

Regional Early Action Planning Grants of 2021 (REAP 2.0) Annual Report Template for Metropolitan Planning Organizations



Fresno Council of Governments

For the reporting period of: 2021 to 2025

Instructions

This form is to be used for satisfying the reporting requirements of California Health and Safety Code section 50515.10. The report must be submitted to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) via email at reap2021@hcd.ca.gov in Microsoft Word format by April 1 of the year following award of funding, and annually thereafter by April 1 until all funds are expended.

Details about the REAP 2.0 program can be found at:

<https://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-and-funding/programs-active/regional-early-action-planning-grants-of-2021>

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Refer to the following instructions to complete each part of the report.

Part I – Overall Context

In 500 words or less, provide a brief overview regarding the current status of each Proposed Use and Subtask(s)¹.

- **Overview:** A general description of the overall Proposed Use(s) and Subtask(s).
- **Current Status:** A short summary of the information requested in Part III – Status of Activities on progress made by each Proposed Use to meet the REAP 2.0 objectives:
 - Accelerating infill development that facilitates housing supply, choice, and affordability,
 - Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH), and
 - Reducing Vehicles Miles Traveled (VMT).

¹ If one or more Proposed Uses includes suballocations, please provide additional context for each suballocated award.

Part II – Highlights, Challenges, Opportunities, and Accomplishments

In a paragraph or two per Proposed Use², discuss the highlights, challenges, opportunities, and accomplishments realized at regional, subregional, or local levels to date. This part may include updates about:

- Engaging stakeholders
- Building support for housing and transportation
- Developing strategies for reducing VMT
- Adopting policy reforms to remove barriers to housing production
- Completing project deliverables
- Fostering subregional collaboration on housing and transportation planning
- Administering technical assistance
- Best practices
- Exemplary highlights and program outcomes

Part III – Activity Status and Funding Summary

Provide details of each Proposed Use. Utilize the project timeline and budget from the approved advance allocation and full application to complete the tables for each Proposed Use according to the columns provided as follows:

- **Advance Allocation Application – Proposed Activities:**
 - **Activity Title** – Input Proposed Activity title.
 - **Timeline** – Approximate start and completion dates of work performed.
 - **Amount Proposed & Amount Expended** – Specify the grant amounts proposed and expended for each approved Activity.
 - **Status** – Select whether activity is not started, in progress, or completed as of the end of the reporting period.

² For Proposed Uses that are suballocated, please provide this detail for each suballocation award.

- **Full Application – Proposed Uses & Subtasks:**
 - **Activity No.** – Should correspond with Activity Number in Proposed Use Timeline and Budget in full application.
 - **Activity Title** – Should correspond with Activity Title in Proposed Use Timeline and Budget in full application.
 - **Eligible Uses** – Indicate which eligible uses are being achieved through the activity as listed in 50515.08 (c)(1)(E)(i-iv) (reference section [50515.08 \(d\)\(4-7\)](#) for additional information):
 - (i) Accelerating infill development, including housing;
 - (ii) Supporting residents through realizing Multimodal Communities,
 - (iii) Shifting travel behavior through reducing driving, and/or
 - (iv) Increasing transit ridership.
 - **Suballocation (Sub)** – Check the box for each activity that utilizes suballocated funds.
 - **Timeline** – Approximate start and completion dates of work performed.
 - **Amount Allocated & Amount Expended** – Specify the grant amounts allocated and expended for each approved Proposed Use and Subtask.
 - **Status** – Select a status from the dropdown menu (not started, in progress, complete).

Part IV – Measurable Outcomes by Proposed Use

Provide information in the tables provided related to accelerating infill housing, reducing VMT, and Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing resulting from the performance of activities as of the end of the reporting period.

Part V – Web Report

Provide the URL(s) on the grantee’s public website containing existing maps that illustrate VMT generation patterns in their region. A grantee may submit maps produced in the development of the grantee’s adopted sustainable community strategies. If public maps are not available on the grantee’s website, a statement confirming that the VMT information in [Site Check \(https://sitecheck.opr.ca.gov\)](https://sitecheck.opr.ca.gov) accurately visualizes VMT patterns in their region is sufficient. Additional maps relevant to the proposed use(s) may also be included.

