



SGVCOG Public Works Working Group
Meeting Notes
August 15, 2022
12:00 PM – Via Zoom/Teleconference

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 12:02pm.

2. Introductions

Attendees

Arcadia – P. Wray

Azusa – R. Delgadillo

Diamond Bar – D. Liu, H. Ghafari

El Monte – L. Torres, S. Mendez

Irwindale – D. Co

La Cañada Flintridge – P. DeChellis

LA DPW – J. Pletyak, S. Liu

Monrovia – C. Castruita, K. McCune

Pomona – R. Guerrero

Rosemead – B. Janka, E. Chan

South Pasadena – T. Gerber

Walnut – M. Rooney

SA Associates – S. Ahmad

Presenters and SGVCOG Staff

CalRecycle – J. Wright

FCC – D. Coho

SGVCOG – K. Ward, N. Ryu,

S. Sousa, S. Wong, V. Guerra

3. Public Works Working Group Minutes 6/27/2022

4. CalRecycle Tire-Derived Aggregate Grant Program

In an effort to reduce waste from tires, CalRecycle administers the Tire-Derived Aggregate Grant Program, encouraging agencies to use tire-derived aggregate (TDA) in civil engineering applications. TDA is made of shredded tires and is a lightweight, free-draining, and cheaper alternative to conventional lightweight aggregates typically used in civil engineering. The grant program provides technical assistance to agencies exploring the use of TDA in their projects. Application materials for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 are due December 7, 2022. Visit calrecycle.ca.gov/tires/grants/tda/fy202223/ for the complete notice of funds available. The presentation slides can be accessed [here](#).

Mr. McCune, City of Monrovia, inquired whether there were special instructions for TDA use in infiltration galleries regarding the potential release of compounds from TDAs. Mr. Wright informed Mr. McCune that there were no special handling procedures, and that the potential compounds released from TDAs into infiltration galleries, including iron, manganese, and zinc, would be captured in the soil layer directly beneath the TDA gallery. In addition, water leaving the TDA infiltration gallery heading toward the groundwater table has proven to be much cleaner than storm water entering the system.

Since the meeting, Ms. Coho emailed Ms. Sousa with the following update: If the Governor is providing all K-12 students in California free lunch, the households with children in K-12 can consider applying for the benefit. The household will need to

submit documentation to support this qualifier. The household may consider contacting the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) at 877-384-2575 or acpsupport@usac.org ahead of completing the application to discuss their case.

5. Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP)

The ACP is a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) benefit program that assists households with broadband connectivity. Through ACP, participating households receive a benefit of up to \$30 per month toward their internet service bill for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. In addition, eligible households can receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 toward the purchase of a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price. For more information on eligibility and enrollment, visit fcc.gov/acp. The presentation slides can be accessed [here](#).

Mr. Guerrero, City of Pomona, inquired whether there were existing materials cities could use to help promote the program and whether there was a formal commitment required when agreeing to be a sponsorship partner of the ACP. Ms. Coho informed Mr. Guerrero that there are plenty of outreach materials available for cities to use at no cost. Cities can include their logo on the materials in an effort to assure residents that ACP is a trusted public program.

Mr. McCune highlighted that a new California bill has enabled all California public school students to qualify for the free and reduced lunch program. Given that having a student in the free and reduced lunch program in one's household would make them eligible for the ACP, Mr. McCune wondered whether this includes the many additional families that would be eligible in light of the new bill. Ms. Coho informed Mr. McCune that she is not sure of the answer and that she would further investigate the matter.

Since the meeting, Ms. Coho informed Ms. Sousa that households with children in grades K-12 can consider applying for the benefit. The household would need to submit documentation to support this qualifier. The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has an Acceptable Documentation Guide containing the information. The household may consider contacting USAC at 877-384-2575 or acpsupport@usac.org ahead of completing the application to discuss their case.

6. Energy Champion Awards Update

Minor changes were made to the 2022-2023 Energy Champion Award Structure to provide additional flexibility for San Gabriel Valley cities to participate and progress in the Awards. Additional information on the Energy Champion Awards and the guidebook can be found at sgvcog.org/energy-champion-awards. The presentation slides can be accessed [here](#).

7. Announcements

The Public Works Working Group will reconvene on September 12, 2022 at 12:00pm.

8. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 12:51pm.