



**Santa Cruz County
Regional Transportation Commission**

AGENDA

**Thursday, October 06, 2022
9:00 a.m.**

HYBRID MEETING

**County Board of Supervisors Chambers
701 Ocean St., Room 525
Santa Cruz, CA 95060**

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COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP

Caltrans (ex-officio)	Tim Gubbins
City of Capitola	Jacques Bertrand
City of Santa Cruz	Sandy Brown
City of Scotts Valley	Randy Johnson
City of Watsonville	Eduardo Montesino
County of Santa Cruz	Greg Caput
County of Santa Cruz	Ryan Coonerty
County of Santa Cruz	Zach Friend
County of Santa Cruz	Manu Koenig
County of Santa Cruz	Bruce McPherson
Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District	Kristen Brown
Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District	Ari Parker
Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District	Mike Rotkin

The majority of the Commission constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

1. Roll call

2. Oral communications

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Speakers are requested to state their name clearly so that it can be accurately recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

3. Additions or deletions to consent and regular agendas

CONSENT AGENDA

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MINUTES

4. Approve draft minutes of the September 1, 2022 Regional Transportation Commission meeting
5. Approve draft minutes of the September 15, 2022 Transportation Policy Workshop
6. Accept draft minutes of the September 22, 2022 Interagency Technical Advisory Committee (ITAC) meeting

POLICY ITEMS

7. Accept legislative updates

PROJECTS and PLANNING ITEMS

8. Adopt revised Plans, Specifications, and Engineer's Estimate (PS&E) for the Pajaro River Bridge Rehabilitation Project (**Resolution**)

9. Approve authorizing the Executive Director to award a construction contract to Irish Excavation for Erosion and Maintenance work along the Santa Cruz Branch Line near Manresa State Beach (**Resolution**)

BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES ITEMS

10. Accept status report on Transportation Development Act (TDA) revenues
11. Accept status report on Measure D revenues

ADMINISTRATION ITEMS

12. Adopt Assembly Bill 361 Findings for Virtual and Hybrid Meetings
13. Approve the proposed 2023 Regional Transportation Commission meeting schedule
14. Approve the CalPERS Health Benefits premium contributions for RTC employees pursuant to the approved Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) with the RTC labor groups and the employment contract with the Executive Director (**Resolutions**)

INFORMATION/OTHER ITEMS

15. Accept monthly meeting schedule
16. Accept correspondence log
17. Accept letters from RTC committees and staff to other agencies - *none*
18. Accept information items - *none*

REGULAR AGENDA

19. Commissioner reports – oral reports
20. Director's Report – oral report
(*Guy Preston, Executive Director*)
21. Caltrans report
 - a. Santa Cruz County project updates
 - b. Bi-Annual SHOPP Packet

22. Central Coast Zero Emission Vehicle Strategy (CCZEVS) Update
(Amanda Marino, Transportation Planner; Maya Kulkarni, Transportation Planner, Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG), and Jim Damkowitz and Mike Usen, DKS Associates)
 - a. Staff Report
 - b. Presentation by SBCAG Staff and DKS Associates
23. Coastal Rail Trail Maintenance & Trail Funding
(Grace Blakeslee, Senior Transportation Planner and Guy Preston, Executive Director)
 - a. Staff Report
24. Next meetings

The next Hybrid RTC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 03, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the County Board of Supervisors Chambers, 701 Ocean Street, Room 525, Santa Cruz, CA 95060 with remote access via Zoom hosted by Community TV. See [agenda](#) for more information.

The next Transportation Policy Workshop meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 20, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. by Zoom teleconference.

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**Santa Cruz County
Regional Transportation Commission**

Draft MINUTES

**Thursday, September 01, 2022
9:00 a.m.**

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1. Roll call.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members present:

Sandy Brown	
Kristen Brown	Mike Rotkin (Remote)
Andy Schiffrin (Alt)	Jacques Bertrand (Remote)
Virginia Johnson (Alt)	Robert Quinn (Alt) (Remote)
Manu Koenig	Felipe Hernandez (Alt) (Remote)
Ari Parker (Remote)	Lowell Hurst (Alt) (Remote)
Randy Johnson (Remote)	Scott Eades (Caltrans Ex-Officio) (Remote)

Staff present:

Guy Preston	Tracy New
Luis Mendez	Sarah Christensen
Yesenia Parra	Brianna Goodman
Shannon Munz	Amy Naranjo
Krista Corwin	Rachel Moriconi
Grace Blakeslee	Riley Gerbrandt
Rachael Hughes	Steven Mattas (RTC Counsel)

2. Oral communications.

Received public comment from:

Brian Peoples, Trail Now
Barry Scott
Ricky Longinotti
Michael Saint
Brett Garrett

In response to a comment from a member of the public, commissioners discussed the funds required to comply with recent court order to recirculate part of the environmental document for the Highway 1 project. Executive Director Guy Preston provided an update on cost estimates to fund the recirculation.

3. Additions or deletions to consent and regular agendas.

Handouts for items 16, 23 & 24 and replacement pages for items 23 and 24 were posted to the website.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Alternate Schiffrin motioned, and Commissioner Rotkin seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously with Commissioners Bertrand, S. Brown, R. Johnson, Koenig, K. Brown, Parker, Rotkin and Commissioner Alternates Hurst, Hernandez, Schiffrin, Quinn, and V. Johnson voting "aye."

Received public comment from:

Brian Peoples
Michael Saint

MINUTES

4. Approved draft minutes of the August 04, 2022 Regional Transportation Commission meeting
5. Accepted draft minutes of the August 08, 2022 Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting
6. Accepted draft minutes of the August 09, 2022 Elderly & Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee meeting

POLICY ITEMS

No consent items.

PROJECTS and PLANNING ITEMS

7. Approved authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a cooperative agreement with Caltrans for the construction component of the Highway 1 Auxiliary Lanes and Bus-on-Shoulder Project between Bay Street/Porter Avenue and State Park Drive interchanges, and authorize amendment 3 to the Professional Engineering Services Agreement with Mark Thomas Company, Inc. for Design Support During Construction (**Resolution 03-23 and Resolution 04-23**)

BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES ITEMS

8. Accepted status report on Transportation Development Act (TDA) revenues
9. Accepted status report on Measure D revenues
10. Approved allocating 100% of the region's FY22/23 State of Good Repair (SGR) population-based (PUB 99313) and revenue-based (PUC 99314) funds (estimated \$782,000) to Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (METRO) for bus replacements (**Resolution 05-23**)
11. Approved amendments to the Fiscal Year (FYs) 2021-22 and 2022-23 Budget and Work Program (**Resolution 06-23**)
12. Approved the City of Santa Cruz Article 8 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Claim totaling \$9,000 for the FY 2022 Bikeway Striping and Minor Improvements Project (**Resolution 07-23**)

ADMINISTRATION ITEMS

13. Adopted Assembly Bill 361 Findings for Virtual and Hybrid Meetings

INFORMATION/OTHER ITEMS

14. Accepted monthly meeting schedule.
15. Accepted correspondence log.
16. Accepted letters from RTC committees and staff to other agencies
 - a. May 31, 2022 Letter to Stephanie Hansen, Assistant Planning Director Re: The Sustainability Policy and Regulatory Update to the County's General Plan/Local Coastal Program and modernization of the County Code: Draft EIR Comment
 - b. July 28, 2022 Letter to ICLEI USA from Luis Mendez Re: Support for *E+Shared Mobility Hub*

- c. August 24, 2022 Letter to Assemblymember Stone, Senator Laird, and Governor Newsom Re: Support as Written – SB457 (Portantino) – Household Vehicle Reduction Tax Credit (*Provided as a handout and posted to the website*)

17. Accepted information items. – *none*

REGULAR AGENDA

18. Commissioner reports

Commissioner Bertrand provided comments on the importance of frequency when it comes to effective transit service.

Commissioner Alternate Hurst and Commissioner Parker expressed appreciation for transportation improvements made by Caltrans in the Watsonville area, including improvements to Highway 1, Highway 152, and Highway 129/Riverside Drive, including Complete Streets and traffic calming efforts.

Chair Sandy Brown reported on the recent groundbreaking ceremony for Segment 7, Phase 2 of the Coastal Rail Trail on August 11, 2022.

19. Director's Report

Executive Director Guy Preston delivered the director's report, highlighting the offer by Santa Cruz County Metropolitan Transit District (METRO) of free fares between Sept 15-29, which will coincide with the start of fall service; changes to bus routes responsive to a staffing shortage with more information available on METRO's website; collaboration between six central coast counties to seek public input for a zero-emission vehicle infrastructure study for which a representative from Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) will provide more information at the next RTC meeting on October 4.

Commissioners discussed: California Transportation Commission's recognition of Santa Cruz County's Active Transportation program; factors that affect bus ridership (frequency, reliability, etc.); purchase of electric buses must be strategic; bus ridership to and from the UCSC campus.

Received public comment from:

Michael Tree, Santa Cruz County Metropolitan Transit District (METRO)

Michael Saint

Beverly DesChaux, Electric Vehicle Association Central Coast Chapter (EVACCC)

20. Caltrans report

The Deputy Director for Caltrans District 5, Scott Eades, delivered the Santa Cruz County Project Updates and gave an oral report highlighting the launch of Caltrans new traffic monitoring app, QuickMap (<https://quickmap.dot.ca.gov>); Caltrans Local Assistance Training Day on September 8, 2022; California Transportation Commission awarded \$150 million to projects in our area including the Sidehill Viaduct Project on Highway 9; Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) improvements along Highway 152 in Watsonville; and responded to a concern about a slow-down in traffic on Highway 17.

Commissioners discussed: traffic impacts and costs & benefits of regular highway maintenance.

Received public comment from:

Brian Peoples, Trail Now

Heather Adamson, Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG)

21. City of Capitola Presentation

Public Works Director for the City of Capitola Steve Jesberg delivered a status update on transportation projects, including improvements to Brommer Street, 41st Avenue Adaptive System, Clares Street Traffic Calming, a pedestrian path through Upper Pacific Cove; the 41st Avenue & Capitola Road Intersection & Roadway Rehabilitation Project.