Part VI – Additional Information

Provide materials produced for REAP 2.0 activities as supplemental documentation to this report. This may include templates, announcements, or other program guidance. Common file formats such as PDF, Word document, JPEG, etc. are sufficient.

The grantee may add any other information as deemed appropriate to demonstrate the status and impacts of the overall REAP 2.0 activities. The grantee may also discuss any anticipated changes and limiting or confounding factors potentially impacting the effectiveness of the activities.

The grantee may also add recent developments to the data inputted in the Annual Report submitted in the previous reporting period, if applicable. Self-reported data by cities and counties is available on [HCD's Housing Element and Implementation and APR Data Dashboard \(https://www.hcd.ca.gov/planning-and-community-development/housing-open-data-tools/housing-element-implementation-and-apr-dashboard\)](https://www.hcd.ca.gov/planning-and-community-development/housing-open-data-tools/housing-element-implementation-and-apr-dashboard) (note that HCD cannot independently verify most project-level data). HCD recognizes REAP 2.0 funds may not immediately impact production indicators for projects completed in 2023 and 2024, but that these numbers may be used as a baseline or context for indicating housing production at a regional scale.

Report

Part I – Overall Context

Overview of Proposed Use(s) and Subtask(s):

Fresno COG awarded REAP 2.0 funds to three cities: Fresno, San Joaquin, and Firebaugh. These projects focus on housing development, sustainable infrastructure, and transit improvements, aligning with REAP 2.0 objectives of advancing infill development and reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

City of San Joaquin - The public park and trail system extension project will help reduce predevelopment costs with high-density infill housing. the proposed area is neaby local school and comercial center of San Joaquin. The trail expansion project will provide active transportation opportunites to reduce VMT and carbon emissions. Infill of housing in the City of San Joaquin will provide additional housing for farmworkers close to where they work but within a compact community.

City of Firebaugh - The Firebaugh Downtown Infill Initiative program will focus on pedestrian friendly high density infill development and reduce VMTs, greenhouse gas emissions, and imporve air quality By promoting higher density infill with climate resilient design standards, the project supports natural resource conservation (infill, clean energy, sustainable building materials) and health equity through climate action (sustainable walkable communitess).

City of Fresno - The project supports regional and local efforts to ensure all people have full and equal access to opportunities by providing transportation options that are not reliant on automobile access or forcing residents to navigate sidewalks or bicycle on roadways that are not accessible, or which fail to provide adequate infrastructure improvements to support multi-modal transportation. These improvements will not displace the community and make the Blackstone Avenue more accessible for ll residents. It will also transform Blackstone into a multi-modal corridor to provide a better access to the amenities of the downtown area.

Current Status:

Work on these approved and awarded projects (City of Firebaugh, City of Fresno, and City of San Joaquin) have not yet begun; however, \$200,000 from the \$600,000 of the advance application has gone towards our consultant, Southwest Strategies in regards to staff time and contract obligation.

Part II –Highlights, Challenges, Opportunities, and Accomplishments

City of Fresno - The project will bring these near-term improvements: construction of Class IV bicycle facilities and associated cyclist, pedestrian, and motorist safety improvements with speed reduction elements including reduced and narrowed travel lanes, median barriers and Methyl Methacrylate (MMA) pavement markings in the bicycle conflict zones, high-visibility crosswalk striping, sidewalk gap filling, construction of American with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant curb ramps and extensions, Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS), remote bus stop platforms to accommodate uninterrupted Class IV bicycle facilities, acquiring right-of-way to widen sidewalks where impact to existing properties is limited, enhanced pedestrian crossings, asphalt surface replacement along Blackstone Avenue where needed to conform to the new multi-modal improvements, traffic signal(s) upgraded to include video detection, pedestrian lights and streetlights throughout, tree plantings along the sidewalks to improve the shade canopy where space allows, and surface drainage improvements to eliminate standing water/drainage issues within the pedestrian and bicycling facilities. The project will also install a new signalized intersection at Blackstone and Floradora and to further compliment this project, a new signalized intersection at Blackstone and Webster is near completion as well as two HAWKS that are to be installed at the Abby and Harvey as well as Abby and Clay intersections by separate projects, helping to complete the corridor.

