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Regional Advocacy Issues

Ranking by Regional Priority	Advocacy Issues	Request
1	WATER: COMPREHENSIVE WATER SUPPLY INFRASTRUCTURE LEGISLATION	To have the State of California Legislature develop and place a comprehensive water bond package on the next available ballot, including specific priority items for Fresno County.
2	FEDERAL ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE	Maximize Fresno County's regional share of Federal economic stimulus funding.
3	CALIFORNIA STATE BUDGET ISSUES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Support California High-Speed Rail: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support annual appropriations of Proposition 1A (2008). • The High-Speed Rail Authority should consider locating the proposed maintenance and storage facility in the City of Fresno or Fresno area. • The Central Valley segment of the high-speed rail system should be completed first since its construction is not as complex or costly * Support \$1million in funding to ensure sustainability of the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley. * Protect Proposition 42 (Transportation Congestion Improvement Act) and other transportation funds from being diverted to other purposes in the state budget. * Seek Proposition 84 funding and other sources to offset costs for implementation of SB 375 requirements for MPO's and local governments.
4	AIR QUALITY ISSUES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Seek the establishment of a new San Joaquin Valley Designation as an Air Quality Enterprise/Empowerment Zone at the state and federal level. * Support Port Container Fees for the San Joaquin Valley.
Information Only in Packets	San Joaquin Valley Blueprint Planning Process	Provide project update on regional blueprint planning activities.
Information Only in Packets	Council of Fresno County Government's 2009 Legislative Platform	Provide Legislative Platform.