

Charter for Development and Implementation of Corridor System Management Plan State Route 1 Corridor in Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties

Purpose

The purpose of this charter is to document the commitment of the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC), the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC), the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG), and Caltrans, hereafter known as the partners, to cooperate in the development and implementation of a Corridor System Management Plan (CSMP) covering the State Route 1 corridor through the Counties of Santa Cruz and Monterey.

This charter also documents that the partners intend to offer support and assistance in both developing and implementing this CSMP.

This charter initiates the commitment by all of the transportation partners to the concept for joint development and ongoing implementation of the CSMP for corridor management and performance measurement. Initial efforts will include scoping the effort, including corridor definition, and developing a workplan. Outreach and involvement of local agencies, modal operators and other stakeholders can begin once the charter is in place.

Main Objective

The main objective of the CSMP is to manage the corridor using the established principles and practices of system and corridor management, and performance measurement for sustained corridor performance. The plan will be used as an integral tool for managing the corridor to achieve the optimal mobility benefits, across all jurisdictions and modes, for both regional and interregional travelers.

CSMP Products

The CSMP will assess the corridor's current performance, identify congestion causes and analyze alternative improvement scenarios. It will then propose the best options for the following: projects, strategies and actions to achieve optimal throughput, travel times, reliability, safety and corridor preservation.

Collaboration

Developing a CSMP is complementary to, and consistent with, federal provisions for a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive planning process among transportation partners. This plan will support increased emphasis on system and corridor management, and performance measurement, in both regional transportation plans and delivery of real-time traveler information.

Roles and Responsibilities

It is understood that the partners, and other key stakeholders, will meet regularly to address the following activities and decisions:

- Agreement on logical termini (physical limits) for the CSMP
- Agreement to a work plan, timeline, and roles and responsibilities for developing the CSMP and identification of resources needed

- Review draft products including initial performance assessments and technical documents
- Coordinate corridor planning and evaluation efforts, and share information relating to corridor performance measurement and improvement
- Identify opportunities for heightening the awareness and understanding of the mobility benefits of system and corridor management by the public, local agencies and other jurisdictional authorities

Commitment

In signing this charter, the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC), the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC), the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG), and Caltrans agree in concept to the development and implementation of a Corridor System Management Plan (CSMP) covering the SR 1 corridor to be defined by the parties to this agreement in the Counties of Santa Cruz and Monterey.

In addition, the partners will seek to involve local agencies and jurisdictional authorities for support and assistance in both developing and implementing the CSMP.

The partners agree to develop an effective CSMP to guide corridor management toward optimum productivity, reliability, safety and preservation based on performance assessment and measurement. Improvements identified in the CSMP to achieve optimal corridor productivity should be candidates for all categories of state, regional and local funding as applicable.

All parties also agree that this corridor's productivity can best be sustained through a collaborative planning and management effort of all the transportation partners. They also acknowledge that the corridor's productivity is vital to the state, regional and local economies, and quality of life and safety for all travelers.

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