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Agenda

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   P. Chang  
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3. TWG thoughts on Senate Bill 827 by Senator Scott Weiner  
   K. Gilhooley  
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4. 2020 RTP/SCS Goals and Guiding Policies  
   C. Aguirre  
   Attachment
Attachment A: Data Request

California Air Resources Board (CARB) staff requests that you review and provide information to complete the attached data spreadsheet, as well as provide the following geographic information, to support our reporting under SB 150. Your assistance on this data request will help to support six of the indicators CARB staff have identified for its SB 150 work, as well as, confirm your MPO’s scenario assumptions to which we intend to compare monitoring data. (See Attachment C for the full list of metrics CARB staff are working on.)

We ask that you submit this information to SustainableCommunities@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible, but no later than May 7. The GIS data can be provided later, by July 1. If you will not be able to provide this data, please let us know.

Data Spreadsheet (requested by May 7)

Please review the attached spreadsheet, confirm the information provided in the cells that are highlighted in green, and fill in blank cells highlighted in orange where the information has not been previously provided to CARB. If you update a green cell, please shade that cell blue, and please provide a comment in the cell about the cause for the change (e.g., error correction, recently updated on your end).

The spreadsheet contains five tabs:

- The first tab labeled “READ ME” includes instructions and contact information.
- The second tab labeled “Basic Plan Data” serves to confirm basic information such as the base and horizon year of your most recent Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Transportation Improvement Program, as well as to learn about the public participation process used to develop the RTP.
- The third tab labeled “Spending Data” addresses the investment portfolio in the RTP and TIP.
- The fourth tab labeled “SCS Adopted Scenario Data” serves to confirm our understanding of your base year and modeled horizon year values. This information was taken from your plan and/or the data table that you most recently provided to CARB as part of your last SCS evaluation.
- The fifth tab labeled “TOD” requests observed data on housing and job growth near transit in recent years.

GIS Data (requested by July 1)

- Regional transit network for your most recent RTP’s base year, 2020, 2035, and horizon year.
- Transit Priority Areas for your most recent RTP’s base year, 2020, 2035, and horizon year.
- Investments associated with your latest adopted RTP/SCS
Attachment B: Interview Sheet

To support our work on SB 150 (Allen, 2017), California Air Resources Board (CARB) staff invites your input on the following questions. We would be happy to receive your input either in writing or via a phone interview. If you would like to submit your answers in writing, we request that you email them to SustainableCommunities@arb.ca.gov by May 7. If you would like to schedule a phone interview, please contact Carey Knecht at carey.knecht@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible, but no later than April 23.

Greenhouse Gas Reduction and Other Metrics

1. How does your region monitor changing regional conditions and regional progress in implementing its SCS/RTP?

2. Please see the list of metrics included in Attachment C and provide any comments or feedback that you wish, including on any of the following questions:

   a. Do you feel that these metrics will allow CARB to convey the progress and challenges in SB 375 implementation to the legislature?

   b. Are there particular metrics for which you would like to provide caveats as to their interpretation?

   c. Are there any metrics missing that would better convey changing regional conditions and the progress that has been made?

Best Practices for SCS Planning and Implementation Support

CARB is seeking to identify best practices in regional planning practice and leadership. In particular, we would like to highlight best practices in regional RTP/SCS planning, and in MPOs’ work to support plan implementation.

CARB would like to understand what best practices you feel have had the biggest potential to help California’s regions move toward SB 375 greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets while advancing other regional benefits such as farmland conservation, clean air, access to affordable housing and transportation choices for people of all incomes, and more.

We recognize that no solution works in every region and that one regions’ practices may not be appropriate for implementation in another. We encourage you to identify best practices that you feel are valuable, whether or not they apply to your region.
3. What 3-5 practices would you suggest that CARB spotlight and share for possible adaptation in any regions that may deem them appropriate? These may be strategies from your own region or another.

4. CARB is interested in identifying best practices in specific categories. Are there best practices that you would like to highlight in any of the following areas? (Feel free simply to name the program, highlight why you feel it is notable or successful, and provide any links for further information; we can research the program to gain a more comprehensive description.)

   a. **Local implementation**: Fostering or incentivizing local growth that supports the success of your Sustainable Communities Strategy and regional health, equity, conservation, and climate goals.
   
   b. **Walkable communities and TOD**: Supporting or encouraging growth that is compact, walkable, infill, equitable, transit-oriented and/or transit-ready.
   
   c. **Conservation**: Supporting conservation of natural resources or farmland.
   
   d. **Affordable housing**: Encouraging the construction or preservation of homes affordable to residents of all income levels, and slowing displacement or regional re-segregation.
   
   e. **Funding low-carbon travel options**: Funding investments that have climate, health, conservation, or equity benefits and/or reducing spending on projects that will increase vehicle miles traveled.
   
   f. **Aligning regional spending with RTP / SCS priorities**: Promoting plan implementation, e.g., by aligning programming decisions with RTP goals including how funding is prioritized in terms of magnitude and timing.
   
   g. **Ensuring that transportation investments benefit the most vulnerable and/or under-served communities**, such as by expanding access to transportation choices or improving air quality, and that they avoid harms such as increased air pollution or increasing displacement pressures.
   
   h. **Addressing innovative mobility choices**: Planning for and/or taking policy steps to integrate Transportation Network Companies, shared-use mobility, and automated vehicles into the regional transportation network.
   
   i. **Providing financial incentives**: Offering financial rewards or pricing signals in an equitable manner that encourage sustainable choices and/or fund mobility alternatives.
   
   j. **Improving public health**, e.g., fostering walkable communities or clean air.
   
   k. **Promoting an equitable and robust economy**: Supporting regional growth and encouraging workforce development for underserved groups.
   
   l. **Effectively engaging stakeholders**: Including community members from all backgrounds in the RTP / SCS process.
5. How does your MPO ensure that you are planning to meet the needs of low-income communities, communities of color, or other historically-underserved populations? Beyond the federal requirements to create a Title VI report and Limited English Proficiency Plan, what are you doing to engage under-served communities, disadvantaged groups, vulnerable populations, and communities that have historically been underrepresented, and to ensure that the regional plan and investments benefit them and do not disproportionately cause harms? For example, do you conduct a Needs Assessment that is focused on identifying local mobility needs? How do you ensure that these efforts reflect community knowledge? How have your efforts impacted your current transportation spending and/or long-term plans?

