

How to Sign Up and Participate in the Pilot

The state is looking for volunteers for a 9 month long pilot test of road charging. Participants will be asked to test and report back on their experience using various options for reporting mileage and making simulated payments. If you would like to sign up for the pilot, follow these steps:

Step 1: Sign up to Volunteer!

- Go to <http://CaliforniaRoadChargePilot.com> and follow the links to sign up for the pilot. You will be asked to provide some basic information about how we can contact you, where you live, what kind of car you drive, and which reporting option you think you might like to test.

Step 2: Accept your Formal Invitation

- We want all ages, genders, races, income levels, and parts of the state to be represented. Therefore, it is possible that not every volunteer will be invited to join the pilot. If you are accepted, you will receive an Invitation to Register. To accept the invitation, follow the instructions in your acceptance email (or letter).

Step 3: Choose How You Report Your Miles

- As a Pilot Participant, you get to choose how to report the miles you drive.

Pay only for miles driven on California roads

Pay for all the miles you drive

Pay up-front for All-You-Can-Drive

Step 4: Choose Your Reporting Technology (or not!)

- Options range from no technology -- just a paper permit for a fixed number of miles or period of time -- to smartphone apps, telematics, and other fully automated reporting technologies. You pick -- no-tech, low-tech, or go-tech.

Step 5: Select Your Account Manager

- Every participant in the pilot will establish a road charge account -- think of it like your electric utility or water bill. You may choose between a no-frills account managed by the State of California, or you may select one of the Commercial Account Managers, which may offer value-added services. Note that during the pilot, none of the account managers are allowed to charge you for any services they provide.

Step 6: Drive!

- Drive like you normally would. If you selected a time permit, you will receive a reminder to renew just before your permit expires. If you selected one of the automated methods, you will receive monthly invoices from your account provider telling you how much you drove. You will have the option during the pilot to change how you report miles, as well as to try out different account managers.

Step 7: Tell Us What You Think

- The whole point of doing the pilot is to find out what Californians think about Road Charging as an option for *replacing* the gas tax. What do you like? What do you hate? What works well? What needs more thought? During the pilot you will be asked to complete surveys about your experiences in the pilot, and you may be invited to participate in a focus group. Tell us all about it -- the good, the bad, and the ugly.

For More Information: <http://CaliforniaRoadChargePilot.com>