Director Jesberg responded to Commissioners' questions about the bikeway maintenance schedule; challenges in funding the Clares Street project; coordination with Caltrans to deliver projects; 41st Avenue improvements: expected timeline for traffic signal synchronization; details of planned pedestrian facilities along 41st and Capitola Road; long range plans for improvements to bicycle facilities; and traffic calming on Park Avenue.

Commissioners discussed noticeable improvements in active transportation infrastructure; anticipated public art components; engagement with the public; appreciation for public works staff.

Received public comment from:

Michael Saint

Beverly DesChaux, EVACCC

Lani Faulkner, Equity Transit

22. Highway 9 Boulder Creek Complete Streets Improvements – Federal Grant Opportunities Update

Brianna Goodman, Transportation Planner delivered the staff report.

Commissioners discussed: appreciation for staff, Supervisor McPherson for his advocacy and for the long-term planning and work resulting in projects along Highway 9

Commissioner Alternate Virginia Johnson motioned and Commissioner Alternate Schiffrin seconded the motion to:

1. Receive an update on the Highway 9/San Lorenzo Valley program, including staff efforts to fund the Boulder Creek Complete Streets Improvements via federal grants; and
2. Direct staff to apply for two federal funding grant opportunities, which will require future programming of local funds (likely Measure D – Highway 9 category funds) to leverage federal funding grants.

The motion passed with Commissioners Bertrand, S. Brown, R. Johnson, Koenig, K. Brown, Parker, Rotkin and Commissioner Alternates V. Johnson, Hurst, Hernandez, Schiffrin, and Quinn voting “aye.”

23. Highway 1 41st Avenue to Soquel Drive Auxiliary Lanes and Bus on Shoulder Project Amendment to Construction Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans, Amendment to Measure D Five-Year Program of Projects for Highway Corridors Category, and Amend Fiscal Year 23 Budget

Senior Transportation Engineer Sarah Christensen delivered the staff report and gave a presentation.

Director of Budget and Finance Tracy New responded to a question regarding the previous programming of unspent funds.

Received public comment from:

Brian Peoples, Trail Now

Michael Saint, Campaign for Sustainable Transportation (CFST)

Beverly DesChaux, EVACCC

Commissioners discussed: cost estimates are expected to increase as the project progresses; call to transform Highway 1 into an electric vehicle facility in anticipation of the coming ban on gas-powered vehicles; moving forward with compromises in order to advance the bus-on-shoulder project.

Commissioner Alternate Schiffrin made a motion and Commissioner Rotkin seconded the motion to approve the staff recommendation to:

1. Authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute Amendment 2 to the Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans for the construction component of 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 (Caltrans Coop 05-0391);
2. Program an additional \$1,862,100 of Measure D-Highway Corridors revenues and shift \$469,000 unspent prior year funds to FY22/23 for the Project as shown in the proposed 5-Year Program of Projects;
3. Amend the RTC FY23 budget to reflect the approved programming actions (**Resolution 08-23**).

The motion passed unanimously with Commissioners Bertrand, Koenig, Parker, S. Brown, K. Brown, R. Johnson, Rotkin, and Commissioner Alternates Hurst, Hernandez, Schiffrin, V. Johnson, Quinn voting "aye."

24. Highway 1 Auxiliary Lanes and Bus on Shoulder from State Park Drive to Freedom Boulevard and Coastal Rail Trail Segment 12 Project Contract Amendment with Mark Thomas & Company, Inc. for the Final Design Phase

Senior Transportation Engineer Sarah Christensen delivered the staff report and gave a presentation.

Ms. Christensen responded to Commissioners' questions regarding packaging the project strategically to leverage grant funds for the comprehensive multimodal project; traffic management tactics conducted by Caltrans during construction; preservation of railroad bridge to freight standards.

Commissioners discussed: integrated approach to project design safeguards the right-of-way for future development of the rail project; need for clarity on ultimate costs of each option; accountability to the public over Measure D expenditures; importance of keeping the project multimodal.

Received public comment from:

Brian Peoples, Trail Now

Sally Arnold

Barry Scott

Matt Farrell

Mark Mesiti-Miller, Friends of the Rail and Trail (FORT)

Beverly DesChaux, EVACCC

Lani Faulkner, Equity Transit

Ms. Christensen and Director Preston responded to a question about auxiliary lane project plans for the portion of Highway 1 between Soquel Avenue and Morrissey Boulevard.

Commissioner Rotkin made a motion and Commissioner Bertrand seconded the motion to approve the staff recommendation to authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute Amendment 1 to the contract with Mark Thomas & Company, Inc. (TP2122) for an amendment amount not to exceed \$9,998,225 for final design services, a total contract value not to exceed 12,079,064, and a term ending on December 31, 2028, subject to the final negotiations and review by legal counsel as to form (**Resolution 09-23**).

Commissioners discussed: costs of the current scope of work as well as the ultimate project; investment of local funds; appreciation for the integrated approach for the design phase; maximize opportunities to make decisions in the future based on actual costs; public vote indicated support for electric passenger rail; path to railbanking unlikely in this county.

The motion passed unanimously with Commissioners Bertrand, S. Brown, R. Johnson, Koenig, K. Brown, Parker, Rotkin and Commissioner Alternates V. Johnson, Hurst, Hernandez, Schiffrin, and Quinn voting "aye."

25. Next meetings

The next hybrid RTC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 06, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors at 701 Ocean St. Room 525 with remote access by Zoom teleconference.

The next Transportation Policy Workshop meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 15, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. by Zoom teleconference.

Respectfully Submitted,

Yesenia Parra
Administrative Services Officer

Attendees:

Michael Pisano (he/him)
Ryan Sarnataro
Casey Beyer
Murray Fontes
Stephen Baxter
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Petra Mottishaw
Kira Caselli
Brian
Jack Dilles
Paula Bradley
Kailash Mozumder
Beverly DesChaux
Matt Machado, Community
Development and Infrastructure
Heather Adamson AMBAG
Steph Britt
BobFi
Nadene Thorne
Tony Gregorio
Mark Mesiti-Miller
Alex Lopez
Mark Johannessen
Steve Wiesner
Brian (Trail Now)
Judy Gittelsohn
Johanna Lighthill
Matt Farrell
Victor Herrmann
Lani Faulkner, Equity Transit
Peter Haworth
Joni Steele
Saladin Sale
Miguel Aznar
Jeanette Guire RC RR
Theresia Rogerson HSA
Brett Garrett
Paul Guirguis (CT Regional Planning)
Barry Scott
Rosemary Sarka
Ricky Longinotti
david ♡ public transit
Micheal Saint

Trink Praxel
Wondimu Mengistu



**Santa Cruz County
Regional Transportation Commission
Transportation Policy Workshop**

Draft MINUTES

**Monday, September 15, 2022
9:00 a.m.**

**REMOTE MEETING
Community TV Zoom
Web: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85763723127>
Dial-in: +1 669 900 6833
Webinar ID: 857 6372 3127**

1. Roll call.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members present:

Jacques Bertrand

Sandy Brown

Kristin Brown

Randy Johnson

Manu Koenig

Eduardo Montesino

Virginia Johnson (Alt)

Larry Pageler (Alt)

Andy Schiffrin (Alt)

Staff present:

Guy Preston

Luis Mendez

Yesenia Parra

Sarah Christensen

Tracy New

Cindy Convisser

2. Oral Communications

No public comment received.

3. Additions or deletions to consent and regular agendas -*none*

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Alternate Schiffrin motioned and Commissioner Bertrand seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously with Commissioners Bertrand, K. Brown, S. Brown, R. Johnson, Koenig, Montesino, and Commissioner Alternates V. Johnson, Pageler, and Schiffrin voting "aye."

ADMINISTRATION ITEMS

4. Adopted Assembly Bill 361 Findings for Virtual and Hybrid Meetings

REGULAR AGENDA

5. Next meetings

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Respectfully Submitted,

Yesenia Parra
Administrative Services Officer



**Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission
Interagency Technical Advisory Committee (ITAC)**

DRAFT MINUTES

Thursday, September 22, 2022, 1:30 p.m.
Teleconference

Due to precautions associated with COVID-19 (coronavirus), the meeting was held by videoconference, consistent with state laws and orders allowing legislative bodies to hold Brown Act meetings via teleconference.

ITAC Members Present

Capitola Community Development & Public Works Proxy	Kailash Mozumder
Santa Cruz Public Planning Proxy	Claire Gallogly
Santa Cruz Public Works	Josh Spangrud
Scotts Valley Public Works	Chris Lamm
Watsonville Public Works	Murray Fontes
Watsonville Community Development	Justin Meek
County of Santa Cruz Public Works	Steve Wiesner
Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments	Paul Hierling
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	Paul Guirguis
Ecology Action- Transportation Program	Piet Canin
Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District	John Urgo
Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District	Pete Rasmussen
University of California at Santa Cruz (UCSC)	Oxo Slayer

RTC Staff Present

Sarah Christensen, Krista Corwin, Rachel Moriconi, Guy Preston, Tommy Travers

Others Present

Caltrans District 5: Malinda Gallaher, Garin Schneider, Scott Kirkish

AMBAG: Chris Duymich, Miranda Taylor

Public: Jill Hough, Brian People, Michael Pisano, Joni Steele

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Kailash Mozumder called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.
2. **Introductions:** Introductions were made. All attendees participated by teleconference.
3. **Oral Communications:**

Rachel Moriconi reported that she will send out the California Transportation Commission’s (CTC) Active Transportation Program project list to recipients to review and update.

Brian Peoples highlighted \$25 million grant obtained by Monterey County for investment in buses; provided comments on the costs of Segment 7 Phase B; urged the committee to align with the California Coastal Commission.

Josh Spangrud informed the chair that he may have to leave the meeting early.

