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INSTITUTE OF TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERS - Northern California Section



Planning for Sacramento's Future

What will the six county Sacramento Region look like in 2050? The Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) is leading the effort to provide information on what the region will look like given various land use development scenarios. This study is known as the Sacramento Region Blueprint. Mike McKeever, Blueprint Project Manager gave a presentation on where the planning effort has accomplished to date and where the study will eventually end up at the February lunch meeting.

The Sacramento Region is expected to see substantial growth over the next 40 to 50 years and how that growth occurs will impact the transportation system. The Blueprint study, through the use of the Place³s software, input from various interest groups and citizens and detailed parcel level data is providing a view of the future. The information should be helpful in planning for the regions future transportation system, provide decision makers with better information on land use decisions and influence local general plan updates.

To date the Blueprint study has conducted 30 community level workshops and has completed the county level workshops. The next step is the regional workshop which is scheduled for Friday, April 30, 2004 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Sacramento Convention Center.

31st Annual Vendors Night

The 31st Annual Vendors Night is scheduled for Thursday March 18th from 3:00 to 9:00 pm. The event will be held the same location as last year. That is at Hutchins Street Square at 125 South Hutchings Street in Lodi.

Please contact Matt Darrow at (916) 874-7052 to make your reservations.

Randy McCourt gives an overview of Activities in District 6

District 6 President Randy McCourt gave an overview of activities in District 6 at the February meeting. He talked about the WesternITE "tips" section, the 2004 annual meeting in Sacramento on June 20-23, the new ITE parking and trip generation manuals and the District 6 budget.

Thanks to Randy for coming down from Portland to attend our meeting.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- March 18, 2004 – 31st Annual Vendors Night. Mark your calendars for the annual event in Lodi.
- April 16, 2004 – Regular lunch meeting at Andiamo's.