

Notice of Availability

Draft 2018 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy and Draft Environmental Impact Report

Notice is hereby given that the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) has released the following documents for public review and comment and will be holding public meetings to receive public comment: the Draft 2018 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) (2018 RTP/SCS); and the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) prepared for the 2018 RTP/SCS. The 2018 RTP/SCS and the Draft EIR have been released for a 55-day public review/comment period.

- The 2018 RTP/SCS is the region's long range transportation plan through 2042 for the Stanislaus County metropolitan region.
- The 2018 RTP/SCS is the long-term coordinated transportation/land use strategy and provides a framework for transportation investment out to the year 2042.
- The Draft EIR provides a programmatic analysis of environmental impacts related to the implementation of the 2018 RTP/SCS. It discloses significant effects for the following resource categories: aesthetics; agriculture; air quality; biology; cultural resources; energy; geology and soils; hazards and hazardous materials; hydrology and water quality; land use, population, and housing; noise; transportation and circulation; and tribal cultural resources.

Public Workshops & Public Hearings

StanCOG will hold public workshops at the following dates, times and locations:

- **Monday, May 14, 2018 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm** – Turlock City Council Chambers, Yosemite Room, 156 S. Broadway Street, Turlock
- **Monday May 21, 2018 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm** – Hammon Senior Center, 1033 W. Las Palmas Avenue, Patterson
- **Tuesday, May 22, 2018 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm** – StanCOG Board Room, 1111 I Street, Suite 308, Modesto

StanCOG will hold two public hearings on the 2018 RTP/SCS as part of the StanCOG regularly scheduled Policy Board meetings. The first public hearing will be on **Wednesday, June 20, 2018**, at 6:00 p.m. at the StanCOG Board Room, 1111 I Street, Suite 308, Modesto. The second public hearing will be on **Wednesday, July 18, 2018**, at 6:00 p.m. at the City of Ceres Community Center, 2701 Fourth Street, Ceres.

Public Review and Comment

The Draft 2018 RTP/SCS and the Draft EIR prepared for the 2018 RTP/SCS are available **for public review from May 11, 2018 to 3:00 PM on July 5, 2018**. The documents can be downloaded at www.stancog.org and can be physically reviewed at StanCOG's office, located at 1111 I Street, Suite 308, Modesto, CA 95354.

Written comments may be submitted to StanCOG at:

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