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Public Meeting: New Transportation Analysis Requirements for CEQA

Learn about new analysis requirements for development projects and land use plans

The Mendocino Council of Governments (MCOG) is working with the County of Mendocino and the Cities of Fort Bragg, Point Arena, Ukiah, and Willits to implement changes to how transportation impacts on the environment are evaluated under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). MCOG is holding two public meetings to share these changes and hear comments on them.

Senate Bill 743, signed by Governor Brown in 2013, required the state to change how transportation impacts on the environment are evaluated under CEQA. The intent of this legislation was to remove barriers to infill development, public transportation projects, and projects that increase walking and biking. This legislation is changing measurement of transportation impacts under CEQA from level of service to vehicle miles traveled. This change will affect how new development projects and land use plans are analyzed.

MCOG will be holding two public meetings to explain the new requirements and the changes that are proposed to transportation analysis under CEQA. We invite you to attend either of the following public meetings:

Ukiah:

- February 18, 5:30-6:30 PM
- UC Farm Advisor's Conference Room, 890 North Bush Street

Fort Bragg:

- February 19, 5:30-6:30 PM
- Fort Bragg Town Hall, 363 North Main Street

MCOG formed as a joint powers agreement in 1972, as mandated by state law, to disburse state and federal funds for transportation, to provide regional planning, and to serve as a regional forum. MCOG is overseen by a board consisting of two county supervisors, a countywide public appointee, and one council member from each of the four incorporated cities. For more information, contact Loretta Ellard at lellard@dbcteam.net or 707-234-3434 or consult the agency's web site at www.mendocinocog.org.

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