

REGULAR MEETING CALIFORNIA VANPOOL AUTHORITY

Board of Directors

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Meeting Date: August 9, 2012

Time: 10:00 AM

Place: CalVans office at 1340 North Drive, Hanford, CA 93230

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- Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments, 445 Reservation Road, Suite G, Marina, CA 93933
- Fresno Area Council of Governments, Huron City Hall, Council Chambers, 36311 Lassen Avenue, Huron, CA 93234
- Kern Council of Governments, 1401 19th Street, Board Room, Bakersfield, CA 93301 661-861-2191
- Madera County Transportation Commission, Citizens Business Bank, Room 101, 2001 Howard Road, Madera, CA 93637
- Napa County Transportation and Planning Agency, 707 Randolph Street, Suite 100, Napa, CA 94559
- Tulare County Association of Governments, Conference Room, 210 N Church St., Suite B, Visalia, CA 93291
- Sacramento Area Council of Governments, Sutter Buttes Room, 1415 L Street, Suite 300, Sacramento, CA 95814
- Santa Barbara County Association of Governments, 4th Floor Board of Supervisors Conference Room, 105 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101
- Ventura County Transportation Commission, Conference Room, 950 County Square Drive, Suite 108, Ventura, CA 93003

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<u>Item #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Action</u>
1.	CALL TO ORDER	
	Roll Call – Clerk of the Board	
2.	PUBLIC COMMENT (Unscheduled Appearances)	
	The public may address the Board of Directors on any item relevant to the Authority. To comment on an agenda item, speakers should notify the Board or Staff member at the meeting location, when the agenda item is announced. The Board or Staff member will indicate whether speakers are to make their comments before or after any staff comment or report. Public comment shall precede discussion of the item by the Board of Directors. Comments by individuals and entities will be limited to five minutes or as may be reasonable as determined by the conducting officer.	
3.	Consent Items:	Approval
	All items listed as consent items are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. For any discussion of any consent item, it will be removed at the request of any Board member and made a part of the regular agenda.	
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	C. Impact from recent Reauthorization	
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	E. Use of Vouchers by Growers	
	F. Notice of \$931,200 State of Good Repair Grant	
5.	Approve Selection of Audit Firm	Action
6.	Approval of Kern Council of Governments as CalVans Member	Action
7.	Authorize Approval to Lease/Purchase additional Toyota Vans	Action
8.	Exploration of options for purchasing future vehicles	Information
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3. Consent Items:

- A Minutes of June 14, 2012 meeting.

4. System Update:

A. Van Location by County

A complete list of all 425 vanpools is attached to this agenda. The following graph lists the number of vans that travel from and to each county. The graph accurately reflects the movement of the general vanpools, but not the agricultural vanpools. The agricultural vanpools change locations throughout the year depending what crops are being harvested. The movement of general vanpools is as follows:

- Fresno sends out about as many vans as it receives.
- Tulare’s general vanpools travel out of the county to prisons located in Kings, Kern and Fresno.
- Kings County has more vanpools coming into the county due to the two large prisons in Corcoran.
- Monterey has a sharp increase due to vanpools traveling from San Luis Obispo County; these are primarily teachers going to Southern Monterey and correctional workers going to Soledad.
- Kern County receives an influx due to agricultural work around Bakersfield as well as the prisons located in their County.
- Most of Madera’s vanpools leave the County for agricultural work in other counties, but are replaced by those going to the two Chowchilla prisons.
- Ventura’s vanpools are most agricultural workers who may travel in Ventura, but as far north as Kern County during part of the growing season.

**Sorted by County of
Origination**

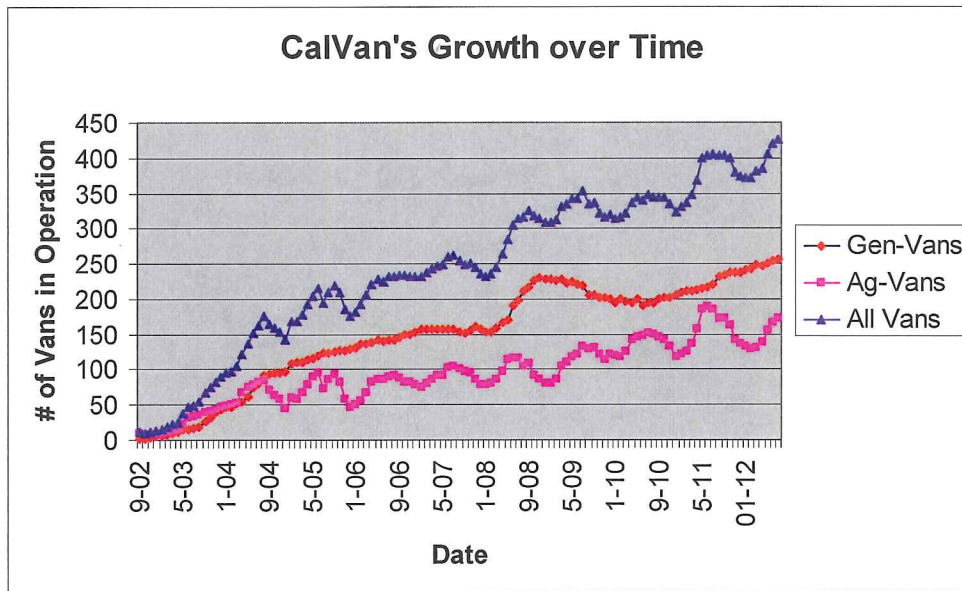
Fresno	113
Tulare	101
Kings	85
Monterey	42
Kern	28
Madera	20
Ventura	13
San Luis Obispo	12
Los Angeles	2
Merced	2
Napa	3
Lake	1
San Benito	1
Solano	1
Stanislaus	1

**Sorted by County of
Destination**

Kings	120
Fresno	107
Monterey	72
Kern	66
Tulare	24
Madera	15
Ventura	13
Napa	4
Lake	1
San Benito	1
San Luis Obispo	1
Santa Clara	1

The program's growth remains steady, even with the downturn in fuel prices. This may be in part due to the \$30 monthly vouchers being provided by the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District as well as the \$350 monthly incentives for new vanpools being provided by the Monterey Bay Air pollution Control District.

Looking forward, we will soon be able to offer SACOG residents a similar monthly reduction for new vanpools. Later this year we should have the JARC (Job Access and Reverse Commute) grant in place, giving us the ability to start offering new riders in Ventura, Santa Barbara and Sutter Counties up to \$75 a month to join or start a new vanpool.



B. Request from VPSI

VPSI is one of the two private vanpool companies providing vanpools. They have been involved in some of the correspondence that has been exchanged between SACOG as well as the State Assembly office. VPSI submitted a letter to Kings County requesting information on the vanpool program. It is apparent from the letter that they think Kings County was involved in administering the program. This was not the case and Staff has asked that they resubmit the request to CalVans.

Similar requests have been received on an ongoing basis going back several years. Staff has answered all requests, with the most recent coming from the Assembly office. Staff talked to VPSI Staff to confirm they had received copies of this information. They stated they had but they still had questions they wanted answers to. Staff is working to prepare the information so that it is ready when the letter comes requesting it.

C. Impact from recent Reauthorization

The recent transportation reauthorization provided additional funds for small UZAs through the STIC allocation. This is where a small UZA of from 50,000 to 200,000 in population can receive up to 6 efficiency points for their system. In the past each point was worth \$131,788. The Reauthorization

raised this amount by 50% to \$218,747 a point. The following looks at the points earned through the reporting of vanpool trips for Hanford and Porterville and the increase reauthorization brings:

<u>Area</u>	<u>11-12 Funding</u>	<u>12-13 Funding</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Hanford Small UZA	\$395,364	\$656,241	
Porterville Small UZA	\$263,576	\$437,494	
Total	\$1,215,940	\$1,650,735	\$434,795

Ridership has increased since these numbers were generated. The new numbers will be released in October and should be larger, reflecting the increase in vanpools over the same period

D. Increase in FY 11/12 Passenger Vehicle Miles Traveled

The following chart lists the UZAs that CalVans reported vanpool information for. Overall there has been a reduction of 22% in Vehicle Miles Traveled by those using the program.

