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## **Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) November 4, 2010 Meeting Highlights**

### ***Rideshare Week prizes awarded:***

The RTC selected Bill Eppler of Community Bridges as the Grand Prize winner of this year's Rideshare Week. For the last ten years, Bill's daily commute has consisted of riding his bike one mile to the downtown transit station, loading his bike on the bus racks, riding the bus to mid-county, then riding his bike to work. Bill selected a new iPad from the grand prize options which also included a stay at Spanish Bay, a bike and accessories, an iPad or a netbook computer. The RTC co-sponsors Rideshare week with the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) and San Benito Rideshare and is funded in part by the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District (MBUAPCD).

### ***STARS Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to release credits manual:***

The RTC has been involved in the development of an innovative transportation rating system called the Sustainable Transportation Access Rating System (STARS) which will do for transportation projects what the LEED program has done for building projects – provide a voluntary scoring framework to encourage design and construction of more sustainable structures over the life cycle of a project. A local review committee recently completed a review of the first 12 credits under development including an application manual. The STARS Pilot Project Manual for application of the twelve credits will be released early next year.

An interview between the RTC and STARS lead developer Peter Hurley will be aired on Community TV over the next month.

### ***Transportation Development Act (TDA) Claim for the City of Santa Cruz approved:***

The RTC approved an Article 8 TDA claim for bike and pedestrian improvement projects for the City of Santa Cruz. The allocation will be used for a \$10,000 bikeway striping and minor improvements project, \$1,000 for the bicycle parking program, \$50,000 for the Laurel Street pedestrian crossing and \$50,000 for the Mission Street Extension bike-pedestrian path revision. Both the RTC's Bicycle Committee and Elderly & Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee recommended approval of the project funding. .

### ***FY10-11 Budget and Work Program amended:***

The RTC approved a balanced budget and work program which was amended to include carryover revenues from FY 09-10; an additional \$150,000 in State Transportation

Improvement funds for planning, programming and monitoring; an additional \$250,000 in Coastal Conservancy fund for the Monterey Bay Scenic Sanctuary network planning; and additional funds for the construction of the Highway 1 Auxiliary Lanes project.

***Upcoming RTC and Committee Meetings***

***Please check the RTC website [[www.sccrtc.org](http://www.sccrtc.org)] or call 831/460-3200 to confirm. Most agendas posted to the website 4 business days before the meeting.***

CANCELLED Transportation Policy Workshop (TPW)

Thursday, November 18, 2010 9:00 am  
SCCRTC Offices  
1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

Commission Meetings

Thursday, December 2, 2010, 9:00 am  
Board of Supervisors Chambers  
701 Ocean St. Fifth Floor, Santa Cruz

Transportation Policy Workshop (TPW)

Thursday, December 16, 2010 9:00 am  
SCCRTC Offices  
1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

Budget and Administration/Personnel Committee

Thursday, December 9, 2010, 3:30 pm  
SCCRTC Offices  
1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

Bicycle Committee

Monday, December 13, 2010, 6:30 pm – Note Special Time  
SCCRTC Offices  
1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

Elderly/Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee

Tuesday, December 14, 2010, 2:30 pm – Note Special Time  
SCCRTC Offices  
1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

Interagency Technical Advisory Committee

Thursday, November 18, 2010, 1:00 pm – Note Special Time  
SCCRTC Offices  
1523 Pacific Ave, Santa Cruz

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