

## 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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