

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN UPDATE

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I. Purpose and Background

The purpose of the San Joaquin Council of Governments' Public Participation Plan is to inform and involve citizens in SJCOG's various programs, projects, and work activities. This includes, but is not limited to, lower income households, minorities, persons with disabilities, representatives from community and service organizations, tribal councils, and other public agencies. This element also assists in identifying and addressing environmental justice and social equity issues. Citizen participation objectives include involvement of interested citizens, stakeholders, and representatives of community organizations in agency work through timely workshops on topical issues, fully noticed public hearings, and ongoing broad citizen/organization involvement in the planning and decision processes.

Broad-based community participation is essential to the success of programs, plans and projects of the San Joaquin Council of Governments. Ideals for public participation include:

- Value public participation and promote broad-based involvement by members of the community;
- Provide varied opportunities for public review and input;
- Treat all members of the public fairly, and respect and consider all citizen input as an important component of the planning and implementation process;
- Promote a culture of dialogue and partnership among residents, property owners, the business community, organizations, other interested citizens, and public officials;
- Use existing community groups and other organizations, as feasible;
- Encourage active public participation at the initial stages of the process, as well as throughout the process; and
- Provide communications and agency reports that are clear, timely, and broadly distributed.

Background

In an effort to reach out to the people of San Joaquin County and in response to the passage of the 1991 Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA), the San Joaquin Council of Governments in 1995 developed a Public Involvement Plan to formalize and follow public outreach strategies to involve the populace in transportation planning decisions. Over the past years, SJCOG has implemented those strategies and have incorporated new strategies into the mix. Publications have been changed, as have schedules of publications. In 2005, SJCOG created an updated Public Participation Plan, building on the foundation of successful public participation strategies for the San Joaquin Council of Governments. In response to the passage of the Safe, Accountable,

Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), SJCOG is again updating our Public Participation Plan to reflect current and future public involvement efforts of the agency in response to federal guidelines and requirements.

II. Compliance with Federal Requirements (SAFETEA-LU)

The San Joaquin Council of Governments Public Participation Plan was originally adopted in 1995 following the requirements of the 1991 Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA). In 1998, ISTEA was succeeded by the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), which was subsequently succeeded by the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) on August 10, 2005. TEA-21 and SAFETEA-LU continue the strong federal emphasis on public participation from the 1991 ISTEA, requiring that the public participation plans of metropolitan planning processes “shall be developed in consultation with all interested parties and shall provide that all interested parties have reasonable opportunities to comment on the contents of the transportation plan.”

As outlined in the bill, methods to accommodate these goals, to the maximum extent possible, include:

- (i) holding any public meetings at convenient and accessible locations and times;
- (ii) employing visualization techniques to describe plans; and
- (iii) making public information available in electronically accessible format and means, such as the World Wide Web, as appropriate to afford reasonable opportunity for consideration of public information.

Metropolitan public participation or involvement processes shall be coordinated with statewide public involvement processes wherever possible to enhance public consideration of the issues, plans, and programs and reduce redundancies and costs.

A key change between ISTEA/TEA-21 and SAFETEA-LU is the expanded definition of and participation by “interested parties.” Broadly defined, SJCOG includes as its partners groups and individuals who are affected by or involved with transportation in San Joaquin County and the surrounding region. Examples include citizens, affected public agencies, representatives of public transportation employees, freight shippers, providers of freight transportation services, private providers of transportation, representatives of users of public transportation, representatives of users of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation

facilities, representatives of the disabled, and other interested parties with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the transportation plan.

SAFETEA-LU requires that public meetings be held at convenient and accessible times and locations, that all plans and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) be available by website, and that documents will be written in easily understandable language and will utilize visual components. These elements are addressed in Section IV of this plan.

III. Objectives

The San Joaquin Council of Governments shall provide for public involvement and participation consistent with the following objectives and strategies in the development of its short and long-range transportation plans, programs, and projects.

Objective 1: Raise the level of understanding of the transportation planning process in the region and identify how interested citizens can participate.

Objective 2: Maximize opportunities for public involvement in the transportation process.

Objective 3: Maintain contact with interested citizens and key stakeholders throughout the process of developing MPO plans and projects.

Objective 4: Be responsive to citizens.

Objective 5: Involve traditionally under-served persons – those who are minority, low-income or elderly or those addresses by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in transportation planning issues.

Objective 6: Inform and educate incoming SJCOG Board member, local council members/supervisors and advisory committee members regarding the MPO's functions, responsibilities, and programs.

IV. Description of Public Participation/Involvement Activities

Before members of the public can give input on SJCOG programs, they must be aware of what SJCOG is and what issues are under consideration. To raise public awareness, SJCOG uses several strategies:

Publications

SJCOG produces *Horizons*, an agency newsletter which features updates on SJCOG projects, programs and staff. It is circulated to approximately 3,500 residents and businesses. The newsletter will be distributed to any person or group requesting it.

Commute Connection, SJCOG's Transportation Demand Management program, began publishing a semi-annual newsletter in 2000. The purpose of *Making Connections* is to: provide information about commuting options; offer helpful commute tips; and provide articles of interest to the commuting public such as upcoming freeway projects. The newsletter is distributed to approximately 2,000 businesses that pass the information along to their employees. In the near future, Commute Connection plans to expand the mailing list to include commuters who are in the ridematching database. This would bring the total distribution to approximately 7,000 people.

SJCOG produces monthly *Board Actions*, which documents items, projects and issues that are brought before the SJCOG Board. These are distributed to all elected officials throughout the county, members of the SJCOG committees and interested members of the public.

SJCOG has developed an agency brochure, in both English and Spanish, which highlights the main programs of the organization.

Please see **Appendix A** for a listing of SJCOG publications.

Website

SJCOG offers information about the agency, its programs and projects, and events via the Internet at www.sjcog.org. This site is also linked to other San Joaquin County jurisdictions. SJCOG's Commute Connection rideshare program offers a dedicated site at www.commutecconnection.com for commuters traveling in and out of San Joaquin County on the variety of transportation and transit options available with links to other transit sites and park-and-ride lots as well.

Media Relations

Board packets are circulated to the newspapers in order for them to be informed of the issues that the SJCOG board reviews and acts on during their monthly Board meeting, held the fourth Thursday of each month. Staff will continue to be responsive to press information requests in a timely fashion.

SJCOG also issues news releases on topics of high interest that appear on the Board Agenda in order to highlight those issues to the media. In Stockton,

SJCOG regularly features transportation issues on Stockton's government channel, Stockton City News, Channel 97.

Speakers Bureau

SJCOG proactively schedules speaking engagements for staff through its Speakers Bureau. Service clubs, churches, city council meetings, board of supervisor meetings are a few of the venues that SJCOG staff and Board members speak to the public about SJCOG programs and projects. Fact sheets, talking points and visual displays are utilized to help articulate the message at hand.

Events

SJCOG holds several events during the course of the fiscal year which helps increase awareness of the agency's activities and its role in the community. One such event is the Regional Excellence Awards, designed to provide recognition for outstanding achievements and contributions which benefit the regional community. SJCOG also holds issue forums in order to provide a public discussion of topical regional issues, such as air quality, growth and transportation infrastructure needs.

Open Houses

When SJCOG is working with local jurisdictions on specific transportation projects or programs, open houses are held to present design alternatives to gain early input of nearby residents and the community. These open houses have been effective in receiving useful public comment. Handouts, display boards and technical staff provide information on the project. Individuals are encouraged to make comments to staff or to write their thoughts on comment cards. Open houses are held over several hours to accommodate a variety of schedules. Prior to these open houses, research is conducted to determine demographics of the project area in order to access ethnicity ratios of the area.

