

# Memorandum

**To:** CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS  
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**Subject:** STATUS OF FUEL TAXES IN CALIFORNIA

The California Department of Transportation's (Department) Chief Financial Officer will be giving a presentation as to the status and history of fuel taxes in California, including the loss of buying power due to inflation.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Over the last 20 years, there have been numerous changes to the way California funds the construction and maintenance of the State Highway System. Revenue from the sale of fuel has always been a large component of the funding stream. The Department will present a history and status of the excise tax related to the sale of fuel.