

E. GOODS MOVEMENT

Goal TR-6

Safe and efficient movement of goods consistent with the County's goals to reduce emissions, protect public safety, and support economic development, local access, and circulation.

Policies

TR-P6.1



Partner with adjacent jurisdictions, CCTA, and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to manage regional movement of goods through unincorporated areas, minimizing impacts on residents and other sensitive receptors.

TR-P6.2



Encourage trucks to use designated routes.

TR-P6.3



Work with railroads to preserve non-operational contiguous railroad rights-of-way, and highly encourage construction of grade-separated railroad crossings along active lines, to support current and future rail operations and ensure the long-term viability of these rail corridors. When no longer in

operation, maintain options for future use of the corridors for trails or other public purposes.
(5-U, 5-85, 5-87, 5-h, 5-bv, 5-bw, 5-bx, 5-by)

TR-P6.4



Support development of short-line railroad infrastructure in industrial districts to facilitate rail access to Class I railroad lines, attract potential businesses seeking rail-served developments, ease traffic congestion caused by goods movement on regional highways, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

TR-P6.5



Support deepening and ongoing maintenance of the deep-water ship channels between San Francisco Bay and Stockton, and continued deep-water access to the county's Northern Waterfront. (5-82, 5-bt, 8-Z)

TR-P6.6



Support continued operation, maintenance, and further development of ports and proprietary wharves consistent with federal, State, and County environmental policies and economic priorities. (5-T, 5-79, 5-81, 8-Z)

Actions

TR-A6.1



Develop a program to establish and maintain truck routes in the unincorporated county, with the goal of minimizing impacts on residents and other sensitive receptors. This



program should provide engineering solutions to divert trucks from Impacted Communities and establish criteria for designating truck routes and installing signage.



TR-A6.2

Facilitate enforcement of idling restrictions by promoting community-based reporting through the use of phone and online apps for offenses that would trigger immediate enforcement agency follow up.

TR-A6.3

Amend Title 9 of the County Ordinance Code to require new multi-family residential, commercial, and mixed-use developments to designate areas adequate for package and goods deliveries, and passenger loading and unloading.



TR-A6.4

Develop regulations responding to technological advancements in freight movement, such as autonomous vehicles, robotics, and drone deliveries, while supporting the County's goals for reducing emissions, improving public safety, and increasing equitable mobility.

See also the Health and Safety Element for policies and actions related to protecting the transportation network, including rail, from sea-level rise.

F. AIRPORTS

Goal TR-7

Safe general and commercial aviation activities in Contra Costa County.

Policies



TR-P7.1

Partner with appropriate agencies in obtaining funding for development, improvement, operation, and maintenance of general and commercial aviation facilities. (5-R, 5-71)



TR-P7.2

Work with the Federal Aviation Administration and aviation operators to minimize conflicts with residential areas and other sensitive receptors. (5-60, 5-bq)



TR-P7.3

Regulate the location of private airfields and heliports to protect public safety and minimize impacts on nearby residents and sensitive receptors. (5-57)



TR-P7.4



Partner with the Cities of Concord and Pleasant Hill in making land use decisions that support Buchanan Field Airport's ongoing viability while protecting public safety, consistent with the Airport Master Plan and Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan. (5-59, 5-62, 5-72, 5-73, 5-74, 5-77, 5-br)

TR-P7.5



Enhance Byron Airport's viability by protecting it from incompatible urban encroachment, such as large-scale residential development, and providing infrastructure that supports airport activities, consistent with the Airport Master Plan and Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan. (5-58, 5-64, 5-65, 5-72, 5-73, 5-74, 5-77)

Actions

TR-A7.1



Update the Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan every 5 to 10 years to maintain consistency with applicable federal and State requirements, regional plans, and this General Plan, and to achieve the County's goals for Buchanan Field Airport and Byron Airport.