# TUOLUMNE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



# GOVERNING BODIES HANDBOOK 2025

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#### Introduction

This Handbook is intended to identify and define the Board approved committees purpose, authority, and rules governing all of the committees. These rules apply to all committees that Board members are appointed to serve on as well as those to which the Board appoints members of the public to serve on under their direction.

In 2023 the Handbook was significantly modified to reflect staff research regarding Authorizing Authorities, Purpose, Legislation, and Historical Board Actions to verify accuracy since previously adopted in 2018. The Board shall annually evaluate the committees contained in this Handbook to ensure that the Board is participating only in those that have been approved as necessary or otherwise desirable to efficiently and effectively govern the County. Accordingly, this document is considered a living document to be updated prior to the beginning of each calendar year to assist in the process of appointments made by the incoming Board Chair as well as the full Board. Upon its adoption, this Handbook serves as a policy document for all Board Committees unless otherwise mandated by State or Federal guidelines.

In keeping with the Board's goal to increase citizen access to information and outreach, staff will maintain the most recent version of this Handbook on the County website and update individual committee pages to reflect said changes.

As a further service to the public, the Board Clerk will place an annual report on the County website of those who currently serve on the County's committees and commissions (i.e. Policy Advisory Committees, Mandated Advisory Committees, Planning Commission, etc.), information on vacancies and applications for same.

# **Policy Advisory Committees**

The Board of Supervisors is the policy-making body of the County of Tuolumne. No other County official, representative, and/or committee may make policy on behalf of the County of Tuolumne unless expressly authorized by federal or state law, County ordinance, or resolution and/or other act of delegation by the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors desires to utilize policy advisory committees to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the full Board.

#### **Purpose**

The Board of Supervisors desires to create policy advisory committees in order to serve the full Board by:

- 1. The primary focus is to achieve Board Goals and Priorities
- 2. Insuring policy items coming to the full Board are mature:
  - the policy issue has been properly defined
  - all reasonable alternatives relative to a particular policy issue have been identified, researched, and considered
  - recommendations are clear and well substantiated
- 3. Providing a place for investigation of specific policy issues brought to the full Board's attention by members of the Board and/or public; and
- 4. Providing a forum for early and complete public vetting of potentially controversial policy issues.

# **Authority**

The authority of any Board policy committee stems from the full Board which defines, and limits said authority. The Board of Supervisors authorize Policy Advisory Committees to complete their work in alignment with the Strategic Goals adopted by the Board of Supervisors and the following guidelines:

- 1. Through the Board approved purpose statements for each committee;
- 2. Committees are not to address and/or direct departmental operational issues;
- 3. Committees shall serve in an advisory capacity only to the full Board through Principal Staff Support assigned to the Committee;
- 4. Committees shall serve to support decision-making by the full Board;
- 5. Committees cannot direct or initiate policy action, establish departmental work priorities, and/or commit County resources without the authorization of the full Board; and
- 6. Annual committee work programs shall be developed and forwarded to the full Board for approval as to the items to be worked on, the priority order in which they should be addressed, and the use of resources to pursue the same.
- 7. Should the full Board approve, an Ad Hoc Committee can be established, with no more than two (2) Board members, for a limited time (less than 12 months) and a specific purpose.

#### Rules

The Board of Supervisors desires to create general rules to govern the conduct of all its policy advisory committees. Upon Board approval, this Handbook will supersede all committee bylaws, resolutions, and Board actions and will be used as the primary guide for running committee meetings.

Those general rules shall be as follows:

#### Membership

- Where there are two members of the Board of Supervisors appointed, they shall serve as Chair and Vice-Chair. Where there is one member of the Board of Supervisors appointed they shall serve as the Chair unless otherwise explicitly mandated by State and/or Federal law.
- 2. Committee meetings must not occur without at least one Board Member present.
- 3. It will be the responsibility of the appointed member who cannot attend a meeting to find their replacement and arrange for the meeting information (e.g. agendas, back-up materials, etc.) to be provided to the alternate. Alternate attendees should be prepared to participate in meetings as called upon. In the event, a regular delegate of any Board committee, commission, or other organization cannot attend a meeting and the designated alternate is unable to attend in their place, any other member of the Board of Supervisors may serve as an alternate for that meeting.
- Committee chairs are expected to report back to the full Board on activities of their respective committees under Board Reports at the regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meetings.
- 5. Unless otherwise established in the Committee creation/modification resolution or minute order the terms shall be staggered and a minimum of 2 years.
- 6. All applications will be considered when filling district-specific vacancies. However, preference will be given to district residents.
- 7. Applicants will be required to attend a minimum of two meetings prior to their appointment. The purpose of this requirement is for the applicant to become familiar with the Committee work plan and mission before membership commitment.
- 8. Committee members may be required to submit an Oath of Office with the Clerk of the Board's Office, upon appointment and before attending their first meeting as a voting member.
- 9. A member who is recorded as unexcused absent for 3 consecutive meetings may be removed from the Committee and their seat declared vacant by the Chair of the Committee. Notification shall be made in writing to the absentee member and the Board of Supervisors. An absence is recorded as an excused absence when the principal staff person is notified immediately.
- 10. If any member of a Committee fails to fulfill their duties and/or consistently distracts from the work plan established and approved by the Board of Supervisors said member shall be removed from their appointed seat by a majority vote of the Committee.

#### **Meeting Protocols**

- Agendas shall be set by the Chair in consultation with the principal staff support. Items cannot be put on the agenda if they are outside of the purview of the committee/commission.
- Agendas shall contain at a minimum the following elements according to Ralph M. Brown Act:
  - Meeting Location, Date, and Time
  - Participation Procedures (if not in person only)<sup>1</sup>
  - Call to Order & Roll Call for Hybrid/Virtual Meetings
  - Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes (Regular Agenda)
  - Open Public Comment for items not on the printed agenda under the Committee/Commission's purview
  - Discussion Items with a brief general description of each item to be discussed or transacted at the meeting
  - Adjournment
  - Notice for Special Assistance/Accommodations and Access to Late Agenda Materials with Contact Information
- 3. All committee agenda items shall be presented through a staff report or presentation that discusses the policy issue at hand, alternative approaches to address the policy issue, and the staff's preliminary recommendation. Staff reports are needed to focus committee deliberations and ensure agenda items are sufficiently mature for a preliminary discussion. Staff will determine the most appropriate and experienced presenters; this may require outside consultants.
- 4. The dual goals for complex policy issues coming to the full Board are that they have been fully researched and have a committee recommendation associated with them. It is the responsibility of the principal staff person to bring the recommendation to the full Board for their final decision on the committee recommendation. If a recommendation cannot be reached (via consensus or formal vote), the item shall not move forward to the Board.
- 5. Meetings shall be scheduled and determined by the Committees on an annual basis <sup>2</sup>, unless otherwise specified. Meetings may be canceled according to the Ralph M. Brown Act requirements if there is no business to discuss. Special meetings can be scheduled as required following Ralph M. Brown Act requirements.
- Committee meetings are subject to the open meeting laws contained in the Ralph M. Brown Act including requirements for proper postings of agendas<sup>3</sup> opportunities for public comment<sup>3</sup> and agenda back-up documentation.
- 7. The definition of a quorum is the full voting membership count (even if seats are vacant) divided in half, plus one. For example, full voting membership is 20 members, thus a quorum would be 11 members. If a quorum is not met, meetings shall be canceled according to the Ralph M. Brown Act requirements. Government Code § 54952.2. and § 54952.6.
- 8. Committee meetings will be canceled or rescheduled if neither the chair nor vice-chair are present and they are not able to find an alternate Board member; if the meeting is canceled, no business related to the purpose of the committee may be discussed.
- 9. Summary minutes of committee meetings shall be prepared by the principal staff support or their designee and adopted by the committee. Summary minutes<sup>4</sup> should

- include all appearances, presentations, actions taken relative to agenda business, and all recesses and reconvening times.
- 10. Should the full Board approve, an Ad Hoc subcommittee can be established, with no more than 2 Board members, for a limited time (less than 12 months) and a specific purpose.

#### Operational Processes:

- 1 Due to the nature of County committee meetings, each agenda shall specify in-person and/or virtual options for participation and public comment.
- 2 Ensure the committees' webpage is maintained to reflect current information for regular meeting dates and times and that it is also on the main page calendar.
- 3 Agenda posting should occur through the County website "Agenda Center" which will publish to all subscribers upon posting. The agenda should also be pushed to the committees' event on the main calendar of the website. A printed copy of the agenda shall be posted on the outside of the building where the meeting will take place in an accessible and well-lit area.
- 4 To ensure consistency and transparency all draft minutes should be watermarked with draft and included with the agenda posting for approval. Once the minutes are approved and finalized, they shall be posted in the "Agenda Center" on the County website as a separate attachment under the original meeting date "Minutes".

# **Airports Advisory Committee**

**Purpose Statement:** The Airports Advisory Committee advises the Board of Supervisors on

Tuolumne County Airport issues including development, operations, and use. The committee serves as a sounding board and catalyst for the development of recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

**Authorizing Legislation**: 08/08/2023 Board Action: Established Committee, 10/17/2023 Board

Action: Modified Membership

Membership: Board of Supervisors (2)

Resident of the surrounding community of the Columbia Airport (1)

Pine Mountain Lake Airport resident/user (2) Columbia Airport tenant - Fixed Base Operator (1)

Columbia Airport user (1)

**Principal Staff Support:** Airport Manager

#### Finance Committee

**Purpose Statement:** The Finance Committee is to serve the Board by reviewing,

commenting on and recommending new and/or modifications to existing policy related to: 1) budgeting; 2) debt capacity and

borrowing; 3) capital improvement plans; 4) user fees; 5) growth in government expenditures and revenues (GIGER) mitigation fees; 6)

potential tax, parcel fee and special assessment measures; 7)

purchasing; 8) accounting procedures (e.g. GASB, A-87 overhead, etc.); 9) financial audits; 10) investments; 11) performance audits; and 12) Employee Innovation Program. The Finance Committee can also be

used to "monitor" the development of the County Budget.

It is recognized that this committee can review and comment on but not direct the work of the independently elected Auditor/Controller,

Treasurer/Tax Collector and Assessor/Recorder.

Membership: Board of Supervisors (2)

**Principal Staff Support:** County Administration Staff Member

Auditor/Controller

Treasurer/Tax Collector Assessor/Recorder

# Fire Safety Advisory Committee

**Purpose Statement**: We envision a resilient landscape that is less susceptible to

catastrophic fire effects with reduced risk to public health and safety, proactive communication with a clear, unified message, safe and orderly evacuations with no loss of life, and the public who are

educated, prepared, and practicing.

