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- (a) All plans proposed for the design, construction, and implementation of public mass transit systems or projects, including exclusive public mass transit guideway systems or projects, and federal-aid and state highway projects, shall be submitted to the commission for approval. No such plan shall be approved unless it conforms to the appropriate adopted regional transportation plan pursuant to Chapter 2.5 (commencing with Section 65080) of Title 7 of the Government Code.
- (b) The commission shall have no approval authority over the projects, plans, and programs determined by the Department of Transportation to be necessary for the safety and maintenance of the state highway system. Such projects, plans, and programs shall be developed by the department and, to the extent feasible, be coordinated with the planning of the commission. Plans and programs involving significant rebuilding or rehabilitation of the state highway system, as determined by the department and the commission, shall be developed jointly by the department and the commission.
- (c) As used in this section, "plan" means a project description and not the detailed project plans, specifications, and estimates.

130300 The Legislature finds and declares:

- (a) That the near-term programming and budgeting requirements of state and federal law is a cooperative intergovernmental planning process intended to determine the foreseeable capital and operational needs of a multimodal transportation system.
- (b) That there is an absence of an adequate forum in which local officials may exercise leadership in multimodal transportation planning and programming.
- (c) Therefore, it is in the public interest to define the roles of various public entities with respect to long-range system planning and short-range capital and service planning and programming processes.

130303 With respect to the area under its jurisdiction, the commission shall be responsible for short-range capital and service planning directed to:

- (a) Determination, on an annual basis, of the total amount of funds that could be available to the commission for transportation planning and development.
- (b) Development and approval of a short-range three- to five-year transportation improvement program with an annual updated element reflecting all transportation capital and service priorities within the jurisdiction of the commission to be developed with all appropriate coordination and cooperation between the commission and state and local transportation agencies and operators.

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All projects utilizing federal and state highway and transit funds, and all exclusive public mass transit guideway projects no matter how funded, shall be included in a transportation improvement program adopted by the commission. The program shall also be developed in coordination with the multicounty designated transportation planning agency and the Department of Transportation, shall be consistent with the adopted regional transportation plan, and shall be reviewed and commented on pursuant to subdivision (j) of Section 130301.

- (c) Coordination and approval of all public mass transit service within the jurisdiction of the commission and between the jurisdiction of other commissions or transit operators.
- (d) Determination or approval of the location and capacity of all capital development projects, including, but not limited to, exclusive public mass transit guideway systems, state highway projects, and federal-aid highway projects.
- (e) Selection and specific approval of appropriate mass transit hardware and technology to be funded by the transportation improvement program.
- (f) Determination and approval of the staging and scheduling of construction and other development relative to all transportation improvement projects to be funded by the transportation improvement program.
- (g) Administration of the countywide program for the expenditure of funds allocated pursuant to Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 99200) of Part 11 of Division 10.