Challenges and Emerging Practice Areas

6. Please discuss one or more areas where your region is falling short of goals that you have set for yourselves. What challenges have contributed to this? See below for a compilation of challenges CARB staff has collected through the recent target update process. Which ones would you say have had the most severe impact on your region’s ability to meet your goals (if not listed here, please identify others)?

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<td>High housing costs / lack of affordable housing</td>
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7. What solutions are you exploring to overcome those challenges? Are there issues for which your region is seeking best practices or partnerships? Are there ways that State policies or funding could help address those challenges?

**Affordable Housing**

8. What efforts has the MPO taken to provide leadership or support to local agencies in addressing regional affordable housing and/or displacement challenges?

9. What efforts are underway to quantify travel impacts related to housing affordability and/or displacement in your region:
   A. Affordability is incorporated within the transportation demand model
   B. Affordability is quantified as an off-model strategy
   C. Quantification methodology currently under development
   D. Not currently quantifying affordability impacts
   E. Other: _______________________

   If you selected “A” or “B” above, please provide a link to your Technical Methodology or other supporting material. If you selected “D,” please note why not (e.g., lack of staff time, lack of data).

10. Does your region track how many jurisdictions have anti-displacement policies?
   A. Yes If so, how many? _____ Out of …? ______
   B. No

**Induced Demand**

11. Are highway capacity projects posing a challenge to the region in meeting its SCS targets?

12. How are you incorporating the short- and long-term impacts of capacity projects into MPO analysis?
   A. Induced demand is incorporated within the transportation demand model.
   B. Induced demand is quantified as an off-model strategy
   C. Quantification methodology currently under development
   D. Not currently quantifying induced demand impacts
E. Other: _______________________

If you selected “A” or “B” above, please provide a link to your Technical Methodology or other supporting material. If you selected “D,” please note why not (e.g., lack of staff time, lack of data).

**Transportation Innovations**

13. What MPO efforts have been taken to integrate ridesourcing (Transportation Network Companies, TNCs) within the transportation system?

14. What efforts are underway to quantify travel impacts related to ridesourcing in your region:
   A. Ridesourcing is incorporated within the transportation demand model
   B. Ridesourcing is quantified as an off-model strategy
   C. Quantification methodology currently under development
   D. Not currently quantifying ridesourcing impacts
   E. Other: _______________________

If you selected “A” or “B” above, please provide a link to your Technical Methodology or other supporting material. If you selected “D,” please note why not (e.g., lack of staff time, lack of data).

15. What MPO efforts have been taken to plan for autonomous vehicles (AVs) in your region?

16. What efforts are underway to quantify travel impacts related to AVs:
   A. AVs are incorporated within the transportation demand model
   B. AVs are quantified as an off-model strategy
   C. Quantification methodology currently under development
   D. Not currently quantifying AV impacts
   E. Other: _______________________

If you selected “A” or “B” above, please provide a link to your Technical Methodology or other supporting material. If you selected “D,” please note why not (e.g., lack of staff time, lack of data).

17. What MPO efforts have been taken to integrate shared-use mobility (e.g., car-sharing and bike-sharing services) within the transportation system?
18. What efforts are underway to quantify travel impacts related to shared-use mobility in your region:
   A. Shared use is incorporated within the transportation demand model
   B. Shared use is quantified as an off-model strategy
   C. Quantification methodology currently under development
   D. Not currently quantifying shared use impacts
   E. Other: _______________________

If you selected “A” or “B” above, please provide a link to your Technical Methodology or other supporting material. If you selected “D,” please note why not (e.g., lack of staff time, lack of data).

**Pricing**

19. Has your region incorporated congestion pricing into the regional road or bridge network?
   A. No, and we are not considering it
   B. We have begun to discuss whether or not this might be right for our region
   C. We have begun to take action to adopt congestion pricing
   D. We have already adopted congestion pricing
   E. Other: _______________________

20. Is the region providing technical assistance, incentives or grants, or other active support to help local jurisdictions adopt other pricing policies (e.g., cordon pricing)?
   A. No, and we are not considering it
   B. We have begun to discuss whether or not this might be right for our region
   C. We have begun to take action to support local work on pricing
   D. We have already taken action to support local work on pricing
   E. Other: _______________________

21. If you answered “C” or “D” to either of the two questions above, what measures are you taking to ensure that the pricing policies benefit and do not negatively impact low-income populations?

**State Policies and Funding**

22. What thoughts do you have about the impact of state policies and funding? In particular, do you have thoughts about the following recent state policy or funding efforts and how they will contribute to or hinder your efforts?
   a. SB1 (formula and competitive funds)
   b. The package of housing bills passed in 2017
   c. Relatively new CARB programs, such as the Low-Income Barriers Study under SB 350, and the Community Air Protection Program under SB 617
   d. Other
23. What are the most helpful State policies and funding? What would you most like to see preserved or enhanced?

24. What change(s) to State policies or funding would most bolster the success of your RTP/SCS? Do you have any advice as to how the SB 150 process could be used to help advance these shifts?
Attachment C: Proposed Data Metrics

CARB staff have identified the following seven indicator areas for its SB 150 work. The final report will present information statewide, by MPO, and possibly by subregional geographies (e.g., counties) where available. The chart below outlines the (draft) monitoring time period and data sources. Grayed sections represent metrics for which we are still researching their availability for the September 2018 report timeframe.

CARB has identified external data sources for most items but is requesting MPO assistance in the six items highlighted in yellow below, for which we are intending to use MPO reporting. CARB is also asking that MPOs confirm the scenario assumptions to which the report will compare monitoring data in those areas where the right most column titled “Compare to RTP?” is marked "yes" below.