**Authorizing Legislation**: 02/16/2021 Board Action: Established the Committee; 04/06/2021

Board Action: Modified the Membership; 06/11/2024 Board Action:

Modified the Membership

Membership: <u>Voting Members:</u>

Board of Supervisors (2)

Members of the public (3), at large

Tuolumne County Fire (1)

Tuolumne County Sheriff's Office (1)

City of Sonora (1)

Fire Chiefs Association (1)

**Advisory Members:** 

Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians (1)

Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians (1)

Tuolumne Fire Safe Council (1) USFS-Stanislaus National Forest (1)

**Principal Staff Support**: Office of Emergency Services Coordinator

#### Housing Loan Review (CDBG & HOME) Committee

**Purpose Statement:** The Housing Loan Review Committee aka the HOME Investment

Partnership (HOME) was created by the Board of Supervisors in 2005 to provide oversight of the County's affordable housing programs including the First-Time Homebuyer, Housing Rehabilitation and Rental Assistance Programs. These programs are grant funded through entities such as the State of California HOME Partnership Program, Community Development Block Grant Program, and the CalHome Program. Committee members review and approve program loans and guidelines and provide general oversight of the County's affordable housing program and affordable housing loan portfolio.

**Authorizing Legislation**: Resolution No. 48-10 rescinded R150-05 and established the

committee on June 1, 2010

**Membership**: Seven (7) members:

Board of Supervisors designee (1)

Representative of banking or lending institution (1)
Representative from a non-profit organization that is

involved in housing services (1)

Representatives from the real estate industry with financial

or construction experience (2)

Community Development Department (CDD) Representative (1)

Chief Building Official (1)

**Principal Staff Support**: Community Development Department Business Manager

#### **Natural Resources Committee**

**Purpose Statement**: The Natural Resources Committee serves as an advisory group to the

Board of Supervisors on all issues related to natural resources (e.g. water and power rights, fisheries, timber management, forest health, access to recreation areas on public lands, etc.). One of the key

responsibilities of this committee is to review draft staff reports to the full Board containing proposed comments on plans, studies, actions, and environmental documents emanating from state or federal

agencies concerning public lands.

**Authorizing Legislation:** 02/14/2010 Board Action: Established committee; 02/17/2015 Board

Action: change membership composition and voting status,

09/12/2023 Board Action: Membership Modification

**Membership**: Board of Supervisors (2)

Fish and Wildlife Preservation Fund Advisory Committee (1)

Agricultural Advisory Committee (1)

Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District (1)

At Large Member (1)

Tuolumne Utilities District (1)

Groveland Community Services District (1)

Hetch Hetchy Water and Power (1)

Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians (1)

Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians (1)

**Principal Staff Support**: County Administration Staff Member

County Counsel, as needed

#### **Transportation Committee**

**Purpose Statement:** The Transportation Committee is to serve the Board by reviewing,

commenting on and recommending new and/or modifications to

existing policy related to: 1) standards for road design and

construction, road capacity, traffic modeling, and related drainage facilities; 2) maintained public road system; 3) county service areas (CSAs) and permanent road divisions (PRDs); 4) regional transportation

plan; and 5) traffic mitigation fee program.

**Authorizing Legislation:** 06/01/2004 Board Action: Re-established committee

Membership: Board of Supervisors two (2)

**Principal Staff Support:** Public Works Director or Designee

Committee Secretary Supervising Manager Road Superintendent

County Administration Staff Member, as needed

County Counsel, as needed

#### **Tuolumne County Committee on Aging**

**Purpose Statement**: The Tuolumne County Committee on Aging is an informed voice in the

community, to advise the Board of Supervisors, support, and advocate on any or all matters affecting the aging in Tuolumne County. The activities of the Committee on Aging can involve planning, special

studies, promotion, and advocacy.

**Authorizing Legislation:** 07/20/1982 Established by Resolution No. 180-82; 08/20/2002

Membership Amended by Resolution No. 120-02; Bylaws Adopted (06/2006); Bylaws Amended (11/2010); Bylaws Amended (02/2013);

Bylaws Amended (04/2016); Bylaws last Amended (12/2016),

10/03/2023 Board Action: Modified Membership

**Membership**: Board of Supervisor (1) ex-officio representative

No more than fourteen (14) members

To ensure all Tuolumne County Supervisorial districts are represented within the Committee on Aging membership, each County Supervisor is allowed to appoint, from their Supervisorial district, one individual

member to the Committee on Aging.

A majority of the members shall be "seniors".

**Principal Staff Support**: County Administration Staff Member

#### **Tuolumne County Homelessness Committee**

**Purpose Statement**: The Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors identified as a top priority

community, family and health. The Board identified addressing the homeless, in collaboration with public and private agencies, to develop

and implement a plan to address homelessness.

**Authorizing Legislation**: 02/16/2021 Board Action: Established Tuolumne County Homeless

Advisory Committee; 04/06/2021 Board Action: Modified

Membership; 05/18/2021 Board Action: Modified Membership;

08/10/2021 Resolution No. 69-21: Name changed to Tuolumne County Commission on Homelessness, Modified Membership, and Approved bylaws; 08/16/2022 Board Action: Modified Membership, Nullified the bylaws adopted on 08/10/2021, and Adopted the Board of Supervisors

Committees Rules; 12/06/2022 Board Action: Name changed to Tuolumne County Homelessness Committee and Adopted new Committee Rules, 12/19/2023 Board Action: Modified Membership

**Membership**: Board of Supervisors (1)

Members of the public (5), one from each Supervisorial District

Sonora City Councilmember (1)

Amador Tuolumne Community Action Agency (1) Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians (1)

Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians (1) Tuolumne County Business Council (1)

Local Services Provider (1) Affected Population (1)

Non-voting Advisers (2)

Sheriff's Office (1)

District Attorney's Office (1)

**Principal Staff Support**: Homeless Services Coordinator

County Counsel, as needed

# **Mandated Advisory Committees**

#### **Purpose**

The Board of Supervisors desires to use mandated advisory committees to facilitate communications and offer advice to County staff in charge of certain operational areas of County government.

#### **Authority**

The authority for departmental operations vests with the related department head under the direction of the County Administrator and Board of Supervisors. Mandated advisory committees cannot unto themselves set County policy direction and/or commit County resources.

#### Rules

Mandated advisory committees shall follow the Policy Advisory Committee rules unless otherwise mandated by State and/or Federal law. The Board of Supervisors does allow for great latitude with the formality and/or informality of operational rules for such committees so long as they do not allow such committees to stray from the general purpose and scope of authority outlined above.

Committee members may be required to adopt a Conflict of Interest Code for the committee and annually file a statement of economic interests pursuant to Chapter 7 of the California Government Code commencing with Section 87100.

#### Behavioral Health Advisory Board

#### **Purpose Statement:**

To promote wellness, education, early intervention, prevention, treatment and recovery. To advocate for consumers; to protect/ensure high quality services are available to all; to advise the program and county administrators of community needs and concerns.

The Advisory Board shall:

- Review and evaluate the community's behavioral health needs, services, facilities, and special problems.
- Review any county agreements entered into pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5650.
- Advise the Board of Supervisors and the local behavioral health director as to any aspect of the local behavioral health program.
- Review and approve the procedures used to ensure citizen and professional involvement at all stages of the planning process.
- Submit an annual report to the Board of Supervisors on the needs and performance of the county's behavioral health system. The annual report will be completed in the month best suited for this County's needs as determined by the Advisory Board.
- Review and make recommendations on applicants for the appointment of a local director of behavioral health services. The Advisory Board shall be included in the selection process prior to the vote of the Board of Supervisors.
- Review and comment on the county's performance outcome data and communicate its findings to the California Behavioral Health Planning Council.
- Additional duties as assigned by the Board of Supervisors

**Authorizing Legislation:** 

Welfare and Institutions Code Division 5, Section 5604 (AB 1424, effective 01/01/2016)

Membership:

5-15 members

At least 50% shall be current or former consumers or family of

consumers

At least 20% shall be consumers

At least 20% shall be families of consumers

Board of Supervisor (1) 3 year staggered terms

**Principal Staff Support:** 

Director of Behavioral Health

# Fish and Wildlife Preservation Fund Advisory Committee

**Purpose Statement:** The Fish and Wildlife Preservation Fund Advisory Committee was

formed to review requests for Fish and Wildlife Preservation Funds, to determine if the requests are appropriate, and to make decisions on the appropriation of these funds. In addition, this committee may

provide advisory input to the Board of Supervisors in matters pertaining to the county's fisheries and wildlife resources.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Fish and Game Code 13100; 02/11/1986 Board Action: Established

Committee, 12/19/2023 Board Action: Modified the Name

**Membership:** Five (5) Members

Sportsmen Club (1)

Public (4)

**Principal Staff Support:** County Administration Staff Member

# **Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council**

**Purpose Statement**: The purpose of the Tuolumne County Juvenile Justice Coordinating

Council (JJCC) shall be to develop and implement a continuation of county-based responses to juvenile crime, set priorities for the use of granted or allocated funding for juvenile justice activities when applicable, and develop a comprehensive, multi-agency Juvenile Justice Plan that identifies resources and strategies for providing an effective continuum of responses for the prevention, intervention, supervision, treatment, and incarceration of juvenile offenders, including strategies to develop and implement local out-of-home placement options for the offender. Additionally, the Tuolumne County JJCC sits as the Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant Subcomittee which prepares and submits an annual plan to the State

Office of Youth and Community Restoration.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Government Code Section 30061; Welfare and Institutions Code

Sections 749.22, 1991, & 1995; SB 823; AB 505; 08/10/21 Established by Resolution No. 70-21, 12/19/2023 Board Action: Modified the

Purpose and Membership

Membership: Chief Probation Officer or their designee (1) as Chair/Co-Chair

District Attorney or their designee (1) Sheriff-Coroner or their designee (1) Public Defender or their designee (1)

Board of Supervisors (1)

Director of Health and Human Services Agency or designee (1)

Director of Behavioral Health or designee (1) Sonora Chief of Police or their designee (1)

Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools or a representative from

a local school district (1)

Tuolumne County Superior Court (1)
At-large community representatives (2)

Community-based drug and alcohol program (1)

Non-profit community-based juvenile social services organization (1) County alcohol and drug program administrator (1) (unless the county alcohol and drug program administrator is already a member of the council by virtue of being represented by another office on the council,

i.e., Director of Behavioral Health)

**Principal Staff Support**: Chief Probation Officer

#### **Law Library Board of Trustees**

**Purpose Statement**: Established to maintain a County Law Library

**Authorizing Legislation**: California Business & Professions Code Section 6301; 01/08/2002

Board Action: Approve New Membership Requirements

Membership: At least 6, but not more than 7 members

Superior Court Judges or designees (4)

Board of Supervisor designee – County Counsel (1) Board of Supervisor State Bar appointees (1-2)

**Principal Staff Support**: Court Executive Officer

#### California Business & Professions Code

Excerpt from §6301

- (2) In a county where there are more than three judges of the superior court, the judges of that court shall elect either four or five of their number to serve as trustees.
- (3) Any judge of the superior court who is an ex officio or elected member may, at the judge's option, designate a resident of the county or a member of the State Bar to act for the judge as trustee.
- (4) The chair of the board of supervisors is ex officio a trustee, but the board of supervisors at the request of the chair may appoint a member of the State Bar, any other member of the board of supervisors of the county, or a resident of the county to serve as a trustee in place of the chair. The appointment of the person selected in place of the chair of the board of supervisors shall expire when a new chair of the board of supervisors is selected, and that appointment shall not be subject to the provisions of Section 6302.
- (5) The board of supervisors shall appoint as many additional trustees, who are members of the State Bar, as may be necessary to constitute a board of at least six and not more than seven members.

