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# Final Draft Congestion Mitigation Fee Feasibility Study Report

Planning and Programming Committee  
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# Background and Update

- In 2003 the Board directed us to explore the feasibility of implementing a congestion mitigation fee.
- Throughout the Study period we have worked with the Policy Advisory Committee, Sub-Regions/COGs, local jurisdictions, the development community and other stakeholders to obtain input.
- The Board adopted a set of Guiding Principles in April 2007.
- The Draft Congestion Mitigation Fee Feasibility Study Report was developed based on Mitigation Fee Act, CMP statutory requirements, as well as feedback and experience of others.
- The Draft Study Report was released for public comment on January 11, 2008 through April 25, 2008.
- Since June 2008 Planning and Programming Committee meeting the San Gabriel Valley COG expressed interest in conducting a congestion mitigation fee pilot project in Step 2.

# Program Highlights

- Mitigation fee on new development
- Countywide minimum fee
- Funds local projects with regional benefit (major arterials, highways, transit capital)
- Local control – project selection, fund collection and administration, and project construction
- If adopted, replaces CMP “debit-credit” and becomes local CMP responsibility

# Updated Congestion Mitigation Fee Program Work Plan

## STEP 1:

Jan 11 – Apr 25, 2008  
September 2008

Circulated Draft Study Report  
Final Study Report to Board

## STEP 2:

January 09 – June 09  
July 09

Coordinate with jurisdictions on forecasts and project selection  
Board action whether to proceed with program

## STEP 3:

August 09 – Feb10  
March 10

Conduct legal Nexus Study  
Nexus Study findings to the Board for action

## STEP 4:

April 10+

Local implementation

# Next Steps

## Recommend Board approval to go to Step 2:

- Coordinate with local jurisdictions on growth forecasts, project selection, and SGVCOG pilot project
- Any recommended changes that occur during Step 2 can be incorporated into the Final Study Report.
- Step 2 will be reported to the Board in July '09