Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission
August 2, 2012 Meeting Highlights

Highway 1 Soquel/Morrissey Auxiliary Lanes Project Construction Update:
Removal of the La Fonda Avenue overcrossing is scheduled to begin on August 6th, and the highway will be closed completely for two nights on August 6th and 7th between the hours of 10:00 pm and 5:00 am in the southbound direction, and two nights in the northbound direction on August 13 and 14. Extensive community outreach was reported, including a community meeting in May; RTC online and eNews messages; and direct communication with schools and local media. The RTC also was informed that its Commute Solutions staff has developed school-based travel demand management strategies specifically for DeLaveaga Elementary School and Harbor High School students.

Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Ballot Measure for Local Road Improvements:
The RTC held a public hearing regarding a proposed ballot measure to authorize a $10 annual fee on registered motor vehicles for local road improvements. Following public input, the RTC voted not to place the $10 vehicle registration fee measure on the November 2012 ballot due to the 2/3 voter threshold requirement, the status of a funded campaign, and current public sentiments about the state of the economy and support for new funding measures. The RTC will continue to build on the momentum established by working with the local community to pursue new local, dedicated funding sources for transportation needs at a future election when conditions are more favorable.

Update on State and Federal Legislation:
The Federal Transportation Act, H.R. 4348, known as MAP-21 (Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century) was approved by Congress at the end of June. MAP 21 provides federal highway and transit programs with $105 billion through federal fiscal year (FFY) 2014 – roughly equivalent to current funding levels. The RTC also received a list of several state transportation bills that could impact the RTC or project sponsors.

Student Shuttle Service for Highway 1 Soquel/Morrissey Auxiliary Lanes Project Traffic Management:
The RTC authorized its Executive Director to execute a contract with the student shuttle operator recommended by the evaluation committee for the period that the La Fonda Avenue overcrossing is closed to pedestrians and bicyclists. As a result of a request for
proposals that was distributed to five student shuttle operators and posted on the RTC website, proposals were received from two operators: First Student, Inc., operating out of San Jose, and Michael’s Transportation Service, operating out of Watsonville. A meeting for families with students eligible for the shuttle will take place on August 22. For more information, contact the RTC.

**Upcoming RTC and Committee Meetings:**

Please check the RTC website [www.sccrtc.org] or call 831-460-3200 to confirm. Most agendas are posted to the website 4 business days before the meeting.

**Commission Meeting**  
Thursday, September 6, 2012, 9:00 am  
Scotts Valley City Council Chambers, 1 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley

**Transportation Policy Workshop (TPW)**  
Thursday, August 16, 2012, 9:00 am  
SCCRTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

**Budget and Administration/Personnel Committee**  
Thursday, September 13, 2012, 3:30 pm  
SCCRTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

**Bicycle Committee**  
Tuesday, August 13, 2012, 6:30 pm  
SCCRTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

**Elderly/Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee**  
Tuesday, October 9, 2012, 1:30 pm  
SCCRTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

**Interagency Technical Advisory Committee**  
Thursday, August 16, 2012, 1:30 pm  
SCCRTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

Public input on transportation issues is welcomed and encouraged. For more information, visit the SCCRTC website at www.sccrtc.org or call 460-3200. Some Regional Transportation Commission meetings are televised countywide by Community TV of Santa Cruz. Consult www.communitytv.org or call 831-425-8848 for schedule and station information.