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MCAG Announces Measure V Citizens Oversight Committee Appointments

MERCED – Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG) is pleased to announce the Measure V Citizens Oversight Committee appointments. Measure V – Merced County’s local transportation sales tax program – was passed by Merced County voters with 71% support in November 2016.

The following individuals were appointed by the MCAG Governing Board to serve on the Measure V Citizens Oversight Committee:

- City of Atwater – Jose Alfredo Moran
- City of Gustine – Derek Alexander
- City of Los Banos – Paul Parreira
- City of Merced – Karla Seijas
- City of Dos Palos – Jerry Antonetti
- County of Merced – Jim Cunningham
- Building Industry Representative – Josh Lepper
- Agriculture Industry Representative – Dennis Brazil
- Ethnic Community Group Representative – John Cates
- Major Private Sector Employer Representative – Vinton Thengvall
- Bike/Pedestrian or Transit Representative – David Dees
- Audit, Finance or Budget Professional – Demitrios Tatum
- Environmental Advocacy Group Representative – Jean Okuye

The Citizens Oversight Committee is comprised of 14 seats – seven representatives were selected by the local jurisdictions and seven were selected through a countywide application process. The purpose of the Committee is to ensure that the measure program is implemented as outlined in the voter-approved Transportation Expenditure Plan. The Committee will also prepare an annual report to inform the public on how Measure V funds were spent throughout Merced County.

MCAG is the Local Transportation Authority for Merced County, as well as, the regional transportation planning agency and metropolitan planning organization. In addition to regional transportation planning, MCAG also manages The Bus, YARTS and the Merced County Regional Waste Management Authority.

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