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**SOLANO COUNTY  
City-County Coordinating Council  
MEETING AGENDA | May 11, 2023**  
Solano County Water Agency Office, 810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Ste. 203  
Vacaville, CA 95688, Berryessa Room Conference Area

**\*\*\* 7:30 P.M. start time (after SCWA meeting) \*\*\***

**PURPOSE STATEMENT – City County Coordinating Council**

“To discuss, coordinate, and resolve City/County issues including but not necessarily limited to land use, planning, duplication of services/improving efficiencies, as well as other agreed to topics of regional importance, to respond effectively to the actions of other levels of government, including the State and Federal government, to sponsor or support legislation at the State and Federal level that is of regional importance, and to sponsor or support regional activities that further the purpose of the Solano City-County Coordinating Council.”

**ITEM**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**  
Roll Call

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** **ACTION ITEM**

**III. WELCOME NEW CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR 2023**

Per the CCCC Bylaws, the Chair and Vice Chair are appointed by the respective organization whose turn it is to serve as Chair and Vice Chair of the CCCC. It is the City’s turn to serve as Chair for calendar years 2023 and 2024, before rotating back to the County in 2025. The City Selection Committee has selected Vallejo City Mayor Robert McConnell as the CCCC’s Chair. Additionally, the Solano County Board of Supervisors has selected District 5 Supervisor Mitch Mashburn as the Vice Chair.

**IV. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

This is the public’s opportunity to address the Committee on a matter not listed on the agenda but under the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee.

**V. CONSENT CALENDAR** **ACTION ITEM**  
Approval of Minutes for August 24, 2022

**VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

(1) **Presentation:** Receive an update from MCE, the Clean Energy Provider for Contra Costa, Marin, Napa and Solano Counties on clean energy activities in Solano County

Presenter: Sebastian Conn, Senior Community Development Manager, MCE

(2) **Presentation:** Receive an update from the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) on the County Collaboration on Housing

Presenters: Daryl Halls, Executive Director, STA, and Robert Guerrero, Director of Planning, STA

(3) **Presentation:** Receive an update from STA on the Climate Initiative and Adaption Planning

Presenter: Robert Guerrero, Director of Planning, STA

**VII. APPROVAL, 2023 CCCCs MEETING SCHEDULE** **ACTION ITEM**

- (1) Thursday, August 10, 2023 starting at or around 7:30 p.m.
- (2) Thursday, November 9, 2023 starting at or around 7:30 p.m.

**VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**IX. CCCC CLOSING COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**CITY-COUNTY COORDINATING COUNCIL**  
**August 24, 2022 Action Meeting Minutes**

The August 24, 2022 meeting of the Solano City-County Coordinating Council was held via ZOOM teleconference due to COVID-19 considerations.

**Roll and Call to Order**

**Members Present**

Mitch Mashburn, Chair	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 5)
Robert McConnell, Vice Chair	Mayor, City Vallejo
Steve Bird	Mayor, City of Dixon
Harry Price	Mayor, City of Fairfield
Ronald Kott	Mayor, City of Rio Vista
Alma Hernandez	Mayor Pro-Tem, City of Suisun City
Monica Brown	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 2)

**Members Absent**

Steve Young	Mayor, City of Benicia
Ron Rowlett	Mayor, City of Vacaville
Erin Hannigan	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 1)
Jim Spering	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 3)
John Vasquez	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 4)

**Staff to the City-County Coordinating Council Present:**

Bill Emlen	County Administrator, Solano County
Matthew Davis	Senior Management Analyst/PCO, Solano County

**Guest Speakers and Other Staff Present**

Tim Flanagan	Chief Information Officer, Solano County Department of Information Technology (DOIT)
Bruce Stewart	IT Infrastructure and Operations Manager, Solano County Department of Information Technology (DOIT)
Misty Kaltreider	Water and Natural Resource Program Manager, Solano County Department of Resource Management
Osha Meserve	Environmental Lawyer, Member, Delta Counties Coalition
Chris Lee	Assistant General Manager, Solano County Water Agency (SCWA)

**I. Meeting Called to Order**

The meeting of the City-County Coordinating Council was called to order at 6:08 pm.

**II. Approval of Agenda**

*A motion to approve the Agenda was made by Mayor Kott and seconded by Mayor McConnell. Agenda approved by 7-0 vote.*

**III. Confirmation of Virtual Meeting**

*A motion to adopt a resolution of the City-County Coordinating Council authorizing remote teleconference meetings for the period August 24, 2022 through September 24, 2022 as a result of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency was made by Supervisor Brown and seconded by Mayor Kott. Resolution approved by 7-0 vote.*

**IV. Opportunity for Public Comment**

No public comments were received.