### Indicator 1: Progress Toward SB 375 GHG Emissions Reduction Targets

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### Indicator 2: Shifting Travel Patterns

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<td>C Transit boardings</td>
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<td>D Carpooling</td>
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<td>E Vehicle ownership</td>
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### Indicator 3: Funding and Delivering Travel Choices

#### A Transportation spending

- Total spending planned in RTP, by mode
- Planned use of local & state funds, by mode
- Programmed spending
- State Transportation Improvement Program
- Transit operations spending
- Under-served communities spending (GGRF)

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<td>B Lane miles built</td>
<td>2012-2014, 2016</td>
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<td>C Transit service hours per capita</td>
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## Indicator 4: Efficient and Sustainable Regional Growth

| A | Acres conserved | Permanently conserved, fee title | 2009, 2017 | www.calands.org | - |
| B | Farmland and rangeland lost | Agriculture & grazing lands: acreage decline | 2004-2014 | FMMP | - |
| C | Acres urbanized | Residential / commercial, normalized by homes / jobs built | 2004-2014 | FMMP / EDD, DOF | Yes |
| D | MF / SF split | 2005-2016 | DOF | Yes |
| E | Jobs-housing balance | Ratio of jobs to housing by county | 2005-2016 | EDD, DOF | Yes |
| F | Jobs/housing growth near transit | 2005, current year | MPO | Yes |

## Indicator 5: Walkable, Healthy Communities

| A | Walk / bike to work | 2005-2016 | ACS | - |
| B | Injuries / fatalities by mode | [TBD] | Caltrans | - |
| C | Grocery store access | 2010, 2015 | USDA | - |
| D | Air quality (PM 2.5) | Average annual ambient concentration, county | 2005-2017 | US EPA | - |
| E | Air quality (Ozone) | Average annual ambient concentration, county | 2005-2017 | US EPA | - |

## Indicator 6: A Fair and Vibrant Economy

| A | Jobs and unemployment rate | 2005-2018 | EDD | - |
| B | Jobs by wage level | high / med / low | - |
| C | Local housing plans & permitting | | | |
| | Percent of jurisdictions with certified Housing Elements | | HCD | - |
| | Housing units permitted / RHNA allocation | | RHNA cycle | HCD | - |
| | Number of jurisdictions with equity policies | | OPR | - |
| D | Households overburdened by rent | 2008-2016 | ACS | - |
| E | Vacancy rate | 2005-2017 | DOF | - |
| F | Displacement risk | (method under development) | - |

## Indicator 7: An Inclusive Planning Process

| A | Proactive efforts to engage underrepresented communities | | | |
| | RTP/SCS meetings with translation and food | | RTP plan development | MPO | - |
| | Amount of subgrants for community partners to perform outreach, if any | | RTP plan development | MPO | - |
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Agenda Item 3
An act to add Chapter 4.35 (commencing with Section 65918.5) to Division 1 of Title 7 of the Government Code, relating to land use.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SB 827, as amended, Wiener. Planning and zoning: transit-rich housing bonus.

The Planning and Zoning Law requires, when an applicant proposes a housing development within the jurisdiction of a local government, that the city, county, or city and county provide the developer with a density bonus and other incentives or concessions for the production of lower income housing units or for the donation of land within the development if the developer, among other things, agrees to construct a specified percentage of units for very low, low-, or moderate-income households or qualifying residents.

This bill would require a local government to, if requested, grant a development proponent of a transit-rich housing project a transit-rich housing bonus if that development at the time of submittal meets specified planning standards, including complying with demolition permit requirements, complying with any local inclusionary housing ordinance requirements, ordinance or, if the local government has not adopted an inclusionary housing ordinance, agreeing to provide a
specified percentage of awarded units as onsite affordable housing, preparing a relocation benefits and assistance plan, complying with any locally adopted objective zoning standards, and complying with any locally adopted minimum unit mix requirements, and if the development includes specified types of parcels, agreeing to replace those units and to offer units at one of 2 specified affordable rates. The bill would define a transit-rich housing project as a residential development project the parcels of which are all within a $\frac{1}{2}$ mile radius of a major transit stop or a $\frac{3}{4}$ mile radius of a stop on a high-quality transit bus corridor. The bill would exempt an eligible applicant who receives a transit-rich housing bonus from various requirements, including maximum controls on residential density, maximum controls on floor area ratio that are lower than a specified amount, minimum automobile parking requirements, requirements except as provided, maximum height limitations, limitations that are less than a specified amount unless those increases would have a specific, adverse impact upon public health and safety, and zoning or design controls that have the effect of limiting additions onto existing structures or lots that comply with those maximum floor area ratios and height limitations. The bill would require an eligible applicant, which this bill would define to mean a development proponent who receives a transit-rich housing bonus, to provide each resident of the development with a recurring monthly transit pass with the applicable transit agency that provides service to the major transit stop or high quality transit corridor that qualified the applicant for the bonus at no cost to the residents. The bill would require an eligible applicant who receives a transit-rich housing bonus to provide benefits to eligible displaced persons who are displaced by the development, including requiring the applicant to offer a right to remain guarantee to those tenants, and to make payments to eligible displaced persons for moving and related expenses as well as for relocation benefits. The bill would also require an eligible applicant to submit a relocation benefit and assistance plan for approval to the applicable local government to that effect, and to provide specified information and assistance to eligible displaced persons. 

This bill would provide that the provisions described above become operative on January 1, 2021, in order to provide an opportunity for local governments to conduct studies and to adopt or update any ordinances as necessary. The bill would authorize a local government, no later than July 1, 2020, to apply to the Department of Housing and Community Development for a one-time one-year extension in order
to delay the operation of those provisions with respect to parcels located within the jurisdictional boundaries of that local government until January 1, 2022. The bill would require the department to review any application submitted, and to grant it if the department makes specified findings. The bill would require the department to post on its Internet Web site the final decision of any application that the department granted to delay the operation of these provisions.

