

## SBCAG STAFF REPORT

**SUBJECT:** California Transportation Commission (CTC) Equity Advisory Roundtable

**MEETING DATE:** December 17, 2020

**AGENDA ITEM:** 4J

**STAFF CONTACT:** Sarkes Khachek

**RECOMMENDATION:**  
Receive and file report on CTC Equity Advisory Roundtable.

### DISCUSSION:

Following feedback in Summer 2020 and nominations from various stakeholder groups, the CTC has formed a statewide Equity Advisory Roundtable which represents a wide range of equity experts and practitioners. The Roundtable brings together 15 to 20 subject matter experts and practitioners from throughout the state to collaborate with CTC staff over a series of virtual meetings to develop recommendations to the CTC related to specific equity activities. These activities include: the development of an Equity Advisory Committee; feedback on the forthcoming Community Listening Sessions that the CTC will hold in partnership with Caltrans and the California State Transportation Agency; and feedback on the CTC's draft Public Engagement Guidebook.

This past fall, the CTC solicited recommendations, including input from SBCAG. The CTC received over 150 recommendations for individuals to participate. The list of approved Roundtable members, included in **Attachment A** of the [linked CTC book item](#), aims to balance geographic diversity, and reflects the subject matter expertise areas the CTC approved in August.

Following outreach by the CTC, 18 individuals were appointed at the December 2 CTC meeting. Ms. Lena Morán-Acereto from the Ventura area was appointed as a member. Ms. Morán-Acereto is the CEO and founder of Bridging Voices Uniendo Voices LLC. Notably, she has experience facilitating training as well as direct public outreach to support translating and interpreting efforts related to SBCAG's Regional Transportation Plan public outreach campaign

The [linked CTC book item](#) includes more information on the membership and background on the roundtable. CTC Staff will continue to fill participants in the following categories: Disability Rights and Native American Tribal Government.

The Commission is planning to hold five to six virtual Roundtable Meetings between the months of January and June 2021. These meetings will be broadcast to the public. SBCAG staff will provide updates on the Equity Roundtable at future TTAC and SBCAG Board of Directors meetings.