City of San Joaquin - The project proposes to extend a trail system and construct a new public park as a component of housing development on three parcels at the corner of Elm Avenue and Main Street in the northeast corner of the City of San Joaquin. Additional funding will be used for trail and pedestrian improvements along Colorado Avenue to benefit the Fresno Housing Authority's Colorado Court project, a 114-unit low-income housing project, transit stop improvements, and other identified trail and pedestrian improvements identified in the San Joaquin Mobility and Access Improvement Plan. These improvements will accelerate the development of needed housing in the City of San Joaquin.

City of Firebaugh - The proposed projects, with reduced parking and enhanced mobility (bike, ped, car-share, transit, bike share) options will create an urban environment that reduces auto use, vehicle miles travelled and greenhouse gas emissions. Increasing housing options for all members of the community regardless of age, disability, race or income status will further enhance housing choice and affordability. The City of Firebaugh's project is entirely focused on facilitating higher density, affordable, infill housing through a proactive predevelopment program. The City of Firebaugh would like to conduct a series of predevelopment activities leading to public-private partnerships that are dramatic and transformational to the urban residential landscape of its downtown including outreach, market studies, conceptual designs, infrastructure studies, mobility alternatives for supporting less autodependent

development, feasibility analysis, entitlements, environmental assessments, site assessments (phase one and Geotech) and other predevelopment activities that “set the table” for mixed-use affordable housing development to occur. We need to be proactive, the private sector acting on its own, will not develop our infill projects without concerted city involvement in facilitating the process.

Part III – Activity Status and Funding Summary

Insert data in the tables below regarding the status of activities and funding allocations and expenditures for each Proposed Activity/Use.

Advance Allocation Application – Proposed Activities

If the grantee did not submit the REAP 2.0 advance allocation application, check the following box and proceed to Full Application – Proposed Uses & Subtasks: ☐ Not Applicable

Activity Title	Timeline	Amount Proposed	Amount Expended	Status
Task 1: Program Administration (through June 2026) Task 2: Program Management (development of program guidelines and final application)	August 2022 to August 2026	200,000.00	41,827.00	In Progress
Task 3: Stakeholder and Public Engagement	October 2022 through December 2022	0.00	0.00	Complete
Task 4. Draft REAP 2.0 Framework	September 2022	0.00	0.00	Complete
Task 5: Develop Full Application	October-December 2022	0.00	0.00	Complete
Suballocation of remaining Funds	August 2022 to August 2026	400,000.00	0.00	In Progress
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Total	N/A	\$600,000.00	\$41,827.00	N/A

Full Application – Proposed Uses & Subtasks

Activity No.	Activity Title	Eligible Uses	Sub	Timeline	Amount Allocated	Amount Expended	Status
1.0	City of Fresno	ex: (i), (iii)	☐		10,300,000.00	0.00	-Select-
1.1	Right of Way		☒	TBD	204,384.00	0.00	Not Started
1.2	Construction		☒	TBD	10,442,251.00	0.00	Not Started
2.0	City of Firebaugh		☐		1,500,000.00	0.00	-Select-
2.1	Outreach		☒	TBD	45,000.00	0.00	Not Started
2.2	Market Study		☒	TBD	25,000.00	0.00	Not Started
2.3	Conceptual Designs		☒	TBD	50,000.00	0.00	Not Started
2.4	Infrastructure Analysis		☒	TBD	40,000.00	0.00	Not Started
2.5	Alternative Mobility Options		☒	TBD	30,000.00	0.00	Not Started
2.6	Feasibility Analysis		☒	TBD	35,000.00	0.00	Not Started
2.7	Site Negotiations		☒	TBD	20,000.00	0.00	Not Started
2.8	Site Control		☒	TBD	1,120,000.00	0.00	Not Started
2.9	Land Use/environmental		☒	TBD	40,000.00	0.00	Not Started
2 -	Request for Proposals		☒	TBD	35,000.00	0.00	Not Started
2 -	Development Agreements		☒	TBD	35,000.00	0.00	Not Started
2 -	Ongoing City Support		☒	TBD	25,000.00	0.00	Not Started
3.0	City of San Joaquin		☐		800,000.00	0.00	Not Started
3.1	Unknown		☒	TBD	0.00	0.00	-Select-
4.0	Southwest Strategies		☐		108,585.44	108,585.44	Complete
4.1	Staff Time		☒	2024	41,827.00	41,827.00	Complete
4.2	Contract		☒	2023	66,758.44	66,758.44	Complete
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Total	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$24,963,805.88	\$217,170.88	N/A

