



**AGENDA**

**PASTACC**

***PUBLIC AND SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY AND COORDINATION COUNCIL***

*An advisory body to the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority addressing public transit and specialized transportation needs, issues and opportunities.*

**September 14, 2021**

**10:00 – 11:30 a.m.**

**MEETING ACCESSIBLE VIA ZOOM AT:**

<https://gosbcta.zoom.us/j/81304102334?pwd=UE5xOTNuWTJJCZVdZZE5aTk1mMzJLdz09>

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**This meeting is being conducted in accordance with Governor Newsom’s Executive Orders N-29-20.**

- I. **PASTACC CALL TO ORDER, Introductions** *Action*  
*Chair / Vice Chair*
- II. **APPROVAL OF PASTACC MINUTES, June 8, 2021 via Zoom** *Action*  
*Chair / Vice Chair*
- III. **PRESENTATION - HIGHLIGHTING MORONGO BASIN’S NON-EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORT:** *Information*  
**ReachOut and Hi Desert Medical Center Coordinated Transportation**  
*Dennis Brooks, AMMA Transit Planning*  
*Robin Schlosser, ReachOut Morongo Basin*  
*Joe Ruddon, HiDesert Medical Center*

- IV. DISCUSSION – MANAGING AND MITIGATING COVID-19 IMPACTS ON PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY** *Discussion*  
*Dennis Brooks, AMMA Transit Planning*  
*County’s Public Transit Operators*  
*Specialized Transportation Providers*
- V. SBCTA’S MULTI-MODAL CONNECTIVITY WORKING GROUP: Welcome Back to Transit & Car Free Transit Day Campaigns – San Bernardino Transit Operators Back to School and Rail Safety Campaigns - Metrolink** *Information*  
*Public Transit Operators*  
*Nicole Soto, SBCTA - Working Group Chair*
- VI. ITS 4 US DIGITAL WAY-FINDING: Anticipated Invitation from ITS4US for San Bernardino Project Deployment Site** *Information*  
*Heather Menninger, AMMA Transit Planning*
- VII. NEMT DESTINATION WAY-FINDING/ MOBILITY MANAGEMENT: Exploration of Potential 5310 Grant Application Countywide Project and to What Locations?**  
*Heather Menninger – AMMA Transit Planning*
- VIII. SBCTA NOTICES OF PASTACC IMPORTANCE:** *Information*  
**1. Announcement of VVTA Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearing -**  
September 20, at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom  
**2. SBCTA Quarterly Transit Reporting –** Forthcoming 2 quarters  
simultaneously: year-end 4<sup>th</sup> quarter FY 20/21 and 1<sup>st</sup> quarter FY 21/22
- IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MEMBER REPORTS ON ITEMS OF INTEREST** *Information*  
*All*
- X. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Interested persons may submit Public Comment in writing to the Clerk at [Mail@AmmaTransitPlanning.com](mailto:Mail@AmmaTransitPlanning.com). Written comments must acknowledge the Agenda Item number, and specify whether the commenter wishes the comment be included with the minutes or read into the record. Comments read into the record will be read for three minutes; if three minutes pass and there is comment still unread, the time will not be extended and the remaining comment will not be read. Public Comment must be submitted no later than 5:00 pm on September 13, 2021.**

**NEXT PASTACC MEETING:**

Generally the second Tuesday of alternating months at 10 a.m. with some variation.

***The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for:***

***October 12, 2021 - 10:00 to 11:30 AM***

***Possibly November 9, 2021***

**To confirm PASTACC meeting dates and locations, please call:**

**San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) (909) 884-8276**

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**Public and Specialized Transportation Advisory and Coordination Council (PASTACC)  
Minutes of June 8, 2021 | Meeting held virtually via Zoom**

Member Participants: Courtney Lokken- DAAS; Aaron More- Omnitrans; Tiare Escobedo-OPARC; Whitney Henderson- LLUMC; Mark Goodale- MBTA; William Long- Option House; Kevin Kane- VVTA; Steve Brouard - Mountain Transit; Maritza Tona- Foothill AIDS Project; Cheryl Sallis, City of Needles

Other Participants: Lindsey Haussamen- Inland Regional Center; Joe Ruddon- Morongo Basin Healthcare District; Mary Hickey; Jonathan Weldy; Mariann Johnson; Thomas Craig- CalACT ITS4US

PASTACC and Agency Staff: Nancy Strickert, Nydia Doolittle, Nicole Soto, Rebecca Soto, Monique Reza-Arellano; Betty Pineda; Carrie Schindler; Michelle Forgeson- SBCTA; Dennis Brooks, Valerie Mackintosh- AMMA Transit Planning

**I. Call to Order and Introductions:** The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM. by Aaron Moore, Omnitrans.

