



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 #01 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:

<http://www.bcag.org/planning/PPP.html>.

This amendment revises the public review and comment period requirements for the Federal Transportation Improvement Program and Regional Transportation Plan to:

Amendment Category	Public Hearing Requirement	Public Review Period # of Days
Category 1 Administrative	n/a	n/a
Category 2 Formal – Changes that do not impact the existing conformity determination	No	7
Category 3 Formal – Relying on existing conformity determination	No	7
Category 4 Formal – Requires a new conformity determination	Yes	30

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 and approve this Public Participation Plan at their regular Board meeting on Thursday, March 26, 2009 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 igarcia@bcag.org