

Sustainable Transportation Committee | '22-23 Annual Report

Background

The California State University Transportation and Parking Policy (ID# 9869842) states that each campus shall establish and maintain an alternative (aka *sustainable*) transportation committee, which shall remain independent from existing campus parking committees¹. In Spring 2022 the ad hoc Sustainable Transportation Committee (STC) was established to assist the university in identifying and prioritizing opportunities to improve - and to reduce barriers to the use of - more sustainable modes of travel including transit, bicycling, walking and carpooling. Composed of staff, faculty, students, transit agency representatives and CSU Transportation analysts, the STC meets once a month, with additional sub-committee work outside of regular meetings, to discuss and take action on the tasks set forth in the committee's charge.²

2022 - 2023 Members

Chair	
Morgan King	Climate Action Analyst

Student Appointments	
Ashley Calkins	A.S. External Affairs Rep
Zachary Meyer	Green Campus Coordinator

Local Transit	
Netra Khatri	City of Arcata Chief Engineer

Staff Appointments	
Frank Herrera	SJEIC Coordinator
Andrea Alstone	Energy Manager
Krista Paddock	Parking Coordinator

Faculty Appointments	
Liza Boyle	Env Res Engineering
Will Fisher	Economics

CSU Chancellor's Office	
Hank Kaplan	CPDC Transp Analyst

Deliverables

STC completed the following activities in the 2022-23 academic year:

1. **Inaugural Meeting.** With member recruitment and appointments conducted during the summer and early fall semester, the STC held its first meeting on October 12, 2022.
2. **Sustainable Transportation in the Campus Physical Plan Update.** The Committee held meetings with the Smith Group and their partners to discuss transportation demand management as an element of the

¹ See B. Procedure, Item 1. *Alternative Transportation Committee* in the [CSU Transportation and Parking Policy](#) (2020).

² Go to the [Sustainable Transportation Committee](#) webpage for more information.

campus physical plan update. Committee members also participated in workshops hosted by Smith Group and its partners, completed surveys, and participated in a mobility walking tour of the campus.

3. **Build-out of the Commuter Club Program.** The Committee advised the Office of Sustainability on the development of a Commuter Club, a program designed to build and resource a community that prioritizes sustainable commuting options over single occupant vehicle commuting. This included but was not limited to:
 - a. Faculty/Staff RideMatch service;
 - b. Free 1:1 Commuter Consultations, and
 - c. Proposal for a pre-tax Commuter Benefit.
4. **Earth Week Transportation Events.** The Committee brainstormed and supported Earth Week activities, including a Transportation Scavenger Hunt and a group bus ride, to increase student engagement with transportation alternatives.
5. **Meetings and Workshops with Local transit organizations.** Committee members received presentations from the Coalition for Responsible Transportation Priorities (CRTP) and the Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG), and participated in a Humboldt County Transit Development Plan workshop and a campus transportation planning meeting with representatives from Humboldt Transit Authority, HCAOG, Fehr & Peers, Smith Group, and A&MRTS.

Planned Activities for AY 2023-24

1. Contribute to the transportation demand element of the campus physical plan update
2. Support the launch of a student version of the RideMatch service
3. Review and update annual campus commuter survey
4. Hold a study session with the Humboldt Advisory Committee on Sustainability
5. Support building campus engagement with sustainable transportation, through communications, events, orientations and other initiatives
6. Discuss and make recommendations on parking policies that will encourage non-SOV commuting, such as:
 - a. Restricted parking on campus for first-year campus residents
 - b. Restricted parking for students/faculty/staff residing within a certain distance from campus
7. Seek ongoing synergies with groups on campus and in the community, and represent interests of sustainable transportation within those groups.