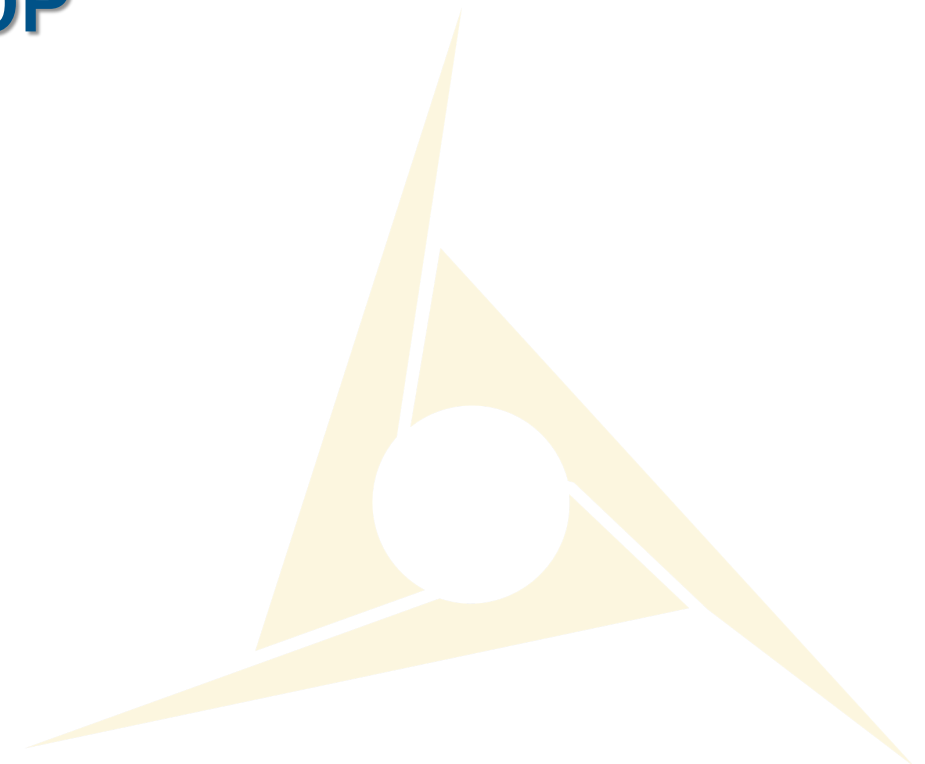


2026 SOLUTIONS FOR CONGESTED CORRIDORS PROGRAM GUIDELINES DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

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INTRODUCTIONS



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WORKSHOP LOGISTICS

- Each attendee is registered with a unique webinar access link.
- **Do not** share this link. It is associated with your individual registration and may result in access issues or confusion during the session.
- In the webinar control panel, there are two icons:
 - Use *Raise Hand* to make a public comment. Begin each comment by stating your name and organization.
 - Use *Q&A* to submit written comments. Commission staff will read the comment aloud during the meeting.



WORKSHOP FORMAT



Agendas are posted up to **7** days before each workshop



Presentations and recordings are available after each workshop



Staff will develop recommendations based on discussion and feedback



Previously covered topics will not be revisited unless determined necessary

SOLUTIONS FOR CONGESTED CORRIDORS PROGRAM (SCCP)

- **Objective:** Fund projects that reduce congestion in heavily traveled corridors. Projects must deliver measurable performance improvements that balance mobility, community, and environmental impacts.
- **Funding:** \$250 million annually
- **Eligible Agencies:** Regional transportation planning agencies (RTPA), county transportation commissions, and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).
- **Eligibility Criteria:** Projects must be included in a [comprehensive multimodal corridor plan \(CMCP\)](#) and a regional transportation plan (RTP). Within metropolitan planning organization (MPO) boundaries, projects must also align with approved Sustainable Communities Strategies (SCS).
- **Eligible Projects:** Projects that support the state's climate goals, manage congestion through innovative and multimodal strategies, advance transportation equity, and promote clean transportation.

