



SAN JOAQUIN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

INTERAGENCY TRANSIT COMMITTEE Via Zoom

Tuesday, February 3, 2026
1:00 PM

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AGENDA

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| 1. Call to Order | |
| 2. Public Comment | |
| 3. CAL-ITP | PRESENTATION |
| 4. Fiscal Year 2025-26 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program Distribution Methodology (Joel Campos) | DISCUSSION |
| 5. Vamos-EZHub App Through Fiscal Year 2026-27 Update (Joel Campos) | INFORMATION |
| 6. November ITC Meeting Notes | INFORMATION |
| 7. Around the Table/Transit Discussion | |
| a. SRTPs | |
| 8. Adjournment (Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 3, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.) | |

AGENDA ITEM 4



February 2026
Interagency Transit Committee

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Approve Fiscal Year 2025-26 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program Distribution Methodology

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Recommend approval of the LCTOP distribution methodology for Fiscal Year 2025-26

SUMMARY:

The Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) is one of several programs established by the California Legislature through Senate Bill 852 and Senate Bill 862 to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and achieve other transportation-related benefits. LCTOP funding is derived from Cap-and-Invest auction revenues and is subject to state allocation processes.

LCTOP PUC 99313 Funding Through SJCOG:

A portion of the LCTOP funds, 99313, are allocated to the San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG), as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA). Although the final allocation by the state to SJCOG for Fiscal Year 2025-26 has yet to be released, SJCOG is seeking approval from the Interagency Transit Committee (ITC) regarding the method in which to allocate LCTOP funds for Fiscal Year 2025-26.

LCTOP PUC 99314 Funding Through the CA State Controller's Office:

Transit operators are also eligible to receive LCTOP funds via PUC 99314. These funds are apportioned directly by the State Controller's Office to the operators via a formula process.

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend the SJCOG Board approve the LCTOP distribution methodology for Fiscal Year 2025-26.

DISCUSSION:

PUC 99313 LCTOP Distribution:

LCTOP funds can be distributed in a variety of ways. For this allocation, staff recommend that LCTOP funds be distributed among transit operators based on each operator's share of total ridership for Fiscal Year 2024-25. Under this approach, the estimated split of funds would be similar to the values shown in Table 1. The City of Ripon has opted out of participation in PUC 99313 allocation; as a result, the associated funds are redistributed among the remaining transit operators. These numbers should **ONLY BE CONSIDERED ROUGH ESTIMATES AT THIS TIME**, as the amounts presented have not been finalized by the State Controller's Office.

Table 1: Potential LCTOP Distribution – For Illustration Purposes Only

Claimant	Total Ridership (FY 24-25)	Ridership Percentage (FY 24-25)	Estimated 99313 Amount
RTD	2,778,341	72.71%	\$958,067
Tracy	174,931	4.58%	\$60,322
Manteca	88,089	2.31%	\$30,376
Lodi	224,759	5.88%	\$77,505
Escalon	1,823	0.05%	\$629
Lathrop	540	0.01%	\$186
Ripon*	n/a	n/a	n/a
SJRRC**	552,422	14.46%	\$190,494
TOTAL	3,820,905	100%	\$1,317,579

Note: * Ripon has opted out of participation in PUC 99313 allocation

** Ridership totals reflect boarding and alighting in San Joaquin County

As noted previously, these numbers should only be considered a rough estimate, as the dollars presented have not been finalized by the State Controller's Office. The purpose of presenting them is to discuss a preferred distribution methodology.

According to Caltrans, the estimated Fiscal Year 2025–26 LCTOP allocation under PUC 99313 is \$1,317,579, reflecting a 35 percent decrease from the Fiscal Year 2024–25 amount of \$2,014,772. These estimates are based on current information from Caltrans and will be updated when the State Controller's Office releases final figures.

PUC 99314 Funding Through State Controller:

In addition to 99313, operators are also eligible to receive LCTOP funds via PUC 99314. These funds are apportioned directly by the State Controller's Office to the operators. As such, no regional distribution method is required. Table 2 shows estimated 99314 allocations from the state. The City of Ripon has opted out of participation in the PUC 99314 allocation and has requested that its allocation be directed to the San Joaquin Regional Transit District.

Combined 99313 and 99314 Estimate:

Below is the combined 99313 and 99314 estimate for the region.