Part IV – Measurable Outcomes by Proposed Use

Input estimates in the tables below resulting from the performance of each REAP 2.0 activity. Please complete to the best of your ability regardless of whether the activity has been fully implemented or not.

Accelerating Infill Development

Proposed Use	Measurable Outcome	Baseline	Target	Results
1	Number of Housing units (total, type, affordable, and per acre) or; capital investments to support Housing development or; mix of Housing unit types or sizes, or; Increasing land use intensities, or; count of sites developable for future Housing, and/or; number of new housing units supported or provided by the proposed use. City of Firebaugh: The City of Firebaugh's project is entirely focused on facilitating higher density infill, mixed use affordable housing on vacant or underutilized sites. We anticipate that over 300 housing units	Jurisdiction Annual Progress Report 2023 City of Firebaugh: The City of Firebaugh's 6th cycle RHNA details the need for 443 additionally planned housing units from 2023 to 2031. Approximately half of this unit count identifies housing for low-income and below households. The Firebaugh Downtown Infill Initiative aligns with Firebaugh's Jurisdiction's Housing Element for the 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Assessment.	Net increase in number of sites/housing units, total (type and affordable) City of Firebaugh: The City of Firebaugh's project is entirely focused on facilitating higher density, affordable, infill housing through a proactive predevelopment program. The City of Firebaugh would like to conduct a series of predevelopment activities leading to public-private partnerships that are dramatic and transformational to the urban residential	

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	will be developed as a result of the REAP 2.0 funding, a substantial increase from zero. Most of the city's employment centers, health care, schools, civic uses, and shopping and retail opportunism lie within walking distance of the downtown core area. Mixed-use housing has been a policy priority for the City of Firebaugh for close to two decades. The 2030 Firebaugh General Plan was adopted in 2010 and designates the downtown for mixed use development that incorporates residential and commercial uses in the same building or on the same site. The city adopted a new Zoning Ordinance in	City of Fresno (Blackstone): Blackstone Avenue is a major roadway in Fresno that connects the downtown areas to the northern parts of the City. Blackstone Avenue is a passageway that links many residential areas to the amenities across the City, including Fresno City College, shopping, and medical facilities. Blackstone Avenue is a highly traveled corridor with a very high percentage of this traffic consisting of automobiles. The project also has the potential to connect with the residents who fall within the 'High Segregation & Poverty' category by giving the ability to travel the corridor without having to	landscape of its downtown including outreach, market studies, conceptual designs, infrastructure studies, mobility alternatives for supporting less auto dependent development, feasibility analysis, entitlements, environmental assessments, site assessments (phase one and Geotech) and other predevelopment activities that "set the table" for mixed-use affordable housing development to occur. We need to be proactive, the private sector acting on its own, will not develop our infill projects without concerted city involvement in facilitating the process. City of Fresno (Blackstone):	

