



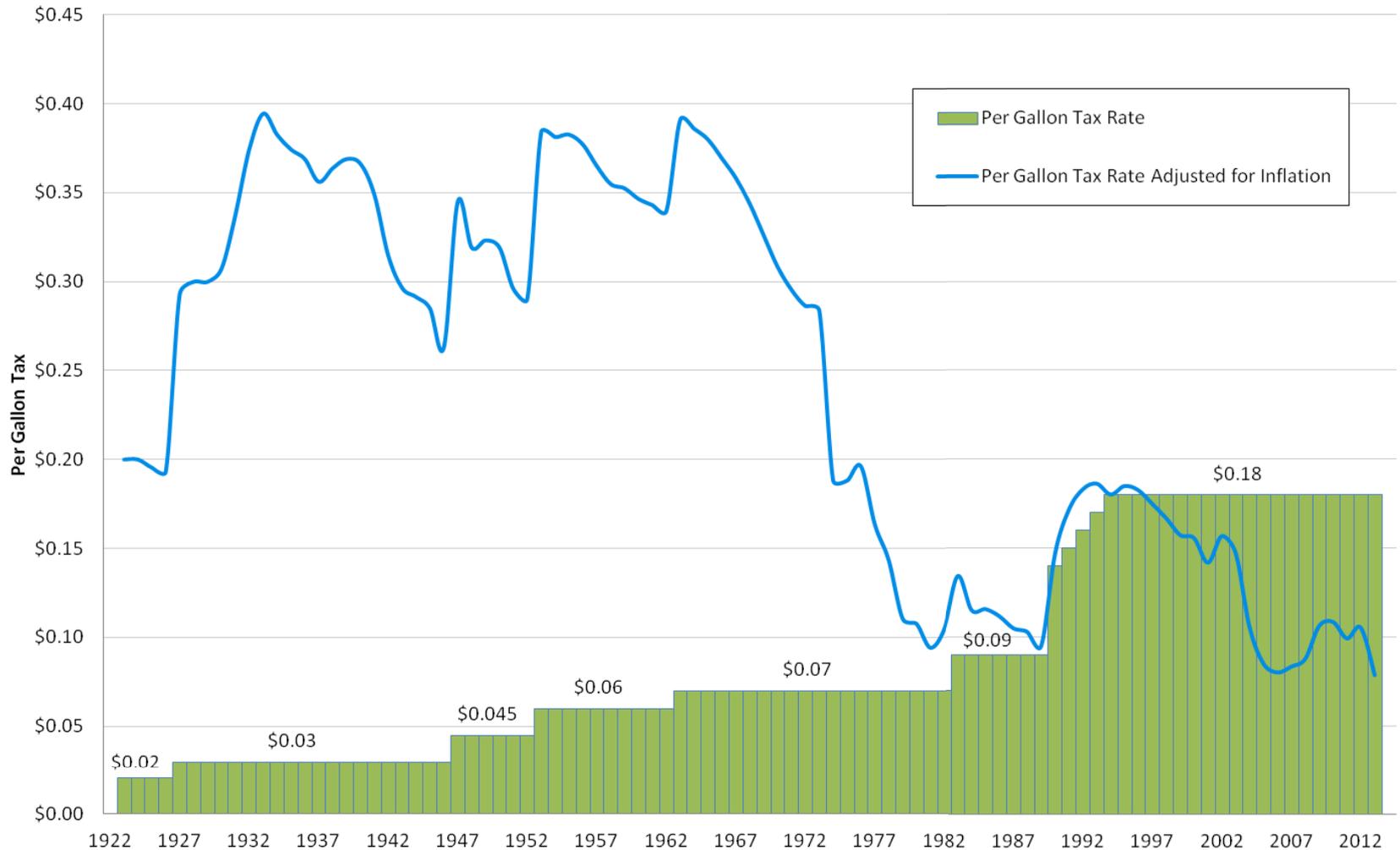
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Are We Ready for RUC in California?

