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MEETING OF THE

TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

Thursday, July 30, 2026
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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1. LDX Status Update
Amanda McDaniel
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2. Connect SoCal 2024 Regional Planning Policies / Implementation Strategies Update
Leslie Cayton
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3. Connect SoCal 2050 Process Update
Camille Guiriba
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TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

Meeting Minutes (Abridged)

May 21, 2025

10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

The meeting was held via Zoom teleconferencing.

Meeting Attendance

MEMBERS

Agyakwa, Kwasi	Caltrans D8	Nguyen, Christine	City of Anaheim
Diep, Deborah	CDR/CSUF	Pollock, David	VCOG
Gable, Emily	City of Los Angeles	Poynter, Marika	City of Irvine
Ghazarian, Rubina	LADOT	Shiomoto-Lohr, Gail	City of Mission Viejo
Kim, Susan	City of La Habra	Tendick, Jennifer	CARB
Lee, Josh	SBCTA	Tso, Kristin	OCTA
Lontos-Lawlor, Gabriela	LA Metro		
Montano, Jailene	Caltrans D12		

ALTERNATES & PUBLIC ATTENDEES

Farfán-Valencia, Stacy	City of Los Angeles	Noonan, Sean	Stantec
Galicia, Omar	City of Los Angeles	Pallini-Tipton, Conni	City of Los Angeles
Glesne, Matt	City of Los Angeles	Ramirez, Marisol	OCCORD
Katigbak, Steven	City of Los Angeles	Smith, Blair	City of Los Angeles
Meyers, Alisanne	City of Los Angeles	Venegas, Kim	LADOT
Monterrosa, Jenna	City of Los Angeles	Greg	



TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

Meeting Summary

1. TOOLBOX TUESDAY UPDATE AND LOOK-AHEAD

Amanda McDaniel (SCAG) provided an updated on SCAG's Toolbox Tuesday program including an overview of the purpose, recent sessions, resources, and upcoming sessions. No comments or questions provided.

2. LOCAL DATA EXCHANGE (LDX) UPDATE

Echo Zheng (SCAG) presented an update on the LDX process for Connect SoCal 2050 development with an overview of the purpose, schedule and milestones, and a summary on the 1-on-1 meetings to date with generally positive feedback on the Data Map/Book Storymap format. Deborah Diep (CDR/CSUF), Kevin Kane (SCAG), and Gail Shiimoto-Loehr (City of Mission Viejo) participated in discussion.

3. SENATE BILL (SB) 79 MAPPING UPDATE

Elizabeth Carvajal (SCAG) provided a verbal update on the SB 79 mapping schedule and methodology. Gail Shiimoto-Loehr, Matt Glesne (City of Los Angeles), Rubina Ghazarian (LADOT), and Jenna Monterrosa (City of Los Angeles) participated in discussion.

Connect SoCal 2050 Local Data Exchange (LDX)

Amanda McDaniel, AICP

Forecasting & Spatial Analytics, SCAG

July 2026

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Local Data Exchange (LDX): A Local Input Process for Connect SoCal

- **What is LDX?**

- Through the LDX, SCAG aims to meet and exchange local information for regional purposes with all Southern California Jurisdictions.

- **Why LDX is used?**

- A key purpose is to support SCAG in meeting the requirement to “set forth a forecasted development pattern for the region.” The LDX is also the primary opportunity for local jurisdictions to provide input into the development of Connect SoCal, ensuring that the data are accurate and consistent across the region.

- **How LDX works?**

- SCAG prepares jurisdiction-specific GIS data and maps and a survey. SCAG aims to meet one-on-one with local jurisdictions to discuss the data and plan development. For Connect SoCal 2050, meetings have begun in April 2026 and input is due to SCAG by November 20, 2026.