UZAs	2010/2011			Percentage Growth over Prior Year		
	Passengers	Miles	Passenger Lane Miles	Passengers	Miles	Passenger Lane Miles
Atascadero	27,706	242,167	1,811,457	73%	209%	113%
Bakersfield	61,896	277,914	2,867,276	46%	21%	24%
Calexico	2,568	9,692	132,000	1238%	938%	1666%
Delano	11,694	70,092	470,047	756%	680%	487%
Fairfield	2,393	7,106	57,811	204%	394%	551%
Fresno	271,752	1,592,118	12,300,205	17%	24%	21%
Hanford	276,480	1,527,791	9,718,148	12%	12%	17%
Hemet	1,170	5,181	77,717	11%	1%	10%
Lancaster	5,938	66,652	364,325	NA	NA	NA
Lodi	160	765	7,647	-64%	-51%	-46%
Lompoc	692	8,749	32,876	NA	NA	NA
Madera	29,128	135,300	1,445,275	-16%	-36%	-29%
Merced	8,882	42,155	276,161	-20%	-9%	-10%
Monterey	777	3,711	21,765	201%	425%	736%
Napa	8,080	19,423	202,577	NA	NA	NA
Oxnard	3,734	9,771	123,172	87%	69%	114%
Porterville	96,661	527,220	3,830,683	11%	21%	19%
Rural	449,003	1,595,162	16,711,407	14%	3%	9%
Salinas	35,499	131,122	1,350,041	65%	31%	69%
San Jose	2,852	17,642	116,811	1923%	1689%	1825%
Santa Barbara	1,014	11,015	44,512	179%	378%	30%
Santa Cruz	742	7,168	26,818	203%	182%	154%
Santa Maria	13,421	26,967	247,225	NA	NA	NA
Stockton	486	2,691	21,197	-62%	-57%	-67%
Turlock	4,485	27,240	246,441	35%	60%	56%
Visalia	261,922	1,343,880	9,582,742	16%	18%	20%
Woodland	2,127	10,805	127,310	470%	253%	576%
Yuma	22,499	58,636	737,069	3806%	1941%	3107%
Totals	1,603,761	7,778,134	62,950,716	21%	20%	22%

The above numbers are reported to the National Transit Data base in percentages. The following chart shows the percentages reported for this past year. Using percentages makes it easier to report data for each area served by CalVans.

	Passengers	Miles	Hours	Pass Lane Miles
Atascadero	1.73%	3.11%	1.96%	2.88%
Bakersfield	3.86%	3.57%	3.66%	4.55%
Calexico	0.14%	0.11%	0.10%	0.18%
Camarillo	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.03%
Delano	0.73%	0.90%	0.64%	0.75%
Fairfield	0.15%	0.09%	0.12%	0.09%
Fresno	16.94%	20.47%	16.71%	19.54%
Hanford	17.24%	19.64%	15.57%	15.44%
Hemet	0.07%	0.07%	0.07%	0.12%
Lancaster	0.37%	0.86%	0.61%	0.58%
Lodi	0.01%	0.01%	0.01%	0.01%
Lompoc	0.04%	0.11%	0.09%	0.05%
Madera	1.82%	1.74%	1.73%	2.30%
Merced	0.55%	0.54%	0.43%	0.44%
Monterey	0.05%	0.05%	0.04%	0.03%
Napa	0.50%	0.25%	0.15%	0.32%
Oxnard	0.23%	0.13%	0.07%	0.20%
Porterville	6.03%	6.78%	5.25%	6.09%
Rural	28.00%	20.51%	24.35%	26.55%
Salinas	2.21%	1.69%	1.90%	2.14%
San Jose	0.18%	0.23%	0.16%	0.19%
Santa Barbara	0.06%	0.14%	0.12%	0.07%
Santa Cruz	0.05%	0.09%	0.09%	0.04%
Santa Maria	0.84%	0.35%	10.09%	0.39%
Stockton	0.03%	0.03%	0.04%	0.03%
Turlock	0.28%	0.35%	0.23%	0.39%
Visalia	16.33%	17.28%	14.53%	15.22%
Woodland	0.13%	0.14%	0.14%	0.20%
Yuma	1.40%	0.75%	1.12%	1.17%
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E. Use of Vouchers by Growers

The number of agricultural workers receiving vouchers from their employers continues to grow. Presently 35 vanpool groups representing approximately 500 workers receive vouchers that the riders turn into the driver in lieu of payments. Once the vouchers are received by our office the company is billed for the riders.

The vouchers are a result of three factors.

1. The first is the requirement by some growers that the contractors minimize the number of vehicles in the field and that those on the property meet the Department of Labor requirements for safe transportation. By using the CalVans program, contractors are able to meet these requirements.
2. The second factor results from a labor shortage and the need to move workers farther than they would normally travel to access work.
3. The third factor comes from the fact that farmworkers in certain areas have skills not found in other areas. An example of this is tomato harvesters that live in the Madera area and travel to Kettleman City and Hollister to harvest tomatoes. I have asked and been told that workers in the coastal area are not as proficient at tomato harvesting.

F. Notice of \$931,200 State of Good Repair Grant

Kings County applied on behalf of CalVans for a State of Good Repair Grant. The agency recently received notification that it was awarded \$931,200 for the replacement of vans that have met or exceeded their useful life. The replacement vehicles will operate on CNG (Compressed Natural Gas) and therefore be more expensive than traditional gasoline powered vehicles.

The grant requires a 20% match of \$232,800 in non federal dollars. Staff is working to identify possible funding sources. The total project of \$1,164,000 should fund approximately 28 new vehicles. The vehicles will be assigned to Hanford, Visalia and Fresno areas where there are a number of refueling sites. The vehicles will allow the vanpool group to save fuels cost because the CNG costs less than half of what gasoline costs. The average vanpool traveling 90 miles per day saves approximately \$300 a month.

It is anticipated that the project will be programmed and in place to fund by December of this year.

5. Approve Selection of Audit Firm

Staff received several proposals from the following three firms interested in doing our annual audits for the next three years:

Brown Armstrong, 4200 Truxtun Avenue, Suite 300, Bakersfield, CA
Dedekian George, Small and Markarian, 8080 N. Palm Avenue, Suite 201, Fresno, CA
Richardsson & Company, 550 Howe Avenue, #210, Sacramento, CA

A committee of TAC members from Madera, Fresno and Tulare was formed to review and make recommendations on which firm to select. The Committee met on July 25th and recommended the selection of the firm of Dedekian George, Small and Markarian. The committee felt that the firm had the experience and background to do the work in an efficient and cost effective manner.

Staff is recommending that Dedekian George, Small and Markarian be approved to perform CalVans audits for the next three years.

6. Approval of Kern Council of Governments as CalVans Member

CalVans, and its predecessor, KCAPTA has operated in Kern County for at least the past 5 years. The original partnership came about due to a JPA signed between Kern County and KCAPTA. This JPA focused on

bringing the vanpool program to agricultural workers in Kern County. With the formation of CalVans and the end of State Grant funds, the JPA ceased to exist as KCAPTA no longer managed the vanpool project.

At their July 19th meeting Kern Council of Governments unanimously approved joining CalVans. Their approval followed several presentations by CalVans Staff before various Kern COG Staff and committees. COG staff has submitted the attached Addendum to CalVans' Agreement to form Joint Powers Authority.

Kern COG and CalVans Staff have worked closely to move the program started under KCAPTA to CalVans, so that those now using the vanpools in Kern County to get to work would not have their vans taken away. Staff is recommending that the Board approve Kern COG as a member of CalVans.

7. Authorize Approval to Lease/Purchase additional Toyota Vans

At a prior meeting the Board authorized Staff to lease/purchase up to fifteen, 8-passenger Toyota Siennas for use in the program. The monthly lease cost of these vehicles is or will be recovered from those vanpool groups using them. We presently have eleven vehicles assigned and are securing the last four. These will be going out as well, once they are here.

Staff is requesting authority to secure up to another fifteen vehicles as needed. It is anticipated that they will continue to be a demand for them as Chevrolet, Ford and Chrysler no longer make an 8-passenger van.

8. Arrange visit through DOL Staff, inviting Secretary Hilda Soliz to visit program

Department of Labor Staff suggested that it may be time to invite Secretary of Labor, Hilda Soliz for a visit to view the CalVans program. The visit would give Staff the opportunity to discuss several issues they are working to address. The issues center on the use of the vanpools by agricultural workers that have a FLC (Farm Labor Contractors) license, but are not doing FLC activities.