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California Transportation Commission
and
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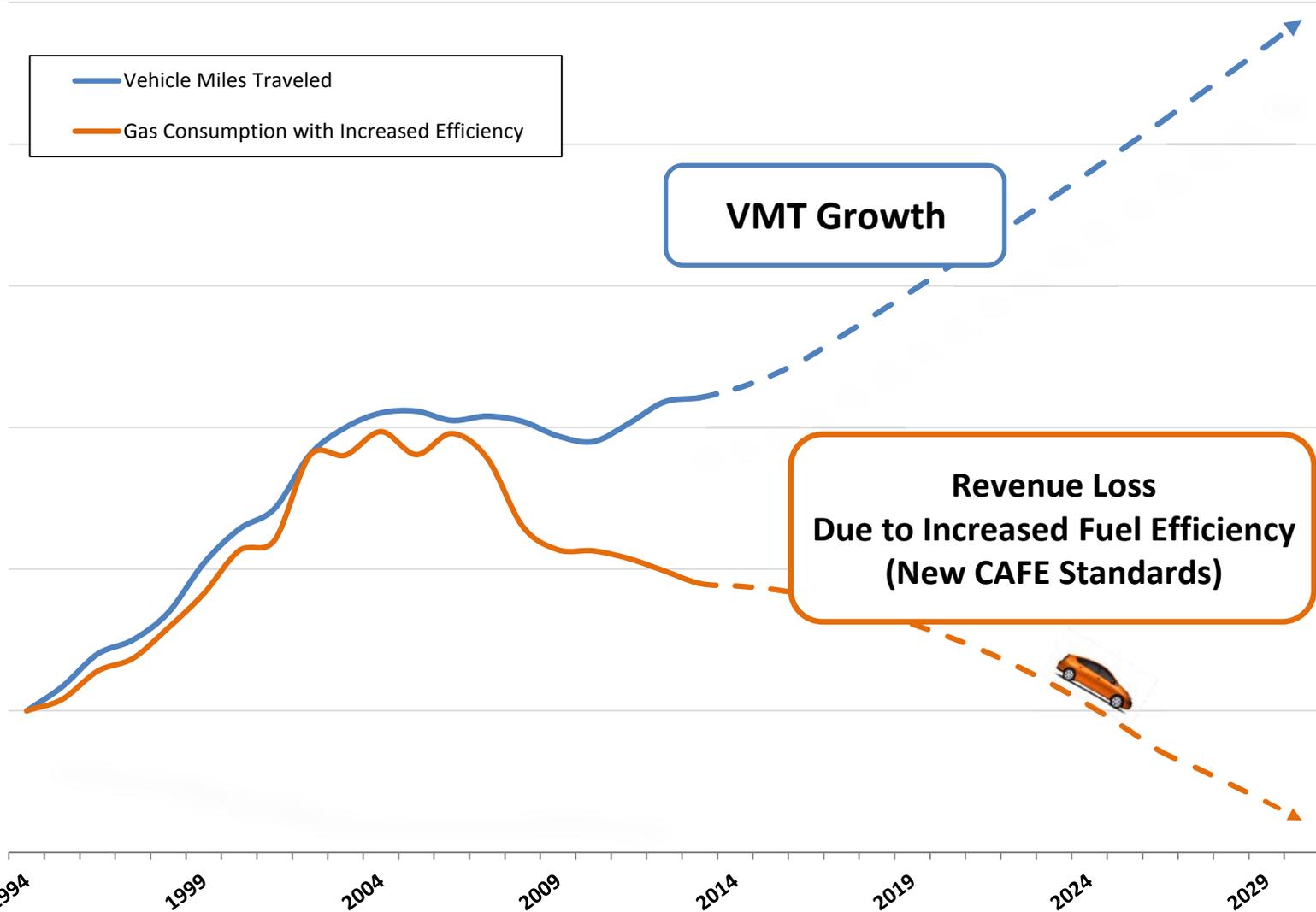
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History of the Base Gasoline Excise Tax Rate



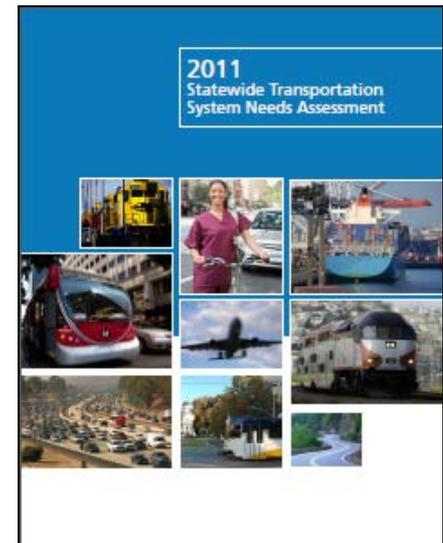
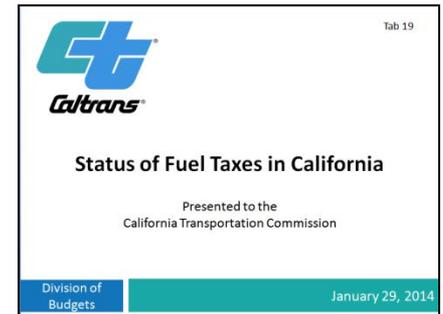
Source: Board of Equalization. Escalation based on California State Highway Construction Cost Index and Consumer Price Index

Revenue Loss Due to Increases in Fuel Economy



Brief Summary of California's Outlook

- Caltrans presentation to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) in January 2014
- The CTC's 2011 Statewide Transportation System Needs Assessment
- The CTC's Annual Reports to the Legislature
- State Smart Transportation Initiative



What is California Doing?

