Santa Cruz County Supervisor Bruce McPherson will host Caltrans and the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission for a virtual community meeting from 5:30-7:00 p.m. on December 16 to share progress on the Caltrans-led State Route 9 Felton Pedestrian Safety Project.

The project will enhance pedestrian access from Graham Hill Road to the San Lorenzo Valley Schools Complex in Felton along the Highway. A Project Initiation Document (PID) has been completed which establishes a well-defined purpose-and-need statement, proposed project scope tied to a reliable cost estimate and schedule. A PID is required by Caltrans for most projects on their right-of-way before beginning the environmental review and design phases. The environmental review phase has been initiated for this project.

The project to enhance pedestrian access to the San Lorenzo Valley Schools Complex has been identified by the community as a top priority for improvement. At this meeting, Caltrans will share with the San Lorenzo Valley community the project purpose, need, challenges, alternatives, and an estimated schedule of project delivery. There will be time for community questions to be answered via the Chat feature on WebEx.

Stay tuned for a second meeting sometime in early 2021 to provide information on a Caltrans pavement project in Felton. Caltrans also plans to share information regarding the San Lorenzo Valley Complete Streets PID project which examines bicycle and pedestrian improvements originating from the Hwy 9/SLV Complete Streets Corridor Plan in the towns of Felton, Ben Lomond, Brookdale, and Boulder Creek.

**Highway 9 Virtual Community Meeting**
Date: Dec. 16
Time: 5:30-7:00 p.m.
Registration link (please register ahead of time): [https://cadot.webex.com/cadot/onstage/g.php?MTID=e9e3139355d3f3feb040ef84331d2895](https://cadot.webex.com/cadot/onstage/g.php?MTID=e9e3139355d3f3feb040ef84331d2895)