GUIDELINES DEVELOPMENT PROCESS



Commission develops program policy through a public guidelines development process



Program guidelines govern program development and implementation

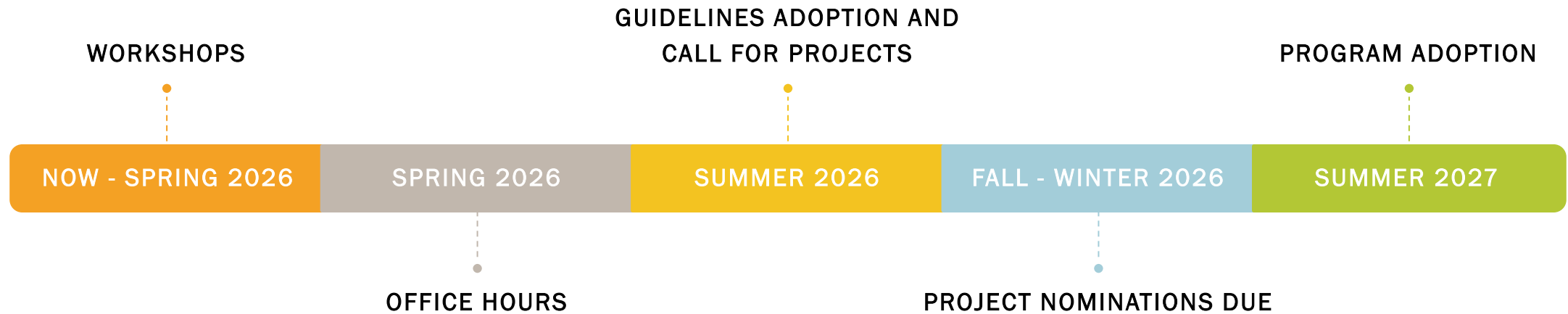


Monthly public guidelines development workshops and virtual office hours



Adopted guidelines govern project selection and program implementation

2026 PROGRAM (CYCLE 5) *PROPOSED* TIMELINE



Two-year program period | Fiscal years 2027-28 and 2028-29

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

LESSONS LEARNED & REMINDERS



Mirror the criteria headings from the guidelines in your narrative structure.



Appendices and supplementary materials provide valuable context, remember to summarize the highlights in the narrative.



Make maps and figures legible at viewing size.



Maintain internal consistency across narrative, fact sheet, appendices, and funding profile.



Conduct a thorough final review. Check for page numbers, current references, no leftover highlights or internal comments.

LESSONS LEARNED & REMINDERS

Respond to each prompt explicitly.

Address every required element. If it's not applicable, state it and explain briefly.

Ground claims in baseline data, not only future projections.

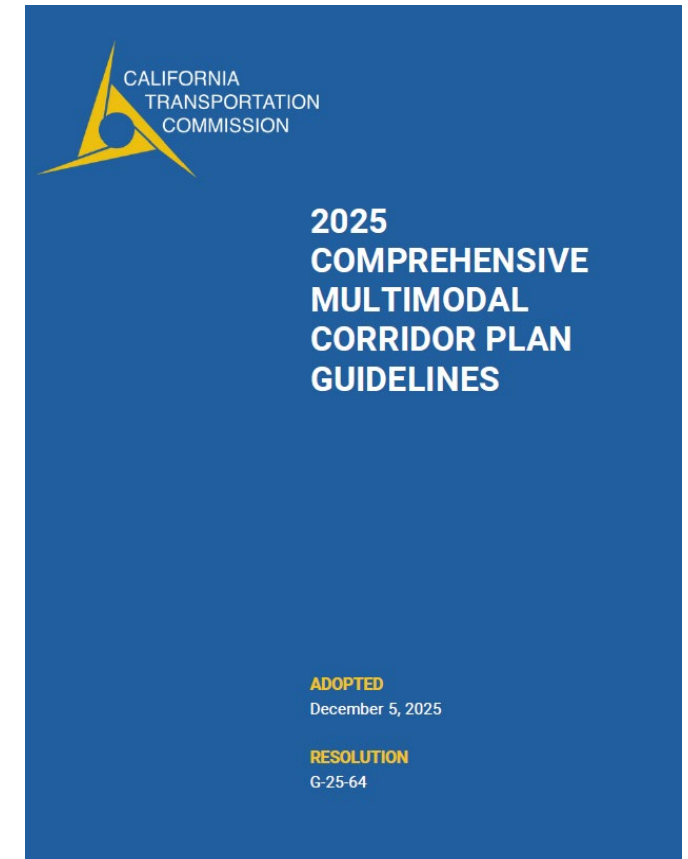
Keep the project's scope and benefits distinct from adjacent or future projects.


Describe how the project serves people: feedback shaping scope, types of jobs, housing context.

