

California Transportation Commission

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California Transportation Commission Invests \$22 Billion in 2020

Funding for 1,200 projects will create thousands of jobs, spur economic recovery

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The California Transportation Commission (Commission) today announced it has approved more than \$22 billion in funding for 1,200-plus projects during the past year, as noted in its <u>Annual Report</u>. The 2020 report details the work of the Commission to fund projects that support a safe, sustainable transportation system that reduces congestion, improves the environment, and facilitates job creation and economic development throughout the state.

"Although 2020 was a difficult year for California, the Commission maintained its focus on funding vital transportation projects throughout the state that improve travel for all users – including drivers, transit users, pedestrians and bicyclists – and which provide critical jobs for Californians and help to stimulate the economy," said Commission Chair Hilary Norton.

Nearly 40 percent of the funds approved during the past year come from the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Senate Bill 1, Beall), which increased and stabilized state transportation funding. Since this legislation passed, project allocations made by the Commission from all state and federal sources have generated an estimated 350,000 jobs.

In 2020, the Commission also increased its focus on equity to ensure all Californians, particularly from underserved communities, benefit from transportation funding decisions. The Commission formed an Equity Advisory Roundtable, began planning Community Listening Sessions in partnership with the California State Transportation Agency and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and started developing a Public Engagement Guide.

More information about the California Transportation Commission may be found on the Commission's website.

The California Transportation Commission is an independent public agency responsible for funding the construction of highway, local road, passenger rail, transit, and active transportation projects. The Commission also advises the Secretary of Transportation and the Legislature on state transportation policies and plans.