



# Solutions for Congested Corridors Program Guideline Development Workshop

Wednesday, June 28, 2017  
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)  
400 P Street, Auditorium  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Teleconference #: (877) 411-9748  
Participant Code: 5283660

## Agenda

1	Welcome	Introductions and agenda overview
2	June 9, 2017 Workshop Follow-up	Review and status of questions and action items
3	Guideline Process Overview	Discussion of plans and topics of discussion for future workshops
4	Subject Areas for Discussion*  See Workshop Background Information below	Discussion of terms and definitions as they relate to the program. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Corridor</li><li>• Highly-Traveled</li><li>• Congestion<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Freeway</li><li>○ Local Street/Road</li><li>○ Transit Line</li><li>○ Rail</li><li>○ Bicycle/Pedestrian</li></ul></li><li>• Comprehensive Corridor Plan</li></ul>
5	Next Steps and Closing	Identify action items and next steps

*\*Please Note: The amount of time dedicated to each term and definition will depend on the level of comments and discussion. Additional subject areas may be added or carried over to subsequent workshops.*

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# Workshop Background Information

## Congested Corridors Program Workshop Schedule\*

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Wednesday, June 28	Sacramento	Terms and Definitions
Friday, July 21	Los Angeles	Comprehensive Corridor Plans
August TBD	San Francisco	Scoring Criteria Performance Metrics / Project Reporting Methodology
Friday, September 8	Sacramento	Review Preliminary Draft Guidelines
Friday, November 17	Stockton	<i>(Northern California Hearing)</i> Review Revised Draft Guidelines
Wednesday, December 6	Riverside <i>(At Commission Meeting)</i>	<i>(Southern California Hearing)</i> Open Discussion

\*Please note: The dates, locations, and topics in this schedule are subject to change.

## SMART SCALE Program from Virginia Department of Transportation

The State of Virginia has a program called SMART SCALE, a program with very similar requirements to California's Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP). It is a competitive statewide transportation program with scoring criteria either identical or very similar to that required in SCCP. Because this program is so similar, we've decided to use the SMART SCALE guidelines as a model as we develop the SCCP guidelines. We do not expect all of the contents of the SMART SCALE guidelines will apply to SCCP, but many may fit well into the future SCCP guidelines. For more information, a link to the SMART SCALE program can be found here: <http://smartscale.org/>

## **Guide for the June 28 Terms and Definitions Discussion**

*Participants in the June 28<sup>th</sup> workshop should think about these terms and definition and be prepared to discuss at the workshop.*

- **Corridor**
  - What constitutes a corridor?
  - The Adopted 2016 STIP guidelines offers the following definition for a Multi-Modal Corridor:
    - “A corridor is defined as a largely linear geographic band defined by existing and forecasted travel patterns involving both people and goods. The corridor serves a particular travel market or markets affected by similar transportation needs and mobility issues. It includes various modes that provides similar or complementary transportation functions, including cross-mode connections.”
  
- **Highly-Traveled**
  - The term “highly-traveled” suggests a comparison. Do we compare the corridor to the region or the entire state?
  - How should multiple modes and facility types addressed?
  
- **Congestion**
  - What is congestion? We may need different definitions and measurements for congestion for different travel modes and types of transportation facilities.
    - The Caltrans definition of congestion on a state highway is “35 miles per hour or slower for 15 minutes or longer.”
    - We may need to find acceptable thresholds for congestion. For example, for a state highway that serves as a community’s main street, 35 miles per hour may not be an appropriate goal for automobile speeds.
    - Many general plans will contain thresholds for certain roadway classifications.
  
- **Comprehensive Corridor Plans**
  - How does comprehensive corridor planning differ from other types of planning activities and products?
  - How many regional transportation planning agencies have “comprehensive corridor plans?”
  - How do they coordinate with other agencies, including local, regional, state, and federal agencies?

## **Examples of Comprehensive Corridor Programs as Cited in SB 1**

- 1. The North Coast Corridor improvements along I-5 and the parallel rail corridor in San Diego County**

*Document:*

[http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist11/Env\\_docs/I-5PWP/2016/march/nccpwptrepfull.pdf](http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist11/Env_docs/I-5PWP/2016/march/nccpwptrepfull.pdf)

- 2. The SR 91 and Metrolink rail corridor improvements in Riverside County**

*Web Page:*

<http://www.sr91project.info/>

*Document:*

[http://sr91project.info/\\_pdf/SR-91ImplementationPlan-2015.pdf](http://sr91project.info/_pdf/SR-91ImplementationPlan-2015.pdf)

- 3. Emerging solutions for the US 101 and Caltrain corridor connecting Silicon Valley with San Francisco**

*Web Page:*

<http://www.spur.org/publications/spur-report/2017-02-23/caltrain-corridor-vision-plan>

*Document:*

[http://www.spur.org/sites/default/files/publications\\_pdfs/SPUR\\_Caltrain\\_Corridor\\_Vision\\_Plan.pdf](http://www.spur.org/sites/default/files/publications_pdfs/SPUR_Caltrain_Corridor_Vision_Plan.pdf)

- 4. Multi-modal approaches from the US 101 and SMART rail corridor in Marin and Sonoma Counties**

*Document:*

[http://scta.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/SON-MAR-MultiModal-TLUS-06061997\\_reduce-ocr.pdf](http://scta.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/SON-MAR-MultiModal-TLUS-06061997_reduce-ocr.pdf)

- 5. Comprehensive solutions for the I-405 corridor in Los Angeles County**

*Web Page:*

<https://www.metro.net/projects/i-405/>

*Project Map:*

[https://media.metro.net/uploads/sepulveda\\_pass\\_project\\_map.gif](https://media.metro.net/uploads/sepulveda_pass_project_map.gif)

*Final Report:*

<https://www.metro.net/projects/sfv-405/sepulveda-pass-corridor-systems-planning-study-fcr/>

*Systems Planning Study PowerPoint:*

[http://media.metro.net/projects\\_studies/sfv-405/images/03\\_20121213\\_sep\\_pass\\_ppt\\_presentation.pdf](http://media.metro.net/projects_studies/sfv-405/images/03_20121213_sep_pass_ppt_presentation.pdf)