4. **Additions, deletions, or changes to consent and regular agendas:**
Item 6 was moved to the end of the regular agenda. Handouts, including presentation slides for Items 6, 9, 10, and 12, are posted on the ITAC meeting agenda webpage: <https://sccrtc.org/meetings/inter-agency/agendas/>

CONSENT AGENDA

5. **Approved Minutes of the June 16, 2022, ITAC meeting**
6. ~~**Central Coast Zero Emission Vehicle Strategy (CCZEVS) Update**~~
Moved to end of regular agenda
7. **Received Legislative Updates**
8. **Received Federal Funding Updates**

Committee members present approved a motion (Fontes/Lamm) approving the consent agenda, with Mozumder, Gallogly, Lamm, Wiesner, Fontes, Meek, Hierling, Uργο, Rasmussen, Slayer and Canin voting "yes" by roll call vote. Members Guirgus and Spangrud abstained.

REGULAR AGENDA

9. **Caltrans Asset Management and State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP)**

The ITAC received a presentation from Scott Kirkish, Asset Manager for Caltrans District 5, on state highway asset management and the Biannual State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) Package. Claire Gallogly requested that Caltrans integrate City of Santa Cruz comments into the scope of the Highway 1/Mission Street Capital Maintenance project (PPNO 2725). Guy Preston requested information about what additional projects will be funded given that the SHOPP is being backfilled with Infrastructure and Jobs Investment Act funds. Scott responded that there might be a few very large SHOPP projects in other parts of the state using the funds.

Garin Schneider presented the project queue map; the three-year PID oversight projects work plan; offered advice that the type of operational, capacity-building projects are unlikely to receive funding; and requested that local agencies contact Paul Guirguis with any project questions, especially any related to Complete Streets on state highways. He

encouraged agencies to look at the Caltrans webviewer. He noted that active transportation program applications require a PID or PID equivalent. Sarah Christensen provided feedback on oversight of the County's Pajaro River Levee project. Murray Fontes noted that Watsonville is hoping to have the Freedom Blvd/152-Main St operational improvements/roundabout on the list for future analysis in combination with other Caltrans projects in the area.

10. Caltrans Strategic Investment Strategy (CSIS)

Rachel Moriconi presented information about the new Caltrans Strategic Investment Strategy. She noted that the effort is focused on implementation of the state's Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI) and Caltrans is using more evaluation criteria to screen projects and determine priorities for numerous funding programs. She noted that the RTC will also be updating its evaluation criteria and soliciting input from ITAC before its next call for projects for RTC-discretionary funds.

Brian Peoples, Trail Now, stated that sea-level rising requirements of the Coastal Commission should be incorporated into project scoring criteria and requested staff to invite Coastal Commission staff to participate in ITAC meetings. Claire Gallogy stated that the CSIS criteria are very similar to criteria regularly used to evaluate projects.

11. Status of transportation projects, programs, studies, and planning documents

ITAC members provided updates on projects, programs, studies and planning efforts.

Scotts Valley – Chris Lamm reported on a new road striping contract award; city council and staff attended the Think Bike workshop.

Watsonville – Murray Fontes reported on the Think Bike event last week; Freedom Blvd reconstruction project (Alta Vista to Green Valley Rd) is out to bid and will begin construction after a utility project is done, likely early next year; RTC-funded city-wide road maintenance is expected to start Spring 2023; the City Council approved a resolution to support a Caltrans project to do a road diet and build bike and pedestrian facilities on Main Street. Justin Meek appreciated collaboration between Caltrans, public works, and planning on the Main Street project. The Downtown Plan will come forth to City Council in October.

METRO – John Urgo reported that METRO is kicking off its Soquel Dr corridor planning project and appreciated Ecology Action's bike seminar.

County of Santa Cruz – Steve Wiesner reported that the County is wrapping up construction season, finishing Measure D resurfacing and striping

projects; County became a Vision Zero agency and submitted a grant application for the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) federal program for a Vision Zero action plan in partnership with Watsonville, Scotts Valley and others; County received a \$5 million Clean California grant to reconstruct the multi-use path along Green Valley Road, with construction set for next summer; the Soquel Dr SB1-Congested Corridors project will be going to bid this fall, with construction scheduled for early next year; the Highway 152/Holohan intersection project is expected to be ready to list (RTL) in early 2023 and go to construction in summer 2023; the County is going to utilize job order contracts (JOC); and continuing work on 2017 storm damage repair projects.

City of Santa Cruz – Claire Gallogly reported on staffing changes; Rail Trail Segment 7-phase 2 construction; and the regional bike share contract is expected to be presented to boards and commissions soon. Josh Spangrud reported on recruitment for open positions; the Segments 8 and 9 Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) will be released for public review 9/23; the Highway 1/9 project is expected to be completed by the end of October/early November; the Chestnut Street project experienced delays partially due to materials procurement, but should be completed this fall; reconstruction of a portion of West Cliff path from 2017 storm damage is also nearing completion; and Murray Street bridge project is expected to be ready to going out to bid at the end of this year, with construction scheduled to start in spring 2023.

Capitola – Kailash Mozumder reported the Measure D 2022 resurfacing projects are completed; Clares Street project construction is expected to start in October; city is soliciting public input on the Kennedy Road sidewalk project; 2023 road rehabilitation is in design; collecting final data for the regional bike share program; and the 41st Ave adaptive signal program should be fully operational by the end of October.

AMBAG – saved their updates and comments for item 13 and 14.

Ecology Action – Piet Canin appreciated everybody for coming to the ThinkBike workshop; he encouraged agencies to participate in Biketober and the online Bike Challenge; he also encouraged agencies to look at partnering on Clean Mobility funding options to advance clean shared mobility projects.

UCSC – Oxo Slayer reported on a campus-wide Transportation Demand Management (TDM) plan to mitigate vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and will develop an annual VMT monitoring program; UCSC is identifying bike share docking station locations on campus and near Delaware Ave; also developing a study for the historic area gateway at Coolidge, Bay and High Streets, as well as a study for the westside research property that will take into consideration rail trail, bikeways, parking.

SCCRTC - Rachel Moriconi and Sarah Christensen reported:

- The RTC will consider amendments to the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and FY22/23 RTC Budget at its November meeting. She requested agencies submit requests for any changes to scope, schedule or other project information.
- RTC staff is preparing updates to the Measure D 5-Year Program of Projects for regional project categories, for consideration by RTC advisory committees in October and the RTC board in November.
- At its October 6, 2022 meeting, the RTC board will receive an update on Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail Network/Coastal Rail Trail funding, potential grant opportunities, and preliminary recommendations regarding using Measure D –Trail funding for maintenance and to complete construction of the coastal rail trail.
- Hwy 1 41st Ave-Soquel Drive hybrid auxiliary lanes/bus-on-shoulder and Chanticleer Bike/Pedestrian bridge project: Caltrans awarded a contract for the project. Bids came in 13% over the engineer's estimate. Construction is scheduled to start in late 2022 and take approximately 2 years. Agencies should contact Sarah if interested in review bid results.
- Pajaro River Railroad Bridge Rehabilitation: May 2022 RTC rejected bids; staff has revised the scope and will bring these to the RTC at the Oct 6, 2022 meeting to adopt PS&E and advertise this fall. Construction is scheduled to begin in 2023.
- Highway 1 Bay/Porter-State Park auxiliary lanes project is scheduled to be advertised in early 2023.
- SB1-Cycle 3: RTC working with Caltrans, METRO & County to submit applications for Watsonville to Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor: Freedom-SP Aux/BOS, Soquel Dr multimodal improvements, transit enhancements (in-lane boarding platforms, shelters, real-time displays, e-ticket vouchers), and Segment 12 of rail trail including 2 Hwy 1 bicycle/pedestrian overcrossings and two Soquel Drive bicycle/pedestrian overcrossings.
- San Lorenzo Valley (SLV)/ Highway 9: Caltrans recently finished a complete streets Project Initiation Document (PID) for the corridor; last week RTC submitted a Safe Streets for All grant application for a Boulder Creek Complete Streets project on SR9 and SR236. The project is also on Eshoo/House appropriations list – subject to federal budget approval. Stakeholder and community outreach is scheduled for the Hwy 9 SLV School Access and Circulation Study this fall.
- RTC will be conducting traffic volume counts at several locations throughout the county.

12. Caltrans Local Assistance Updates

Malinda Gallaher, Caltrans District 5 Local Assistance, presented information about:

- Build America Buy America (BABA) requirements

- New Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) or Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Programs – website updates with new links for the CRP and SS4A programs
- Risk Assessment Program for agencies
- Caltrans 2022 Standard Plans and Standard Specifications will be published on Oct 24, 2022; date for Local Agency to incorporate into projects is TBD.

13. Draft 2022 Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan

Miranda Taylor, AMBAG, presented the draft Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan and requested agencies provide input on lists of providers of transit services for seniors and people with disabilities, the project lists and any parts of the plan that should be updated for the final document.

Brian Peoples, Trail Now, delivered comments praising Santa Cruz Metro’s paratransit program.

14. Regional Early Action Planning Grants 2.0 Program

Paul Hierling, AMBAG, provided an update on the Regional Early Action Program (REAP 2.0) highlighting the eligible uses. He requested that ITAC members provide input for the development of AMBAG’s REAP 2.0 framework. Paul will send the presentation to ITAC members and members are encouraged to pursue this funding source that integrates transportation and land use.

6. Central Coast Zero-Emission Vehicle Strategy.

Rachel Moriconi, SCCRTC, encouraged ITAC members to go to the CCCZEV website and provide input on electric vehicle charging station locations.

15. Next meeting. The next meeting of the ITAC is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on October 20, 2022. Meeting location (virtual or in-person) will be determined based on the latest health guidance and state law. ITAC meetings may be cancelled if there are no action items to be considered by the committee.

Chair Mozumder adjourned the meeting at 3:34 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Rachel Moriconi and Krista Corwin

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TO: Regional Transportation Commission (RTC)
FROM: Matt Schroeder and Rachel Moriconi, Transportation Planners
RE: Legislative Updates

RECOMMENDATIONS

This item is for information only.

