Partnering to Address Climate Change and Land Use Policy

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ClimatePlan

Rail-Volution 2008
Unofficial Partners

Local elected officials
Transit agencies
MPOs
Air Pollution Control Officers
Legislators
Planners
It all started with this...
but this really helped!

- July 2006: AB 32 signed
- Jan 2007: New Partners Conference in LA
- Jan 2008: First staff hired
Core Principles

- Tie Money to Performance.
- Craft Regional Plans that Minimize GHG Pollution.
- Prioritize Transit and Sustainable Transportation.
- Define Where Growth Should Not Occur.
- Define Where and How Growth Should Occur.
- Engage the Community in Planning.
- Address Environmental Justice Concerns.
- Protect and Improve Public Health.
A Campaign, Not an Organization
Is It Working?

- **June:** Draft AB 32 Scoping Plan includes weak section on land use
- **July/August:** CARB gets more comments on land use than any other sector, incl. cap & trade
- **September:** Governor signs SB 375
- **October:** Final AB 32 Scoping Plan includes beefed-up section on land use, media responds
Elements of Success

Respect for different roles

Focus on common ground

Transparent decision-making

Inclusive yet responsive structure