Major LDX and Connect SoCal 2050 Milestones

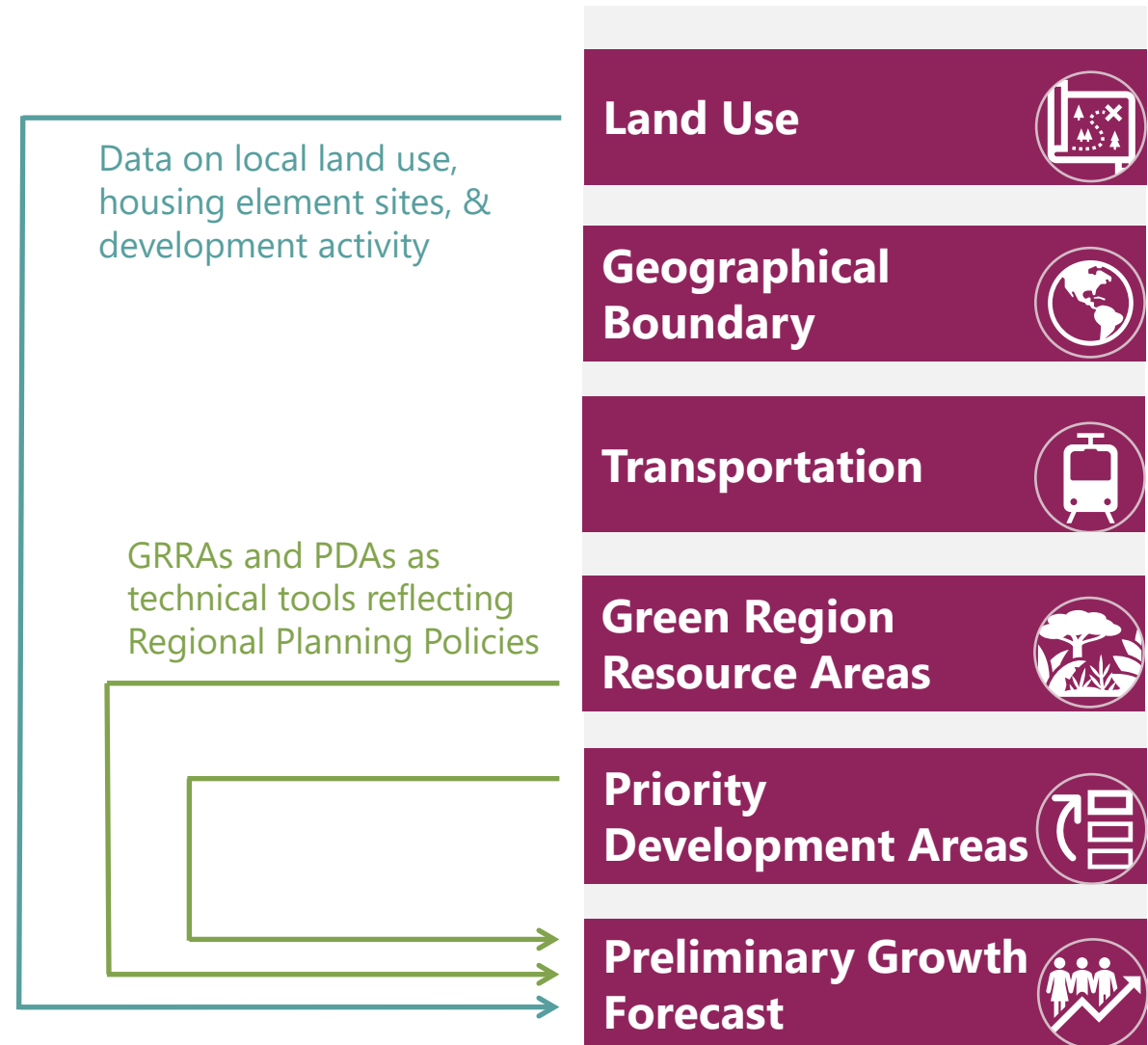
EVENT	DATE
Schedule meetings and begin subregion-level outreach	Beginning March 2026
Finalize and complete LDX data	March 2026
Launch Local Data Exchange. Data made available for local review through Data/Map Books	April 9, 2026
Begin one-on-one meetings with local jurisdictions to review the data package and feedback opportunities	April 2026
Deadline for local jurisdictions to provide feedback for possible inclusion in Connect SoCal	November 20, 2026
Regional collaboration on plan development. Continued development of Connect SoCal strategies with stakeholders, working groups, and the public	2027
Draft Connect SoCal 2050 (RTP/SCS) release	Fall 2027
Final Connect SoCal 2050 (RTP/SCS) adoption	Spring 2028



We are here!

Data & Principles

- LDX provides a process for SCAG staff to work with local jurisdictions to generate a **forecasted regional development pattern (FRDP)**:¹
 1. Rooted in local planning policies.
 2. Aligned with state policy.
 3. Steered by a regional vision.



1. California Government Code 65080(b)(vii) states that an MPO shall "set forth a forecasted development pattern for the region, which, when integrated with the transportation network, and other transportation measures and policies, will reduce the greenhouse gas emissions from automobiles and light trucks to achieve, if there is a feasible way to do so, the greenhouse gas emission reduction targets approved by the state board, and (viii) allow the regional transportation plan to comply with Section 176 of the federal Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 7506)."