#### Solid Waste Committee

**Purpose Statement:** 

The Solid Waste Committee is to serve the Board by reviewing, commenting on and recommending new and/or modifications to existing policy related to the Solid Waste collection, management and disposal systems within the County. This will involve policy issues such as the make-up of franchise hauler service areas, the location and nature of disposal facilities (e.g. transfer stations, landfills, recycling centers, etc.), collection systems (e.g. method of curb side collection), systems to maximize recycling of waste, and means of funding the overall solid waste system. This committee will not develop and oversee day-to-day management of franchise agreements with haulers and transfer station operators. This committee will also serve as the Local Task Force in compliance with Public Resources Code Section 40950 (5-year waste and recycling system plan review)

**Authorizing Legislation:** 

03/11/2003 Resolution No. 32-03 Established the Committee; 04/08/2003 Resolution No. 50-03 Rescinded 32-03 and Modified Membership; 09/21/2004 Resolution No. 164-04 Rescinded 50-03 and Modified the Membership; 12/06/2005 Resolution No. 161-05 Reconvened the Solid Waste Local Task Force (LTF); 12/06/2005 Resolution No. 162-05 Rescinded 32-03, 50-03, & 164-04 and Modified Membership; 09/14/2021 Resolution No. 88-21 Repealed Resolution Nos. 161-05 & 162-05 and Consolidated the LTF into the Committee and assumed responsibility for the five-year review of the Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan (CIWMP).

Membership:

Five (5) Members to include: Board of Supervisors (2) Sonora City Council (1) At Large (2)

**Principal Staff Support:** 

Solid Waste Director, Committee Secretary
Public Works Director

Environmental Health Director County Counsel, as needed

County Administration Staff Member, as needed

# Veterans' Hall Advisory Committee

**Purpose Statement**: To provide a venue for Veterans and County staff to discuss plant

projects for the Veteran's Hall Facilities and to prioritize projects based

on allocated funding.

**Authorizing Legislation:** 10/18/88 Established by Board of Supervisors Minutes; Filed May 10,

1991, Superior Court Stipulation Re: Modification of Judgment Entered October 3, 1990 and Order, Changed Name and Modified Membership

by Board Action on 10/03/2023

Membership: Board of Supervisors (2)

One representative or their designee from each local veteran's post,

who shall be chosen by their respective organizations (7):

• American Legion Post 58

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3154

Veterans of Foreign Wars 3154 Auxillary

Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) Chapter 391

• Vietnam Veterans of America Auxiliary – Associates of VVA

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4748

• Tuolumne County Veterans Committee (TCVC) Chair

Principal Staff Support: Health and Human Services Agency

**Veterans Services Officer** 

#### **Joint Powers Authorities**

#### **Purpose**

The Board of Supervisors has chosen to participate in several organizations made up of multiple governmental organizations via joint powers agreements (JPA). Each organization has its own unique purpose.

#### **Authority**

The powers or authority of any JPA is stems from that enumerated in statute and the JPA document itself. Even though the County may choose to participate in a JPA that does not by itself grant the JPA the authority to act on behalf of the Board of Supervisors or direct County programs and resources. Actions of a JPA; however, may indeed impact funding for various County programs and planning of the County.

#### Rules

Each of these organizations set-forth their own formal and/or informal operational rules.

#### Area 12 Agency on Aging (A12AA)

**Purpose Statement**: To provide leadership in addressing issues that relate to older

Californians; to develop community-based systems of care that provide services which support independence within California's interdependent society, and which protect the quality of life of older

persons with functional impairments; and to promote citizen

involvement in the planning and delivery of services.

Member Agencies: Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Mariposa and Tuolumne Counties. Alpine

County is part of the Planning and Service Area (PSA) but not a

member of the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) Board.

**Authorizing Legislation**: Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement between the JPA Board

represented Counties and the Area Agency on Aging. JPA: 10/08/1987 to 07/27/1995; 06/04/2013; and 05/17/2019. A12AA Advisory Council

Bylaws: 09/19/1988 to 05/04/2017

Membership: Governing Board One (1) County Board Supervisor from each JPA

Board represented County.

**Advisory Council (30)** 

Tuolumne County Representatives (10)

Community Members (9) Contracting Provider (1)

**Tuolumne County** 

Principal Staff Support: County Administration Staff Member
Funding: Approximate Annual Budget: \$5.2 million

Primary Sources of Funding: State & Federal Grants

Method of County Contribution: Mandatory Match & Annual

Contribution

# **Amador-Tuolumne Community Action Agency**

**Purpose Statement**: Our vision is for residents in our community to be self-reliant, healthy,

free from economic hardship, and feel sustained by the support of community and family. We wish for them to achieve their maximum potential as well as be engaged citizens promoting their own well-

being.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Joint Powers Agreement 06/16/1981; Government Code Section

25209.3; Economic Opportunity Act of 1964

Member Agencies: Amador and Tuolumne Counties

**Membership**: Members 15-18 – approximately 50% from each county

Amador County - Elected officials, or their representatives - (2) two;

Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors (2) two; Representatives of the low-income sector:

(6) six - approximately (3) three from each County

Representatives from the private sector:

(6) – (3) three from each county

**Tuolumne County** 

**Principal Staff Support**: Health and Human Service Agency Staff

**Funding**: Approximate Annual Budget: \$9 million

**Primary Sources of Funding: Federal Government** 

Method of County Contribution: Match

# Central Sierra Broadband Utility Zone Consortium

**Purpose Statement**: The mission of the Central Sierra "BUZ" Consortium(Consortium) is to

represent the Central Sierra region in all matters that concern broadband which has been approved and funded by the California Advanced Services Fund under the CA Public Utilities Commission.

Member Agencies: The counties of Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne and Mariposa

**Authorizing Legislation:** 12/21/2021 Resolution No. 128-21 Approved Participation

Membership: Supervisors that serve on the Central Sierra Planning Council &

Economic Development District also serve as Consortium Directors.

Principal Staff Support: Tuolumne County IT Broadband Manager

Motherlode Job Training Executive Director

#### Central Sierra Child Support Agency

The mission of the California Child Support Services **Purpose Statement:** 

Program is to enhance the well-being of children and the self-sufficiency of families by providing professional services to locate parents establish paternity and establish and enforce orders for financial and medical support.

The mission of the Central Sierra Child Support Agency is to advocate for the well-being of children by establishing paternity, enforcing child support and medical support orders; disbursing child support to the custodial parties and/or the County for reimbursement of public assistance expended for minor children; locating non-custodial

parents and assets; and investigating criminal non-support.

**Member Agencies:** The counties of Alpine, Amador, Calaveras and Tuolumne.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Amended and Restated Joint Powers Agreement forming the Central

Sierra Child Support Agency, approved 09/07/2010 (Tuolumne County

Board of Supervisors approved on 10/14/2010).

**Federal Authority:** Title IV-D of the Social Security Act enacted 1975 and 45

Code of Federal Regulations Part 300

Family Code section 17400 et seq. State Authority:

Membership: Seven (7) members from the Boards of Supervisors of the

member counties as follows:

(1) from Alpine County

(2) each from the counties of Amador, Calaveras and Tuolumne Each member county shall appoint one (1)

alternate Director

Funding: Annual Budget: Combined from all counties for 2014-15:

\$4,940,779.00

Primary Sources of Funding: Federal (66%) and State (34%)

Method of County Contribution: None

# Central Sierra Economic Development District (CSEDD)

**Purpose Statement**: To promote economic growth by means of planning and coordinating

the efforts of members and the private sector within the territorial

limits of the members.

To promote more jobs for the unemployed and underemployed

residents of the members.

To improve the social and physical environments of the members.

To prevent unnecessary duplication of effort on behalf of members.

Member Agencies: Alpine, Calaveras, Mariposa and Tuolumne Counties; Cities of Sonora

and Angels Camp

**Authorizing Legislation:** Joint Powers Agreement (1976, Amended 1996, 03/05/2011

Resolution No. 19-11 Amended Membership to include Mariposa County; 01/15/2013 Resolution No. 5-13 Amended Agreement; 03/03/2015 Resolution No. 28-15 Amended Agreement and Amador

County & Cities Withdrawal

Membership: Board of Supervisors (1)

Sonora City Council (1) TC Citizen Member (1)

Alpine Board of Supervisors (1)
Alpine Citizen Member (1)

Calaveras Board of Supervisors (1)
Calaveras Citizen Member (1)
Mariposa Board of Supervisors (1)
Mariposa Citizen Member (1)
Angels Camp City Council (1)

**Tuolumne County** 

**Principal Staff Support**: Auditor-Controller

**County Counsel** 

County Administration Staff Member

Mother Lode Job Training

**Funding**: Annual Budget:

Approx. \$25,000

Primary Sources of Funding: Member Contributions, Grants Method of County Contribution: As defined by the JPA

# Central Sierra Planning Council (CSPC)

**Purpose Statement**: To develop and/or confirm area planning goals, principles, policies and

standards.

To review and take action as may be appropriate on such matters as member agency or area General Plan proposals, applications for planning item certification by Federal agencies, applications for assistance under various planning and facilities grant programs and other matters properly submitted by member or other agencies or matters requiring action by provisions of law.

To establish and maintain contact for coordination and information purposes with Federal, State and local agencies concerned with

planning and similar fields of activity.

