STARS Project Version 0.6

Proposed

Project Name: Santa Cruz County Regional Transporation Commission - State Route 1

Subject: Credits Recommended by the STARS TAC and Approved by the RTC

for Application to the Highway 1 HOV Lanes Project

Program Categories and Credit Descriptions

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Credits - 12	Program Categories and Credit Descriptions	
1	Integrative Process	
>	IP 1	Comprehensive Project Goals & Objectives - Review the Purpose and Need of the project to ensure an interdisciplinary and multi-stakeholder approach to the addressing the issues and concerns of the community and includes measures of success
5	Access	
>	A 1	Establish Access Goal - Evaluate mode options and establish access goals that result in effective, high quality access for a range of trip purposes and needs for residents, employees and visitors.
>	A 2	Evaluate Expanded TDM Strategies - Evaluate high-impact Transportation Demand Management (TDM) strategies and establish realistically aggressive project TDM goals.
>	A 3	Evaluate Expanded TSM Strategies - Evalutate high-impact Transportation System Management (TSM) and establish realistically aggressive project TSM goals.
>	A 4	Evaluate Expanded Transportation Options - Could include opportunities for expansion of exisiting systems (ex. express bus service) or new options (ex. Bus Rapid Treansit) to help achieve access, climate, and energy goals.
>	A 6	Expanded Lanes & Ramps - Evaluate a range of expnaded road infrastructure improvements (lanes, ramps, metering) to help achieve access, climate, and energy goals.
5	Climate + Energy	
>	CE 1	Establish Climate & Energy Goal - Significantly reduce the project's life cycle greenhouse gas emissions and energy consuption.
>	CE 2	Vehicle Mile Reduction Goals & Evaluation - Determine which strategies are most likely to reduce energy use and climate pollution from reducing vehicle mile traveled (VMT).
>	CE 3	Construction Materials & Methods Goals & Evaluation - Identify the availablity and effectiveness of alternative building materials (embodied and transport) and practices that reduce climate pollution and energy use.
>	CE 4	Improved Flow Goal & Evaluation - Optimize vehicle operating efficiencies using the facility to minimize climate pollution and energy use on the corridor.
>	CE 5	Renewable Energy Goal & Evaluation - Determine which strategies are most likely to reduce energy use and climate pollution from use of on-site renewable energy.
1	Benefit/Cost	
>	BC 1	Analyze Life Cycle Benefit Cost - Determine the access-to-cost ratio of the full range of access strategies (recognizing the challenge of including all possible externalities, so that decision

makers may make an informed decision).