**II. Minutes:** The minutes for the April 13, 2021 meeting were passed unanimously without changes.

**V. CalACT ITS4US:** Thomas Craig, System Development Lead- CALACT ITS4US Project presented on this new effort. The ITS4US project is analyzing planning, booking, and paying for trips in California, Oregon and Washington. The goal is to make every stage of the trip more accessible. There is a focus on trip planning for disadvantaged groups, such as people with disabilities, older adults, people with low incomes, veterans, individuals in rural areas, and Limited-English Proficient persons. The project is on a five-year timeline, with the third phase (deployment) currently unfunded. The outcome will be publishing open data feeds that are real time and accessible on all platforms.

A decision followed about payment platforms and coordinating with San Bernardino County.

### **III. Equity Topics**

Monique Reza-Arellano, SBCTA's Equity Programs Manager provided an update on the Regional Equity Program. In June, SBCTA's Equity Ad-Hoc Committee passed a resolution declaring that racism is a public health crisis. The committee is determined to do the right thing even if it costs more. Equity efforts underway include an Internal Policy Review, where success is defined by benefiting disadvantaged communities and leaving them whole, and a Regional Equity Study with a built environment focus and a survey in each community.

SBCTA's Rebekah Soto presented on Metrolink's equity efforts, including a recent study to evaluate accessibility and affordability. The study resorted in seven policy and programmatic recommendations that were adopted in May. The recommendations provided framework, tools, and definitions. Outcomes also include: Metrolink is implementing a low-income fare discount and better access for small businesses to compete in procurement.

**IV. SBCTA's Multi-Modal Connectivity Working Group:** Nicole Soto presented on the Working Groups "Welcome Back" marketing campaign to encourage and reassure riders. The campaign includes a phased series of flyers, bus cards, social media images and digital ads

announce that transit is safe, clean, easy and will get passengers where they want to go. The marketing campaign, developed in collaboration with all the county's transit operators is presenting countywide messaging to report that the operators have joined the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) Commitment to Health and Safety, a national effort to make every ride safe; ask riders to help keep everyone safe; demonstrate technology tools developed to make riding transit safer and easier. Countywide materials were developed to present the coordination between SBCTA and County operators. SBCTA also developed materials specific to each operator utilizing their branding. A third "Welcome Back" phase is planned for the fall to continue encouraging tentative and new riders and returning students.

**VI. C Coordinated Plan Implementation and Project Development:** Valerie Mackintosh, AMMA Transit Planning provided a Coordinated Plan Strategies Handout to aide implementation. PASTACC members and participants are encouraged to use this tool to utilize Coordinated Plan strategies in their own efforts.

### **VII. Announcements and Member Reports on Items of Interest to PASTACC Members**

- Steve Brouard, Mountain Transit reported that Mountain Transit is taking over resort service transporting guests from the parking lots to resorts.
- Aaron More, Omnitrans reported on the ZEV roadshow; the development of microtransit in Upland; and a grant Omnitrans received to provide service in Bloomington.
- Kevin Kane, VVTA reported on new VVTA hubs in Victorville and Hesperia.
- Whitney Henderson, Loma Linda University Medical Center reported that LLUMC is interested in procuring battery electric buses and news information and contacts.

### **VIII. Public Comment:**

- No written public comments were received.
- Lindsey Haussamen, Inland Regional Center reported that IRC will be partially opening on July 1.

The meeting adjourned at 11:21 AM.

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## **PUBLIC HEARING**

**September 20, 2021 at 9:30 A.M.**

Zoom information will be available at <https://vvta.org/board-meetings/>

**Victor Valley Transit Authority**

City Hall - Barstow

220 East Mountain View Street

Barstow, California 92311

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and get your opinion on record**

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