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**San Joaquin County to Start Construction on
Much Anticipated Improvements to Pershing Avenue**

Project will improve traffic operations and provide safer options for pedestrians and cyclists

(Stockton, CA) – On May 2, 2022, San Joaquin County will begin construction of planned improvements to Pershing Avenue from Meadow Avenue to Thornton Road in north Stockton. The Pershing Avenue Improvements Project, funded by the Measure K half-cent sales tax, will widen Pershing Avenue to include a two-way left turn lane, sidewalk improvements, and buffered bicycle lanes (south of Hammer Lane only). Utility infrastructure improvements include new storm drainage and water supply pipelines north of Hammer Lane.

“The Project compliments recent improvements to Hammer Lane and Thornton Road by the City of Stockton,” said Supervisor Chuck Winn, Chairman of the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors. “These much-needed improvements support the County’s effort to improve safety and provide more active transportation options for our constituents.”

To facilitate construction activities, enhance safety for the traveling public and workers, and minimize the duration of traffic delays, Pershing Avenue will be closed for the duration of construction, which is to be completed by September 30, 2022. Through traffic will be detoured around the project limits. Detour signage will be posted prior to the start of construction.

Drivers are recommended to use Hammer Lane, Pacific Avenue, and Benjamin Holt Drive as alternative routes around the construction zone.

Construction activities will be performed Monday through Friday, from 7 am to 7 pm, with occasional work on the weekend. Night work is not planned; however, residents will be notified in advance of any scheduled night work.

Residents (and visitors) within the project limits will be provided access at all times as well as trash pickup and delivery of goods and services. Access to driveways will be maintained with minimal interruption.

“We are sensitive to the inconvenience that the road closure will have on traveling public, and appreciate their patience as the Project progresses,” said District 2 Supervisor Katherine Miller. “These long-awaited improvements will enhance the quality of life for our residents and support other City and County infrastructure investments in the surrounding area,” Miller added.

The Project team will provide regular updates during construction through San Joaquin County and Public Works Department social media channels and on the County website at www.sjgov.org. Community members may subscribe to receive regular notifications by emailing PershingImprovements@sjgov.org or may call the Project Hotline at 1-888-209-7697 for any Project-related inquiries.

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