



**MODOC COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

108 S. Main St., Alturas, CA 96101
Phone (530) 233-6410

**MINUTES
Regular Meeting
February 4, 2025**

Commissioners Present

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| John Dederick, Chair | Representative, City of Alturas |
| Kathie Rhoads, Vice Chair | Board of Supervisors, District III, Modoc County |
| Mark Moriarity | Modoc County, Member at Large |
| Paul Minchella | Councilmember, City of Alturas |
| Jodie Larranaga | Councilmember, City of Alturas |
| Shane Starr (Alternate) | County Supervisor II |

Commissioners Absent

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| Ned Coe | Board of Supervisors, District I, Modoc County |
| Brian Cox (Alternate) | Councilmember, City of Alturas |

Staff Present

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| Debbie Pedersen | Executive Director |
| Michelle Cox | Accountant 1 |
| Kathy Tiffie | Assistant Secretary 2 |

Public Present

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| Mitch Crosby | Modoc County Road Commissioner |
| Kathy Grah | Caltrans District 2, Community & Regional Planning C |
| Kelly Babcock | Caltrans District 2, Transit Coordinator |
| Acadia Davis | Transportation Planner, LSC Transportation |
| Genevieve Evans | A.I.C.P. Principal, LSC Transportation |

1. **Call to Order** – Chair Dederick called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in the Sage Stage Conference Room, 108 S. Main Street, Alturas, CA.
 - a. Dederick led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - b. Introductions were made.
2. **Public Forum** – There were no public comments.
3. **Confirm Agenda**
Motion by Commissioner Rhoads to Confirm Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Minchella. All Ayes; motion carried.
4. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Approve minutes from December 3, 2024, MCTC Regular Meeting.
 - b. Approve the financial reports from November 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024.
 - c. Year to Date expenditure report through December 31, 2024.
 Motion by Commissioner Rhoads to approve Consent Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Larranaga. Commissioner Starr abstained. All Ayes; motion carried.

5. Regular Business

a. Presentation of the Draft 2024 Modoc Short Range Transit Plan by LSC

Transportation Consultants

The SRTP was presented by Acadia Davis and Genevieve Evans. The SRTP is a business plan for transit in Modoc County for the next five years. The goal of this plan was to analyze the current setting for transportation and then identify alternatives to improve transit services over the next five years to either better meet the needs of residents or to be more efficient. Current and future demographic conditions were reviewed as well as public outreach surveys. The Five-year action plan was outlined with a recommended staggered implementation. A zone-based fare alternative was recommended as a .19 cent per mile for intercity routes. The discounted fare will remain about 75% of this. The dial-a-ride fare is recommended to stay the same.

For the operating plan over the next couple of years we are looking at new funding. The SB125 funds, which is relatively new funding, came out in late 2023. This is a state funding source allocated to local Transit Agencies for public transit. MCTC has not yet submitted an application, but the funds are still available.

In summary the proposed SRTP will result in cost savings for the first one to three years and then increase costs for the remaining two years. The expectation is that ridership will increase by about 14% over the next five years, as we bring new forms of transit to Modoc County with increased productivity and efficiency.

Executive Director Pedersen stated the SRTP Final Plan will be made available to the public and posted on the website.

b. Fiscal Year 2025-26 Local Transportation Fund Estimate

Executive Director Pedersen explained that LTF fund is estimated at \$285,00 for the fiscal year 2025-26 which is down about \$5,000. These estimates are usually very conservative. We will use these funds for Unmet Transit and apportioning funds in 25-26 year.

6. Agency Updates and Project Reports

a. Alturas Public Works Dept. – City Streets

In the absence of Warren Farnam, City of Alturas Public Works Director, MCTC Executive Director Debbie Pedersen reported that CTC has approved the time extension request for the West C Street Project. They will now be able to request bids on both the West C Street and Nagle Street projects together this summer.

The Department is still wrapping up the West 8th and Court Street project as the punch list items have not been completed.

b. Modoc County Road Dept. (MCRD) – County Roads

Mitch Crosby reported that the Federal Lands Access Program – Blue Lake Project acquired the necessary right of way which was the last item necessary to start. Federal Lands will be finalizing the necessary bid documents to go out late this year and to begin construction in 2026.

The Clean California Veterans Memorial Park Project is to be completed within the next couple of months weather permitting.

Safe Streets (SS4A) County Road 1 and 91. They have received NEPA (National Environmental Quality Act) report on CR 91 portion so will be going out to bid this month for construction with completion by end of the year 2025. The CR 1 project is expected to be completed next year.

c. Caltrans District 2

Kathy Graph reported the 2025-26 draft OWP will be due February 28th, 2025, and the final will be due June 15, 2025.

Executive Director Pedersen requested an update on the two monuments and acid staining the city sign for the Clean California Project.

Kathy Graph had no update but said she would check with Skip Clark.

d. Modoc County Transportation Commission

The Regional Transportation Plan and ZEV Plan should have draft out by September 2025 with an October 2025 adoption date.

The Triennial Performance Audit was completed a day after staff reports were assembled; therefore, it was not available in this packet. There were no management findings. The TPA will be available for review during the next meeting.

7. Staff Update and Calendar

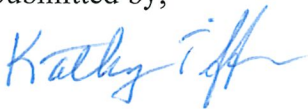
2025 Meeting Schedule is provided

8. Calendar – consider future dates and events of interest:

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| 2/12/25 | Lincoln’s Birthday Sage Stage Office is Closed/Bus running |
| 2/17/25 | President’s Day Sage Stage and Office Closed |
| 3/5/25 | TAC Meeting at 1:00 Sage Stage Conference Room |
| 4/1/25 | Next MCTC Meeting at 1:30 Sage Stage Conference Room |

9. Motion to Adjourn - motioned by Commissioner Minchella; seconded by Commissioner Moriarity to adjourn the meeting at 2:18 p.m. All Ayes; motion carried. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, April 1, 2025, at 1:30 p.m., or soon thereafter, in the Sage Stage Conference Room, 108 S. Main Street, Alturas, CA.

Submitted by,



Kathy Tiff
Assistant Secretary 2