

NEAR-TERM PRIORITIES

Improve goods movement capacity within the region while increasing mobility and traffic safety, decreasing congestion, improving air quality, and promoting economic development

- Increase benefits to the Valley from goods movement through a goods movement enhancement system specific to the region
- Accommodate current and future goods movement needs while improving air quality and economic prosperity

Foster regional consensus to support development and implementation of the Regional Blueprint

- Assist development of Regional Blueprint
- Develop a high-value parks and open space strategy

Determine requisite regional infrastructure and funding strategies to support implementation of the Regional Blueprint and Goods Movement Action Plan

- Develop and implement a plan for the provision of regional infrastructure
- Develop and implement process for monitoring the performance and adequacy of regional infrastructure and determining needs.

LONG-TERM OBJECTIVES

Implement a Route 99 Corridor Master Plan for the 274-mile section within the San Joaquin Valley as a leading economic development strategy

- Improve Highway 99 to freeway standards to increase safety
- Increase Highway 99 capacity which will result in improved mobility and reduced congestion, while protecting environmental resources and fostering economic vitality
- Create a San Joaquin Valley Route 99 corridor identity
- Build an ongoing coalition of civic leaders to support improvements to the Highway 99 corridor

Improve safety and capacity of vital east-west corridors

- Support construction of projects to improve safety and capacity of vital east-west corridors
- Incorporate plans for improving east-west corridors into Regional Blueprint Plan

Develop a sustainable regionwide transit system

- Implement an efficient alternative transportation system for intra-regional and inter-regional passenger trips



Transform roadside rest stops into user-friendly amenities that benefit the overall region and host communities

- Improve roadside rest stops amenities and facilities to benefit user safety, facilitate tourism, and educate users about the environment and local communities

Improve mobility through more efficient land use patterns that will reduce single-occupant trip generation and support use of alternative modes

- Encourage the Regional Blueprint Plan process to integrate land use and transportation planning to improve mobility
- Incorporate into regional transportation plans actions that support and encourage implementation of the Regional Blueprint

Improve understanding by public officials and public of the relationship between investments in transportation improvements and economic development

- Develop and implement a system for tracking economic development that results from transportation improvements

Implement “intelligent transportation system” (ITS) technologies to assist the region in achieving mobility goals

- Integrate ITS into all transportation planning and construction projects

Assure a high-speed rail system supports the San Joaquin Valley in achieving its economic, environmental, land use, and mobility goals

- Provide tangible benefits and mitigate impacts to the region while assisting the state in meeting transportation goals

Promote adoption of community design guidelines that will ensure strong neighborhoods, improve mobility, improve air quality, increase energy efficiency, and increase infrastructure cost-effectiveness through land use

- Increase overall average density for new development
- Study and adopt a strategic concept for accommodating new growth by encouraging communities with the necessary elements and constraints to be cost-effective and self-sufficient in achieving the overall goals and objectives

Improve the planning and development process to be consistent with the Regional Blueprint and provide incentives for smart growth

- Improve the sharing, access and use of planning and environmental resource data among state, COGs, local governments, business organizations, environmental groups, other stakeholders and the public for more informed decision-making

Develop a long-range strategy for agriculture in the San Joaquin Valley that ensures its viability and sustainability

- Develop a long-range plan to maintain the viability of agriculture in the region

Valley COGs to develop improved modeling capacities to address requisites of SB 375 and Sustainable Communities legislation

- Define a scope of work to accomplish improved modeling tasks
- Develop a Valley-wide Model Improvement Program based on identified task list

Identify legislative and regulatory changes necessary to facilitate the implementation of the adopted goals and strategies

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