**V. Consent Calendar**

*A motion to approve the April 27, 2022 Minutes was made by Mayor Kott and seconded by Supervisor Brown. Minutes approved by 7-0 vote.*

**VI. Informational Items**

**1. Receive a presentation from the Solano County Department of Information Technology (DOIT) on Broadband and Digital Equity in Solano County**

Tim Flanagan, Chief Information Officer, Solano County DOIT and Bruce Stuart, IT Infrastructure and Operations Manager, Solano County gave an overview of broadband and digital equity in Solano County. Two project options utilizing ARPA funding were identified. Referring to the report prepared with Boston Consulting Group, Solano County cities and the more densely populated areas were identified as having existing broad band coverage above 100/20 mbps (fiber, cable, fixed wireless). Referring to maps in the report, the most underserved areas identified were those in the unincorporated and more rural areas. This was addressed with a proposed plan to provide new fiber infrastructure to several key areas.

Digital Equity, addressing subscription affordability, device availability and digital literacy, in Solano County was addressed with a proposed package involving, hiring a Digital Equity Program Team, coordinating digital equity efforts for city residents, sharing marketing efforts to reach more residents, city representation on the proposed Solano Connected Broadband Consortium, supporting the county library hotspot and computer lending program, and partnering on upcoming grant opportunities coming in the next couple of years.

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**2. Receive a presentation from the Solano County Department of Resource Management on the status of the Proposed Delta Conveyance Project**

Misty Kaltreider, Water and Natural Resource Program Manager, Solano County Department of Resource Management and Osha Meserve, Environmental Lawyer, Member, Delta Counties Coalition presented on the proposed Delta Conveyance Project, including a history and overview of the project, how this potential project will impact Solano county and its residents, Delta environmental concerns, a comparison between prior conveyance/tunnel projects and the draft environmental document status. The proposed project is a massive State water infrastructure project to redirect freshwater Delta flows from the Sacramento River

utilizing a 45-mile long 40-foot wide tunnel 150 feet under the Delta to a pumping plant near Tracy where it will be distributed to central and southern California. This 16-billion-dollar project is scheduled to take 14+ years and will provide no new local water supplies to Solano County. The Department of Water Resources will accept public comments on the EIR through October 27, 2022.

Members had questions regarding comments to be submitted for the EIR and alternatives to the project, including stormwater capture, tertiary treated wastewater, and desalination projects. Chair Mashburn commented that this project will have a significant impact on Solano County, by removing millions of acre feet of freshwater from the river the salinity of water we intake will be increased, affecting the cost to treat the water and affect Solano County's 2 billion dollar agriculture industry as well as the Suisun Bay and Rio Vista waterfronts. He noted this is our last significant opportunity to address this project. He requested that staff work with the Delta Counties Coalition to present this issue to our seven cities through their City Council meetings and that his office is available if there are questions or assistance is needed. Assistance with comment letters for the EIR is available through the Delta Counties Coalition.

PowerPoint on file

**3. Receive an update from the Solano County Water Agency (SCWA on Regional Water infrastructure, including the Solano Project (Lake Berryessa), North Bay Aqueduct, Ulatis-Green Valley Flood Control and drought**

Chris Lee, Assistant General Manager, SCWA presented an overview of the regions water infrastructure. The three major water supply sources presented were Groundwater (including the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)), the Solano Project (Lake Berryessa, Lake Solano and Putah South Canal), and the North Bay Aqueduct (from the State Water Project - North Delta intake which is about 70% to Solano County and 30% to Napa County) including drought impacts on these water sources. Solano County flood control facilities through the Ulatis Flood Control Project and the Green Valley Flood Control Project were touched upon.

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**VII. Informational, Next CCCCs Meeting Date**

*The next scheduled meeting of the CCCCs will be Wednesday, November 16, 2022 starting at 6:00 pm.*

**VIII. Announcements**

There were no announcements.

**IX. CCCC Closing Comments**

Bill Emlen, CAO, Solano County requested topics of interest to the membership for future CCCCs meetings be forwarded to the Executive Committee.

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**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m. The next meeting of the City-County Coordinating Council is scheduled for November 16, 2022 at 6:00 PM. Location TBA. The meeting may be via teleconference due to the ongoing COVID-19 considerations.

