



Transportation & Infrastructure Committee Meeting

January 22, 2026

I. Introduction

II. Major Projects

a. Safety Expansion on SR-14 between Palmdale and Santa Clarita

b. Center for Transportation Technology Excellence

c. High Desert Corridor

d. High Speed Rail

III. Key Legislation & Initiatives for 2026:

Transit-Oriented Housing (SB 79): Mandates zoning changes allowing mid-to-high-density housing near major transit stops in eight counties, effective July 1, 2026.

Highway Safety & Enforcement:

Work Zone Cameras (AB 289): Authorizes a pilot program for automated cameras in work zones to ticket speeding vehicles.

Red-Light Cameras: Local governments can use cameras to enforce red-light violations.

E-Bike Regulations: New, stricter standards for e-bike safety and certification are in effect.

Transportation Funding: The California Transportation Commission (CTC) approved \$1.1 billion in late 2025 for zero-emission buses, charging infrastructure, bridge repair, and local road improvements.

CEQA Reform: Major reforms signed in mid-2025 streamline environmental reviews for infrastructure projects.

IJIA Reauthorization: Caltrans is working on principles for the reauthorization of the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, with a draft expected early 2026.

IV. Upcoming State Legislation. (Discussion)



V. Reports/Comments of Public Partners:

A. Public Officials Offices

B. Lancaster Report

C. Palmdale Report

D. NTC/HDC Reports

E. LA Metro/Caltrans

F. AVTA

G. Other partners