Agricultural workers are often encouraged to get their FLC license so that they can move up in the industry should there be the need for someone with a license. Those that have them, but are not doing anything with them, are precluded from being a vanpool driver. This severely limits the pool of eligible drivers. Staff is suggesting that those individuals not doing FLC activities be allowed to be a vanpool driver.

Staff also wants to revisit the thirteen page letter or opinion issued to the agency when it was operated as part of Kings County Area Public Transit Agency. That letter refers to the transit agency but not to CalVans. Staff thinks it is important to have the letter reissued to CalVans so that there are no questions as to CalVans authorization to continue providing Agricultural Vanpools.

With the Boards direction Staff will work with DOL Staff in setting up a visit.

9. Announce Next Meeting Date

The next meeting regular meeting will be September 13th at 10AM. However, that meeting could be cancelled if the items for that meeting can be moved forward to the meeting in October. Now that CalVans is up and running it may be possible to skip some meetings. Staff is looking for input from the Board members on the frequency of meetings. Do members want a meeting each month or would you prefer to skip an occasional meeting when possible?

California Vanpool Authority
(CalVans)

Minutes of Board Meeting

A regular meeting of the California Vanpool Authority was called to order by Joe Neves, Chairman of Board at 10:00 a.m. on June 14, 2012, in the conference room of CalVans, 1340 North Drive, Hanford, CA. 93230

California Vanpool Authority Members

AMBAG – Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments
Fresno COG – Fresno Council of Governments
KCAG – Kings County Association of Governments
MCTC – Madera County Transportation Commission
NCTPC – Napa County Transportation & Planning Agency
SACOG – Sacramento Area Council of Governments
SBCAG – Santa Barbara County Association of Governments
TCAG – Tulare County Association of Governments
VCTC – Ventura County Transportation Commission

1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call – Clerk of the Board

Directors present:

AMBAG	Scott Funk, Councilmember	Primary
Fresno COG	Sylvia V. Chavez, Mayor of Huron	Primary
KCAG	Joe Neves, Supervisor District 1	Primary
MCTC	Robert Poythress, City Council *	Primary
SACOG	Jim Brown, Principal Planner Expert	Alternate
VCTC	Jamey Brooks, Mayor Pro-tem Fillmore	Primary

*Arrived at 10:07

Directors absent:

NCTPC	Keith Caldwell
SBCAG	Janet Wolf
TCAG	Rudy Mendoza

Counsel present: Zack Smith

Staff/Visitors by location:

Fresno -	Paul Marquez
Greenfield -	Carmen Mora
Hanford -	Heather Corder, Ron Hughes and Trish Barberick.
Sacramento -	Gary Taylor
Santa Barbara -	Kent Epperson and Susan Haverland
Tulare -	Christine Chavez

2. UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES:

There were no unscheduled appearances.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

A. Minutes of May 10, 2012

Motion was made, seconded Brooks/Brown and carried by Chavez and Neves to approve the consent calendar item A: Approval of minutes of May 10, 2012. Commissioner Funk abstained.

4. SYSTEM UPDATE.

a). Ron commented that the Board members contact information is on the California Vanpool Authority's website, listed alphabetically by agency. Ron requested each member to review and inform CalVans if there are any corrections or comments.

b). Ron commented that the CalVans Facebook page is found at www.facebook.com/CalVans. Staff is working on adding more content to the page. It is getting some traffic from those that have liked the site. CalVans is trying to tie the facebook page into the media page.

c). Ron explained that Cal Vans has received seven of the fifteen Toyota Sienna vanpools authorized by the Board. The Toyota Sienna's are being placed into service

with a monthly rate lease rate of \$485, one hundred dollars more than existing lease rate for the 8-passenger Astro Vans. There has not been any resistance in regard to the additional cost. Currently, two of the Toyota Sienna's are not in service but should be in service within the next month. Staff has ordered an additional four Toyota Sienna Vans that should be here within the next thirty days.

Ron commented that after the five year lease, the Toyota Sienna's will be paid off. The Toyota Sienna's purchased were used with approximately 30,000 miles on each.

d). Ron commented that there has been a steady growth of the general vanpools as well as the seasonal demand for the agricultural vanpools. It appears the increase in fuel prices have kept demand for the vans at the same level as it was last year. The total number of vanpools in service at this time is three less than our high point last year. CalVans expects to set a new record this year in the number of vanpools that are out.

e). Ron explained that the farm workers are governed by the Federal Department of Labor, State Department of Labor, California Vehicle Code and the California Public Utilities Code. Each has their own codes and often overlaps regulations governing how workers are transported to the fields. This includes a special license, insurance and inspection of the vehicle. Staff encountered all of these in setting up the existing program.

Private vanpool companies are not the same as public transit agencies and are not able to exempt the farm worker from the requirements placed on the driver of a Farm Labor Vehicle. These include, but are not limited to: annual inspection of the vehicle by the California Highway Patrol, obtaining a class B license, securing a Farm Labor Certification from the State of California and posting a \$20,000 bond.

Failure to follow the codes can result in fines and jail time should the driver be stopped by one of the agencies named above. The Contractor and Grower may also be cited if they know of or condone illegal activity. Private vanpools are not exempt under the law. FDL states "fares" not "fees" may be collected. The vehicle code states that vehicles operated by a public transit agency are not classified as Farm Labor vehicles. Therefore, the driver does not need a Class B License and the vehicle does not need an annual inspection and certification as a Farm Labor Vehicle.

Commissioner Chavez inquired as to why all drivers do not apply for a Class B license and defensive driving classes to help drivers to become better drivers.

Ron responded that most Farm Labor workers work 6 days a week and do not get time off to attend classes. Twenty hours of class and twenty hours of behind the wheel must be completed for a Class B license.

Commissioner Neves stated that the Department of Motor Vehicles requires a physical every two years for the Class B license.

Commissioner Brooks inquired how CalVans would be in contact with private vanpool providers.

Ron explained that CalVans would notify growers to notify their workers not to expose themselves to the risks of not complying with the Federal Department of Labor, State Department of Labor, Department of Motor Vehicles and the California Public Utilities Codes.

f). Ron explained that the California Fair Political Practices Commission is completing the review process for CalVans. Board members and Alternates are encouraged to submit their economic interest statements if they have not already done so, and to please send a copy to CalVans at 1340 North Dr. Hanford, CA. 93230.

5. APPROVE FINAL FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 BUDGET.

Ron Hughes reported that the final budget is the same as the draft budget except that funding of the Sacramento office has been included. SACOG took action on the 7th to approve funding for the continued outreach of agricultural vanpools as well as establishing funds for new vanpools starting in the Sacramento region. The funding for new vanpools will only be available to those vanpool providers who report their passenger information into the National Transit Database. At the present time CalVans is the only one doing this in the Sacramento Region.

The full budget can be found on the CalVans website.

Staff recommended that the Board adopt the final Fiscal Year 2012-2013 budget.

Motion was made, seconded Poythress/Brown and unanimously carried to approve the final Fiscal Year 2012-2013 budget.

6. AUTHORIZE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT GRANT APPLICATION.

Ron Hughes explained that the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District is providing public agencies with \$100,000 to purchase alternately fueled vehicles. The funds are used on a 50/50 match to defray the cost. In our case we would purchase CNG powered 15-passenger Ford vans for use by those whose commute takes them by a CNG fueling site. The total project cost of \$200,000 would allow staff to purchase 5 vehicles and cover the added CNG cost of \$15,000 per van. CalVans also has a prior approved grant under KCAPTA for the same amount that will provide

for an additional 5 vans. The local match for the vans will come from funds generated through the reporting of NTD numbers.

Staff recommended the approval to submit the grant application for \$100,000.

Motion was made, seconded Poythress/Chavez and unanimously carried to authorize the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District grant application for \$100,000.

7. AUTHORIZE SUBMITTAL OF PROPOSAL FOR COACHELLA AREA.

Staff has been approached by residents of the Coachella area asking if Staff would consider submitting an application for establishing the CalVans program in the Riverside area. The funding for the first three years would come from the 53 million dollar AB 1318 Mitigation Fees Fund that was established following the approval of a large solar project in the area. The assumption is that the project would be self sustaining at the end of the three year period. A condition of the application is that the project be funded with grant funds, that the Regional Planning Agency join as a member of CalVans and the project be administered as part of the overall CalVans program.