Member Agencies: Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Mariposa and Tuolumne Counties; Cities of

Sonora, Angels Camp, Jackson, Ione, Sutter Creek, Amador City and

Plymouth

**Authorizing Legislation:** Joint Powers Agreement (1973); 03/15/2011 Resolution No. 19-11

Amended Membership to include Mariposa County

**Membership**: TC Board of Supervisors (1) & (1) alternate

Sonora City Council (1) & (1) alternate

Alpine Board of Supervisors (1) & (1) alternate Amador Board of Supervisors (1) & (1) alternate Calaveras Board of Supervisors (1) & (1) alternate Mariposa Board of Supervisors (1) & (1) alternate Angels Camp City Council (1) & (1) alternate

1 representative for the 5 cities of Amador (Plymouth, Jackson, Ione,

Amador City, Sutter Creek)

**Tuolumne County** 

**Principal Staff Support**: Auditor-Controller

County Counsel

County Administration Staff Member

# **Mother Lode Job Training (MLJT)**

**Purpose Statement**: The purpose of the MLJT Board is to increase the involvement of the

business community, including small business, minority business enterprises, and labor organizations in employment and training activities under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), and to increase employment opportunities for residents of the member counties. The MLJT Board shall appoint members and alternates to the Workforce Development Board of the Mother Lode

Local Workforce Development Area (WDB).

**Authorizing Legislation:** 06/27 1983 Joint Powers Agreement for Creation of MLJT Agency; By-

Laws Revised 02/15/2007 and 01/23/2017

**Membership**: Chairperson of the Board of Supervisor (or his/her designee) and one

(1) alternate of the following participating counties: Amador,

Calaveras, Tuolumne, and Mariposa Counties (4)

Chairman of the WDB (1)

# Mountain Counties Air Basin Air Pollution Control Coordinating Council

**Purpose Statement**: The Mountain Counties Air Basin Control Coordinating Council was

formed in 1972 by all member districts of the Joint Powers Agreement. It is jointly involved in enforcement, engineering, administration, planning, and air monitoring as part of an active and effective basin-

wide air pollution control program.

**Authorizing Legislation**: Agreements: 09/11/1975, 04/30/1991; 05/20/1997; and 08/12/1997;

06/21/1977 Resolution No. 329-76 Approving Agreement

**Membership**: Seven (7) members who are elected directors or designees for the

Districts they represent who have been selected by the Board of Directors of each Air Pollution Control District of the Mountain

Counties Basin to include Northern Sierra. Placer, El Dorado, Amador,

Calaveras, Tuolumne, and Mariposa.

**Principal Staff Support:** Air Pollution Control Officer

#### Tuolumne County Transit Agency (TCTA)

**Purpose Statement**: If the Tuolumne County Transportation Council determines that the

Members have transit needs which can be reasonably met, it is the intention of the members that the Agency formed hereby shall be the entity by which said needs may be met. The specific purpose is to exercise the common powers of the members by the formation of a JPA with full power and authority to own, operate and administer a public transportation system within the boundaries of the County of Tuolumne, which agency shall be determined by which transit needs of the members may be met. The Agency will provide policy direction

and general oversight of the public transportation system.

Member Agencies: County of Tuolumne

City of Sonora

**Authorizing Legislation**: Government Code 29532; 08/16/2011 Joint Powers Agreement with

Tuolumne County and City of Sonora

Membership: Board of Supervisors (2)

Sonora City Council (2)

The County and City Board directors shall appoint a "citizen"

director (1) - reside in Tuolumne County

**Principal Staff Support**: Executive Director

**Public Works Director** 

County Administration Staff Member

City Engineer City Administrator

#### Tuolumne County Transportation Council (TCTC)

Purpose Statement: The Tuolumne County Transportation Council is technically a Council

of Governments composed of both the County of Tuolumne and the

City of Sonora with ex-officio participation by the California

Department of Transportation, the MeWuk Tribal Government, and the California Highway Patrol. The TCTC functions as a Joint Powers

Authority to program specific federal and state transportation

revenues within the boundaries of Tuolumne County. TCTC regularly

decides how to prioritize and program monies for the State
Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), and federal funding
programs. In addition, the TCTC serves both the Board and the

Sonora City Council by reviewing, commenting on and recommending or adopting new and/or modifications to existing policy related to: 1) the public transportation system, 2) the Regional Transportation Plan(RTP); 3) State legislative policy relative to Transportation; 4) Traffic Mitigation Fee program; 5) the State Highway Operations and Preservation Program(SHOPP); and 6) various Transportation Planning

policies that affect the County and the City of Sonora.

Member Agencies: County of Tuolumne

City of Sonora

**Authorizing Legislation**: Government Code Section 29532; 08/16/2011 Joint Powers

Agreement with Tuolumne County and City of Sonora

Membership: Board of Supervisors (2)

Sonora City Council (2)

At-large Public Member (1) – appointed by the TCTC

**Principal Staff Support**: Executive Director

Public Works Director or Designee County Administration Staff Member

City Engineer City Administrator

Highway Patrol Commander
Me Wuk Tribe Planning Director

Funding: Approximate Annual Budget: \$1.5 million not including capital funding

Primary Sources of Funding: A) Rural Planning Assistance funds B) Planning, Programming and Monitoring funds C) Rural Surface

Transportation Program Exchange funds and D) Local Transportation

Funds

Method of County Contribution: None

# Yosemite Area Regional Transit System (YARTS) Joint Powers Authority

**Purpose Statement**: The Authority shall function as the regional representative within the

Service Area for transit and alternative transportation and may offer comments, recommendations, and advice with regard to Yosemite National Park's management plans, policies and implementation

programs, which affect transportation.

Authorizing Legislation: 03/16/2021 Resolution No. 20-21 Assigning the two sitting Board of

Supervisors representatives on the Tuolumne County Transit Agency

(TCTA) to serve on the YARTS Board of Directors

Membership: Merced County, Board of Supervisors (2)

Mariposa County, Board of Supervisors (2) Mono County, Board of Supervisors (2) Tuolumne County, Board of Supervisors (2) Madera County, Board of Supervisors (1)

City of Huron (1) City of Kingsburg (1)

**Principal Staff Support**: Executive Director of Tuolumne County Transportation Council

# **Advocacy Organizations**

#### **Purpose**

The Board of Supervisors has chosen to voluntarily participate in various organizations that represent county governments. Such organizations provide information to the Board on legislation, regulations and budgetary issues that can impact Tuolumne County and advocate on behalf their member counties collectively and individually.

## **Authority**

The authority of such advocacy organizations are contained in their individual bylaws. By agreeing to become a member of such organizations, the County agrees to extend limited authority to such organizations to allow them to effectively represent the County's interests. Such authority is limited but found in each advocacy organizations by-laws.

#### Rules

Each of these organizations set-forth their own formal and/or informal operational rules.

## **National Association of Counties (NACo)**

#### **Purpose Statement:**

The National Association of Counties (NACo) is the only national organization that represents county governments in the United States. Founded in 1935, NACo provides essential services to the nation's 3,066 counties. NACo advances issues with a unified voice before the federal government, improves the public's understanding of county government, assists counties in finding and sharing innovative solutions through education and research, and provides value-added services to save counties and taxpayers money.

With its headquarters on Capitol Hill, NACo is a full-service organization that provides an extensive line of services including legislative, research, technical, and public affairs assistance, as well as enterprise services to its members. The association acts as a liaison with other levels of government, works to improve public understanding of counties, serves as a national advocate for counties and provides them with resources to help them find innovative methods to meet the challenges they face. NACo is involved in a number of special projects that deal with such issues as homeland security, drug abuse and broader access to health care.

#### **Member Agencies**:

All Counties who choose to participate Membership: One (1) elected official from each state which has an active member county. That official must be from a county whose membership dues are fully paid at the time of the close of credentials registration at the annual conference.

## California State Association of Counties (CSAC)

**Purpose Statement:** 

The mission of the California State Association of Counties (CSAC), is to represent county government before the California Legislature, U.S. Congress, state and federal agencies and other entities, while educating the public about the value and need for county programs and services. CSAC provides a broad range of services to all 58 counties in California through its Finance Corporation activities, public policy development, training, insurance service programs, research and a variety of communication tools, including Internet services. CSAC utilizes the following committees to accomplish this work: Administration of Justice, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Government Finance, Operations and Health and Human Services and Housing, Land Use and Transportation.

CSAC is committed to assisting California counties in providing a vital and efficient system of public services for the general health, welfare and public safety of every resident. County governments spend in excess of \$30 billion a year and comprise a work force of more than 280,000 professionals. Each day county government directly or indirectly touches the lives of every Californian. The magnitude of this human effort demands strong and credible participation in our democratic institutions.

Member Agencies:

All counties who choose to participate

**General Membership**:

All county supervisors in California and any elected mayor of a California city shall be eligible for membership in the Association. A county board of supervisors ("county board") may initiate membership for each of its supervisors and any elected mayor and may renew such membership each year.

**Board of Directors:** 

Each county board that maintains membership shall designate one of its members to serve on the CSAC Board of Directors

Also associated with CSAC are five policy committees:

#### **Administration of Justice Policy Committee**

**Purpose Statement:** The Administration of Justice Policy Committee has responsibility for a

broad array of justice-related issues that includes juvenile justice;

probation; courts; local law enforcement; adult and juvenile

detention; public records, privacy and open meetings; grand juries; and all county functions connected to the civil and criminal justice

systems. The committee has primary responsibility for the

development of policies relating to the administration and financing of

the various county programs under its purview.

Membership: Board's Appointed Representative

# Agriculture, Environment, and Natural Resources Policy Committee

**Purpose Statement:** The Agriculture, Environment, and Natural Resources (AENR) Policy

Committee is responsible for the review of state and federal legislative proposals, state budget items, regulatory issues, and ballot measures relating to the environment and California's natural resources. The committee's wide range of policy issues includes agriculture, air quality, cannabis, water, forestry, mining, endangered species,

disasters, energy, parks and recreation, public lands, coastal resources,

fish and game, solid waste, and hazardous waste.

**Membership:** Board's Appointed Representative

## **Government Finance and Administration Policy Committee**

**Purpose Statement:** The Government Finance and Administration (GFA) Policy Committee

is responsible for all issues relating to finance, general government operations, and employee relations. Under that broad umbrella, the committee deals with such issues as taxation, the state budget, economic development, retirement systems, workers' compensation,

state mandates, and elections.

**Membership:** Board's Appointed Representative

#### Health and Human Services Policy Committee

Purpose Statement: The Health and Human Services (HHS) Policy Committee has

responsibility for the development of policies and proposals relating to the following: aging and long-term care, alcohol and drug programs, mental health, medical care for the indigent, public health, county hospitals, the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) program, foster care, child welfare services, adult protective services, the In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program, and General Assistance (GA) for the indigent. Together, these programs represent approximately one-third of the state General Fund

expenditures.