Public Notice and Review

It is important for the public to know when SJCOG is seeking their input. For this reason, press releases for public meetings, hearings or workshops are issued to the following local daily and weekly papers and periodicals and news services:

The Record

The Lodi-News Sentinel

The Manteca Bulletin

El Sol

Manteca Sun Post

The Tracy Press

The Escalon Times

The Tri-Valley Herald

Bi-Lingual Weekly

La Vide en Valle

The Ripon Record

The Modesto Bee

The SJ News Service

Mundo Hispano

Translation of Public Notices

When requested or deemed appropriate, SJCOG will translate public notices and press releases into other languages (as determined by the Environmental Justice analysis of the subject or project area).

SJCOG also distributes notices of planning documents and news releases to organizations that represent minority organizations that share information and are a resource for particular demographic groups, including Southeast Asian, Native American, Hispanic, and African American.

Outreach for Planning Documents

There are a number of planning documents SJCOG creates and publishes for which this Participation Plan outlines a specific public process. Since these documents are regularly updated, the public and reviewing agencies can expect the processes outlined below to be followed consistently.

Unmet Transit Needs (UTN) Report. The UTN report is developed and published annually in the Spring after a countywide effort to collect public input regarding transit needs in San Joaquin County. Opportunities for public participation in the development of the UTN report include:

- Surveys distributed countywide
- UTN hearings across the County hosted by local transit agencies
- 30-day comment period on Draft UTN Report
- Public Hearing on Draft UTN Report
- SJCOG Board adoption of the Final UTN Report

Transportation Planning Documents. For the Regional Transportation Plan, Federal Transportation Improvement Program, and Air Quality Conformity Determination, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) California Division provided the eight county San Joaquin Valley region with definitions of amendments & corresponding conformity requirements. The following participation process is consistent with those definitions and requirements. For more detailed information about FHWA guidance, please contact SJCOG staff.

Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The RTP is generally updated every four years, with a limited number of amendments as needed. Opportunities for public participation for the RTP are different for RTP updates versus RTP amendments. RTP Updates include significant revisions to the RTP document, while RTP amendments are generally specific to project scopes, schedules, or costs.

Outreach for RTP Updates

- Public Meetings, workshops, and surveys during the RTP development period to solicit public dialogue and comment on the RTP process including, but not limited to issues such as:
 - Overview of the planning process
 - RTP goals, objectives, performance indicators
 - RTP project lists
 - RTP funding scenarios
- Legally noticed public comment period on the Draft RTP Update. The length of the public comment period is aligned with California Environmental Quality Act requirements, which are generally:
 - 30-days if RTP Update does not include a new Programmatic Environmental Impact Report.
 - 45-days if the RTP Update includes a new Programmatic Environmental Impact Report.
- Legally noticed public hearing held at a SJCOG Board meeting.

RTP Updates also generally require an amendment to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and a new Air Quality Conformity Analysis. The outreach and public comment period for these documents follow the same schedule and timeframes as the RTP Update.

Outreach for RTP Amendments

RTP Amendments are generally triggered by a project-specific need to be consistent either with the project's environmental document or the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). As such, the public participation process for RTP amendments follow the requirements as outlined for the FTIP below, as applicable.

Federal Transportation Improvement Program. The FTIP is updated every two years, with amendments occurring as needed. FTIP updates are generally considered similar to the Type 5 amendment (see below), and follow a similar public participation process. For FTIP Amendments, FHWA identifies six types, each with specific participation requirements, as indicated below.

Expedited Project Selection Procedures (EPSP). EPSP allows eligible projects to be moved between FTIP fiscal years as long as the project cost and scope do not change. SJCOG staff is federally authorized to utilize EPSP without additional State or federal approval action. SJCOG does not require a formal public participation process for EPSP actions. A more detailed description of the EPSP is available from SJCOG staff upon request.

Amendment Type 1. Administrative.

Administrative amendments include minor changes to project cost, schedule, scope, or funding sources. Administrative amendments require action by SJCOG and approval by Caltrans. Federal agencies are notified, but do not take approval action on Type 1 amendments. Public notification of an administrative amendment is posted on SJCOG's website at the time of SJCOG action, and subsequently posted on Caltrans website after Caltrans' approval.

Amendment Type 2. Formal Amendment – Funding Changes.

Type 2 amendments primarily include project cost changes that are greater than 20% of the total project cost or \$2 million, whichever is higher. Type 2 amendments require approval by SJCOG, Caltrans, and FHWA. Publicly accessible notification of a Type 2 formal amendment is posted on SJCOG's website at least 14 days prior to SJCOG action, and distributed to local agency partners through SJCOG's standing Technical Advisory Committee. SJCOG will consider public comments on the amendment prior to approval action.

Amendment Type 3. Formal Amendment – Exempt Projects.

Type 3 amendments primarily include adding or deleting projects that are exempt from regional air quality emissions analyses. These amendments typically include transit or safety projects. Type 3 amendments require approval by SJCOG, Caltrans, and FHWA. Public notification of a Type 3 formal amendment is posted on SJCOG's website at least 14 days prior to SJCOG action, and distributed to local agency partners through SJCOG's standing Technical Advisory Committee. SJCOG will consider public comments on the amendment prior to approval action.

Amendment Type 4. Formal Amendment – Conformity Determination that Relies on a Previous Regional Emissions Analysis.

Type 4 amendments primarily include adding or deleting projects that have already been appropriately modeled for air quality purposes as part of the RTP. In this case, the federal approving agencies can use a previous analysis of the project's impact on air quality for approval purposes. Type 4 amendments may be accompanied by an RTP amendment to maintain consistency. The FTIP amendment and RTP Amendment (if applicable) follow the same public process. Type 4 amendments require approval by SJCOG, Caltrans, and FHWA. Public notification of a Type 4 formal amendment includes:

- Legally noticed 30-day public comment period.
- Legally noticed public meeting.
- Posting of amendment information on SJCOG's website during public comment period.

- Publishing amendment information as part of the following publicly available SJCOG agendas: Technical Advisory Committee, Citizen's Advisory Council, Managers and Finance Committee, Executive Committee, and SJCOG Board.
- Consideration and response to public comments received during comment period.

Amendment Type 5. Formal Amendment – Conformity Determination and New Regional Emissions Analysis.

Type 5 amendments are the highest level amendment and primarily involve adding or deleting new projects that must be modeled for their air quality impacts, or significantly changing the design concept, scope, or schedule of an existing project. Type 5 amendments are accompanied by a new Air Quality Conformity Document that demonstrates conformity with applicable air quality requirements, and if applicable, an RTP amendment to maintain consistency. The FTIP amendment, Air Quality Conformity Document, and RTP Amendment (if applicable) follow the same public process. Type 5 amendments require approval action by SJCOG, Caltrans, and FHWA. Public notification of a Type 5 formal amendment includes:

- Legally noticed 30-day public comment period.
- Legally noticed public meeting.
- Posting of amendment information on SJCOG's website during public comment period.
- Publishing amendment information as part of the following publicly available SJCOG agendas: Technical Advisory Committee, Citizen's Advisory Council, Managers and Finance Committee, Executive Committee, and SJCOG Board.
- Consideration and response to public comments received during comment period.

Measure K Expenditure Plan or Ordinance. The public participation process for amendments to the Measure K Expenditure Plan or Ordinance includes a 45-day public review period and public hearing.

SJCOG Public Participation Plan. Major revisions or updates to the SJCOG Public Participation Plan include a 45-day public review period and public hearing. In addition, in response to federal requirements under SAFETEA-LU, the on-going expansion of the Public Participation Plan includes outreach efforts as described in **Appendix E**.

The drafts of the documents described above are also posted on www.sjco.org and mailed and repositied in a public library in each city (San Joaquin County) for public review.

