

STANISLAUS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (STANCOG)

NOTICE OF PREPARATION (NOP) FOR PROGRAMMATIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR)

2026 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN/SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY (RTP/SCS)

Public Meeting

StanCOG will host a Programmatic EIR Scoping Meeting on Wednesday, April 30, 2025 that can be attended in-person or virtually via Zoom. The purpose of the Scoping meeting is to present an overview of the environmental review/CEQA process, review topics anticipated to be addressed in the EIR and gather public and agency input on the scope and content of the environmental analysis to be included in the Draft Programmatic EIR. The date, time, and location are as follows:

Meeting Date & Time:

Wednesday, April 30, 2025, 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM Pacific Time 1111 I Street, Suite 308, Modesto, California 95354

Attend Virtually Via Zoom: Meeting ID: 873 6977 0730

Passcode: 659649

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87369770730?pwd=4cBCUiHpkk78t3SFCPOTzPOjoa7Ruh.1

Notice of Preparation

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) will be the lead agency for the preparation of a Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for StanCOG's 2026 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS). The Notice of Preparation (NOP) provides details of the project and upcoming opportunities for public comment. The 2026 RTP/SCS is an update to the StanCOG RTP/SCS that was previously adopted in August 2022. Pursuant to Section 15082 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), StanCOG is soliciting comments from all interested persons, responsible and trustee agencies, and organizations concerned with the project as to the scope and content of the EIR and the environmental information to be analyzed in connection with the proposed project.

We are soliciting comments on the issue areas you would like to have addressed in the Programmatic EIR. You will have an opportunity to comment on the actual Programmatic EIR when it is released for public comment. Direct comments to Elisabeth Hahn, Deputy Executive Director of Planning, at Stanislaus Council of Governments at ehahn@stancog.org by May 15, 2025.

For more information, visit http://www.valleyvision2049.com/ and https://www.stancog.org/187/Regional-Transportation-Plan-RTP or call 209-525-4600

Disability-Related Accommodations: If you require modifications or accommodations due to a disability to participate in the meeting, please submit your request to Cindy Malekos at (209) 525-4600 during regular business hours at least 72 hours in advance.

Interpreter Services: For non-English speakers, if you require an interpreter to participate in the meeting, please also submit your request to Cindy Malekos at (209) 525-4600 during regular business hours at least 72 hours in advance to allow sufficient time for arrangements.