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	2016 that lists mixed use residential as a permitted use in the C-2 (Central Commercial) zone. In addition to the 2030 general plan, the 2007 Central Firebaugh Revitalization Plan encouraged mixed use housing along with infrastructure improvements. City of Fresno (Blackstone): The broad range community outreach and engagement that began 2018 for a plan to redevelop Blackstone Avenue by expanding and starting businesses, safe and clean neighborhoods, mixed-use developments, rapid transit systems, and convenient services, recreation, and entertainment that meet every day needs. The	rely solely on access to an automobile. City of San Joaquin: There are currently 972 housing units in the City. The project reduces the costs of adding public infrastructure as a component of the construction of 160 multi-family units, and 87 single-family homes, including low-income units for multi-generational families. This is an 18 percent increase in the City's total housing stock, and 124 percent over the City's 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) of 200 units.	The project proposes the reassignment of roadway areas to create a Complete Street with areas for vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians by eliminating a travel lane in each direction and narrowing the remaining travel lanes to not only use the existing roadway more efficiently but also to discourage speeding and unsafe driving practices by making the roadway more uncomfortable to drivers. The location of the project is within an existing developed area, which has also been appropriately zoned for the promotion of infill development. The location is presently served by the public transportation of the BRT line which provides adequate transportation for the residents and	

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	level of community outreach participated in by all walks of life, the amount of affordable housing development recently constructed or proposed in the area as well as infill redevelopment is testament to continue the effort in the area by bringing capital improvements infrastructure projects to continue the advancement of bettering Blackstone Avenue and improving all facets. City of San Joaquin: The public park and trail system extension project will enhance neighborhood amenities and active transportation opportunities approximately one-half mile from the commercial center of the City along Colorado Avenue and is		consumers. The area is also served by existing services such as water, sewer, and trash from the city. The project will update the area and encourage the efficiency of these services City of San Joaquin: The project will reduce predevelopment costs associated with housing development, thereby increasing viability of development to occur, and facilitating the supply of housing in the City. The cost of providing the trail and park improvements has been identified as the main hurdle to allow development of 247 housing units, including 160 multi-family units.	

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	key to completing the San Joaquin Mobility and Access Improvement Plan. The project reduces the costs of adding public infrastructure as a component of the construction of 160 multi-family units, and 87 single-family homes, including low-income units for multi-generational families. This is an 18 percent increase in the City's total housing stock, and 124 percent over the City's 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) of 200 units. As there are currently 972 housing units in the City, this will have a transformative impact in the City and provide much needed housing for the City and the region.			
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Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing

Proposed Use	Measurable Outcome	Baseline	Target	Results
1	Number of new Affordable Housing units, or; number of existing housing units continued to be made available and affordable, or; zoning, streamlined housing production (including permit streamlining), fees, incentives, and other approaches to increase housing choices and affordability, or; increase accessible number of units above state law, and/or; increase in rate of Housing Choice Voucher usage in high opportunity census tracts, or; new or enhanced public services and community assets such as parks, schools, social service programs, active transportation, infrastructure, and other community amenities, and/or; increased access to public services, or; housing-supportive	Jurisdiction Annual Progress Report 2023 City of Firebaugh: The number of affordable housing units included in the proposed mixed-use projects, ensuring that housing options cater to various income levels, especially those in the working class with lower median incomes, is well beyond a baseline number of zero at this time. We anticipate that over 300 housing units will be developed from REAP 2.0 funding, a substantial increase from zero. City of Fresno (Blackstone):	Net increase in number of sites/housing units, total (type and affordable) within high resource AFFH areas. City of Firebaugh: Firebaugh Downtown Infill Initiative will address disparities in housing needs and transform racially concentrated areas of poverty by: 1) Equitable Outreach and Community Engagement - public workshops, funded by REAP 2.0, ensure that diverse resident voices are heard, providing valuable input on living amenities, transportation, retail, and community preferences. Targeted outreach to major users and collaboration with the	

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	infrastructure services in areas of concentrated poverty or similar areas.	This project will improve pedestrian mobility by reconstructing curb ramps and enhancing the usability of existing crosswalks to new high visibility so that pedestrians can reach nearby destinations more comfortably, including schools, shopping, and parks. Curb ramps that are not accessible create barriers for pedestrians to using a separated path of travel outside of the vehicle right of way. Accessible curb ramps provide access between the sidewalk and roadway for people using wheelchairs, strollers, walkers, handcarts, or who have physical restrictions that make it difficult to step up and down high curbs. City of San Joaquin:	Firebaugh Community College Center addresses the specific housing needs of students and faculty, fostering inclusivity and access to educational opportunities. 2) Market Study for Inclusive Development - the third-party market study guides the development of housing and retail/office spaces, ensuring that unit types, affordability levels, sizes, and targeted population groups are considered. This helps in addressing disparities in housing needs and catering to diverse demographics. 3) Feasibility Analysis for Inclusive Financing - the financial feasibility analysis considers real estate economics and financing approaches, aiming to address	

