AB 285 Phase II: Stakeholder Engagement Process

The California Transportation Assessment

The California Strategic Growth Council (SGC) was directed by the Legislature to assess transportation planning and funding in California pursuant to AB 285 (Friedman, Chapter 605, Statutes of 2019) and deliver its findings in 2022. Phase I commenced in Spring 2021 when SGC entered a contract with the University of California Institute for Transportation Studies (UC ITS) to conduct research and analysis. UC ITS engaged researchers from UC Berkeley, UCLA, and UC Davis to prepare working papers and a final summary report. Staff from SGC and UC ITS presented initial draft findings during SGC’s November 2021 Council Meeting. SGC shared the final summary report and SGC-authored foreword in early February and during the February 2022 Council Meeting SGC staff presented a summary of the report, emphasizing five core issue areas that came out of the research. At the SGC meeting, staff also received feedback from Councilmembers and stakeholders through public comment.

The subsequent phase of work (Phase II) is a robust outreach and stakeholder engagement process that seeks to elicit feedback, share findings, convene stakeholders, and identify specific areas of feasible action. See below for Phase II outreach and stakeholder engagement timeline.

Phase II Timeline

Public Engagement Tools

SGC Council Meetings

- Public Comment: Members of the public were invited to submit written comments on the presentation or provide public comment during both the November 2021 and February 2022 Council Meeting. Both comments informed the respective next steps. The Council Meetings recordings and presentations can be found here.

Public Survey

- The public survey is available online from March to April 2022 so the public may respond to the recommendations described in the final summary report prepared by UC ITS. All responses will be reviewed by SGC staff.
Written Public Comment
• Members of the public are invited to submit their assessment on the Report’s findings at transportation@sgc.ca.gov. Comments addressing the Report’s findings and recommendations that focus on potential solutions and viable next steps are encouraged.

Public Workshop
• The public workshop will be open to the public in late April 2022. Attendees may comment on the report findings and what was discussed during the work sessions.

Next Steps
• Once Phase II has concluded, SGC will release a final summary report that summarizes the actions discussed during the work sessions and feedback collected at the public workshop.

Contact Information
• For further information, please contact transportation@sgc.ca.gov

Resources
• AB 285 Public Survey - https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AB285PublicSurvey
• Summary Synthesis (SGC) - (Resources - Strategic Growth Council (ca.gov), escholarship)
• Working Paper 1 - https://escholarship.org/uc/item/2fs5w7jp
• Working Paper 2 - https://escholarship.org/uc/item/0tn6w554
• Working Paper 3 - https://escholarship.org/uc/item/7p8096mh
• Working Paper 4 - https://escholarship.org/uc/item/1n10d2gc
• Working Paper 5 - https://escholarship.org/uc/item/5wz0z0jz
• Presentation of Summary Report and Next Steps to SGC – February 24, 2022 (YouTube link)