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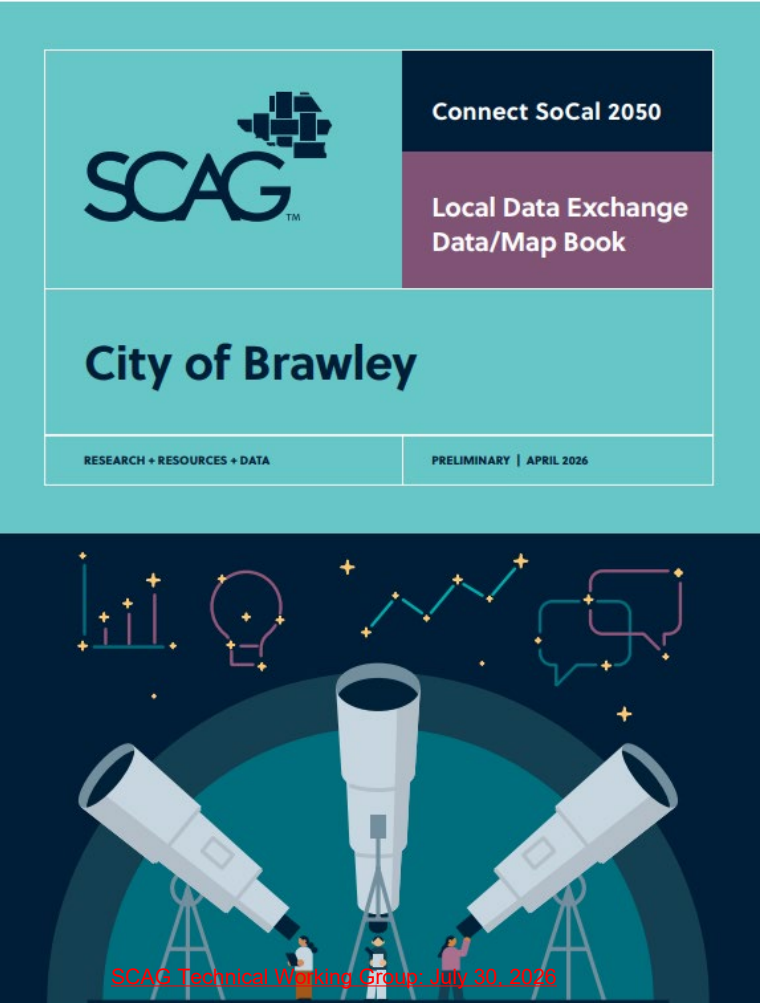
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April 9 Regional Council-adopted Guiding Principles for the Local Data Exchange and Forecasted Regional Development Pattern

LDX provides a process for SCAG staff to work with local jurisdictions on technical inputs to Connect SoCal 2050 and to generate a forecasted regional development that will be:

- **Rooted in local planning policies.** The forecasted regional development pattern will use local general plans as a starting point, or ceiling, for growth and local jurisdictions will be asked to update and review the development pattern with their expertise of local planning context and pending/upcoming planning work.
- **Aligned with state policy.** The forecasted regional development pattern will reflect the housing element process and be assessed against SCAG's SB 375 greenhouse gas emission reduction targets.
- **Steered by a regional vision.** The forecasted regional development pattern will further focus growth in areas supported by Regional Planning Policies adopted by the SCAG Regional Council and follow regional and county forecast totals as guided by SCAG's Demographic Panel of Experts.

