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# MEETING #5 OF THE TRANSIT TRANSFORMATION TASK FORCE for the California State Transportation Agency

<https://calsta.ca.gov/subject-areas/sb125-transit-program>

## **AGENDA**

**August 29, 2024**  
**10:30 AM**

**MEETING LOCATION:** SCAG Main Office  
900 Wilshire Blvd.  
Suite 1700  
Los Angeles, CA 90017

**NOTE:** The Transit Transformation Task Force (Task Force) will meet in person and members of the public may join in person.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION:** For members of the public who wish to participate or observe the meeting remotely, please log on to this website:

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1. To make a public comment in person, the individual should raise their hand during the designated public comment period. A facilitator will call on them to speak.
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**NOTE: ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM LISTED ON THIS AGENDA, INCLUDING INFORMATION-ONLY ITEMS**

## **AGENDA**

- 1) Welcome and Opening Remarks
  - a) Remarks & Updates from SCAG
  - b) Remarks & Updates from LA Metro
  - c) Public Comment and Remarks
- 2) Roll Call
- 3) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the TTTF Meeting Minutes for June 17, 2024 (Roll Call)
- 4) Staff Report on findings and policy recommendations for the report to the Legislature
  - a) Staff presentation on process for findings and policy recommendations
  - b) Staff & TWG presentation on policy recommendations made on transit prioritization.
  - c) Public comment (2 minutes per speaker)
  - d) Discussion and possible action regarding policy recommendations
- 5) Discussion of research plan and analysis
  - a) Staff report on research plan for meeting the statutory requirements for the report to the Legislature as identified in Government Code section 13979.3, subdivision (e).\*
  - b) Discuss Subject Matter Expert (SME) Interviews
  - c) Public comment (2 minutes per speaker)
  - d) Discussion and provide feedback to technical working group on research plan
- 6) Discussion of workforce opportunities in public transportation industry including strategies to address workforce recruitment, retention, and development challenges
  - a) Staff & Technical Working Group Presentation
  - b) Public comment (2 minutes per speaker)
  - c) Discussion
- 7) Discussion of Transportation Development Act reform for transit operations, including replacing farebox recovery ratios and efficiency criteria with performance metrics that better measure transit operations
  - a) Staff & Technical Working Group Presentation
  - b) Public comment (2 minutes per speaker)
  - c) Discussion

8) Public comment for items not on the agenda (2 minutes per speaker)\*\*

9) Preview of next steps and topics for future meetings

10) Adjourn

Note: Task Force will recess for lunch at noon for 30 minutes.

\*Subdivision (e) states:

The report shall include, but is not limited to, and to the extent feasible, a detailed analysis of the following issues:

- 1) The services provided by transit agencies and the demographics of transit ridership, with detail on services provided, including persons with disabilities, or specific populations like low-income individuals and students.
- 2) Existing funding sources for transit with a breakdown of funding available for capital and operations, including any constitutional and statutory limitations on these existing funding sources.
- 3) The use of moneys from local transportation funds established pursuant to Section 29530 for other modes, such as streets and roads.
- 4) The cost to operate, maintain, and provide for the future growth of transit systems for the next 10 years.
- 5) The costs and operational impacts associated with federal, state, and local mandates, including, but not limited to, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12132) and the State Air Resources Board's Innovative Clean Transit regulations (Article 4.3 (commencing with Section 2023) of Chapter 1 of Division 3 of Title 13 of the California Code of Regulations), to the extent feasible.
- 6) Workforce recruitment, retention, and development challenges, impacting transit service.
- 7) Existing policies on state and local metrics to measure transit performance.
- 8) State and local policies that impact service efficiency and transit ridership, including, but not limited to, transit prioritization on roads, land use, housing, and pricing policies.
- 9) Identification of state departments and agencies that have responsibility for transit system oversight, grant administration, and reporting.
- 10) Information on how transit agencies modified their services in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting drop in ridership and revenue.
- 11) The division of transit funding between capital and operations.

\*\*Please Note: The Task Force may not discuss or act on any matter raised during the Public Comment section that is not included on this agenda, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. (Gov. Code, §§ 11125 and 11125.7, subd. (a).)



## **TRANSIT TRANSFORMATION TASK FORCE MEMBERS**

SB 125 (Chapter 54, Statutes of 2023) requires the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) to establish the Transit Transformation Task Force and include representatives from the department, various local agencies, academic institutions, nongovernmental organizations, and other stakeholders.

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