

Public Notice

The Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG) is designated by the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Butte County and its incorporated cities. As the MPO, BCAG is required to prepare a Public Participation Plan (PPP) in response to the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). The goal of this plan is to achieve greater public input and to make interested members of the public aware of all opportunities for input in the metropolitan transportation planning process.

The public is invited to review and comment on the draft Amendment #02 to the Public Participation Plan document. This amendment is available at each of the Butte County Public Libraries or at BCAG's web page at: <u>http://www.bcag.org/Planning/-Public-Participation-Plan-PPP/index.html</u>.

Amendment #02 incorporates new state requirements for public participation associated with the development of BCAG's Regional Transportation Plan - Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) or Alternative Planning Strategy (APS), if one is needed.

A minimum of 45 calendar days is required to be provided prior to the BCAG Board adopting the revised plan. The BCAG Board of Directors has scheduled a public hearing to receive comments on this Public Participation Plan at their Board meeting on Thursday, March 25, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at the **City of Gridley Council Chambers**. The BCAG Board is also scheduled to consider adoption of the amended Public Participation Plan at their Board meeting on Thursday, April 22, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at the **City of Chico Council Chambers**. Comments and questions can be directed to Mr. Iván García, Programming Manager for the Butte County Association of Governments at 2580 Sierra Sunrise Terrace, Suite 100, Chico CA 95928. Comments may also be phoned in at 530-879-2468, or by e-mail at <u>igarcia@bcag.org</u>