Please see **Appendix B** for a Summary Schedule of Public Notices and Public Hearings.

Periodic Public Forums and Workshops

SJCOG holds public forums to allow individuals to ask questions and give their opinion outside of the regular Board or committee meetings. Past forums have included topics such as air quality, transportation planning, environmental justice and the global economy. Public Workshops are also held during the planning process for the Regional Transportation Plan, the Federal Transportation Improvement Program, and other plans of special interest. The San Joaquin County Blueprint Planning effort is an example. A description of this planning process is included in **Appendix F**.

Public Hearings, Public Workshops, Public Comments

Public hearings or workshops are also offered in order to give more attention to a specific item. As in the case of public forums, hearings and workshops are held at an early stage in the process so that suggestions can be integrated into the final proposal. All significant comments made using any of these means of public comment will receive due consideration, a formal response and will be included in the final document. In compliance with the Brown Act, all committee and Board meetings have, at a minimum, a formal public comment period. Agendas for Board meetings are posted at a minimum 72 hours prior to the meeting. However, in most cases, Board agendas are posted five days before the scheduled meeting.

Accessibility to Information

Once members of the public decide to get involved in local decision-making, they should have easy access to information and the public comment process. The following strategies are designed to improve the public's access to SJCOG meetings and materials.

Written Materials

A wealth of written information on SJCOG activities is available on an ongoing basis. When preparing these documents, staff's goal is to make the information understandable to the average person in the community, to make the documents as concise as possible, to reduce or eliminate jargon and to explain acronyms. For staff reports, a brief background and a discussion section are included to give proper context on an issue. Plans and all handouts and other documents for public review include an executive summary, pictures, graphs, maps and/or other visual aids to make them more reader-friendly and understandable. SJCOG has also produced "Dollars & Sense: A Transportation Funding Guide to San Joaquin County" in order to make transportation concepts easier for the public to understand.

Accommodations

Currently, every effort is made to schedule public events at a location accessible by transit and all buildings for public events are ADA accessible for wheelchair users. Information regarding bicycle storage is also available. Interpreters or other auxiliary aids will be arranged for the public event if requested prior to the meeting. Public meeting times vary between day and evening meetings depending on the actual meeting and/or topic. Some public hearings are held in conjunction with SJCOG's monthly board meeting which is held at the SJCOG office in the evening.

Hotlines

Staffed and electronic hotlines are utilized as a public outreach tool and included in printed outreach material and on project websites in order to receive comments from the public.

Board Meetings

All agenda materials are currently available to the public at the meeting. Prior to the meeting, agendas are posted on the SJCOG website at www.sjco.org/agendas. All staff reports that are distributed to the Board are also made available to the public at the meetings. Announcements of upcoming Board meetings are listed in the various papers serving the county.

Opportunities are available for public comment on items on or off the agenda. Cards are provided for members of the public to indicate which agenda items they wish to speak on; these cards can be turned in to staff members. At public hearings, the Chairman requests members of the audience for their comments on the issue at hand. For items not on the agenda, a "public comment" period is held early in the meeting, after the roll call.

V. Outreach to Traditionally Underserved Groups and Resource Agencies

Federal requirements for public participation plans include a process for seeking out and considering the needs of those traditionally underserved by existing transportation systems, such as low-income and minority groups.

Representatives of low income communities have pointed out that these individuals are focused on meeting survival needs, so public meetings are generally a low priority. However, when a project affects them directly, they are very interested. In September 2003, SJCOG has held a general environmental justice forum to reach out to those communities that are disproportionately left out of the planning process. The forum presented the concept of environmental justice and why it is important for minority and low income groups to give input

into SJCOG's planning efforts. The forum also sought to receive input on how to go about reaching out to these communities. Churches, faith-based organizations, and schools were named as excellent vehicles for contacts and distribution and collection of information, as well as sites for public meetings and workshops.

SJCOG is continuing to work with faith-based organizations to help better our outreach efforts to low income and minority groups. In these instances, public meetings or open houses are held in the affected community to gather input on the issues at hand. SJCOG has compiled, and routinely updates, an Environmental Justice Resource List to use as a source for outreach. Please refer to **Appendix C** for an Environmental Justice Resource List.

Executive Order 13166, Limited English Proficiency

This Executive Order directs Federal agencies, recipients and sub-recipients of Federal financial assistance to examine services they provide, identify any need for services to those with limited English proficiency (LEP), and develop and implement a system to provide services so LEP persons have meaningful access to them. As a recipient of federal funds, SJCOG offers accommodation to individuals with special needs as identified on our agendas for public meetings.

Social Services Transportation Advisory Committee

SJCOG reaches out to low income communities through the Social Services Transportation Advisory Committee. The committee's purpose is to recommend the transit services that should be provided to the transit dependent community, which often includes low income individuals, as well as the elderly and disabled. The SSTAC also advises the SJCOG Board on other transit issues, such as the coordination of specialized transportation services. As key plans are being developed, the SSTAC and Citizens Advisory Committee are briefed by SJCOG staff for their input into the planning process. Their comments, and those of the TAC and the Management & Finance Committees, are presented to the SJCOG Board for their review.

Tribal Governments

SJCOG provides outreach to the following Northern California Native American organizations. A request has been sent to the Native American Heritage Commission requesting additional update information in this regard as it relates to San Joaquin County.

Candelaria American Indian Council
c/o Kathy Perez
P.O. Box 717
Stockton, CA 95206
209-887-3415

California Valley Miwok Tribe
c/o Silvia Burley, Chairperson
10601 Escondido Place
Stockton, CA 95212
209-931-4567

San Joaquin Council for the American Indians
Ramona Valdez, Director
13505 S. Union Road
PO Box 1552
Manteca, CA 95336-9285
209-858-2421

US Indian Affairs Bureau
2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, CA 95818
916-978-6000

Native American Heritage Commission
915 Capitol Mall, Room 364
Sacramento, CA 95814
(916) 653-4082
e-mail: nahc@pacbell.net

California Tribal TANF Partnership
c/o Joni Drake, Site Manager
5637 N. Pershing Ave., Ste. C-10
Stockton, CA 95207
209-474-6890
e-mail: jdrake@cttp.net

Resource Agencies

SJCOG engages resource agencies in the development of their plans, and specifically RTP development, by distributing notifications of preparation for the RTP and TIP EIRs and inviting their comments on these documents. These agencies include: state, local, tribal agencies responsible for planned growth, economic development, environmental protection, airport operations, freight movements, land use management, natural resources, conservation and historic preservation. The Resource Agency Listing for State and federal resource agencies is maintained by the California State Department of Transportation, Division of Transportation Planning and updated periodically. SJCOG adds local organizations and contacts to this list and will update it as necessary. Please see **Appendix D** for a December 2006 Resource Agencies Listing.

VI. Description of Committees That Contribute to Planning Process

Advisory Committees

SJCOG has a variety of committees that assist in its planning and decision-making. All of these committees are open to the public, with posted agendas in accordance with state law (Brown Act).

SJCOG Standing Committees The SJCOG Board relies on several committees for input on proposed plans, programs and actions:

The Technical Advisory Committee

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) is made up of planning and public works department staff representing the local jurisdictions within San Joaquin County and the transit agencies. The TAC assists SJCOG by reviewing and commenting on transportation plans and programs and making

recommendations. This committee also provides technical staff a forum to voice their concerns on the needs and requests of their respective communities to the SJCOG Board, Caltrans, and FHWA. They play a key role in the development of the plans and programs coordinated by SJCOG.

