



2018 STATE LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY PLATFORM

Issue	Goal	Strategy
Transportation Funding	A. Lower the 2/3 super majority vote for local and regional transportation taxes	<p>Support proposals to assist in the passage of local transportation measures by amending the constitution to allow a city, county, special district or regional transportation agency to impose a special tax for transportation projects with 55 percent approval.</p> <p>Oppose efforts to add burdensome restrictions on the expenditure plan for measures seeking passage by a 55 percent margin.</p>
	B. Defend Senate Bill 1 (Beall)	<p>Oppose any statewide ballot measure that proposes to repeal the new fuel taxes and registration fees enacted by Senate Bill 1 (Beall, 2017).</p> <p>Monitor legislative efforts to change SB 1 programs or expenditures from SB 1 resources or the underlying base transportation revenues and Oppose any that may emerge.</p>
	C. Protect new Fuel and Registration Taxes	<p>Support ACA 5 (Frazier) that seeks to prohibit the Legislature from borrowing revenues from fees and taxes imposed on vehicles or their use or operation, and from using those revenues other than as specifically permitted in the Constitution. This measure is set for the June 5, 2018 statewide ballot.</p>
	D. Advocate for a FY 2018-19 State Budget that addresses transportation needs	<p>Advocate for continued appropriation of SB 1 transportation resources in the 2017-18 State budget.</p>
	E. Consider for discussion the potential of seeking an extension of the statutory 2020 deadline for the Authority to pursue an extended or new tax under provisions of AB 1665 (Bonilla – 2016)	<p>Discuss potential for legislation that will permit CCTA to continue to be positioned for a new or extended sales tax for transportation by extending the statutory “sunset” date of 2020.</p>

Improve Freeway Operations	A. Seek approval to provide enhanced bus service in the I- 680 corridor	Sponsor legislation to provide authorization to operate buses in auxiliary lanes and on shoulders to bypass congestion and improve reliability of bus transit service in this corridor.
Cap-and-Trade Funding	A. Secure Cap-and-Trade funding in the FY 2017-18 State Budget	Continue the collaboration with our Bay Area partner agencies and legislative delegation in view of this year's enactment of legislation that extended the cap-and-trade program beyond 2020, to secure cap-and-trade funding in the FY 2017-18 State Budget and anticipated new Long-Range Expenditure Plan that would go into effect in 2020.
	B. Ensure Cap and Trade funds are invested to best assist in meeting county SB 375 goals and sustainability policies	<p>Monitor program guidelines and any proposed changes in the cap and trade programs in the administrative or legislative process.</p> <p>Advocate for fair opportunities for regional projects to best compete for funds.</p> <p>Monitor regulatory or administrative efforts that seek to update the disadvantaged communities' definition or screening tools.</p>
California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)	A. Monitor efforts to update and streamline the CEQA process	Work with Bay Area partner agencies or other coalitions to support CEQA streamlining and/or reform concepts for transportation projects that are consistent with a Regional Transportation Plan.
Connected and Autonomous Vehicle Policy and Funding	A. Support policies and funding to advance Connected and Autonomous Vehicle technology	<p>Support policies and funding to advance Connected and Autonomous Vehicle technology to enhance transportation safety, efficient mobility, a healthier environment, and economic growth and job creation.</p> <p>Monitor possible changes to recently adopted DMV Autonomous Vehicle guidelines.</p> <p>Monitor regulatory or legislative initiatives that could affect the conduct of pilot demonstration programs in Contra Costa related to connected and autonomous vehicles.</p>

<p>Project Delivery</p>	<p>A. Support institutional changes at all levels that result in more expeditious, cost-effective project delivery and/or a more efficient, cohesive transportation system</p>	<p>Support legislation to expand the use of Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC), Design-Build, or alternative project delivery methods to Self-Help Counties or other local project sponsors of projects on the State highway system.</p> <p>Support legislation to enact Public Private Partnership (P3) authority.</p> <p>Support continued NEPA delegation for the State and potential expansion to regional and local agencies.</p>
	<p>B. Seek alternative delivery methods for use in implementing ferry service within the county.</p>	<p>Support legislation that would authorize the utilization of public private partnerships and modern project delivery tools such as Design-Build authority to ensure the timely and cost effective implementation of new and emerging ferry service in Contra Costa County.</p>
<p>Regional Autonomy</p>	<p>A. Support efforts that respect, enhance or expand local decision- making authority and assures regional flexibility.</p>	<p>Monitor legislative or administrative efforts that propose new programs or amend existing programs to ensure that local decision-making authority is maintained.</p>