Local Data/Map Book



IMPERIAL COUNTY

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

ORANGE COUNTY

RIVERSIDE COUNTY

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

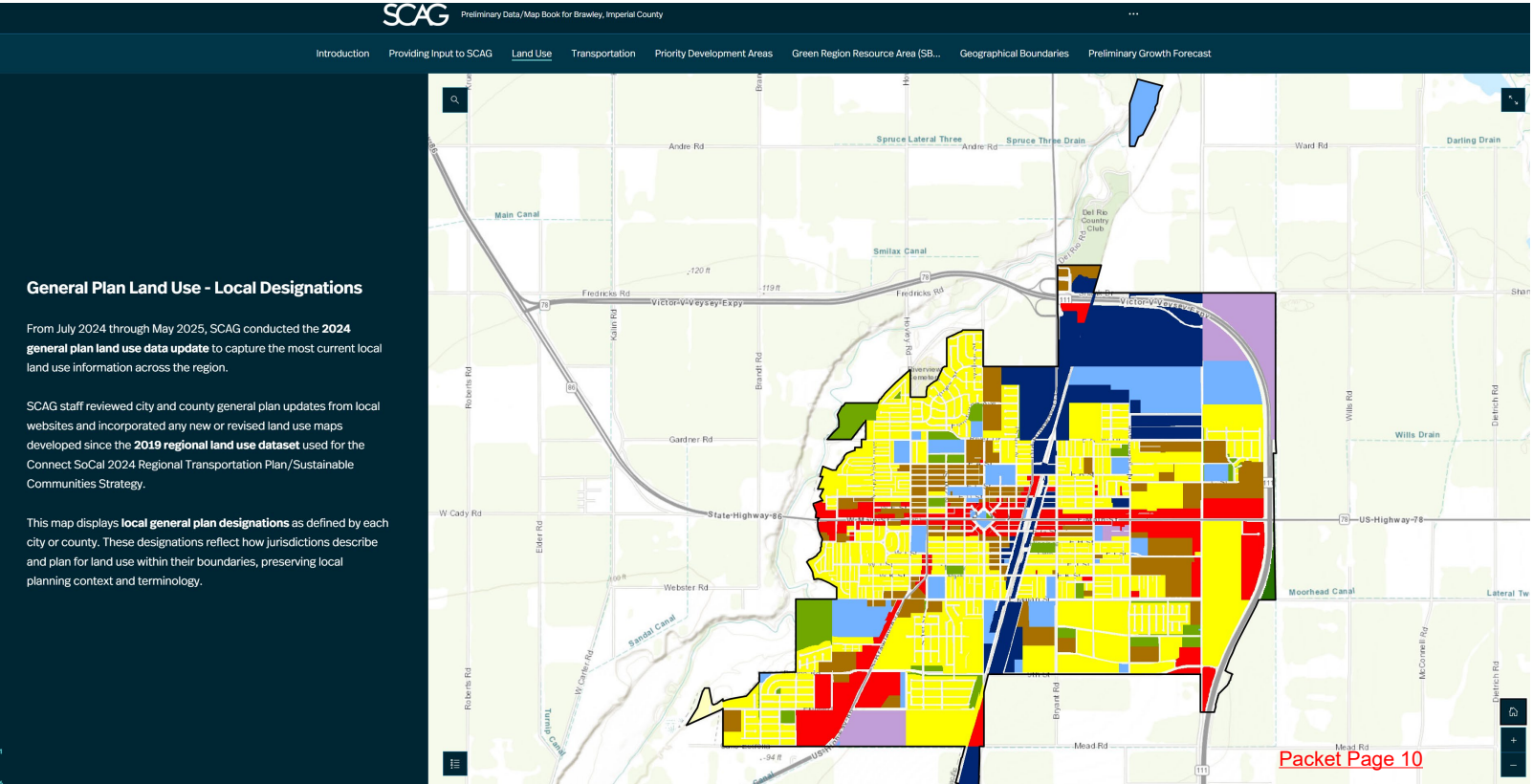
VENTURA COUNTY

Imperial County

CITY OF BRAWLEY

[City of Brawley Data/Map Book StoryMap](#)

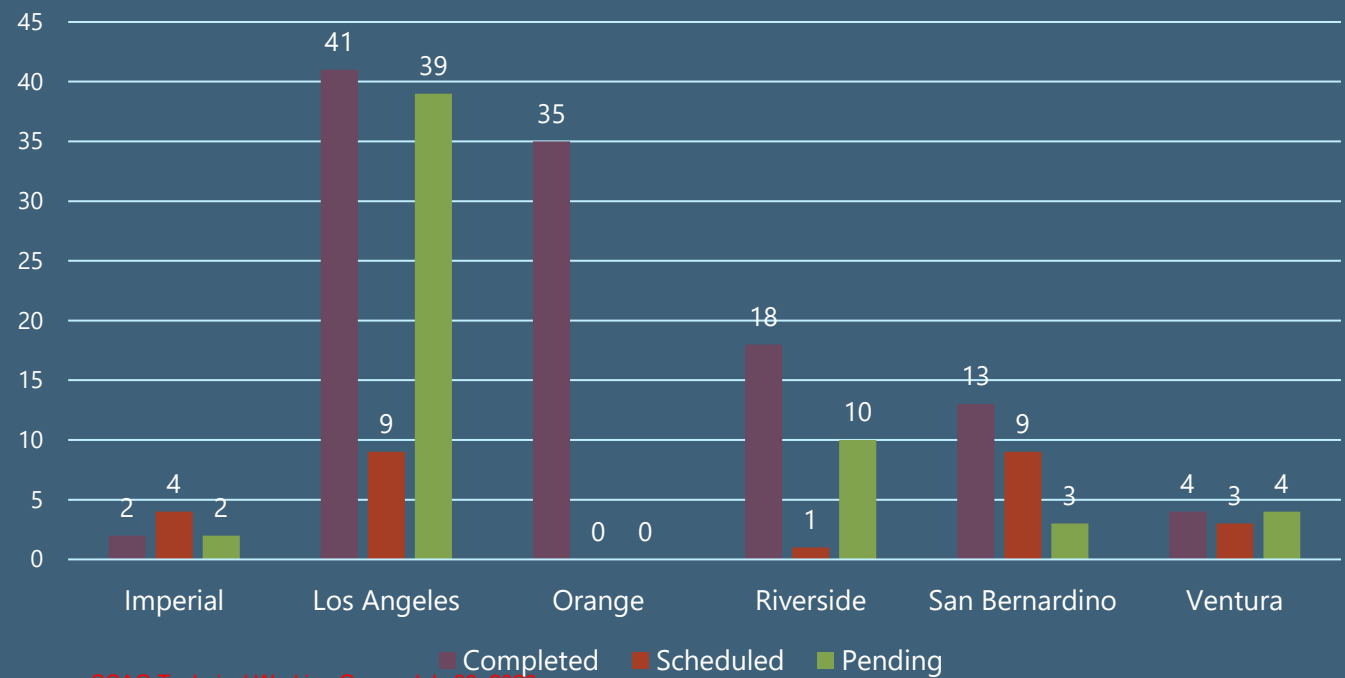
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1:1 Meetings Update

