

Notice of Availability
Draft 2026 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy
Draft Program Environmental Impact Report

Notice is hereby given that the San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG) has released the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) document for a 45-day public review/comment period.

Project Description: The 2026 RTP/SCS is the region's long range transportation plan through 2049 for the San Joaquin County metropolitan region. The proposed 2026 RTP/SCS is an update to the current 2022 RTP/SCS that was adopted in August 2022. The proposed 2026 RTP/SCS reflects changes in legislative requirements, local land use policies, and resource constraints that have occurred since adoption of the current 2022 RTP/SCS. The 2026 update to the 2022 RTP/SCS is focused on continued implementation of the 2022 RTP/SCS, with updates to ensure consistency with federal, State, and local planning requirements. The 2026 RTP/SCS is the long-term coordinated transportation/land use strategy and provides a framework for transportation investment out to the year 2049.

Project Location: The 2026 RTP/SCS covers the entire area of San Joaquin County and includes the cities of Escalon, Lathrop, Lodi, Manteca, Mountain House, Stockton, Tracy, Ripon, and the newly incorporated City of Mountain House. Capital improvement transportation projects, identified in the proposed 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 EIR 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; biological resources; cultural resources; paleontological resources; greenhouse gas emissions; hazards and hazardous materials; hydrology and water quality; noise; transportation; tribal cultural resources; and wildfire.

Public Review and Comment

The Draft EIR prepared for the 2026 RTP/SCS is available for public review. The Draft 2026 EIR is available for public review from June 22, 2026, to 4 PM on August 6, 2026. The document can be downloaded at <https://www.sjcog.org/610/Final-2022-Program-EIR> and upon request can be made to physically review at SJCOG's office, located at 555 E. Weber Ave, Stockton, CA 95202.

Written comments may be submitted to SJCOG at:

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