

San Joaquin One Voice®

The annual San Joaquin One Voice® trip is scheduled for May 10-14, 2020 in Washington, DC. The firm of C.J. Lake, LLC is once again scheduling and facilitating our meetings with our Congressional representatives, various transportation officials, and others from USDOT, housing, education, air quality, and water agencies.

As a reminder, the Call for Projects was circulated in November and **projects are due to SJCOG by February 28, 2020**. The project requests will be brought to the SJCOG Board at their March meeting for consideration and approval. Staff will also be asking the Board to select the regional priority projects for the 2020 program.

Accommodations:

A block of rooms have been reserved at the Washington Court Hotel for May 9-14, 2020. SJCOG has negotiated a group rate of \$339 for single occupancy and \$339 for double occupancy.

The deadline to reserve a room at the group rate is April 9, 2020. You can make a reservation by visiting www.sjcog.org/onevoice and clicking on the link provided or by contacting the hotel directly at 800-321-3010. Please use group code (200508SANJ) when making your reservation.

Please Note: The hotel is often sold out in April/May. Participants are encouraged to make their reservations as soon as possible. Cancellations can be made up to 24 hours prior to arrival with no charges.

Registration:

A \$175 registration fee is required for each participant attending the 2020 San Joaquin One Voice® trip. The fee is due by April 9, 2020 and includes the costs of your materials, breakfast on each day, and the Wednesday evening reception.

The registration fee for SJCOG Board members (or their elected designee) is waived, however we do ask that everyone complete the attached form. Spouses and guests may participate in breakfasts/receptions on a per-diem basis.

Transportation:

Everyone is responsible for booking their own transportation to and from Washington, DC. SJCOG Board members (or their elected designee) shall be reimbursed for 50% of their airfare and hotel costs.

Cancellation Policy:

All cancellations after April 30, 2020 are subject to payment for all costs; i.e. meals, copying fees, etc. Substitutions are always accepted.

Additional Information:

A pre-trip planning session will be scheduled in early April (date and time are pending). We will be discussing logistics for the trip and identifying lead speakers and discussing their roles.



2020 San Joaquin One Voice® Registration Form

Name _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State/Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Cost is **\$175 per person** and includes all continental breakfasts and the Wednesday evening reception. Registration fees apply to each **participant** (spouses and/or guests must pay if they will be participating in any meals) and must be paid by April 4, 2020. The registration fee is waived for SJCOG Board members. Registration fees underwrite the direct costs of the trip.

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Please Note:

The purpose of the San Joaquin One Voice® trip is to seek federal support or funding for projects of broad community-wide benefit and regional significance within San Joaquin County. In order to accomplish this goal, we need to present a unified presence as we meet with Congressional, Legislative, and Departmental representatives to advocate for the regionally significant issues that have been agreed upon during the COG selection process.

We understand many of our public officials do double-duty while in D.C. However, please keep in mind the effectiveness of the scheduled One Voice® meetings rely on participation from our delegates. Please discuss any separate meetings you may be scheduling with our staff so the One Voice® meeting schedule can be modified to insure maximum and comprehensive attendance at all One Voice® meetings.

