

**STANISLAUS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (STANCOG)
NOTICE OF 30-DAY and 55-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD AND
PUBLIC HEARINGS
DRAFT 2027 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP),
2026 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN/SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES
STRATEGY (RTP/SCS), AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY ANALYSIS,
AND
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR THE STANCOG RTP/SCS
45-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) has released the following documents for public review and comment and will be holding public hearings to receive public comment: [The Draft 2027 Federal Transportation Improvement Program \(FTIP\), 2026 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy \(RTP/SCS\), accompanying Air Quality Conformity Analysis, and the Draft Environmental Impact Report \(EIR\) prepared for the 2026 RTP/SCS.](#)

Public Review and Comment

A 30-day public review and comment period for the Draft 2027 FTIP will begin on July 6, 2026 and end on August 5, 2026, at 4:00 PM. A 55-day public review and comment period for the Draft 2026 RTP/SCS and Air Quality Conformity Analysis will begin on July 6, 2026, and end on August 30, 2026, at 4:00 PM. A 45-day public comment period for the PEIR will begin on July 10, 2026, and end on August 24, 2026, at 4:00 PM.

Public participation for the 2027 FTIP satisfies the program of projects (POP) requirements of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Urbanized Area Formula Program Section 5307 and FTA Bus and Bus Facilities Program Section 5339. If no comments are received on the proposed POP, the proposed transit program (funded with FTA 5307 and FTA 5339 dollars) will be the final program.

Following the public comment period, the documents will be considered for adoption, by resolution, by StanCOG at a regularly scheduled Policy Board meeting to be held on September 16, 2026. The documents will then be submitted to state and federal agencies for approval.

Project Descriptions: The 2027 FTIP is a near-term listing of capital improvement and operational expenditures utilizing federal and state monies for transportation projects in Stanislaus County during the next four years. The 2026 RTP/SCS is the region's long range transportation plan through 2049 and is an update to the 2022 RTP/SCS.

The accompanying Conformity Analysis contains the documentation to support a finding that the 2027 FTIP and 2026 RTP/SCS meet the air quality conformity requirements for ozone and particulate matter.

Project Location: The 2026 RTP/SCS covers the entire area of Stanislaus County and includes the cities of Ceres, Hughson, Modesto, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Riverbank, Turlock, and Waterford. Capital improvement transportation projects, identified in the draft 2026 RTP/SCS, are located on State highways, County roads, and locally owned streets, as well as on transit district property, airports, rail lines and property, and public utility lands.

Probable Environmental Effects: The Draft PEIR provides a programmatic analysis of environmental impacts related to the implementation of the 2026 RTP/SCS. It discloses significant effects for the following resource categories: aesthetics; agriculture; air quality; biology; cultural resources; energy; geology and soils; greenhouse gas and climate change; hazards and hazardous materials; hydrology and water quality; noise; transportation; tribal cultural resources; and wildfire.

Public Hearings

StanCOG will hold two public hearings at the following dates, times, and locations:

- **July 20, 2026, at 4:00 PM at the Turlock Public Library (in-person/virtual)**
 - Location: 550 N Minaret Ave, Turlock, CA 95380
 - Virtual Attendance via Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/3trk9h3z>
 - Meeting ID: 893 1251 9655
 - Passcode: 873631
 - Phone Number: +1 669 444 9171
- **August 19, 2026, at 6:00 PM during the StanCOG Policy Board Meeting (in-person/virtual)**
 - Location: 1111 I Street, Suite 308, Modesto CA, 95354
 - To attend virtually, please use the information in the Policy Board agenda for the August meeting at: <https://www.stancog.org/AgendaCenter/Policy-Board-9>

How to submit comments ahead of public hearings:

- **Email:** publiccomment@stancog.org
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