

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Comprehensive Operational Analysis Update

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**Action Requested**

This is an informational item.

**Update**

During the previous 60-days there has been significant activity with the agency's Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA) study.

Board Retreat: On July 15<sup>th</sup>, a Board retreat was held at the Hilton Doubletree Hotel in Pleasanton. During the four-hour workshop, the consultant team covered introduction to transit planning, the current Tri-Valley transit market, initial findings from the existing conditions report/state of the system, and had an interactive discussion about service tradeoffs.

Public Meetings: Three public meetings were held the week of July 27<sup>th</sup> and were widely attended by both riders and non-riders. Meetings were publicized via various channels and each meeting was attended by at least 30 people. The meeting format was open-house style with several boards set up throughout the room. Members of the consultant team and LAVTA staff were on-hand to answer questions and discuss the study with those in attendance. Attendees were also asked to weigh in on the service tradeoffs.

Stakeholder Meeting: The COA's Stakeholder Advisory Committee, which is comprised of representatives of major employers, school districts, Las Positas College and opinion leaders in the Tri-Valley, met on July 28<sup>th</sup>. The agenda included a Transit 101 course, a "state of the system" review of Wheels, and a

discussion on what was important for the community leaders moving forward with the Wheels bus system.

Technical Advisory Committee Meeting: The COA's Technical Advisory Committee, comprised of staff from the three Tri-Valley cities, as well as staff from CCCTA, BART, ACTC, and MTC met on July 29<sup>th</sup>. The agenda for the TAC meeting was similar to that of the Stakeholder Advisory Committee.

Next Steps: The second round of public meetings to present service alternatives will take place the week of October 26. Staff has asked the consultant team to meet with the WAAC during that same week in order to gather feedback. Staff is recommending the WAAC move their November 4 meeting to **Wednesday, October 28 from 3:00-5:00pm**, with the first 30-60 minutes reserved for a discussion of the COA with the consultant team.