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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

STATE ROUTE 180 WEST SEGMENT 2 GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

FRESNO-The California Department of Transportation Caltrans, District 6 Fresno, in partnership with the Fresno County Transportation Authority (FCTA) and the Greater Fresno Area Chamber of Commerce, invite the public to attend a Groundbreaking Ceremony at 10:00 a.m., Friday, May 4, on Marks Avenue between Whitesbridge and Nielsen Avenues in the County of Fresno.

The Groundbreaking ceremony is a "Kick-Off" celebration marking the construction of **State Route 180 West Segment 2** and is being built with Measure "C" funds as well as State gas tax money and Federal funds. In 2006, Fresno County voters renewed the Measure "C" half-cent local sales tax, which continues to be used for transportation purposes. This 20-year tax will contribute over \$1.7 billion for the local economy.

This \$38 million project includes construction of 2.5 miles of six-lane freeway from Route 99/180 Interchange to Marks Avenue, then as a four-lane freeway to Brawley Avenue. There will be a full interchange at Marks Avenue. The project is scheduled for completion in December 2008.

Harry Armstrong, FCTA Chairman, is the Master of Ceremonies and remarks will be made by local dignitaries, the Greater Fresno Area Chamber of Commerce and the Area Manager for R & L Brosamer, Inc, of Walnut Creek as the primary contractor on the project.

Refreshments and sponsorship of this event will be provided by R & L Brosamer, Inc, Case Pacific, Foster & Sons, Mendoza & Associates, Signal Technologies and VRPA Technologies.

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Traveling Northbound / Southbound SR 99: Take State Route 180 West off-ramp, head west onto SR180 to the Hughes-West Diagonal. Turn left, then right onto State Route 180/Whites Bridge to Marks Avenue. Turn Right on Marks Avenue, follow signs to parking.

Traveling Northbound / Southbound SR41: Exit at the State Route 180 West/ Mendota off-ramp, head west onto SR180 to the Hughes-West Diagonal. Turn left, then right, onto State Route 180/Whites Bridge to Marks Avenue. Turn Right on Marks Avenue, follow signs to parking.

Traveling Westbound SR180: Travel on State Route 180 West towards Mendota. Continue west onto SR180 to the Hughes-West Diagonal. Turn left, then right onto State Route 180/Whites Bridge to Marks Avenue. Turn Right on Marks Avenue, follow signs to parking.

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