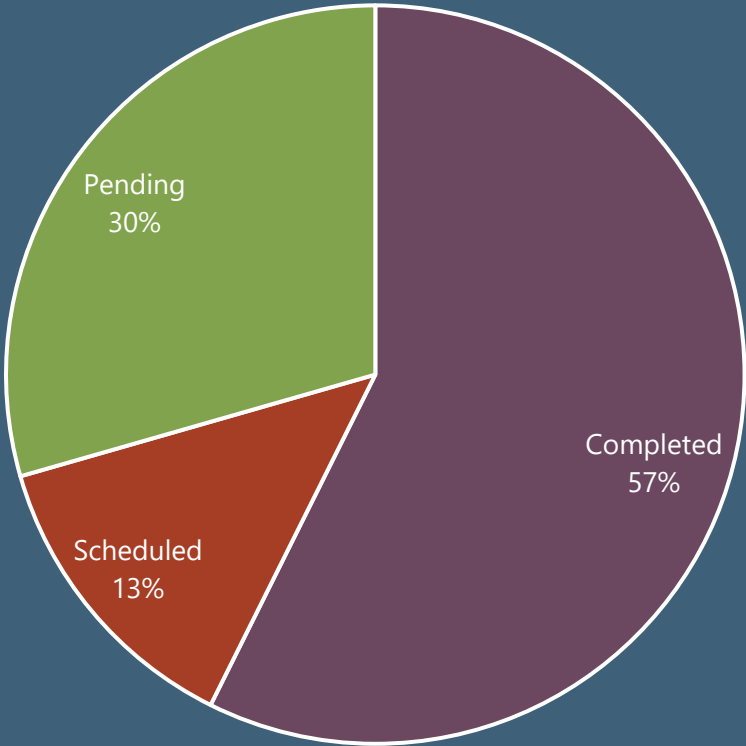
- **71%** (139) of jurisdictions have either scheduled or held meetings

1:1 Meeting Progress



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LDX 1:1 Meeting Status



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Preliminary Data/Maps for Connect SoCal 2050

Update	Reference	Update/Reference	Reference	Reference	Update
 Land Use	 Geographical Boundary	 Transportation	 Green Region Resource Areas (GRRA)	 Priority Development Areas (PDA)	 Preliminary Growth Forecast
General Plan land use	City boundary	Major transit stops	Conserved Area	PDA category	Households 2024-2050
Specific Plan land use	Sphere of influence	Transit Priority Areas (TPA)	Climate Hazards (flood, fire hazard, sea level rise)		Employment 2024-2050
Existing land use		High Quality Transit	Habitat (aquatic resources, wildlife corridors, habit value)		
Zoning code	Census tract	Corridors (HQTC)	Agriculture (farmland)		
6 th cycle housing element + rezone sites	Transportation Analysis Zone (TAZ) geography	Dedicated Transit Lanes			
Residential development activity		California Road System			
		*Mobility Hubs			
		*Regional bikeways			
		*Regional truck routes			

Note. SCAG is seeking input on all data and maps under the land use and preliminary growth forecast categories. In addition, we ask local jurisdictions to provide updates or corrections to transportation maps identified by an asterisk.

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Some themes we've seen across the region's jurisdictions:

- Local context (for growth) differs by jurisdiction/region/subregion (PDA, GRRRA)
- Regional plans necessarily *generalize* local plans somewhat
 - Reinforces importance of meeting with jurisdictions to understand local context and injecting that into the plan
- How jurisdictions are thinking about a different (generally lower) growth outlook:
 - *Job growth numbers vs. economic development*
 - *Be wary of direct comparison between Connect SoCal 2024 (2019-2050) vs. Connect SoCal 2050 (2024-2050)*
- More truck route corrections due to **AB 98**
- **LDX Survey** captures other information to bolster strategies in the SCS
- All feedback due by **November 20, 2026!**
 - Layers in data/map book and preliminary growth forecast
 - LDX survey
 - Data verification form

