

Transportation Committee Advocacy Agenda

Federal Advocacy

Invest in US transportation infrastructure as part of a new authorization

The SAFTEA-LU reauthorization represents an opportunity to prioritize transportation infrastructure funding, especially important to stimulate economic growth. Advocate for greater investment in infrastructure and reexamine how federal programs are structured to maximize system performance and include public private partnerships (P3).

Provide federal support for national goods movement system

International trade through US ports relies on a network of multi-state trade corridors. While freight strategies may exist locally, there is no nationally coordinated investment strategy. Support a federal role in a national freight strategy to plan and fund projects along trade corridors in order to facilitate international trade.

State Advocacy

Protect transportation funding in 2010

California's transportation network is a vital foundation for the State's economy. Maintain funds for basic infrastructure transportation improvements in the State's 2010 budgeting process. Further, ensure that transportation bonds approved by voters are sold to provide funding for new infrastructure.

Local Advocacy

Support Goods Movement Infrastructure and Industry

Logistics industry in Los Angeles is struggling to maintain its viability in the face of increasing regulation and an economic downturn. Work with government and community groups to ensure workable regulations and timely completion of major infrastructure projects.

Push for the rapid implementation of Measure R projects

Measure R and Metro's Long Range Transportation Plan provide a road map to build new transportation infrastructure in Los Angeles County. Further, the funded projects will provide immense economic development opportunities for the County. Advocate for streamlined project approval and additional funding from multiple sources to ensure rapid implementation for the nearly \$40B in new transportation infrastructure approved by voters in 2008.

Support smart growth through local transportation policies

Transportation planning powerful is a tool to develop transit oriented cities and enable economic development. Support transportation policies at the City and County to develop dense transit oriented urban areas and promote alternative commute options.