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Accountability Recommendations

The Investment Strategy recommended by the task force represents an important step toward creating a more integrated transportation system in our state. The Strategy will require a new level of coordination across jurisdictions and across modes to improve the performance of the key economic corridors. To achieve that goal, all partners in the system must be transparent and accountable to one another, and to the public. Therefore, the Task Force recommends:

- 1. Consistent performance management systems should be implemented across state and local government transportation agencies, with common metrics for program, project and operations delivery at all levels government.
- 2. Mechanisms must be established to ensure inter-jurisdictional coordination and sharing of planning and administrative functions to streamline decision-making and reduce costs.
- 3. Expenditure allocations and grant programs should be tied to quality standards and outcomes.
- 4. A group should be created and charged with monitoring the performance of the partners toward the outcomes, and communicating that progress to the Governor, Legislature and the public.