BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 4, 2015•WEDNESDAY•10:00 AM
STANCOG BOARD ROOM
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MODESTO, CA

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AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS
   These matters may be presented only by interested persons in the audience. Discussion is limited to five minutes or at the discretion of the Chair.
5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
   A. Motion to Approve Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Minutes of 12/3/14

6. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**
   A. Draft 2015 Public Participation Plan
   B. Congestion Management Process (CMP) Steering Committee
   C. State Route 99 Beautification Plan
   D. Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program
   E. 2016 Stanislaus County Transportation Expenditure Plan (*Verbal Report*)

7. **INFORMATION ITEMS**
   *The following items are for information only.*
   A. Commute Connection Monthly Reports – November and December 2014

8. **MANAGEMENT REPORT**

9. **MEMBER REPORTS**

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

*Next Regularly Scheduled BPAC Meeting:*
April 1, 2015 (Wednesday) @ 10:00 am
StanCOG Board Room
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA 95354
CONSENT

CALENDAR
BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
StanCOG Board Room
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA

Minutes of December 3, 2014 (Wednesday)
10:00 am

MEMBERS PRESENT: RJ Corwin, Lennox Harris, Greg Jacquay, Leisser Mazariegos, Chuck Shoup

ALSO PRESENT: Carla Alviso, Arthur Chen, Jeanette Fabela, Travis Jacobs, Regina Valentine, Cathy Wang (StanCOG); Charles Vasquez, (Stanislaus County); Lisa Donahue, Kari McNickle (Commute Connection)

1. CALL TO ORDER
Chair RJ Corwin called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

5. CONSENT CALENDAR
   A. Motion to Approve Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Minutes of 8/5/14

   *By Motion (Member Leisser Mazariegos/Member Lennox Harris) and a unanimous vote, the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee approved the Consent Calendar.

6. PRESENTATION
   A. Commute Connection Annual Report
      Kari McNickle presented the highlights and activities of the Commute Connection program for FY 2013/14, and reviewed what was ahead for FY 2014/15.

7. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS
   A. Final FFY 2013-2014 Local Assistance Delivery Formula Obligational Authority (OA) Funds Report
      Jeanette Fabela gave an overview of the Local Assistance Delivery Formula Obligational Authority (OA) Funds. She stated that the StanCOG region had done an outstanding job of obligating OA funds in FFY 2013/14. She explained that the region not only secured all federal apportionments but had ranked as the fourth highest region in over-obligation, in California. A discussion followed and members’ questions were answered.
B. Low Carbon Transit Operations Program
Regina Valentine provided an overview of the Caltrans Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP). She stated the LCTOP had been created to provide operating and capital assistance for transit agencies to reduce greenhouse gas emission and improve mobility, with a priority of serving disadvantaged communities. She said that under the LCTOP program, the Stanislaus Region would receive approximately $184,000 in FY 14/15. She also reviewed the timeline for the agencies to submit their allocation requests.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS
The following items are for information only.

A. Commute Connection Monthly Reports – July, August, September, October
B. Annual Listing of Federal Obligation Projects Report for Federal Fiscal Year 2013/14

9. MANAGEMENT REPORT
Regina Valentine reviewed the 2015 Meeting Schedule for BPAC, and confirmed with the members that the meetings would be held every other month, on the first Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.

10. MEMBER REPORTS
Member Greg Jacquay reported that the City of Turlock had an Active Transportation Plan. Information and a list of projects could be found at http://www.bikewalkturlock.com. He also said the CSU Stanislaus had a committee of students, faculty and community members that were working on improving the bike paths around the campus.

Member Lennox Harris said there was a push for an improvement in the bike paths outside of Patterson. There was a discussion about work that needed to be done on Sperry Road, by the California Aqueduct, to make it safer for bicyclists.

Vice Chair Shoup shared bike lane improvements he had noticed in the area and gave an update on the planned bike path connecting MJC East and West campuses. He reported on the locations of damaged Share the Road signs, and the future locations of 10 more Share the Road signs. He also said there were additional signs available.

