

**Regional Planning Activities
May 2023**

California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

Summary	Key Dates	OCTA Interest	OCTA Role
<p>Interstate 5 (I-5) High-Occupancy Toll (HOT) Lanes</p>	<p>Caltrans District 12 (Caltrans D12) is studying implementation of HOT lanes on I-5 between the Los Angeles County Line and State Route 55. Caltrans D12 finalized a project study report (PSR) and a concept of operations (ConOps) in November 2019 and presented a summary to the OCTA in December 2019. The OCTA Board requested that Caltrans D12 include a high-occupancy vehicle (3+ occupancy) alternative as part of the subsequent environmental studies that are currently underway. Caltrans D12 provided a project update to the OCTA Board in April 2023.</p>	<p><u>November 2019</u> – Caltrans D12 finalized ConOps and PSR</p> <p><u>May 2022</u> – Caltrans D12 initiated environmental studies for I-5 managed lanes</p> <p><u>Summer 2023</u> – Draft project report and environmental document</p> <p><u>Winter 2023</u> – Final project report and environmental document</p> <p><u>Winter 2023</u> – Begin design</p> <p><u>2025</u> – Caltrans D12 anticipated to initiate construction</p>	<p>Prioritize corridor-wide (general purpose and carpool lanes) operational benefits and reliability.</p> <p>Development of toll policies, integration with adjacent toll facilities, equity considerations, support for transit services, and any necessary mitigation for vehicle miles traveled.</p> <p>Coordinate executive-level meetings.</p> <p>Assist with planning efforts and provide technical support to Caltrans D12 and other partner agencies throughout development of the ConOps, PSR, and subsequent studies.</p>

Board – Board of Directors

OCTA – Orange County Transportation Authority

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Caltrans (continued)

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<p>2023 California Freight Mobility Plan (CFMP)</p>	<p>Caltrans is developing the 2023 CFMP to provide a long-term vision for the future of freight in California. The CFMP is a comprehensive plan that governs immediate and long-term planning activities and capital investments by the state with respect to freight movement.</p>	<p><u>March 2023</u> – Release draft CFMP for three-week public review</p> <p><u>May 2023</u> – Submit to Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)</p> <p><u>July 2023</u> – Anticipated FHWA approval of CFMP</p>	<p>Ensure OCTA’s plans are consistent with the CFMP.</p>	<p>Review and comment on technical documents.</p>
<p>2023 California State Rail Plan (Rail Plan)</p>	<p>The Rail Plan is the strategic funding and programming document for rail in California. In compliance with federal and state laws, the Rail Plan proposes a unified statewide network that aligns needs for passenger and freight service and connects passenger rail to other modes.</p> <p>The plan lays out a strategy for investments and needed steps designed to increase California’s economic growth, improve quality of life, improve equity of the state’s most vulnerable and impacted communities, and advance the state’s ambitious climate action goals.</p>	<p><u>March 2023</u> – Release of draft Rail Plan for 60-day public comment period</p> <p><u>April 2023</u> – Caltrans to hold public workshops</p> <p><u>May 2023</u> – Public comment period ends</p>	<p>Ensure OCTA’s rail plans and projects are reflected and consistent with the Rail Plan.</p>	<p>Review and comment on technical documents.</p>

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California Air Resources Board (CARB)

	Summary	Key Dates	OCTA Interest	OCTA Role
2022 Scoping Plan for Achieving California's 2030 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Target	The Scoping Plan identifies how the State can reach 2030 climate targets to reduce GHG emissions by 40 percent from 1990 levels and lay out a path to achieve carbon neutrality by 2045.	<p><u>June 2021</u> – Initiation of workshops and meetings on Scoping Plan development</p> <p><u>Spring 2022</u> – Completion of workshops and meetings on Scoping Plan development</p> <p><u>May 2022</u> – Release of Draft Scoping Plan</p> <p><u>November 2022</u> – Release of final Scoping Plan</p> <p><u>December 2022</u> – CARB adopted final Scoping Plan</p>	Ensure that OCTA plans or projects are consistent with the state's 2030 GHG targets.	Review and comment on technical documents.