CMCP GUIDELINES

[Streets and Highways Code Section 2391](#) 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. ”



 Full text is available [here](#)

CMCP REQUIREMENTS



CMCPs must be prepared in accordance with the Commission's **2025** Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan Guidelines



Applicants must submit a CMCP Self-Certification Form
(**2026** SCCP Guidelines Appendix B)

CMCP IN THE 2026 PROGRAM



- Continue the CMCP Self-Certification Form approach.
- Minor, clarifying updates are proposed to the Self-Certification Form to reduce redundancy and improve alignment with CMCP Guidelines.

CAPTI 2.0 IMPLEMENTATION

Strategy 2.4 - Update the Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) guidelines to target a VMT neutral suite of investments, through continuing existing practice in guidelines to prioritize projects that reduce VMT.

18. Programming Funds (Part V)

The Solutions for Congested Corridors Program will be developed consistent with the annual amount of funds available for the Solutions for Congested Corridors Program. There are no regional guarantees, minimums, or targets for this program. All nominated projects will be evaluated based on the evaluation criteria as specified in Part IV, Section 17. The Commission will not program more than one-half of the funds available each year to projects nominated exclusively by Caltrans. **Additionally, consistent with [Commission Resolution G-25-31](#), the program will target a vehicle-miles traveled neutral suite of investments by continuing existing practice to prioritize projects that reduce vehicle-miles traveled.**

PROPOSED UPDATES: EVALUATION CRITERIA

4. Community Engagement

As of April 2026 workshop:

- [Slides](#) and [recording](#) are available on the CTC website.
- Two focus areas:
 - Community Engagement Evaluation Criteria
 - New sub-questions to help applicants highlight collaboration with community-based organizations and target community benefits.
 - SB 1 Programs Transportation Equity Supplement
 - New Tribal engagement resources section
 - Additional example engagement strategies and equity benefits
- Subject matter experts from the Equity Advisory Committee are currently providing input.
- Revisions will be incorporated into the draft guidelines posted in June.



PROPOSED UPDATES: EVALUATION CRITERIA

4. Economic Development and Job Creation and Retention

As of March 2026 workshop:

- [Slides](#) and [recording](#) are available on the CTC website.
- Expanded the existing Economic Development and Job Creation and Retention criterion.
- Two parts:
 - A) During Project Development and Construction
 - B) Outcomes and Community Impact.

Refinements based on stakeholder feedback:

- Clarified that any estimates, available data, and good-faith descriptions are acceptable responses.
- Public data sources added to eliminate GIS/consultant dependency.
- Partnership language softened to accommodate informal coordination.
- Technical or limiting parameters were removed.



PROPOSED UPDATES: EVALUATION CRITERIA

6. Efficient Land Use and Housing

The nomination must address how the proposed project will support and advance transportation efficient land-use **and** Prohousing principles, **through 1) enacted or developing policies and programs, and 2) ongoing investments, partnerships, and coordination in the project area. Refer to the Land Use Efficiency and Prohousing Supplement in Appendix F to complete this criterion.**

Cities or counties that contain proposed projects are encouraged to apply for the California Department of Housing and Community Development's [Prohousing Designation Program](#).

Applicants may describe:

- **Whether** housing **is** an existing or developing issue for the community in the project area, **and** why or why not.
- **Which** local land-use policies **or programs** support the project's expected benefits. **This may include Prohousing designations, transportation-focused prohousing policies, or other indicators of efficient land use.**
- How future land development—enabled by zoning, permitting, or other local land-use policies—will maximize the project's potential to reduce congestion.
- How the project **aligns with ongoing investments, partnerships, or coordination efforts** supporting residential, mixed-use, and infill development with multimodal choices.



CLARIFYING EDITS

PROJECT DELIVERY

- Added guardrails for projects using alternate delivery methods.
- New language drawn from existing Commission program guidelines.
- Promotes consistency across SB 1 programs.

PROJECT NOMINATIONS

- Nomination packages, attachments, and appendices must be submitted as accessible, remediated PDFs.
- Ensures access for users of assistive technology and members of the public living with disabilities.
- Aligns with the Americans with Disabilities Act and related federal and state accessibility standards.





FINAL OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK

Submit any final feedback as soon as possible



OFFICE HOURS

- February to May 2026 – [Last call, register today!](#)
- 1:1 scheduled appointments with Commission staff
- Appointments reserved on a first-come-first-served basis
- Sessions will *not* be used to discuss guidelines development



CLOSING



ACTION ITEMS



NEXT STEPS



QUESTIONS

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