can get a credit for that on your regional housing needs allocation number. And finally, the
14 ABAG Board did vote to support bills that would create a \$10 billion GO bond on the June 2026
15 statewide ballot to fund the state's core rental and ownership programs.
16 The report can be reviewed here: [https://www.mccmc.org/wp-content/uploads/ABAG-Report-](https://www.mccmc.org/wp-content/uploads/ABAG-Report-March-2025.pdf)
17 [March-2025.pdf](https://www.mccmc.org/wp-content/uploads/ABAG-Report-March-2025.pdf)
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19 Further, it was request that any comments regarding the BCDC April 3 hearing on the Richmond
20 San Rafael Bridge be share directly with Pat Eklund, Novato: peklund@novato.org, and Joan
21 Cox, Sausalito, jcox@sausalito.gov, also asked that comments be shared with her as well, as
22 she serves as the Alternate to the Commission for Stephanie Moulton Peters.

- 23 5.a. Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)
24 5a. Written report provided by Pat Eklund, Novato
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- 26 5.b. Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC)
27 5b. Written report provided by Pat Eklund, Novato
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- 29 5.c. Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District *
30 5c. Written report provided by Holli Thier, Tiburon
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- 32 5.d. MCCMC Legislative Committee
33 5d. Written report provided by Alice Fredericks, Tiburon
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- 35 5.e. Transportation Authority of Marin
36 5e. Written report provided by Alice Fredericks, Tiburon
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38 **6. Business Items:**

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- 40 6.a. Consideration to Appoint An Alternate MCCMC Representative to League of California
41 Cities, North Bay Division Executive Board for Calendar Year 2025
42 Incumbents: The Alternate seat is currently vacant
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44 At the February 26, 2025 MCCMC meeting, the membership voted to appoint the
45 current Alternate, Mark Milberg, Novato, to serve the remainder of the term of the
46 vacant Primary seat, and called for letters of interest from those interested in serving as
47 the MCCMC Alternate to the Board for the remainder of the 2025 term. A letter of
48 interest was received from Chantel Walker, San Anselmo.
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50 No additional nominations were received from the floor, and no public comment was
51 received in person or via email. President Hill called for a vote on the appointment.
52 There was a motion and second (Llorens Gulati/Hoffman) to approve the appointment of

4.b.

1 Chantel Walker, San Anselmo, to serve as the Alternate Representative to the League
2 of California Cities North Bay Division Executive Board to fill the remainder of a one
3 year term that expires December 31, 2025.

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5 The motion was approved unanimously by a roll call vote of the cities/towns present, 11-
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9 6.b. Consideration to Appoint of Two MCCMC City Representatives to Marin County
10 Homeless Policy Steering Committee

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12 Secretary Vaughn explained that MCCMC selects two city representatives to serve on
13 the Marin County Homeless Policy Steering Committee. The MCCMC representatives
14 are currently Rachel Kertz, San Rafael, and one seat that is vacant, which was formerly
15 filled by Susan Wernick, Novato, who recently retired from City Council.

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17 A call for letters of interest was announced at the February 26th MCCMC meeting, and
18 Rachel Kertz, incumbent (San Rafael), Mark Milberg (Novato), Caroline Joachim (Mill
19 Valley), and Lisel Blash (Fairfax), submitted letters of interest.

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21 Each applicant was provided the opportunity to give a brief statement regarding their
22 interest in the appointment. Following the personal statements, President Hill called for
23 public comment. There was no public comment received in person or via a vote was
24 called. Given that this was a contested appointment, with more applicants than available
25 seats, the vote was carried out by Mayors or their formally designated proxies, as noted.

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27 Each Mayor or designated proxy was asked to vote for up to two applicants. Votes were
28 sent directly to Secretary Vaughn via Zoom chat direct message and were then
29 tabulated and reported out to the membership.

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31 After the votes were counted, it was announced that there was a tie for the second seat,
32 with the count being:

33 Rachel Kerz: 9 votes

34 Caroline Joachim: 5 votes

35 Mark Milberg: 5 votes

36 Lisel Blash: 2 votes

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38 After discussion, it was determined that the By Laws do not speak to how to proceed in
39 the case of tie vote, and there was a motion and second (Thier /Hoffman) to conduct a
40 second vote to determine the appointee to the second seat. There was additional
41 discussion, comments and further statements from applicants. Following discussion
42 regarding whether an Alternate could be appointed, there was a friendly amendment
43 proposed by Councilmember Llorens Gulati to the original motion, to add that, of the
44 three remaining applicants, the second-highest vote getter would be appointed the
45 Alternate. Mayor Their accepted the amendment to her motion and moved to call the
46 vote, which was seconded by Mayor O'Connor.

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4.b.

1 Votes for the second seat were sent to Secretary Vaughn via direct message Zoom
2 calculation. The final count of the second vote was:

3 Caroline Joachim: 6 votes

4 Mark Milberg: 4 votes

5 Lisel Blash: 1 vote

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7 The final action, based on the first and second round of voting is to:

8 (1) appoint Rachel Kertz, San Rafael City Council, and Caroline Joachim, Mill Valley
9 City Council, to represent MCCMC on the Homeless Policy Steering Committee, and
10 appoint Mark Milberg, Novato City Council, to serve as the Alternate to the Committee
11 should either primary representative be unable to attend a meeting.

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13 6.c. Review of Draft Agenda for the April 30, 2025 MCCMC Meeting, Hosted by the Town of
14 Corte Madera (Date changed from April 23, 2025 to not conflict with League of
15 California Cities City Leaders Summit)

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17 There were no comments on the draft agenda. No public comment was received in
18 person or via email. President Hill then proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

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21 6.d. Consideration and Possible Approval of Draft Minutes of the February 26, 2025
22 MCCMC Meeting

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24 No public comment was received in person or via email. President Hill called for a vote
25 to approve the draft minutes of the February 26, 2025 meeting. There was a motion and
26 second (Eklund/Thier) to approve the minutes for February 26, 2025.

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28 The motion was approved unanimously by a roll call vote of the cities/towns present, 11-
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33 **7. Adjournment**

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35 The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm to the next regular meeting scheduled for April 30, 2025
36 to be held in person and hosted by the Town of Corte Madera.