



Next Steps

CALIFORNIA INTERREGIONAL BLUEPRINT SETS THE STAGE FOR A NEW TRANSPORTATION ERA

By integrating long-range plans and Caltrans' sponsored programs into a single framework, Caltrans and regional agencies for the first time, can now link regional data at a statewide level to jointly plan for the future of a truly integrated California transportation and land use network.

This linkage is critical for understanding the interaction between proposed regional and State actions and their effect on interregional travel. An accurate understanding of regional plans in the context of State plans will allow for improved analysis and public engagement about interregional and statewide investments and policies.

By considering regional priorities, plans, and data in a statewide context, Caltrans and regional agencies can better target funds, and select projects that address gaps, and connect and enhance existing state and regional strategies.

KEY MILESTONES

Over the next five years, Caltrans needs to reach the following key milestones to carry out the California Interregional Blueprint and comply with SB 391:

- Develop a statewide model framework, including the Statewide Travel Demand Model, Statewide Freight Model by December 2012, and contingent on continued funding, the Statewide Integrated Transportation, Land Use, and Economic Model. These tools will forecast the interaction of transportation system investment and land use development in order to better analyze the impacts of policy plans, programs and major investments on transportation, the economy, and the environment at a statewide level.
- Complete, calibrate, and provide data to models that evaluate interregional transportation improvements, and model and evaluate impacts of transportation and land use decisions on GHG emissions.
- Submit an interim report to the California Transportation Commission and the Legislature by December 31, 2012. This interim report will list the regional SCS and APS, and include an assessment of how their implementation would affect the design of the statewide, integrated, multimodal transportation system.
- Update the CTP by December 31, 2015, and every five years thereafter.

A work plan to further develop the California Interregional Blueprint to create the CTP 2040 is included as an Appendix B to this report.