Local Development - Intergovernmental Review

Mission
Provide consistent and continuous services in protecting communities quality of life by balancing people, planet, prosperity and preserving cultural assets and social fabric.

Vision
To make California the world’s most livable place through managing resources that make a sustainable lifestyle where transportation and land use development ensure mission success through accountability.

Purpose and Goals
The Local Development - Intergovernmental Review (LD-IGR) Program staff review a wide-variety of development, environmental, land use, regulatory and various plans, actions, acquisitions, historic, scenic wilderness and watersheds, military, ports, and not limited to other documents that could possibly impact the State Highway System (SHS). IGR ensures local, regional, tribal, state, stakeholders, and other entities’ proposed development actions, projects and plans to comply with state and federal laws and regulations. The importance to influence through effective communication and actionize coordination efforts to collaboratively deliver a reliable transportation system that compliments access to a desired destination. The deliberative goals are to enhance safety to the traveling public and freight movement, provide equitable service, support smart growth, location efficient infill, and sustainable multimodal strategies in quality of life, health and economic prosperity for anyone who uses and benefits from the SHS and related facilities.

Program Implementation
The IGR component has established best practices consistent with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and pertinent California Government Codes in being stewards of the SHS. LD-IGR staff are trained to observe facts, reason, and to promote strategies in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and vehicle miles traveled through climate change, smart growth, and active transportation policies. Equity, smart mobility, accessibility and location efficient infill are paramount in working with communities to achieve a common goal and vision in finding a balance of housing, businesses, and transit-oriented developments as well as alignment with Caltrans mission, vision and goals.

Geo-based Tracking System (GTS)
The LD-IGR’s GTS is a data driven web-based repository for entities’ development actions, projects, plans, documents and maps. This centralized statewide database captures, stores, and retrieves documentation, which allows multiple users to add, edit, and query multiple documents simultaneously. In collaboration with IT, the GTS is an on-going effort to provide an electronic and paperless upgradeable management system improving user efficiency, cost and resource savings, and provides ease-of-use functionality for Caltrans staff. The GTS is LD-IGR’s one-stop operations center specializing in reporting, request fulfillment, and mapping.

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