



## California Transportation Commission

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### **Four-Year Program Dedicates \$18 Billion for Critical Transportation Projects Across California** 2018 State Highway Operation and Protection Program Adopted

**[Orange]** – The California Transportation Commission (Commission) adopted the 2018 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) at its meeting on Thursday. The four-year program dedicates almost \$18 billion for repairs, safety improvements and operational improvements on the State Highway System.

The adoption of the 2018 SHOPP is a significant step in transitioning the program to meet specific priorities identified in the Road Repair and Accountability Act (SB 1).

“The 2018 SHOPP includes new funding for more large-scale repair and rehabilitation projects than in the past,” explains Commission Chair Fran Inman. “These projects will provide long-term infrastructure solutions that will last for decades.”

SB 1 directs Caltrans to prioritize improvements in four primary highway infrastructure categories: pavement, bridges, culverts and transportation management systems. On Wednesday, the Commission approved the Transportation Asset Management Plan, which establishes targets that Caltrans must meet in its efforts to improve or rehabilitate each of the four types of infrastructure over the next ten years.

“The projects in the 2018 SHOPP will make roads and bridges much safer for California drivers,” adds Executive Director Susan Bransen. “SB 1 requires the state to fix at least 500 bridges and improve thousands of miles of the State Highway System over the next decade. This program is a big step forward to be able to meet those targets.”

“Thanks to SB 1, billions in new funding is now available,” says Chair Inman. “This new funding allows us to focus on ‘fix it first’ solutions to the state’s most pressing transportation needs.”

The 2018 State Highway Operation and Protection Program adopted by the Commission, including a full list of projects by county, is available online, here: [http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/shopp/docs/Proposed\\_2018\\_SHOPP.pdf](http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/shopp/docs/Proposed_2018_SHOPP.pdf). A finalized copy will be submitted to the Legislature and the Governor not later than April 1, 2018.



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The California Transportation Asset Management Plan is available on the Commission's website, here: [http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/shopp/docs/TAMP\\_062917.pdf](http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/shopp/docs/TAMP_062917.pdf).

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