Citizens Advisory Committee

The Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) is comprised of 16 individuals. In 2006, the membership structure was revised to better represent the geographic, social, cultural, and economic mix of the San Joaquin region. The newly expanded committee includes a member from each of the eight jurisdictions and a member from each of the listed special interest groups. The members representing individual jurisdictions are appointed by the SJCOG Board member from that jurisdiction. All other members are appointed by the full SJCOG Board.

The committee meets monthly to review and comment on agenda items under consideration by the SJCOG Board, specifically the Measure K program. Meetings are held in the evenings to accommodate the working community. The CAC assists SJCOG in understanding community needs as they pertain to transportation issues. The CAC also allows SJCOG to facilitate a better understanding of the transportation planning issues facing the county and the region.

Social Services Transportation Advisory Committee

The Social Services Transportation Advisory Committee (SSTAC), composed of representatives of the elderly, disabled, transit-disadvantaged, and transit provider communities, recommends whether identified transit needs are unmet and reasonable to meet.

Management and Finance Committee

The Management and Finance Committee, consisting of the county administrator and city managers, guides administrative and financial decisions of SJCOG as the Local Transportation Authority, and reviews key proposals and provides policy-level input to the SJCOG Board.

All of these committees are open to the public, with posted agendas in accordance with state law (Brown Act).

Interagency Transit Committee (ITC)

The Interagency Transit Committee (ITC) was established by the SJCOG Board in August 2004. The committee was created to improve coordination and communication lines among transit operators within the county regarding routes, fares, and schedules. ITC meets quarterly and is comprised of representatives from each of the agencies and jurisdictions within San Joaquin County (the San Joaquin Regional Transit District, Lodi Grapeline, and Tracy Tracer). Beyond

improving coordination and communication between the transit agencies regarding routes, fares, and schedules, the Transit Operator Working Group decided on two specific goals during 2006-07: (a) develop a countywide American with Disabilities Act (ADA) certification system; and (b) discuss the feasibility of implementing a regional fare system.

Habitat Technical Advisory Committee

The Habitat Technical Advisory Committee (HTAC) is comprised of 15 stakeholders in the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP) including representatives from: the US Fish and Wildlife Service; the California Department of Fish and Game; San Joaquin County; each of the seven cities in San Joaquin County; the Building Industry Association; Agricultural Commission; the UC Cooperative Extension; the conservation community; and the agricultural industry. HTAC makes recommendations to the SJCOG, Inc. Board, comprised of the same members as the SJCOG Board, on issues regarding the SJMSCP. HTAC is responsible for verifying that the Habitat Plan is being implemented correctly and for solving any issues that arise during implementation. HTAC meets monthly.

Coordination with other San Joaquin Valley MPOs

SJCOG is coordinating with the San Joaquin Valley to broaden RTP and TIP mailing lists to include those parties required in areas outside of transportation, land-use management, natural resources, environmental protection, historic preservation, tribal agencies and recipients of federal transportation funding from a non-US DOT source.

Single Issue Task Forces

Single Issue task forces, such as the Regional Transportation Impact Fee Committee and the Measure K Renewal Committees, provide guidance throughout the development of specialized plans or programs. The use of a single issue task force is considered when SJCOG is developing a plan or examining an issue with a high level of community interest. These task forces are broad-based, representing a range of interested parties. Meetings are open to the public. Members help set the goal of the study or plan, and provide review and comment throughout the planning process. Facilitators may be brought into assist group members in reaching consensus.

VII. Public Participation Measures of Effectiveness

The strategies contained in the Public Participation Plan will be reviewed annually to determine if modification of any particularly strategy is necessary or if additional strategies need to be incorporated into the plan. Evaluation tools to measure our effectiveness in terms of reaching desired demographic groups or

attaining stated goals will also be employed. Evaluation strategies would include, but not be limited to:

- Tabulation of media coverage
- Surveys;
- Comment/feedback cards;
- Web site polling;
- Periodic review and updating of outreach mailing lists.

SJCOG plans to work with a consultant to develop and implement evaluation methodology that includes performance measures in order to adequately measure public participation strategies.

The overall plan will be formally updated as necessary and at least once every five years. Your comments on this program are encouraged. To submit comments or for more information about the San Joaquin Council of Governments, contact:

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Comments to this plan have been incorporated and are listed in **Appendix G**.

**Appendix A
Publications Listing**

Name	Type	Distributed	Circulation
Horizons	Agency Newsletter	Quarterly	3,500
Making Connections	TDM Newsletter	Semi-Annually	7,000
Board Actions	Board Action Items	Monthly	200

Contact Info@sjcog.org or call 209-468-3913 to request to be placed on distribution lists.

Appendix C
SJCOG Public Participation Environmental Justice Resource List

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Appendix E

Developing the Public Participation Plan

Public involvement and interagency consultation is essential to an effective planning process. This Appendix provides an overview of the process SJCOG currently has in place to provide all interested parties the opportunity to provide input into our various planning and programming activities, including the development of the public participation plan.

The purpose of SJCOG's Public Participation Plan (Plan) is to inform and involve citizens in SJCOG's various programs, projects, and work activities. This includes, but is not limited to, lower income households, minorities, persons with disabilities, representatives from community and service organizations, tribal councils, and other public agencies. This element also assists in identifying and addressing environmental justice and social equity issues. Citizen participation objectives include involvement of interested citizens, stakeholders, and representatives of community organizations in agency work through timely workshops on topical issues, fully noticed public hearings, and ongoing broad citizen/organization involvement in the planning and decision processes.

In January 2007, a draft update of the Plan, last adopted by the SJCOG Board in February 2005, was circulated for resource agency and citizen input. It reflects changes to public outreach efforts defined in SAFETEA-LU including:

- MPOs must develop and utilize a "participation plan" that provides reasonable opportunities for interested parties to comment on the metropolitan transportation plan and metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program;
- The participation plan must be developed "in consultation with all interested parties," and the public must have input on the participation plan;
- The participation plan must be in place prior to MPO adoption of transportation plans and TIPs;
- MPOs must employ visualization techniques to the maximum extent practicable; and
- MPOs must make long range transportation plans and TIPs available for public review in electronic formats such as the worldwide web.

The draft Plan was circulated for the required 45-day public review and comment period, which was subsequently extended to provide additional opportunity for public and agency comments. During the comment period, SJCOG staff also mailed out over 2,000 letters to a comprehensive list of interested parties for the purpose of updating our database and verifying the contacts for each agency and organization that may be interested in transportation planning as well as the members of the public that have indicated an interest in SJCOG's transportation planning process.

As of May 2007, we received over 30 responses, ranging from State and federal resource agencies, Indian tribal governments, trucking companies, local developers, advocacy groups, citizens, school districts, churches, chambers of commerce, businesses, local agencies, construction companies, and social service agencies. In addition we received slightly over 100 mail pieces back from the postal service as undeliverable. Thus, out the 2000+ individuals and agencies sent letters, over 1,900 were delivered successfully. A list of the representative agencies and organizations are included at the end of this appendix, demonstrating that all interested parties have been contacted with this mailing. In compliance with SAFETEA-LU regulations, the mailing list includes representation from: land use management agencies, natural resource/conservation agencies, environmental protection, historic preservation, planned growth, economic development, airports, freight movement, private citizens, affected public agencies, representatives of public transportation employees, freight shippers, private transportation providers, representatives of public transit, representatives of bicycle/pedestrian facility users, representatives of the disabled, and other interested parties.

This mailing list will serve as the basis for the continued outreach efforts as identified in SJCOG's Gap Analysis in order to ensure continued compliance with SAFETEA-LU regulations. This Gap Analysis compares existing planning and programming activities against the requirements of SAFETEA-LU, identifying compliance items and describing how they are currently being addressed or the plan to address them.