**Membership:** Board's Appointed Representative

## Housing, Land Use, & Transportation Policy Committee

**Purpose Statement:** 

The Housing, Land Use, and Transportation (HLT) Policy Committee is responsible for reviewing state and federal legislative proposals, state budget items, ballot measures, and regulatory proposals focused on housing, land use, transportation, and tribal and intergovernmental relations.

Major areas of policy development and review include, transportation/infrastructure planning and funding, public works contract administration, general plan/planning procedures, growth strategies and regional government decision-making proposals, affordable housing policies, the California Environmental Quality Act, and federal and state transportation programs. Tribal and intergovernmental relations also fall under the purview of this committee, including policy development related to Indian Gaming, protection of tribal sacred sites, mitigation of off-reservation casino impacts, and other collaborative opportunities for government-to-government relations between counties and tribal governments.

**Membership:** Board's Appointed Representative

## Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC)

**Purpose Statement**: The Rural County Representatives of California is dedicated to

representing the collective unique interests of its membership, providing legislative and regulatory representation at the State and Federal levels, and providing responsible services to its members which will enhance and protect the quality of life in rural California

counties.

Member Agencies: Butte, Glenn, Plumas, Tehama, Lassen, Del Norte, Siskiyou, Modoc,

Trinity, Shasta, Sierra, Lake, Napa, Placer, Nevada, El Dorado, Amador,

Calaveras, Colusa, Alpine, Mono, Mariposa, Merced, Tuolumne, Madera, San Benito, Inyo, Tulare, Yolo, Yuba, Sutter and Imperial

Counties.

**Membership**: Board of Supervisor Representative from each participating county.

Also associated with RCRC are four separate JPA's:

## **Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority (ESJPA)**

Purpose Statement: The Rural County Representatives of California Environmental Services

Joint Powers Authority (ESJPA) was formed in 1993 to assist rural counties with regulatory requirements related to solid waste and waste diversion goals. The ESJPA provides regulatory advice, technical assistance and review of pending legislation. The ESJPA also acts as the lead agency on regional grants, such as the Tire Amnesty grant.

**Membership:** Delegate: Board's RCRC Representative

Alternates: Board's RCRC Alternate and Solid Waste Manager

## Golden State Connect Authority (GSCA)

**Purpose Statement:** Golden State Connect Authority (GSCA) is a joint powers authority of

thirty-nine member counties designed for the purpose of increasing

access to reliable, affordable high-speed internet for all rural

Californians. Governance of GSCA is conducted by elected Supervisors from rural counties that elect to join GSCA. Through the collective efforts of its members, GSCA is focused on building and supporting the development of innovative future-proof networks that provide the highest level of quality, service, and transparency to rural California.

**Membership:** Delegate: Board's RCRC Representatives

Alternate: Board's RCRC Alternate

## Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA)

**Purpose Statement:** Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA) formerly known as California

Home Finance Authority ("CHF"), or Homebuyers Fund or California Rural Home Mortgage Finance Authority (CRHMFA) was formed to provide financing for the acquisition, construction, improvement, preservation, and rehabilitation of real property and infrastructure, and to establish and operate programs and projects to promote public

safety, economic development, and environmental protection,

including without limitation forest resiliency, wildfire risk reduction, air quality improvement, and waste diversion and reuse, in accordance with applicable provisions of law for the benefit of residents and

communities.

**Authorizing Legislation**: CRHMFA was created by JPA on July 1, 1993, Amended by BOS

Resolution No. 76-19 of October 1, 2019

**Membership:** Delegate: Board's RCRC Representatives

Alternate: Board's RCRC Alternate

## Golden State Natural Resources (GSNR)

#### **Purpose Statement:**

Golden State Natural Resources (GSNR) is a non-profit, 501(c)3, forest resiliency company, created by rural counties in California and governed by local elected leaders. GSNR's directive is to reduce excess biomass in California's forested lands, using science-based practices, as part of an overarching strategy to build wildfire and forest resilience in the state and spur economic opportunities in rural communities. GSNR's proposed project will source woody biomass from forest thinning projects, orchards and sawmills, process the material into a pelletized fuel product at developed facilities in rural California, and export the pellets to international markets. This project provides a unique opportunity to restore forest health, revitalize and establish potential new wood product markets, and reinvest in the local economies of rural communities.

Membership:

Delegate: Board's RCRC Representatives

Alternate: Board's RCRC Alternate

# **Community Organizations**

## **Purpose**

The Board of Supervisors has chosen to participate in a number of local, community-based organizations. Each organization has its own unique purpose.

# Authority

The authority of each organization is limited to those outlined in their articles of incorporation and bylaws.

#### Rules

Each of these organizations set-forth their own formal and/or informal operational rules.

The Board of Supervisors will decide annually which organizations it will participate in.

#### Access Tuolumne

**Purpose Statement**: The purpose of Access Tuolumne County is to 1) join together

governmental, community benefit, charitable, public and educational interests for the purpose of cooperative use of cable television channels for education, community information, news, and other community interest public television programming to the people of Tuolumne County, California, and to cooperate and provide for the design, development, and distribution of such media materials; 2) develop and implement policies and procedures for the receipt of grants, services and facilities, and for the use of these resources in support of programs; and 3) recruit and engage any full and part-time

staff required to carry out the goals of this corporation.

Authorizing Legislation: Bylaws: 12/09/1986 Adopted; 06/05/1996 Revised; 03/05/1997

Amended; 07/02/1998 Amended; 05/19/2005 & 09/22/2005

Amended

**Membership**: There shall be no less than 11 and no more than 15 directors.

Board of Supervisor (1) Sonora City Council (1)

**Other Information**: This organization is a 501(c)3

## **Chamber of Commerce Governmental Affairs**

**Purpose Statement**: The Chamber of Commerce Governmental Affairs Council\_(GAC) exists

to review, monitor, and develop recommendations related to local, state, and federal issues affecting business in Tuolumne County.

Government representatives attend and provide input at GAC meetings to facilitate quality communication on such issues.

**Authorizing Legislation:** 03/13/2019 Bylaws Approved

**Membership**: The committee is made up of voting members consisting of the

Chamber's Executive Board of Directors, plus 4 at-large business representatives, and 2 alternates. The 2 alternates vote in the absence of any at-large members. Alternates are fully involved in all

discussion that comes before the committee.

The Board of Supervisors does appoint a member to attend meetings

as a liaison of the Board

#### **Visit Tuolumne County Board**

#### **Purpose Statement:**

The Visit Tuolumne County Board (VTCB) is the designated destination marketing organization for the County of Tuolumne and the City of Sonora. The VTCB is responsible for creating and implementing a multi-platform marketing program that includes print, online and radio advertising, television, social media marketing including influencers media relations, trade show participation, website development, seasonal promotions and promotion of county-wide events and attractions. The VTCB has a key role in economic recovery post local and regional disasters (i.e. fires, flood, etc.). The VTCB promotes to domestic and international markets. The VTCB currently operates one visitor centers. This organization also designs and over-sees the construction of the County's Capital Window in Sacramento. In addition, the VTCB operates the Tuolumne County Film Commission which includes promoting locations for productions and guiding production companies through the film permit process. The VTCB also has a Community Investment Program where local non-provide organizations can apply for promotional assistance and/or sponsorship for various events or marketing programs.

**Authorizing Legislation:** 

Restated Bylaws 2017

Membership:

The VTCB is a membership organization with current membership of 300 tourism related businesses, supporters, and non-profits. The VTC's Board of Directors consists of 13 voting as follows:

- (7) representing broken down in districts that represent lodging businesses in Tuolumne County, as follows:
- (1) Representing District 1
- (1) Representing District 2
- (2) Representing District 3
- (2) Representing District 4 (one representing south county and one representing north county)
- (1) Representing District 5

Additional members to include:

- (1) Representing an attraction business
- (1) Representing a restaurant/retail business
- (4) Representing the community at large with an interest in travel and tourism.

One member of the Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors serves as the County's representative on this Board of Directors, as a non-voting liaison

# **Local & Regional Partnerships**

## **Purpose**

The Board of Supervisors has chosen to participate in a number of local and regional partnership organizations. Each organization has its own unique purpose.

# Authority

The authority of most of these agencies is found in separate State or Federal laws and regulations and/or County ordinance.

#### Rules

Each of these organizations has set-forth their own formal and/or informal operational rules.

#### First 5 Tuolumne County

**Purpose Statement**: The First 5 Tuolumne County Commission promotes and supports the

development of integrated resources to improve the healthy early development of children from the prenatal state to five years of age. These resources shall strengthen families, support safe home

environments, strengthen quality early education, and improve

children's health.

**Authorizing Legislation:** California Children and Families Act of 1998; Tuolumne County

Ordinance Code Chapter 8.40

**Membership**: The Commission shall consist of 7 members:

Board of Supervisor (1)

HHSA Director or designee (1)

County Health Officer or designee (1)

4 Members herein referenced as Community Representative

Commissioners, shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors, and shall represent any of the following community representation categories: Recipients of project services included in the county strategic plan; educators specializing in early childhood development; representatives of local child care resource and referral agency or a

local child care coordinating group; representatives of a local

organization for prevention or early intervention for families as risk; representatives of community-based organizations that have the goal

of promoting nurturing and early childhood development;

representatives of local school districts; and representatives of local

medical, pediatric or obstetric associations or societies. The

Commission shall have 7 alternates.

**Principal Staff Support**: Health and Human Services Agency Staff

#### Sierra Nevada Conservancy

#### **Purpose Statement:**

The Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) initiates, encourages, and supports efforts that improve the environmental, economic, and social well-being of the Sierra Nevada Region, its communities, and the citizens of California. The SNC supports the Sierra Nevada Region in many tangible ways: from providing funding for local projects to offering technical assistance and other support for collaborative projects in partnership with local government, non-profit organizations, and Tribal entities. Activities supported will contribute to the following program objectives: provide increased opportunity for tourism and recreation in the Region; protect, conserve and restore the Region's physical, cultural, archaeological, historical and living resources; aid in the preservation of working landscapes; reduce the risk of natural disasters, such as wildfire; protect and improve water and air quality; assist the regional economy; and enhance public use and enjoyment of lands owned by the public.

**Authorizing Legislation:** 

Public Resources Code Section 33321

Membership:

#### Members (16)

Thirteen (13) voting members and three (3) nonvoting liaison advisers, appointed under Public Resources Code Section 33321.

