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Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) December 3, 2020 Meeting Highlights

Election of 2021 Chair and Vice Chair

The Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) voted unanimously to name Commissioner Aurelio Gonzalez as chair and Commissioner Sandy Brown as vice chair of the commission for 2021.

Director's Report

Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) Executive Director Guy Preston announced that the California Transportation Commission approved \$107.2 million in grant funding for the RTC's Watsonville-Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor Program Cycle 2 Project at its Dec. 2 meeting. The Cycle 2 Project includes improvements on Highway 1 between Soquel Avenue/Drive and State Park Drive and on Soquel Avenue/Drive between La Fonda Avenue to State Park Drive. The project will increase safety and throughput on this congested corridor with an innovative package of projects to improve and integrate transit, active transportation, and highway/local roadway modes of travel.

Highway 41st Avenue to Soquel Drive Auxiliary Lanes and Bus-on-Shoulder Project Contract Amendment

The Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) approved an amendment to the contract with the County of Santa Cruz for right of way for the Highway 1 Auxiliary Lanes and Bus-on-Shoulder Project between 41st Avenue to Soquel Drive interchanges which includes a new bicycle/pedestrian overcrossing at Chanticleer Avenue. The right of way needs for this project include partial acquisitions for the construction of the bicycle and pedestrian overcrossing. The RTC also approved a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the County of Santa Cruz for off-site mitigation plantings and riparian habitat at Anna Jean Cummings County Park. The project is expected to impact 71 trees of various species, which will require mitigation. RTC staff worked with the County of Santa Cruz Department of Parks, Open Space, and Cultural Services staff to prepare a conceptual planting plan.

[Upcoming RTC and Committee Meetings](#)

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Regional Transportation Commission

Thursday, January 14, 2020, 9:00 a.m.

Bicycle Advisory Committee Special Meeting

Monday, December 14, 2020, 6:00 p.m.

CANCELLATION: Elderly & Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee

~~Tuesday, December 8, 2020, 1:30 p.m.~~

Interagency Technical Advisory Committee

Thursday, December 17, 2020, 1:30 p.m.

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