Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC)  
December 7th, 2017 Meeting Highlights

Adoption of the 2018 Regional Transportation Improvement Plan

After holding a public hearing and considering input from RTC advisory committees and staff, the Commission adopted the 2018 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP), selecting projects to receive the region’s anticipated formula shares of approximately $22 million in funding made available from state Senate Bill 1 and the federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG). The projects approved for funding include local roadway repairs, bus replacements, carpool and traffic information programs, projects on Highway 1, and new bicycle and pedestrian projects. The list of approved projects is online at www.sccrtc.org/rtip.

Unified Corridor Investment Study (UCS) – Draft Step 1 Analysis

The RTC reviewed and approved the draft results of Step 1 scenario analysis of the Unified Corridor Investment Study (UCS) and the staff recommendations for projects and scenarios to evaluate in the Step 2 Scenario Analysis of the UCS (www.sccrtc.org/ucs). The commission also approved $25,000 from Measure D funds for the purpose of holding focus group meetings with community organizations.

Release of Draft 2040 Regional Transportation Plan

The commission authorized staff to release the Draft 2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for public review from December 8th, 2017 through February 5th, 2018. The commission also scheduled a public hearing on the Draft 2040 RTP for the January 18th, 2018 RTC meeting. The draft plan is online at: http://sccrtc.org/funding-planning/long-range-plans/2040-rtp/.

Allocation of State Transit Assistance Revenues

Senate Bill 1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 provides new funding to address some of the backlog of transportation needs in California. This includes new State Transit Assistance (STA) funds available for public transportation and community transportation services in Santa Cruz County. The Commission adopted a policy to allocate 100% of the region’s population-formula STA and Senate Bill 1 State of Good Repair (SGR) funding to Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (METRO) in Fiscal Year (FY) 2017/18 (approximately $975,000) and FY18/19; with 85% in FY19/20; 80% in FY20/21 and 75% in FY21/22.
Cruz511 Budget Amendment to Modernize Rideshare Access

The RTC approved funding for a Cruz511 pilot program that will make it easier for community members to form carpools through a smart phone application.

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. Meetings may be cancelled if there are no action items for review.

- **Bicycle Advisory Committee**
  Monday, December 11, 2017, 6:00 p.m.
  RTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

- **Elderly & Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee (E&D TAC)**
  Tuesday, December 12, 2017 1:30 p.m.
  RTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

- **Interagency Technical Advisory Committee**
  Thursday, December 21, 2017, 1:30 p.m.
  RTC Office, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

- **Regional Transportation Commission** – Special meeting date in January
  Thursday, January 18, 2018, 9:00 a.m.
  Santa Cruz Council Chambers
  809 Center Street, Santa Cruz

Public input on transportation issues is welcomed and encouraged. For more information, visit the SCCRTC website at www.sccrtc.org or call 831-460-3200. 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.