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SJCOG ANNOUNCES SIX NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY, CA – The San Joaquin Council of Governments welcomes new appointments to the Board of Directors.

“As Chair of the San Joaquin Council of Governments, I am happy to welcome all those newly appointed to our Board,” City of Stockton Councilmember Sol Jobrack said. “The work we are doing both locally and regionally is of the utmost importance and I’m excited to continue this vital work with those now joining the Board.”



David Bellinger,
Councilmember
City of Escalon



Tom Patti,
Supervisor
San Joaquin
County



Robert Rickman,
Supervisor
San Joaquin
County



Miguel Villapudua,
Supervisor
San Joaquin
County



Christina Fugazi,
Councilmember
City of
Stockton



Nancy Young,
Mayor
City of Tracy

The SJCOG Board is made up of three representatives from the County Board of Supervisors and City of Stockton; one representative from the cities of Escalon, Lathrop, Lodi, Manteca, Ripon and Tracy. Supplementing these 12 voting members are advisory representatives from Caltrans District 10, San Joaquin Regional Transit District, and the Port of Stockton. Board members serve multi-year terms and may be reappointed. The chair and vice-chair, elected by voting members of SJCOG, serve one-year terms. A complete list of the SJCOG Board can be found on the SJCOG website at: <https://www.sjcog.org/Board>

“SJCOG Board members have an exceptional commitment to advancing SJCOG’s mission. I am delighted to welcome these new members which includes a couple of members who already have previous experience on the SJCOG Board. This infusion of community leaders to the SJCOG Board complements the expertise of existing board members. Under the guidance of the full Board of Directors, this results-driven agency can continue the rewarding work of sustainable regional planning in the San Joaquin region” Diane Nguyen, SJCOG Executive Director, said.

The Board establishes regional transportation policies and programs and decides on funding allocations for transportation improvements. Citizens, special or community interest groups, and other agencies are also involved in the planning and approval process. The Board is responsible for all policy decisions under the authority of SJCOG, as the designated Council of Governments, Regional Transportation Planning Authority, the Metropolitan Planning Organization, Airport Land Use Commission, and SJCOG, Inc.

The San Joaquin Council of Governments is a regional planning agency responsible for transportation planning, habitat conservation planning, and a range of other responsibilities that include managing the Measure K transportation program as well as housing, air quality and airport land use planning. The operating budget for the agency is over \$13 million and SJCOG apportions out approximately \$150 million in transportation investments annually.

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