This bill, commencing January 1, 2019, would provide that if a local government adopts any ordinance on or after January 1, 2018, that eliminates zoning designations or decreases residential zoning capacity within an existing zoning district, then any development proponent who submits an application for a transit-rich housing bonus on or after the operative date of these provisions as described above, will be deemed to be consistent with the requirements of these provisions if that development complies with zoning designations that were authorized on January 1, 2018.

The bill would declare that its provisions address a matter of statewide concern and apply equally to all cities and counties in this state, including a charter city.

By adding to the duties of local planning officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares that this act addresses a matter of statewide concern and shall apply equally to all cities and counties in this state, including charter cities.

SEC. 2. Chapter 4.35 (commencing with Section 65918.5) is added to Division 1 of Title 7 of the Government Code, immediately following Chapter 4.3, to read:
65918.5. For purposes of this chapter:
(a) “Development proponent” means an applicant who submits an application for a transit-rich housing bonus pursuant to this chapter.
(b) “Eligible applicant” means a development proponent who receives a transit-rich housing bonus.
(c) “FAR” means floor area ratio.
(d) “High-quality transit bus corridor” means a corridor with fixed route bus service that has service intervals of no more than 15 minutes during peak commute hours that meets all of the following criteria:
   (1) It has average service intervals of no more than 15 minutes during the three peak hours between 6 a.m. to 10 a.m., inclusive, and the three peak hours between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m., inclusive, on Monday through Friday.
   (2) It has average service intervals of no more than 20 minutes during the hours of 6 a.m. to 10 a.m., inclusive, on Monday through Friday.
   (3) It has average intervals of no more than 30 minutes during the hours of 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., inclusive, on Saturday and Sunday.
(e) “Local government” means a city, including a charter city, a county, or a city and county.
(f) “Major transit stop” means a site containing an existing rail transit station, or a ferry terminal served by either bus or rail transit service.
(g) “Maximum allowable residential density” means the density allowed under the zoning ordinance and land use element of the general plan of the applicable local government, or, if a range of density is permitted, means the maximum allowable density for the specific zoning range and land use element of the general plan applicable to the project. If the density allowed under the zoning ordinance is inconsistent with the density allowed under the land use element of the general plan, the general plan density shall prevail.
(h) “Residential development” means a project with at least two-thirds of the square footage of the development designated for residential use.
(i) “Transit-rich housing project” means a residential development project the parcels of which are all within a one-half mile radius of a major transit stop or a one-quarter mile radius of a stop on a high-quality transit bus corridor. A residential development project does not qualify as a transit-rich housing project if that project would result in the construction of housing in zoning districts that prohibit the construction of housing as a principal or conditional use, including, but not limited to, exclusively industrial or manufacturing zoning districts. A project shall be deemed to be within a one-half mile radius of a major transit stop or a one-quarter mile radius of a stop on a high-quality transit bus corridor if both of the following apply:

1. All parcels within the project have no more than 25 percent of their area outside of a one-half mile radius of a major transit stop or a one-quarter mile radius of a stop on a high-quality transit bus corridor.
2. No more than 10 percent of the residential units or 100 units, whichever is less, of the project are outside of a one-half mile radius of a major transit stop or a one-quarter mile radius of a stop on a high-quality transit bus corridor.

(j) “Units awarded” means the increase in units in the residential development permitted above the maximum allowable residential density after the transit-rich housing bonus is granted.

65918.6. (a) Notwithstanding any local ordinance, general plan element, specific plan, charter, or other local law, policy, resolution, or regulation, a local jurisdiction shall, if requested, provide an eligible applicant with a transit-rich housing bonus that shall exempt the project from all of the following:

1. Maximum controls on residential density.
2. Maximum controls on FAR lower than those specified in paragraph (4) of subdivision (c).
3. Minimum automobile parking requirements, unless the proposed project is outside of a ¼ mile of a major transit stop, in which case the local jurisdiction may enforce a parking minimum of up to .5 automobile parking spots per unit.
4. Maximum building height limits that are less than those specified in subdivision (b).

(b), unless the height increase proposed by the development proponent would have a specific, adverse impact upon public health or safety, and there is no feasible method to satisfactorily mitigate or avoid the specific
adverse impact without rendering the development infeasible. As used in this paragraph, a “specific, adverse impact” means a significant, quantifiable, direct, and unavoidable impact, based on objective, identified written public health or safety standards, policies, or conditions as they existed on the date the application was deemed complete. Inconsistency with the zoning ordinance or general plan land use designation shall not constitute a specific, adverse impact upon the public health or safety.

(5) Zoning or design controls that have the effect of limiting additions onto existing structures or lots if those additions comply with the height and FAR limits established in subdivision (b) or paragraph (4) of subdivision (c).

(b) An eligible applicant shall be exempt from local maximum height limits as follows:

(1) If the transit-rich housing project is within a one-quarter mile radius of either a major transit stop or a stop on a high-quality transit corridor, stop, the maximum height limitation shall not be less than 85 feet, except in cases where a parcel facing a street that is less than 70 feet wide from property line to property line, in which case the maximum height shall not be less than 55 feet. If the project is exempted from the local maximum height limitation, the maximum height limitation for a transit-rich housing project shall be 85 feet or 55 feet, as provided in this paragraph. However, the eligible applicant shall comply with any maximum height limitation for a transit-rich housing project that is greater than 55 feet.

(2) If the transit-rich housing project is within a one-half mile radius of a major transit stop, but does not meet the criteria specified in paragraph (1), any maximum height limitation shall not be less than 55 feet, except in cases where a parcel facing a street that is less than 70 feet wide from property line to property line, in which case the maximum height shall not be less than 45 feet. If the project is exempted from the local maximum height limitation, the maximum height limitation for a transit-rich housing project shall be 55 feet or 45 feet, as provided in this paragraph. However, the eligible applicant shall comply with any maximum height limitation for a transit-rich housing project that is greater than 45 feet.