Member Leisser Mazariegos reported that she had heard feedback that the Pedestrian Survey that had been presented to the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) members at their September 2nd meeting was too lengthy. Regina Valentine stated that the SSTAC members were instructed to email any comments or suggestions to Member Stephen Bonrepos.

11. ADJOURNMENT
Chair RJ Corwin adjourned the meeting at 10:56 a.m.

Next Regularly Scheduled BPAC Meeting:
February 4, 2015 (Wednesday) @ 10:00 am
StanCOG Board Room
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA 95354
Minutes Prepared By:

Carla Alvisio, Administrative Assistant
DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS
TO: Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee

THROUGH: Carlos P. Yamzon, Executive Director

FROM: Rosa Park, Deputy Executive Director
       Jeanette Fabela, Senior Planner

DATE: January 28, 2015

SUBJECT: Draft 2015 Public Participation Plan

Background

StanCOG is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Stanislaus region. Public involvement is one of the core functions of an MPO, and the Public Participation Plan (PPP) is a federally-mandated document that serves as a guide for the public involvement process. It ensures the ongoing opportunity for broad-based participation in the planning process, and in the development and review of regional plans and programs managed and produced by StanCOG.

Discussion

The StanCOG Public Participation Plan (PPP), adopted by the Policy Board in 2011, is being updated to reflect new federal mandates and to enhance the public engagement process. The PPP is periodically reviewed and updated. It is required that updates be published and available for public review and comment. The StanCOG Draft 2015 PPP was released for a 45-day public review and comment period on January 23, 2015 and will conclude on March 9, 2015. A Draft 2015 PPP Preference Survey was also included in the released PPP for public review and comment. The Draft 2015 PPP can be viewed on the StanCOG website at http://www.stancog.org/public-participation-plan.shtm.

A public hearing will be held at the February 18, 2015, Policy Board meeting (see information below) to solicit comments regarding the PPP. Additionally, two public workshops (see information below) will be held to provide the public the opportunity to gain more information about the PPP and to offer their input. All interested members of the public are encouraged to attend.

Public Hearing

February 18, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.
Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG)
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA 95354
Public Workshops

February 4, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG)
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA 95354

February 24, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Ceres Community Center
2701 4th street
Ceres, CA 95307

All comments received will be addressed and included in the Draft 2015 PPP which will be presented to the Policy Board for adoption at their March 18, 2015 meeting.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Jeanette Fabela, at 209.525.4645 or via e-mail at jfabela@stancog.org.

Attachment(s):

1. Draft 2015 PPP Preference Survey
2015 Draft Public Participation Plan (PPP)
Preferences Survey

The PPP is meant to inform the public and other stakeholders about the overall StanCOG public participation process, how to receive information from StanCOG, and how to provide input into regional planning, policy, and decision-making efforts. It sets forth the StanCOG commitment to an open process that provides opportunities for input throughout the decision-making continuum.

Please print survey and submit completed copy to the StanCOG office at 1111 “I” Street, Suite 308, Modesto, CA 95354 or via email to jfabela@stancog.org.

1. What would encourage you to attend a meeting or event to discuss transportation issues in Stanislaus County?

Please check all that apply

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4. When do you prefer to attend a meeting?

Please check all that apply

- During business hours (8 AM to 5 PM)
- During lunch hours (11 AM to 1 PM)
- Evenings (after 6 PM)
- Weekends
- Other:

5. How would you prefer to receive information from StanCOG on regional issues?

Please check all that apply

- Public meetings
- E-mail
- Brochure, flyer, or printed material
- Social media
- StanCOG website
- Other:

6. What topic would you like to be notified about in the future?

Please check all that apply

- Transportation
- Land use
- Transit
- Public participation
- Other:
7. How would you prefer to provide input to StanCOG on regional issues?

