New decades offer a fresh opportunity for reflection, as well as glimpses of future possibilities. 2020 is that next great opportunity to apply our critical lenses to the decisions we’ve made over the last decade and use that knowledge to make the best decisions we can in the decade to come. From climate change, to transportation and housing, community leaders will be making difficult decisions that will impact our communities across California and the United States. Step one is identifying where lessons from the past will help us achieve success in the future.

All Webinar sessions are from 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

**Friday, July 31 – Hosted by OPR & SACOG**

**SB 743: Reflections on LOS, transition to VMT, and the potential for VMT Mitigation Banks**

**Presenters:** Ethan Elkind, Director of the Climate Change and Business Program, UC Berkeley/UCLA Schools of Law; Chris Ganson, Senior Planner, Governor’s Office of Planning and Research; Tilly Chang, Executive Director, San Francisco County Transportation Authority; Wade Wietgrefe, AICP, Principal Planner and Transportation Team Manager, San Francisco Planning Department; Jenny Delumo, Senior Planner and Transportation Review Team Lead, San Francisco Planning Department

Watch out environmental reviewers! As of July 1st, there’s a new 3-letter acronym—VMT—on the streets, and it’s here to reduce miles traveled on those streets. In this session, we’ll first reflect on the LOS days to remind ourselves of the reasons we are transitioning to VMT, and then we’ll turn to the future. What can the next decade look like under this metric? How do we intentionally plan for equitable project development? Is there an opportunity to learn from programs meant to distribute community benefit such as through fee programs or mitigation banks? Join us for a conversation with Chris Ganson of OPR, Tilly Chang of SFCTA, and Ethan Elkind of UC Berkeley on why VMT matters, what local VMT implementation looks like, and the potential for VMT Mitigation Banks to structure future development around equity and accessibility.

**July session Eventbrite registration link:** [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2020-speaker-series-july-31-session-tickets-109884383148](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2020-speaker-series-july-31-session-tickets-109884383148)

**Friday, August 28 – Hosted by ULI**

**Developing Urban Resilience**

**Presenters:** Leah Sheppard, Manager, Urban Resilience, Urban Land Institute in Washington DC; Dalton M. LaVoie, Associate, Landscape Architect, Stantec; Rachel Huang, Director of Energy Strategy and Research, SMUD

**Moderator:** Marq Truscott, FASLA

From sea level rise to heat waves, from storm surge to drought, the many impacts of climate change threaten the built environment in ways that have serious consequences for the health, viability, and economic vitality of our cities. Investments in community resilience are increasing through both public sector programs and private sector involvement. Leah Sheppard with the Urban Land Institute will highlight innovative city policies that respond to climate risk and create new mechanisms for private sector participation in adaptation and mitigation. In the ULI spirit, she will share examples of real estate projects and policies that showcase best practices in resilient design. Following Leah, Dalton Lavoie of Stantec and Rachel Huang of SMUD will discuss local initiatives for enhancing our region’s resilience.

**August session Eventbrite registration link:** [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2020-speaker-series-august-28-session-tickets-109887071188](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2020-speaker-series-august-28-session-tickets-109887071188)

**Friday, September 25 – Hosted by AIA**

**Regulating Change: The Impact of CALGreen on Achieving California’s Sustainability Goals**

**Presenters:** Dave Walls, Vice President of Business Support Initiatives, International Code Council; Osama Younan, PE, General Manager, Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; Mia Marvelli, Executive Director, California Building Standards Commission

**Moderator:** Ida A. Clair, Acting State Architect, Division of the State Architect

Policies that aim to have a positive impact on the planet and its people are critical to planning for sustainable communities. For statewide impact, measurable change can only be affected through the development of regulations that set big objectives to achieve our collective goal for a more sustainable future. Over ten years ago CALGreen was added to the California Building Standards Code to combat the effects of California’s climate change and dwindling water supply. While initial efforts were met with resistance, the regulations in CALGreen have been implemented widely to make California a national and international leader in the enforcement of green policies that result in a healthier and sustainable environment. Join us for a discussion about how the development of CALGreen has transcended the divide from initial resistance to public acceptance, and a look-ahead into the future of CALGreen regulatory development to promote a healthy, safe, and equitable California.

**September session Eventbrite registration link:** [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2020-speaker-series-september-25-session-tickets-109887853528](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2020-speaker-series-september-25-session-tickets-109887853528)

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**Friday, October 30: Hosted by APA**

*How do we NOT go back to Normal? Reflecting back and looking forward on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Planning*

**Presenters:** Jose Bodipo-Memba, Director of Sustainable Communities, Sacramento Municipal Utility District; Kacey Lizon, Deputy Executive Director, Sacramento Area Council of Governments; Matt Hertel, Acting Long Range Planning Manager, City of Sacramento; Harriet Lai Ross, Assistant Director, Delta Stewardship Council — Invited

**Moderator:** Celia Yniguez, Program Manager, Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency

2020 has been a year with significant impacts to Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) communities. First it was the COVID-19 Pandemic, then the Black Lives Matter daily protests after multiple deaths of Black men and women at the hands of law enforcement. Many of us struggled with how we as planners can make a change in our work and in the communities we serve. If anything, it makes the point all that much stronger — BIPOC planners are critical to positively addressing systemic and institutional racism in health, land use, sustainability, and all areas of public policy. The panel of distinguished and visionary planners are using their skills as story-tellers to share their origin stories - how they attained their impressive positions, how they’re using their positions to impact the daily lives of Sacramentans, what factors helped them, what barriers impeded them, and ways to recruit and support the next generation of leadership. The discussion also includes the role of White allies in planning and the workplace. It is our goal to have a thought-provoking discussion that engages our audience to rise up and work shoulder to shoulder to build equitable and just communities.

**October session Eventbrite registration link:** https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2020-speaker-series-october-30-session-tickets-109888328950

**Friday, November 20: Hosted by Caltrans**

*Paving the Way: Safe Mobility & Active Transportation Alternatives for the Future*

**Presenters:** Sarah Fine, Complete Streets Paving & Sidewalks Manager, City of Oakland; Jessica Downing, Acting Branch Chief, Smart Mobility and Active Transportation, Caltrans; Mike Sallaberry, Senior Engineer, SFMTA

Over the last decade, more and more Californians have come to rely on alternative modes of travel such as biking and walking. State and local governments across the state have been working to implement projects that support the increase in active transportation through various programs and initiatives. This session will present the latest programs that support safer and more livable streets and provide insight on how far California has come to prioritize the safety of all modes of transportation.

**November session Eventbrite registration link:** https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2020-speaker-series-november-20-session-tickets-109888724132

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