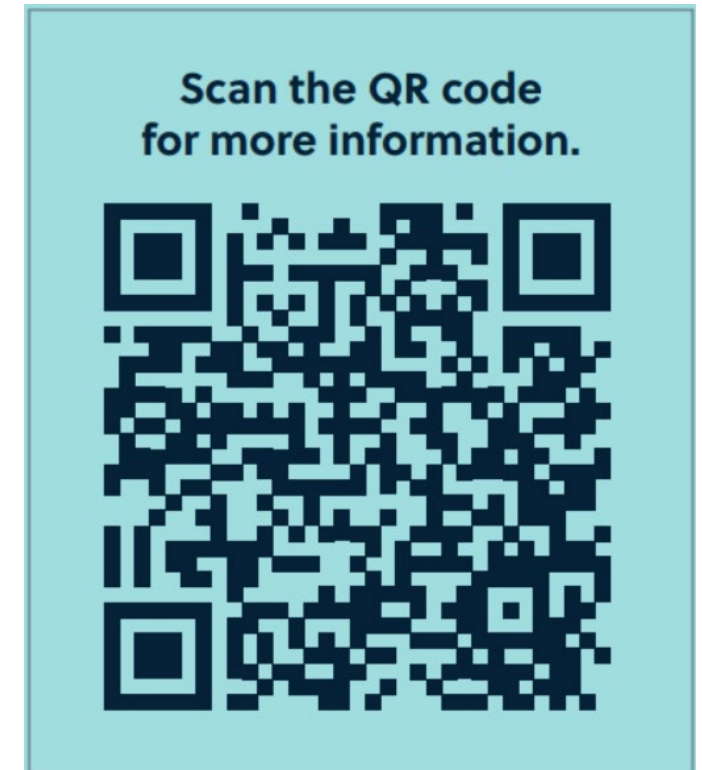
If you represent a locality and you haven't yet, please sign up for a meeting!

[Connect SoCal 2050 Local Data Exchange 1:1 Meetings](#)

And for more info:

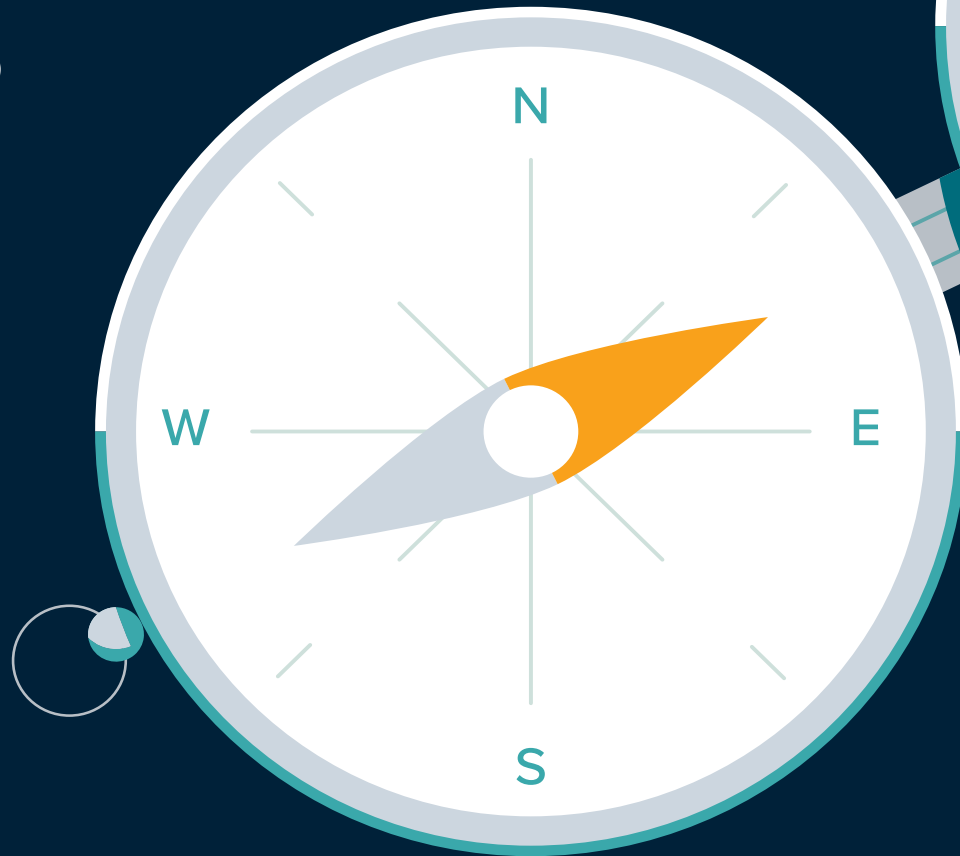
<https://scag.ca.gov/local-data-exchange> and

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Connect SoCal 2050: Regional Planning Policies and Implementation Strategies Update

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Connect SoCal 2024 Key Policy Elements