Throughout the comment period, the draft Plan was available upon request and via the SJCOG website. In addition, the availability of the draft Plan was publicly noticed in area newspapers and circulated for comment to FHWA, FTA, Caltrans, and a variety of diverse community organizations. SJCOG staff incorporated comments into the Plan and anticipates finalizing it through SJCOG Board action at the May 2007 meeting. One comment in particular prompted SJCOG to update the process by which RTP and FTIP amendments are handled. A local agency responsible for planned growth and local transportation project delivery requested that SJCOG explore methods to expedite the administrative steps to complete amendments to the FTIP. The comment was prompted by both past experience and a recent project that missed a construction window solely due to the FTIP amendment process. SJCOG incorporated changes to the FTIP amendment process in this Participation Plan in response to this comment.

In addition to providing the public with an opportunity to contribute to the development of the Public Participation Plan, Section 450.316(b) of the federal regulations implementing SAFETEA-LU provisions requires that the Plan be developed, to the extent practicable, in consultation with other agencies and officials responsible for activities that are affected by transportation. While the Gap Analysis

addresses SJCOG efforts moving forward, a significant effort has already taken place.

The SJCOG Public Participation Plan was first developed in 1995 as the “Public Involvement Plan” to formalize strategies for involving the citizens of San Joaquin County in transportation planning decisions. In 2005, SJCOG updated and published the Public Participation Plan in response to an increased focus by the federal government to develop a more transparent planning process and increase opportunities for early and continuing involvement.

As a result, for the past 12 years, SJCOG’s efforts to develop, draft, provide opportunity for public comment, adopt, and submit State and federal documents have followed the process identified in the Public Participation Plan. Throughout this time, local, State, and federal agencies have had the opportunity to observe, comment on, and critic the public involvement process SJCOG has committed to in its Plan. The 2007 update in response to SAFETEA-LU is the most recent opportunity for agencies to voice comment on the process being used to reach out to the public.

In addition, on March 2, 2007 the San Joaquin Valley COGs held a meeting in which resource agencies, including those covering San Joaquin County, were invited to provide input into both the Valley Blueprint effort as well as the RTP outreach and Public Participation Plans being updated throughout the Valley. This provided yet another opportunity for agencies to comment on the SJCOG public participation process. For the Public Participation Plans, COG staff distributed a survey to solicit comments from resources agencies about their successes in soliciting public comments. The survey was an open-ended invitation for resource agencies to provide suggestions about how to improve public participation.

Results from the survey included the following suggestions:

- Surveys
- Email outreach
- Attend community events to solicit comments
- Educating participants on the topics of discussion, principles, and concepts
- Focus groups to test assumptions and refine future events
- Regional maps and datasets
- Diverse community involvement (blue collar workers to college graduates)

Recognizing that the intent of SAFETEA-LU is to continue improving our outreach efforts, SJCOG is committing to meeting the challenge through the implementation of additional measures identified in SJCOG’s SAFETEA-LU Gap Analysis.

The SJCOG Public Participation Plan represents the public outreach strategy that best fits San Joaquin County, as demonstrated by years of experience and

refinement. SJCOG staff recognizes that public outreach is a continuous process, however, and thus invites continued comments on how we can improve our outreach to the citizens, businesses, and agencies of San Joaquin County.

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City of Stockton Planning Department	Covenant Christian Fellowship	Diana Lowery Consulting	Fair Oaks Library
City of Stockton Public Works Dept	Covenant Christian Fellowship	Diede Construction, Inc.	Fairmont Seventh-Day Faith Assembly
City of Tracy - Parks and Community Services	Craig V. Sands Accountancy Corporation	Diocese of Stockton Disability Resource Agency For Independent Living (DRAIL)	Faith Baptist Church
City of Tracy Community Dev. Dept.	Credit Bureau of San Joaquin County	Discovery Free Will Baptist District	Faith Fellowship
City of Tracy Dev. & Engineering Services	Crestwood Manor	District Attorney	Faith in Action/Good Samaritan Community Services/Tracy Volunteer Care Givers
City of Tracy Finance Division	Crisis Pregnancy Center of Lodi	County of San Joaquin District Council 57	Faith Tabernacle
City of Tracy Library	Crisis Pregnancy Center of Tracy	Division 1	Family Bible Church
City of Tracy Public Works Department	Croce & Company	Doane Pet Care Company	Family Resource & Referral
City of Tracy Transit Drivers Union--Teamsters Local 439	Crossroads	Docter & Docter	Family Resource Network
City of Tracy/Tracer	Community Church	Doctors Hospital of Manteca	Family Worship Center
Clair & Bossi Attorneys at Law	Crossroads Grace Community	Dopaco California Inc.	Farm Bureau Federation
Clements-Lockeford Chamber of Commerce	Crossroads of The Valley A/G	Dougherty & Associates	Farmers & Merchants Bank
Club of the Adult Blind of San Joaquin County	Crosstown Community Church	Downtown Lodi Business Partnership	FB utton Co., Inc.
Comcast	CSU Stanislaus Stockton	Downtown Stockton Alliance	Fed Ex Freight
Commercial Exchange Club	CSU Stanislaus Stockton Center	E. B. Asia Consulting	Fellowship of Hope
Communities United for Families (CUFF)	Dameron Hospital - Administration	Earth Grains Bakery	Fernandes Advertising & Design
Community Action Resources of Escalon	Dameron Hospital Association	Easter Seal Society	Ferreira Vineyards
Community Bank of San Joaquin	DAV Charities of San Joaquin County	Stockton Center	Filipino American National Historical Society
Community Banks of Tracy	DAV Charities of San Joaquin County	Stockton Center Eastside Improvement Committee	Filipino Center
Community Center For The Blind & Visual Impaired	DeBock & Muth Insurance Agency	Stockton Center Eastside Missionary Baptist Church	Filipino Federation of America
Community Church of God	Defense Distribution Region West San Joaquin Sites	Eastside Presby. Church	First Assembly of God
Community Development Department of San Joaquin County	Defense Logistics Agency	Ebenezer Congregational	First Assembly of God
Community Partnership for Families	DeGregori, Gormsen, McCurry & Ringer	Eberhardt School of Business	First Baptist Church of Linden
Community Taxi	Del Monte Foods Corporation	Eckert Cold Storage	First Church of Nazarene
Condor Earth Technologies, Inc.	Delta Church of Nazarene	Economic Dev. Assoc. SJ County	First Commercial Real Estate
Congressman Dennis Cardoza		El Concilio Emanuel American Lutheran	First Congregational Church
Conklin Marketing		Emergency Food Bank	First Missionary Baptist
		English Oaks	First United Methodist
		Escalon Branch Library	Five Star Construction
			Food 4 Less
			Foodmaker
			Foster Grandparents
			Fox River Paper Company
			Franzia Winery
			Free Methodist Church
			Free Will Baptist Church
			Freeman & D'Aiuto
			French Camp Municipal Advisory Council
			Friends Group, City of Lodi, Library
			Friends of Escalon
			Friends of the Library

