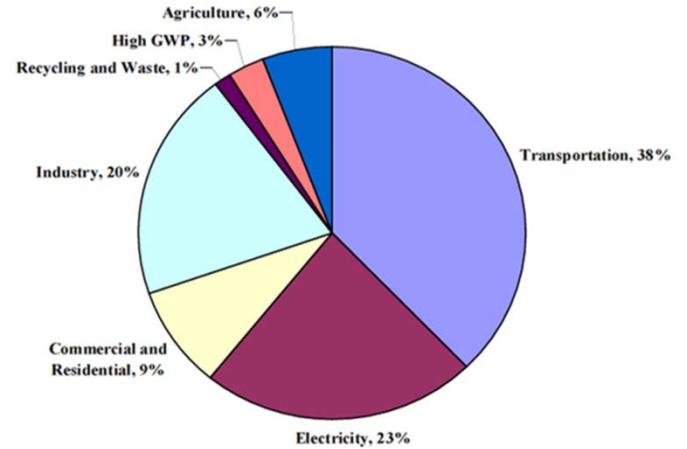
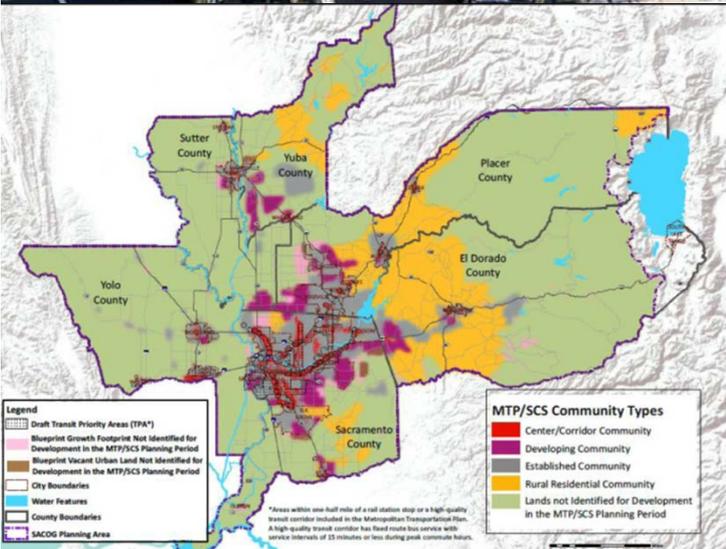




CEQA Guidelines Implementing SB 743: Preliminary Discussion Draft



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Senate Bill 743 (Steinberg 2013)

(b) (1) The Office of Planning and Research shall prepare and transmit to the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency and adoption proposed revisions to the guidelines adopted pursuant to Section 21083 establishing criteria for determining the transportation impacts of projects within transit priority areas. The guidelines shall promote the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, the development of multimodal transportation networks, and a diversity of transportation modes. In developing the criteria, the office shall recommend potential metrics to

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OPR's Proposal

Updating Transportation Impacts Analysis in the CEQA Guidelines

*Preliminary Discussion Draft of Updates to the CEQA Guidelines Implementing
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- VMT is primary metric
 - Land Use
 - Transportation
- Safety
- Methodology
- Mitigation Measures
- Applicability
- Appendices and Explanatory Materials

Next Steps

- Continue outreach
- Comments by **November 21, 2014**
- Review and consider comments, and consider potential revisions
- Natural Resources Agency and a formal rulemaking process

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