

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority ExpressLanes 2016 State Legislative Policy

Purpose

The legislative goal detailed herein will be used to guide LACMTA's position on proposed legislation that may negatively impact the ExpressLanes program goals.

Program Goals

The following goals were established and adopted by the Board for the ExpressLanes program:

- 1) Provide a safe, reliable, predictable commute for customers of the ExpressLanes;
- 2) Reinforce LACMTA's ongoing efforts to increase vehicle occupancy rates and transit ridership;
- 3) Use dynamic pricing to manage traffic and optimize throughput in the corridor; and,
- 4) Operate and maintain a financially self-sustaining ExpressLanes program

Approval of the following legislative goal will assure consistency with the ExpressLanes overall program goals.

2016 State Legislative Goal: Pursue legislative initiatives that optimize Metro's ability to manage and administer the ExpressLanes and its related programs

Proposed Activities:

Support legislation that:

1. Encourages development and utilization of technologies that would enhance the ability to verify vehicle occupancy and toll collection/payment.
2. Enhances Metro's ability to enforce the ExpressLanes toll policy as adopted by the Board.

Vigorously oppose legislation that negatively impacts:

1. Metro's ability to manage ExpressLanes demand utilizing congestion pricing.
2. Financial viability and local control of ExpressLanes revenues.
3. Limit Metro's ability to expand the ExpressLanes network.