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Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) June 1st 2017 Meeting Highlights

Public Hearing: Adoption of Regional and Community Bridges Lift Line Five-Year Programs of Projects for Measure D

A super majority of voters in Santa Cruz County (over 83,800) came together to approve Measure D, the county-wide transportation improvement ballot measure, in November, 2016. The [Regional Transportation Commission](http://www.sccrtc.org) held a public meeting to approve the first set of five-year project delivery plans for the following project categories: Highway Corridors, Active Transportation-Coastal Rail Trail, Rail Corridor, San Lorenzo Valley-Highway 9 Corridor, Highway 17 Wildlife Crossing and the Community Bridges-Lift Line plan. More details about the approved RTC Measure D project deliverables, five-year plans for the four cities, and upcoming public hearings for the County and Metro are available on the Measure D website: www.sccrtc.org/move

Contract Approved for Measure D Revenue Analysis, Reporting, and Auditing

The [Regional Transportation Commission](http://www.sccrtc.org) approved a contract with HDL Companies for management and auditing services of revenues to be received from the California State Board of Equalization (BOE) as a result of the transactions and use tax approved through Measure D.

Special Appreciation for key supporters of Measure D

The [Regional Transportation Commission](http://www.sccrtc.org) presented resolutions and appreciation awards to key leaders responsible for the success of Measure D: Casey Beyer, current Executive Director of the Santa Cruz Chamber of Commerce, Ken Kannappan, former CEO of Plantronics, and Bill Tysseling, former Executive Director of the Santa Cruz Chamber of Commerce. These three individuals were recognized for their important partnership role in contributing time, expertise and fundraising abilities leading to the election, including the critical early months of building a coalition, to support Measure D. Furthermore, these leaders engaged other partners to take an active role in improving transportation with the goal of creating a better quality of life and economically vibrant communities.

Project Updates from City of Watsonville Public Works

The [Regional Transportation Commission](http://www.sccrtc.org) received an update on recently completed and planned [transportation projects in Watsonville](#). Transportation projects include: road maintenance and roadway projects on Freedom Blvd, Broadis St, Alta Vista St, Airport Blvd, Green Valley Rd, and Struve Slough; traffic projects for an adaptive traffic control system on Freedom Blvd and Green Valley Rd, and a new signal at West Beach and Ohlone Pkwy; and pedestrian and bicycle safety improvement projects for FedEx Trail, Hazelwood Park Trail, Rail Trail Lee Rd, Highway 1/Harkins

Slough Rd Bridge, Pajaro Valley High School Connector Trail, Main St, trail maintenance, sidewalk infill, and signal upgrades. The City of Watsonville has also recently been awarded the Bicycle Friendly Community Bronze Award from The League of American Bicyclists.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Program Funds Approved (Transportation Development Act Claims)

The [Regional Transportation Commission](#) approved funding for bicycle and pedestrian safety, promotion and education programs. The RTC approved FY 2017-18 TDA funding for Ecology Action (\$60,000) for the [Bike to Work](#) program, and the County Health Services Agency (\$130,000) for the [Community Traffic Safety Coalition](#) and [Ride 'n Stride](#) bicycle and pedestrian education program. The allocations reflect 20 and 30% increases, respectively, reflecting growths in the Consumer Price Index and in program participation numbers. Increasing the level of cycling and walking in Santa Cruz County is consistent with the RTC's Regional Transportation Plan and sustainable transportation goals.

Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-18 Overall Work Program

The [Regional Transportation Commission](#) approved the draft final fiscal year (FY) 2017-18 RTC work program. The program has been reviewed by Caltrans, addresses state-mandated responsibilities and RTC priorities, and is required for the RTC to receive federal and state transportation planning funds.

[Upcoming RTC and Committee Meetings:](#)

Please check the RTC website [www.sccrtc.org] or call 831-460-3200 to confirm. Agendas are posted to the website at least 3 days before the meeting.

[Bicycle Advisory Committee](#)

Monday, June 5, 2017, 6:00 p.m.
RTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Ave, Santa Cruz

[Elderly and Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee](#)

Tuesday, June 13, 2017, 1:30 p.m.
Watsonville Community Room, 275 Main St, Watsonville

[Transportation Policy Workshop](#)

Thursday, June 15, 2017, 9:00 a.m.
RTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Ave, Santa Cruz

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Thursday, August 3, 2017, 9:00 a.m.
Scotts Valley City Council Chambers, 1 Civic Center Dr, Scotts Valley

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.