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Galatians Community Church	Head Start of Stockton	Johns Manville Manufacturing	Lathrop Planning Commission
Galilee Baptist Church	Heald College	JSG Trucking Company	Lathrop Rotary Club
Ganzer & Williams	Health Care Service	Judith Buethe Public Relations	Lathrop Senior Center
Garcia and Associates	Health Care Services of San Joaquin County	Junior Achievement	Law Office of Anthony M. Barkett
Natural Resources Consultants	Health For All-ADHC	Kaiser Foundation Hospital	Law Office of David R. LeBeouf
Garden Acres Community Center	Health Plan of San Joaquin	Kaiser Permanente	League of Women Voters
General Mills	Heartland Church	Kat Country 103 * KATM - FM	Legacy Enterprises
General Teamsters Local 439	Herum Crabtree Dyer Zolezzi & Terpstra	KCRA TV Channel 3	Leprino Foods
George Perry & Sons	Highlight Church of God in Christ	Keller Williams	Libbey Owens Ford
Girl Scouts, SJC Service Center	Hmong Christian & Missionary Alliance of Stockton	Ken Fong Advertising	Library Family Literacy Program
Golden Valley Community Day School	Hmong International Culture Institute	Kennedy Community Center	Life UPC
Golden West Nuts, Inc.	Hogan Manufacturing Company	Kettleman Lane Community Church	Lifeseed Christian Fellowship
Good Samaritan Center	Holt of California	Kingdon Airport	Lighthouse Christian Fellowship
Goods Movement Task Force	Holt Union School District	Kirst Development	Lighthouse Community Church
Goodwill Industries of San Joaquin Valley	Holy Cross Episcopal Church	Kiwanis	Lincoln Center Chronicle
Gospel Center Rescue Mission	Holy Cross UMC	Kiwanis Club of Escalon	Linden Center
Gospel Light House	Home Loan Center	Kjeldsen, Sinnock, & Neudeck, Inc.	Linden Herald
Gottschalks	Hormel Foods	KJOY 99 FM	Linden Municipal Advisory Council
Grace Assembly of God	Hospice of San Joaquin	Kleinfelder	Linden Public Library
Grace Baptist Church	Household of Faith Baptist	Geotechnical	Linden Unified School
Grace Brethren Church	Housing Authority Commission	KLOC Radio	District Facilities Planning
Grace Church	Housing Authority of San Joaquin County	Korea Baptist Church of Stockton	Linden United Methodist Church
Grace Community	Housing Economic Development	Korean Bansuk Presbyterian	Linden-Peters Chamber of Commerce
Grace Presbyterian	Human Services Agency of San Joaquin County	KOVR TV, Channel 13 News	Linden-Peters Pentecostal Assembly
Granite Construction Company	Humphreys College	KQOD FM Oldies 100.5	Lions Club
Grant Thornton	Iacopi, Lenz & Company	Kroloff Belcher Smart Perry & Christopherson	Lipton
Grape Growers Association	IBEW/NECA Labor Management	KWIN Radio Silverado Broadcasting Company	Little Manila Foundation
Lodi District	Cooperative Trust	KXTV News 10	Littler Mendelson
Greater Faith Baptist Church	Iglesias De Dios Church of God	KYCC-KCJH 90.1	Lively Stones Worship Center
Greater Stockton	Imanual Christian Reformed Church	Lakeview Assembly	Living Word Ministries
Emergency Food Bank	Immanuel Breath of Life	Lakeview Village	Lloyd Development Inc.
Greater Stockton	Immanuel Christian Reformed Church	Lammersville School District	Local Agency Formation Commission
Employment Advisory Council	In Shape City	Land Utilization Alliance	Lockeford Municipal Advisory Council
Greater Stockton/San Joaquin Chamber of Commerce	Individual Career Solutions	Lange Twins, Inc.	Lockeford SDA Church
Grimaud Farms of California, Inc.	International, Inc.	Lao Family Community of Stockton	Lockeford Senior Center
Grunsky Elementary School	J C Penney Store	Lao Khmu Assoc.	Lockeford-Clements News
Grupe Company	J. C. Trucking	Lao Lane Xang Association	Locust Avenue Church of Christ
Guaranty Federal Bank	J.R. Simplot	Joaquin Chapter	Lodi (Precissi) Airpark
H & S Trucking	Jack Williams Ranches	Larch Clover Community Center	Lodi Association of Realtors
H. J. Heinz Company	Jefferson School District	Lathrop Baptist Church	Lodi Avenue Baptist
H.D. Arnaiz Corporation	Jene Wah, Inc.	Lathrop Branch Library	Lodi Chamber of Commerce
Habitat for Humanity of San Joaquin, Inc.	JMeek Agribusiness Mgmt.	Lathrop Chamber of Commerce	Lodi Christian Life
Hakeem, Ellis, & Marengo		Lathrop Christian Center	Lodi Community Church
Hanley Construction, Inc.		Lathrop Community Center	Lodi Community Services Center
Harbor Isle Apartments		Lathrop Lighthouse of The Cross	Lodi High School
Harold W. Thompson			Lodi House
Hartland Community Church			Lodi Memorial Hospital
Hartmann & Setness			Lodi News Sentinel
HARVEST BIBLE CHURCH			Lodi Parks & Recreation
Harvest Christian Center			Lodi Planning Commission
Haven of Peace			Lodi Senior
Head Start Child Development Council			Commission/Senior Center
			Lodi Unified School District
			Lodi Victory Center

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Lodi Visitors Center	Mori Consultants	Our Lady of	Resurrection Power
Lodi-Woodbridge	Mosswood Park	Guadalupe	Evangelistic Center
WineGrape Commission	Church of God	Outdoor Systems	Rich Turner Photographics
Lodi - Woodbridge	Mountain House	Advertising	Rick King Design
LOEL Senior Center	Community Services	Outdoor Systems	Ripon Assembly of God
Lolly Hansen Senior Center	District	Advertising	Ripon Branch Library
Love Fellowship Baptist	Mt. Olive Miss. Baptist	Owens-Brockway	Ripon Chamber of
Church	National Association of	Glass Container	Commerce
Loving Hymn Ministries	Rental Property	Pac West	Ripon Church of Christ
Lung Kong Tin Yee	Managers - SJC	Pacific Coast	Ripon Record
Association	National University -	Industries Human	Ripon Senior Citizen's
M & R Company	Stockton Learning	Resources Department	Center
Magna-Kote Electrostatic	Center	Pacific Coast	Ripon Unified School
Painting	Neumiller & Beardslee	Producers	District
Manteca Baptist Church	New Beginnings	Pacific Gas & Electric	Rishwain & Rishwain
Manteca Branch Library	Church	Pacific State Bank -	River Islands at Lathrop
Manteca Bulletin	New Cov. Believers	Headquarters	RM-Holz Human Resources
Manteca CAPS	Chr.	Pacific West	Department
Manteca Chamber of	New Greater Love	Communications	Robert C. Irwin
Commerce	Church Of God In	Group	Robert Mondavi Winery
Manteca Convention and	Christ	PACT - People and	Roek Construction
Visitors Bureau	New Harvest Christian	Congregations	Rotary Club of Stockton
Manteca Parks &	Fellowship	Together	Downtown
Recreation	New Heart Community	Pan American	Rotary Club of Stockton
Manteca Planning	Church of the	Underwriters, Inc.	North
Commission	Nazarene	Panella Trucking	Rotary Club Of
Manteca Public Library	New Hope Community	Peace & Justice	Stockton-Sunrise
Manteca School District	New Hope Free Will	Network	Rotary Doctor's Hosp.,
Educational Technology	Baptist	Pentecostal Church of	Manteca
Dept.	New Hope School	God	Rotary Manteca Isadore's
Manteca School District	District	Pennino & Associates	S.J. Agricultural
Facilities Planning	New Jerusalem School	Pentecostal	Commission
Manteca Senior Center	District	Tabernacle of Escalon	S.J. Co. Parks & Recreation
Manteca Unified School	New Life in Christ Full	People of The Christ	S.J. Council for American
District	Gospel	Missionary Baptist	Indians
Marina Village West	NKS Consulting, LLC	People of The Christ	S.J. Delta College TPDF
Mariners Cove Apartments	No. Calif. Youth	Missionary Baptist	Health Unit
Mariners Point Apartments	Correctional Cntr.	Peterson Trucking	Saint Anne's Catholic
PMZ Real Estate	Youth Authority Dept.	Planned Parenthood	Salem United Methodist
Martin Brower Company	Nolte & Associates	Planning Commission	Salvation Army
Human Resources	Nomellini, Grilli &	Plymouth Square	Salvation Army, Lodi Corps
Department	McDaniel	Poly-Cal Plastics	San Joaquin A+
Masonic Temple Association	Nor Cal Center on	Port of Stockton	San Joaquin AIDS
of Stockton, Inc.	Deafness	Prayer Temple	Foundation
Maya Angelou Southeast	Northeast Community	Premier Credit Union	San Joaquin Association of
Library	Center	Progressive Missionary	Retarded Citizens
Mayaco Marketing &	Northern California	Baptist	San Joaquin Audubon
Internet	Foster Grandparents	Property Management	Society
Mayall, Hurley, Knutsen,	Nototome Cultural	Experts	San Joaquin Building
Smith & Green	Preservation	Providence Reform	Trades Council, Local 73
McFall Center	Nu Cal	Church	San Joaquin Co. Health
McHenry House	O.B. Kleinfeld &	Public Health Services	Care Service
Medcore Medical Group	Company Accountancy	of San Joaquin County	San Joaquin Co. Parks &
Mental Health Services of	Corporation	Public Health Services	Recreation
San Joaquin County	Oak Park Senior	of San Joaquin County	San Joaquin Co. Public
Mental Health Services of	Citizens Center	-- Environmental	Health
San Joaquin County	Oak View School	Health Dept.	San Joaquin County -
Mervyns - Manteca	District	Public Library City Of	Cooperative Extension-
Michael & Cammack	Oasis of Hope	Ripon	University Of California,
Michelle Manos Design	Community Dev.	Quail Lakes Baptist	Farm Advisors, Agricultural
Michigan Heights Baptist	Corporation	Church	San Joaquin County
Church	Open Door House of	Quailwood Apartments	Administrators Office
Mid-Valley Engineering	Prayer	Raddison Hotel	San Joaquin County
Missionary Baptist	Operating Engineers,	Raymus Homes	Auditor- Controller's Office
Model Alternative School	Local 3	Realty World	San Joaquin County Bar
Moffat & Nichol Engineers	Orchard Supply	Red Top Taxi	Association
Mokelumne Coast To Crest	Hardware	Registrar of Voters	San Joaquin County Board
MooreTechnologies	Orthodox Christian	Resurrection Life	of Supervisors
Morada Muncpal Advisory	Reformed Church	Church of God	San Joaquin County Clerk
Council			

