



Why is this study important?

This statewide study answers the following questions:

- What is the condition of California's system of local streets and roads?
- What will it cost to bring them up to a Best Management Practices (BMP) condition, which is most cost effective to maintain?
- What will it cost to maintain them in the BMP condition?
- Considering existing revenues, is there a funding shortfall? If so, what is it?
- What are the potential solutions policy makers can consider?
- What are the impacts to the local transportation network of different funding scenarios?

Why was this study needed?

Cities and counties own and operate 82% of the state's publicly maintained roadway mileage. Many jurisdictions have severe maintenance backlogs and fear that we are losing the public's investment in this critical component of the statewide transportation system. Cities and counties are in desperate need a sufficient and stable funding source to save the local system however there was no comprehensive statewide data to demonstrate this need to the public and lawmakers. The 2008 California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment was the first comprehensive analysis that quantified needs of local streets and roads network. The 2010 report is the first biennial revision that provides updated data on the condition of the local system and the funding shortfall.

Who is sponsoring this project?

Many cities and counties contributed funding to this study. The agencies listed have provided the leadership and resources necessary to complete the study on behalf of California's cities and counties.

- League of California Cities (League)
- California State Association of Counties (CSAC)
- County Engineers Association of California (CEAC)
- County of Los Angeles
- California Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPA)
- California Rural Counties Task Force (RCTF)

The Assessment Oversight Committee is composed of representatives from each organization, with the County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, acting as the Project Manager.

How can this information be used?

The results are used to educate policy makers and the public regarding funding needs for the local transportation system. It also complements federal and state and other modal needs assessment efforts to provide picture for the overall transportation network in California. This information is also used within the long-range regional transportation planning process to determining funding needs and informs cost effective investment decisions.

The results have been shared with the Department of Transportation, California Transportation Commission, legislative leaders in transportation policy areas, the Legislative Analyst Office, and other state leaders as part of a plan to secure infrastructure funding for cities and counties to protect this important component of the State's transportation system.

Who performed this study?

Nichols Consulting Engineers, Chtd. was selected to perform this study. The Project Manager is Patrick DeChellis, Deputy Public Works Director for Los Angeles County.

Where can I get a copy of the full report?

You can download the report at www.savecaliforniastreet.org. Printed copies will be made available for purchase in February 2011.

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