



**MODOC COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

108 S. Main St., Alturas, CA 96101
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**MINUTES
Regular Meeting
June 2, 2026**

Commissioners Present

John Dederick, Chair
Kathie Rhoads, Vice Chair
Cam Anderson
Ned Coe
Mark Moriarity
Jodie Larranaga

Representative, City of Alturas
Board of Supervisor, District III, Modoc County
Councilmember, City of Alturas
Board of Supervisors, District I, Modoc County
Member at Large, Modoc County
Councilmember, City of Alturas

Commissioners Absent

Duanna Knighton (Alternate)
Casey Cockrell (Alternate)

Councilmember, City of Alturas
Board of Supervisors, District IV, Modoc County

Staff Present

Debbie Pedersen
Michelle Cox
Kathy Tiffie

Executive Director
Accountant 1
Executive Assistant Secretary

Public Present

Mazen Zaina
Skip Clark
Warren Farnam
Mitch Crosby

Caltrans District 2, Modoc Project Manager
Caltrans District 2, Regional Planning Liaison
Director of Public Works, City of Alturas
Road Commissioner, Modoc County

1. Call to Order – Chair Dederick called the meeting to order at 1:28 p.m. in the Sage Stage Conference Room, 108 S. Main Street, Alturas, CA.

1. Dederick led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Introductions were made.

2. Public Forum – There were no public comments.

3. Confirm Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Larranaga to Confirm Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Coe. All Ayes; motion carried.

4. Consent Agenda

1. Approve minutes from April 7, 2026, MCTC Regular Meeting.
2. Approve the financial reports from March 1, 2026, through April 30, 2026.
3. Approve year-to-date expenditure report through April 30, 2026.

Motion by Commissioner Coe to approve the consent agenda with the addition of updated minutes, seconded by Commissioner Larranaga. All Ayes; motion carried.

5. Regular Business

1. **Consider approving the Fixed Assets Inventory and Disposition FY 2025/26.**

Executive Director Pedersen reported the only notable change was the removal of a copier that was donated to the library.

Motion by Commissioner Larranaga to approve the Fixed Assets Inventory and Disposition for FY 2025/26, seconded by Commissioner Minchella. All Ayes; motion carried.

2. **Consider approving the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Overall Work Program and authorize the Executive Director to execute related agreements.**

Executive Director Pedersen reported that Caltrans headquarters had requested some minor changes to the OWP. There will be a small carryover estimated at less than 10% from the current fiscal year which would necessitate an administrative amendment processed through the district.

Motion by Commissioner Coe to approve the FY 2026-27 OWP, seconded by Commissioner Rhoads. All Ayes; motion carried.

6. Agency Updates and Project Reports

1. **City of Alturas Public Works Department – City Streets**

Warren Farnam, Director of Public Works, reported progress on its airport project, which involves displacing Runway 31 threshold and replacing the box PAPI. This project is on schedule, thanks to an additional half-million dollars secured from the FAA, which covered a previous funding shortfall. The city has also been collaborating with Caltrans on asphalt grant funding, addressing potholes, and road patching. Challenges were highlighted for the East 4th Street project, a STIP-funded endeavor, for which a time extension request was made due to unforeseen conditions and administrative oversights; approval of this extension is not guaranteed. The city is also exploring emergency funding avenues with GHD to advance a chip seal project, deemed critical due to severe road degradation from a particularly wet winter. Looking ahead, the city is investigating the acquisition of specialized equipment for reclamation-type road repair, aiming for more cost-effective "grind in place" methods, with potential for sharing the equipment with the county.

2. **Modoc County Road Department – County Roads**

Mitch Crosby, Road Commissioner reported Construction has begun on the Blue Lake project, involving culvert extensions and road widening, with traffic control expected throughout the summer. The Cedarville pedestrian improvement project is nearing allocation of construction funds from the CTC this month, with advertising and award to follow, and physical work anticipated by next spring. Under Safe Streets for All Grant, an on-site meeting for the County Road 91 project was scheduled to precede the deployment of signs and commencement of work within two weeks. The County Road 1 portion of this grant has received NEPA approval, with efforts underway to secure construction funds for possible work later in the summer. A draft of a

multimodal plan is expected by year-end, following a successful traffic calming demonstration project on 4th Street and a similar one planned for Cedarville. Additionally, the department plans to chip seal in the Newell area and paving portions of County Road 60 and Cedarville streets this summer.

3. Caltrans District 2

Mazen Zena, Modoc Project Manager, reported the Alturas CAPM and Cedarville CAPM projects are slated for "Ready to Let" (RTL) in June, with construction expected in 2027-2028. The Crowder Flat project faces budget challenges but is moving forward, with alternative methodologies being considered. The Goose Lake project is also progressing, with RTL expected in 2027. Both Goose Lake and Crowder Flat projects have seen their construction timelines pushed back by one year due to budget constraints. The Modoc Pit River Bridge rehabilitation faces unique challenges, including eagle nesting restrictions (August 15 to November 30), which limit construction to specific periods over two years (east direction in 2027, southbound in 2028). The budget for this bridge project has significantly increased from \$3.2 million to \$8 million, requiring CTC approval. Unfortunately, due to budget limitations within the 2030 SHARP program, the Canby pavement rehabilitation and Cedarville culvert projects have been removed from the delivery pipeline, though the Modoc Pit River Bridge replacement remains in the planning phase.

Skip Clark, Caltrans Planning Liaison, reported on finalizing OWP and OWPA and closing out a short-range transit plan grant from the previous year.

4. Modoc County Transportation Commission

Executive Director Pederson reported that a letter of support was sent to Caltrans asking to include Modoc in the Intelligent Transportation System Plan. Advocating to include the northern section of Highway 395, spanning from Lassen County through Modoc to the Oregon border.

7. Staff Update, Correspondence and Calendar

Executive Director Pedersen reminded everyone the annual BarBQ will take place at the August meeting and starts at 12:00 pm.

8. Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Commissioner Larranaga; seconded by Commissioner Moriarity to adjourn the meeting at 1:48 p.m. All Ayes; motion carried. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 1:30 p.m., or soon thereafter, in the Sage Stage Conference Room, 108 S. Main Street, Alturas, CA.

Submitted by,



Kathy Tiff
Executive Assistant Secretary