

Memorandum

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Summary:

Since its official launch in March 2023, members of the Interagency Equity Advisory Committee (Committee) have supported and advised on numerous interagency initiatives outlined in the Committee scope and workplan. These efforts continue to shape policies, programs, and funding guidelines for the California Transportation Commission (Commission), the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA).

Interagency staff will provide brief verbal updates highlighting the upcoming opportunities for Committee member involvement in early 2025.

Background:

The Committee is a priority for the Commission, Caltrans, and CalSTA. The Committee elevates transportation equity, environmental justice, and equitable economic opportunities, especially as related to transportation planning and programming.

Committee input and advisory expertise continue to influence the work of the Commission, Caltrans, and CalSTA through the programs, policies, and processes that each agency seeks counsel on. Upcoming opportunities for Committee member involvement include:

Commission

- Participate in Senate Bill 1 Funding Program Project Selection

- Committee members will have an opportunity to support the competitive Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) Funding Programs' project selection process through the evaluation of applicants' community engagement narratives.
- The Commission's competitive SB 1 Programs are the [Local Partnership Competitive Program](#), [Solutions for Congested Corridors Program](#), and [Trade Corridor Enhancement Program](#). These programs, created in 2017, support the funding of multimodal transportation projects that promote accessibility, safe travel options, efficient goods movement, and cleaner and more sustainable travel options throughout California.
- Committee member input will contribute towards and influence overall project selection in the upcoming fourth SB 1 funding cycle, which is slated to award over \$1.4 billion to transportation projects at the June 2025 Commission Meeting.
- SB 1 staff will provide an introductory orientation to interested members and guide them through the process and responsibilities during the months of March and April 2025.

Caltrans

- Review and provide guidance on the draft Caltrans Community Engagement Playbook
- Review and provide guidance on the draft Caltrans Director's Policy on Public Transit

CalSTA

- Transit Transformation Task Force Briefing
- Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure 2.0
- Port and Freight Infrastructure Program Briefing