Transportation GHG Reduction Strategies

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FFY22 Climate Focus Area Work Plan

1. Regional climate planning and coordination
2. Transportation GHG reduction strategies
3. Local climate action and capacity building
4. Climate data and information
5. GHG reporting and performance monitoring
6. Electric vehicle infrastructure strategy
7. Regional greenhouse gas inventory
8. Regional transportation vulnerability assessment
On-road emissions are nearly one-quarter of all emissions

2015 Greenhouse Gas Inventory. Total Emissions = 119.13 MMTCO2e.
Majority of emissions from Passenger Cars, Passenger Trucks, and Combination Long-haul Trucks

Percent Total Emissions by Year by Source Type for Spring 2020 Conformity Run

Majority of VMT is from Passenger Cars and Trucks (bottom)
Transportation Mitigation – strategies to reduce GHG
Scenarios

Travel Behavior and Infrastructure
Improve system efficiency
- Highway RSPs
- Congestion reduction technologies
Reduce demand
- Increase work from home
- Driving cost
  - Price parking
  - Tolling/ congestion pricing
  - VMT or GHG tax
Mode shift
- Transit RSPs
- Increase transit use
- Increase active transportation

Vehicle Fuel and Technology
- More efficient vehicles (CAFE standards, smaller cars)
- Electrify cars
- Electrify freight
- Electrify transit
- Other alternative fuels

Future Analysis / Out of Scope
- Land use
- Air / Marine
- Electricity source
- Manufacturing / materials
Findings

Induced demand limits the GHG benefits of many scenarios

Off Peak Truck Delivery

- Truck GHG: -1.6%
- Passenger GHG: 1.2%
- Total GHG: 0.1%
Findings

Freight emissions not currently responsive to many policy behavior levers in model
- Freight accounts for 30-40% of transportation emission
Findings

Working from home could impact GHG, but only at extreme levels
Findings

Many strategies to reduce GHG also reduce other pollutants such as PM 2.5
Modeling next steps

Not a comprehensive list of strategies, but representative of different categories and policy priorities

While each strategy has a small overall impact, can complement each other

Our modeling tools are getting better, but still work to do
Where are we trying to go?

Emissions by Year for Spring 2020 Conformity Run and Draft Reduction Target

Spring 2020 Run
24.2 MMTCO2e in 2050

Potential Targets
Next steps

Work toward targets for transportation GHG

Research additional freight GHG reduction strategies

Develop policy recommendations to achieve targets
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## Scenario Results

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