The Coachella area is 97% Hispanic with a large number of residents working in the agricultural industry. Those that work in other jobs often travel outside the area for steady well paying jobs. There should be a demand for both agricultural and general vanpools in the area. The Coachella Valley area would replicate what CalVans is currently providing in the Salinas Valley area.

A discussion with the Chairman and with the recommendation of the TAC, Staff submitted a proposal by the June 8th deadline.

Staff requested that the Board affirm the submittal of the grant application.

Motion was made, seconded Brown/Brooks and carried unanimously to affirm the submittal of the proposal for the Coachella area.

8. UPDATE ON ASSEMBLY OFFICE

Ron commented that Staff contacted the Assembly office asking for an update on their investigation of CalVans. The Assembly Staff stated that they had set the study aside as the information Staff sent them seemed to address all their questions. They did not seem inclined to issue an opinion, but agreed to do so when Staff said they would keep calling until something in writing was issued. Several weeks later an email was received stating CalVans responses were thorough and CalVans satisfied their

questions. They appreciated the prompt responses and no further questions or requests pertaining to CalVans were needed at this time.

Kent Epperson thanked Ron for being so diligent and appreciates having a letter sent from the Assembly. Commissioners Brooks and Brown agreed. He also suggested in the future, that if the Board Alternate will be attending the Board meeting by phone that they are in an area that the public can have access.

Ron stated that the listing of meeting places needs to be available to the public and needs to be posted three days in advance to meet the Brown Act.

Commissioner Neves concurred that the public needs access to wherever a Board member or their alternate will be calling in from and must meet the basic requirements for the Brown Act.

9. ANNOUNCE NEXT MEETING DATE

The next California Vanpool Authority (CalVans) meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 12, 2012 at 10:00 am.

10. MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS AND STAFF.

Commissioner Neves wished everyone a happy Flag Day and 4th of July.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Ronald H. Hughes
Executive Director

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Technical Advisory Committee Minutes

An unofficial meeting of the California Vanpool Authority Technical Advisory Committee was held on July 26, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. in the conference room of CalVans, 1340 North Drive, Hanford, CA. 93230

California Vanpool Authority Members

AMBAG – Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments
Fresno COG – Fresno Council of Governments
KCOG – Kern Council of Governments
KCAG – Kings County Association of Governments
MCTC – Madera County Transportation Commission
NCTPC – Napa County Transportation & Planning Agency
SACOG – Sacramento Area Council of Governments
SBCAG – Santa Barbara County Association of Governments
TCAG – Tulare County Association of Governments
VCTC – Ventura County Transportation Commission

IN ATTENDANCE

Ron Hughes, Heather Corder, Temo Ortiz, Susan Haverland and Trish Barberick from CalVans.

Also attending were Alan Holmes, Christine Chavez, Terri King, Teresa Nickell, Kent Epperson, Dylan Stone, Bob Snoddy, Suzanne Campbell and Richard Tree.

CONSENT ITEMS

All items listed as consent items are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. For any discussion of any consent item, it will be removed at the request of any Board member and made a part of the regular agenda.

A. Minutes of May 24, 2012

Motion was made, seconded Alan Holmes/Christine Chavez and unanimously carried to approve the consent calendar item A: Approval of minutes of May 24, 2012.

SYSTEM UPDATE

A. Van location by County.

Staff explained that a complete list of all 425 vanpools currently operating under CalVans was attached to the agenda. A graph showing the number of vans that travel from and to each county was listed.

- Fresno sends out about as many vanpools as it receives.
- Tulare's general vanpools travel out of the county to prisons located in Kings, Kern and Fresno.
- Monterey has a sharp increase due to vanpools traveling from San Luis Obispo County; these are primarily teachers going to Southern Monterey and correctional workers going to Soledad.
- Kern County receives an influx due to agricultural work around Bakersfield as well as the prisons located in their County.
- Most of Madera's vanpools leave the County for agricultural work in other counties, but are replaced by those going to the two Chowchilla prisons.
- Ventura's vanpools are mostly agricultural workers who may travel in Ventura, but as far north as Kern County during part of the growing season.

Ron explained Monterey is taking off out of San Luis Obispo due to agricultural workers out of Salinas to Monterey.

Agricultural workers from south of Bakersfield are traveling into Kern County.

Madera has ten vans traveling to Kettlemen City. GTO growers are using vouchers for all of their employees who use CalVans.

Ventura agricultural workers travel to Bakersfield, Santa Barbara and Santa Maria for work. Susan Haverland commented that four agricultural vans that work for the Ryder Brothers out of Santa Maria also use vouchers.

Bob Snoddy commented that Kern COG needs to educate the public on the benefits of using CalVans. He also suggested marketing in Bakersfield, Tehachapi, Edwards Air Force Base and China Lake.

Ron explained that thirty five illegal vans are currently serving that area. CalVans has explored the market in that area and needs assistance in

marketing. CalVans has great service and offers savings for people struggling to get to and from work. Getting the illegal vans off the streets would help.

B. Request for VPSI.

Staff explained that VSPI is one of two private vanpool companies providing vanpools. VSPI has once again requested information on the vanpool program. Similar requests have been received on an ongoing basis over the last several years. Staff has answered all requests. VSPI Staff confirms they have received copies from the Assembly office, but stated they still have questions. Staff is working to prepare the information.

C. Impact from recent reauthorization.

Staff explained that the recent transportation reauthorization provides additional funds for small UZA's through the STIC allocation. In the past each point was worth \$131,788. This amount has been raised to \$218,747 a point.

Points are earned through reporting of vanpool trips. Ridership has increased and the new numbers will be released in October.

D. Use of vouchers by growers.

The number of agricultural workers receiving vouchers from their employers has increased. Presently thirty five vanpool groups representing 500 workers receive vouchers that riders turn into their driver in lieu of payment up to \$125.00 per month.

Three growers in the Salinas Valley are giving out vouchers to their employees to use CalVans vanpools.

Using vouchers are a result of three factors:

- The first is the requirement by some growers that the contractors minimize the number of vehicles in the field and that those on the property meet the DOL requirements for safe transportation. By using the CalVans program, contractors are able to meet these requirements.
- The second factor results from a labor shortage and the need to move workers farther than they would normally travel to access work.

- The third factor comes from the fact that farm workers in certain areas have skills not found in all areas. Some agricultural workers have been trained in certain areas, such as tomato harvesters.

APPROVE SELECTION OF AUDIT FIRM.

Staff received proposals from the three firms interested in our annual audit. Each of the candidates appeared to be well qualified. One Firm, Dedekian, George, Small and Markarian had more knowledge and previous experience working with MDT's and could work with less staff, equaling less cost.

A committee of three TAC members reviewed the proposals and recommended Dedekian, George, Small and Markarian to perform of annual audit.

A motion was made, seconded Kent Epperson/Dylan Stone and unanimously carried to approve Dedekian, George, Small and Markarian as the audit firm selected to perform the annual CalVans audit.

APPROVAL OF KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AS CALVANS MEMBER.

Kern Council of Governments unanimously approved joining CalVans at their July 19, 2012 meeting.

Their approval followed several presentations by CalVans Staff before various Kern COG Staff and committees. The Kern COG changed leadership and were now favorable in joining CalVans.

CalVans Staff has worked closely with those now using the vanpool program in Kern County to get to work and not have their vans taken away.

Bob Snoddy commented that the Kern COG turned one person from opposing into endorsing CalVans. He also thanked Ron for his persistence.

Kern COG staff will be submitting the required paperwork to join by the next CalVans meeting scheduled for August 9, 2012 at 10:00 am.

Staff recommended that the Board approve the Kern COG as a member of CalVans.

A motion was made, seconded Terri King/Kent Epperson and unanimously carried to approve Kern Council of Governments as CalVans members.

AUTHORIZE APPROVAL TO LEASE/PURCHASE ADDITIONAL TOYOTA VANS

The Board authorized Staff to lease/purchase up to fifteen 8-passenger Toyota Sienna's for use in the program. The monthly cost of the vehicles is or will be recovered from those vanpool groups using them. We presently have eleven vehicles assigned and we are in the process of securing the last four vehicles.

Kent Epperson inquired about the Sienna van versus the Astro van.

Ron informed the members that the Astro vans are no longer being made. Riders do not want to give up the old Astro vans because the cost is only \$285 per month. The Astro vans have approximately 300,000 miles on them and will need to be replaced.

Terri King inquired about the Sienna van versus the Savannah van.

