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. BCAG is also the state designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for Butte County and its incorporated cities. As the RTPA, BCAG is required to prepare a Regional Transportation Improvement program (RTIP) every two years. The purpose of the RTIP is to identify programming recommendations for the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The STIP is comprised of two components, the RIP for projects nominated by regional agencies in California, such as BCAG and the Interregional Improvement Program (IIP) for projects nominated by Caltrans. The STIP is adopted by the California Transportation Commission.

The RTIP indicates the area's short-term plan for use of RIP and IIP dollars for transportation projects over the next five fiscal years beginning July 1, 2018. The draft 2018 RTIP for Butte County will be available for review and comment by October 15, 2017. The public is encouraged to participate and provide input to the RTIP or any other BCAG planning function. The RTIP document and other related information will be posted online at BCAG’s webpage at http://www.bcag.org/Planning/RTIP/index.html. Once a draft document is completed, it will be available for review at each of the Butte County public libraries. Comments on the RTIP are requested by December 1, 2017. The document will remain draft until it is adopted by the BCAG Board.

The 2018 RTIP is scheduled to be adopted by the BCAG Board of Directors at their December 7, 2017 Board meeting at the BCAG Board of Directors Board Room at 9:00 a.m. located at 326 Huss Drive, Suite 100, Chico, CA.

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