Please check all that apply

- Public meetings/ workshops
- E-mail
- Online survey
- Social media
- Other:

8. How would you prefer to have detailed or complicated material presented to you?

Please check all that apply

- StanCOG website
- Live presentation at meeting or workshop
- Brochure, flyer, or printed material
- Map, chart, or other visual
- Other:

9. How would you identify yourself?

Please select one

- Business person
- Concerned individual
- Elected official
- Environmental group member or staff
- Community group member or staff
- Government agency staff

10. Approximately how many times within the last year did you provide StanCOG input on regional issues? (This could be at a meeting, via email, mail, or phone message.)

Please select one

- 1-3 times a year
- 3-5 times a year
- More than 5 times a year
- Never
11. What part of Stanislaus County do you live in?

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Additional Comments:

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If you would like StanCOG staff to contact you concerning any of our projects or programs, please provide contact information or contact us at [www.stancog.org](http://www.stancog.org) or (209)525-4600.

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Telephone:

Thank you for completing this survey.
TO: Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee

THROUGH: Carlos P. Yamzon, Executive Director

FROM: Rosa Park, Deputy Executive Director
Arthur Chen, Associate Planner

DATE: January 27, 2015

SUBJECT: Congestion Management Process Steering Committee

Background

StanCOG is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Stanislaus region. As an MPO, StanCOG is required under federal law to update the Congestion Management Process (CMP) along with the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). A Congestion Management Process (CMP) is developed to address congestion on the transportation network. The network consists of major roadways within the county, along with transit systems and other modes of transportation that help reduce congestion. Traffic monitoring systems, congestion performance measures, and roadway Level of Service (LOS) standards are also part of the CMP.

Discussion

StanCOG is in the process of updating its CMP. It is proposed that a Congestion Management Committee be formed to oversee the update of the CMP document. The committee will define CMP objectives, which should be consistent with those in the 2014 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). It will also update the CMP network. The network includes, at a minimum, Interstate Highways, State Highways, and Principal Arterials within Stanislaus County. Additions to the network will be agreed upon by the CMP committee. The CMP committee will also select various roads within the county which will be studied with travel count data and travel time data by a consultant. Data collected on these selected arterials will be inputted into the StanCOG traffic monitoring program.

The committee will review and recommend updates to the Level of Service (LOS) standards on the CMP network and agree upon a minimum LOS standard to be achieved in future years (2020, 2035, and 2040) within the region.

Coordination with the local agencies is integral to the success of this process, as the local agencies are responsible for the land use and transportation decisions in the region. The intent of
this Staff Report is to form a Congestion Management Process committee to oversee the update of the CMP document.

Staff proposes the Committee be composed of one (1) member from each local agency—as designated by the agency; one member from the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC); one member from the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC); and one member from the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC). Based on the discretion of the future Committee members, the Committee could remove or add other stakeholders including, but not limited to, the Air Pollution Control District, Building Industry Association, etc.

Staff proposes that the CMP committee to meet in conjunction with the Technical Advisory Committee.

Should you have any questions regarding this staff report, please contact Arthur Chen, Associate Planner at 209-525-4600 or via e-mail at achen@stancog.org.
TO: Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee

FROM: Carlos P. Yamzon, Executive Director

DATE: January 28, 2015

SUBJECT: State Route (SR) 99 Beautification Plan

Background

The original concept of a SR 99 Beautification Plan originated from the community’s desire to improve the image of Stanislaus County with specific focus on the SR 99 Corridor. It is recognized that as many as 140,000 vehicles per day pass through Stanislaus County on this route. It has also been realized that many of these drivers’ only impression of Stanislaus County come from what they see on the corridor. Realizing the economic impact that this corridor has on the region, concerned citizens, business leaders, local government, and Caltrans have taken some steps to initiate immediate and short-term landscaping improvements, mainly through capital improvement projects on SR 99. However, those improvements have been undertaken without benefit of a master plan for the entire Route 99 corridor through Stanislaus County.

