

## Project Description

The project, as defined pursuant to Public Resources Code, Section 21065, is the preparation of the 2022 RTP/SCS. MCAG is in the process of preparing the RTP/SCS as required by Section 65080 et seq., of Chapter 2.5 of the California Government Code, federal guidelines pursuant to new requirements established in the federal surface transportation reauthorization, “Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century” (MAP-21) and the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Acts, Transportation Conformity for the Air Quality Attainment Plan per 40 CFR Part 51 and 40 CFR Part 93, and requirements set forth in *Assembly Bill 32, The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006*, and *Senate Bill 375 The Sustainable Communities and Climate Protection Act of 2008*. Finally, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) has prepared guidelines (most recently adopted by the CTC on January 18, 2017) to assist in the preparation of the RTP/SCS.

The last comprehensive EIR on the RTP/SCS was completed in September 2018, which addressed transportation improvement projects, programs, and funding sources.

The 2022 RTP/SCS will address all transportation modes including motor vehicles, transit (commuter and local), rail (commuter and interregional), goods movement (rail freight and trucking), bicycle and pedestrian facilities, aviation systems, and transportation systems management (TSM) programs and projects considering the horizon year of 2046. In addition, the 2022 RTP/SCS will:

- ✓ Identify the region’s transportation goals, objectives, and policies
- ✓ Include the SCS, which demonstrates how the region will meet its GHG reduction targets (currently being discussed by the California Air Resources Board and the eight (8) San Joaquin Valley Regional Transportation Planning Agencies) through integrated land use, and housing and transportation planning. *Once adopted by MCAG, the SCS becomes an integral part of the RTP*
- ✓ Set forth an action plan of projects and programs to address the needs consistent with the Policy Element such as:
  - Provide a good system of roads that are well maintained, safe, efficient, and meet the transportation demands of people and freight
  - Provide a transit system that is a viable choice
  - Support full-time employment with livable wages – i.e.: support job creation & economic vitality
  - Preserve productive agricultural land/maintain strong agricultural economy and the quality of life that goes with it
  - Support orderly and planned growth that enhances the integration and connectivity of various modes of transportation
  - Support clean air and water and avoid, minimize, or mitigate negative impacts to the environment
  - Identify and allocate funding and resources for building, operating, and maintaining the existing and future regional transportation system and ensure that transportation investments are cost-effective
- ✓ Assess current modes of transportation
- ✓ Predict future transportation needs
- ✓ Propose solutions to current and future transportation problems

- ✓ Detail the financial resources needed to implement the RTP/SCS
- ✓ Be consistent with related plans and activities
- ✓ Involve the public
- ✓ Coordinate with other government agencies
- ✓ Provide enough detail on proposed projects to assist with the:
  - Development of capital improvement programs
  - Identification of a transportation project’s purpose and need
  - Environmentally review transportation projects
  - Estimate emission impacts of transportation projects for air quality conformity
  - Decisions related to land use development and growth

Specifically, the RTP/SCS will include the following sections, which may be reorganized or modified:

Chapters:

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| 1. Executive Summary   | 6. Investment Plan        |
| 2. Introduction        | 7. Scenario Development   |
| 3. Existing Conditions | 8. Scenario Evaluation    |
| 4. System Preservation | 9. Action Plan            |
| 5. Future Conditions   | 10. Environmental Justice |
|                        | 11. Public Participation  |

Appendices:

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| A. Adoption Resolution                            | N. Scenario Development Overview                           |
| B. Response to Comments                           | O. Public Participation Plans                              |
| C. Public Notices                                 | P. Public Engagement                                       |
| D. SJV Interregional Goods Movement               | Q. Environmental Justice Analysis                          |
| E. RTP Checklist                                  | R. Regional Housing Needs Plan                             |
| F. Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Report | S. Transportation Development Act Fare Box Recovery Ratios |
| G. Air Quality Conformity Analysis                | T. Operational Analysis                                    |
| H. Glossary of Terms                              | U. Valleywide Chapter                                      |
| I. Financial Revenue                              | V. Roadway Functional Classification Maps                  |
| J. Regional Demographic Forecast                  | W. Transit Service Area Maps                               |
| K. Tier I and Tier II Project List                | X. MCAG SB 375 Methodology                                 |
| L. Goal, Performance Measures, and Results        | Y. System Performance Report                               |
| M. Travel Demand Model Validation Report          |  |