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South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD)

Summary		Key Dates	OCTA Interest	OCTA Role
2022 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP)	<p>The AQMP identifies strategies for achieving attainment with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards in the South Coast Air Basin.</p> <p>The AQMP provides input into the California State Implementation Plan (federally-required air quality plan).</p>	<p><u>March 2022</u> – Release draft AQMP</p> <p><u>March/April 2022</u> – Regional workshops and environmental scoping meeting</p> <p><u>May 2022</u> – Release draft 2022 AQMP</p> <p><u>July 2022</u> – Regional hearings</p> <p><u>August 2022</u> – AQMD and CARB consideration of AQMP and submittal to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)</p> <p><u>December 2022</u> – Final AQMP adopted by AQMD Governing Board of Directors</p>	<p>Support development of attainment strategies that are within AQMD’s regulatory authority.</p> <p>Ensure economic impacts are considered.</p> <p>Minimize impacts to mobility.</p> <p>Ensure 2020 Regional Transportation Plan/ Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) input is accurately incorporated.</p>	<p>Participate in advisory committee meetings.</p> <p>Review and comment on technical documents.</p>

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Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)

Summary	Key Dates	OCTA Interest	OCTA Role
<p>2024 RTP/SCS</p> <p>The 2024 RTP/SCS is a federally required transportation planning document. The 2024 RTP/SCS addresses needs over a 20-plus year planning horizon and is constrained by a reasonably foreseeable revenue forecast. It must also demonstrate air quality conformity and GHG emission reductions with budgeted levels set by the United States EPA and CARB.</p> <p>The 2024 RTP/SCS is an update to 2020 RTP/SCS. Commonly known as Connect SoCal 2024.</p>	<p><u>2021-2022</u> – Initiate plan development process and establish foundation and frameworks</p> <p><u>Spring 2022 – Fall 2022</u> – Data collection and policy development; OCTA to submitted projects consistent with 2022 Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)</p> <p><u>Winter 2023</u> – Outreach and analysis</p> <p><u>Spring 2023</u> – Draft plan policy discussions</p> <p><u>Fall 2023</u> – Draft plan, transportation conformity determination, and environmental document</p> <p><u>Spring 2024</u> – OCTA to submit comments on the draft 2024 RTP/SCS; comment response report and plan changes review; final plan, transportation conformity determination, and environmental document</p>	<p>Ensure inclusion of projects identified in OCTA’s LRTP.</p> <p>Support policies that are consistent with OCTA positions.</p>	<p>Coordinate with SCAG and other partner agencies.</p> <p>Participate in working groups.</p> <p>Monitor SCAG policy committees.</p> <p>Review and comment on related materials.</p>

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SCAG (continued)

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<p>SoCal Greenprint</p>	<p>SCAG is developing the SoCal Greenprint tool, a conservation mapping tool that highlights the benefits of natural lands, waters, and agricultural lands, including access to parks and trails, habitat protection and connectivity, clean water, clean air, food production, and increased resilience to climate change.</p> <p>SCAG is currently establishing a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The TAC will establish data guidelines, parameters, and criteria for the SoCal Greenprint tool that align with SCAG's Regional Advance Mitigation Program Policy Framework and RTP/SCS PEIR mitigation measures.</p>	<p><u>June 2023</u> – Formation of TAC</p> <p><u>June 2023</u> – Consultant selection for development of SoCal Greenprint Tool</p> <p><u>June-August 2023</u> – TAC will convene once per month</p> <p><u>Fall/Winter 2023</u> – Begin development of Greenprint tool</p> <p><u>June 2024</u> – completion of Greenprint tool</p>	<p>Monitor and provide input to ensure OCTA's environmental mitigation programs and policies are considered and not impacted</p>	<p>Review and comment on related materials.</p>

PEIR – Programmatic Environmental Impact Report

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Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro)