Ron explained that large vans are not as comfortable as the Sienna vans and people have requested Toyota Sienna's. The Sienna's ride quality is better. Used Sienna's are less expensive than the large fifteen passenger vans.

Staff requested authority to secure up to another fifteen vehicles as needed. It is anticipated that there will be a demand for them as Chevrolet, Ford and Chrysler are no longer make an 8-passenger van.

A motion was made, seconded Kent Epperson/Terri King and unanimously carried to authorize the approval to lease/purchase up to fifteen additional vehicles.

EXPLORATION OF OPTIONS FOR PURCHASING FUTURE VEHICLES.

Staff explained the three basic methods for purchasing vehicles. Lease/purchase agreements where the monthly lease cost is passed on to those using the van: through the use of grant funds that pay for 100% of the purchase price: and through the use of Federal funds that requires 20% local match. The first two methods are simple, in that they do not require a local match. The 20% required by the last method is more difficult because CalVans does not normally have the 20% available.

For this reason, Staff is exploring an additional option called the Capital Cost of Contracting to secure vehicles. This method provides the ability to use Federal funds to pay 100% of the monthly lease payments that would normally be paid by the driver. It requires no local match and therefore would be ideal for CalVans.

When the lease has been paid in full CalVans would own the vehicles. Half of the CalVans fleet has been leased purchased. CalVans is trying to replace the older vans so that the fleet doesn't include any van older than 2007. CalVans would sell the older vans through the Kings County on-line auctions. Previous 2002-2003 vans auctioned through the Kings County on-line auctions have sold for \$4000 - \$5000 each.

Staff will have a completed report at a future date.

ARRANGE VISIT THROUGH DOL STAFF, INVITING SECRETARY HILDA SOLIZ TO VISIT THE PROGRAM.

DOL Staff suggested that it may be time to invite Secretary of Labor, Hilda Soliz for a visit to view the CalVans program. The visit would give Staff the opportunity to discuss several issues CalVans is currently working on. The issues center on the use of the vanpools by agricultural workers that have a FLC (Farm Labor Contractors) license, but are not doing FLC activities.

Staff would also like to revisit the thirteen page letter or opinion issued to the agency when it was operated as part of KCAPTA. That letter refers to the transit agency but not as CalVans. It is important to have the letter reissued to CalVans so that there aren't any questions as to the authorization of CalVans to continue providing agricultural vanpools.

Ron commented that it would be a good opportunity to have a photo op with the CalVans Board if everyone is available while the Secretary of Labor, Hilda Soliz is here visiting.

With the Boards direction, Staff will work with the DOL Staff in setting up a visit.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

Ron commented that a RFP for thirty Ford CNG vans using the FTA \$900,000 for vans for the Hanford area will be sent to local vendors.

ANNOUNCE NEXT MEETING DATE

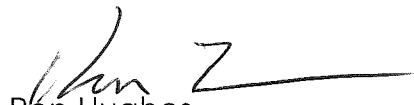
The next California Vanpool Authority Technical Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 23, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. in the CalVans conference room located at 1340 North Drive, Hanford, CA.

Ron will be in Napa at the next CalVans Board meeting on Thursday, August 9th at 10:00 am.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:08 pm

Respectfully submitted



Ron Hughes
Executive Director

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157	Clovis	Fresno	Fresno EDD	Fresno	Fresno
184	Clovis	Fresno	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
200.2	Clovis	Fresno	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
237	Clovis	Fresno	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
253	Clovis	Fresno	California Central Womens Facility	Chowchilla	Madera
268	Clovis	Fresno	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
704	Cutler	Fresno	Latino Farm Labor	Visalia	Tulare
782	Cutler	Fresno	RD Farms	Cutler	Fresno
118.2	Fowler	Fresno	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
190.2	Fowler	Fresno	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
273.1	Fowler	Fresno	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
115	Fresno	Fresno	Corcoran State Substance Abuse a	Corcoran	Kings
126	Fresno	Fresno	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
128	Fresno	Fresno	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
160	Fresno	Fresno	Valley State Prison for Women	Chowchilla	Madera
187.3	Fresno	Fresno	Corcoran State Substance Abuse a	Corcoran	Kings
192.2	Fresno	Fresno	Corcoran State Substance Abuse a	Corcoran	Kings
205	Fresno	Fresno	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
235.1	Fresno	Fresno	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
235.2	Fresno	Fresno	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
235.3	Fresno	Fresno	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
239	Fresno	Fresno	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
240	Fresno	Fresno	Corcoran State Substance Abuse a	Corcoran	Kings
241	Fresno	Fresno	Corcoran State Substance Abuse a	Corcoran	Kings
242	Fresno	Fresno	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
244	Fresno	Fresno	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
246	Fresno	Fresno	Valley State Prison for Women	Chowchilla	Madera
247	Fresno	Fresno	Valley State Prison for Women	Chowchilla	Madera
248	Fresno	Fresno	Valley State Prison for Women	Chowchilla	Madera
249	Fresno	Fresno	Kern Valley State Prison	Delano	Kern
250	Fresno	Fresno	Valley State Prison for Women	Chowchilla	Madera
251	Fresno	Fresno	Corcoran State Substance Abuse a	Corcoran	Kings
252	Fresno	Fresno	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
255	Fresno	Fresno	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
256	Fresno	Fresno	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
257	Fresno	Fresno	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
258	Fresno	Fresno	FCI Mendota	Mendota	Fresno
259	Fresno	Fresno	California Central Womens Facility	Chowchilla	Madera
263	Fresno	Fresno	Corcoran State Substance Abuse a	Corcoran	Kings
266	Fresno	Fresno	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
271	Fresno	Fresno	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Fresno
272	Fresno	Fresno	Valley State Prison for Women	Chowchilla	Madera
700	Fresno	Fresno	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
742	Fresno	Fresno	Fruit Harvest	Kettlemen	Fresno
804	Fresno	Fresno	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
687	Huron	Fresno	Kern Farm Labor	Wasco	Kern
703	Huron	Fresno	Ayala	Huron	Fresno
707	Huron	Fresno	Jimmy Hernandez	Madera	Madera
711	Huron	Fresno	Garza Contracting	Bakersfield	Kern
713	Huron	Fresno	Garza Contracting	Bakersfield	Kern
744	Huron	Fresno	Garza Contracting	Bakersfield	Kern
781	Huron	Fresno	Garza Contracting	Bakersfield	Kern

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806	Huron	Fresno	Sunrize	Huron	Fresno
813	Huron	Fresno	Garza Contracting	Bakersfield	Kern
200.1	Kerman	Fresno	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
200.3	Kerman	Fresno	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
158	Kingsburg	Fresno	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
216.1	Kingsburg	Fresno	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
234	Kingsburg	Fresno	Pixley School	Pixley	Fresno
236	Kingsburg	Fresno	FCHD	Fresno	Fresno
747	Mendota	Fresno	Luis Yumas	Mendota	Fresno
770	Mendota	Fresno	Hall	Kerman	Fresno
706	Orange Cove	Fresno	Mission Ventura	Dinuba	Tulare
796	Orange Cove	Fresno	Mission Ventures INC	Dinuba	Tulare
646	OrangeCove	Fresno	Loredo Tree Planters	Reedley	Fresno
681	Parlier	Fresno	Family Ranch	Goshen	Tulare
695	Parlier	Fresno	Rodrigues Farms	Parlier	Fresno
697	Parlier	Fresno	Family Tree	Reedley	Fresno
712	Parlier	Fresno	Jorge Garza	Reedley	Fresno
748	Parlier	Fresno	Rodrigues Farms	Parlier	Fresno
764	Parlier	Fresno	Family Ranch	Huron	Fresno
787	Parlier	Fresno	MaClarty Farms	Parlier	Fresno
187.2	Reedley	Fresno	Corcoran State Substance Abuse ar	Corcoran	Kinks
216.2	Reedley	Fresno	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
243	Reedley	Fresno	Kern Valley State Prison	Delano	Kern
254	Reedley	Fresno	City of Fresno	Fresno	Fresno
645	Reedley	Fresno	YNF Harvesting	Cutler	Tulare
656	Reedley	Fresno	Reeding Tree Growers	Selma	Fresno
657	Reedley	Fresno	Family Ranch	Goshen	Tulare
658	Reedley	Fresno	Saravian Farms	Sanger	Fresno
662	Reedley	Fresno	Lorenzo Pelters	Sanger	Fresno
679	Reedley	Fresno	Jose Loredo	Reedley	Fresno
680	Reedley	Fresno	V.F.S	Dinuba	Tulare
685	Reedley	Fresno	A.J RRO	Madera	Madera
699	Reedley	Fresno	Lorado Tree Planters	Reedley	Fresno
752	Reedley	Fresno	Gerawan Farming	Reedley	Fresno
131	Sanger	Fresno	Fresno EDD	Fresno	Fresno
192.1	Sanger	Fresno	Corcoran State Substance Abuse ar	Corcoran	Kings
192.3	Sanger	Fresno	Corcoran State Substance Abuse ar	Corcoran	Kings
216.3	Sanger	Fresno	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
746	Sanger	Fresno	Cream of The Crop	Bakersfield	Kern
856	Sanger	Fresno	Chandler Farms	Selma	Fresno
26	Sanger	Fresno	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
74	Selma	Fresno	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
118.1	Selma	Fresno	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
118.3	Selma	Fresno	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
171	Selma	Fresno	Valley State Prison for Women	Chowchilla	Madera
187.1	Selma	Fresno	Corcoran State Substance Abuse ar	Corcoran	Kings
190.1	Selma	Fresno	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
190.3	Selma	Fresno	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
238	Selma	Fresno	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
245	Selma	Fresno	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
273.3	Selma	Fresno	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
647	Selma	Fresno	JSV Farm	Kingsburg	Fresno

