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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Transportation Planning Documents Available for 45-day Public Review and Comment

Modesto, CA—April 30, 2010—The Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) announces the release of four major transportation planning documents for a 45-day Public Review and Comment Period.

These documents, the 2011 Draft Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Associated Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR), the 2011 Draft Air Quality Conformity (AQC) Document, and the 2011 Draft Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP), focus on the planning and implementation of transportation projects for the Stanislaus Region in the coming years.

The RTP is the long-range planning document that establishes the transportation network for the Stanislaus Region for the next 25 years. The AQC Document ensures that projects within the RTP conform to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) air quality regulations and the California State Implementation Plan (SIP). The FTIP is the four-year funding implementation plan of projects identified in the RTP.

The public review and comment period begins on April 30, 2010, and concludes on June 14, 2010. A Public Hearing on the draft documents is scheduled for May 19, 2010, at 6:00 pm at the StanCOG Policy Board Meeting located at 1111 I Street, Suite 308, Modesto. Public comments are welcomed at the hearing, or may be submitted in writing by 5:00 pm on June 14, 2010, to the StanCOG address above.

The documents are available for viewing at www.stancog.org, at the StanCOG office, and at local branches of Stanislaus County libraries.

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