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San Joaquin County Communications	Second Harvest Food Bank of San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties	SJCO District Attorney SJDC - Impact	Stockton Certified Farmers Markets
San Joaquin County Council for the Indians	Selfert Community Center	SJDC Disabled Student Programs and Services	Stockton Chamber of Commerce
San Joaquin County Department of Public Works	Seligman & Willett, Inc.	Small Business Development Center	Stockton Convention & Visitors Bureau
San Joaquin County Human Resources Department	Senior Lifestyles	SNAG/Midtown Redevelopment Committee	Stockton Covenant Church
San Joaquin County Human Services	Senior Service Agency	Snyder Lithograph	Stockton Crossing Cultural Bridges
San Joaquin County Local Agency Formation Commission	The Listener	Soroptimists Club	Stockton Cultural Heritage Board C/O Community Develop. Dept.
San Joaquin County Medical Society	Seniors First	Sortex, Inc.	Stockton East Water District Division 2
San Joaquin County Neighborhood Preservation Office	Sequoia Heights Baptist Church	South Tracy Community Church	Stockton East Water District Division 3
San Joaquin County Office of Education Center	Service Employees International Union, Local 790	Southwinds Community Church	Stockton East Water District Division 5
San Joaquin County Office of the Treasurer	Service First Bank	Souza Real Estate	Stockton East Water District Division 6
San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters	Seventh-Day Adventist Shaver, Suntag, & Feuerstein	SSB Realtors GMAC	Stockton East Water District Division 7
San Joaquin County Rental Property Association, Inc.	Shelter for the Homeless	St. Patrick's Catholic Church	Stockton East Water District Division 7
San Joaquin County Retirement Administration	Sherwood Mall	St. Paul Evangelic Lutheran Church	Stockton Filipino Church
San Joaquin County Risk Management	Siegfried Engineering, Inc.	St Paul's United Methodist Church	Stockton Housing And Redevelopment Dept.
San Joaquin County Sheriff's Dept.	Sierra Club	St. Peter's Lutheran Church	Stockton Library, Troke Branch
San Joaquin County Supt. of Schools	Sierra Occupational Services Medical Clinic	St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church	Stockton Metro Ministry
San Joaquin County Treasurer - Tax Collector	Sierra Veterinary Clinic	St. Bernadette's Catholic Church	Stockton Metropolitan Airport
San Joaquin County Worknet	SJ Association of Retarded Citizens	St. Bernard's Catholic Church	Stockton Municipal Utilities Dept.
San Joaquin County Worknet	SJ Co. Community Development	St. Dominic's Hospital	Stockton NAACP Youth Council
San Joaquin Delta College	SJ Co. Community Development	St. George's Catholic Church	Stockton Planning Commission
San Joaquin Delta College	SJ Co. Hispanic Chamber Of Commerce	St. Joachim's Catholic Church of Lockeford	Stockton Police Department
Sierra Club	SJ Co. Rental Property Association, Inc	St. John's Episcopal Church	Stockton Public Library
San Joaquin Fair Housing Association	SJ County Clerk	St. Joseph's Behavioral Health Center	Stockton School for Adults
San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation	SJ Fair Housing Assoc.	St. Joseph's Medical Center	Stockton Shelter for the Homeless
San Joaquin Food Bank	SJ Farm Bureau Federation	St. Joseph's Regional Health System	Stockton Shelter for The Homeless
San Joaquin General Hospital	SJ Local Agency Formation Commission	St. Luke's School Development Office	Stockton Symphony Association
San Joaquin Housing Authority	SJ Planning Commission	St. Luke's Catholic Church	Stockton Tri Industries
San Joaquin Indo Chinese News	SJ Regional Occupational Program	St. Mary's High School Development Office	Stockton Unified School
San Joaquin Office of Education	SJ Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District	St. Mary's Interfaith Dining Room	Stockton Women's Network
San Joaquin Partnership	SJC Board of Supervisors	STAND	Stone Brothers & Associates
San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission	SJC Child Abuse Prevention Council	Star Building Systems	Stribley Community Center
San Joaquin Regional Transit District	SJC Community Services Dept. of Aging	State Compensation Insurance Fund	Strocal, Inc. Safety & Maintenance Dept.
San Joaquin River Parkway & Conservation Trust, Inc.	SJC Department of Aging	Stockton Airport Business Center	Su Salud Community Disease Prevention & Education Center
San Joaquin Taxpayers Association	SJC Human Services Agency	Stockton Arts Commission	Summit Logistics
San Joaquin Valley Black Chamber of Commerce	SJC Neighborhood Preservation	Stockton Athletic Hall of Fame	Sunflower Presents, Inc.
SANTA FE RAILROAD	SJC Planning Department	Stockton Baptist Church	Super Stores
Sanwa Bank of California	SJC Quality of Life	Stockton Beautiful	Super Stores Industries
		Stockton Bicycle Club	Human Resources Department
		Stockton Central Parking District	Tabernacle of Praise
			Teichert Construction
			Teletch
			Temple Baptist
			Teresi Trucking
			The Bridge at Stockton
			The Brown Group