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661	Selma	Fresno	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
669	Selma	Fresno	J&A Contracting	Dinuba	Tulare
702	Selma	Fresno	Wawona Packing	Cutler	Fresno
705	Selma	Fresno	Lopolder	Selma	Fresno
710	Selma	Fresno	Guadalupe Antuna	Del-Rey	Fresno
789	Selma	Fresno	Irigoyen Farms	Clovis	Fresno
811	Selma	Fresno	JSV Farm	Selma	Fresno
867	Selma	Fresno	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
793	Arvin	Kern	S&R Farm	Bakersfield	Kern
59	Bakersfield	Kern	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
107	Bakersfield	Kern	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
130	Bakersfield	Kern	Kern Valley State Prison	Delano	Kern
165	Bakersfield	Kern	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
749	Bakersfield	Kern	A&B Harvesting	Bakersfield	Kern
750	Bakersfield	Kern	S&R Labor Contractor	Bakersfield	Kern
761	Bakersfield	Kern	Sr Sanchez	Bakersfield	Kern
763	Bakersfield	Kern	Esparza	Bakersfield	Kern
776	Bakersfield	Kern	Aristeo Jacinto	Bakersfield	Kern
792	Bakersfield	Kern	Esparza Enterprise	Bakersfield	Kern
815	Bakersfield	Kern	Socorro Herrera	Bakersfield	Kern
817	Bakersfield	Kern	Benigna Contracting	Lamont	Kern
836	Delano	Kern	Sun Pacific	Bakersfield	Kern
855	Delano	Kern	Jaquar Labor	Delano	Kern
740	Lamont	Kern	Nidea Perez	Lamont	Kern
857	Lancaster	Kern	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
708	McFarLand	Kern	Maricopa	Bakersfield	Kern
715	McFarLand	Kern	GTO Packing	Salinas	Monterey
794	McFarland	Kern	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
849	Palmdale	Kern	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
751	Richgrove	Kern	Jaguar FarmLabor	Delano	Kern
57	Shafter	Kern	Taft College	Taft	Kern
95	Shafter	Kern	Taft College	Taft	Kern
762	Shafter	Kern	GTO Packing	Bakersfield	Kern
193	Wasco	Kern	Corcoran State Substance Abuse at	Corcoran	Kings
671	Wasco	Kern	J.A Contracting	Tulare	Tulare
741	Wasco	Kern	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
44	Armona	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
83	Armona	Kings	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
736	Avenal	Kings	Aguilar Contractor	Paso Robles	san luis op
743	Avenal	Kings	Paramont	Lost Hills	Kern
653	Avenal	Kings	El Bajio Packing	Greenfield	Monterey
667	Avenal	Kings	Ayala Contracting	Tulare	Tulare
66	Corcoran	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
772	Corcoran	Kings	J&S Farmlabor	Bakersfield	Kern
840	Corcoran	Kings	Delmonte	Hanford	Kings
2	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
6	Hanford	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
9	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
11	Hanford	Kings	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
13	Hanford	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
17	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings

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27	Hanford	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
30	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
32	Hanford	Kings	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
33	Hanford	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Kings
43	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
47	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
62	Hanford	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
72	Hanford	Kings	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
77	Hanford	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
81	Hanford	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
84	Hanford	Kings	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
85	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
93	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
98	Hanford	Kings	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
101	Hanford	Kings	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
105	Hanford	Kings	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
108	Hanford	Kings	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
109	Hanford	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
116	Hanford	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
117	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
120	Hanford	Kings	Lemoore NAS	Lemoore	Kings
121	Hanford	Kings	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
123	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
141	Hanford	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
151	Hanford	Kings	Corcoran State Substance Abuse a	Corcoran	Kings
159	Hanford	Kings	Corcoran State Substance Abuse a	Corcoran	Kings
164	Hanford	Kings	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
175	Hanford	Kings	Corcoran State Substance Abuse a	Corcoran	Kings
198	Hanford	Kings	Corcoran State Substance Abuse a	Corcoran	Kings
201	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
218	Hanford	Kings	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
219	Hanford	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
221	Hanford	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
223	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
226	Hanford	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
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231	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
232	Hanford	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Hanford
233	Hanford	Kings	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
269	Hanford	Kings	Lemoore NAS	Lemoore	Kings
274	Hanford	Kings	Lemoore NAS	Lemoore	Kings
275	Hanford	Kings	Lemoore NAS	Lemoore	Kings
VP-821	Hanford	Kings	Lemoore NAS	Lemoore	Kings
VP-823	Hanford	Kings	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
663	Kettleman City	Kings	Garza Contracting	Bakersfield	Kern
8	Lemoore	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
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68	Lemoore	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
78	Lemoore	Kings	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
88	Lemoore	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
90	Lemoore	Kings	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
111	Lemoore	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
113	Lemoore	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
142	Lemoore	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
144	Lemoore	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
154	Lemoore	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
155	Lemoore	Kings	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
168	Lemoore	Kings	Corcoran State Substance Abuse a	Corcoran	Kings
220	Lemoore	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
222	Lemoore	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
224	Lemoore	Kings	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
225	Lemoore	Kings	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
227	Lemoore	Kings	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
VP-818	Lemoore	Kings	Lemoore NAS	Lemoore	Kings
753	Kelseyville	Lake	Nissen Vineyards	Helena Ca	Lake
63	Palmdale	Los Angeles	California Correctional Institution	Tehachapi	Kern
VP-822	Palmdale	Los Angeles	California Correctional Institution	Tehachapi	Kern
29	Madera	Madera	Fresno School	Fresno	Fresno
112	Madera	Madera	Valley State Prison for Women	Chowchilla	Madera
172	Madera	Madera	Fresno EDD	Fresno	Fresno
273.2	Madera	Madera	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
649	Madera	Madera	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
665	Madera	Madera	I.S.A Contracting	Firebaugh	Fresno
678	Madera	Madera	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
682	Madera	Madera	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
694	Madera	Madera	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
759	Madera	Madera	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
768	Madera	Madera	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
769	Madera	Madera	Paramont Farms	Lost Hills	Kern
771	Madera	Madera	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
803	Madera	Madera	Fruit Harvesting	Kingsburg	Fresno
808	Madera	Madera	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
844	Madera	Madera	ISA	Firebaugh	Fresno
847	Madera	Madera	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
853	Madera	Madera	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
866	Madera	Madera	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
VP-820	Merced	Madera	Valley State Prison for Women	Chowchilla	Madera
4	Atwater	Merced	California Central Womens Facility	Chowchilla	Madera
799	Los Banos	Merced	Reiter	Aromas	San Benito
773	Chualar	Monterey	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
810	Chualar	Monterey	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
674	Greenfield	Monterey	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
692	Greenfield	Monterey	Azcona	Greenfield	Monterey
714	Greenfield	Monterey	Dominguez	Greenfield	Monterey
716	Greenfield	Monterey	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
724	Greenfield	Monterey	Somoco	Greenfield	Monterey
727	Greenfield	Monterey	Somoco	Greenfield	Monterey
728	Greenfield	Monterey	Dominguez Farms	Greenfield	Monterey

