Pathwaysto Update CEQA Review

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SB 743- What cities must do

Remove LOS from CEQA review





SB 743 - What else they can accomplish

Update the TIF process and fees to address the full transportation system ID performance metrics that reflect city goals

Strategically update review process to achieve desired transportation system and development patterns



Pathways to change - Pasadena

- Developed plan for high density urban core (2004)
- Updates general plan and calls for
 VMT metrics to address broad goals
 for infill and transportation projects
 (2008)

Pasadena City Council votes to eliminate LOS and adopt VMT for transportation impact review to meet general plan needs (2014)

Formal transportation impact review process includes additional metrics to address City analysis needs



Pathways to change - San Francisco

SFCTA proposes removal of LOS from CEQA, replace with an impact measure based on the number of automobile trips generated (2003)

 City develops new transportation impact review process and remove LOS

San Francisco Planning Commission adopts a resolution to replace LOS with a VMT threshold for all CEQA environmental determinations, consistent with OPR recommendations (2016)

 San Francisco immediately implements changes to CEQA analysis rather than wait for state adoption



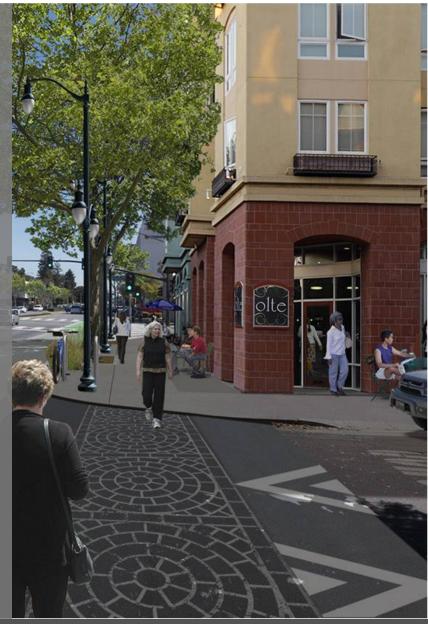
Pathways to change - Oakland

- City reviews and comments on OPR's draft VMT metrics and proposed CEQA updates
- Oakland proposes update consistent with OPR recommendations; conducts internal and external stakeholder outreach
- Oakland Planning Commission directs staff to update CEQA review process (2016)
- City of Oakland immediately implements changes to CEQA analysis for Land Use Development review to address near-term analysis needs
 - Updates for Transportation Plans and Projects and Land Use Plans up next Evaluate and adjust as necessary



Pathways to change – San Mateo

- San Mateo Sustainable Streets Plan recommends replacing LOS with VMT
- Plan is approved but not adopted (2015)
 - VMT recommendation will be formalized as part of the City's General Plan update when it is adopted



Pathways to change - Alameda

City anticipates VMT as review metric Incorporates VMT analysis according to OPR recommendation, along with LOS

No official administrative process yet
 Waiting for official direction from the state

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Thank You!



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