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VTA Celebrates Plan to Impact Climate Change

SAN JOSE, CA – The Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) is raising the visibility of its important role in impacting the region's climate crisis. In a move to address the pressing issue of climate change as a present reality impacting our planet, quality of life, and the well-being of our communities, VTA's Board of Directors adopted a comprehensive Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP).

CAAP is a strategic framework outlining VTA's commitment to combating climate change. "Together, we are paving the way for a more sustainable and resilient future," said VTA General Manager Carolyn Gonot.

VTA Board Chair Cindy Chavez highlights, "Adopting the CAAP was pivotal for us, demonstrating our dedication to reducing greenhouse gas emissions and creating a resilient transportation system."

CAAP is designed not only to help the transit agency reduce greenhouse gas emissions associated with transportation but also to implement adaptation strategies that consider known vulnerabilities, consequences, and risks associated with flooding, extreme heat, wildfire, and drought. This involves the development of a sustainable and equitable multi-modal transit system, with a focus on providing environmentally conscious transit options, projects, and programs.

VTA will celebrate and recognize staff and partners who contributed to this significant achievement during an event at VTA headquarters, Wednesday, February 28 from 2 pm to 3 pm.

WHEN:	Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.
WHERE:	VTA Headquarters, 3331 N. First St, San Jose
WHO:	VTA General Manager Carolyn Gonot
	VTA Board Chair Cindy Chavez
	VTA Chief Engineering & Program Delivery Officer Casey Emoto

News media is invited to attend the event, which will also be streamed on Facebook Live.

LINK TO VIDEO

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About VTA

Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) is an independent special district that is responsible for bus, light rail and paratransit operations, transportation planning, and serves as the county's congestion management agency.