Vision and Goals

What we want the region to be by 2050

Regional Planning Policies

Provide guidance for integrating land use and transportation

Implementation Strategies

Guide where SCAG will lead, partner or support plan implementation

Connect SoCal 2024 Vision and Goals



"A Healthy, Prosperous, Accessible and Connected Region for a More Resilient and Equitable Future"



MOBILITY

Build and maintain a robust transportation network



ENVIRONMENT

Create a **healthy** region for the people of today and tomorrow



COMMUNITIES

Develop, connect and sustain **livable and thriving** communities



ECONOMY

Support a sustainable, efficient and productive regional environment that provides **opportunities for all**

Connect SoCal 2024: Policy Areas



MOBILITY

- System Preservation and Resilience
- Complete Streets
- Transit and Multimodal Integration
- Transportation Demand Management
- Transportation System Management
- **Technology Integration***
- Safety
- Funding the System/ User Fees

COMMUNITIES

- Priority Development Areas
- **Housing the Region***
- **15-Minute Communities***
- **Equitable Engagement and Decision-Making***

ENVIRONMENT

- Sustainable Development
- Air Quality
- Clean Transportation
- Natural and Agricultural Lands Preservation
- **Climate Resilience***

ECONOMY

- Goods Movement
- **Broadband***
- **Universal Basic Mobility***
- **Workforce Development***
- Tourism

* New policy area for Connect SoCal 2024
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Connect SoCal 2024 Implementation Progress



June 2026 Update

- Fourth progress update since adoption of Connect SoCal 2024 in April 2024
- Milestone updates for **71** Implementation Strategies.
- In total, SCAG progressed on **84 of 93** strategies since April 2024.



Connect SoCal 2050 Policy Development



Updating the Regional Planning Policies and Implementation Strategies

CONNECT SOCAL 2024

88 Regional Planning Policies

93 Implementation Strategies

- Reduce duplication
- Simplify and clarify policy direction
- Strengthen implementation and coordination

**CONNECT
SOCAL
2050**

Connect SoCal 2050 Policy Discussion



- Are there any policy areas or emerging issues you feel are missing from the previous framework?
- How could the policies better support your work?
- How could the policies be more helpful in pursuing funding opportunities?

Connect SoCal 2024: Policy Areas (Discussion Reference)



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Policy Development Next Steps



- **Now through August:** Stakeholder engagement on preliminary policy updates
- **August:** First meeting of the Connect SoCal 2050 Subcommittee
- **October:** Adopt Policy Development Framework
- **Fall:** Discussions at Policy Committees on potential subject-specific policy element updates

THANK YOU!

