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## **Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) June 16, 2022 Meeting Highlights**

### **2016 Measure D: Five Year Program of Projects for Community Bridges Lift Line**

Following a public hearing, the Commission adopted a resolution to approve Community Bridges Lift Line's Measure D [Fiscal Years 2022/2023-2026/2027 five-year programs of projects](#). [Community Bridges/Lift Line](#) serves as the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency for Santa Cruz County and provides paratransit services for seniors and people with limited mobility. The five-year plan includes funding to provide paratransit service seven days a week, leverage grants for electric vehicles, and increase outreach about Lift Line service. As a Measure D recipient agency, Community Bridges Lift Line is required to annually develop, update, hold a public hearing on, and adopt a five-year program of projects that identifies how they plan to use Measure D funds in the upcoming five years.

### **2045 Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan**

The Commission adopted the final [2045 Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Plan](#) (RTP) and Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The RTP describes the existing transportation system, forecasts the amount of funding anticipated for transportation projects, and identifies transportation programs and projects to advance the region's goals over the next 20+ years. Projects identified in the RTP include maintenance of and improvements to local roadways, highways, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, transit service, specialized transportation for seniors and people with disabilities, and transportation demand management programs.

### **Draft Santa Cruz County Regional Conservation Investment Strategy**

The Commission received a report on the [draft Santa Cruz County Regional Conservation Investment Strategy](#) (SCCRCIS). The SCCRCIS will provide a comprehensive regional conservation strategy that enables protection of the region's focal species and other conservation elements. The regional conservation strategy and associated conservation actions can inform compensatory mitigation, including advanced environmental mitigation efforts, for transportation and other major infrastructure projects in Santa Cruz County. The Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County (RCD) is leading all technical aspects of the SCCRCIS and RTC is leading outreach efforts and evaluation of potential transportation project mitigation needs. The draft RCIS is available for public review from May 27th to August 16, 2022. RTC staff invites the public to provide input on the draft RCIS in writing by e-mailing comments to [mailto:rcis\\_santacruzcounty@sccrtc.org](mailto:rcis_santacruzcounty@sccrtc.org) and <mailto:rcis@wildlife.ca.gov>. In addition, a public

workshop will be held on June 29 at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom to inform the public about the SCCRCIS content and answer questions. Visit [www.sccrtc.org/rcis](http://www.sccrtc.org/rcis) for the link to the public workshop.

### **Transportation Network Companies Access for All Access Fund Administrator**

The Commission adopted a resolution authorizing the RTC to serve as the Local Access Fund Administrator for the Transportation Network Companies (TNC) Access for All Program to improve the accessibility of transportation for persons with disabilities in Santa Cruz County. The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) created the TNC Access for All Program to implement [Senate Bill \(SB\) 1376](#) which directed the Commission to establish a program relating to accessibility for persons with disabilities, including wheelchair users who need a wheelchair accessible vehicle. Upon approval to serve as the Access Fund Administrator, the RTC would develop a program in compliance with the guidelines set out by the CPUC and with consultation from the RTC's Elderly and Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee (E&D TAC).

### **Fiscal Year 20/21 Measure D Annual Report**

The Commission accepted the [Measure D Annual Report for FY20/21 \(Spanish\)](#). Based on the Measure D Taxpayer Oversight Committee's review of the audits and expenditure reports from recipient agencies, committee members prepared an annual report that includes a letter from them confirming the provisions and requirements have been complied with through FY20/21. The annual report focuses on the financials and findings of the audits and shows progress in delivering the Measure D Expenditure Plan.

### **Upcoming RTC and Committee Meetings**

Due to precautions associated with COVID-19 (coronavirus), **all RTC and committee meetings have been held by video conference**. On September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed AB 361 which continues the Brown Act waivers and allows the RTC to continue Commission and committee meetings in a virtual format. Beginning in August, the RTC will hold its commission meetings in a hybrid (virtual and in-person) format. Please check the RTC website [<https://sccrtc.org/meetings/calendar/>] or call 460-3200 to confirm meeting and video conference information for future meetings. Agendas are posted to the website at least 3 days before the meeting and will also include attendance information. Meetings may be canceled if there are no action items to be considered by the committee.

The RTC is committed to its compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) during this time of national emergency. Please contact the RTC at least 3 days in advance of a meeting if special accommodations are needed. If any document, webpage, meeting, or recording is inaccessible to you, kindly notify us at [info@sccrtc.org](mailto:info@sccrtc.org) or by calling 831-460-3200.

### **Regional Transportation Commission Meeting**

Thursday, Aug. 4, 2022, 9:00 a.m.

### **Bicycle Advisory Committee**

Monday, Aug. 8, 2022, 6:00 p.m.

**Elderly & Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee – Special Meeting**

Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2022, 1:30 p.m.

**Transportation Policy Workshop**

Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022, 9:00 a.m.

**Interagency Technical Advisory Committee**

Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022, 1:30 p.m.

*Public input on transportation issues is welcomed and encouraged. For more information, visit the SCCRTC website at [www.sccrtc.org](http://www.sccrtc.org) or call 460-3200. Some Regional Transportation Commission meetings are televised countywide by Community TV of Santa Cruz. Consult [www.communitytv.org](http://www.communitytv.org) or call 831-425-8848 for schedule and station information.*