Discussion

More recently, this topic was revived in discussions by the StanCOG Policy Board and Management and Finance Committee (MFC). Based on these discussions, Stanislaus County recommended at the January 7, 2015, MFC meeting, that StanCOG take the lead in researching the opportunities to plan, develop, fund and implement improvements leading to the beautification and image enhancement of the SR 99 Corridor through Stanislaus County.

StanCOG had previously taken the lead in this a similar study, the Route 99 Image Enhancement Plan, starting in 2003, in coordination with Stanislaus County, and the cities of Modesto, Ceres and Turlock, and Caltrans, District 10. Due to a lack of a stable funding source, continued work on these previous efforts did not advance beyond the preliminary planning studies.
The original goals of the *Route 99 Image Enhancement Plan* were:

- Unify the Freeway 99 corridor while recognizing the individuality of each community;
- Create gateway landscaping and monuments at the points of entry to the county and to each city;
- Screen views of unsightly adjacent land use;
- Enhance views of important features and preserve scenic vistas;
- Coordinate with Caltrans the inclusion of maintenance into new Freeway 99 projects;
- Promote private sector involvement, build on programs, such as Adopt-A-Highway, designed to encourage private participation in the beautification of the freeway;
- Implement a public information program for citizens and freeway users, including the traditionally under-represented and under-served populations, such as the elderly, disabled, low income, and minority (i.e. Black, Hispanic, Asian American, American Indian/Alaskan Native, and Pacific Islander) communities/groups and community leaders,
- Seek state and federal funding and develop other techniques to finance landscape improvements within the Freeway 99 corridor;
- Utilize all possible resources, such as inmate labor and community volunteers, to keep the freeway clear of trash and litter;
- Establish consensus on development standards for all future projects located along Freeway 99, consistent within all jurisdictions; and
- Encourage jurisdictions to preserve existing agricultural land between cities, especially along the western boundary, to showcase Stanislaus County agricultural prominence.

StanCOG staff recommends that the basis and foundation of this previous work be the catalyst to begin work on the SR 99 Beautification Plan. Although there is no current available funding in the current FY 2014-15 Overall Work Program (OWP), StanCOG staff will be recommending a Work Element and funding plan for the FY 2015-16 OWP. In collaboration with member agencies and potentially a consultant, it is proposed that a working group be formed to proceed with developing a vision and master plan for the SR 99 corridor through Stanislaus County.

Should you have any questions regarding this staff report, please contact Carlos P. Yamzon, Executive Director at 209-525-4600 or via e-mail at cyamzon@stancog.org.
TO: Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)  

THROUGH: Carlos P. Yamzon, Executive Director  

FROM: Rosa De León Park, Deputy Executive Director  
Regina Valentine, Associate Planner  

DATE: January 28, 2015  

SUBJECT: Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program  

Background  

The Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) is one of several programs that are part of the Transit, Affordable Housing, and Sustainable Communities Program established by the California Legislature in 2014 by Senate Bill 862. The TIRCP was created as a statewide competitive grant program to fund capital and operational investments that will modernize California’s transit systems and intercity, commuter, and urban rail systems to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases by reducing vehicle miles traveled. This program is funded by auction proceeds from the California Air Resource Board’s Cap-and-Trade Program established by Assembly Bill 32, with proceeds deposited into the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

Statewide, the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program will receive $25 million in 2014/15 and 10 percent will be continuously appropriated annually beginning in 2015/16.

Discussion  

Working with Caltrans and the California Transportation Commission (CTC), the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) gathered input from local agencies and the public to develop draft TIRCP guidelines describing the application process to receive funds. Once final TIRCP Guidelines are adopted, CalSTA will invite agencies to submit applications for competitive scoring. Eligible applicants must be public agencies, including joint powers agencies, that operate existing or planned regularly-scheduled intercity rail service (and associated feeder bus service), commuter rail, commuter bus service, or bus and rail transit service.