BACKGROUND

The Regional Transportation Commission monitors state and federal legislative and administrative actions that could impact transportation funding or project implementation in Santa Cruz County. Legislative priorities are identified in the RTC's annual [Legislative Platform](#).

DISCUSSION

The State Legislature's two-year 2021-2022 legislative session ended on August 31st. The Governor has until the end of September to sign or veto bills. A few key bills that staff has been tracking this year that could impact local transportation projects or programs and/or special districts, like the RTC, are listed below. At the RTC's October 6th meeting, staff may provide additional verbal updates on any recent actions taken by the Governor.

Bills that have either been chaptered (signed by the Governor) or are awaiting action from the Governor, *(as of September 26, 2022)* include:

- **AB 1389 (Gómez Reyes) – Clean Transportation Program: Project funding preferences.** This bill expands the types of projects for which the California Energy Commission (CEC) must prioritize funding from the Clean Transportation Program (CTP) to include projects that provide specified air quality benefits, including: 1) Eligible projects in areas designated as “nonattainment” areas pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act. 2) Projects that advance the CARB mobile source emissions strategy.
 - ***Signed by Governor and chaptered on September 16.***
- **AB 1851 (Rivas-Robert) – Public works: Prevailing wage: Hauling.** This bill expands the definition of “public works” to include on-hauling of materials

used for paving, grading, and fill onto a public works site and requires workers performing this work to be subject to prevailing wage requirements.

- Enrolled (approved by the legislature) on August 29.

- **AB 1902 (Aguiar-Curry) – Resource conservation districts.** This bill would update the enabling act for resource conservation districts (RCDs) to, among other things, explicitly authorize RCDs to promote and implement programs, projects, practices, and activities on public and private natural, working, and urban lands to support the achievement of California’s climate, conservation, and natural resources goals and objectives.
 - Enrolled (approved by the legislature) on August 29.
- **AB 1909 (Friedman) – Vehicles: Bicycle omnibus bill.** 1) Eliminates the statewide ban of class 3 electric bicycles on a bicycle path or trail, bikeway, bicycle lane, equestrian trail, or hiking or recreational trail. 2) Eliminates local authority to ban electric bicycles on bike paths. 3) Authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation to prohibit the operation of electric bicycles or any class of electric bicycles on any bicycle path or trail within the department’s jurisdiction. 4) Allows bicyclists to follow leading pedestrian intervals at intersections. 5) Specifies that a peace officer cannot stop a pedestrian for a violation of provisions of this bill unless a reasonably careful person would realize there is a danger of collision with a moving vehicle or other device moving exclusively by human power. 6) Requires motor vehicle operators, when overtaking or passing a bicycle in the same direction, to move over a lane of traffic when possible. 7) Eliminates local authority to require bicycle registration. 8) Includes chaptering out language with AB 2147 (Ting). The Class 3 e-bike is equipped with a speedometer, and only assists until the bike reaches 28 mph — an excellent choice for commuters. The most popular bikes fit into Class 1 or Class 3 because riders still want to pedal.
 - ***Signed by Governor and chaptered on September 16.***
- **AB 2438 (Friedman) – CAPTI.** This bill would require certain state transportation programs to include strategies from the Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI) in program guidelines. It would also require some state agencies to establish new accountability guidelines for select transportation funding programs. Several agencies in California have requested that the Governor veto the bill.
 - Enrolled (approved by the legislature) on September 9.
- **AB 2449 (Rubio) – Open meetings: Local agencies: Teleconference.** This bill would provide that, until January 2026, an agency would be allowed to teleconference under limited circumstances without observing some of the typical requirements (that each teleconference location be identified in the notice and agenda and that each teleconference location be accessible to the public) if at least a quorum of the members participates in-person from a singular, physical location identified on the agenda and situated within the

boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction that is open to the public.

o ***Signed by the Governor and chaptered September 13.***

- **AB 2622 (Mullin) – Sales and use taxes: Exemptions: California Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project: Transit buses.** Extends the sunset date on the state General Fund-only (3.9375%) sales and use tax exemption for any zero-emission technology transit bus vehicles sold to a city, county, city and county, transportation and transit district, or other public agency that provides transit services to the public that is eligible for HVIP from January 1, 2024, to January 1, 2026.

o ***Signed by Governor and chaptered on September 16.***

- **AB 2647 (Levine) – Local government: Open meetings.** This bill would allow local agencies that maintain a website to post agendas on their website instead of those public locations. Local agencies would be required to also place their web addresses on their meeting agendas. Along with posting the materials on the agency's website, agencies would also be required to post the materials at the physical location as soon as possible following their release on the agency's website.

o Enrolled (approved by the legislature) on August 29.

- **AB 2917 (Fong) – Disability access: Internet websites, parking lots, and exterior paths of travel.** Requires disability claims brought on the basis of a non-compliant website to follow the procedures established in current law related to non-compliant facilities, consistent with efforts to halt similar "pay me now or pay me more" demand letters.

o Enrolled (approved by the legislature) on September 13.

- **AB 2953 (Salas) – Streets and highways: Recycled materials.** This bill would require a local agency that has jurisdiction over a street or highway, to the extent feasible and cost effective, to use advanced technologies and material recycling techniques that reduce the cost of maintaining and rehabilitating streets and highways and that exhibit reduced levels of greenhouse gas emissions through material choice and construction method. Further, the bill would require a local agency that has jurisdiction over a street or highway, beginning January 1, 2024, apply standard specifications that allow for the use of recycled materials in streets and highways to the extent feasible and cost effective.

Enrolled (approved by the legislature) on September 06.

- **SB 457 (Portantino) – Household Vehicle Reduction Tax Credit.** This bill would allow an income tax credit equal to \$1,000 to every household that has zero registered vehicles for taxable years 2023 through 2028. The credit is subject to income limitations of \$40,000 for single filers and \$60,000 for joint filers. The RTC has registered its support for this bill.

- Enrolled (approved by the legislature) on September 9.
- **SB 852 (Dodd) – Climate resiliency district: Formation: Funding mechanisms.** Authorizes a city, county, special district, or a combination of any of those entities to form a "climate resilience district" for the purposes of raising and allocating funding for eligible projects and the operating expenses of projects that address sea level rise, extreme heat, extreme cold, the risk of wildfire, drought, and the risk of flooding. Authorizes climate resilience districts to receive property tax increment and other forms of revenue from participating local entities on a voluntary, "opt-in" basis.
 - ***Signed by Governor and chaptered September 09.***
- **SB 884 (McGuire) – Electricity: Expedited utility distribution infrastructure undergrounding program.** Establishes an expedited process for the state's review and approval of electrical utility undergrounding projects.
 - Enrolled (approved by the legislature) on September 06.
- **SB 931 (Leyva) – Deterring union membership: Violations.** Authorizes PERB claim alleging employer deterred or discouraged union membership, up to \$100,000 fine (\$1,000 per employee impacted) and attorney's fees for employee organization.
 - Enrolled (approved by the legislature) on September 06.
- **SB 1044 (Durazo) – Employers: Emergency condition: Retaliation.** SB 1044 would prohibit an employer from taking or threatening any adverse action against any employee for refusing to report to, or leaving, a workplace because the employee feels unsafe due to a state of emergency or an emergency condition, and (2) permit employees to access their mobile device or other communications device.
 - Enrolled (approved by the legislature) on August 30.
- **SB 1100 (Cortese) – Public meetings and orderly conduct.** This bill will allow the presiding member of a local legislative body to remove an individual for disrupting a local agency's meeting. The bill defines "disrupting" for this purpose and outlines the procedure that must be followed before an individual may be removed.
 - ***Signed by the Governor and chaptered on August 22.***
- **SB 1109 (Caballero) – California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: Bioenergy projects.** Extends SB 901 BioRAM biomass energy facility contracts by an additional five years. Requires any incremental procurement of electricity products from bioenergy resources by a new BioRAM contract or contract extension of 5 years or longer in duration to be from a resource that meets emission limits equivalent to, or more stringent than, the best available retrofit control technology determined at the time of procurement.

- ***Signed by the Governor and chaptered on September 16.***
- **SB 1121 (Gonzalez) – Statewide transportation needs assessment.** This bill would require the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to biennially develop a needs assessment of the cost to operate, maintain, and provide for the future growth and resiliency of the state and local transportation system.
 - ***Signed by Governor and chaptered on September 23.***
- **SB 1127 (Atkins) – Workers’ compensation: Liability presumptions.** SB 1127 proposes to shorten the time provided for employers to investigate claims from 90 to 30 days for any claim covered by a presumption statute, and 60 days for all other claims. The bill proposes new and unprecedented penalties for all claims covered by presumption statutes up to \$100,000.
 - Enrolled (approved by the legislature) on September 06.
- **SB 1226 (Durazo) – Joint powers agreements: Zero emission transportation systems of facility.** Expands the potential universe of entities a public agency could enter into a joint powers agreement with for the purposes of the development, construction, and operation of zero-emission transportation systems or facilities that lower greenhouse gases, reduce vehicle congestion and vehicles miles traveled, and improve public transit connections. This bill allows a private, non-profit corporation that provides services for zero-emission transportation to enter into a joint powers agreement with a public agency to facilitate the development, construction, and operation of zero-emission transportation systems or facilities.
 - ***Signed by Governor and chaptered on September 18***
- **SB 1230 (Limón) – Zero-emission and near-zero-emission vehicle incentive programs: Requirements.** This bill makes specified changes to the Clean Cars 4 All (CC4A) Program to expand the pool of eligible applicants. It also applies new, uniform requirements to clean vehicle incentive programs in the state, as specified. Assembly Amendments make CC4A require any hybrids receiving incentive funding to be capable of plug-in charging as of January 1, 2025, specify goals for the California Air Resources Board (ARB) to implement with CC4A, and address chaptering issues with SB 1382 (Gonzalez).
 - ***Signed by Governor and chaptered on September 16.***
- **SB 1251 (L. Gonzalez) – Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development: Zero-Emission Vehicle Market Development Office: Zero-Emission Vehicle Equity Advocate.** This bill builds on a series of actions taken by Governor Newsom and previously Governor Brown to ensure a timely phase in of zero-emission vehicle usage both by state entities and the public. This formalizes the existence of the zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) division of the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development

(GOBiz) as the ZEV Market Development Office in statute, as specified; and, establishes the ZEV Equity Advocate, within the office, until January 1, 2028, as specified. Assembly Amendments delete the establishment of a new Office of the ZEV Advocate, and instead formalize the existence of the ZEV division within GO-Biz as the ZEV Market Development Office, as specified, and establish the ZEV Equity Advocate.