Table 2. Combined 99313 and 99314 Estimate

Claimant	Estimated 99314 Amount (SCO)	Estimated 99313 Amount (SJCOG)	Total Estimated LCTOP
RTD	\$116,657	\$958,067	\$1,074,724
Tracy	\$2,224	\$60,322	\$62,546
Manteca	\$890	\$30,376	\$31,266
Lodi	\$10,153	\$77,505	\$87,658
Escalon	\$594	\$629	\$1,223
Lathrop	\$0	\$186	\$186
Ripon*	n/a	n/a	n/a
SJRRC**	\$164,609	\$190,494	\$355,103
TOTAL	\$295,127	\$1,317,579	\$1,612,706

Note: * Ripon has opted out of participation in PUC 99313 allocation

** Ridership totals reflect boarding and alighting in San Joaquin County

BACKGROUND:

LCTOP is one of several programs that are part of the Transit, Affordable Housing, and Sustainable Communities Program established by the California Legislature in 2014 with Senate Bill 862. In 2015, SB 862 established LCTOP as a noncompetitive, formula-based program funded by 5% of proceeds generated from cap-and-trade auctions. LCTOP funds are distributed based on the State Transit Assistance funding formula where 50% of the funds are designated to regional entities and the other 50% for transit operators. LCTOP was created to provide operating and capital assistance to transit agencies with the goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving mobility, with an emphasis on serving disadvantaged communities. For agencies whose service area includes disadvantaged communities, at least 50% of the total funding received shall be expended on projects that provide a direct, meaningful, and assured benefit to those communities.

Eligible uses of 99313 funds include:

1. Expenditures that directly enhance or expand transit service by supporting new or expanded bus or rail services, new or expanded waterborne transit, or expanded intermodal transit facilities, and may include equipment acquisition, fueling, maintenance, and other costs to operate those services or facilities.

2. Operational expenditures that increase transit mode share.
3. Expenditures related to the purchase of zero-emission buses, including electric buses, and the installation of the necessary equipment and infrastructure to operate and support zero-emission buses.

Caltrans, in coordination with the California Air Resources Board, determines the eligibility of a proposed project based on the documentation provided by the recipient transit operator to ensure compliance with the guidelines. Caltrans will then notify the State Controller of approved expenditures for each transit operator and the amount of the allocation for each transit operator determined to be available at the time of approval.

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AGENDA ITEM **5**



February 2026
Interagency Transit Committee

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Vamos-EZHub App through Fiscal Year 2026-27 Update

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Information

DISCUSSION:

SUMMARY:



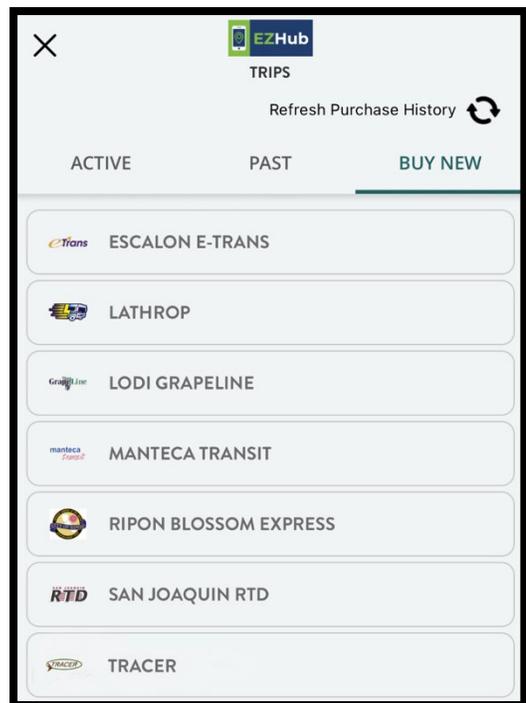
SJCOG staff, in coordination with it's partners, has already begun to make many improvements, including: updating the app's FAQ page, working with transit operators to update GTFS route colors, add paratransit fares, and adjust GTFS-Flex rules to match dial-a-ride and paratransit policies.

Vamos is excited to announce new services being added directly to the app in early 2026, including:

- Lodi Paratransit Fares
- Lathrop Transit, the City of Lathrop's Brand-New Transit Service (currently in testing)
- Extended Uber Discount use to 30 Days

RECOMMENDATION:

Information



FISCAL IMPACT:

None at this time.

BACKGROUND:

Utilizing Measure K funds, SJCOG aims to continue and expand the app's operations to support regional mobility, while staff seeks additional funding sources.

SJCOG is partnering with local transit agencies to support effective app integration and strong user engagement. Performance metrics including app usage and transit ridership will be tracked to evaluate the program's success and inform future funding decisions.

