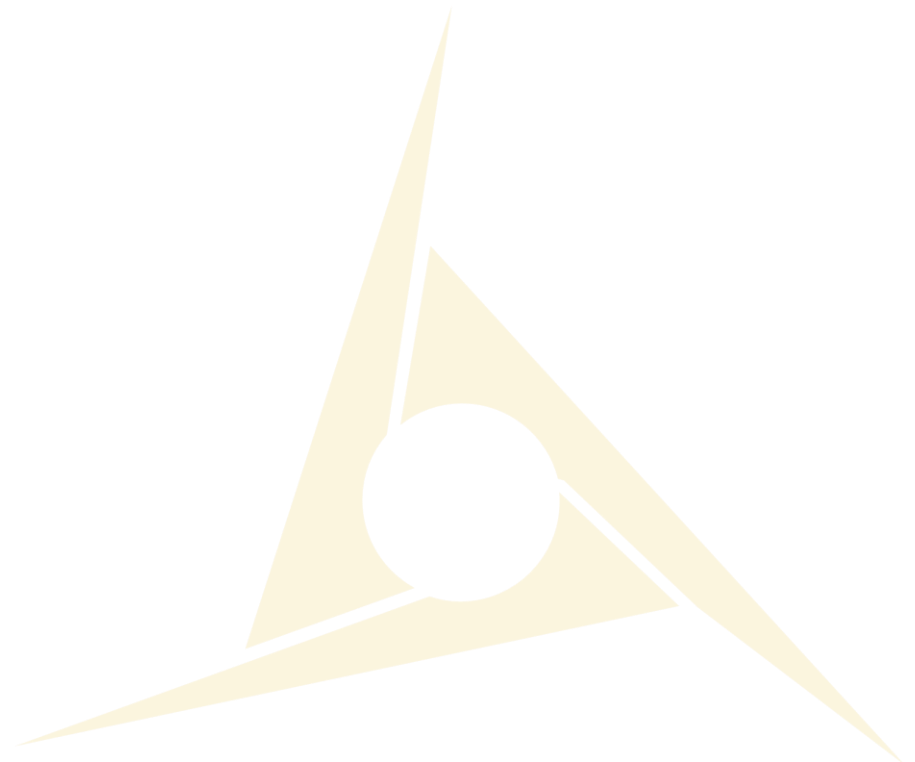


2025 Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan Guidelines Update

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Presentation Overview

- Overview of the 2018 CMCP Guidelines
- Key Changes to the Draft 2025 CMCP Guidelines
- Adoption Schedule & Public Comment
- Questions and Answers; Open Discussion

Overview of the 2018 CMCP Guidelines

Broader Framework

- Develop multimodal solutions that incorporate rail, transit and active transportation facilities.

Timeline

- Adopted in December 2018

Statutory Framework

- Relationship with Solutions for Congested Corridors Program



Statutory Framework Detailed

- The California Streets and Highways Code requires that Solutions for Congested Corridors funding

"shall be available for projects that make specific performance improvements and are part of a comprehensive corridor plan designed to **reduce congestion in highly traveled corridors by providing more transportation choices for residents, commuters, and visitors** to the area of the corridor while **preserving the character of the local community and creating opportunities for neighborhood enhancement projects.**"

Overview of the 2018 CMCP Guidelines Continued

Roles and Responsibilities

- Plan Preparation and Review

Plan Content and Outreach

- Focus on Statutory Requirements, Planning Resources



Eligible Agencies

- Agencies eligible for funding under the Solutions for Congested Corridors Program:
 - A regional transportation agency
 - A county transportation commission
 - Caltrans
 - An authority responsible for preparing a regional transportation improvement program under Section 14527 of the Government Code.

Example of an awarded project under SCCP Cycle #4

Watsonville – Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor

- Multimodal improvements including Highway 1, bus, and trail routes

Goals

- Increase transit frequency; enhance safety and mobility

Benefits

- Reduce congestion, improve travel time and air quality, and support mobility needs of low-income communities.



Key Changes to the Draft 2025 CMCP Guidelines

Engagement with Underserved Communities

- Additional guidance on community engagement and improving equitable outcomes

Emphasizing State Planning Guidance

- Caltrans modal plans and CAPTI

Incorporating References to Rail Planning

- Interregional planning, passenger rail

New Planning Resources

- Updated guidance documents on accessibility, active transportation, climate change, economic development, emergency evacuation, housing and more



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Adoption Schedule & Public Comment

- Upcoming Commission Meetings
- Feedback from Stakeholders

Adoption Schedule

Draft Guidelines

- Draft released on July 1; closed on August 1st.
- Comment period closes on August 1

CTC Meetings

- August – informational update
- October – informational hearing on the draft guidelines
- December – final adoption

**Timeline is tentative and may be subject to changes*

Public Comment Period

CAPTI

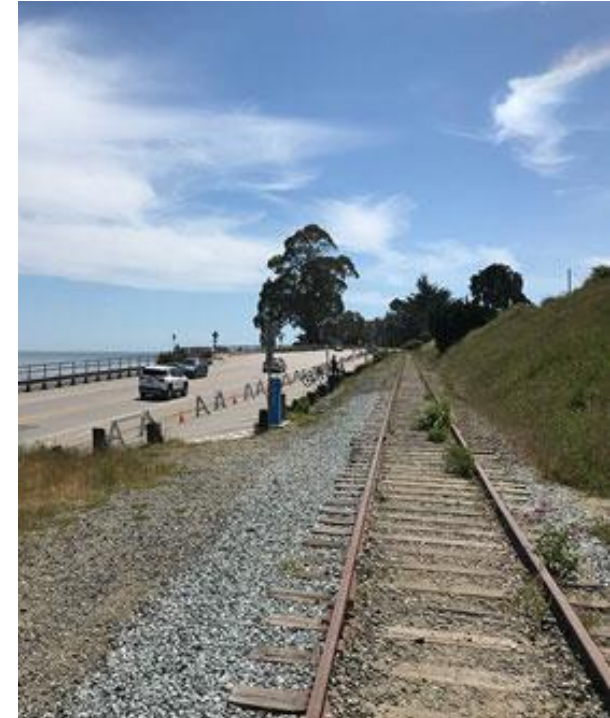
- Encouraging corridor plans to be VMT neutral

Plan Updates

- Guidelines will apply to plans updated or initiated after final adoption

Plan Clarity

- Update the Guidelines to improve the public's understanding



Reflection Questions



- Do you have questions about the purpose of the corridor plan guidelines?
- Do you have suggestions for planning resources to share with the eligible agencies in Appendix A?
- Have you been engaged in a corridor-level transportation project? What was your experience?



Discussion Recap

Action Items

Next Steps

Please share questions and comments to: Destiny.Preston@catc.ca.gov



Thank you for your feedback.

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