- **California Transportation Infrastructure Priorities (CTIP) Workgroup**
 - Road Usage Charge (RUC) Identified for Exploration
 - Developing High-Level Goal and Guiding Principles
 - Make Recommendations to California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA)
- **University of California Transportation Center (UCTC)**
 - Research in Support of a California RUC Demonstration Project
- **Bringing Other State Agencies Together**
 - Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), Board of Equalization (BOE), Air Resources Board (ARB), Department of Finance (DOF), and others

Senate Bill 1077 (DeSaulnier)

- **Introduced in February 2014**

- Establishes a task force to study RUC alternatives to the gas tax and make recommendations to Caltrans and the California Transportation Commission (CTC) on the design of a pilot program to test alternative RUC approaches.
- Requires the CTC to approve the design of the pilot program.
- Requires CalSTA, based on the task force recommendations, to implement a pilot program to identify and evaluate issues related to possible implementation of a RUC program in California.
- Requires CalSTA to report its findings and recommendations regarding the pilot program to the Legislature.

- **Passed in California Senate in May 2014**

- **Currently in California Assembly**

Potential Technical Advisory Committee

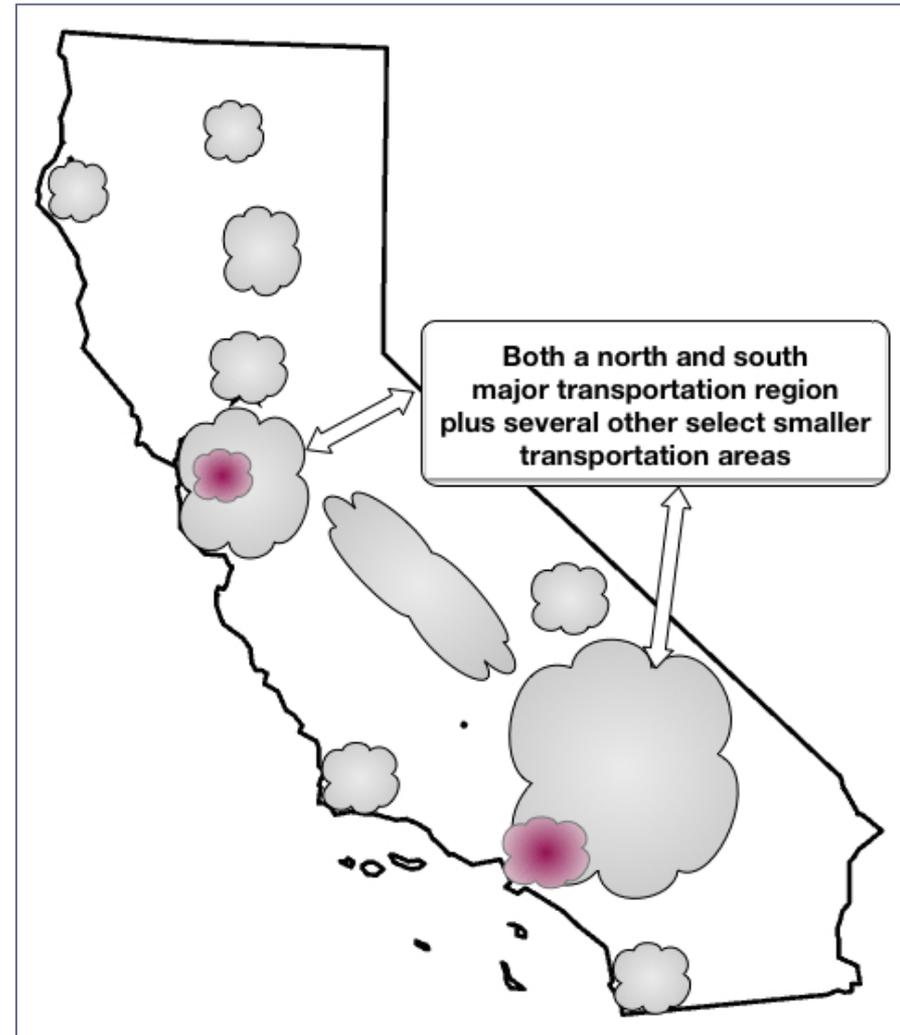
Senate Members	Assembly Members
California Transportation Commission	Mayor (Bay Area)
Mayor (LA/San Diego)	Mayor (Rural)
Metropolitan Planning Organization	Regional Transportation Authority
League of California Cities	California State Association of Counties
Transportation California	Transportation Research Organizations
Technology Industry Representatives	California Trucking Association
Alliance of Automobile Manufactures	American Automobile Association
California Transit Association	California Alliance for Jobs
Associated General Contractors of California	Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association
American Civil Liberties Union	Professional Engineers in California Government
Chamber of Commerce	Environmental Advocacy Group
Natural Resources Defense Council	Active Transportation Advocates
Privacy Advocacy Group	Others?

