



# Joint California & Washington Transportation Commissions Meeting

## Tolling & Pricing

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***Transportation Corridor Agencies***

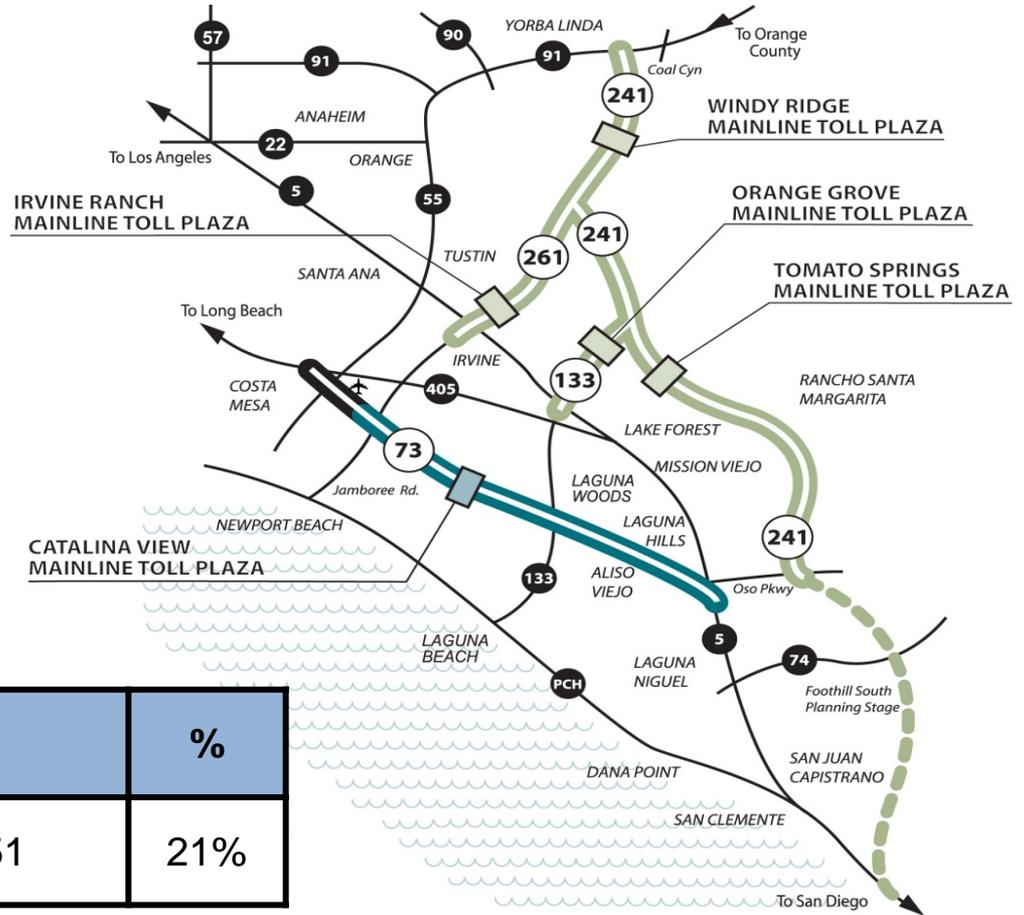


Enhance the mobility in Orange County and Southern California by developing and operating *publicly owned* toll facilities as part of the regional transportation system.



# The Toll Roads®

- 51 miles open
  - First segment opened in 1993
  - 250,000 transactions per day
  - \$220 Million Plus in Annual Toll Revenue



	Orange County Freeways		%
Centerline Miles	238	51	21%



# Environmental Mitigation Program

- Environmental Programs - \$224.6M
- Over 2,000 acres of restored, revegetated and preserved habitat
- Types of Habitats
  - Riparian and Wetlands
  - Coastal Sage Scrub
  - Oak Trees
- Wildlife Movement Preservation



- Governance
  - Joint Powers Authorities
  - Agencies formed in 1986
  - 18 cities and 3 County Supervisorial Districts
- The two JPAs are separate legal entities with separate finance structures
- One staff serves both JPAs
- Authority to collect tolls obtained from state legislature in 1987
- Toll revenue use is restricted to operating costs, debt service and system improvements





- State – Local Partnership
  - The Toll Roads are part of the state highway system SR-73, SR-133, SR-241 & SR-261
  - TCA's role is to plan, design, finance and build the roads
  - The day the roads opened, ownership was transferred to State of California
  - Caltrans maintains roadways
  - CHP patrols roads for moving violations



# The Toll Roads®

- TCA opened the first toll road in California in 1993.
- TCA developed the FasTrak® brand for electronic toll collection – the FasTrak brand is the interoperable standard used throughout the State of California.
- TCA's initial federal line of credit evolved into the federal TIFIA program bringing low-cost federal loans to infrastructure projects all over the country.