- o ***Signed by Governor and chaptered on September 16.***

- **SB 1291 (Archuleta) – Hydrogen-fueling stations: Administrative approval.** This bill aims to make the construction of new hydrogen-fueling facilities easier. Requires a city or county to administratively approve an application for a hydrogen-fueling station through the issuance of a building permit or similar nondiscretionary permit.

- o ***Signed by Governor and chaptered on September 16.***

- **SB 1439 (Glazer) – Campaign contributions: Agency officers.** Expands a prohibition on financial contributions to officers of local agencies; local agency officers would be prohibited from receiving contributions above a certain amount before/after participating in a decision related to "a proceeding involving a license, permit, or other entitlement for use pending before the agency." "License, permit, or other entitlement for use" means all business, professional, trade, and land use licenses and permits and all other entitlements for use, including all entitlements for land use, all contracts (other than competitively bid, labor, or personal employment contracts), and all franchises. Agency officers would have an opportunity to cure the violation by returning the contribution (or the portion of the contribution in excess of \$250) within 14 days of accepting, soliciting, or directing the contribution, provided that the officer committed the offense unknowingly/unwillingly.

- o Enrolled (approved by the legislature) on September 13.

Bills that are no longer moving forward, but might be back next session in modified forms include:

- **AB 1001 (C. Garcia) – Mitigation measures for air quality impacts.** This bill would have included broad and concerning environmental justice-related provisions within CEQA. This bill was subsequently amended but would still require all public agencies to give consideration to the principles of environmental justice, as set forth in subdivision (e) of Section 65040.12 of the Government Code, by ensuring the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of people of all races, cultures, incomes, and national origins.
- **Vetoed: AB 1078 (Patterson) – Energy: Building standards: Photovoltaic requirements.** Exempts residential buildings damaged or destroyed in a disaster during the 2020 calendar year from having to install solar energy systems under the California Energy Commission's recently

adopted building requirements.

- **AB 1154 (Patterson) – California Environmental Quality Act: Exemption: egress route projects: Fire safety.** Exempts from the California Environmental Quality Act secondary egress route projects undertaken by a public agency for a subdivision in a high fire-threat area that was evaluated by the Board of Forestry.
- **AB 1640 (Ward) – Regional climate networks.** This bill would authorize eligible entities, including special districts, to establish and participate in a "regional climate network," which may develop a regional climate adaptation and resilience action plan, as specified.
- **AB 1778 (Garcia) – Impact of state-funded highway projects on disadvantaged communities.** This bill would have prohibited Caltrans from using any state funds or personnel time for highway expansion projects if any census tract within or bordering the project site has a percentile score beneath the 50th percentile score using the California Healthy Places Index (HPI).
- **AB 1944 (Lee) – Local government: Open and public meetings.** AB 1944 would authorize members of local legislative bodies to teleconference from a remote location without making the address of that location public. Additionally, the bill requires that – for those local agencies that elect to use teleconferencing for its legislative body meetings – a video stream is made available to members of the public, including an opportunity to provide public comment via telephone or videoconference option.
- **Vetoed: AB 1951 (Grayson et al.) – Expansion of the Partial Sales and Use Tax (SUT) Exemption for Manufacturing and Research and Development (MR&D).** The RTC and many cities, counties, transit, and other agencies in the state requested that the Governor veto this bill which would expand the existing MR&D exemption by making it a total exemption, thus significantly reducing the local revenues necessary for providing essential public services, improving goods movement, and addressing climate change through improved transportation options. By exempting the local share of sales tax for manufacturing companies that buy equipment, this bill would have placed a disproportionate burden of absorbing those cuts directly on local governments, particularly counties and regional agencies that depend on sales tax revenues.
- **AB 2237 (Friedman) – RTIP and Sustainable Communities Strategy.** This bill could limit the projects and programs funded by regional transportation agencies to focus on projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The bill would have also constrained expenditure of funds collected from any local transportation tax measure passed on or after January 1,

2023.

- **AB 2419 (Bryan) – Equitable distribution of IIJA funds.** This bill would have required at least 40% of federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Acts (IIJA) funds received by the state to be allocated to projects with direct benefits to disadvantaged communities and an additional 10% to be allocated for projects that provide benefits to low-income communities. It would also have established an Advisory Committee to provide a recommendation for projects to fund under these requirements.
- **AB 2454 (Jones-Sawyer) – Public contracts: Protests: Joint labor-management committee.** Authorizes a joint labor-management committee, as defined, to submit a specified protest to a state public works contract that is not to be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.
- **Vetoed: AB 2514 (Dahle) – Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) needs assessment for rural communities.** This bill would require the State Highway System Management Plan to include a comprehensive evaluation of the current state of transportation in underserved rural communities.
- **Vetoed: AB 2677 (Gabriel) – Information Practices Act of 1977.** Would remove the exemption of local agencies from the Act, which deals with the collection, storage, and disclosure of personal information.
- **SB 12 (McGuire) – Local government: Planning and zoning: Wildfires.** Senate Bill 12 requires that the Office of Planning and Research, among other things, coordinate with appropriate entities, including state, regional, or local agencies, to establish a clearinghouse for climate adaptation information for use by state, regional, and local entities, as provided. This bill would require the safety element, upon the next revision of the housing element or the hazard mitigation plan, on or after July 1, 2024, whichever occurs first.
- **SB 1410 (Caballero) – Alternative metrics used for analyzing transportation impacts.** This bill would have required the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) to establish a grant program for local jurisdictions to implement guidelines related to the criteria and alternative metrics used for analyzing transportation impacts and requires OPR to conduct and submit a study on those guidelines to the Legislature.

FISCAL IMPACT

There are no fiscal impacts associated with receiving this update on legislative activities.

SUMMARY

A number of bills that could impact the RTC and local transportation projects and programs have been approved by the legislature and some have been signed by the Governor. This report provides a summary of these 2022 legislative activities. Staff will continue to gather information on bills that are signed by the Governor, and if any RTC action is necessary, staff will return to the RTC with recommendations.

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TO: Regional Transportation Commission
FROM: Riley Gerbrandt, P.E., Associate Transportation Engineer
RE: Adopt revised Plans, Specifications, and Engineer’s Estimate for the Pajaro River Bridge Rehabilitation Project

RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) adopt a Resolution ([Attachment 1](#)) adopting the revised Plans, Specifications, and Engineer’s Estimate (PS&E) for the Pajaro River Bridge Rehabilitation Project.

BACKGROUND

The 32-mile Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line (SCBRL) has 37 bridges, 100 public and private grade crossings, and 92 drainage cross culverts. The infrastructure preservation needs of the SCBRL include bridge repairs or replacements, drainage improvements, coastal erosion repair, slope stabilization, retaining walls, grade crossing improvements and repairs, storm-related repairs, and railbed repairs. The Pajaro River Bridge at Mile Post (MP) 1.06 connects the live track portion of the SCBRL in Watsonville to the main line in Pajaro, providing freight customers access to the national rail network.

The Administrative Coordination and License (ACL) agreement with Progressive Rail (PGR) requires PGR to keep the Freight Easement Property and Railroad Facilities used by PGR in good repair and in a good and safe condition. As part of railroad bridge inspections that took place in 2018-2019, railroad structural engineering consultant RailPros, Inc. documented work needed to maintain the Pajaro River Bridge structure. In 2019 staff requested proposals from the RTC’s engineering on-call list of design consultants. Staff evaluated the proposals received and, at the December 2019 RTC meeting, recommended approval of a contract with STV, Inc. (Contract TP2065) for a scope of work that included preparation of the Plans, Specifications, and Engineer’s Estimates (PS&E) package for rehabilitation of the Pajaro River bridge.

In January 2021 RTC staff secured a grant award from the California Transportation Commission (CTC) Short Line Railroad Improvement Program (SLRIP) in the amount of \$285,000 to fund construction of the rehabilitation work, using Measure D rail funds as the local match and lease revenues as the private match.

In August of 2021, the RTC adopted the PS&E prepared by STV, Inc., and the construction contract was advertised for construction bids for the bridge rehabilitation work. In April of 2022, the Commission received one complete and responsive bid from Hamilton Construction Co. in the amount of \$1,709,470. With the bid price being well over the engineer's estimate of \$570,000, the RTC rejected the bid on May 5, 2022 and directed staff to evaluate ways to re-scope the project to fit within the existing budget.

DISCUSSION

Staff evaluated ways to re-scope the project by contacting interested contractors and continuing discussions with the railroad operator. The original rehabilitation scope of work included specialized work and particular uncertainties that limited its attractiveness to potential bidders and limited the pool of potential bidders that could undertake the work. To address these challenges, staff developed a revised scope of work for the Pajaro River Bridge Rehabilitation Project. The contract with STV, Inc. (TP2065) was amended in August 2022 to add \$13,417 to cover the revisions to the plans and specifications for the scaled-down project.

STV prepared the revised plans, specifications, and engineers estimate (https://sccrtc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/2022-09-21_Pajaro-PSE.pdf) to include steel floor beam and through girder repairs to the center steel bridge segment, installing bandings to timber piles, and repairs to the superstructure walkway and cable railing. Excluding contingencies, the engineer's estimate for the revised project is \$294,802, which includes adjustments to the unit prices based on the March 2022 bid.