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# SOLANO

## City-County Coordinating Council Staff Report

Meeting of: May 11, 2023

Staff / Agency: Sebastian Conn, Senior  
Community Development Manager, MCE

Agenda Item No. VI.1

### TITLE / SUBJECT

Receive a presentation from MCE on clean energy activities in Solano County.

### SUMMARY / BACKGROUND

MCE is a local joint powers authority that provides customers the choice of receiving either 60 percent or 100 percent of their energy from clean, renewable sources. Formed in 2008 as California’s first Community Choice Aggregation program, MCE serves more than 1.5 million residents and businesses in 37 member communities across Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, and Solano Counties. MCE has served residents and businesses in Benicia since 2015, Unincorporated Solano since 2020, Vallejo since April 2021, and Fairfield since 2022. More than 100,00 customers in Solano County currently receive energy generation services from MCE.

MCE’s mission is to confront the climate crisis by eliminating fossil fuel greenhouse gas emissions, producing renewable energy, and creating equitable community benefits. Since 2010, MCE has eliminated over 700,000 metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions, invested more than \$214 million dollars in community programming, and has enabled the development of 48 megawatts (MW) of new renewable projects in its service area.

As a joint power’s authority, MCE is governed by a 33-member Board of Directors comprised of one elected Councilmember or Supervisor from each respective MCE member community. Each city, town, or county appoints an elected official to represent their community. Supervisor John Vasquez, Councilmember K. Patrice Williams (Fairfield), Councilmember Kari Birdseye (Benicia) and Councilmember Charles Palmares (Vallejo) currently serve on MCE’s Board of Directors.

### DISCUSSION

Receive a presentation from MCE regarding the agency’s ongoing engagement activities in Solano County as well as 2022-2023 agency highlights.

### RECOMMENDATION

The MCE recommends the CCCCs receive this item as informational only.



# SOLANO

## City-County Coordinating Council Staff Report

**Meeting of May 11, 2023**

**Agenda Item No. VI.2**

**Staff / Agency:**

Daryl Halls, Executive Director, Solano Transportation Authority  
Robert Guerrero, Director of Planning, Solano Transportation Authority

**TITLE / SUBJECT**

County Collaborative on Housing Update

**BACKGROUND**

In March 2021, the County Board of Supervisors designated the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) as the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) County Collaborative on Housing and authorized the STA to serve as the fiscal agent for the administration of Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) funds for countywide housing opportunities. This action was the result of coordination efforts by the STA, the County of Solano and the seven cities to further link transportation and land use planning as the Bay Area region began developing the Housing CASA compact and the State began to develop funding programs to address the State housing crisis.

Prior to the STA being designated as the County Collaborative on Housing, the STA developed the Solano Housing Investment Partnership (SolHIP) and SubUrban Housing Incentive Pool Program (SubHIP) in collaboration with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). These efforts allowed for the STA to provide transportation planning and capital funds for housing development funding with an emphasis on affordable housing within Priority Development Areas (PDAs). This resulted in resources for technical assistance and approximately 340 affordable housing units near the Fairfield Vacaville Hannigan Station and the Vacaville Transportation Center PDAs.

The SolHIP was recognized by MTC/ABAG and the State Housing and Community Development (HCD) as a model for other counties given our collaborative planning process and technical assistance provided to each agency.

**DISCUSSION:**

As the County Collaborative on Housing, the STA coordinated with ABAG on the use of State Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) housing grant funding to assist in the last Regional Housing Needs Allocation cycle (RHNA) and the update of the cities and the County of Solano’s Housing Elements. The cities of Benicia, Dixon, Rio Vista, Suisun City, Vacaville and Vallejo and the County of Solano opted to participate with STA in obtaining consultant support and leveraging the REAP 1.0 funding to update the seven agencies’ housing elements. The City of Fairfield opted not to participate in the Housing Element Partnership because they had already selected a separate consultant to complete their General Plan Update and their Housing Element; however, they did benefit from the collaborative through information/data collection and sharing.



County Collaborative on Housing Status Update:

STA staff assisted the County of Solano in administering the RHNA process by managing the selected consultant contract (Placeworks) and coordinating planning staff discussions at meetings of the Solano County Planning Directors group. Solano County was the only county in the Bay Area that opted to proactively undergo the RHNA Sub-delegation Process whereby the County and the cities developed a housing allocation methodology consistent with the State and Region’s goals for housing production. This effort was completed in December 2021 with the State’s Housing and Community Development officially concluding their review and approving Solano’s RHNA Allocation Plan. During this timeframe, the County Collaborative began the Housing Element Updates in coordination with the participating cities and county.

