Preliminary Draft
Goals & Policies

2050 Regional Transportation Plan

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What is a **regional transportation plan**?

The RTP is a state mandated long-range transportation plan and investment strategy that identifies transportation needs over the next twenty-plus years and is prepared every **four** years.
The RTP includes 3 main elements

**Policy**
Identifies the transportation goals, policies, and performance targets for Santa Cruz County.

**Action**
Lists projects and programs needed to operate, maintain and improve the transportation system in SC County.

**Financial**
Estimates the amount of funds that will likely be available for transportation projects over the 25-year RTP timeframe.
Goal 1

Reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT) in order to establish livable communities that improve people’s access to their regular needs.

Policies

multimodal access for all ages and abilities, improving transit/ped/bike networks, dedicated transit facilities, human-centered, smart land use
Goal 2

Eliminate transportation related fatalities and injuries for all transportation modes

Policies

fund safety projects and programs to achieve Vision Zero, safety for youth/vulnerable/disadvantaged, emergency services, system design, security
Goal 3

Deliver transportation improvements cost-effectively, responsive to the needs of all users of the system

Policies

Support cost-effective projects, maintenance and operations, interagency coordination, Transportation System Management, new taxes or fees, goods movement, public engagement
Goal 4

Establish a climate-resilient transportation system that anticipates, adapts to, and mitigates the impacts of climate change

Policies

Nature based, climate adaptation, climate mitigation, Transportation Demand Management, proactive planning
Goal 5

Ensure that plans, investments, policies, and transportation decisions reduce disparities for historically and systemically marginalized, underserved, and excluded groups, including people with low incomes, people with disabilities, communities of color, and other transportation-disadvantaged and equity priority communities.

Policies

Disparities in access and safety, public engagement, priority of climate resiliency solutions and transportation investments, displacement impacts.
Next steps for RTP

- **Work Plan & Public Participation Plan**
  - August 2023

- **Goals & Policies**
  - Dec 23/Jan 24

- **Draft Project List**
  - Spring & Fall 2024

- **Draft 2050 RTP/EIR**
  - December 2025

- **Adopt Final 2050 RTP/EIR**
  - June 2026
Committee Review & Input

○ Review draft goals & policies
○ Discuss and provide input today
○ Can also send individual comments after meeting to Tommy at info@sccrtc.org
○ A public survey will go out in January
○ THANK YOU