TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS AND FACILITIES

Policy Statement

The American Society of Landscape Architects believes:

- Transportation corridors and facilities are major components of the nation’s landscape and public realm that connect, shape, and transform our communities.
- The alignment, scale, and character of our thoroughfares play an integral role in determining urban form, development patterns, interconnectedness, and a sense of place.
- Multi-modal transportation systems should be safe, efficient, beautiful, ecologically sensitive, convenient, address climate change, support public health, and serve all people and modes of transportation.

ASLA supports:

- Design, construction, and management of transportation corridors and facilities that enhance public health and safety and promote interconnected transportation options for transit riders, pedestrians, and bicyclists and other micromobility\(^1\) users.
- Identification and application of research, planning, and design principles to improve federal, state, regional, and local transportation facilities.
- Integrating comprehensive transportation planning with natural systems analysis, land use planning, and stakeholder engagement to create safe, livable communities that serve everyone and maintain environmental health.
- Transportation solutions that are low-emission, safe, equitable, resilient, ecological, and beautiful.
- Proactive remediation of poor design practices that have resulted in fractured communities and environmental damage.

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\(^1\) Replaces Highways and Scenic Roads Policy and Parkways Policy.

\(^1\) https://highways.dot.gov/public-roads/spring-2021/02