Summary	Key Dates	OCTA Interest	OCTA Role	
<p>2028 Olympics</p>	<p>The Greater Los Angeles Area must begin preparing for the 2028 Olympics. This will include more involved coordination efforts between OCTA, Metro, and other planning agencies in the area.</p> <p>Metro's draft initial project list (210 total projects) is comprised of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Congestion reduction (34 projects) • First-last mile and active transportation (32 projects) • Bus (32 projects) • Rail (56 projects) • Systemwide (25 projects) • Regional rail (17 projects) • Goods movement (14 projects) 	<p><u>December 2020</u> – Metro Board of Directors approved Mobility Concept Plan</p> <p><u>April 2022</u> – Mobility Concept Plan presented to stakeholders</p> <p><u>To Be Determined (TBD)</u> – Submittal of project list for consideration by the Games Mobility Executives</p> <p><u>TBD</u> – Metro Board of Directors approval of project list</p>	<p>Coordinate with Metro and the City of Los Angeles as preparations begin for the 2028 Olympics.</p> <p>Monitor development of financing/ funding strategy and potential implementation of program of projects.</p>	<p>Coordinate with Metro and other partner agencies.</p>
<p>Metro L (Gold) Line Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2</p>	<p>Environmental process and advanced conceptual engineering for extending the Metro L (Gold) further east from its current terminus at Pomona Boulevard and Atlantic Boulevard in East Los Angeles potentially through the cities of Commerce, Montebello, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, Whittier, and the unincorporated communities of East Los Angeles and West Whittier-Los Nietos.</p>	<p><u>February 2020</u> – Metro Board of Directors approved proceeding with the California Environmental Quality Act only for the project's environmental process and withdrawing the State Route 60 and combined alternatives from further consideration in the environmental study</p> <p><u>2023</u> – Anticipated completion of environmental process</p> <p><u>2028</u> – Completion of final design</p> <p><u>2029</u> – Start of construction</p> <p><u>2035</u> – Phase 2 in service</p>	<p>Support alternatives that create potential for future connections into Orange County.</p>	<p>Monitoring.</p>

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West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor Project	<p>In January 2022, Metro Board of Directors approved Los Angeles Union Station as the northern terminus and the 14.8-mile route from Slauson/A (Blue) Line to Pioneer Boulevard in the City of Artesia as the locally preferred alternative for the initial segment between the City of Artesia and downtown Los Angeles. The new light rail transit line will connect downtown Los Angeles to southeastern Los Angeles County, which could provide potential for a future extension into Orange County along the Pacific Electric right-of-way.</p>	<p><u>July 2021</u> – Draft environmental document for public comment</p> <p><u>January 2022</u> – Selection of a locally preferred alternative and project terminus</p> <p><u>2041</u> – Anticipate opening service of initial segment</p>	<p>Support alternatives that create potential for future connections into Orange County.</p>	<p>Monitoring.</p>

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Transportation Corridor Agencies (TCA)

	Summary	Key Dates	OCTA Interest	OCTA Role
Transportation Control Measure (TCM) substitution	<p>TCA is seeking to remove the TCM designation from three portions of TCA facilities: 1) the San Joaquin Hills Transportation Corridor (ORA10254), 2) the Eastern Transportation Corridor (ORA050), and 3) the Foothill Transportation Corridor-North (ORA051).</p> <p>TCA is working with OCTA and SCAG on the formal substitution and participated in interagency consultation through SCAG's Transportation Conformity Working Group (TCWG).</p>	<p><u>Summer 2020</u> – Initiated substitution process with SCAG</p> <p><u>June 2020</u> – Presentation to SCAG TCWG</p> <p><u>June 2021</u> – Presentation to SCAG TCWG</p> <p><u>August 2021</u> – Presentation to the SCAG TCWG</p> <p><u>February 2022</u> – Presentation to the SCAG TCWG</p> <p><u>April 2022</u> – Present to the SCAG Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) for approval</p> <p><u>May 2022</u> – Present to the SCAG Regional Council for approval</p> <p><u>November 2022</u> –CARB and EPA concurrence</p>	<p>Avoid potential impacts to regional transportation funding.</p>	<p>Coordinating with SCAG and TCA.</p>