(3) For purposes of this subdivision, if a parcel has street frontage on two or more different streets, the maximum height
A development proponent may submit an application for a development to be subject to the transit-rich housing bonus process provided by subdivision (b) if the application at the time of submittal satisfies all of the following planning standards:

1. Any demolition permit that is related to an application for a transit-rich housing project is subject to all demolition permit controls, restrictions, and review processes enacted by the applicable local government. Additionally, an applicant shall be ineligible for a transit-rich housing bonus if the following are met:
   
   (A) The residential development is proposed on any property that includes a parcel or parcels on which existing rental units that are subject to any form of rent or price control through a local government’s valid exercise of its police power would need to be demolished, unless the local government passes a resolution explicitly authorizing a review process for demolition permit applications.
   
   (B) The residential development is proposed on any property that includes a parcel or parcels on which an owner of residential real property exercised his or her rights under Chapter 12.75 (commencing with Section 7060) of Division 7 of Title 1 to withdraw accommodations from rent or lease within five years before an application is submitted under this chapter.

2. The development complies with any of the following:

   (A) A mandatory requirement, as a condition of the development of residential units, that the development include a certain percentage of residential units affordable to, and occupied by, households with incomes that do not exceed the limits for moderate-income, lower income, very low income, or extremely low income households specified in Sections 50079.5, 50093, 50105, and 50106 of the Health and Safety Code. The ordinance may provide alternative means of compliance that may include, but are not limited to, in-lieu fees, land dedication, off-site dedication.
construction, or acquisition and rehabilitation of existing units. If
the ordinance is adopted after January 1, 2018, it shall meet all the
requirements of Section 65850.01.

(B) (ii) For the purposes of this section, if a community local
government does not have a mandatory requirement as described
in subparagraph (A), a locally adopted voluntary incentive-based
program that grants a range of incentives to developments that
include an objective and knowable amount of on-site affordable housing. The knowable amount of on-site affordable housing and number of incentives shall be calculated based on the project’s proximity to different types of public transportation, and include proximity to both regular bus lines, bus rapid transit, and rail stations. In the case that a local inclusionary housing ordinance is a voluntary or incentive-based program as described in this subparagraph, on-site affordable housing requirements for a transit-rich housing project shall be calculated based on the height, density, floor area ratio, bulk, and automobile parking included in the final design of the transit-rich housing project.

(B) If the local government has not adopted any local inclusionary housing ordinances, and the development project includes ten or more residential units, the development proponent agrees to provide the applicable percentage of units awarded as on-site affordable housing. All calculations made pursuant to this subparagraph that result in a fractional unit shall be rounded up. For purposes of this subparagraph, the applicable percentage of units awarded shall be calculated as follows:

(i) If the proposed development project has between ten and twenty-five residential units, the development proponent shall choose between the following:

(I) Offering 5 percent of the units at a rate sufficient for very low income households.

(II) Offering 10 percent of the units at a rate sufficient for low-income households.

(III) Offering 25 percent of the units at a rate sufficient for moderate-income households.

(ii) If the proposed development project has between twenty-six and fifty residential units, the development proponent shall choose between the following:
(I) Offering 7 percent of the units at a rate sufficient for very low income households.

(II) Offering 13 percent of the units at a rate sufficient for low-income households.

(III) Offering 30 percent of the units at a rate sufficient for moderate-income households.

(iii) If the proposed development project has fifty-one or more residential units and the proposed development project has less than one quarter of its square footage dedicated to office use, the development proponent shall choose between the following:

(1) Offering 11 percent of the units at a rate sufficient for very low income households.

(II) Offering 20 percent of the units at a rate sufficient for low-income households.

(III) Offering 40 percent of the units at a rate sufficient for moderate-income households.

(iv) If the proposed development project has fifty-one or more residential units and has more than one quarter of its square footage dedicated to office use, the development proponent shall offer 20 percent of the units at a rate sufficient for lower income households, including 10 percent at a rate sufficient for very-low income households.

(3) The development proponent prepares and submits to the applicable local government a relocation assistance and benefits plan as described in subdivision (d) of Section 65918.8.

(4) Except as specified in subdivision (a), the transit-rich housing project complies with all local objective zoning design standards that were in effect at the time that the applicant submits its first application to the local government pursuant to this section, except as provided in Section 65918.10, provided that those local zoning design standards shall not result in a FAR for the development that received the bonus that is less than the following:

(A) 2.5 FAR for lots with a maximum height limit of 45 feet pursuant to this section.

(B) 3.25 FAR for lots with a maximum height limit of 55 feet pursuant to this section.

(C) 4.5 FAR for lots with a maximum height limit of 85 feet pursuant to this section.

(5) Any locally adopted objective zoning standard that involves no personal or subjective judgment by a public official and is
uniformly verifiable by reference to an external and uniform benchmark or criterion available and knowable by both the development applicant or proponent and public officials before the application is submitted, including but not limited to essential bulk and FAR requirements, except as specified in paragraph (4), codified design standards, and development fees.

(6) Any locally adopted minimum unit mix requirements, provided that those requirements do not have the effect of requiring more than 40 percent of all units in a transit-rich housing project to have two bedrooms or more.

(7) The development proponent agrees to comply with subdivision (c) of Section 65918.7 if the development includes a parcel or parcels on which rental dwelling units are or, if the dwelling units have been vacated or demolished in the five-year period preceding the application, have been subject to any of the following:

(A) A recorded covenant, ordinance, or law that restricts rents to levels affordable to persons and families of lower or very-low income.

(B) Any other form of rent or price control through a public entity’s valid exercise of its police power.

(C) Occupied by lower or very low-income households.

(d) An eligible applicant who receives a transit-rich housing bonus pursuant to this section may also apply for a density bonus, incentive or concession, or waiver or reduction, pursuant to Section 65915. For purposes of calculating any base development standard, including maximum allowable residential density, for purposes of granting a density bonus, incentive or concession, or a waiver or reduction of a development standard pursuant to that section, any transit-rich housing bonus granted pursuant to this chapter shall be used as that base development standard.