The STA’s role with regard to the Housing Element Updates is to administer the funding and consultant contract for the participating agencies and to report back to MTC/ABAG on the progress of the collaboration. Attached is a matrix highlighting the status of each city and County Housing Element completion. Each agency has approved their housing element and/or is awaiting final approval from the State Housing and Community Development (HCD).

It was a substantial effort at the staff level to coordinate with each participant in establishing budgets, selecting a consultant, developing funding agreements and organizing kick off meetings for each participating city and county. This effort results in cost savings for portions of the Housing Elements that require the same data and reporting, and it provides a countywide standard for reporting the information. In addition, the County Collaborative was proactive by initiating the consultant procurement process early at a time when consultant services are in high demand for Housing Element updates statewide. Solano County as a whole was much further ahead in this process as a result and is on track to have all eight local agencies have their Housing Element Updates approved by HCD.

Next Steps:

Through the SolHIP and County Collaborative, the STA will continue to coordinate with MTC/ABAG to identify and obtain additional funding resources to assist in the implementation of housing projects in Solano County, particularly affordable housing projects located in PDAs adjacent to regional and local transit services. This includes coordinating on the next round of State REAP 2.0 funding and potentially leveraging a regional housing measure from MTC’s Bay Area Housing Finance Authority for housing development projects. The regional housing measure, as written in its legislative authorization would provide an 80% return to source provision if approved. This is still being discussed; however, MTC is likely going to add this to the ballot in 2024.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The STA recommends the CCCCs receive this item as informational only. See attachment A, Status on Solano County Agencies Housing Element Update.



# SOLANO

## City-County Coordinating Council Staff Report

Meeting of May 11, 2023

Staff / Agency:

Robert Guerrero, Director of Planning, Solano Transportation Authority

Agenda Item No. VI.3

### TITLE / SUBJECT

STA Climate Adaptation Summary

### BACKGROUND:

Climate change has intensified the severity and frequency of extreme weather events throughout the state. At the local level, climate change impacts are also affecting the transportation infrastructure in Solano County. Most recently, severe storm events, wildfires, and heat waves have been negatively impacting Solano County infrastructure and will likely continue to have an impact in the future. The STA has made this an area of focus and is working with its member agencies on efforts to start addressing the climate adaptation of Solano County's transportation assets.

### DISCUSSION:

Climate adaptation has become a priority at the state level, which has resulted in more funding opportunities for local agencies in this area. The state budget surplus that California experienced in 2022 resulted in a significant one-time infusion of state funds to two key grant programs that are described below. In addition, Sea level rise adaptation has been identified as a priority action by the region. Since 2021, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)/Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) in partnership with the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) launched the Sea Level Rise Adaptation Funding and Investment Framework (Framework) effort to identify a comprehensive list of priority projects that are needed to adapt the nine-county Bay Area to anticipated sea level rise and potential funding mechanisms for these projects.

### STA and other State and Regional Efforts on Climate Adaptation

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has initiated a major agency-wide effort to adapt their transportation infrastructure so that it can withstand future climate conditions. Caltrans District 4 (which covers Solano County) completed two key reports: comprehensive



assessment of the state highway system to identify the transportation assets that are at risk and the identification of adaptation project priorities.

The STA recently applied for a Caltrans Sustainable Planning Grant to fund a Solano Countywide Climate Adaptation Plan for Transportation Infrastructure in partnership with its eight Solano member agencies. The plan would comprehensively assess Solano County's transportation system and identify priority adaptation projects that are needed to address future anticipated climate risk. This plan effort would build upon previous local plans related to climate adaptation and resiliency, such as the Safety Element of General Plans and the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Plans. The development of a countywide plan will also help the county prepare for near-term funding opportunities. The application was submitted in March 2023 and funding awards are anticipated to be announced in the summer of 2023.

Another upcoming funding opportunity is the California Transportation Commission's (CTC) Local Transportation Climate Adaptation Program, a new competitive grant program available to local agencies for the implementation of transportation adaptation capital projects. There is \$294 million available for the 2023 cycle, with additional funding available over the next two fiscal years. If the STA's grant application is successful, the STA plans to pursue the CTC grant to deliver the identified projects in the Climate Adaptation Plan once it is completed.

While these funding programs and the STA's efforts have been transportation-focused, STA will continue to monitor opportunities for the STA to coordinate with local agencies on other available grant programs that Solano jurisdictions could pursue to address climate adaptation planning and implementation.

State and regional agencies also have climate adaptation efforts that the STA is closely monitoring.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The STA recommends the CCCCs receive this item as informational only.