
PUBLIC NOTICE

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE
DRAFT 2019 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM,
THE DRAFT 2018 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN/SUSTAINABLE
COMMUNITY STRATEGY, CORRESPONDING DRAFT CONFORMITY ANALYSIS,
AND
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
(SCH # 2017041008)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fresno Council of Governments (Fresno COG) will hold a public hearing on April 26, 2018 at 5:30 P.M. during the Fresno COG Policy Board Meeting at the Fresno COG office building at 2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201, Fresno, CA 93721 regarding the Draft 2019 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (2019 FTIP), the Draft 2018 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Community Strategy (2018 RTP/SCS), the corresponding Draft Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the 2019 FTIP and 2018 RTP/SCS and the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comments on these documents.

- The 2019 FTIP is a near-term listing of capital improvement and operational expenditures utilizing federal and state monies for transportation projects in Fresno County during the next four years.
- The 2018 RTP/SCS is a long-term coordinated transportation/land use strategy to meet Fresno County transportation needs out to the year 2042.
- The Draft EIR document provides an analysis of potential environmental impacts related to the implementation of the RTP/SCS as required by the California Environmental Quality Act.
- The corresponding Conformity Analysis contains the documentation to support a finding that the 2019 FTIP and 2018 RTP/SCS meet the air quality conformity requirements for ozone and particulate matter.

Individuals with disabilities may call Fresno COG (with 3-working-day advance notice) to request auxiliary aids necessary to participate in the public hearing. Translation services are also available (with 3-working-day advance notice) to participants speaking any language, by available professional translation services.

An additional public hearing will be held by Fresno COG staff, specifically Planning Director Kristine Cai, to receive public comments on the Draft 2018 Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) on May 15, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. at Selma City Hall, 1710 Tucker St, Selma, CA 93662.

A concurrent 55-day public review and comment period on the Draft EIR and related documents will commence on April 5, 2018 and conclude on June 1, 2018. The draft documents are available for review at the Fresno COG office, located at 2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201, Fresno, CA 93721 and on Fresno COG website at www.fresnocog.org.

Based on the analysis presented in the Draft EIR, potentially significant and unavoidable direct and cumulative environmental impacts may occur to the following resources areas: Aesthetics, Agricultural & Forestry Resources, Air Quality, Biotic Resources, Climate Change/Greenhouse Gases, Cultural Resources & Tribal Cultural Resources, Energy & Energy Conservation, Geology/Soils/Minerals, Hazardous Materials, Hydrology & Water Resources, Land Use & Planning, Noise, Population, Housing & Employment, Public Utilities, Other Utilities, & Services, and Transportation/Traffic.

Public comments are welcomed at the hearing, or may be submitted in writing by 5:00 P.M. on June 1, 2018 to Kristine Cai at the address below.

After considering the comments, the documents will be considered for adoption, by resolution, by the Fresno COG at a regularly scheduled meeting to be held on July 26, 2018. The documents will then be submitted to state and federal agencies for consideration and potential approval.

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