

# Caltrans: Climate change is 'going to affect freeways'

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Caltrans is taking climate change seriously. So seriously that the organization is prepping a dozen reports that evaluate how things like warming temperatures, changes in rainfall and wildfires affect roadways.

"Climate change poses an immediate and growing threat to California, and Caltrans is being proactive in determining what this means for the state's transportation system," said Caltrans Director Malcolm Dougherty in a press release.

Last year's storm season caused more than \$1.2 billion in highway damages statewide. Think severe flooding, landslides, and coastal erosion.

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