

Appendix I

Resolutions

RESOLUTION NO. 31-18

Adopted by the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission
on the date of June 14, 2018
on the motion of Commissioner Bertrand
duly seconded by Commissioner Rotkin

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT CEQA FINDINGS, A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS, AND A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM RELATED TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT CERTIFIED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF MONTEREY BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS FOR THE 2040 SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission is the state-designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for Santa Cruz County; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 65080 (c) requires that each RTPA adopt and submit an updated Regional Transportation Plan to the California Transportation Commission and the Department of Transportation every five years in non-urban regions; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan has been prepared in accordance with California Transportation Commission 2010 Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines, pursuant to Government Code, Section 14522; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Res. Code, §21000 et seq.) and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. §15000 et seq.), the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) is the lead agency for the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS) and Regional Transportation Plan for Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz County Environmental Impact Report (EIR), which incorporates the 2040 Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, AMBAG has overseen, in coordination with the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission, the Transportation Agency for Monterey County and San Benito County Council of Governments the preparation of the EIR for each County's Regional Transportation Plans; and

WHEREAS, AMBAG was designated the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan EIR lead agency by Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission; and

WHEREAS, AMBAG has prepared and certified the Program EIR (SCH# 2013061052) for the 2040 MTP/SCS, which incorporates the 2040 Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan, in compliance with CEQA; and

WHEREAS, the Final EIR consists of: (1) the Final EIR volume, which is a complete revision of the Draft EIR; and (2) all appendices to the Final EIR, including Appendix F, which

consists of comments received on the Draft EIR, a list of persons, organizations and public agencies commenting of the Draft EIR, responses to significant environmental issues raised in the review and consultation process and other information; and

WHEREAS, CEQA Findings have been prepared in compliance with Public Resources Code §§21081 and CEQA Guidelines Section §15091 for every significant impact of the 2040 Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan identified in the EIR and for each alternative evaluated in the EIR, including an explanation of the rationale for each finding (attached hereto as **Exhibit A**); and

WHEREAS, the 2040 Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan will have significant unavoidable impacts that cannot be avoided or substantially lessened, and a Statement of Overriding Considerations has been prepared in compliance with Public Resources Code §21081 and CEQA Guidelines §15093 (attached hereto as **Exhibit A**), which concludes that specific economic, legal, social, technological, and other benefits of the 2040 Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan outweigh the significant and unavoidable impacts identified in the EIR; and

WHEREAS, a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program has been prepared in compliance with Public Resources Code §21081.6 and CEQA Guidelines §15097 (attached hereto as **Exhibit B**) to ensure implementation of the mitigation measures identified in the Final EIR; and

WHEREAS, all other legal prerequisites to the adoption of this Resolution have occurred; and

WHEREAS, prior to taking action on the Project, the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission has considered all of the information in the EIR administrative record pertaining to the 2040 Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan, including the Final EIR, and all oral and written evidence presented to it during all meetings and hearings;

NOW BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION:

1. The Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission accepts that the Final EIR consists of: (1) the Final EIR (2) all appendices to the Final EIR (Appendices A-F), including Appendix F, which consists of comments and recommendations received on the Draft EIR, a list of persons, organizations, and public agencies commenting of the Draft EIR, responses to significant environmental points raised in the review and consultation process, and other information;
2. The Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission makes and adopts the Findings required by Public Resources Code §§21081 and 21081.5. and CEQA Guidelines §15091 and 15096(h), which are attached hereto and included in Exhibit A and incorporated fully by this reference;

3. The Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission adopts the Statement of Overriding Considerations as required by Public Resources Code §21081, and CEQA Guidelines §15093 and 15096(h), which is attached hereto and included in Exhibit A and incorporated fully by this reference; and,
4. The Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission adopts the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program as required by Public Resources Code §21081.6 and CEQA Guidelines §15097, which is attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated fully by this reference.

AYES: COMMISSIONERS Bertrand, Bottorff, Chase, Coffman-Gomez
Coonerty, Leopold, Rotkin, and Commissioner Alternates

NOES: COMMISSIONERS V. Johnson, Mulhearn, and Noroyan

ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONERS

ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS

John Leopold, Chair

ATTEST:

George Dondero, Secretary

Exhibit A: CEQA Findings, Statement of Overriding Consideration,
Exhibit B: Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program

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RESOLUTION NO. 32-18

Adopted by the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission
on the date of June 14, 2018
on the motion of Commissioner Bertrand
duly seconded by Commissioner Rotkin

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2040 SANTA CRUZ COUNTY
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) is the state-designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for Santa Cruz County; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 65080 (c) requires that each RTPA adopt and submit an updated Regional Transportation Plan to the California Transportation Commission and the Department of Transportation every five years in non-urban regions; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has prepared a 2040 Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan which describes goals and policies, financial projections, and programs and projects to be prioritized by the Commission, local jurisdictions, and local, state and regional agencies through 2040; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Plan was prepared through the conduct of a continuing, comprehensive and coordinated transportation planning process in conformance with all applicable state and federal requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Plan has been prepared in accordance with California Transportation Commission 2010 Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines, pursuant to Government Code, Section 14522; and

WHEREAS, the required consultation with other agencies was conducted and adequate opportunity for public review and comment was provided, in accordance with state and federal law and consistent with the region's public participation plan, including, but not limited to wide circulation and review by RTC advisory committees representing project sponsors and transportation stakeholders; representatives of State and Federal governmental agencies; representatives of special interest groups; representatives of the private business sector; and residents of Santa Cruz County; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted on January 18, 2018 to hear and consider comments on the 2040 Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Plans for Santa Cruz, San Benito and Monterey Counties are compiled within the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy prepared by the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments; and

WHEREAS, the environmental impacts of the 2040 Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan are analyzed as part of the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy and Regional Transportation Plans for Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz County EIR,

prepared by AMBAG as the lead agency and reviewed by RTC as responsible agency, with RTC making appropriate findings;

WHEREAS, the North Central Coast Air Basin, within which Santa Cruz County is located, meets Federal Criteria Pollutant Ambient Air Quality Standards, is in Attainment Status for these standards, and is therefore exempt from a Clean Air Act conformity analysis.

WHEREAS, the nature of the action being taken would not, in and of itself, directly cause any environmental impacts, since the action of adopting the RTP alone does not alone enable programs and projects to proceed;

NOW BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SANTACRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION:


1. The 2040 Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan is hereby adopted following certification of the Final EIR by the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments and the adoption of the Final EIR Findings, Statement of Overriding Consideration, and Mitigation Monitoring Reporting Program by the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission.

AYES: COMMISSIONERS Bertrand, Bottorff, Chase, Coffman-Gomez, Coonerty, Leopold, Rotkin, and Commissioner Alternates

NOES: COMMISSIONERS V. Johnson, Mulhearn, and Noroyan

ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONERS

ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS



John Leopold, CHAIR

ATTEST:



George Dondero, SECRETARY

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