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OCTA

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Express Lanes Network Study	The OCTA 2018 LRTP's Short-Term Action Plan recommended an Express Lanes Network Study to identify planning and policy positions in response to an initiative by Caltrans D12 to implement express lanes in Orange County. The study will establish OCTA's priorities for tolled express lanes implementation by evaluating quantitative and qualitative factors against stated goals and objectives to determine a preferred approach.	<p><u>May 2019</u> – Study initiated</p> <p><u>December 2019</u> – Study update presented to OCTA Board</p> <p><u>Fall 2022</u> – Draft recommendations on a preferred approach for next steps to be presented to OCTA Board</p>	Establish OCTA's priorities for tolled express lanes.	Study effort led by OCTA.

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<p>South Orange County Multimodal Transportation Study (SOCMTS)</p>	<p>SOCMTS is a strategic transportation study that will consider transportation needs of residents, commuters, and visitors to the area. Through collaboration with local stakeholders, the study will identify a broad range of improvement recommendations for all modes of transportation, including streets, transit, freeways and bikeways. The study will address south Orange County's mobility needs through the year 2045 and beyond.</p> <p>Study objectives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work collaboratively with stakeholders • Leverage all modes of transportation • Address long-term mobility needs • Develop consensus on a set of transportation improvements across all modes 	<p><u>Summer/Fall 2020</u> – Phase 1: Identify issues and opportunities; develop purpose and need; and develop initial alternative strategies</p> <p><u>August 2020</u> – Study update presented to OCTA Board</p> <p><u>Winter 2020 - Spring 2021</u> – Phase 2: Analysis of alternative strategies</p> <p><u>February 2021</u> – Study update presented to OCTA Board</p> <p><u>Summer 2021 - Summer 2022</u> - Phase 3: Further analysis of reduced set of alternative strategies; recommend a locally preferred strategy</p> <p><u>June 2022</u> – Study update to be presented to OCTA Board</p> <p><u>Fall 2022</u> – Approved by OCTA Board</p>	<p>Establish a locally preferred strategy for south Orange County.</p>	<p>Study effort lead by OCTA.</p>

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<p>State Route 91 (SR-91) Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan</p>	<p>This study explored opportunities to improve mobility options and provide transportation choices on and around the corridor while preserving the character of the local communities.</p>	<p><u>January 2022</u> – Study initiated</p> <p><u>February-April 2022</u> – Public engagement</p> <p><u>May 2022</u> – Draft plan</p> <p><u>Fall 2022</u> – Final plan</p>	<p>Improving the SR-91 corridor in a manner that is consistent with sales tax measures of Orange and Riverside counties, as well as previously completed studies.</p>	<p>Study effort lead by OCTA, in partnership with the Riverside County Transportation Commission, and in coordination with Caltrans, TCA, and corridor cities.</p>
<p>TCM Substitution</p>	<p>The County of Orange has cancelled the Hazard Avenue Bikeway Project (ORA170205), which is a committed TCM. Additionally, schedule updates to two OCTA projects (Placentia Commuter Rail Transit Station [ORA030612] and Paratransit Expansion Vehicle Purchase [ORA130099]) also require TCM substitutions. OCTA is working with SCAG on next steps, including a formal substitution for the two OCTA projects. The bikeway project will follow an administrative substitution process. OCTA will participate in interagency consultation on TCM substitutions through the SCAG TCWG.</p>	<p><u>June 2021</u> – Presentation to SCAG TCWG</p> <p><u>February 2022</u> – Presentation to SCAG TCWG</p> <p><u>April 2022</u> – Presentation to SCAG TCWG</p> <p><u>June 2022</u> – Present to SCAG EEC for approval</p> <p><u>July 2022</u> – Present to SCAG Regional Council for approval</p> <p><u>February 2023</u> –CARB and EPA concurrence</p>	<p>Avoid potential impacts to regional transportation funding.</p>	<p>Coordinating with SCAG.</p>