Members include:

- California Secretary for Natural Resources (or his/her designee)
- State Director of Finance (or his/her designee)
- Three (3) members of the public appointed by the Governor
- Two (2) members of the public, one each appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and the Senate Rules Committee
- Each county board of supervisors within a subregion shall select a
  member of their board to determine, with the selected members
  of the other counties in the region, which member of a Board of
  supervisors with the subregion shall be appointed as a member of
  the conservation board. An alternate may be appointed. The
  appointed member and any alternate shall have at least part of his
  or her supervisorial district within the region.
- Four (4) county supervisors whose districts are within the South-Central sub-region serve on a 2-year rotational assignment and one (1) alternate
- Three (3) non-voting Federal liaison advisers, one each from the National Park Service, the U.S. Forest Service, and the U.S. Bureau of Land Management

A member of the Board of Supervisors is one of the six (6) county supervisors listed above.

#### SouthWest InterFace Team (SWIFT)

#### **Purpose Statement:**

It is the mission of the SouthWest InterFace Team (SWIFT) to cooperatively plan, implement and maintain a strategic fire defense system designed to reduce the threat of loss to life, property and natural resources from wildfires within or adjacent to the wildland-urban interface areas located in Southern Tuolumne and Northern Mariposa counties. The Southwest Interface Team (SWIFT) was formed in 1999 as a collaborative partnership of multiple agencies. Since 1999, many of the fires that have burned in Tuolumne and Mariposa Counties have burned in SWIFT's wildland fire-prone area. The SWIFT members' priority continues to be finding opportunities to increase community and resource projection and the members work hard to coordinate projects that achieve this goal.

#### Membership:

SWIFT participants include Tuolumne and Mariposa Counties, the Stanislaus National Forest, Yosemite National Park, Bureau of Land Management, CAL FIRE, Pine Mountain Lake, City and County of San Francisco—Hetch Hetchy Water and Power, Tuolumne and Mariposa County Fire Departments, Fire Safe Councils and Sierra Nevada Conservancy. One Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors and one Mariposa County Board of Supervisors are selected to represent their respective counties.

**Principal Staff Support:** 

Office of Emergency Services Analyst(s)

## **Tuolumne County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo)**

**Purpose Statement**: The purpose of LAFCo is to discourage urban sprawl,

preserve open space and prime agricultural lands, promote the

efficient provision of government services, and encourage the orderly

formation and development of local agencies based upon local

conditions and circumstances.

**Authorizing Legislation**: Government Code Section 56325

**Membership**: There are seven (7) members as follows:

Board of Supervisors (2) (selected by BOS) City Council (2) (selected by City Council)

Special District (2) (selected by the Special District Selection

Committee)

General Public member (1) (appointed by other members of LAFCo)

Alternates for the members are also appointed by the respective

bodies.

**Principal Staff Support**: Executive Officer (Community Development Department Director)

**Deputy County Counsel** 

County Staff will no longer support this Commission after 01/01/2025,

a consultant will serve as staff support

## **Tuolumne County Local Child Care & Development Planning Council**

**Purpose Statement:** Established to promote and support a community-wide effort that

results in a childcare system that meets the needs of all children

**Authorizing Legislation:** Education Code Section 8499.3; 02/07/2017 Assembly Bill 1542 (1997);

11/02/2004 Bylaws; Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 10207-

10215

**Membership:** 10 members from Tuolumne County - 5 appointed by the Board of

Supervisors and 5 appointed by the County Schools Office, broken

down as follows:

(2) /(1) Alt Community Representatives

(2) /(1) Alt Public Agencies

(2) /(1) Alt Child Care Providers(2) /(1) Alt Parent/Consumers

(2) /(1) Alt Discretionary

**Principal Staff Support:** Health and Human Services Agency Staff

## Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District (RCD)

**Purpose Statement:** Take available technical, financial, and educational resources whatever

their source, and focus or coordinate them so that they meet the needs of local land users and local communities for conservation of

soil, water and related resources.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Public Resources Code Section 9003; 01/25/2005 Resolution No. 08-05

Established RCD; 04/11/2005 LAFCo Resolution No. 209 Approved Formation; 12/06/2005 Resolution No. 160-05 Confirmed majority

vote in favor of the RCD, RCD Resolution 2020-04 to Modify

Membership in November of 2020

Membership: Members (7)

Directors' At-Large (6)

(Appointed by the Board of Supervisors)

Director (1)

(Appointed by the City of Sonora)

## **Tuolumne Fire Safe Council**

**Purpose Statement:** The Tuolumne Fire Safe Council is a nonprofit organization that works

to reduce wildfire hazard and the devastating effects of wildfire in Tuolumne County. The Council covers the entirety of Tuolumne County. Among Council activities are fuels reduction projects and construction of fuel breaks to slow the spread of a wildfire and give

firefighters a place to stage and fight a wildfire.

**Membership:** The Fire Safe Council is not a membership organization. It is governed

by a Board of Directors. The Board of Supervisors does appoint one

member to attend meetings as a liaison of the Board.

**Principal Staff Support:** Office of Emergency Services Analyst(s)

County Administration Staff Member (as needed)

## **Tuolumne Resiliency Coalition**

**Purpose Statement:** The Coalition was formed to provide community input into the

County's program for services to children with special emphasis on child abuse/neglect prevention, and intervention services. Tuolumne Resiliency Coalition is a standing committee of the YES Partnership and

is authorized to administer the Children's Trust Fund.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Welfare & Institutions Code, Chapter 12.5, Section 18980, 01/11/1983

Resolution No. 13-83 Established a Tuolumne County Children's Trust Fund and designated the Human Services Committee to establish priorities for child abuse and neglect programs and funds; 02/14/1989 Resolution No. 33-89 Established the Tuolumne County Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council; 01/16/1990 Resolution No. 12-90

Modified Membership; 04/30/1991 Resolution No. 92-91

Reestablished and Rescinded Resolution Nos. 13-83, 33-89, and 12-90; 02/26/2002 Resolution No. 19-02 Reestablished and Identified the Coordinating Council as the YES Partnership to Coordinate Community

Efforts; 05/07/2019 Resolution No. 37-19 Renaming Standing

Committee from Prevent Child Abuse Tuolumne County to Tuolumne

**Resiliency Coalition** 

Membership: 15 Members

Principal Staff Support Health and Human Services Agency Staff

# **Vision Sonora Implementation**

#### **Purpose Statement:**

Vision Sonora is a community revitalization plan that was initiated to provide the City of Sonora with a plan to create a more vibrant community by addressing the following areas along the Highway 49 and Washington Street corridors:

- Circulation and Congestion Management
- Parking Management
- Gateway Features and Wayfinding Signage
- Transit Facilities
- Aesthetics and Beautification
- Multi-modal Connectivity
- Economic Development and Quality of Life
- Finance and Implementation Planning

#### **Authorizing Authority:**

01/21/2014 Sonora City Council established Vision Sonora

# University of California Cooperative Extension Central Sierra Advisory Council (UCCE)

#### **Purpose Statement:**

In 2011, Tuolumne, Calaveras, Amador, and Eldorado Counties entered into an "Inter-local Agreement" with the University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) to provide UCCE services regionally rather than continue to provide these services individually. The Advisory Council provides a forum for ongoing direct communication between the member Counties (Amador, Calaveras, El Dorado, and Tuolumne) and the University's UC Cooperative Extension County Partnership Director.

The Advisory Council provides a streamlined process for Counties to be informed of local programmatic impacts of UCCE activities and to consider current and future programmatic needs. The Council members will participate in creating an annual plan-of-work and recommended budget and will receive an annual report on the previous year's accomplishments and impacts from the previous annual plan-of-work.

#### Membership:

The Advisory Council is comprised of two (2) representatives from each Member County. One (1) of the two (2) representatives will be the County CAO/CEO (or their designee); and one (1) will be a Supervisor (or an alternate supervisor). The Advisory Council will meet a minimum of two (2) times per year.

#### **YES Partnership**

**Purpose Statement**: To develop, promote and support programs which have a positive

impact on the health and safety of the community with emphasis on the knowledge, beliefs, attitudes and practices of Tuolumne County's children and youth; dedicated to preventing suicide, substance abuse and child abuse. The YES Partnership is designated by Board

Resolution No. 19-02 as the community's coordinated council to

prevent child abuse.

**Authorizing Legislation**: Welfare & Institutions Code, Chapter 12.5, Section 18980, 02/26/2002

Resolution No. 19-02 Re-establishing and Name Change, 09/13/2012

Adopted By-Laws

Membership: Not more than 40 members.

Members will consist of representation from various community

sectors including, business, education, law enforcement,

governmental agencies, health agencies, service organizations, faith-based organizations, youth-serving organizations, parents, and youth.

Board of Supervisor or Staff Alternate (1) Voting Member

**Principal Staff Support**: Health and Human Services Agency Staff

#### Yosemite Gateway Partnership

#### **Purpose Statement:**

Yosemite Gateway Partners (YGP) is a partnership of government agencies, non-profit organizations, individuals, and businesses that acknowledge the interdependence of Yosemite National Park and the surrounding communities, and collaborate on, and address issues of importance, to create sustainable cultural, natural and economic prosperity. The vision is to provide a forum for Yosemite Gateway Communities and Yosemite National Park to promote understanding, awareness and solutions to regional challenges and opportunities.

#### Membership:

Comprised of the group mentioned in the proposed mission statement - a self-nominating group where everyone is welcome.

The Board of Supervisors does appoint one member to attend meetings as a liaison of the Board.

#### **Yosemite Stanislaus Solutions (YSS)**

**Purpose Statement:** The Yosemite-Stanislaus Solutions (YSS) collaborative group is a highly

diverse coalition of interests who share a common goal of restoring

and maintaining healthy forests and watersheds, fire-safe

communities, and sustainable local economies using science-based approach. YSS works to raise awareness of forest issues and identify, develop, and support projects that contribute to the mission of the

collaborative.

**Authorizing Legislation:** YSS is an independent group, not formed under the auspices any

legislation.

Member Agencies: Members consist of representatives identified by their respective

agencies/organizations which include public agencies, non-profit

organizations, businesses, and tribes.

## **Tuolumne County Planning Agency**

## **Planning Agency**

Section 65100 of the California Government Code requires each city and county to have a planning agency to administer the provisions of that code related to local planning. The Tuolumne County Planning Agency is comprised of the Board of Supervisors, the Tuolumne County Planning Commission, and the Community Development Department.

