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ACTIA Transportation Forum to Highlight Safe Routes for Walking and Biking and Regional Transit Access Growth in South County

Alameda County – California — On Thursday, July 23rd the Alameda County Transportation Improvement Authority (ACTIA), in partnership with its Citizens Advisory Committee and sponsoring agencies is holding a Transportation Forum at The Ruggieri Senior Center in Union City. It will focus on the agency's major transportation projects in the county's southern region, which will be implemented within the next five years. Project sponsors will be on hand to respond to questions.

WHAT:	ACTIA South County (Fremont, Newark, Union City) Transportation Forum
DATE:	Thursday, July 23, 2009
TIME:	6:30 p.m. Open House / 7:00-8:30 p.m. Project and program presentations. The event concludes with a Q&A period.
WHERE:	The Ruggieri Center, 33997 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, 94587. Site is BART accessible. More information regarding transit access can be found at www.511.org.

The following highlights presentations that will be given at the transportation forum:

Projects/Programs

Cultivate Safe Routes for Walking and Biking - These programs create opportunities for people of all ages to engage both health and safety by providing multi-modal transportation options that encourage walking, biking and transportation that is healthy for the individual and for the community.

- **Active Transportation** - Local and national effort to reduce motor vehicle use, preserve air quality and improve public health by investing in and promoting transit access, walking and biking.

- **Safe Routes to Schools** - A comprehensive countywide effort to support schools in training and encouraging children to walk and bike to school safely.
- **City of Fremont Senior Mobility Programs** - Measure B funds in the City of Fremont provide expanded mobility options to senior residents, including Senior Walking Programs and Travel Training for Seniors.

Expand Strategic Investments for Mobility - An overview of the highways that move residents to and through South County, including what the local community can expect in terms of impacts and opportunities.

- **I-680 Express Lanes** - Will provide High Occupancy Toll (HOT) lanes along I-680 from Route 84 in Alameda County to the Santa Clara County line.
- **I-880/Mission Boulevard (Route 262) Interchange Project (Phase 2)** - Reconstruction of the I-880/Mission Boulevard Interchange.
- **East-West Connector Project in Fremont and Union City** - In North Fremont and Union City, this project will provide an improved roadway link between I-880 and Route 238 (Mission Boulevard).

Grow Regional Transit Access - An overview of the multi-modal transit options available to residents of South County, focusing on key developments in the area's transportation landscape.

- **Union City Intermodal Station** - Enhancements to the Union City BART Station and intermodal station to connect existing and future transit systems and expanding bicycle and pedestrian access.
- **Dumbarton Rail Corridor Improvements** - Will provide integrated transit service between the San Francisco Peninsula and Alameda County in the Dumbarton Corridor.
- **BART to Warm Springs Extension** - A 5.4-mile extension of the existing BART Fremont line to a new Warm Springs station.

ACTIA administers Measure B, the half-cent transportation sales tax in Alameda County, which was approved by 81.5% of the voters. ACTIA delivers transportation improvements and services to keep Alameda County moving, including mass transit projects and programs, transit villages, bicycle and pedestrian corridors, along with key highway projects to eliminate bottlenecks and improve local connectivity. For more information, visit the ACTIA website at www.actia2022.com.

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