- Running the agencies like a business while following the rules of a government agency
  - Marketing – driving The Toll Roads is a choice
  - Customer Service
  - Small professional staff/outsourcing
- Increasing ridership to meet revenue goals
  - Debt payment (current and future)
- The Toll Roads were built using virtually no taxpayer dollars, instead financed using non-recourse toll revenue bonds

# The Toll Roads compliment the network

- 241 Toll parallels SR-55 and I-5 freeways
- 73 Toll parallels I-405 and I-5 freeways
- Priced alternatives which also benefit the congested parallel freeway routes





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## Regional Benefits

- 40 percent of TCA **FASTRAK**® account holders live outside OC



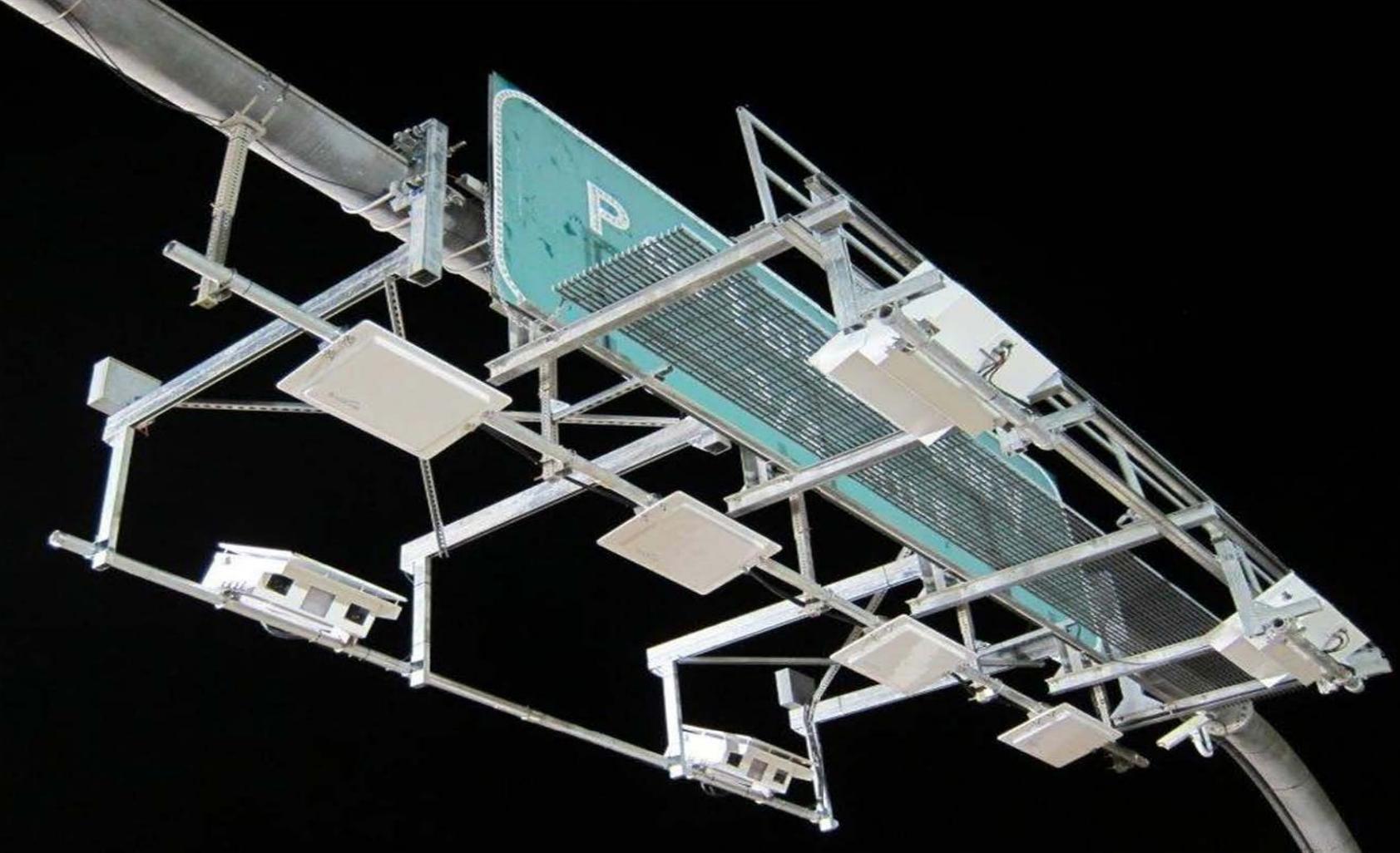


- Benefit overall infrastructure system by:
  - Providing mobility and access for people and goods
  - Increasing multi-modal access (biking, bus & rail service, freeways, etc.)
  - Reducing vehicle hours traveled thereby increasing economical output
  - Reducing pressure at existing access points
  - Reducing life cycle costs for maintenance
  - Creating efficiencies in existing systems



- Improves areas health and quality of life
  - Assists with reducing exhaust emissions from idling cars
  - Complies with adopted Sustainable Community Plans to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
  - Integrates transportation and air quality plans
- Accommodates the needs of the current population without jeopardizing the future

# All-Electronic Tolling





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- TCA stopped collecting cash on May 14
  - **FASTRAK** – transponder tolling
  - **EXPRESSACCOUNT**<sup>™</sup> – license plate tolling
  - **ONE-TIME-TOLL**<sup>™</sup> – online payment for infrequent drivers
- Implemented to reduce equipment and maintenance costs and improve efficiency
- More electronic payment choices designed for all customers
- Managing the pains of change



# 241/91 Express Direct Connector





# The Toll Roads®

Stop sitting. Get moving.