



**Mobility-21**

**LA County Moving Together  
Los Angeles County Transportation Summit Resolution No. 2002-04  
November 18, 2002**

**Streets and Freeways**

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Description: Resolution supporting increased funding and resources to help maximize mobility benefits from Los Angeles County streets and freeways.

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WHEREAS, Los Angeles County is well-known for its dependence on freeways and arterials; and

WHEREAS, The approximately 21,000 miles of arterials and 900 miles of freeways and State highways in Los Angeles County are increasing in congestion; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles County has reached a level of density which makes additions of new roads or expansions a formidable task both environmentally and financially; and

WHEREAS, Growing congestion indicates that the existing roadway system needs to be re-examined and innovative ideas devised; and

WHEREAS, Ultimately, the efficient operation of buses, paratransit vehicles, trucks and our economy are dependent on the efficient operation of the arterials and highway network; and

WHEREAS, There is a limited ability to expand capacity of our roadway systems in response to existing and increasing travel demand, and there is a lack of inter-regional and sub-regional coordination to address these travel needs which is constraint to regional mobility; and

WHEREAS, Last year, nearly 800 people died and another 91,000 people were injured in crashes on the streets and highways of Los Angeles County; and

WHEREAS, About 50 percent of congestion on freeways is caused by incidents, majority of which are attributable to crashes; and

WHEREAS, Crashes are primarily caused by driver error and inattention; and

WHEREAS, Most crashes are avoidable by the roadway user through the exercise of common sense and courtesy; and

WHEREAS, Mobility and safety are basic societal and economic needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MOBILITY-21 COALITION:

THAT Mobility-21 endorses the highway project and program recommendations in both the state of California and Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Consensus Principles for Reauthorization of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (TEA-21); and

THAT Mobility-21 supports development and implementation of improvements to increase arterial system capacity and efficiency such as signal synchronization improvements; bus priority traffic control systems; traffic flow improvements that enhance capacity; and bike lanes improvement and development; and

THAT Mobility-21 supports elimination of existing bottlenecks and gaps to improve system operation; and

THAT Mobility-21 supports improvements to increase the person-carrying and goods movement capacity of the regional arterial and highway system; and

THAT Mobility-21 supports aggressive pursuit of lower cost traffic flow improvements to relieve traffic congestion and improve mobility; and

THAT Mobility-21 supports mobility enhancements that integrate freeway and arterial operation and support goods movement efforts; and

THAT Mobility-21 supports completion of the network of carpool lanes, including construction of carpool lane connectors; and

THAT Mobility-21 supports seeking funding for major freeway corridor improvements; and

THAT Mobility-21 supports seeking federal and state funding for nationally significant truck lane projects; and

THAT Mobility-21 supports applying available intelligent transportation technologies to provide multi-modal transportation options to the public and to

increase the efficiency of the existing transportation system to maximize capacity;  
and

THAT Mobility-21 supports seeking new funding for arterials and highways maintenance; and

THAT Mobility-21 endorses that a focus be placed on corridor coordination, project development and implementation and streamline project delivery; and

THAT Mobility-21 promotes land-use policies to reduce demand on our existing transportation system; and

THAT Mobility-21 encourages a countywide educational campaign including the media, community organizations, schools, governmental organizations and all interested groups, to be initiated to raise the awareness of roadway users. The campaign must be conceived, subscribed, and involve all interested stakeholders;  
and

THAT Mobility-21 endorses enforcement efforts that complements the educational campaign; and

THAT Mobility-21 endorses that Los Angeles County shall develop performance-based strategies to implement multi-modal solutions and seek necessary funding to efficiently and effectively reduce congestion, improve safety, and facilitate access to goods and services (i.e., systems management, capacity enhancement, demand management); and

THAT this resolution shall be widely circulated to interested parties to include the Los Angeles County congressional delegation, the Governor, members of the California legislature, the cities within the County, the media and others, and is so accordingly Ordered.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE MOBILITY-21 COALITION, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2002.

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