

Napa Valley Transportation Authority

625 Burnell Street
Napa, CA 94559

Meeting Minutes - Draft Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

Thursday, April 2, 2026

2:00 PM

JoAnn Busenbark Boardroom

1. Call To Order

Chair Arias called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Chairperson Juan Arias
Vice Chair Lorien Clark
Member Derek Rayner
Jessica Lowe
Eric Janzen
Eryn Ebach
Ron Ranada

Absent: 5 - Brent Cooper
Brian Bordona
Rosalba Ramirez
Ellen Sweigert
Eli Kaplan

Excused: 3 - Greg Desmond
Jackie Oneal
Amani Meligy

3. Public Comment

None

4. Committee Member Comments

Lorien Clark, City of Napa - the City is holding a community meeting on April 8 at 5:30 pm on potential striping changes to South Jefferson Street.

Derek Rayner, City of Calistoga - thanked the County of Napa for working with them on a Caltrans encroachment permit to install a water pipeline on the bridge. The water pipeline is currently in the creek and is a barrier to fish.

Eric Janzen, City of St. Helena - announced that City Manager Anil Camelo had left the city.

Juan Arias, County of Napa - provided an update on multiple upcoming paving and repair projects as well as specific street projects in coordination with the City of Napa and/or Napa Sanitation.

5. Staff Comments

None

6. STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

6.1 County Transportation Agency Report (Diana Meehan)

Diana Meehan reported on items discussed during the March 27, 2026 County Transportation Agency meeting:

Caltrans provided a Notice of Funding Opportunities; she will send it to TAC. Additionally, Caltrans is working on Bus on Shoulder guidance.

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) provided updates on:

- Clipper 2 program that launched in December
- One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) County Program
- Regional Active Transportation Program - approximately \$50 million available, applications are due in June
- Safe Routes to School/Bay Trail funding (\$75 Million) Call for Projects will be released in the Fall
- SB-1 Prioritization principles are similar to previous cycles, approximate funding - \$500 million for Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) and \$800 million for Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP); applications will be due in November
- California Transportation Commission approved the State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) and the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) at its March meeting
- The Community Action Resource & Empowerment Program (CARE), which will run concurrently with OBAG Cycle 4-

SB 375 Reform – The large MPOs striving to change from a four-year RTP process to an 8-year cycle to align better with Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA).

Updates from the Planning Directors:

- The Regional Modeling Working Group formed a Big Data taskforce and is working on an evaluation framework for vendors to make a recommendation for a potential regional contract
- Plan Bay Area 2060 will kick off later this year

6.2 Project Funding Monitoring Report (Addrell Coleman) (Pages 6-7)

Addrell Coleman reported that there were not any projects on the Caltrans inactive list.

6.3 Measure U Update (Addrell Coleman)

Report by Addrell Coleman.

Mr. Coleman thanked those who responded to his email requesting Measure U Bonding Working Group participants, comprised of public works and finance staff from each jurisdiction.

Mr. Coleman noted he sent a project list template to the jurisdictions to gauge their interest in bonding and asked the jurisdictions to submit it by April 3 if they have not already done so.

The City of Napa will present their projects at the June 3 Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee (ITOC) meeting.

6.4 Caltrans Report (Amani Meligy, Caltrans) (Pages 8-16)

Daniel Chang from Caltrans reviewed the report.

Mr. Chang also reported that he sent a preliminary traffic (one-lane) closure notice to Member Lederer and Executive Director Schmitz for northbound SR 29 from the First Street on ramp to the Trancas Street off-ramp, April 13-17, 9 am - 3 pm. Ms. Schmitz asked him to resend it to her and Members Lederer, Lucido and Lowe as well.

6.5 Vine Trail Update (Eric Janzen)

Member Janzen reported that the Yountville to St. Helena segment environmental review determined that a portion of the roadside drainage at the crossing of Bale Slough qualifies as a wetland, which will require some form of mitigation. The team has been pursuing a highway shift to make enough room for the pedestrian crossing, however, it encroaches into the prospective wetland. The team is working on a solution for this new development.

6.6 Transit Update (Libby Payan)

Libby Payan provided the following updates:

- Staff is working on the June 7th schedule change that will include pausing the school trippers for the summer, as well some adjustments to Routes 21, C and D.
- Staff is also working on the BottleRock schedules, noting that all Vine bus rides are free during BottleRock.
- The \$20 Summer Youth Pass program will be offered again this year.

7. PRESENTATIONS (NONE)

8. CONSENT AGENDA

8.1 Meeting Minutes of the March 5, 2026 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting (Kathy Alexander) (Pages 17-20)

Motion by Member Janzen, Second by Member Clark to approve the March 5, 2026 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion passed.

9. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

9.1 Transportation Development Act Article 3 (TDA 3) Call for Projects & Guidelines Review (Patrick Band) (Pages 21-32)

Report by Patrick Band.

Chair Arias requested the general criteria for eligibility.

Mr. Band provided several examples of bicycle and pedestrian improvements, noting that routine maintenance and maintenance equipment is not covered.

Motion by Member Rayner, Second by Member Ebach to recommend the Napa Valley Transportation Authority Board approve the TDA-3 Program Guidelines and open a Call for Projects at its April 15, 2026 meeting. Motion passed.

9.2 One Bay Area Grant Cycle 4 (OBAG 4) Call for Projects Process Review (Diana Meehan) (Pages 33-45)

Report by Diana Meehan.

Information Only/No Action Taken

9.3 Legislative Update* (Danielle Schmitz)

Danielle Schmitz provided the Legislative Report, noting some changes that occurred after the packet was printed.

Information Only/No Action Taken

9.4 April 15, 2026 NVTA-TA and NVTA Board Draft Meeting Agendas* (Danielle Schmitz)

Danielle Schmitz reviewed the draft April 15, 2026 NVTA-TA and NVTA Board meeting agendas.

Information Only/No Action Taken

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

NVTA Board biennial budget presentation.

11. ADJOURNMENT

11.1 The next regularly scheduled meeting for the NVTA Technical Advisory Committee is Thursday, May 7, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

Kathy Alexander, Deputy Board Secretary

*Information will be available at the meeting