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CCHSRA TO HOLD FREE WORKSHOPS AT KIT CARSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN HANFORD SEPTEMBER 8, 10

THOSE OUTSIDE KINGS COUNTY ALSO EXTENDED INVITE

Hanford, CA, September 6, 2011 -- Citizens for California High Speed Rail Accountability (CCHSRA) will host two free workshops at Kit Carson Elementary School on September 8 and 10 in Hanford, California. The CCHSRA is a nonpartisan advocacy group whose members include those who reside in the city and rural areas.

Concerned citizens in Kings County along with neighboring counties will have a welcome alternative to freely discuss and learn about issues pertaining to high-speed rail courtesy of CCHSRA. Those who live in counties outside the Central Valley are also welcome.

The workshop is intended to educate people on how the EIR/EIS process works and how to provide effective comments to the California High-Speed Rail Authority.

"CCHSRA is counting on the public to weigh in on this project since it is the Central Valley that's the Authority's (California High-Speed Rail) first target," said CCHSRA Co-Chair Aaron Fukuda. "We just want to prevent the Central Valley from being the 'first victim' of this poor planning."

Fukuda is a Kings County homeowner who lives in the proposed route.

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The first workshop will be held the evening of September 8 from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., while the next workshop will be held on Saturday morning, September 10th from 9 a.m. to noon. Both will take place at Kit Carson Elementary School in Hanford which is also near the proposed high-speed rail route. RSVP's are required for attendance. Interested parties can email an RSVP re: which day(s) to cchsra@gmail.org and/or call to confirm the same information to (559) 707-8928.

Kit Carson Elementary School is located at 9895 7th Avenue, Hanford, CA 93230.

For additional information please visit **CCHSRA** on Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Central-California-Residents-Against-High-Speed-Rail/229122757101563>), Twitter (**@CCHSRA**) and YouTube (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7l69EEj3rZ8>).

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