



Frequently Asked Questions

Here are answers to some common questions about how the proposed **Los Angeles County Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Ordinance** would work, who it would impact, and how it would support safer, healthier, and more connected communities.

What is the TDM Ordinance?

The Los Angeles County Transit Demand Management (TDM) Ordinance is a proposed County regulation for certain new development projects that will provide a coordinated set of strategies designed to support community circulation, growth and quality of life. The ordinance aims to reduce unnecessary car trips and expand access to walking, biking, and public transit, in order to create safer, cleaner, and more connected communities.

What does “TDM” mean and why does it matter?

TDM stands for Transportation Demand Management. TDM strategies help people get around without needing to drive alone by expanding access to carpooling, biking, walking, public transit, and remote work options. The goals of these strategies are to improve air quality, reduce traffic, and support daily life in ways that are more affordable and sustainable.

How would this ordinance affect my community?

If you live, work, or travel in unincorporated LA County, the program could benefit you by creating a safer travel environment, improving your travel experience, creating greater connectivity, and improving air quality throughout the region. TDM strategies may also result in fewer vehicles on the road and make it easier for people to access and use different transportation options.

How would this help protect our environment and health?

This program would support California's efforts to fight climate change and improve quality of life for everyone. When fewer people drive alone, less air pollution and greenhouse gases are produced, leading to cleaner air and healthier neighborhoods. It can also help the County meet State climate and sustainability goals.

How would this program improve safety for people walking, biking, or driving?

The program would support safer street designs, such as improved crosswalks, protected bike lanes, and traffic calming measures. These improvements would help everyone travel more safely regardless of how they choose to get around.

How would the program make it easier to walk or bike?

By incentivizing wider sidewalks, better lighting, more bike parking, and smoother connections between neighborhoods, the program aims to make walking and biking safer, more comfortable, and more accessible.

How would the program affect traffic?

By incentivizing TDM measures like free transit passes, secure bike parking, and improved sidewalks, the program would help facilitate more options for people getting around without a car. Investing in these measures could reduce the number of drive-alone trips generated by new development by making other travel options more accessible.

How would the program connect to other County plans?

The ordinance would work in conjunction with the County's ongoing efforts to make neighborhoods healthier, safer, and more connected. The program would support the County's General Plan, Bicycle Master Plan, Housing Element, Climate Action Plan, and Sustainability Plan.

How will the community be given opportunities to provide input?

LA County Public Works is seeking input from community members, organizations, and local leaders to make sure the program reflects community needs through various outreach and engagement activities, including both in-person and virtual public meetings, survey opportunities, and more. Your ideas, feedback, and experiences will help achieve better outcomes.

Learn more, share comments, sign up for updates, and find upcoming events at:

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