



## NOTICE OF PREPARATION

**Date:** January 7, 2010

**To:** Responsible Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

**From:** StanCOG (Lead Agency)  
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**Subject:** Notice of Preparation of a Draft Program Environmental Impact Report

The Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) will be the Lead Agency and will prepare a Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the program identified below, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The lead agency is requesting input as to the scope and content of the environmental information that should be contained in the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report. Other public agencies may use this EIR when considering approval of individual projects implemented under the program.

The program description, project locations, and potential environmental effects (initial study) are attached to this NOP. These materials are also available on the StanCOG website at [www.stancog.org](http://www.stancog.org) or at the office located at 1111 I Street, Suite 308, in Modesto.

Because of the time-sensitive nature of the regional transportation planning process, we request your response at the earliest possible date. Your response must be received within 30 days of publication of this notice. We request that you return your comments by February 5, 2010.

Additionally, StanCOG has set up a meeting to receive public input on the scope of the Program EIR. At this meeting, individuals, agencies, and organizations can provide StanCOG with their input on the content and analysis conducted for the Program EIR. The EIR scoping meeting will be held at the Doubletree Hotel Room on January 27, 2010, at 1150 Ninth Street, Modesto, CA.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Vince Harris at (209) 525-4600.

**Program Title: StanCOG 2011 Regional Transportation Plan**

Comments may be submitted in writing during the review period and addressed to:

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