The RTC Procurement Policy requires that the Commission adopt the plans, specifications, and details for construction projects with a value greater than \$200,000. **Staff recommends the Commission adopt a resolution (Attachment 1) adopting the revised Plans, Specifications, and Engineer's Estimate (PS&E) for the revised Pajaro River Bridge Rehabilitation Project.** Following adoption of the construction documents, staff will advertise the project inviting construction bids.

During construction, the professional engineering consultant who designed the project (also known as the engineer of record) is retained under contract

to provide design support in case unforeseen issues are encountered that require direction from the designer. The scope of services is within STV, Inc.'s existing amended contract.

FISCAL IMPACT

Although PGR is responsible for maintaining the Freight Easement Property and Railroad Facilities that it uses, RTC staff has not sought reimbursement from Progressive Rail for this Pajaro River Bridge Rehabilitation Project, as freight rail is valuable to Watsonville Freight customers and PGR has expressed financial hardship in continuing these operations. That said, RTC expects that Progressive Rail will keep the Freight Easement Property and Railroad Facilities in a state of good repair up to MP 7.0, in accordance with the ACL agreement. This requirement may necessitate that Progressive Rail fund and perform work on the Pajaro River Bridge structure, beyond this re-scoped contract, including the work that was eliminated on the timber sections of this bridge.

There are no new fiscal impacts associated with adopting the plans, specifications, and engineer's estimate for the project. This project is funded by the CTC's Short Line Railroad Improvement Program (50%), Measure D Rail category (20%), and railroad corridor revenues (30%). The FY22/23 Rail Infrastructure Repair budget and Measure D 5-year plan for the Rail category both include sufficient funding for the project's construction, construction support, and design services during construction efforts, pending the result of construction bids. Staff will return to the Commission at a future meeting to request authorization to award the construction contract.

SUMMARY

Staff recommends that the RTC adopt the revised final PS&E for the Pajaro River Bridge Rehabilitation Project. Staff plans to advertise the project for prospective bidders upon adoption and return to the Commission at a future meeting to request authorization to award the construction contract.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution – Adopt Plans, Specifications, & Engineer's Estimate

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission
on the date of October 6, 2022
on the motion of Commissioner
duly seconded by Commissioner

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING REVISED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND ENGINEER'S
ESTIMATE (PS&E) FOR THE REVISED PAJARO RIVER BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROJECT
ALONG THE SANTA CRUZ BRANCH RAIL LINE

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) purchased the Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line (Branch Line) in October 2012;

WHEREAS, in July 2018 the RTC entered into the Administration, Coordination, and License (ACL) Agreement with St. Paul & Pacific Railroad, LLC (SPPR), a subsidiary of Progressive Rail, Inc., which designates SPPR as the new railroad operator;

WHEREAS, the Commission authorized the Executive Director to enter into a contract with the top ranked on-call structure engineering services consultant, RailPros, for bridge inspections and load ratings in 2018;

WHEREAS, as part of bridge inspections that took place 2018-2019, RailPros documented work needed to maintain the MP 1.06 Pajaro River Bridge structure;

WHEREAS, in December 2019 the RTC authorized the Executive Director to enter into a professional engineering services agreement with STV, Inc. to prepare the Plans, Specifications and Engineer's Estimate (PS&E) package for a rehabilitation project;

WHEREAS, in December of 2020 the RTC was awarded a grant from the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for \$285,000 from the Short Line Railroad Improvement Program to fund construction of the rehabilitation work;

WHEREAS, STV, INC. completed an original PS&E package with an engineer's estimate of \$570,000 on July 1, 2021;

WHEREAS, on August 5, 2021, the Commission adopted the original PS&E package and staff solicited bids for construction;

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2022 the RTC rejected the bids received on April 25, 2022 and directed staff to evaluate ways to re-scope the project with a goal of re-advertising the project and completing the work within the original budget;

WHEREAS the STV, Inc. agreement was amended in August 2022 to revise the PS&E package for re-advertisement;

WHEREAS, STV, Inc. prepared a revised Plans, Specifications and Engineer's Estimate (PS&E) package with an estimate of \$294,802; and

WHEREAS, the Commission adoption of the PS&E package is required per the RTC Procurement Policy for projects with engineer's estimates greater than \$200,000;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION THAT:

The Commission hereby adopts the revised plans, specifications, and engineer's estimate for the revised Pajaro River Bridge Rehabilitation Project.

AYES: COMMISSIONERS

NOES: COMMISSIONERS

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Sandy Brown, Chair

ATTEST:

Guy Preston, Secretary

Distribution: RTC Fiscal, RTC, Contractor, and Consultant Project Managers

TO: Regional Transportation Commission
FROM: Riley Gerbrandt, P.E. Associate Transportation Engineer
RE: Construction Contract Award – Erosion and Maintenance work along the Santa Cruz Branch Line near Manresa State Beach

RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) adopt a resolution (Attachment 1) authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Irish Excavation (Exhibit A to Attachment 1, Contract number TP2155) for a total amount not to exceed \$37,750 for the installation of temporary bluff erosion protection measures and drainage maintenance at Milepost (MP) 8.8 to 9 along the Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line (SCBRL) near Manresa State Beach.

BACKGROUND

In July 2018, the RTC entered into an Administration, Coordination and License (ACL) Agreement with St. Paul and Pacific Railroad, LLC (SPPR), a subsidiary of Progressive Rail, Inc., which designates SPPR as the railroad operator. Section 5 of the ACL agreement with SPPR requires that the Commission complete initial repairs to the freight easement property in two phases. RTC completed the first phase of the initial repairs up to Milepost (MP) 7.0 (near the Buena Vista Road grade crossing) in August of 2021 and continues to make repairs to the branch line north of MP 7.0 as part of the second phase of the ACL.

Preventative maintenance inspections in late 2019 identified erosion of the slope near the top of the outboard coastal bluff along the SCBRL at MP 8.85 near Manresa State Beach. To address the immediate erosion concern, staff procured a construction contractor, Industrial Railways Company (Part 1 Erosion Control, Contract No. TP2072), to install temporary bluff erosion protection measures comprising plastic tarp and sandbags along the failing slope. These temporary protective measures have now degraded and need replacement.

Subsequent preventative maintenance inspections in 2021 identified additional drainage maintenance needs in the vicinity of MP 8.8 to 9 that need to be addressed near Manresa State Beach.

In 2019, by resolution, the RTC elected to become subject to the procedures of the California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act (CUPCCAA), and subsequently adopted the RTC's Procurement Policy, which allows the RTC to procure construction contractors for public projects up to \$200,000 through an informal bidding process.

DISCUSSION

On August 24, 2022, the RTC released a Request for Bids to qualified construction contractors on the RTC's Informal Bidding Contractors List soliciting services for the installation of bluff temporary erosion protection measures and drainage maintenance work from MP 8.8 to MP 9. Three complete and responsive bids were received. Staff successfully negotiated a draft agreement with Irish Excavation for a not-to-exceed amount of \$37,750.

On September 9, 2022, Coastal Development Permit Waiver 3-22-0709-W for the work was reported to the California Coastal Commission and became effective on that date. The scope of work includes four tasks:

1. Locate and clean out the longitudinal culvert beneath the private driveway at the MP 8.83 at-grade crossing, DOT No. 768 278C, along the SCBL;
2. Ditch excavation maintenance on the inboard drainage ditch from MP 8.83 to MP 8.96 along the SCBL; and
3. Install temporary bluff erosion protective measures at two locations that have suffered bluff erosion.
4. Rehabilitation of cross culvert at MP 9.02, which entails lining the failed culvert to strengthen it and prolong its useful life.

RTC staff was able to successfully secure bids for all tasks in the scope of work, with the exception of the culvert rehabilitation at MP 9.02. Lining of drainage culverts is specialized work and therefore will be procured and contracted separately.

The work needs to be completed before the onset of the winter rains to protect the SCBRL from further erosion. It is anticipated that the work will be completed in less than 20 working days. **Staff recommends adopting a resolution (Attachment 1) authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Irish Excavation (Exhibit A to Attachment 1, contract number TP2155) for a total not-to-exceed amount \$37,750 for the erosion and drainage maintenance work.**

NEXT STEPS

It is anticipated that this work begins in October and completes in November of 2022. Staff will develop a scope of work and release an RFB for the remaining work to address the failed cross culvert. Staff will return to the Commission at a subsequent meeting to recommend award of a contract for the cross-culvert rehabilitation. Staff will continue to work with the California Coastal Commission for additional and more permanent repairs needed to preserve the railroad infrastructure.

FISCAL IMPACT

There are no new fiscal impacts associated with awarding the contract for erosion and drainage maintenance. The RTC's FY23 budget and Measure D-Active Transportation category Five-Year Program of Projects includes funds for preventative maintenance activities along the SCBL. There is sufficient capacity remaining in the current fiscal year's budget, and there is enough remaining programming capacity in this years' Measure D approved Five-Year Program of Projects to fund the work.

