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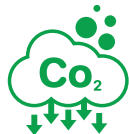
Los Angeles County Public Works is developing a **Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Mitigation Program Report** to ensure that new development projects incorporate strategies or features that would improve mobility options across the County.

The VMT Mitigation Program Report would offer developers the option of offsetting transportation impacts through investing in off-site improvements to reduce Countywide VMT, such as expanded transit service, safer bike networks, and complete streets.

The goals of the program report are to:



Provide more options for getting around



Improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions



Create more connected communities throughout the County

Reducing Countywide VMT

Since July 1, 2020, most development projects in California that require one or more discretionary approval(s) must use a new metric called VMT to measure their potential transportation impacts. Instead of evaluating how much congestion could result from a proposed project, VMT requires local lead agencies to consider how far and how often people would drive as a result of the project. Reducing VMT is critical to improving air quality, cutting greenhouse gas emissions, and creating more sustainable communities.

Currently, some proposed development projects cannot reduce their VMT impacts to acceptable levels using on-site measures alone. To provide developers with more options, the VMT Mitigation Program Report would establish a clear and consistent framework for mitigating VMT impacts and provide a mechanism for developers to invest in off-site "benefit projects," such as affordable housing, transit options, and active transportation improvements, that would reduce areawide VMT.



Get Involved

The County is in the early stages of developing its VMT Mitigation Program Report. We are seeking input from community members, businesses, local agencies, and other stakeholders to help shape the programs' goals and strategies. Your feedback will ensure these programs reflect how you travel and support a more sustainable, connected County.

January 2027

Preliminary Framework

February 2027

Refined Framework

April 2027

Final for Board Consideration

April 2027

Final Framework

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