(e) An eligible applicant who receives a transit housing

transit-rich housing bonus pursuant to this section, and who requests a streamlined, ministerial, approval process pursuant to Section 65913.4, shall be deemed to be in compliance with local zoning requirements for purposes of determining eligibility pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (a) of Section 65913.4, and for purposes of enforcing legal protections for new developments under Section 65589.5.
(f) An eligible applicant who receives a transit-rich housing bonus pursuant to this section, but does not request or is not eligible for a streamlined, ministerial, approval process pursuant to Section 65913.4, shall be subject to applicable discretionary reviews required by the local jurisdiction, including, but not limited to, the California Environmental Quality Act (Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code).

(g) An eligible applicant shall provide each resident of the development with a recurring monthly transit pass with the applicable transit agency that provides service to the major transit stop or high quality transit corridor that qualified the applicant for the bonus at no cost to the resident.

65918.7. In the event that a transit-rich housing project is issued a demolition permit by a local government as described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (c) of Section 65918.6, the project shall comply with any state or local tenant relocation benefit and assistance program or ordinance serving residential tenants living in the units that will be demolished. Moreover, in the event that issuance of a demolition permit would result in the direct displacement of a residential tenant or tenants, tenants or in a net loss of affordable units as specified in subdivision (c), the local government may not issue demolition permits for rental housing units as a part of the application for a transit-rich housing project, unless the development proponent complies with relocation benefits and assistance, a right to remain, guarantee, and no net loss of affordable units, as follows:

(a) The development proponent prepares and submits a relocation assistance and benefits plan to the jurisdiction for eligible displaced persons as described in subdivision (d) of Section 65918.8.

(b) The development proponent offers all eligible displaced persons a right to remain guarantee that is a right of first refusal for a comparable unit in the transit-rich housing project after it finishes construction, and a new lease for that unit at a rate not to exceed the base rent defined in paragraph (2) of subdivision (f) of Section 65918.9. The development proponent shall provide all eligible displaced persons who enter into a new lease for a unit in the development a lease at the base rent with rent stabilization at the applicable base rent for the duration of their occupancy in the unit, regardless of the length of the initial lease. For purposes
of this subdivision, “rent stabilization” means that the rent for the
applicable eligible displaced person may only be increased, at
maximum, at the same percentage as the annual percentage
increase of the Consumer Price Index. If an eligible displaced
person who entered into a new lease for a unit in the development
departs from that unit, then that unit shall revert to an affordable
unit and shall be offered at a rate described in subparagraphs (A)
or (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (c).

(c) (1) With respect to any development that contains a parcel
or parcels described in paragraph (7) of subdivision (c) of Section
65918.6, the development proponent agrees to replace those units
and agrees to comply with one of the following:

(A) Offer units at an affordable rate, as described in paragraph
(2) of subdivision (c) of Section 65918.6.

(B) Offer each unit in the development, exclusive of a manager’s
unit or units, at a rate affordable to, and occupied by, either a
lower or very low income household.

(2) For purposes of this section, “replace” means either of the
following:

(A) If any dwelling units described in paragraph (1) are
occupied on the date that the application for the transit-rich
housing bonus was submitted, the development proponent provides
all eligible displaced persons, as defined in subdivision (b) of
Section 65918.8, with a right to remain guarantee, as described
in subdivision (b). For unoccupied dwelling units in a development
with occupied units, the development proponent shall provide units
of equivalent size or type, or both, to be made available at
affordable rent or affordable housing cost to, and occupied by,
persons and families in the same or lower income category in the
same proportion of affordability as the occupied units. All
replacement calculations resulting in fractional units shall be
rounded up to the next whole number. If the replacement units will
be rental dwelling units, these units shall be subject to a recorded
affordability restriction for at least 55 years.

(B) If all dwelling units described in paragraph (2) have been
vacated or demolished within the five-year period before the
application for the transit-rich housing bonus was submitted, the
development proponent shall provide at least the same number of
units of equivalent size or type, or both, as existed at the highpoint
of those units in the five-year period preceding the application to
be made available at affordable rent or affordable housing cost
to, and occupied by, persons and families in the same or lower
income category as those persons and families in occupancy at
that time, if known. If the incomes of the persons and families in
occupancy at the highpoint is not known, then one-half of the
required units shall be made available at affordable rent or
affordable housing cost to, and occupied by, very low-income
persons and families and one-half of the required units shall be
made available for rent at affordable housing costs to, and
occupied by, low-income persons and families. All replacement
calculations resulting in fractional units shall be rounded up to
the next whole number. If the replacement units will be rental
dwelling units, these units shall be subject to a recorded
affordability restriction for at least 55 years.

65918.8. (a) An eligible applicant that receives a transit-rich
housing bonus shall comply with the procedures and requirements
in this section in providing relocation benefits and a right to remain
guarantee to any eligible displaced person.
(b) For purposes of this chapter, “eligible displaced person”
means the following:
(1) Any person who occupies property that is located within the
development, and who will become displaced by the development.
(2) Any person who moves from property located within the
boundaries of the development after an application for a
development proposal subject to a transit-rich housing bonus is
deemed complete.
(c) An eligible applicant shall inform all eligible displaced
persons regarding the projected date of displacement and,
periodically, should inform those persons of any changes in the
projected date of displacement.
(d) A development proponent shall prepare a detailed relocation
benefits and assistance plan, and submit that plan to the applicable
local government for approval to determine whether the plan
complies with the requirements of this section. That plan shall
include all of the following:
(1) A diagrammatic sketch of the project area.
(2) Projected dates of displacement.
(3) A written analysis of the aggregate relocation needs of all
eligible displaced persons and a detailed explanation as to how
these needs are to be met.
(4) A written analysis of relocation housing resources, including vacancy rates of the neighborhood and surrounding areas.

(5) A detailed description of relocation payments to be made and a plan for disbursement.

(6) A cost estimate for carrying out the plan.

(7) A standard information statement to be sent to all eligible displaced persons who will be permanently displaced.

(8) Plans for public review and comment on the development project and relocation benefits and assistance plan.

(e) A development proponent shall provide notice of the relocation benefits and assistance plan to all eligible displaced persons at least 30 days before submitting the plan to the local government for approval pursuant to subdivision (d).

(f) After the applicable local government approves the relocation benefits and assistance plan pursuant to subdivision (d), the eligible applicant shall do all the following:

(1) Notify all eligible displaced persons of the following:

(A) The availability of relocation benefits and assistance.