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797	Greenfield	Monterey	Foothill	Salinas	Monterey
805	Greenfield	Monterey	Chruch Brothers	Salinas	Monterey
846	Greenfield	Monterey	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
132	Hollister	Monterey	Monterey Co Assessor	Salinas	Monterey
721	King City	Monterey	Fresh Harvest	Salinas	Monterey
722	King City	Monterey	Azcona	Greenfield	Monterey
726	King City	Monterey	Azcona	Greenfield	Monterey
758	King City	Monterey	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
795	King City	Monterey	Dominguez	Greenfield	Monterey
666	KingCity	Monterey	West Side	Fresno	Fresno
40	Salinas	Monterey	TAMC	Salinas	Monterey
654	Salinas	Monterey	Preferred Produce	Salinas	Monterey
684	Salinas	Monterey	Sonora Packing	Salinas	Monterey
717	Salinas	Monterey	Oseguera	Salinas	Monterey
729	Salinas	Monterey	Sonora Packing	Salinas	Monterey
766	Salinas	Monterey	Rancho Purisima	Santa Maria	Monterey
780	Salinas	Monterey	GTO Packing	Soledad	Monterey
786	Salinas	Monterey	Sonora	Salinas	Monterey
798	Salinas	Monterey	Elkhorn	Salinas	Monterey
800	Salinas	Monterey	MB Labor	Chualar	Monterey
814	Salinas	Monterey	Elkhorn Packing	Salinas	Monterey
841	Salinas	Monterey	Ramco	Salinas	Monterey
732	Santa Maria	Monterey	Talley	Santa Maria	Monterey
733	Santa Maria	Monterey	Reiter Affiliated	Santa Maria	Monterey
737	Santa Maria	Monterey	Hall Labor Service	Santa Maria	Monterey
739	Santa Maria	Monterey	New RA Farmer	Santa Maria	Monterey
845	Santa Maria	Monterey	Rancho Laguna	Santa Maria	Monterey
785	Soledad	Monterey	Roberta Labor Service	Guadalupe,Ca	Monterey
788	Soledad	Monterey	Azcona	Soledad	Monterey
802	Soledad	Monterey	GTO Packing	Greenfield	Monterey
848	Soledad	Monterey	Somoco	Soledad	Monterey
852	Soledad	Monterey	Roberta Labor Service	Greenfield	Monterey
777	Woodland	Monterey	Demetrio Campos	Soledad	Monterey
756	American Can	Napa	Joseph Phelps Vineyards	Woodland	Monterey
774	Napa	Napa	Joseph Phelps Vineyards	Napa	Napa
791	St Helena	Napa	V.Satlui Winery	Napa	Napa
140	Hollister	San Benito	Stryker Endoscopy	St Helena	Napa
97	Atascadero	San Luis Obis	Avenal State Prison	San Jose	Santa Clara
136	Atascadero	san luis Obis	CTF Soledad	Avenal	Kings
21	Paso Robles	San Luis Obis	CTF Soledad	Soledad	Monterey
36	Paso Robles	San Luis Obis	Kings City School	Soledad	Monterey
55	Paso Robles	San Luis Obis	Kings City School	King City	Monterey
75	Paso Robles	San Luis Obis	Kings City School	King City	Monterey
87	Paso Robles	San Luis Obis	CTF Soledad	King City	Monterey
94	Paso Robles	San Luis Obis	CTF Soledad	Soledad	Monterey
146	Paso Robles	San Luis Obis	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Soledad	Monterey
202	Paso Robles	San Luis Obis	CTF Soledad	Soledad	Monterey
15	Pasol Robles	San Luis Obis	Kings City School	Coalinga	Fresno
48	Templeton	San Luis Obis	Kings City School	Soledad	Monterey
754	Fairfaild	Solano	Maldonado Vineyard	King City	Monterey
138	Turlock	Stanislaus	Valley State Prison for Women	King City	Monterey
213	Carauthers	Tulare	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Calistoga	Napa
				Chowchilla	Madera
				Coalinga	Fresno

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650	Cutler	Tulare	J&A Farms	Cutler	Tulare
850	Cutler	Tulare	Trevino & Son	Orosi	Tulare
651	Dinuba	Tulare	Mission Venture	Dinuba	Tulare
672	Dinuba	Tulare	Rivas	Dinuba	Tulare
676	Dinuba	Tulare	Loredo Tree Planters	Reedley	Fresno
683	Dinuba	Tulare	Mission Venture	Dinuba	Tulare
689	Dinuba	Tulare	Sierra Labor	Reedley	Fresno
709	Dinuba	Tulare	Family Ranch	Avenal	Kings
718	Dinuba	Tulare	WaWona Packing	Cutler	Fresno
790	Dinuba	Tulare	Sierra Labor	Dinuba	Tulare
103	Exeter	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
39	Lindsay	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
69	Lindsay	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
212	Lindsay	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
677	Orange Cove	Tulare	Mc Clurry Farms	Selma	Fresno
581	Orosi	Tulare	JA FarmLabor	Orosi	Tulare
652	Orosi	Tulare	Jesus Torrez	Sanger	Fresno
655	Orosi	Tulare	El Dorado Farmlabor	Cutler	Tulare
745	Orosi	Tulare	Y&T	Dinuba	Tulare
807	Orosi	Tulare	Francisco Acevedo	Exeter	Tulare
34	Porterville	Tulare	Wasco State Prison	Wasco	Kern
45	Porterville	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
61	Porterville	Tulare	Kern Valley State Prison	Delano	Kern
79	Porterville	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
100	Porterville	Tulare	Corcoran State Substance Abuse at	Corcoran	Kings
114	Porterville	Tulare	Kern Valley State Prison	Delano	Kern
127	Porterville	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
133	Porterville	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
134	Porterville	Tulare	Corcoran State Substance Abuse at	Corcoran	Kings
156	Porterville	Tulare	Family Health Network	Visalia	Tulare
161	Porterville	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
170	Porterville	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
173	Porterville	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
210.1	Porterville	Tulare	Kern Valley State Prison	Delano	Kern
210.2	Porterville	Tulare	Kern Valley State Prison	Delano	Kern
210.3	Porterville	Tulare	Kern Valley State Prison	Delano	Kern
270	Porterville	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
778	Richgrove	Tulare	Jaward Farm	Richgrove	Tulare
7	Springville	Tulare	Kern Valley State Prison	Delano	Kern
70	Springville	Tulare	Corcoran State Substance Abuse at	Corcoran	Kings
10	Tulare	Tulare	Corcoran State Substance Abuse at	Corcoran	Kings
20	Tulare	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
51	Tulare	Tulare	Corcoran State Substance Abuse at	Corcoran	Kings
53	Tulare	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
54	Tulare	Tulare	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
89	Tulare	Tulare	Lemoore NAS	Lemoore	Kings
139	Tulare	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
150	Tulare	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
185	Tulare	Tulare	TASMG	Fresno	Fresno
191.1	Tulare	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
195	Tulare	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
203	Tulare	Tulare	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno

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215	Tulare	Tulare	Fresno School	Fresno	Fresno
276	Tulare	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
1	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Substance Abuse ai	Corcoran	Kings
3	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Substance Abuse ai	Corcoran	Kings
12	Visalia	Tulare	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
16	Visalia	Tulare	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
22	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
24	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
31	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
52	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Substance Abuse ai	Corcoran	Kings
56	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
64	Visalia	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
67	Visalia	Tulare	Kern Valley State Prison	Delano	Kern
71	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
76	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Substance Abuse ai	Corcoran	Kings
80	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
82	Visalia	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
91	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Substance Abuse ai	Corcoran	Kings
92	Visalia	Tulare	Avenal State Prison	Avenal	Kings
99	Visalia	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
119	Visalia	Tulare	Coalinga State Hospital	Coalinga	Fresno
125	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
129	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
135	Visalia	Tulare	Kern Valley State Prison	Delano	Kern
137	Visalia	Tulare	Armona Union Academy	Armona	Kings
143	Visalia	Tulare	Armona Union Academy	Armona	Kings
148	Visalia	Tulare	Kern Valley State Prison	Delano	Kern
152	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
179	Visalia	Tulare	Kern Valley State Prison	Delano	Kern
181	Visalia	Tulare	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
183	Visalia	Tulare	Fresno EDD	Fresno	Fresno
186	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
188	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
191.2	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
191.3	Visalia	Tulare	Corcoran State Prison	Corcoran	Kings
204.1	Visalia	Tulare	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
204.2	Visalia	Tulare	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
204.3	Visalia	Tulare	Pleasant Valley State Prison	Coalinga	Fresno
208.1	Visalia	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
208.2	Visalia	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
208.3	Visalia	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
209.1	Visalia	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
209.2	Visalia	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
209.3	Visalia	Tulare	North Kern State Prison	Delano	Kern
643	Visalia	Tulare	Cream of the Crop	Bakersfield	Kern
719	Visalia	Tulare	Y&T Harvesting	Dinuba	Tulare
784	Visalia	Tulare	Ignacio Cuevas	Bakersfield	Kern
801	Visalia	Tulare	AGR Contracting	Porterville	Tulare
765	Fillmore	Ventura	Alta Quality Farm Service		
854	Fillmore	Ventura	V & V Harvesting	Santa Paula	Ventura
833	Santa Maria	Ventura	VTC Enterprises	Santa Maria	Ventura
851	Santa Maria	Ventura	Cambria Winery	Santa Maria	Ventura

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731	Santa Paula	Ventura	Melquiadez Farms	Santa Paula	Ventura
734	Santa Paula	Ventura	Marin Labor Service	Santa Paula	Ventura
809	Santa Paula	Ventura	Sam AG Service	Ventura	Ventura
834	Santa Paula	Ventura	Total Labor Force	Santa Paula	Ventura
835	Santa Paula	Ventura	Magana Labor Services	Fillmore	Ventura
837	Santa Paula	Ventura	Magana Labor Services	Fillmore	Ventura
838	Santa Paula	Ventura	Total Labor Force	Santa Paula	Ventura
839	Santa Paula	Ventura	Magana Labor Service	Fillmore	Ventura
860	Santa Paula	Ventura	Alfredo Melchor	Santa Maria	Ventura



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July 24, 2012

Mr. Ronald Hughes, Executive Director
California Vanpool Authority
1340 North Drive
Hanford, CA 93230

Dear Mr. Hughes:

Under the California Public Records Act, I am requesting copies of the following information:

1. A copy of any documentation from the federal Department of Labor approving agricultural transportation by the California Vanpool Authority or its predecessor organizations;
2. A copy of any opinions or legal determinations from the state Department of Labor regarding agricultural worker transportation provided by the California Vanpool Authority or its predecessor organizations;
3. Budgets for the Kings Area Rural Transit and/or Kings County Area Public Transit Agency from 2002 to present, including any other budgetary information not directly attributable to that unit but related to the provision of agricultural vanpool and commuter vanpool service. This information should also contain both the final approved budgetary amounts from any approving authority as well as the year-end resolution of the budget amounts;
4. Any specific information regarding the sources and amounts of revenue in each budget year for the unit;
5. Any specific information regarding the capital expenditures of the unit in each budget year and the revenue source(s) used for said capital expenditures;
6. Any specific information regarding any federal funding used by the unit, including any budgetary information attached to any federal grant agreements from KCAPTA, KART, Kings County, or the California Vanpool Authority;
7. Budgetary information regarding the acquisition and disposal of assets from this unit, especially those assets used in the AITS program; and
8. Any budgetary information regarding the transfer of vanpool programming to the CalVans Joint Powers Authority, including but not limited to:
 - a. Asset transfers,
 - b. Ongoing financial support for the JPA, including in-kind contributions, and
 - c. Any other budgetary information related to the participation by partner agencies in the JPA.

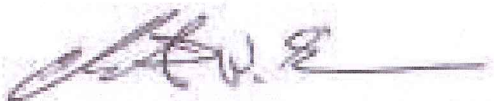
In the interests of being as environmentally-friendly as possible, I would prefer that any of this information that can be provided in electronic format be available in that fashion. I understand that there may be a cost associated with this information, and am prepared

to make arrangements for said costs. If necessary, I can make arrangements for local staff to receive the documents that fulfill this request.

Should you have any questions regarding this request, I can be reached via email at chris.simmons@vride.com or by phone at 248-597-3581.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "C. Simmons", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Christian W. Simmons, JD
Government Affairs Executive



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San Luis Obispo County

Central California's San Luis Obispo County is wine country. A drive along any of its scenic back roads, through rolling golden hills and centuries-old oak groves, inevitably leads to a winery. Vintners say the area's rocky volcanic soils and ocean-influenced weather result in world-class wines.

Southern San Luis Obispo County is known for premium wineries.



It turns out these conditions are ideal for growing raspberries, too. Tucked into a corner of Talley Vineyard's 3,000 acres is a plastic-domed raspberry patch. Perhaps "patch" is too modest a word for 24 acres of wildly productive raspberry vines. During peak production time 50 to 60 workers toil in these hothouses. The work is pleasant by farmworker standards. Although temperatures soar inside the plastic domes, the domes offer shade and ocean breezes blow most every day. Yet the grower, Reiter Affiliated Industries, has had difficulty finding workers for this location because the patch is a 50-mile round trip from Santa Maria, where most of the area's agricultural workers live.

Enter Rigoberto, Benjamin and Jose Manuel, CalVans' newest drivers on the Central Coast. In the eyes of their co-workers, they're heroes because they drive 15-passenger CalVans vehicles to and from Santa Maria every day—a journey local raiteros were unwilling to make. The passengers in these vans are thrilled to have access to work in an area they previously could not reach. Happy passengers, contented driver: end of story? No. It gets even better. There is another hero in this story.

Benjamin boxes raspberries while Rigoberto picks.



The workers' employer, Reiter Affiliated Industries, issues vouchers to passengers that cover the entire cost of their ride. Not only can the Santa Maria-based workers access these distant fields, but they ride for free, too. This arrangement benefits Reiter, as well. Thanks to CalVans, they now have plenty of workers to harvest the berries at this site. The workers produce as many as 143 boxes per acre in a single day. Each berry is hand-picked, and each box of berries is individually inspected to ensure that only top-quality berries make the cut. At the end of the day the workers enjoy the fruits of their labor: world-class fruit from rocky volcanic soils and ocean-influenced weather.

Jose Manuel with his new van.



The raspberry workers share a sense of teamwork and camaraderie.



ADDENDUM

TO

AGREEMENT TO FORM JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

THIS ADDENDUM is executed on July 19, 2012, by KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS ("KERN COG") in light of the following:

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, on or about October 21, 2011, certain public entities entered into an AGREEMENT TO FORM JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY ("Agreement"), a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference, whereby they formed an entity known as "California Vanpool Authority" or "CalVans"; and

WHEREAS, in section 4 of Article IV of the Agreement provision is made for other public entities to join CalVans; and

WHEREAS, KERN COG made a written request for inclusion as a member agency of CalVans with the Executive Director of CalVans; and

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2012, during a duly convened meeting, the Board of Directors of CalVans voted unanimously to accept KERN COG as a member of CalVans; and

WHEREAS, upon execution of the Agreement, KERNCOG shall become a full and equal member of CalVans; and

WHEREAS, by signing this addendum, KERN COG intends to be executing the Agreement in satisfaction of the requirement set forth in section 4 of Article IV of the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, KERN COG agrees as set forth below.

1. **Agreement.** KERN COG agrees that by signing this addendum it acknowledges that it is executing the Agreement and thereby becoming a full and equal member of CalVans with all of the rights, privileges, duties and responsibilities of a member of CalVans as expressed or implied in the Agreement.

2. **Notices.** Any notices to KERN COG required or given pursuant to the Agreement shall be mailed, U.S. first class, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

Kern Council of Governments
Attention, Ahron Hakimi Executive Director
1401 19th Street, Suite 300
Bakersfield, CA 93301

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, KERN COG has caused this addendum to be executed by an authorized officer of KERN COG to be effective on the date first above written.

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

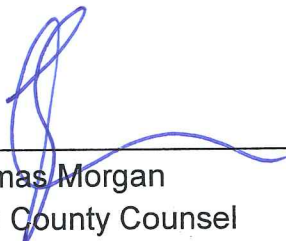
Dated: JUL 20 2012



Harold W. Hanson, Chairman

Approved to Form:

Dated: 7-20-12



Thomas Morgan
Kern County Counsel