

STAFF REPORT



MEETING DATE:	December 13, 2016
SUBJECT:	Adopt 2016 Shasta Participation and Partnership Plan (Title VI)
AGENDA ITEM:	10
STAFF CONTACT:	Keith Williams, Associate Transportation Planner, AICP

SUMMARY:

SRTA staff has updated and consolidated its participation and partnership plans under a single document. Approval will ensure SRTA's continued eligibility for state and federal funding.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the board of directors open this item to any further public comments and approve the agency's 2016 Shasta Participation and Partnership Plan (Title VI) pursuant to Resolution 16-13.

DISCUSSION:

The attached 2016 Shasta Participation and Partnership Plan (Title VI) merges or appends the following documents required by federal and state funding partners:

1. Public Participation Plan – Policies and strategies used to ensure every citizen has the opportunity to evaluate and comment on the agency's plans, programs, and projects.
2. Title VI Plan – Policies and strategies used to ensure that no person is excluded from the equitable distribution of services on the basis of race, color, and national origin. Title VI refers to the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
3. Limited English Proficiency Plan – Policies and strategies used to ensure that information about the agency's programs and projects are accessible to individuals with limited English proficiency.
4. Federal Land Management Agency Consultation Process – Roles, responsibilities and actions for projects that involve federal land management agencies.
5. Native American Tribal Government Consultation Process – Policies and procedures for consultation with federally recognized Native American Tribal Governments.

The consolidated plan allows for synchronized updates every three years, eliminates duplicative planning, and brings public and agency participation information together under a single document. The 45-day public comment period ends today, and no comments have been received. Although a public hearing is not required, it is recommended that the board of directors open this item to any public comments that may be received at the meeting. Formal approval of the above plans is necessary to be eligible for federal and state funding.

ALTERNATIVES:

The board of directors may request additional information, or approve the plan with specific modifications.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Federal, state, and tribal government agencies were consulted and invited to comment on the applicable components of the plan. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) concurs with the staff recommendation.

FINANCING:

Development of the 2016 Shasta Participation and Partnership Plan (Title VI) is budgeted in the FY 2016/17 Overall Work Program (OWP) under Work Element 704.01 (\$6,500). The cost of implementing the plan is nominal and spread throughout the OWP in association with various agency projects and programs.



Daniel S. Little, AICP, Executive Director

Attachments:

Resolution 16-13 (2016 Shasta Participation and Partnership Plan (Title VI))

2016 Shasta Participation and Partnership Plan (Title VI) located here:

<http://srta.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1014>

RESOLUTION



RESOLUTION NUMBER:	16-13
SUBJECT:	2016 Shasta Participation and Partnership Plan (Title VI)

WHEREAS, U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (23 CFR 450.316) guides the implementation of Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act with respect to the adoption of a Public Participation Plan by each Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO); and

WHEREAS, the Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA) is the designated MPO for the Shasta Region and is responsible to carry out the transportation planning and programming process; and

WHEREAS, the Public Participation Plan has been made available for public review for the required 45 days; and

WHEREAS, the board of directors has considered all relevant information, including the factors set forth in the federal regulations that guide the implementation of the FAST Act; and all relevant verbal and written comments which have been submitted in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, all interested agencies, organizations and persons have been given opportunity to be heard with respect to any matters relating to the proposed Public Participation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Public Participation Plan meets or exceeds the requirements of federal and state regulations:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Shasta Regional Transportation Agency approves and adopts the 2016 Shasta Participation and Partnership Plan (Title VI).

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of December, 2016, by the Shasta Regional Transportation Agency.

Leonard Moty, Chair
Shasta Regional Transportation Agency