

WRCOG Executive Committee

Action Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the WRCOG Executive Committee was called to order by Chair Chris Barajas at 2:00 p.m. on August 7, 2023, at the Riverside County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, 1st Floor Board Chambers, Riverside.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Chris Barajas led the Committee members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

- City of Banning - Sheri Flynn
- City of Beaumont - Mike Lara
- City of Calimesa - Wendy Hewitt
- City of Canyon Lake - Mark Terry
- City of Corona - Jacque Casillas
- City of Eastvale - Christian Dinco
- City of Hemet - Jackie Peterson
- City of Jurupa Valley - Chris Barajas (Chair)
- City of Lake Elsinore - Brian Tisdale
- City of Menifee - Bob Karwin
- City of Moreno Valley - Elena Baca-Santa Cruz
- City of Murrieta - Ron Holliday
- City of Norco - Kevin Bash
- City of Perris - Rita Rogers
- City of San Jacinto - Crystal Ruiz
- City of Wildomar - Joseph Morabito
- County, District 1 - Kevin Jeffries
- County, District 2 - Karen Spiegel
- County, District 3 - Chuck Washington
- Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) - Phil Paule
- Western Water - Brenda Dennstedt

Absent:

- City of Riverside - Ronaldo Fierro
- City of Temecula - James Stewart
- County, District 5 - Yxstian Gutierrez
- Riverside Co. Superintendent of Schools - Dr. Edwin Gomez

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

RESULT:	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED
MOVER:	Perris
SECONDER:	Moreno Valley
AYES:	Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Eastvale, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, San Jacinto, Wildomar, District 1, District 2, District 3, EMWD, Western Water

A. Summary Minutes from the June 30, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting

Action:

1. Approved the Summary Minutes from the June 30, 2023, Executive Committee meeting.

B. Finance Department Activities Update and Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Q4 Budget Amendment

Action:

1. Approved the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 4th Quarter Agency Budget Amendment.

C. WRCOG Committees and Agency Activities Update

Action:

1. Received and filed.

D. Report out of WRCOG Representatives on Various Committees

Action:

1. Received and filed.

E. Single Signature Authority Report

Action:

1. Received and filed.

F. Approval of One TUMF Reimbursement Agreement and One TUMF Reimbursement Agreement Amendment

Actions:

1. Authorized the Executive Director to execute a TUMF Reimbursement Agreement with the City of Murrieta for the Right of Way and Construction Phases of the Murrieta Hot Springs Road Improvements Project in an amount not to exceed \$2,700,000.
2. Authorized the Executive Director to execute a TUMF Reimbursement Agreement Amendment with the City of Temecula for the Construction Phase of the Diaz Road Expansion Project in an

amount not to exceed \$4,500,000. The total amount of the TUMF Reimbursement Agreement will not exceed \$5,565,923.

G. Approval of 2023 TUMF Northwest and Southwest Zones' 5-Year Transportation Improvement Programs

Actions:

1. Approved the 2023 TUMF Northwest Zone 5-Year Transportation Improvement Program.
2. Approved the 2023 TUMF Southwest Zone 5-Year Transportation Improvement Program.

6. REPORTS / DISCUSSION

A. Guidelines and Framework to Evaluate new WRCOG Programs and Initiatives

Actions:

1. Approved the proposed Guidelines and Framework to Evaluate new WRCOG Programs and Initiatives.
2. Directed staff to provide an update on an implementation of this approach to the Administration & Finance Committee in February 2024.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED
MOVER:	San Jacinto
SECONDER:	Corona
AYES:	Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Eastvale, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, San Jacinto, Wildomar, District 1, District 2, District 3, EMWD, Western Water

B. PACE Programs Activities Update: Purchase and Sale Agreement with First National Assets

Actions:

1. Adopted Resolution Number 26-23; A Resolution of the Executive Committee of the Western Riverside Council of Governments approving a Purchase and Sale Agreement for the sale of Assessment Installment Receivables.
2. Authorized the Executive Director to enter into a Purchase and Sale Agreement, substantially as to form, with First National Assets for the purchase of delinquent assessment receivables.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED
MOVER:	Perris
SECONDER:	Lake Elsinore
AYES:	Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Eastvale, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, San Jacinto, Wildomar, District 1, District 2, District 3, EMWD, Western Water

C. Love Your Neighborhood Program Activities Update

Action:

1. Received and filed.

D. Energy Resilience Plan 2.0

Actions:

1. Accepted the ICARP Adaptation Planning Grant Award.
2. Authorized the Executive Director to execute the Grant Agreement, substantially as to form and subject to legal counsel's review and approval, with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR).
3. Authorized the Executive Director to execute the Partnership Agreement, substantially as to form and subject to legal counsel's review and approval, with GRID Alternatives Inland Empire (GRID).

RESULT:	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED
MOVER:	Lake Elsinore
SECONDER:	San Jacinto
AYES:	Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Eastvale, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, San Jacinto, Wildomar, District 2, District 3, EMWD, Western Water
NAYS:	Banning
ABSTAIN:	District 1

7. REPORT FROM THE TECHNIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR

The Technical Advisory Committee Chair was not present.

8. REPORT FROM COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Crystal Ruiz, SANDAG Borders Committee representative, reported that Bonnie Wright sent thanks to the Committee for her recognition at the WRCOG General Assembly. SANDAG received a Federal grant to help fight pollution at the border, and is working with partners across the border to do their part.

Wes Speake, SAWPA OWOW Steering Committee representative, reported that the Steering Committee introduced new staff and gave an update on a \$650k grant program for funding the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan. The Steering Committee has received over \$240M in grants from a variety of sources. There was a call for projects for a stormwater resource plan through Riverside County Flood Control. There was an update on the spending of Prop 1 Funds.

Joseph Morabito, SCAG CEHD representative, reported that there will be an email campaign for cities to contact State Representatives to put pressure on HUD to be more transparent in the RHNA process. A special meeting will be held next week.

9. REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Chair Barajas thanked the Committee for attending the WRCOG General Assembly, and thanked staff who put it together. The speaker was great. He is looking forward to a productive year.

10. REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dr. Kurt Wilson welcomed Bonnie Woodrome, who has joined the WRCOG team as the Manager of External Affairs and Communications. The Commercial PACE Program was bifurcated into two

providers, one of which is no longer active. There will be future Commercial PACE items to figure out some strategies. The I-REN Fellowship Program is preparing to launch; The Cities of Norco and Canyon Lake have secured a Fellow, with the Cities of Perris and Corona to follow.

11. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

There were no items for future agendas.

12. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee member Kevin Bash announced that the Norco Tech Bridge is now open. It connects to the local Navy base and gives the private sector access to patents. It is also an incubator. Riverside City College District purchased the building, and connects to March Air Reserve Base, and any Federal facility that runs patents through it. The repository of every firing of every missile and rocket by any of the armed services is being digitalized at the Tech Bridge.

Committee member Christian Dinco announced the passing of Dicky Simmons, a veteran and former police officer, and a staple in the Eastvale Community. He was at many of the JCSD Board of Directors and sat on the Board of Directors at one point. He will be missed. The memorial will be held at the JCSD Community Center on August 13, 2023.

13. NEXT MEETING

Due to the Labor Day holiday, the next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 11, 2023, at 2:00 p.m., in the County of Riverside Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, 1st Floor, Board Chambers, Riverside.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:32 p.m. in honor of Dickie Simmons.