

Transportation in California: A Stake in Sustainable Funding

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Reality

- Intense focus on transportation
 - Federal (Authorization, Stimulus), State (Budget, Bonds, SB 375) & Regional (Measure R)
- What is the cost of keeping up?
 - Beyond our ability?
 - Collapse of transportation systems will decimate our economy
 - What does this mean?

Is the future bleak or bright?



“Bleak” Indicators

- **Failure of the existing systems to meet basic needs (i.e., over-leveraged)**
- **Recent approaches are band-aids not solutions**
- **Persistence of the politics of fear**
- **Lack of sustainable investment**

“Bright” Indicators

- People are mobilizing for change
- Crisis yields opportunity
- Next generations are doing things differently
- California can lead the nation

Comprehensive Problem Solving

- We all have a stake in solving this problem
 - everything is linked
- Measure R cannot be used to solve Sacramento's problems
- We can do it differently: **FIX IT FIRST & INVEST vs. SPEND.**

Comprehensive Problem Solving

*“No problem can be solved from the same level
of consciousness that created it.”*

Albert Einstein

Solutions

Short-term, Long-term & Holistic:

- Asset management -- “Fix it first”
- Triage: revenue, indexing & leverage
- Ongoing approaches: pricing, HOT lanes, VMT, green vehicle registration fees, better delivery mechanisms...
- P3 can (and does) play a role in all these areas throughout the world... why not California?

The Future: Bleak or Bright?

Our destiny hinges upon honesty, initiative and leadership.

