

Traffic
Operations

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Vehicle (HOV) Pooled Fund Study
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TPF-5(322) - High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) / Managed Use Lane (MUL)

Research study to identify HOV issues common to all participants of this pooled fund study and identify recommendations and potential solutions.

WHAT IS THE NEED?

Traffic congestion is a big problem which degrades the effectiveness of High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes/ Managed Use Lane (MUL). Research is needed in order to identify key issues and challenges that are common among public agencies that are responsible for managing and operating HOV facilities and to have researchers identify recommendations and potential solutions to these issues in order to improve the effectiveness of the HOV lanes.

WHAT ARE WE DOING?

This pooled fund study serves as a forum so that all participants interact, share information and successful practices with a broader audience to advance and improve upon the current state-of-the-practice related to the management, operation, and performance of HOV/MUL facilities. All participants of this pooled fund research, including Caltrans, have been identifying key issues that need to be addressed and analyzed in order to research potential solutions.

WHAT IS OUR GOAL?

The goal is to improve the performance/effectiveness of the HOV/ MUL lanes by participating in this research study to identify issues common among HOV systems managers, operators, and service providers, suggest approaches to addressing identified issues, select and initiate projects intended to address identified issues, and identify recommendations and potential solutions.



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WHAT IS THE BENEFIT?

The Department can potentially benefit from the outcome of this research by implementing the resulting recommendations and potential solution from this pooled fund study. The public may benefit from the implementation of the results of this research which have the potential to improve performance/effectiveness of the HOV/MUL lanes.

WHAT IS THE PROGRESS TO DATE?

1. Managed Lane Compliance Scope of Work:
 - a. The Managed Lane Compliance research project was awarded to Leidos. The project began this quarter.
2. Transportation Demand Management Scope of Work
 - a. The Transportation Demand Management for Managed Lanes SOW has been completed.
3. Ongoing Research
 - a. The Public Information for Emerging Technologies for Managed Lanes research project report has been completed to final draft stage and is awaiting final approval.
4. Annual Meeting
 - a. The 2021 annual meeting took place across October 7th and 8th. during which a prioritized list of potential projects was drafted.

Significant Results:

There have been twenty-eight (28) research efforts funded by this group that have helped advance the use of HOV and MUL projects throughout this country.

There is currently one additional project preparing to be let for contract. Additional projects will be initiated once project funds are replenished.

Websites:

<https://www.pooledfund.org/Details/Study/571>