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		The project combats the disadvantaged nature of the city by investing in public infrastructure in the community. The project will increase access to public space and will promote connectivity throughout the city, increasing public resources in a historically underserved community. The funding of this project facilitates much needed housing to be built and provides increased recreational opportunities and active transportation options for the residents of the City. These place-based strategies will work to reduce patterns of segregation and foster equitable communities.	potential disparities in funding. This ensures that the initiative is financially viable and accessible to various stakeholders of all income groups to enjoy quality housing opportunities. 4) Land Use and Environmental Approvals with Social Equity in Mind - schematic/conceptual land use and environmental approvals are processed with a focus on social equity. Variances, CUPs, and analysis under CEQA and NEPA consider the broader socio-economic impact, replacing segregated living patterns with inclusive and balanced communities. 5) City Support for Inclusive Developments - city support for affordable	

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			developer-led efforts, especially those aligned with AHSC and LIHTC programs, reinforces the commitment to addressing disparities in housing and creating opportunities for all residents. City of Fresno (Blackstone): The City's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Annual Action Plan has identified that social equity, communities of color and low-income communities fair housing access are high priority action items. The City offers fair housing education services to help residents, community organizations, and housing providers to understand fair housing rights and responsibilities along with legal assistance in the	

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			prevention of eviction. The project location is within an underserved area and these improvements seek to assist in combating housing discrimination, eliminate racial bias, dismantle historic patterns of segregation, and barriers which restrict access to foster inclusive communities and achieve racial equity, fair housing choice, and opportunities for all. Infrastructure projects like these improve safety and give those without a car better access to places they need to go. In June 2022, the construction of 3039 North Blackstone, located 1.25 miles north of the project, started by redeveloping a parcel formerly used for commercial use into a 41-unit affordable housing targeting low-	

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			income families. Twenty of the apartments will be reserved for young people facing homelessness or those transitioning out of institutions. Partial funding from the Fresno County Department of Behavioral Health will assist the residents with dedicated onsite supportive services like case management, therapy, peer support services and more. Bringing these additional infrastructure improvements to the area for this project location will lead to additional residential developments like this. City of San Joaquin: The public park and trail system extension project provides accessible	

Proposed Use	Measurable Outcome	Baseline	Target	Results
			green spaces within proximity to commercial and residential uses within a small, compact rural community. It will provide opportunities for physical activity by providing bicycle and walking trails that will connect throughout the city. For a community with limited public open space and only two community parks, this project will have a meaningful effect on the lives of residents and will promote healthy lifestyles and significantly increase access to community resources throughout the City.	
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Reducing Vehicle Miles Traveled

Proposed Use	Measurable Outcome	Baseline	Target	Results
1	Estimate for VMT reduced per capita, or; number of distinct land uses within the site, or; number of distinct land uses around the site, or; number of surrounding connections, or; mix of Housing unit types or sizes, or; new or enhanced transit services, or; increased transit frequencies and/or ridership, or; new pedestrian or bicycle pathways, and/or; limited off-street parking. City of Firebaugh: The proposed projects, with reduced parking and enhanced mobility (bike, ped, car-share, transit, bike-share) options will create an urban environment that reduces auto use, vehicle miles travelled and greenhouse gas emissions.	Existing housing within Existing/Planned/Potential Opportunity Areas as defined by Fresno COG's 2022 RTP/ SCS 2045) City of Firebaugh: The proposed project aligns with several performance indicators of the 2022 RTP/SSC, most notably public health, clean air, bike and walk friendly, protecting agricultural land, and access to jobs and services in disadvantaged communities. The proposed project, with its broader goal achieving multimodal improvements for the entire community, achieves this by incorporating smart growth principles into the eventual project concepts such as promoting compact, mixed-use and	Net increase in number of sites/housing units identified, assessed, queued for residential development within Existing/Planned Opportunity Area or Potential Opportunity Area as defined by Fresno COG's 2022 RTP/SCS. City of Firebaugh: By focusing on pedestrian friendly high density infill development, the project address reduction in vehicle miles travelled (bike & ped improvements, and reduced parking), reduced greenhouse gas emissions (less auto use, clean housing fuels) and improved air quality (less vehicle particulate matter).	