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The Business Council, Inc.	University of the Pacific Eberhardt School Of Business	West Coast World Outreach
The Emergency Food Bank	University of the Pacific Sport Sciences Department	West Hills Bible Church
The Home Church Bible Baptist	UOP ASUOP (Associated Students)	West Lane Foursquare Church
The James Company	Urbani Institute of Language Development	West Star Industries
The Nature Conservancy	USDA Natural Resources Conservation	Western United Dairymen District 4 and 5
The Pacifican - UOP	Valenzuela Elementary School	Westside Assembly
The Record	Valley Air Trust	White Rose COGIC
The Rock of Hope Church	Valley Community Baptist Church	Wilson Realty Group
The Tracy Press	Valley Community Presbyterian Church	Wine & Roses
The Wine Group Franzia Winery	Valley Mountain Regional Center	Women's Center of San Joaquin County
The Wine Group Franzia Winery	Valley Rehabilitation Industries	Women's Success Group
Thomas Hooper Accountancy Corp.	Valley Rehabilitation Industries	Woodbridge Coffee Club
Thornton Branch Library	Valley Tomato Products, Inc.	Woodbridge Community
Thornton Chamber of Commerce	Verizon Wireless	Woodbridge Municipal Advisory Council
Thornton Community Services Center	Veterans Service American Legion Hall	Woodbridge Winery (Robert Mondavi)
Toys R Us	Viacom Outdoor	Woodruff Regional Occupational Ctr.
Tracy Branch Library	Victory Christian Church	WorkNet
Tracy Church of Christ	Victory Outreach Church	Yellow Freight Lines
Tracy Community Hospital	Victory Praise Church	YMCA Of San Joaquin County
Tracy District Chamber of Commerce	Vietnamese Community Inc.	Younel Weber Advertising, Inc.
Tracy Federal Bank	Vietnamese Voluntary Foundation	Zacky Farms
Tracy Flight Center	Vinewood Community	Zion Christian Fellowship
Tracy Interfaith Ministries	Vineyard Christian Middle School	Zion Reformed Church
Tracy Planning Commission	Vino Farms	
Tracy Public Schools	Walker Printing Services	
Tracy Southern Baptist Church	Wal-Mart - Tracy	
Tracy Unified School District	Wal-Mart Manteca	
Tri-Mark Communities	Wardell & Rall Accountancy Corporation	
Trinity Baptist Church	Washington Mutual	
Tri-Valley Herald	Waterfield Square Apartments	
Troke Library	Weberstown Mall	
Truex Insurance Agency	Wells Fargo Bank	
Twin Oaks Baptist	College Square	
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
U.S. Post Office Attn: Growth Management	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
U.S.A. Fashion Magic	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
UC Davis Cooperative Extension San Joaquin County	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
Ulmer Photo	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
Unified Western Grocers	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
Union Bank of California	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
Union Pacific Railroad	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
United Cambodian Families (UCF)	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
United Cerebral Palsy of San Joaquin County	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
United Congregational Christian	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
United Lutheran Church	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
United States Congress	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
United Way of San Joaquin County	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
Unity Church of God in Christ	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
Unity Southern Baptist Church	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	
University of the Pacific - Public Affairs	Wells Fargo Bank Corporate Properties Group	

Appendix F

San Joaquin County Blueprint Planning Process

In March and April, 2007, SJCOG sponsored a series of workshops and working groups to allow the public and interested stakeholders the opportunity to develop the Blueprint for San Joaquin County. The interactive public workshops were designed to allow participants to express opinions regarding the future of San Joaquin County.

Ten workshops were held at convenient and accessible locations throughout San Joaquin County, one which was offered in Spanish. Accommodations were offered for individuals with physical, transportation, or language interpretation needs.

Results of each meeting will be posted on the SJCOG website. All interested parties will receive updates via email.

The major San Joaquin County Blueprint outcomes will include:

- A Vision Statement for future growth through the year 2050;
- A set of Guiding Principles that represent the preferred Transportation/Land Use/Environmental Blueprint Scenario;
- Blueprint Implementation Strategies;
- Measurable objectives to track progress towards achieving the Blueprint Vision.

Once adopted, community leaders and elected officials in San Joaquin County can use the Blueprint to help guide their decision-making on important regional planning efforts. The San Joaquin Blueprint Planning Process is planned for completion and adoption by the SJCOG Board in June 2008.

Appendix G

Comments on Draft SJCOG Public Participation Plan Update

This appendix documents comments received on the 2007 SJCOG Public Participation Plan Update (PPP).

Citizen Committee Comment 1

Response to Comment made by Jim Hilson, Citizens Advisory Committee Member, January 17, 2007.

PPP Comment 1: Citizen Advisory Committee description should be updated to reflect expanded composition.

PPP Response 1: The information is updated.

Citizen Committee Comment 2

Response to comment made by Esther Vasquez, Citizens Advisory Committee Member, January 17, 2007.

PPP Comment 1: Include BiLingual Weekly in media outreach.

PPP Response 1: The information has been added.

Letter Comment 3

Response to Steve Luxenberg, FHWA, comments, February 2, 2007.

PPP Comment 1: The comment sites that Plan does not mention its development process, as required by SAFETEA-LU.

PPP Response 1: Appendix F of the PPP has been included that outlines the Public Participation Plan development and expansion in relation to SAFETEA-LU requirements. It also outlines the Gap Analysis developed to address areas that will improve public input efforts so that all interested stakeholders may contribute to the development of the plan and the on-going implementation. Additional outreach for the development of the Public Participation Plan will occur in June 2007 with a public workshop planned for July 2007.

PPP Comment 2: The comment states: "In altering the involvement process for Federally-approved transportation improvement program (TIP) amendments without the input of these groups (page 6), you risk a breakdown of the process later when the groups that were not consulted about not having a 'formal public participation process' for certain amendments would like the opportunity to comment but no longer have it available. FHWA supports the idea of requiring

different kinds of public involvement for different kinds of work, but the interested parties must be consulted in the determination of what length public involvement period is appropriate for what specific kinds of work.”

PPP Response 2: Appendix F of the PPP outlines the Public Participation Plan development and expansion. These proposed altered processes were in response to local jurisdictions’ requests to expedite the amendment process. Through our Gap Analysis process, SJCOG is committed to include and allow all interested stakeholders in the comment process while trying to achieve the most efficient commenting process for all concerned.

E-mail Comment 4

Response to e-mail from Judith Buethe, Judith Buethe Public Relations, March 14, 2007

PPP Comment 1: To add the Manteca Sun Post, La Vide en Valle, and the Bilingual Weekly to media outreach.

PPP Response 1: Periodicals added to mailing list.

PPP Comment 2: To update the Executive Director of United Cerebral Palsy—Mr. Steve Larson.

PPP Response 2: New contact information included.

PPP Comment 3: To add that staffed Hotlines, both electronic and voice, are used as part of our outreach efforts.

PPP Response 3: Information included in plan.

MPO Review Meeting Comment 5

Response to Lorraine Lerman, FTA, during MPO Review meeting, March 20, 2007.

PPP Comment 1: Include description of San Joaquin County Blueprint Planning effort in plan.

PPP Response 1: Description of Blueprint Planning effort has been included.

Letter Comment 5:

Response to Letter from Tom Dumas, Caltrans District 10 Chief of Metropolitan Planning, May 1, 2007

PPP Comment 1: Comment describes San Joaquin County is an ancestral home to California Native American Tribes, communities, organizations, and individuals and that an expanded list of same can be obtained from the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) in Sacramento.

PPP Response 1: SJCOG PPP includes contacts for several Native American organizations in SJC. Additional updated contact information has been requested from the NAHC for Native American Tribes, organizations, communities and individuals within the County of San Joaquin boundaries and will be included in the plan.