SUMMARY

Staff solicited construction bids from qualified construction contractors on the RTC's informal bidding contractors list for the installation of bluff temporary erosion protection measures and drainage maintenance work from MP 8.8 to MP 9.0. Three complete and responsive bids were received. Staff recommends negotiating and entering into an agreement with Irish Excavation for the maintenance work along the Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line near Manresa State Beach.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution
 - A. Draft Agreement TP2155

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission
on the date of October 6, 2022
on the motion of Commissioner
duly seconded by Commissioner

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND
ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH IRISH EXCAVATION IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$37,750 FOR TEMPORARY BLUFF EROSION PROTECTION AND DRAINAGE
MAINTENANCE AT THE COASTAL BLUFFS NEAR MANRESA STATE BEACH ALONG
THE SANTA CRUZ BRANCH RAIL LINE

WHEREAS, the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) purchased the Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line (SCBRL) in October 2012;

WHEREAS, in July of 2018 the Commission entered into an Administration, Coordination and Licensing (ACL) Agreement with St. Paul and Pacific Railroad, LLC (SPPR), a subsidiary of Progressive Rail, Inc., which designates SPPR as the new railroad operator, with Section 5 of the ACL agreement requiring that the Commission complete initial repairs to the freight easement property;

WHEREAS, preventative maintenance inspections in 2019 identified erosion of the slope near the top of the outboard coastal bluff along the SCBRL at MP 8.85 near Manresa State Beach;

WHEREAS, the temporary bluff erosion protection installed in 2020 at this site has degraded and is in need of replacement;

WHEREAS, in the same area of the SCBRL, maintenance of the inboard drainage ditch from MP 8.83 to MP 8.96 and of the longitudinal culvert beneath the private driveway at the MP 8.83 at-grade crossing, DOT No. 768 278C, along the rail corridor is also required;

WHEREAS, in 2021, preventative maintenance inspections identified erosion of the slope near the top of the outboard coastal bluff along the SCBRL near MP 9.02, and installation of temporary bluff erosion protection is required at this location;

WHEREAS, on June 6, 2019, the RTC adopted Ordinance 2019-1 electing to become subject to the uniform public construction cost accounting procedures of the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act, and adopted the policies and procedures and cost accounting review procedures of the California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission, and established policies for informal bidding process for public works construction projects estimated to cost up to \$200,000;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the RTC's Procurement Policy, staff solicited quotes from qualified contractors on the RTC's Informal Bidding Contractors List to undertake the work contemplated in the Manresa Site Rehabilitation and Preservation Project, which includes the installation of temporary bluff erosion protection measures at MP 8.85 and at MP 9.02 as well as drainage ditch and longitudinal culvert at-grade crossing maintenance between MP 8.83 and 8.96;

WHEREAS, three quotes were received for the Manresa Site Rehabilitation and Preservation Project, with staff successfully negotiating a contract with Irish Excavation for \$37,750; and

WHEREAS, On September 9, 2022, Coastal Development Permit Waiver 3-22-0709-W for the contemplated Manresa Site Rehabilitation and Preservation Project work was reported to the California Coastal Commission and became effective on that date;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION THAT:

The Commission authorizes the Executive Director to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Irish Excavation for a not-to-exceed amount of \$37,750 for the installation of bluff temporary erosion protection measures and drainage maintenance contemplated in the Manresa Site Rehabilitation and Preservation Project, subject to legal review as to form.

AYES: COMMISSIONERS

NOES: COMMISSIONERS

ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONERS

Sandy Brown, Chair

ATTEST:

Guy Preston, Secretary

Contract No.TP2155

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT
CONSTRUCTION BY INFORMAL BIDDING

This contract for independent contractor services (the "Contract") is entered into on (Executive Director signature date), by and between the SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, hereinafter called COMMISSION, and Irish Excavation, hereinafter called CONTRACTOR. The parties agree as follows:

1. **SERVICES.** In accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract, CONTRACTOR agrees to perform all services described in the Scope of Services, attached as Exhibit A, which is incorporated herein for the benefit of the COMMISSION (hereinafter "the project"). In the event of a conflict in or inconsistency between the terms of this Contract and Exhibit A, this Contract shall prevail.

2. **COMPENSATION.** The COMMISSION agrees to pay CONTRACTOR: Payment not to exceed \$37,750 for the Scope of Work (Exhibit A) after receipt and contract manager approval of invoices with detailed time and materials cost breakdown according to Exhibit B Rate Sheet dated through 2022 upon the satisfactory completion of projects and compliance with all requirements as directed by the Commission contract manager.
 - A. **Invoices.** CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices once a month, based on the cost for services performed and reimbursable costs incurred prior to the invoice date. CONTRACTOR shall have ninety (90) days after the completion of work to invoice COMMISSION for all amounts due and outstanding as governed by this Contract. In the event CONTRACTOR fails to invoice COMMISSION for all amounts due within such ninety (90) day period, CONTRACTOR shall waive its right to collect payment from COMMISSION.

 - B. **Payment.** COMMISSION shall make monthly payments, based on invoices received, for services satisfactorily performed, and for authorized reimbursable costs incurred.

 - C. **Reimbursable Expenses.** No expenses, costs, or liabilities of CONTRACTOR shall be reimbursable unless the obligation and

manner of reimbursement is expressly set forth in the Scope of Work (Exhibit A) and in the Rate Sheet (Exhibit B), unless negotiated and pre-approved in writing by COMMISSION contract manager.

- (1) Reimbursement for transportation and subsistence costs may not exceed the per diem rates may not exceed the rates authorized to be paid rank and file State employees under current California Department of Human Resources (CalHR) rules.

D. **Payment of Taxes.** CONTRACTOR is solely responsible for the payment of employment taxes incurred under this Contract and any similar federal or state taxes.

E. **Retention.** If this Contract is for the creation, construction, alteration, repair or improvement of any public structure, building, road or other improvement of any kind and the total compensation payable under this Contract will exceed \$5,000 (five thousand dollars), five percent (5%) retention shall be withheld from progress payments and released as provided by Public Contract Code sections 9203 and 7107.

3. **PREVAILING WAGE.** This contract is subject to the Prevailing Wage provisions and provisions relating to certified payroll records and apprenticeship of the Labor Code of California and Department of Industrial Relations regulations. There shall be paid to each worker of the CONTRACTOR, or any of his subcontractors engaged in work on the project, not less than the prevailing wage rate regardless of any contractual relationship that may be alleged to exist between CONTRACTOR or subcontractor of such worker. Holiday and overtime work, when permitted by law, shall be paid at a rate of at least one and one-half (1½) times the above specified rate of per diem wages, unless otherwise specified. Non-compliance during the term of the contract will be considered a material breach and may result in termination of the Agreement or pursuit of other legal or administrative remedies. To the fullest extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold COMMISSION harmless against any claims, or demands, or liability arising from failure to comply with all applicable requirements under the Prevailing Wage and related requirements.

4. **TERM.** The term of this Contract shall be through March 31, 2023.

5. **TERMINATION FOR CAUSE OR CONVENIENCE.** COMMISSION may terminate this Contract at any time by giving thirty (30) days' written notice to the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR may terminate this Contract for cause, after providing COMMISSION thirty (30) days' written notice and opportunity to cure, specifying in detail the cause for termination.

6. **INDEMNIFICATION FOR DAMAGES, TAXES AND CONTRIBUTIONS.** To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, CONTRACTOR shall exonerate, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless COMMISSION its officers, officials, agents, employees and volunteers from and against:

A. Any and all claims, demands, losses, damages, defense costs, or liability of any kind or nature which COMMISSION may sustain or incur or which may be imposed upon it as a result of, arising out of, or in any manner connected with the CONTRACTOR'S performance under the terms of this Contract, excepting any liability arising out of the sole negligence of the COMMISSION. Such indemnification includes any damage to the person(s), or property(ies) of CONTRACTOR and third persons. Such obligations to defend, hold harmless and indemnify the COMMISSION shall not apply to the extent that such Liabilities are caused by the sole negligence, active negligence, or willful misconduct of the COMMISSION.

B. Any and all federal, State and local taxes, charges, fees, or contributions required to be paid with respect to CONTRACTOR and CONTRACTOR'S officers, employees and agents engaged in the performance of this Contract (including, without limitation, unemployment insurance, social security and payroll tax withholding). COMMISSION shall provide timely notice to CONTRACTOR of third-party claims relating to this Contract, as required by applicable law.

CONTRACTOR acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to CONTRACTOR'S actions pertaining to this contract.

7. **INSURANCE.** CONTRACTOR, at its sole cost and expense, for the full term of this Contract (and any extensions thereof), shall obtain and maintain, at minimum, compliance with all of the following insurance coverage(s) and requirements. Such insurance coverage shall be primary coverage as respects COMMISSION and

any insurance or self-insurance maintained by COMMISSION shall be considered in excess of CONTRACTOR'S insurance coverage and shall not contribute to it. If CONTRACTOR normally carries insurance in an amount greater than the minimum amount required by the COMMISSION for this Contract, that greater amount shall become the minimum required amount of insurance for purposes of this Contract. Therefore, CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledges and agrees that any and all insurances carried by it shall be deemed liability coverage for any and all actions it performs in connection with this Contract. Insurance is to be obtained from insurers reasonably acceptable to the COMMISSION.

If CONTRACTOR utilizes one or more subcontractors in the performance of this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall obtain and maintain Contractor's Protective Liability Insurance as to each subcontractor or otherwise confirm evidence of insurance coverage from each subcontractor equivalent to that required of CONTRACTOR in this contract, unless CONTRACTOR and COMMISSION both initial here: ____ / _____. All insurance coverage must be active prior to the execution of this Contract and all provisions met with respect to cancellation.

A. Types of Insurance and Minimum Limits

- (1) Worker's Compensation in the minimum statutorily required coverage amounts. This insurance coverage shall be required unless the CONTRACTOR has no employees and certifies to this fact by initialing here: _____.
- (2) Automobile Liability Insurance for each of CONTRACTOR'S vehicles used in the performance of this Contract, including owned, non-owned (e.g., owned by CONTRACTOR'S employees), leased or hired vehicles, in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. This insurance coverage is required unless the CONTRACTOR does not drive a vehicle in conjunction with any part of the performance of this Contract and CONTRACTOR and COMMISSION both certify to this fact by initialing here ____ / _____.
- (3) Comprehensive or Commercial General Liability Insurance coverage at least as broad as the most recent ISO form CG

00 01 or equivalent, with a minimum limit of \$2,000,000 per occurrence and \$4,000,000 aggregate, including coverage for: (a) products and completed operations; (b) bodily and personal injury, (c) broad form property damage, (d) contractual liability, and (e) cross-liability.

