SB 375 IMPLEMENTATION: FROM PLAN TO REALITY

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Strategic Growth Council (SGC): Connecting the Dots

Across Agencies:
- Aligning goals and messages

State – Regional – Local Government relationships
- Liaison to local and regional governments
- Facilitating regional and local coordination
### Three Areas of Our Work

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Inter-/Intra-agency Coordination

- Transportation & Land Use Relationships
- Active Transportation
- Public Health
- SCS Implementation
BIG PICTURE:
WHAT ARE OUR PRIORITIES?
State Planning Priorities

In 2002, Governor Davis signed AB 857 (Wiggins) establishing the state’s planning priorities.

• To promote infill development and equity;
• To protect open space, agricultural, and other natural land resources; and
• To ensure that new development that is not infill uses land efficiently and is adjacent to other developed areas.
Linking state policies... 

...to local policies
HOW DO WE IMPLEMENT IT?
What does implementation mean?
IMPLEMENTATION

Policy
  Planning & Design

Pre-development
  Entitlements
  Land Acquisition

Infrastructure
  Backbone
  Infrastructure
  Transit
  Community
  Facilities
  Non-traditional
Proposition 84 Grants

- **Planning Grants**: $50.6 million of plans across California supporting sustainable communities in a post-SB 375 world.
- **Urban Greening**: $41.5 million in capital projects and plans
- **Modeling Incentives**: $10.9 million to regional governments, increase capacity and improving technical analysis
Changes are a-coming...

- Increased focus on metrics and performance
- Focus on transit and connectivity
  - CEQA Incentives
  - Funding
  - Market shifts
- Alignment of Policy and Practice
  - Guidance
  - Tools and Data
  - Best Practices
Future Funding: Cap & Trade

- $100 million in Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund annually for two years to the SGC to create the Sustainable Communities Implementation Program.

- Supports reduction of GHG emissions through projects that implement land use, housing, transportation, and agricultural land preservation practices to support infill and compact development, and which support related and coordinated public policy objectives including:
  1. Reducing air pollution
  2. Improving conditions in disadvantaged communities
  3. Supporting or improving public health
  4. Improving connectivity and accessibility of jobs, housing and services
  5. Increasing options for mobility, including active transportation
  6. Increasing transit ridership
  7. Preserving and developing affordable housing

- Supports local implementation of regional Sustainable Communities Strategies (SCSs), including transit and active transportation infrastructure projects, transit oriented development projects that include low-income housing, agricultural-land preservation activities, and planning projects.
What else can you tell us?
Sustainable Communities Implementation Program (as proposed)

REDUCES GHG EMISSIONS

(the co-benefits)

• Supports leveraged funds
• Stronger MPOs – State Coordination
• Leverages technical and administrative expertise at the State level
• Closes financial gaps in project development and implementation
• Aligns existing State programs and policies
What do we need to achieve our goals?