

**Regional / System Planning:
Identify Need for Project**

Caltrans prepares **Route Concept Reports (RCRs), Transportation Concept Reports (TCRs), District System Management Plans**, and 10-year State Highway Operation and Protection Program (**SHOPP**) Plan

Regional transportation agencies (RTPAs and MPOs) prepare **Regional Transportation Plans (RTPs)** and Corridor Studies

Coordination

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**Advance Planning:
Estimate Resources Needed**

Caltrans determines which projects to consider for inclusion in the Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP) and the SHOPP, and decides which Project Initiation Documents (PIDs) will be prepared

Regional transportation agencies determine which projects to consider for inclusion in the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP), and decide which Project Initiation Documents (PIDs) will be prepared

Assign **Project Manager (PM)** and develop a **workplan** for each PID

Form **Project Development Teams (PDTs)**

PEAR:
Caltrans prepares a Preliminary Environmental Analysis Report (PEAR) in support of each PID (for some SHOPP projects, a PEAR is not required - See PEAR Handbook)

PID:
Prepare PID for each proposed project, to identify cost, scope, and schedule

PES:
Local agencies prepare a Preliminary Environmental Study (PES) in support of each PID

**Programming:
Secure the Funds**

State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) (made up of ITIP and RTIPs) and SHOPP are submitted to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for approval

CTC adopts STIP and SHOPP: projects in STIP and SHOPP are programmed

ITIP and SHOPP (ITIP = 25% of STIP)

RTIP (RTIP = 75% of STIP)

Project development process continues

Programmed projects advance to next phase of project development: Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED)