



CENTRAL VALLEY—GOODS MOVEMENT CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

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SETTING THE STAGE

- ◆ The Goods Movement Action Plan (GMAP) identifies the Central Valley as one of the State's four key trade corridors.
- ◆ Much of California's new growth will occur in the central part of the state.
 - ◆ 3 of the nation's top agricultural producing counties;
 - ◆ Significant exports
 - ◆ Available land for housing and commerce

CHALLENGES

◆ Infrastructure

- \$19.9 billion in bond funds for transportation improvements (including State Route 99, goods movement program) is only a “down payment.”
- Delivery of needed projects will take time.
- Improving air quality is a critical, need that must be accomplished concurrently.

State Route 99

- ◆ SR 99: “Main Street” of the Valley: 424 miles, 274 miles in San Joaquin Valley, 150 miles in Sacramento Valley
- ◆ SR 99 Business Plan: \$6 billion in improvements
- ◆ Plan includes freeway conversion (6+ lanes), capacity increases, operational improvements, new interchanges

CHALLENGES, CONT

- ◆ Increasing truck volumes
- ◆ Congested corridors
- ◆ Higher unemployment (large number of seasonal workers)
- ◆ Demands on the rail system in the movement of agricultural-related cargos and international trade

OPPORTUNITIES

- ◆ Business friendly environment
- ◆ Central location
- ◆ Highways, freeway system: “Arteries” of CA, and connections to the rest of the U.S.
- ◆ Active freight rail system, high potential passenger rail system
- ◆ Development opportunities at the Port of Stockton

OPPORTUNITIES, CONT

- ◆ Growing air passenger and freight services
- ◆ Stakeholders that are ready, willing and able to develop solutions to the region's problems.

Central Valley Projects (examples)

- ◆ SR 4 Extension (crosstown freeway) to Port of Stockton
- ◆ Tehachapi Pass double-track tunnel
- ◆ I-580 Truck climbing lanes
- ◆ Altamont Pass freight rail corridor

Bay Area Projects (examples)

- ◆ 7th Street Grade Crossing
- ◆ Martinez Subdivision Rail Improvements
- ◆ Port of Oakland Outer Harbor Intermodal Terminal

CONCLUSION

- ◆ Transportation is the lifeline...and the challenge.
- ◆ BLN provides a unique opportunity for the Central Valley to come together to develop strategic approaches.