Pursuant to Section 65103 of the Government Code, the functions of the Planning Agency are to:

- 1. Prepare, periodically review, and revise, as necessary, the general plan.
- 2. Implement the general plan through actions including, but not limited to, the administration of specific plans and zoning and subdivision ordinances.
- 3. Review the capital improvement program of the county for consistency with the general plan.
- 4. Endeavor to promote public interest in, comment on, and understanding of the general plan, and regulations relating to it.
- 5. Consult and advise with public officials and agencies, public utility companies, civic, educational, professional, and other organizations, and citizens generally concerning implementation of the general plan.
- 6. Promote the coordination of local plans and programs with the plans and programs of other public agencies.
- 7. Perform other functions as the legislative body provides, including conducting studies and preparing plans other than those required or authorized by Section 65000 et seq. of the California Government Code.

## **Tuolumne County Planning Commission**

**Purpose Statement**: The Tuolumne County Planning Commission is part of the Tuolumne

County Planning Agency and participates in the function of that agency. The Commission is also authorized under the Tuolumne County Ordinance Code to serve as a recommending body to the Board of Supervisors on General Plan Amendments, zone changes, planned unit development permits, development agreements, and tentative subdivision maps. The Commission is also a decision-making body for conditional use permits, site development permits, site

review permits, and variances.

History: The Tuolumne County Planning Commission was created in the 1960's

and its jurisdiction encompasses the entire unincorporated area of the

County.

**Authorizing Legislation:** California Government Code Section 65101; Ordinance Nos. 831, 1453,

1567, 1981, 2381

**Rules:** The Commission has adopted formal rules of procedure.

**Membership**: The Commission is comprised of seven (7) members appointed by the

Board of Supervisors. Five of the members are representatives from the five supervisorial districts and two are representatives of the

general public.

**Principal Staff Support:** Community Development Department Director, Commission Secretary

# **Board of Supervisors as the Local Governing Bodies**

The Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors sits as the local governing body for a variety of topics. In their capacity as the sitting bodies for these local Boards and Agencies, they participate in making policy decisions, approving budgets, and serving as quasi-judicial bodies for the purposes of hearing appeals. Hearings conducted by the Board of Supervisors in their capacity as the local governing bodies for these Boards and Agencies are typically included in the Board of Supervisors agendas. These changes in capacity for official actions are differentiated by recessing as the Board of Supervisors and reconvening as the local governing body as noticed in the agenda.

#### **Air Pollution Control Board**

**Purpose Statement:** To control air pollution from all non-vehicular sources in order to

protect and promote air quality and public health in a comprehensive

manner recognizing economic and environmental impacts.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Health and Safety Code 40100.5

Membership: Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors

**Principal Staff Support:** Air Pollution Control Officer

## **Board of Equalization**

**Purpose Statement:** The county board of supervisors, or one or more assessment appeals

boards created by the county board of supervisors, shall constitute the county board of equalization for a county. Except as provided in subdivision (g) of Section 11, the county board of equalization, under such rules of notice as the county board may prescribe, shall equalize the values of all property on the local assessment roll by adjusting

individual assessments.

In Tuolumne County, the Board of Supervisors acts as the county

Board of Equalization in property tax appeals.

**Authorizing Legislation:** California Constitution Article XII Section 16; Government Code

Section 15606(c) (directs the State Board of Equalization to prescribe rules and regulations to govern local boards of equalization); State

Board of Equalization Property Tax Rules 301-326;

**Membership:** Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors

**Principal Staff Support:** Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

## **Tuolumne County Water Agency (TCWA)**

**Purpose Statement:** The TCWA's mission is to ensure that Tuolumne County has reliable,

sufficient, and affordable water supplies for use by the County's people, communities, economy, and environment for the present and future. Such water supply needs include but are not limited to:

domestic consumption; fire protection; economic development; base industries (e.g. recreation, agriculture, etc.), and habitat protection.

The Natural Resources Committee is the designated source for topics that the Water Agency encounters which require further research and

discussion using a broad knowledge base.

**Authorizing Legislation:** 06/04/2013 Board Action: Reestablished Tuolumne County Water

Agency/Water Policy Committee; 10/01/2013 Board Action: Approved Work Program of the Water Policy Advisory Committee and Modified Membership; 11/15/2016 Board Action: Approved Water Agency Committee Handbook; 12/18/2018 Board Action: Approved 2019

Water Agency Committee Handbook

**Membership:** The Board of Supervisors is the Board of Directors and policy-making

body of the TCWA. No other official, representative and/or committee may make policy on behalf of the Tuolumne County Water Agency unless expressly authorized by federal or state law and/or other act of

delegation by the Board of Directors.

**Principal Staff Support:** County Administration Staff Member

**TCWA Manager** 

## TCWA Strategic Mission Overview

1. Create a cohesive, vibrant advocacy in the water resources community founded on respect, trust, and open and transparent communications.

- 2. Serve as a regional water resources advocate on behalf of the County's people, communities, economy, and environment.
- 3. Provide support to Tuolumne County water agencies.
- 4. Using a 30-year planning horizon, ensure that Tuolumne County has reliable, sufficient and affordable water supplies for use by the County's people, communities, economy, and environment for the present and future.

- 5. Implement stewardship of County water resources and watersheds through collaborative and responsive relationships with applicable federal, state, local, and tribal governments as well as special districts.
- 6. Seek out partnerships with public agencies located within Tuolumne County.
- 7. Seek out partnerships with tribes located within Tuolumne County.
- 8. Seek out partnerships with regional public agencies located outside of Tuolumne County that use water consumptively or non-consumptively sourced from the Tuolumne and Stanislaus watersheds.
- 9. Seek out partnerships with federal and state agencies that directly or indirectly manage, operate or regulate water resources and watersheds within Tuolumne County or the San Joaquin River watershed.

## Local & Regional Partnerships – Purpose, Authority, and Rules

#### **Purpose**

The Tuolumne County Water Agency Board of Directors has chosen to participate in a number of local and regional partnership organizations. Each organization has its own unique purpose.

#### **Authority**

The authority of most of these agencies is found in separate State or Federal laws and regulations and/or Bylaws.

#### Rules

Each of these organizations has set-forth their own formal and/or informal operational rules.

## Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA)

#### **Purpose Statement:**

ACWA's mission is to assist its members in promoting the development, management and reasonable beneficial use of good quality water at the lowest practical cost in an environmentally balanced manner. In fulfilling its role, ACWA identifies issues of concern to the water industry and the public it serves; accumulates and communicates the best available scientific and technical information to the public and policy makers; facilitates consensus building; develops reasonable goals and objectives for water resources management; advocates sound legislation; promotes local service agencies as the most efficient means of providing water service; provides additional services of value to its members; and fosters cooperation among all interest groups concerned with stewardship of the state's water resources.

#### Membership:

ACWA is the largest statewide coalition of public water agencies in the country. Its nearly 440 public agency members collectively are responsible for 90% of the water delivered to cities, farms and businesses in California. Only a public district, public agency, or public organization created and operated for the purpose of controlling, treating, developing, acquiring, using or supplying water for any purpose for inhabitants or lands within the state of California, or for the protection, drainage or reclamation of lands within the state of California, may become a member of the Association. Such an entity will become a member upon written application, approval by the Board of Directors, and the payment of the required dues. Acceptance to membership shall authorize full participation in Association activities.

#### **Mountain Counties Water Resources Association (MCWRA)**

#### **Purpose Statement:**

The purpose of Mountain Counties Water Resources Association (MCWRA) is to assist and support its members, both counties and agencies, to ensure reliable water deliveries of the highest quality water within their jurisdictions and to assist the needs of the downstream users in a fair and equitable manner.

It is a goal of the MCWRA to (a) strengthen and assist our members with their jurisdictional responsibilities, (b) study and promote the newest methods of reclamation and wastewater treatments, and hydroelectric generation, (c) to be active in sharing information, issue awareness, education and potential legislative action or legal support.

#### **Member Agencies:**

Amador Water Agency, Calaveras County Water District, Calaveras Public Utility District, County of Alpine, County of Amador, County of Calaveras, County of El Dorado, County of Nevada, County of Tuolumne (BOS), County of Yuba, El Dorado County Water Agency, El Dorado Irrigation District, Foresthill Public Utility District, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District, Grizzly Flats Community Services District, Jackson Valley Irrigation District, Murphys Sanitary District, Nevada Irrigation District, Placer County Water Agency, South Tahoe Public Utility District, Twain Harte Community Service District, Tuolumne Utilities District, Utica Water & Power Authority, Yuba Water Agency, Weimer Water Company

Membership:

Open to any public or private district, agency, or organization devoted to production and treatment of water or production of power within this Association's boundaries. Acceptance authorizes participation in activities but is non-voting status.

The Board of Supervisors does appoint one member to attend meetings as a liaison of the Board.

## Northern California Water Association (NCWA)

**Purpose Statement:** The Northern California Water Association (NCWA) is a group of water

districts and local governments who advocate for water issues. The

NCWA was formed to lend a strong unified voice for water

organizations, cities and counties. The organization is designed to

research the issues and advocate for those members.

Membership: Representatives from 43 Association agencies, including the Regional

Council of Rural Counties, Tuolumne Utilities District, and two other

counties.

#### Tuolumne-Stanislaus Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM)

#### **Purpose Statement:**

The primary purpose of the IRWM JPA is to engage in integrated regional water management planning and related activities under the Act in the Tuolumne-Stanislaus Region; coordinate, manage, maintain, modify, amend and implement the IRWMP (Integrated Regional Water Management Plan) under the Act including without limitation assisting the members in the development of water management projects and/or grant applications for projects included in or consistent with the IRWMP; participate through Authority in water management projects included in or consistent with the IRWMP; and engage in such other activities related thereto as are incidental, necessary and convenient to the mutual benefit and interest of the Members. Activities unrelated to integrated regional water management planning under the Act in the Tuolumne-Stanislaus region and/or to the IRWMP shall not be undertaken by the Authority unless the Agreement is amended to accommodate additional specified activities.

**Authorizing Legislation:** JPA (March 18, 2014); Resolution No 31-14 (May 6, 2014)

**Membership**: Pursuant to Section G of the Bylaws: "Members are stakeholders who

are officially designated by their organization (representing an interest

listed in Section F of the Bylaws)" The following is the designation.

#### JPA Governing Board Membership:

Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians, City of Angels Camp, Groveland Community Services District, Murphy's Sanitary District, Tuolumne County, Tuolumne Utilities District, and Twain Harte

Community Services District.

#### JPA Watershed Advisory Committee Membership:

The IRWM utilizes a Watershed Advisory Committee (WAC) to recommend policies and projects to the JPA Governing Board. WAC membership consists of Water agencies from Tuolumne and Calaveras County, land management agencies from counties as well as the U.S. Forest Service and a number of other local agencies and non-

governmental organizations.