(B) The eligibility requirements of relocation benefits and assistance.

(C) The procedures for obtaining relocation benefits and assistance.

(2) Determine the extent of the need of each eligible displaced person for relocation benefits and assistance.

(3) Provide the current and continuing information on the availability, prices, and rentals of comparable sales and rental housing, and as to security deposits, closing costs, typical down payments, interest rates, and terms for residential property in the area to all eligible displaced persons.

(4) Assist each eligible displaced person to complete applications for payments and benefits.

(5) Assist each eligible displaced person to obtain and move to a comparable replacement dwelling.

(6) Supply to each eligible displaced person information concerning federal and state housing programs.

(7) Inform all persons who are expected to be displaced about the eviction policies to be pursued in carrying out the project, which policies shall be in accordance with the relocation benefits and assistance plan approved pursuant to subdivision (d).
(g) An eligible applicant’s obligation to provide relocation benefits and assistance to an eligible displaced person shall cease if any of the following occurs:

1. An eligible displaced person moves to a comparable replacement dwelling and receives all assistance and payments to which he or she is entitled.
2. An eligible displaced person moves to substandard housing, refuses reasonable offers of additional assistance in moving to a decent, safe, and sanitary replacement dwelling, and receives all payments to which he or she is entitled.
3. The eligible applicant has failed to trace or locate the eligible displaced person after making all reasonable efforts to do so.
4. An eligible displaced person from his or her dwelling refuses, in writing, reasonable offers of assistance, payments, and comparable replacement housing.

(h) An eligible applicant shall not evict an eligible displaced person from property, except as a last resort. If an eligible displaced person is evicted as a last resort pursuant to this subdivision, that eviction in no way affects the eligibility of that person for relocation payments.

65918.9. An eligible applicant that receives a transit-rich housing bonus shall make relocation payments to or on behalf of eligible displaced persons that otherwise meets all basic eligibility conditions set out in Section 65918.8, for all actual reasonable expenses incurred for moving and related expenses to move themselves, their family, and their personal property, and for relocation benefits. In all cases, the amount of payment shall not exceed the reasonable cost of accomplishing the activity in connection with a claim that has been filed. In making payments under this section, the eligible applicant shall comply with section shall be subject to all of the following:

(a) For purposes of this section, “moving and related expenses” include all of the following:

1. Transportation of persons and property, not to exceed a distance of 50 miles from the site from which they were displaced, except where relocation beyond 50 miles is justified.
2. Packing, crating, unpacking, and uncrating personal property.
3. Storage of personal property, for a period not to exceed 12 months.
(4) Insurance of personal property while in storage or transit.

(5) The reasonable replacement value of property lost, stolen, or damaged (not through the fault or negligence of the displaced person, his agent, or employee) in the process of moving, where insurance covering such loss, theft, or damage is not reasonably available. A claim for payment hereunder shall be supported by written evidence of loss which may include appraisals, certified prices, bills of sale, receipts, canceled checks, copies of advertisements, offers to sell, auction records, and other records appropriate to support the claim.

(b) An eligible applicant may pay an eligible displaced person for their anticipated moving expenses in advance of the actual move. An eligible applicant shall provide advance payment as described in this subdivision whenever later payment would result in financial hardship to the eligible displaced person. In determining financial hardship for purposes of this subdivision, particular consideration shall be given to the financial limitations and difficulties experienced by low and moderate income persons.

(c) This section does not preclude an eligible applicant from relying upon other reasonable means of relocating an eligible displaced person, including contracting to have that eligible displaced person moved to satisfy the requirements of this section, and arranging for assignment of moving expense payments by eligible displaced persons.

(d) An eligible displaced person who elects to self-move may submit a claim for their moving and related expenses to the eligible applicant in an amount not to exceed an acceptable low bid or an amount acceptable to the displacing entity. An eligible displaced person is not required to provide documentation of moving expenses actually incurred.

(e) Except in cases of a displaced person conducting a self-move as provided in subdivision (d) above, an eligible displaced person who submits a claim for relocation payments under this section shall include a bill or other evidence of expenses incurred. An eligible applicant may enter into a written arrangement with the eligible displaced person and the mover so that the eligible displaced person may present to the eligible applicant an unpaid moving bill, and the eligible applicant can then pay the mover directly for any moving expenses incurred.
For purposes of this section, “relocation benefits” means a payment of an amount necessary to enable that person to lease or rent a replacement dwelling for a period not to exceed 42 months, as follows:

1. The amount of payment necessary to lease or rent a comparable replacement dwelling shall be computed by subtracting 42 times the base monthly rental of the displaced person, from 42 times the monthly rental for a comparable replacement dwelling, provided, that in no case may such amount exceed the difference between 42 times the base monthly rental as determined in accordance with this subdivision and 42 times the monthly rental actually required for the replacement dwelling occupied by the eligible displaced person.

2. The base monthly rental shall be the lesser of the average monthly rental paid by the eligible displaced person for the three-month period before the eligible applicant submitted the relocation benefits and assistance plan pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 65918.8, or 30 percent of the eligible displaced person’s average monthly income.

3. A dependent who is residing separate and apart from the person or family providing support, whether that residence is permanent or temporary shall be entitled to payment under this section, but that payment shall be limited to the period during which the displaced dependent resides in the replacement dwelling. At the time the displaced dependent vacates that dwelling, no further payment under this section shall be made to that person.

4. Except where specifically provided otherwise, the eligible applicant may disburse payments for relocation benefits under this section in a lump sum, monthly or at other intervals acceptable to the displaced person.

5. Upon request by an eligible displaced person who has not yet purchased and occupied a replacement dwelling, but who is otherwise eligible for a replacement housing payment, the eligible applicant shall certify to any interested party, financial institution, or lending agency, that the eligible displaced person will be eligible for the payment of a specific sum if they purchase and occupy a dwelling within the time limits prescribed.