RUC Policy Considerations

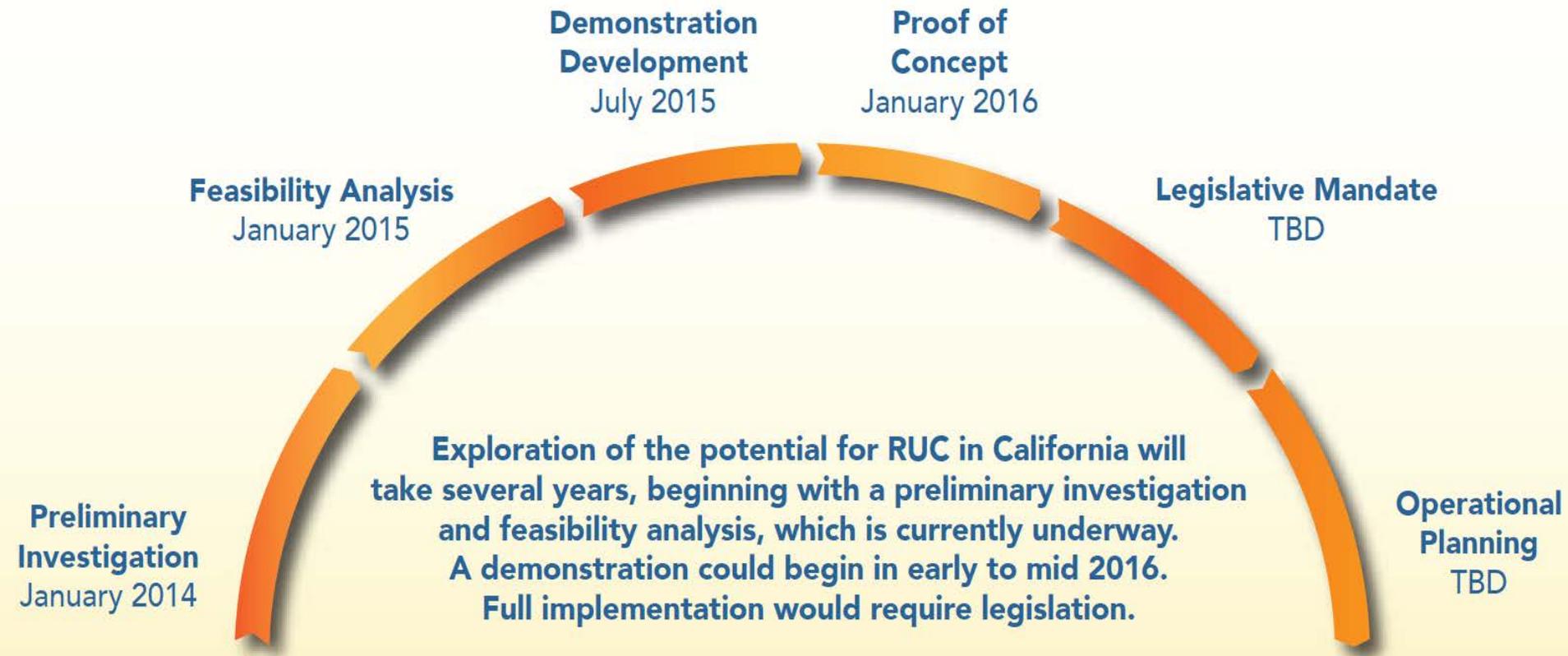
- Revenue Sustainability
- Privacy Protection
- Equity
- Technology
- Environmental Sustainability
- Travel Out of State
- Communication & Outreach

Characteristics of a Large Demonstration?

- Participants – 5,000 to 6,000
- Test Region – Two (2) Major & Multiple Smaller Regions
- Time:
 - Planning – 9-10 months
 - Execution – 12 months
 - Total Time – 21-22 months
- Number of Reporting Options: 6
- Number of Evaluation Surveys: 5+



Tentative RUC Activity Timeline



Moving Forward

- Key Dates:

Preliminary Investigation	Ongoing
Technical Advisory Committee	January 2015
Development of Demonstration	January 2016
Kickoff RUC Demonstration	January 2017
Evaluation & Report	June 2018

- Public Engagement

THANK YOU

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Joint Informal Meeting of the
CTC and the WSTC