Not only will the proposed funding extend the time to keep the app running, it will also be used to do the following:

- (1) add real-time bus tracking
- (2) display bus stop data
- (3) extend Uber incentives
- (4) improve the user interface

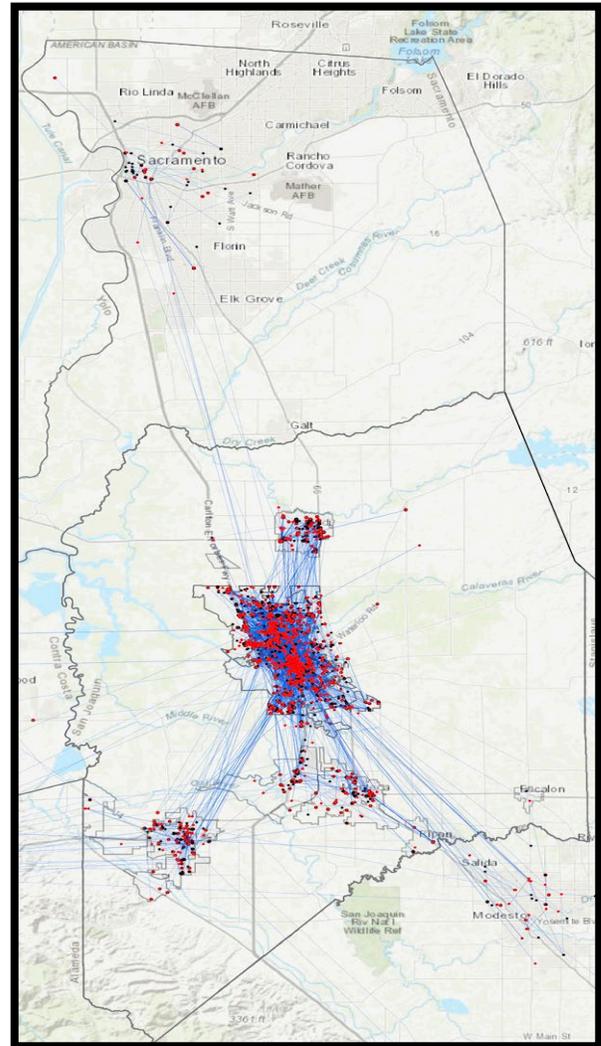


Figure 2: Uber Map – San Joaquin County, Sacramento, and Stanislaus Trips for CY 2024 and 2025

AGENDA ITEM **6**



Interagency Transit Committee
San Joaquin Council of Governments
555 E. Weber Avenue, Stockton, CA 95202
Zoom Meeting

Tuesday, November 4, 2025

MEETING NOTES

1. Call Meeting to Order/Introductions

The ITC meeting was called to order via teleconference at 1:05 p.m. by Vice Chair Julia Tyack, City of Lodi.

Introductions were made.

Committee/Alternate Members Present via Conference Call

Julia Tyack, City of Lodi; Juan Portillo, City of Manteca; Celine Reeder, City of Manteca; Jayne Pramod, City of Tracy; John Andoh, City of Escalon; Thomas Hedegard, City of Lathrop; Hamid Parsa, City of Mountain House; Ken Baxter, SJRTD; La Keda Huckabay; SJRRC; Koosun Kim, City of Mountain House

SJCOG Staff Present via Conference Call

Alvaro Gamino, SJCOG Assistant Regional Planner; Winston Zheng, CivicSpark Fellow; Joel Campos, SJCOG Senior Regional Planner; Breanna Guzman, SJCOG Administrative Technician; Lisa Ly, SJCOG Administrative Technician; Christine Corrales, Manager of Planning;

Members of the Public/Others

Mellownie Salvador, City of Mountain House; Todd Voirol, DemandTrans Solutions

2. Public Comments

No Public comments

3. September ITC Meeting Notes

Information

4. Lathrop Transit (John Andoh)

John Andoh provided a presentation update on Lathrop Transit covering school tripper routes, booking through the app or dispatch, regional transit connections, EZ Hub integration, and ongoing ADA support through Access San Joaquin.

5. Vamos Mobility-Uber Incentive Changes

Joel Campos provided a presentation on the Uber incentive within the Vamos app, which included an overview of rider eligibility, the discount application process, and step-by-step

visuals demonstrating how to use it in the app. He also discussed current challenges and presented potential options moving forward. In addition, Joel shared map visuals of Uber trip statistics created by Álvaro Gamino, an SJCOG employee. Staff recommended changes to the incentives to increase use.

Pramod Motion/Baxter Second

6. Around the Table/Transit Updates

Jayne Pramod mentioned that Paratransit and Tracer Plus have launched a new app and that it is working well.

Julia Tyack provided an update on the availability of free rides for voting and in recognition of Veterans Day.

Koosun Kim provided an update on the transit feasibility study, noting that they are currently in the process of developing a new transit system and have received more than 1,400 responses from residents, who are very excited about the project.

7. Adjournment at 1:48 p.m. (Julia Tyack, ITC Vice Chair)