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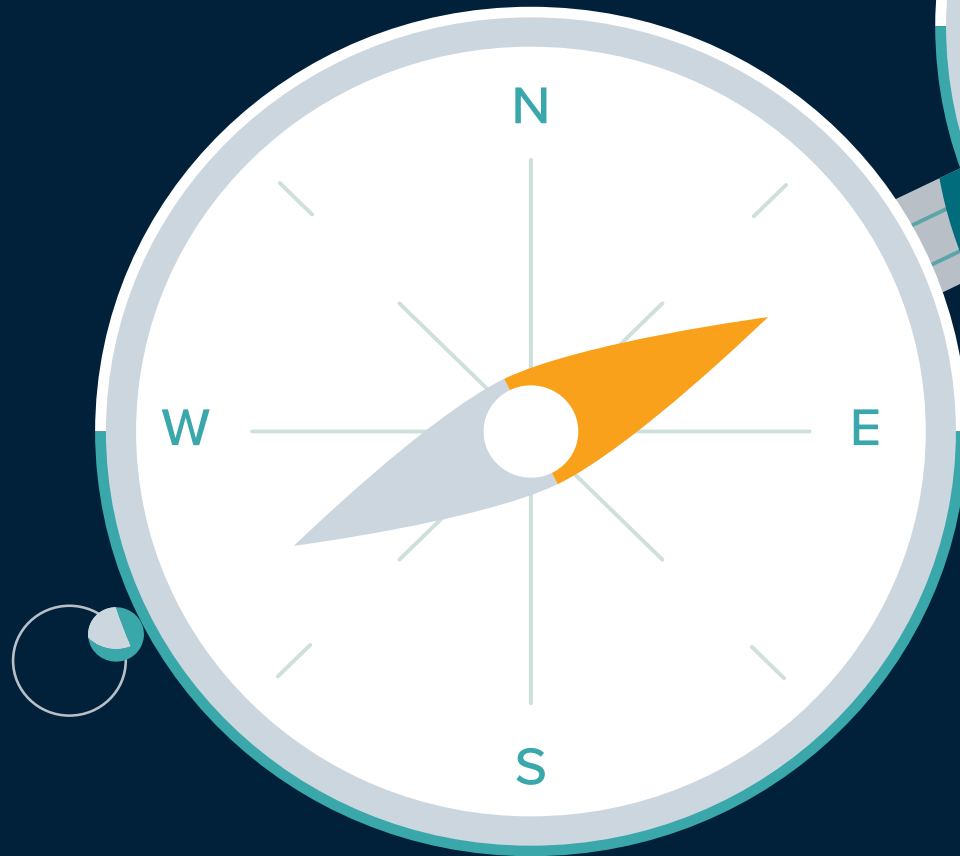
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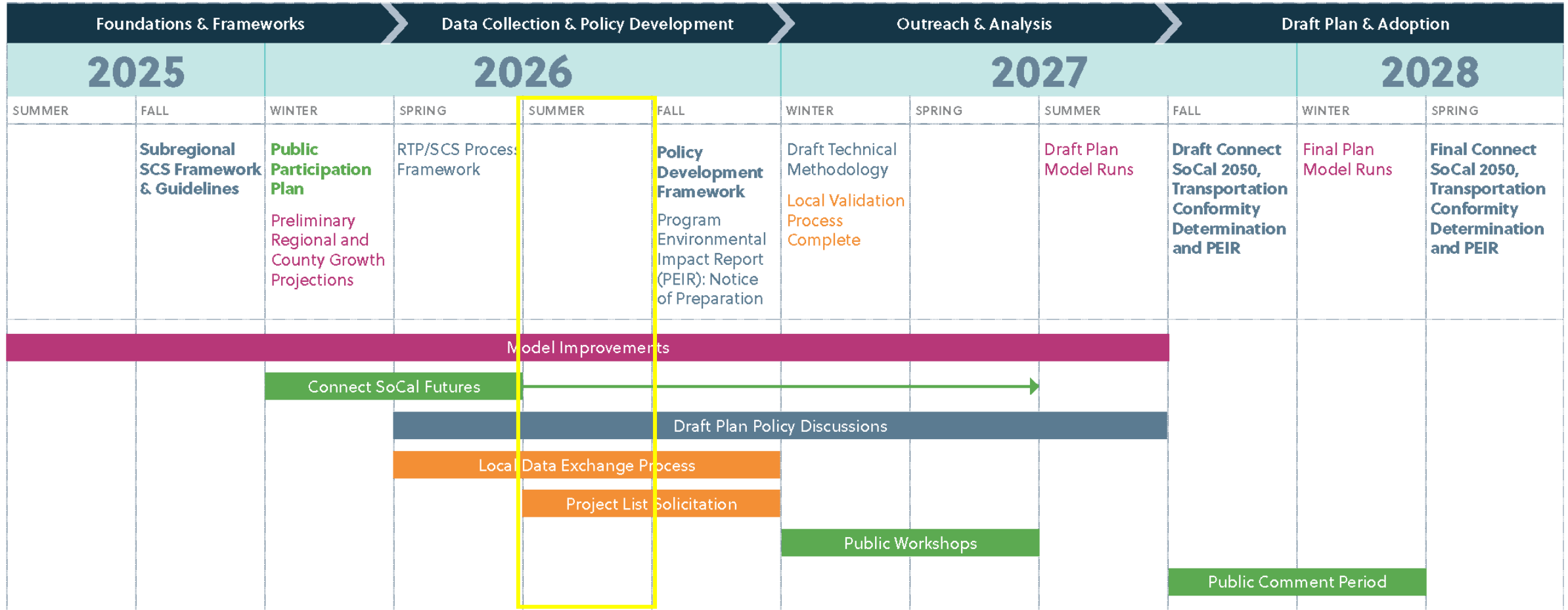
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Connect SoCal 2050 Preliminary Milestones*



Milestones Color Key:

Plan Foundation and Elements Local Agency Input Process Modeling/Forecast Outreach and Engagement

Bold = Action Item SCAG Technical Working Group: July 30, 2026

* Draft - Subject to Change

Connect SoCal 2050: Process Update



Completed Milestones

- ✓ Subregional SCS Framework & Guidelines
- ✓ Public Participation Plan
- ✓ Relunched Regional Planning Working Group

In Progress

- Local Data Exchange
- Model Improvements

Milestones for 2026

- Launch Connect SoCal 2050 Subcommittee
- Policy Development Framework
- Project List Submittals from County Transportation Commissions
- Early Public Outreach and Stakeholder Engagement

What's new this cycle?

- CARB required to adopt updated regional targets Fall 2026
- Pending Senate Bill 375 reform legislation: Senate Bill 1087 (Cabaldon)
- Connect SoCal 2050 Subcommittee



Upcoming

August 12

- Connect SoCal 2050 Subcommittee Launch: Overview & Outlook, Policy Development Framework

September 3

- All Policy Committees: Policy Development Framework
- Transportation Committee: Project List Solicitation, LDX Update
- CEHD: LDX Update

THANK YOU!

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