

Staff Report May 13, 2025

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Town Council

FROM: Wes Heathcock, Town Manager

RE: Sacramento Area Council of Governments Presentation

Recommendation

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Background

SACOG is providing briefings to each jurisdiction beginning in February on their 2025 Blueprint project (formerly known as the Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy). The briefings will cover an overview of what implementation might look like in your jurisdictions and SACOG's programs that can support your jurisdiction. The briefing will be provided by a member of our staff leadership in advance of the release of the draft plan in the spring of 2025.

Financial Implications

There are no current financial implications to the Town of Loomis for this item

CEQA Requirements

The proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3) and is not a project pursuant to section 15378 because it will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.



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The Sacramento Area Council of Governments is where local government leaders across the region come together to advance the goals of economic prosperity, connected communities, and vibrant places. SACOG works in collaboration with the 6 counties and 22 cities in the region to solve challenges that are too big for any one jurisdiction to solve on its own. SACOG plays a central role in transportation infrastructure planning and funding assistance for cities, counties, transit operators, and other entities responsible for providing for the mobility needs of the region's residents. One of SACOG's main roles as the state and federally recognized Metropolitan Planning Organization for the region, is to maintain the region's long-range, fiscally constrained, transportation plan and accompanying land use strategy. This plan must be updated every four years in coordination with local government agencies and demonstrate how the region is working to advance local, regional, state, and federal policy priorities. SACOG is currently undergoing an update of this plan, titled the 2025 Blueprint, and anticipates adoption of the plan in 2025.

2025 Blueprint

The 2025 Blueprint is rooted in local planning. Both the land use assumptions and transportation investments included in the plan draw from and remain consistent with city and county general and specific plans as well transit agency planning documents. The 2025 Blueprint differs from many local plans in that it must be constrained by time and funding. Not all planned transportation investments or land use plans will come to fruition within the next 30 years. The 2025 Blueprint in many ways outlines a phasing strategy to help guide public policy decisions throughout the region. This plan will lay out a set of strategies for an integrated, multimodal transportation system and a regional land use development pattern that can create a more thriving region that works for all residents. The plan aims to connect housing to jobs, education, goods and services, and recreational opportunities while protecting and enhancing our region's natural and working landscapes.

Aside from this plan being a federal and state requirement, SACOG will use the 2025 Blueprint update to help local agencies coordinate and prioritize efforts to attract greater investment in the region through grants, private investment, and economic growth while protecting our region's natural environment, existing economies, and improving quality of life for all residents.

At the Loomis Town Council meeting, Kacey Lizon, from SACOG will provide a short presentation and answer any questions on the 2025 Blueprint. The presentation will outline the findings from the region wide transportation and land use analysis. Additionally, the presentation will provide a summary of the various programs SACOG has available or is developing to assist public agencies in implementing the Blueprint locally.