



# County of Yolo

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES  
PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

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## MEMBERS:

*DISTRICT 1 Samuel Bivins*  
*DISTRICT 2 Bruce Eldridge*  
*DISTRICT 3 OPEN*  
*DISTRICT 4 Steve Zehner*  
*DISTRICT 5 Hans Strandgaard*  
*AT LARGE Olin Woods*

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*County Staff: Panos Kokkas*  
*Members Present: Bivins, Strandgaard, Zehner, Woods*  
*Public: John Whitehead*

## Meeting Minutes

### Yolo County Transportation Advisory Committee

Cache Creek Conference Room; Thursday, July 26, 2018, 4:30 – 5:30 PM

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Assign minute taker for meeting
  - a. Vice-Chair Bivins opened the meeting at 4:35pm in Chair Strandgaard's absence and Olin Woods agreed to take the minutes.
2. Public Comment
  - a. John Whitehead observed that the March 22, 2018 minutes, approved at the May 24, 2018 meeting, were not posted. Per Mr. Whitehead, the approved minutes were not transmitted to the County.
3. Approval of Minutes of May 24, 2018
  - a. Chair Strandgaard arrived at the meeting at 4:45pm, apologized for being late due to traffic in Sacramento, and the minutes were unanimously approved.
4. District 3 TAC Replacement
  - a. Chair Strandgaard announced that no replacement has yet been named for the Supervisorial District 3 open position on the Committee. The County Clerk is aware and will continue to advertise the open position until it is filled.

## 5. CR105/32A Grade Crossing Arbitration

- a. It was noted that the arbitration between the City of Davis, the County and UPRR has concluded. As a result of the arbitration, the crossing will remain open and the County will be the lead agency for a study to move the at-grade crossing to the east. The move to the east may allow sufficient space to construct a new safer crossing which would reduce the occurrence of westbound cars ending up on the tracks after not negotiating the current 90 degree turn just before the tracks. The County is applying to the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) for Community Design funds and to a federal At-Grade RR crossing grant program for the funds needed to prepare a scoping study.
- b. Public Works Director Kokkas felt that the project cost of relocating the at-grade crossing could be several million dollars, especially considering the half a mile of new County road that might be needed.

## 6. Sierra Northern Board Meeting Report (Eldridge)

- a. Due to a conflict, Committee Member Eldridge, who attended the Sierra Northern Board Meeting, was unable to attend the meeting; the report will be given at the August 23, 2018, meeting.

## 7. Public Works Update (County)

- a. Director Kokkas stated that if Proposition 6, on the November ballot, passes that it will mean a \$5.4-M loss to the County, based on current estimates. This will mean many planned projects will not be built. SB1, which is currently in effect, costs the average person \$10 per month. The effects of the passage of Proposition 6 will be devastating to drivers, transit operators, bicyclists, and pedestrians. Proposition 6, if approved, will also change the threshold for new transportation funding to require a 2/3 majority vote. The public is largely unaware of the small cost of SB1 and the dire effects that its nullification will cause. Mr. Kokkas believes that a major education of the public is an immediate necessity. He will be making a presentation to the BOS to tell them which projects will be delayed or cancelled if the proposition succeeds. He is also making presentations at the local service organizations and Odd Fellows Halls.
- b. The Board of Supervisors voted in March against the repeal of Proposition 1 and in October an additional education program for the Board and for voters is planned.
- c. Director Kokkas then gave updates on the following projects:
  - Paving of CR 13 and 14 from 505 to 5, this is a SB1 funded project.
  - Paving of CR 27 west of CR 98 is ongoing.
  - The contractor for the 2018 pavement rehab, Lamon Construction, was also successful in getting the CR 27 paving project. The County has had good success from them on previous projects.
  - Mr. Kokkas noted that project bids have been running much higher than

in past years.

- The designer for the low water crossing of Cache Creek has not yet been selected. This crossing is important to allow fire fighting equipment across the creek and Cal Fire is helping to fund the replacement project. The National Guard had to redo a temporary bridge again this year to get over the Creek during the County fire. The Creek flows year-round due to summer irrigation water contracts.
- d. With regard to the US Army Corps plans to widen the Sacramento Weir to put more water into the Yolo Flood Basin. Both the County and the City of Woodland have significant concerns over this due to increased flooding which inundates some County roads(CR 124). The County is talking to the Corps about relocating road to the top of levees and new levees in the Bypass.
- e. Caltrans has told the County they will be installing a lift station to reduce the problems with flooding at the Mace/I-80 interchange near the Yolo Fruitstand location just to the west of the Causeway.

#### 8. Next Meeting Agenda Items-

- Sierra Northern Report,
- CR 105 At Grade Crossing Follow-up
- Will consider inviting the Cities of Davis, West Sac, Woodland and Winters to future meetings as we have in the past.
- Will consider meeting at a County construction project if there are any under construction.

#### 9. Next Meeting Date, Time and Location- Thursday, August 23, 2018, Cache Creek Conference Room, 4:30-5:30pm