## **Tuolumne Public Power Agency (TPPA)**

**Purpose Statement:** The Tuolumne Public Power Agency (TPPA) was created as a Joint

Power Authority in 1982 to sell and distribute power generated by the New Melones Dam to its Member Agencies. Member Agencies must be public agencies (pursuant to Government Code 6500), qualify as a

Preference Customer under Federal Reclamation law, and are

geographically located within Tuolumne county. The Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors serve as the TPPA Board of Directors and the

Tuolumne County CAO serves as the TPPA Agency Director.

**Authorizing Legislation:** New Melones Project Provisions of the Flood Control Act of 1962

(PL87-784; 25 percent of the power generation produced at New Melones Dam can be offered for sale to preference customers located

within Calaveras and Tuolumne counties); TPPA Joint Powers

Agreement 2021

**Membership:** Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors

**Principal Staff Support:** County Administration Staff Member

## **Special Advisory Commissions & Committees**

#### **Purpose**

The Board of Supervisors desires to use special advisory committees to facilitate communications and offer advice to County staff in charge of certain operational areas of County government.

## **Authority**

The authority for departmental operations vests with the related department head under the direction of the County Administrator and Board of Supervisors. Special advisory committees cannot unto themselves set County policy direction and/or commit County resources.

#### Rules

Special advisory committees shall follow the Policy Advisory Committee rules unless otherwise mandated by State and/or Federal law. The Board of Supervisors does allow for great latitude with the formality and/or informality of operational rules for such committees so long as they do not allow such committees to stray from the general purpose and scope of authority outlined above.

Committee members may be required to adopt a Conflict of Interest Code for the committee and annually file a statement of economic interests pursuant to Chapter 7 of the California Government Code commencing with Section 87100.

## **Agricultural Advisory Committee**

**Purpose Statement:** Formed to advise the Board of Supervisors on applications for

creation, disestablishment, or alteration to Williamson Act (WA)

Contracts or Agriculture Preserves including discretionary entitlements

and agricultural land conversions subject to the General Plan

Agriculture Element.

**Authorizing Legislation:** 04/23/1985 Resolution No. 134-85 (Rule 11); 01/13/2004 Resolution

No. 3-04 Amend (Exhibit "A" – Rule 12); 06/15/2004 Resolution No. 106-04 Amend (Exhibit "B" –Rule 12,); 05/20/2008 Resolution No. 59-08 Amend (Exhibit B – Rules 3, 4, 10, 12); 01/20/2015 Resolution No.

13-15 Amend (Exhibit A)

**Membership:** 5 members: 4 Yr. Term with exception of the Planning Commission

member (1 year term) - 1 Planning Commission member, 1 Tuolumne County Farm Bureau representative, 1 Tuolumne County Cattlemen's Association representative, 1 Open Space representative from a recognized conservation group who is familiar with Rule 9 and the

Open Space provisions of the WA Program, 1 resident who

demonstrates interest with resource conservation issues or an interest in agricultural production. All members, with the exception of Planning

Commission member, must have familiarity with the WA land

conservation program.

**Principal Staff Support:** Agricultural Commissioner

## **Airport Land Use Commission**

**Purpose Statement**: The Tuolumne County Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) was

created in 1979 pursuant to Section 21670 of the Public Utilities Code to protect public health, safety, and welfare while ensuring the orderly expansion of airports through the adoption of land use measures that minimize the public's exposure to excessive noise and safety hazards within areas surrounding the Columbia and Pine Mountain Lake

Airports.

**Authorizing Legislation**: Public Utilities Code, Section 21670, Article 3.5, 05/03/1977 Board

Action: Established the Commission, 01/01/1988 Public Utilities Code,

Section 21670.1 (b) Modified Membership

**Membership**: The ALUC is comprised of seven (7) members with 4-year terms of

whom two are appointed by the Board of Supervisors, two are appointed by the Mayor of the City of Sonora, two are appointed by the Airports Director, and one is appointed by the other six members

of the ALUC.

**Principal Staff Support**: ALUC Secretary (Community Development Department Director)

# Historic Preservation Review Commission (also serves as Demolition Review Committee)

**Purpose Statement:** 

The Historic Preservation Review Commission (HPRC) was created through the adoption of Ordinance 1648 in 1988 to: (1) inventory cultural resources; (2) compile, record and update cultural resources information, (3) recommend nominations to local, state and federal cultural resource registers; (4) publish procedural rules and facilitate registering property on local, state or national registers; (5) prepare an annual report of its activities; (6) review and make recommendations on Mills Act contracts; (7) serve as an advisory agency for projects on county-owned land involving cultural resources; (8) act as a decision making body on Building Permits for demolition of structures 50 years of age or older; (9) serve as an advisory agency for conditional use permits in the H and HDP zoning districts; (10) participate in Section 106 consultation; (11) support historic preservation incentives; (12) initiate amendments to the Cultural Resources Element of the General Plan and Title 14 of the Tuolumne County Ordinance Code; (13) comment on proposed legislation involving the management of cultural resources; (14) coordinate public information programs on cultural resources; (15) provide technical assistance and expertise to the Community Development Department; and (16) seek funding to carry out the Commission's duties and responsibilities.

**Authorizing Legislation:** 

09/27/1988 Ordinance No. 1648 Created Chapter 2.38 of Tuolumne County Ordinance Code and Established the Commission, 09/24/2024 Ordinance No. 3463 to reduce the membership from 9 to 7

Membership:

The HPRC is comprised of seven (7) members appointed by the Board of Supervisors. Each member of the HPRC must have a demonstrated interest, competence, experience, knowledge, or expertise in cultural resource management.

**Principal Staff Support:** 

Community Development Department Director

## Reapportionment/Redistricting Advisory Committee

**Purpose Statement:** The Reapportionment/Redistricting Advisory Committee is responsible

for redrawing supervisorial district lines. This committee was formed to prepare alternative district boundaries for consideration by the Board. This committee typically meets every 10 years in conjunction

with the release of federal census data.

**Authorizing Legislation:** 02/27/2001 Board Action: Established the Committee

Membership: <u>5 Members</u>

County Administration Office Representative

**County Counsel Representative** 

**Elections Representative** 

Community Development Department Representative

**County Surveyor Representative** 

**Principal Staff Support:** Auditor-Controller

# **Hearing Boards**

## **Purpose**

The Board of Supervisors desires to use hearing boards to resolve issues that arise related to specified regulatory decisions and violations.

# Authority

The authority of each hearing board is limited to that outlined in State statute and County Ordinance.

#### Rules

Each of these hearing boards has set-forth their own formal and/or informal operational rules.

## Air Pollution Control District Hearing Board

**Purpose Statement:** The purpose of this Board is to assist the public, governmental

agencies and businesses in complying with District air pollution control regulations and to act as a hearing panel for the resolution of issues

regarding permits, variances, and open burning violations.

**Authorizing Legislation:** California Health and Safety Code Division 26, Part 3, Chapter 8, Article

1, Section 40800 et seq.

Membership: 5 members (1 attorney, 1 professional engineer, 1 medical

professional and 2 public) -3 Year Terms (Pursuant to Section 40802, Counties having a population of less than 750,000 unable to appoint a person with these qualifications, who is willing and able to serve, the county district board may appoint any person to the hearing board to

fill a specific vacancy)

**Principal Staff Support:** Air Pollution Control Officer

## **Board of Appeals**

**Purpose Statement:** The Board of Appeals was formed to hear and decide appeals of

orders, decisions or determinations made by the Chief Building Official relative to the application and interpretation of California Building

Code and related construction codes.

Authorizing Legislation: California Building Code, Division II, Section 113

**Membership:** 5 members who are qualified by experience and training to pass on

matters pertaining to building construction and are not employees of

the jurisdiction 2 - Alternates No term limits

Principal Staff Support: Chief Building Official

## Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) Independent Hearing Panel

**Purpose Statement:** The LEA Independent Hearing Panel considers appeals filed by an

applicant of the decision of the LEA to deny a permit, or if the

applicant deems the terms and conditions of a proposed permit to be

inappropriate.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Public Resources Code Sections 44307 and 44308; California Code of

Regulations Title 14 Section 18081; 09/19/2000 Resolution No. 114-00

Established Hearing Panel

**Membership:** Three (3) members appointed by the Chair of the Board of Supervisors

as follows:

(1) member to be a technical expert in solid waste management,

(1) member be a representative of the public at large

and no more than (1) Member of the Board of Supervisors

**Principal Staff Support:** Environmental Health Manager

# **Cemetery Districts**

## **Purpose**

Cemetery districts are established as one means of providing facilities for the burial of deceased persons. District boards are used to govern all aspects of building and operating area cemeteries. The cemetery districts addressed herein are considered dependent districts whereby the Board of Supervisors is responsible for appointment of the respective district board members.

## **Authority**

The authority of each cemetery district is limited to those outlined in State statute and their respective bylaws.

#### Rules

Each of these cemetery districts has set-forth their own formal and/or informal operational rules.

## **Cemetery Districts**

**Purpose Statement**: The five Cemetery Districts were formed to perform all functions in

regard to burial grounds of residents and taxpayers in the district.

**Membership:** Members shall be voters in the District

#### **Carters Cemetery District**

Service Area: Tuolumne City, Ponderosa Hills, Marshalls Tract and the surrounding

area including a portion of the Stanislaus National Forest.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Health & Safety Code Section 9000 et. Seq.

Membership: Five (5)

## **Columbia Cemetery District**

Service Area: Encompasses Columbia on Parrotts Ferry Road, Jupiter on Italian Bar

Road and along State Highway 108; Cold Springs and Strawberry, and a

portion of the Stanislaus National Forest.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Health & Safety Code Section 9000 et. Seq.

Membership: Three (3)

## Jamestown Cemetery District

Service Area: Encompasses Jamestown, Valley Vista, Rolling Hills, Rolling Oaks,

Motherlode West, Golden Oaks, Pulpit Rock Farms, Peppermint Creek,

Volponi Acres and Mill Villa.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Health & Safety Code Section 9000 et. Seq.

Membership: Three (3)

## Oak Grove Cemetery District

Service Area: Lake Don Pedro Units 2 and 3, Blanchard, Moccasin, Big Oak Flat,

Groveland, Pine Mountain Lake, Smith Station, Groveland, surrounding

area, and a portion of Yosemite National Park.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Health & Safety Code Section 9000 et. Seq.

Membership: Three (3)

## Shaws Flat-Springfield Cemetery District

Service Area: Encompasses Gibbs Ranch Unit 3, western portion of Rancho Sonora

Estates, Columbia Village, southern portion of Springfield Estates and

adjacent areas.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Health & Safety Code Section 9000 et. Seq.

Membership: Three (3)