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The Draft 2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and Draft Amendment 2 to the 2020 Connect SoCal (Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy [RTP/SCS or “2020 Connect SoCal”]) are available for public review and comment. Information on how to provide public comment is contained in this notice.

The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) has prepared the Draft 2023 FTIP in compliance with the adopted 2020 Connect SoCal and all federal and state requirements. SCAG has also prepared the Draft Amendment 2 to the 2020 Connect SoCal to reflect additions and/or changes to several critical transportation projects that are ready to move forward to the implementation phase.

A major component of 2020 Connect SoCal is a Project List that contains thousands of individual transportation projects throughout the SCAG region. Since the 2020 Connect SoCal’s adoption, some of these transportation projects have experienced technical changes that are time-sensitive. In addition, the county transportation commissions in the SCAG region have identified new priority transportation projects, as well as projects that are no longer identified as priorities. The 2023 FTIP and Amendment 2 to the 2020 Connect SoCal are needed to allow these projects to proceed in a timely manner. **The 30-day public review and comment period for the Draft 2023 FTIP and Draft Amendment 2 to the 2020 Connect SoCal begins on July 8, 2022 and ends on August 8, 2022, at 5 p.m.**

The Draft 2023 FTIP is available at www.scag.ca.gov/2023-ftip

The Draft Amendment 2 to the 2020 Connect SoCal is available at www.scag.ca.gov/post/amendment-2-0

Written comments for the documents may be submitted to Nancy Lo at lo@scag.ca.gov or by U.S. mail at:

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SCAG will hold two telephonic/videoconference public hearings on the Draft 2023 FTIP and Draft Amendment 2 to the 2020 Connect SoCal on **July 19, 2022** from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm and on **July 28, 2022** from 10:00am to 11:00 am. Given current public health directives and continuing recommendations of public health officials to limit public gatherings due to the threat of COVID-19, and in recognition of the continuing applicability of the Governor’s March 4, 2020 declaration of a state of emergency pertaining to COVID-19, the two public hearings will be held telephonically and by videoconference; there will not be an opportunity to participate physically/in-person, as SCAG’s offices are presently closed to the public.

The purpose of the two hearings on July 19, 2022 and July 28, 2022 is to receive public input and comments that SCAG will use to facilitate changes to the draft documents where appropriate. Upon completion of the public review period, SCAG staff will log the comments received through this process, provide responses to all comments, and finalize the documents for potential adoption. SCAG encourages interested parties to submit written comments and/or written information prior to the public hearings. Persons interested in attending the public hearings or offering their comments at the hearings may join by the following telephonic/videoconference methods:

<https://scag.zoom.us/j/89378248196>

OR

Dial by your location
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Questions about the Draft 2023 FTIP may be directed to Pablo Gutierrez at gutierre@scag.ca.gov. Questions about the Draft Connect SoCal Amendment 2 may be directed to Nancy Lo at lo@scag.ca.gov. Media inquiries may be directed to Margaret de Larios at delarios@scag.ca.gov.