Updated Transportation Impact Thresholds



City Council February 28, 2024

Transportation Impact Thresholds

Changes to State Law (SB 743)

Before SB 743

- Measure impacts to drivers
- Using Level of Service (LOS)

After SB 743

- Measure impacts of driving
- Using Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)



Proposed City Transportation Impact Analysis

- Environmental Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA):
 Analysis required for CEQA environmental clearance and includes vehicle miles traveled (VMT) thresholds.
- Local Transportation Operational Assessment (LTA):
 Similar to previous City traffic impact study requirements looking at operational impacts such as intersection level of service (LOS), queuing, site access and circulation, active transportation access, and safety.



Environmental Impact Analysis

Analyze VMT impacts in line with LA County's methodology, which is based on State guidelines, CARB air quality goals, and regional SCAG goals for VMT reduction:

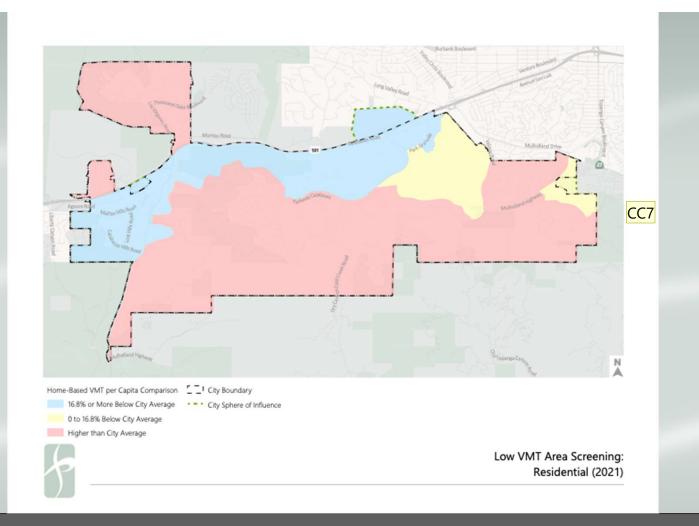
- Establishing the Calabasas City Average VMT per capita as the baseline VMT
- Setting the VMT threshold as 16.8% below the baseline VMT



Environmental Impact Analysis

- Initial Project Screening:
 - Project Size and Type
 - Low VMT Area
 - Transit Priority Area
- If not screened out, prepare a full VMT analysis:
 - Use of regional traffic model to estimate project VMT
 - Compare estimated VMT to City adopted thresholds
 - Mitigate if necessary







City Council Meeting February 28, 2024 Should we include the Low VMT office screening since its also attached to the staff report.

Curtis Castle, 2/22/2024

Local Transportation Operational Assessment

- Complete Initial Screening:
 - Estimated Project Trip Generation (less than 110 daily trips may not have to prepare LTA)
- If required, prepare LTA:
 - Detailed Trip Generation and Distribution
 - Intersection Evaluation using Level of Service (LOS)
 - Site Access Analysis
 - Active Transportation Access
 - On-site Circulation and Queuing
 - Truck Access and Loading Areas
 - Safety Analysis



RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2024-1888 establishing transportation impact thresholds* for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) related to transportation analysis.

*Thresholds include VMT of 16.8% below citywide average VMT baseline and maintaining LOS threshold for Local Transportation Assessment



Questions?