65918.10. (a) This chapter, except for the requirements of this section, shall become operative on January 1, 2021. It is the intent of the Legislature in delaying the operative date of this act
to provide an opportunity for local governments to conduct studies and to adopt or update any ordinances as necessary, provided those ordinances do not eliminate residential zoning designations or decrease residential zoning development capacity within an existing zoning district.

(b) A local government, no later than July 1, 2020, may apply to the Department of Housing and Community Development, in a form and manner prescribed by the department, for a one-time one-year extension to delay the operation of this chapter until January 1, 2022, with respect to any parcels located within the jurisdictional boundaries of that local government. The department shall review any application so submitted and shall grant the application if the department finds that the local government has made significant progress towards conducting studies and adopting or updating necessary ordinances as required by subdivision (a), and that delaying the operative effect of this bill for that local government is necessary to give the local government time to complete those tasks. The department shall provide the local government with a statement in writing of the final decision on the application along with the reasoning for that decision. If the department grants an application to delay the operative date of this chapter for a particular local government pursuant to this subdivision, the department shall post that decision on its Internet Web site.

(c) If, on or after January 1, 2018, a local government adopts an ordinance that eliminates residential zoning designations or decreases residential zoning development capacity within an existing zoning district in which the development is located than what was authorized on January 1, 2018, then that development shall be deemed to be consistent with any applicable requirement of this chapter if it complies with zoning designations that were authorized as of January 1, 2018.

(b) The Department of Housing and Community Development may, at any time, review any new or revised zoning or design standards after the operative date of the act adding this section to determine if those local standards are consistent with the requirements of this section. If the department determines that those standards are inconsistent, the department shall issue, in a form and manner provided by the department, a finding of
inconsistency, and those standards shall be rendered invalid and
unenforceable as of the date that finding is issued.

SEC. 3. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to
Section 6 of Article XIIIIB of the California Constitution because
a local agency or school district has the authority to levy service
charges, fees, or assessments sufficient to pay for the program or
level of service mandated by this act, within the meaning of Section
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Agenda Item 4
2020 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy

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2020 RTP/SCS Timeline

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Why update goals and guiding policies?

• SCAG’s Strategic Plan
  • Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians
  • Create plans that enhance the region’s strength, economy, resilience and adaptability by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution

• State and federal planning factors and goals
  • Federal: Improve the resiliency and reliability of the transportation system and reduce or mitigate stormwater impacts of surface transportation
  • State: Foster Livable and Healthy Communities and Promote Social Equity

Why update goals and guiding policies?

• MPO baseline
  • SCAG has goals relating to economy, mobility, environment, and healthy and complete communities
  • Unlike other MPOs, do not have housing, equity, or mobility innovation goals

• Other
  • Improve clarity
  • Strengthen language with action-oriented verbs
### Adopted 2016 RTP/SCS Goals

1. Align the plan investments and policies with improving regional economic development and competitiveness.

2. Maximize mobility and accessibility for all people and goods in the region.

3. Ensure travel safety and reliability for all people and goods in the region.

4. Preserve and ensure a sustainable regional transportation system.

5. Maximize the productivity of our transportation system.

6. Protect the environment and health of our residents by improving air quality and encouraging active transportation (e.g., bicycling and walking).

7. Actively encourage and create incentives for energy efficiency, where possible.

8. Encourage land use and growth patterns that facilitate transit and active transportation.

9. Maximize the security of the regional transportation system through improved system monitoring, rapid recovery planning, and coordination with other security agencies.
Draft 2020 RTP/SCS Goals

1. Improve mobility, accessibility, reliability, and travel safety for people and goods.

2. Enhance the preservation, security, and resiliency of the regional transportation system.

3. Increase person throughput and travel choices.

4. Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality.

5. Leverage new transportation technologies and data-driven solutions that result in more efficient travel.


7. Create healthy and equitable communities.

8. Adapt to a changing climate by integrating a sustainable regional development pattern with the transportation network.

9. Preserve existing housing, while encouraging development of diverse housing types in transportation-supported areas.

10. Conserve natural and agricultural lands and restore critical habitats.
Adopted 2016 RTP/SCS Guiding Policies

1. Transportation investments shall be based on SCAG’s adopted regional Performance Indicators.

2. Ensuring safety, adequate maintenance and efficiency of operations on the existing multimodal transportation system should be the highest RTP/SCS priorities for any incremental funding in the region.

3. RTP/SCS land use and growth strategies in the RTP/SCS will respect local input and advance smart growth initiatives.

4. Transportation demand management (TDM) and active transportation will be focus areas, subject to Policy 1.

5. HOV gap closures that significantly increase transit and rideshare usage will be supported and encouraged, subject to Policy 1.

6. The RTP/SCS will support investments and strategies to reduce non-recurrent congestion and demand for single occupancy vehicle use, by leveraging advanced technologies.

7. The RTP/SCS will encourage transportation investments that result in cleaner air, a better environment, a more efficient transportation system and sustainable outcomes in the long run.

8. Monitoring progress on all aspects of the Plan, including the timely implementation of projects, programs, and strategies, will be an important and integral component of the Plan.
Draft 2020 RTP/SCS Guiding Policies

1. Transportation investments shall be based on adopted regional performance indicators and targets.

2. The highest priorities for transportation funding in the region should be to ensure mobility, accessibility, reliability, safety, and preservation of the existing transportation system.

3. RTP/SCS investments and strategies will result in reduced non-recurrent congestion and demand for single occupancy vehicle use by leveraging new transportation technologies and expanding travel choices.

5. Transportation investments will be encouraged to result in improved air quality and public health, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions.

6. Land use and growth strategies will respect local input, acknowledge existing disparities, promote sustainable transportation options and adaptable communities.

7. Transportation investments should reflect best known science regarding climate change vulnerability in order to make necessary design changes for long term resilience.

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Next Steps

• April – June: Regional Planning Working Groups review and discuss relevant 2020 RTP/SCS goals and guiding policies

• July: SCAG staff share updated draft 2020 RTP/SCS goals and guiding policies with Joint Policy Committee

• September onwards: incorporate updated goals and guiding policies into the plan

Thank you

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