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The Fresno Council of Governments (COG) will hold four public hearings beginning at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 30, 2016 at the Fresno Council of Governments, 2035 Tulare St., Suite 201, Sequoia Room, Fresno, California. The hearings will consider:

1. Clovis Consolidated Transportation Service Agency Operations Program and Budget, FY 2016-17

The Consolidated Transportation Services Agency's (CTSA) Operations Program and Budget for the Clovis Urban Area, FY 2016-17 is designed to provide an overview of how and in what manner the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency will be providing services in the Clovis urban area over the next fiscal year. For further information, contact Shonna Halterman at (559) 324-2767.

2. Urban and Rural Consolidated Transportation Service Agency (CTSA) Operations Program and Budget for the Fresno Area, FY 2016-17

The Consolidated Transportation Services Agency's (CTSA) Operations Program and Budget for the Fresno Urban and Rural Areas, FY 2016-17 is designed to provide an overview of how and in what manner the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency will be providing services in urban and rural Fresno County over the next fiscal year. For further information, contact Gary Joseph at (559) 486-6587.

3. Unmet Transit Needs, Staff Report & Recommendations

The Unmet Transit Needs hearing will determine if public transportation needs within Fresno County will be reasonably met in the 2016-17 fiscal year. Specific incorporated cities to be discussed are: Clovis, Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Fresno, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, Sanger, San Joaquin, and Selma. The County of Fresno's participation in meeting public transportation needs in other rural unincorporated communities will also be discussed. For further information, contact Jeff Long at (559) 621-1436.

4. Disadvantaged Business Enterprises

The Fresno Council of Governments, in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26, adopts a triennial disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) goal to apply in Fresno COG awarded contracts funded with federal or state grants. On June 30, 2016, in public hearing, the Fresno COG Policy Board will adopt Resolution 2016-12 adjusting the three year goal for 2015-16 through 2017-18. The triennial DBE goal takes into consideration a Disparity Study done by the state Department of Transportation. Per the state and federal Departments of Transportation, six groups are presumed to be disadvantaged, African American, Asian Pacific American, Native American, Women, Hispanic and Subcontinent Asian Males. The goal applies to a variety of technical transportation and air quality related studies, Federal Highways, and Federal Transit Administration programs itemized in the Fresno COG 2016/17 Overall Work Program and budget.

Request for proposals will be solicited from qualified consultants at various times during the 2017/17 fiscal year. Any firm with technical qualifications to perform these studies may apply to be added to Fresno COG's RFP listing. Firms wishing to qualify as a DBE must provide a current certification in compliance with 49 CFR Part 26, issued by the State of California, Department of Transportation, the National Economic Development Administration, the City of Fresno, the County of Fresno or some other certifying governmental agency.

Records pertaining to Fresno COG's DBE program are on file at the Fresno COG office at 2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201, Fresno CA and open to public inspection during normal business hours for 30 days from this notice. Fresno COG will accept comments on the DBE program for 45 days from this notice. If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Les Beshears, Finance Director at 559-233-4148.

Individuals with disabilities may call Fresno COG (with 3-working-day advance notice) to request auxiliary aids necessary to participate in the public hearing. Translation services are available (with 3-working-day advance notice) to participants speaking any language with available professional translation services.

/s/ TONY BOREN, Executive Director
Fresno Council of Governments

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