

State Climate Resilience Improvement Plan for Transportation (SCRIPT)

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BACKGROUND

FEDERAL PROTECT PROGRAM

- IIJA Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation Federal Aid Program (PROTECT):
 - Formula Funds to CA: \$631M
 - Federal Discretionary Grants: \$1.4B
- PROTECT's purpose is to make the transportation system more **resilient to natural hazards**, including climate change.



THE SCRIPT

WHAT IS THE SCRIPT?

- California's response to the PROTECT Resilience Improvement Plan
- Demonstrates a systemic approach to multimodal transportation resilience, including a risk-based assessment of assets.
- Demonstrates to FHWA how California has adopted and implemented the PROTECT Program in alignment with existing state adaptation frameworks.



SCRIPT BENEFITS

WHY CREATE THE SCRIPT?

- Incentive: can reduce the state and local cost-share of identified PROTECT projects from 20% to 10%, potentially saving the state and locals significant matching funds.
- Inclusion in the SCRIPT's Project Priority List will increase the competitiveness of projects applying for certain PROTECT grant categories.



SCRIPT CONTENT

WHAT IS IN THE SCRIPT?

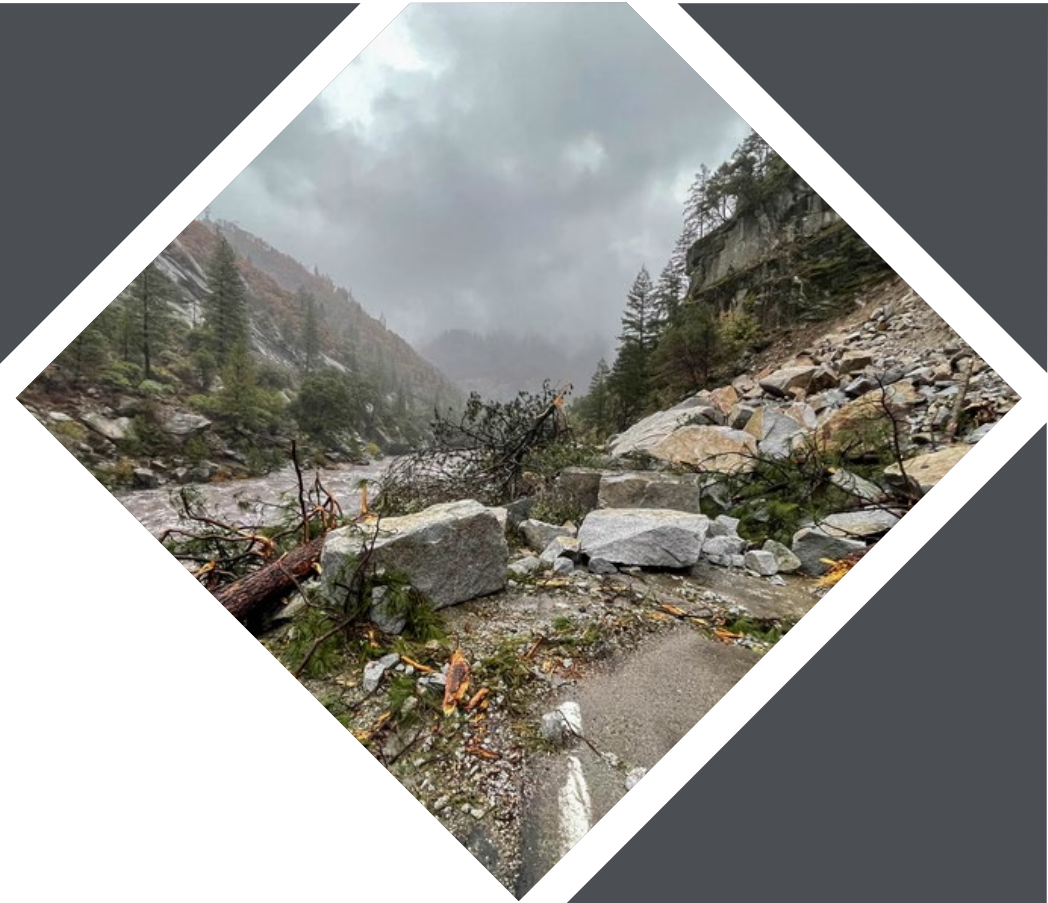
- Summary of California's climate adaptation policy context and existing Caltrans adaptation efforts.
- Explanation of previously completed Caltrans District Vulnerability and Risk Assessments.
- Explanation of how SB 198 has directed PROTECT implementation, including the sub-allocation of formula funds (STCAP & LTCAP).
- A Project Priority List of existing and planned PROTECT projects.



PROJECT PRIORITY LIST

WHERE IS MY PROTECT PROJECT?

- The SCRIPT Project Priority List will include projects from:
 - The State Transportation Infrastructure Climate Adaptation Program (*PROTECT Formula Funds – State Projects*)
 - The Local Transportation Infrastructure Climate Adaptation Program (*PROTECT Formula Funds – Local Projects*)
 - FHWA Discretionary Grants
- Project Priority List will be updated periodically



TIMELINE

WHEN WILL THE SCRIPT BE LIVE?

- The 30-day public comment period is from *September 29, 2023-October 30, 2023*.
- Target submittal to FHWA is December 2023.
- Target federal approval and final publication is January 2024.



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