

California Sustainable Freight Action Plan: Pilot Project Ideas

Background

On July 17, 2015, Governor Brown issued Executive Order (EO) B-32-15 which directs the California State Transportation, California Environmental Protection, and Natural Resources Agencies to lead other relevant State departments, including the California Air Resources Board, the California Department of Transportation, the California Energy Commission, and the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, to improve freight efficiency, transition to zero-emission technologies, and increase competitiveness of California's freight system through an integrated freight action plan and pilot projects. Work must be initiated this year on primary trade corridor pilot projects with attributes discussed in the purpose below to ensure California is making progress toward a sustainable freight transportation system. Primary trade corridors are defined as those highways with the highest truck volumes, the busiest freight rail routes, and/or corridors providing essential connectivity between key freight gateways and regions (e.g., seaports, border ports of entry, and freight intermodal facilities as identified in the California Freight Mobility Plan).

Purpose

Identify freight pilot project ideas in California that ensure progress towards a sustainable freight transportation system, and would benefit from integrated actions by the State agencies (identified above) on advanced technologies, alternative fuels, freight and fuel infrastructure, and local economic development.

Format for Project Ideas

Please provide a brief project summary with the following information:

1. Name and contact information.
2. Descriptive (under ten-word) project title.
3. Location of project (e.g., Interstate-XX, _____ County, post mile _____ to _____ or Port of _____, _____ Road, _____ longitude, _____ latitude).
4. Concise two paragraph executive summary of project.
5. Detailed description of how the pilot project idea components will incorporate advanced technologies, alternative fuels, freight and fuel infrastructure, and local economic development; and advance goals of improving freight efficiency, transitioning to zero-emission technologies, and increasing competitiveness of California's freight system.
6. Estimated cost for implementation and existing funding commitments (include any funding limitations or constraints) by stakeholder and amount.
7. Timeline.
8. Means for measuring progress toward meeting goals over time.
9. Description of the potential roles each of the interagency partners could provide to support the project's implementation.

Additional information may be attached. Please note that any information provided is considered public.

Idea summaries and any supporting materials should be provided via email to freight@arb.ca.gov by **5:00 pm November 30, 2015**. All ideas will be reviewed by the State agencies and a list of preliminary pilot projects for consideration will be presented for public comment at regional workshops planned for January 2016.

To learn more about the California Sustainable Freight Action Plan, please visit: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/gmp/sfti/sfti.htm>. Please contact Lezlie Kimura Szeto for questions at Lezlie.Kimura@arb.ca.gov.