The intended objectives of projects selected for TIRCP funding are to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, expand and improve rail service to increase ridership, integrate the rail service of the state’s various rail operations including integration with the high speed rail system, and improve
safety. Additionally, there is a program goal to provide at least 25 percent of available funding to projects that provide a direct, meaningful, and assured benefit to disadvantaged communities. The California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) has identified the disadvantaged communities for this program based on geographic, socioeconomic, public health, and environmental hazard criteria.

While there is no minimum match requirement for this funding source, funding leverage is desirable and will be considered in the evaluation of applications.

Below is the anticipated timeline for the 2014/15 TIRCP funds:

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Should you have any questions regarding this staff report, please contact Regina Valentine at 209-525-4644 or via e-mail at rvalentine@stancog.org.

**Attachments:**

1. CalSTA Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program Fact Sheet

[Link to attachment](rvalentine@stancog.org)
Background and Funding: The Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program is one of several programs funded as part of 2014-15 State of California budget (by Senate Bill 852 and Senate Bill 862) that have a goal of reduced greenhouse gas emissions and achievement of other benefits. These programs are funded by auction proceeds from the California Air Resource Board’s Cap-and-Trade Program, with proceeds deposited into the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. The following chart lists the programs funded by the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, and the amount of each program’s funding in 2014-15, and as an ongoing share of Greenhouse Gas Reduction Funds, where applicable. The Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program will receive $25 million in 2014-15 and 10 percent of annual state Cap-and-Trade auction proceeds beginning in 2015-16.

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**Legislative History:** Prior legislation established state goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and created tools to achieve these reductions.

- Assembly Bill 32 (2006) set greenhouse gas reduction targets and authorized the Cap-and-Trade Program at the Air Resources Board
- Senate Bill 375 (2008) and Senate Bill 391 (2009) require sustainable communities strategies be included in regional transportation plans and the statewide transportation plan
- Assembly Bill 3034 (2008) placed Proposition 1A before voters, which provides bond funding to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through rail investments, including the high-speed rail project

**Program Goals and Eligible Projects:** Senate Bill 862 created the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program and describes program goals and eligible projects. Program goals include the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, expanded rail service to increase ridership, the integration of different rail and bus systems, and improved rail safety. Eligible projects include rail and bus capital projects, and operational improvements that result in increased ridership and reduced greenhouse gas emissions.

**Disadvantaged-Community Benefits:** Legislation Passed in 2011, Senate Bill 535, requires that programs funded from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund result in benefits to disadvantaged communities. The designation of “disadvantaged communities” is assigned to the California Environmental Protection Agency, and the establishment of guidelines for qualifying expenditures is assigned to the California Air Resources Board. The Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program will target grants so that at least 25 percent of program expenditures will benefit disadvantaged communities.

**Program Guidelines and Public Input:** Senate Bill 862 directs the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) to establish guidelines for the Transit and Intercity Rail Program. CalSTA is holding public workshops to receive public input in August prior to writing draft guidelines. Once draft guidelines are done, they will be shared with the Legislature and CalSTA will hold at least two additional public meetings prior to finalizing the guidelines. CalSTA will also present draft guidelines for review by the Strategic Growth Council.

**Roles and Responsibilities of State Agencies:** CalSTA will work with the Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to implement this program. Once guidelines are finalized, CalSTA and Caltrans will solicit applications and select projects. The CTC will award the program of projects and manage project allocations.

**Timeline:** The Administration will release draft guidelines for comment in the fall of 2014, with guidelines finalized and a solicitation for projects planned in the first half of calendar year 2015.

Questions or comments may be directed to the Division of Rail and Mass Transportation at (916)653-3060.

