

# Agency Overview



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# Government Roles in Transportation Infrastructure

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- **Governor/Legislature:** Establishes policies and appropriates funds. CalSTA is the administration's transportation agency.
- **Commission:** Programs and allocates funds, adopts guidelines, recommends legislation, monitors project delivery.
- **Caltrans:** Implements/oversees state highway and intercity passenger rail projects.
- **Regional/Local Agencies:** Prioritizes/implements projects at the regional/local level.

# CalSTA Mission

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*To develop and coordinate the policies and programs of the state's transportation entities to achieve the state's mobility, safety, and air quality objectives from its transportation system.*

- CalSTA is a state cabinet-level agency responsible for overseeing the largest and most complex transportation system in the nation.

# CalSTA Departments



# CalSTA Secretary David S. Kim



## Statement on Racial Equity, Justice and Inclusion in Transportation – *June 12, 2020*

- “...Far too often, past transportation decisions quite literally put up barriers, divided communities, and amplified racial inequalities, particularly in our Black and Brown neighborhoods.”
- “...CalSTA firmly embraces racial equity, inclusion and diversity. These values are foundational to achieving our vision of a cleaner, safer, more accessible and more connected future.”
- “...We will be part of the solution. We will promote policies and programs that reflect principles of diversity, equity and inclusion, and will work with stakeholders to identify areas of improvement.”

# CTC – Who We Are



Hilary Norton  
Chair



Bob Alvarado  
Vice Chair



Rocco Davis  
Commissioner



Lee Ann Eager  
Commissioner



Darnell Grisby  
Commissioner



Carl Guardino  
Commissioner



Fran Inman  
Commissioner



Joseph Lyou  
Commissioner



Christine Kehoe  
Commissioner



Michele Martinez  
Commissioner



Joseph Tavaglione  
Commissioner



Asm. Laura Friedman  
Ex Officio Member



Sen Josh Newman  
Ex Officio Member

# CTC – What We Do

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- Advise the Legislature and Administration
- Develop Planning and Program Guidelines
- Fund Projects
- Ensure Project Accountability
- Evaluate Performance Outcomes
- Other: Road Charge, Right of Way, Tolling etc.

# CTC Meetings and Events

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- Commission Meetings every 6-8 weeks
- Joint Meetings w/ CARB and HCD
- Rural Town Hall Meetings
- Tri-State Meetings
- Workshops
  - Program and Planning Guidelines
  - Project Delivery Workshops
- Road Charge Technical Advisory Committee

# Why an Equity Roundtable?

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Elevate diverse perspectives.

Build relationships.

Equity Advisory Roundtable will advise on:

- ✓ Public Engagement
- ✓ Community Listening Sessions
- ✓ Equity Advisory Committee Formation

# Caltrans Overview



- California's second largest state agency with 20,000+ employees
- Multimodal transportation agency (not just highways)
- 3 regions (North, Central, South) divided into 12 districts



# Past Equity Efforts: GARE\*



- 2018 Learning Year:
  - HQ employees
  - Formed internal workgroup, Caltrans Alliance for Race and Equity Solutions (CARES) team
  - Started drafting Race & Equity Action Plan
- 2019 Implementation Year:
  - Expanded team to include district participation
  - Executive presentations, including intro to Equity by Race Forward
  - Adopted Race & Equity Action Plan December 2019

*\*GARE = Government Alliance on Race & Equity Capitol Cohort, now referred to as Capitol Collaborative on Race & Equity (CCORE)*

# Caltrans: Office of Race & Equity (CORE)

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Established August 2020 to do the following:

- Develop and deliver training and communications on race and equity to Caltrans staff
- Improve planning, outreach, and engagement with Disadvantaged Communities (DACs)
- Policy and program review and development
- Native American Liaison and technical assistance for tribal governments

# Current Equity Activities

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- Conducting internal trainings and facilitating discussions about race and equity
- ‘Conversations on Equity’ with Director Omishakin video series (Department-wide)
- Equity Index: initiating research on equity indicators for a new project prioritization metric
- Historical highway research and renaming effort

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Caltrans, the Commission, and CalSTA are partnering on Community Listening Sessions:

- Engaging consultant contract to organize
- Sub-contract with community-based organizations
- Facilitate and draft reports on key findings
- Virtual format likely