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	Increasing housing options for all members of the community regardless of age, disability, race or income status will further enhance housing choice and affordability. City of Fresno (Blackstone): The project supports regional and local efforts to ensure all people have full and equal access to opportunities by providing transportation options that are not reliant on automobile access or forcing residents to navigate sidewalks or bicycle on roadways that are not accessible, or which fail to provide adequate infrastructure improvements to support multi-modal transportation.	transit-oriented development, increasing walking and biking through street design and place-based strategies, targeting infrastructure investments in walking, biking and transit, and by ensuring a healthier future for Firebaugh residents by improving land-use and transportation connections. City of Fresno (Blackstone): With the proposed improvements that the project will bring to the corridor, it could create a substantial reduction in VMT by encouraging the use of public transportation, walking, and biking while also assisting with GHG reduction.	By considering multimodal mobility options as part of this undertaking, the project is addressing clean transportation options (EV Car-share, bike share), complete streets (incorporated into future AHSC applications), and multimodal transportation options (mobility study for bike, ped, transit and alternative travel mode options). By promoting higher density infill with climate resilient design standards, the project supports natural resource conservation (infill, clean energy, sustainable building materials) and health equity through climate action (sustainable walkable communities). City of Fresno (Blackstone):	

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	The State's climate target and goals are reducing anthropogenic emissions to 85 percent below 1990 levels by 2045 (California Climate Change Scoping Plan). This project aims to make infrastructure improvements to the project location by making Blackstone Avenue a more walkable, bicycle and transit-oriented area, bringing the amenities of the businesses and surrounding area to the adjacent residents by creating accessible routes and access to public transportation within the project limits. Shifting Blackstone Avenue from primarily vehicle-oriented to a space that is more accommodating of multi-modal transportation will increase the desirability for private development and housing production	City of San Joaquin: This grant funding will reduce the potential for housing to be developed in unincorporated areas of the County to reduce commute times that would decrease VMT and GHG.	The project's infrastructure enhancements will make it easier for residents and visitors to access public transit, walk, or bike to their destinations, helping stimulate the local economy and improving the desirability of the area. Having a street that is more comfortable and welcoming brings in new customers, spurs private investment, and increases property values. City of San Joaquin: The City of San Joaquin is a small, compact community surrounded by agricultural land. There are limited housing options within the city, as well as limited public infrastructure, such as bicycle lanes, public transit, and public parks. The project will directly	

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	in the area. Stemming reliance on personal automobile trips will reduce vehicle miles traveled for not only residents in the affected area, but also for commuters who might chose biking, walking or public transportation, from and to locations outside the project's limits, as the Blackstone Smart Mobility Strategy is implemented across the city. City of San Joaquin: Improve walkability within the City, reducing VMT and greenhouse gases, and integrating green spaces, the investment in public infrastructure in this area incentivizes and will eliminate a hurdle to developing housing in the City of San Joaquin.		contribute to public infrastructure that supports housing development. In addition to revitalizing the currently vacant area along Elm Avenue and Main Street, making the area attractive and improving conditions for existing residents and future residents, it will also reduce predevelopment costs for 247 units of housing, an 18 percent increase in the City's housing stock. The project will make it more conducive to develop housing on three underutilized parcels and provide increased opportunity within an area with a high concentration of low-income, non-white residents. In a small community with limited housing options and high rates of overcrowding, providing additional	

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Part V – Web Report

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Part VI – Additional Information

Provide any additional indicators, outcomes, and anticipated changes, if applicable. ☒ Not Applicable