

**San Joaquin Valley and Associated Counties Regional Planning Unit
Community Forum on Regional Workforce Planning
November 6, 2018 10:00am-12:00pm Hanford, CA**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Overview of 4-Year Regional Workforce Plans and Requirements for Biennial Review and Modification
- III. Purpose of the Regional Community Forum
- IV. Objectives of Regional Community Forum
- V. Consideration of and Discussions on the following topics:
 - A. The Regional Plan suggests that certain groups of job seekers (such as formerly incarcerated individuals, English language learners, persons with disabilities and others) have a difficult time finding work and/or advancing in their careers. In the current strong economy, is this still true?
 - B. Training and the opportunity to attain industry valued credentials is a central feature of the Regional Plan. Is enough training available to meet demand? For those taking part in training, are they able to earn certificates and find jobs?
 - C. Digital literacy skills (the use of technology in the workplace) were identified as a priority for workers. Is this training widely available and is it meeting the needs of workers and employers?
 - D. Based on a 2016 analysis of labor market and economic data, six major industries (advanced manufacturing, construction/public infrastructure, energy, healthcare, transportation and logistics, and value-added agriculture) were identified as priorities. Are job seekers currently able to easily secure employment in these sectors? If there are gaps, what are they?
 - E. If you were writing the Regional Workforce Plan, what would your priorities be and why?
- VI. Adjournment

