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Project Title: MCAG 2026 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS)Lead Agency: Merced County Association of GovernmentsContact Person: Stacie GuzmanMailing Address: 369 West 18th StreetPhone: (209) 769-7679City: MercedZip: 95340County: Merced**Project Location:** County: Merced City/Nearest Community: MercedCross Streets: N/A Zip Code: N/ALongitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): N/A ° ' " N / N/A ° ' " W Total Acres: N/AAssessor's Parcel No.: N/A Section: N/A Twp.: N/A Range: N/A Base: N/AWithin 2 Miles: State Hwy #: SR 99Waterways: San Joaquin RiverAirports: Merced RegionalRailways: UP and BNSFSchools: UC Merced**Document Type:**CEQA: NOP Draft EIRNEPA: NOIOther: Joint Document Early Cons Supplement/Subsequent EIR EA Final Document Neg Dec(Prior SCH No.) Draft EIS Other: Mit Neg DecOther: FONSI**Local Action Type:** General Plan Update Specific Plan Rezone Annexation General Plan Amendment Master Plan Prezone Redevelopment General Plan Element Planned Unit Development Use Permit Coastal Permit Community Plan Site Plan Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) Other: RTP/SCS**Development Type:** Residential: Units Acres Office: Sq.ft. Acres Employees Transportation: Type Commercial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees Mining: Mineral Industrial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees Power: Type MW Educational: Waste Treatment: Type MGD Recreational: Hazardous Waste: Type Water Facilities: Type MGD Other: Regional Transportation Plan**Project Issues Discussed in Document:** Aesthetic/Visual Fiscal Recreation/Parks Vegetation Agricultural Land Flood Plain/Flooding Schools/Universities Water Quality Air Quality Forest Land/Fire Hazard Septic Systems Water Supply/Groundwater Archeological/Historical Geologic/Seismic Sewer Capacity Wetland/Riparian Biological Resources Minerals Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading Growth Inducement Coastal Zone Noise Solid Waste Land Use Drainage/Absorption Population/Housing Balance Toxic/Hazardous Cumulative Effects Economic/Jobs Public Services/Facilities Traffic/Circulation Other: **Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Various

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

The project, as defined pursuant to the Public Resources Code, Section 21065, is the preparation of the 2026 RTP/SCS in accordance with Section 65080 et seq., of Chapter 2.5 of the California Government Code, federal guidelines pursuant to new requirements established in the federal surface transportation reauthorization, including the "Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act of 2021 or the "Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) 2021-2026," Transportation Conformity for the Air Quality Attainment Plan per 40 CFR Part 51 and 40 CFR Part 93, and requirements outlined in Assembly Bill 32, The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, and Senate Bill 375 The Sustainable Communities and Climate Protection Act of 2008. Finally, the CTC has prepared guidelines (most recently adopted by the CTC in 2024) to assist in preparing the RTP/SCS.

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Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date March 4, 2025 Ending Date April 2, 2025

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Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.