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DESCRIPTION

Orange County's (County) population is anticipated to grow by 10 percent (about 311,000 residents) by 2040, while employment is expected to grow by 17 percent (about 275,000 jobs). Without continued investment in the transportation system, this anticipated growth will crowd our roadways, increasing commute times and impacting quality of life.

Every four years, the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) develops the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), which OCTA uses to identify projects that can be funded over the next 20 to 25 years, and to evaluate their impact on future travel conditions. This also provides an opportunity to consider what planning initiatives are needed by OCTA to further improve Orange County's transportation system. Once complete, the LRTP serves as the blueprint for future projects and as OCTA's input into the Regional Transportation Plan for Southern California. This ensures that OCTA's projects are eligible for state and federal funding, and allows projects to move through the formal project development process.

GOALS

The goals of the LRTP are:

- Deliver on commitments (i.e. Measure M)
- Improve performance of the transportation system
- Expand transportation choices
- Support sustainability of the transportation system and quality of life

KEY CONSIDERATIONS

OCTA will engage the community and stakeholders in providing feedback on the challenges facing the transportation system, such as:

- Improving mobility efficiencies to address growing traffic
- Preparing for emerging technologies and services (e.g. self-driving and electric vehicles) and their impacts on the transportation system
- Developing a new vision for transit
- Meeting the challenges of federal and state emission standards
- Addressing transportation funding uncertainties

SCHEDULE

Milestone	Timeline
Stakeholder Outreach	Ongoing
Draft LRTP	Spring 2018
Final LRTP to SCAG	Summer/Fall 2018



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