Written comments on TIRCP may be directed to tirpccomments@dot.ca.gov.
INFORMATION
ITEMS
TO: Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)  

THROUGH: Carlos P. Yamzon, Executive Director  

FROM: Rosa De León Park, Deputy Executive Director  
       Regina Valentine, Associate Planner  

DATE: January 28, 2015  

SUBJECT: Commute Connection Monthly Reports – November and December  

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**Background**

Commute Connection is the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program for the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG). As a designated non-attainment region, the Commute Connection program serves as Stanislaus County’s transportation control measure that satisfies the mitigation measure requirements contained in the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District’s air quality plan. Implementing this program also allows the Stanislaus region to receive approximately seven million dollars ($7,000,000) annually in federal Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funds.

**Discussion**

Commute Connection has served as the TDM program for StanCOG since 1987. Commute Connection provides the following services:

- Rideshare matching;
- Vanpool formation, subsidies and maintenance;
- Employer and commuter outreach promotions and education;
- Emergency Ride Home Program; and
- Marketing of services to the commuting public and employers.

During the month of November, Commute Connection completed a Park-n-Ride lot usage survey, reviewed and scored TDM System proposals, and presented their annual report to StanCOG’s various committees and the Policy Board.

In December, Commute Connection interviewed TDM system vendors, updated the commuter database, and met with a representative from the City of Modesto to see how they can help incentivize alternatives to driving alone for City staff.
Should you have further questions regarding this staff report, please contact Regina Valentine at 209-525-4644 or via e-mail at rvalentine@stancog.org.

Attachments:

2. Commute Connection’s December 2014 Monthly Report

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Park and ride lots are facilities where individuals meet and then group-travel to their destinations via vanpool, carpool or transit. The different types of facilities are capital lots (dedicated), lease lots and joint-use lots. Each year Commute Connection surveys each lot to evaluate usage. Below are the results of the 2014 Survey. Most lots are well utilized. Some joint-use lots are difficult to survey (noted by “n/a”) since spaces are not marked.

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<td>52%</td>
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<td>Denny’s Restaurant</td>
<td>Salida</td>
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Cupcake Lady Pays a Sweet Visit to Corporate Challenge Winners!

Parker Hannifin

City of Merced

Pacific Coast Producers
November Activities & Outreach

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- Reviewed and Scored TDM System Proposals
- Met with TDM System Selection Consultant
- Finalized MOU with MTC for Rideshare Database Sharing
- Completed park and ride lot usage survey

Tri-County

- Worked on MOU for NTD Reporting with SJRTD
- Worked on TDM Interregional Action Plan with SACOG
- Delivered materials to Masonite
- Attended UOP Benefits Fair
- Met with Melissa and Dough Distribution Center through REACON
- Site Exhibit at Pathways to Green Schools
- Site Exhibit at Safeway Food & Drig
- Met with Musco Family Olive through REACON
- Met with Leggett & Platt through REACON

San Joaquin

- Attended Green Team Meeting and recognized Corporate Challenge Winner, Parker Hannifin
- Presented Annual Report to StanCOG TAC
- Presented Annual Report to StanCOG CAC
- Presented Annual Report to StanCOG Governing Board
- Participated in meeting with CalVans

Stanislaus

- RSW Corporate Challenge Winner prize delivery and photos shoot at the City of Merced’s Fire Dept, Police Dept, Public Works Dept, Purchasing Dept and City Hall
December, 2014

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Outreach Activities

- Met with TDM System selection panel and scored TDM System Proposals
- Interviewed TDM System Vendors
- Attended ACT Holiday Networking event
- Updated Commuter Database
- Worked on new newsletter format

- Finalized MOU for NTD Reporting with SJRTD
- Worked on TDM Interregional Action Plan with SACOG
- Visited Pacific Coast Producers Cup Cake Lady RSW Prize delivery
- Attended and set-up booth at Green Team Refreshments with Recyclers
- Met with CBC Steel Buildings

- Met with Megan Distaso from City of Modesto
- Presented Annual Report to SSTAC
- Presented Annual Report to BPAC

- Attended Merced on the Move event
- Visited City of Merced Cupcake Lady RSW Prize Delivery
- Attended Green Team Merced
- Met with UC Merced