The 2014 RTP is our region’s blueprint for a transportation system that enhances our quality of life and meets our mobility needs now and in the future. The 2014 RTP strives to further enhance our quality of life, promote sustainability and offer more mobility options for people and goods. The plan includes a strong commitment to creating a more sustainable transportation system that maximizes choice, addresses transportation issues holistically and is both visionary and attainable.

Vision:
Create a fully integrated and intermodal transportation system which facilitates the safe movement of people, goods, and information within and through the region, while encouraging the development of more sustainable communities.

Goals:
- Mobility
- Accessibility
- Safety
- Sustainability
- Equity
- Efficiency
- Livability

The vast majority of funding, 49% (over $1B), is derived from local revenues. As federal and state funding declines, local governments are assuming an ever-increasing percentage of total transportation expenditures.

The proposed expenditure categories for the 2014 RTP continue a strong intermodal funding approach. While all modes are assured some level of improvement, none will achieve fulfillment of all requests and needs.
The region’s transportation budget over the next 20 years is almost $2.2 billion. When smart transportation investments are implemented concurrently with the Sustainable Communities Strategy, the San Luis Obispo region benefits in multiple ways.

**Our Anticipated Future**

By 2035, our region will have...

- **46,000** more people
- **18,000** new homes
- **20,000** new jobs
- **25 percent** age 65 or older

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**Recommended Transportation Investments**

- **Public Transportation**
  - $589 million
  - Bus Express Services, Regional & Local Bus Services, Intercity Passenger Rail Station & Service Improvements

- **Active Transportation**
  - $132 million
  - Shared Use Paths, Bikeways, Streetscape & Sidewalk Enhancements, Safe Routes to School, Additional Safety Programs

- **Highways, Streets & Roads**
  - $1.36 billion
  - Street & Road Improvements, US 101 & SR 46/41 Improvements, Other Highway Improvements, Local Street & Road Maintenance

- **Maximizing System Efficiency**
  - $91 million
  - Ridesharing, Park & Ride Lots, Traffic Operations and Safety, Intelligent Transportation Systems
2014 RTP Benefits Summary

Mobility

• Improves multimodal connections between communities
• Grows transit ridership by 80%
• Improves regional mobility and safety for motorists
• Reduces congestion on US 101 and at interchanges and intersections

Economy

• Based on Federal Highway Administration estimates, the $1 billion spent on transportation infrastructure in this plan will create 10,870 job-years – of which up to 4,000 can persist long after construction – generated by increased labor from better mobility and more efficient goods movement.
• Improves freight traffic flow on SR 46 East
• Increases economic vitality in downtown cores
• Reduces time wasted sitting in traffic
• Increases affordable transportation options and achieves more diverse housing options

Safety & Security

• Lowers accident rates, giving our residents the peace of mind to travel safely using whatever mode they choose
• Protects vulnerable users such as bicyclists and pedestrians

Sustainable Communities Strategy & Health

• Focuses on development within communities
• Reduces Vehicle Miles Traveled per capita from 30.2 in 2005 to 28.2 in 2035, an 8.5% reduction
• Reduces per capita CO2 emissions by 10.9%, exceeding the region’s target of 8%
• Reduces wear and tear on the highway system
• Reduces precursors of ozone, which can negatively affect ecosystems and trigger respiratory health problems
• Allows residents to get exercise while getting from point A to point B with improved sidewalks, multi-use paths and bike lanes
• Reduces injuries resulting from crashes
• Preserves agricultural lands
• Protects habitat and open space areas