- (4) Railroad Protective Liability insurance, or equivalent Commercial General Liability Insurance that does not exclude work on railroads, naming only SCCRTC and St. Paul & Pacific Railroad as the insured with a combined single limit of \$2,000,000 per occurrence with a \$4,000,000 aggregate. A binder stating the policy is in place must be submitted to the SCCRTC until the original policy is forwarded to the SCCRTC.
- (5) Pollution Liability applicable to the work being performed, with a limit no less than \$2,000,000 per claim or occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate per policy period of one year. If the contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the COMMISSION requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Policy should include coverage for completed operations for 10 years or the term matching statute of limitations. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the COMMISSION.
- (5) Professional Liability Insurance in the minimum amount of \$_____ combined single limit, if, and only if, this Subparagraph is initialed by CONTRACTOR and COMMISSION ____ /_____.

B. Other Insurance Provisions

- (1) If any insurance coverage required in this AGREEMENT is provided on a "Claims Made" rather than "Occurrence" form, CONSULTANT agrees that the retroactive date thereof shall be no later than the effective date of this AGREEMENT, and that it shall maintain the required coverage for a period of three (3) years after the expiration of this AGREEMENT (hereinafter "POST AGREEMENT COVERAGE") and any extensions thereof. CONSULTANT may maintain the required POST

AGREEMENT COVERAGE by renewal or purchase of prior acts or tail coverage. The COMMISSION will not be responsible for any premiums or assessments on the policy.

(2) All policies of Commercial General Liability Insurance and Railroad Protective Liability Insurance, if required, shall be endorsed to cover the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission, its governing body, officials, employees, agents and volunteers, and St. Paul & Pacific Railroad, LLC (a subsidiary of Progressive Rail, Inc.), or its successor, and its officials, employees, agents and volunteers, if any work will be undertaken in the rail right-of-way or within fifty (50) feet from the track, as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of the work or operations and activities performed by or on behalf of, the CONTRACTOR, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. Endorsements shall be at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or equivalent, covering ongoing operations and products and completed operations.

(3) All required insurance policies shall be endorsed to contain the following clause:

Should CONTRACTOR fail to obtain such an endorsement to any policy required hereunder, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible to provide at least thirty (30) days' notice (10 days for nonpayment of premium) of cancellation of such policy to the COMMISSION as a material term of this Contract.

(4) CONTRACTOR agrees to provide its insurance broker(s) with a full copy of these insurance provisions and provide COMMISSION on or before the effective date of this Contract with Certificates of Insurance and endorsements for all required coverages. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the CONTRACTOR'S obligation to provide them. All Certificates of Insurance and endorsements shall be delivered or sent via email to:

Santa Cruz County
Regional Transportation Commission

Attn: Contracts
1101 Pacific Avenue, Suite 250
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

contracts@sccrtc.org

(5) CONTRACTOR hereby grants to COMMISSION a waiver of any right of subrogation which any insurer of said CONTRACTOR may acquire against the COMMISSION by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. CONTRACTOR agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the COMMISSION has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

(6) **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions.**

CONTRACTOR shall disclose to and obtain the approval of COMMISSION for the self-insured retentions and deductibles before beginning any of the services or work called for by any term of this Agreement. Further, if the CONTRACTOR'S insurance policy includes a self-insured retention that must be paid by a named insured as a precondition of the insurer's liability, or which has the effect of providing that payments of the self-insured retention by others, including additional insureds or insurers do not serve to satisfy the self-insured retention, such provisions must be modified by special endorsement so as to not apply to the additional insured coverage required by this agreement so as to not prevent any of the parties to this agreement from satisfying or paying the self-insured retention required to be paid as a precondition to the insurer's liability. Additionally, the certificates of insurance must note whether the policy does or does not include any self-insured retention and also must disclose the deductible.

8. **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.** During the performance of this contract, CONTRACTOR agrees as follows:

A. CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. CONTRACTOR shall take affirmative action to ensure that

applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. CONTRACTOR agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- B. CONTRACTOR shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of CONTRACTOR, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- C. CONTRACTOR shall not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with CONTRACTOR'S legal duty to furnish information.
- D. CONTRACTOR shall send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of CONTRACTOR'S commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

- E. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- F. CONTRACTOR shall furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to the books, records, and accounts by any federal agency administering a federally assisted construction contracts program as defined pursuant to 41 CFR § 60-1.3 (hereinafter the "administering agency") and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- G. In the event of CONTRACTOR' noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and CONTRACTOR may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- H. CONTRACTOR shall include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (A) and the provisions of paragraphs (A) through (H) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to Section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. CONTRACTOR shall take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, CONTRACTOR may request the United

States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

9. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS.

A. CONTRACTOR and COMMISSION have reviewed and considered the principal test and secondary factors herein and agree that CONTRACTOR is an independent CONTRACTOR and not an employee of COMMISSION. CONTRACTOR is responsible for all insurance (workers compensation, unemployment, etc.) and all payroll related taxes. CONSULTANT is not entitled to any employee benefits provided by the COMMISSION, including any pension or PERS benefits. COMMISSION agrees that CONTRACTOR shall have the right to control the manner and means of accomplishing the result contracted for herein.

1. PRINCIPAL TEST: The CONTRACTOR rather than COMMISSION has the right to control the manner and means of accomplishing the result contracted for.
2. SECONDARY FACTORS: (a) The extent of control which, by agreement, COMMISSION may exercise over the details of the work is slight rather than substantial; (b) CONTRACTOR is engaged in a distinct occupation or business; (c) In the locality where the work is to be done by CONTRACTOR is usually done by a specialist without supervision, rather than under the direction of an employer; (d) The skill required in the particular occupation is substantial rather than slight; (e) The CONTRACTOR rather than the COMMISSION supplies the instrumentalities, tools and work place; (f) The length of time for which CONTRACTOR is engaged is of limited duration rather than indefinite; (g) The method of payment of CONTRACTOR is by the job rather than by the time; (h) The work is part of a special or permissive activity, program, or project, rather than part of the regular business of COMMISSION; (i) CONTRACTOR and COMMISSION believe they are creating an independent CONTRACTOR relationship rather than an employer-employee relationship; and (j) The COMMISSION conducts public business.

It is recognized that it is not necessary that all secondary factors support creation of an independent CONTRACTOR relationship, but rather that overall there are significant

secondary factors which indicate that CONTRACTOR is an independent CONTRACTOR.

- B. It is understood and agreed that CONTRACTOR (including CONTRACTOR'S employees) is an independent contractor and that no relationship of employer-employee exists between the parties hereto. CONTRACTOR'S assigned personnel, officers, employees, agents, or subconsultants shall not be entitled to any benefits payable to COMMISSION employees, including, but not limited to, healthcare, retirement, and leave benefits.
- C. CONTRACTOR'S obligation to pay its subconsultant(s) is an independent obligation from COMMISSION'S obligation to make payments to the CONTRACTOR.
- D. COMMISSION is not required to make any deductions or withholds from the compensation payable to CONTRACTOR under the provisions of the Contract and is not required to issue W-2 Forms for income and employment tax purposes for any of CONTRACTOR'S assigned personnel. CONTRACTOR, in the performance of its obligation hereunder, is only subject to the control or direction of the COMMISSION as to the designation of tasks to be performed and the results to be accomplished.
- E. Any third-party person(s) employed by CONTRACTOR shall be entirely and exclusively under the direction, supervision and control of CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR hereby indemnifies and holds COMMISSION, its governing body, officers, employees, and agents, harmless from any and all claims that may be made against COMMISSION based upon any contention by any third party that an employer-employee relationship exists by reason of this Contract.
- F. Except as expressly authorized herein, CONTRACTOR 'S obligations under this AGREEMENT are not assignable or transferable, and CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract any work, without the prior written approval of the COMMISSION. However, claims for money due or which become due to CONTRACTOR from COMMISSION under this Contract may be assigned to a financial institution or to a trustee in bankruptcy, without such approval. Notice of any assignment or transfer

whether voluntary or involuntary shall be furnished promptly to the COMMISSION.

10. **SUBCONTRACTING.** CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract any portion of the performance contemplated and provided for herein without prior written approval of the COMMISSION. Where written approval is granted by the COMMISSION, CONTRACTOR shall supervise all work subcontracted by CONTRACTOR in performing the Services; shall be responsible for **all** work performed by a subcontractor as if CONTRACTOR itself had performed such work; the subcontracting of any work to subcontractors shall not relieve CONTRACTOR from any of its obligations under this Contract with respect to the Services; and CONTRACTOR is obligated to ensure that any and all subcontractors performing any Services shall be fully insured in all respects and to the same extent as set forth under Section 7, to COMMISSION's satisfaction.
11. **RIGHT OF ENTRY AGREEMENT.**
 - A. CONTRACTOR shall obtain a right of entry agreement with St. Paul & Pacific Railroad (SPPR) in which 30-45 days are needed for SPPR to process this request. SPPR guidelines for obtaining a right of entry agreement are included as Exhibit C.
 - B. The one-time Progressive Rail, Inc. Right of Entry application processing fee (Exhibit C), if applicable, is paid for by CONTRACTOR.
12. **SAFETY TRAINING.** CONTRACTOR agrees to abide by all safety laws, regulations and requirements associated with working on and in the vicinity of a railroad track, and all conditions of entry that may be required by St. Paul & Pacific Railroad to avoid interference with its rights, including but not limited to all terms and conditions set forth in the attached Exhibit C, incorporated herein. CONTRACTOR, subcontractors, and/or authorized agents shall be required to complete the railroad safety training prior to commencing work within the right of way.
13. **NONASSIGNMENT.** CONTRACTOR shall not assign the Contract without the prior written consent of the COMMISSION.
14. **ACKNOWLEDGMENT.** CONTRACTOR shall acknowledge in all reports and literature that the Santa Cruz County Regional

Transportation Commission has provided funding to the CONTRACTOR.

- 15. RETENTION AND AUDIT OF RECORDS.** CONTRACTOR shall retain records pertinent to this Contract for a period of not less than five (5) years after final payment under this Contract or until a final audit report is accepted by COMMISSION, whichever occurs first. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to be subject to the examination and audit by the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission, the Auditor General of the State of California, or the designee for a period of five (5) years after final payment under this Contract.

All reports, data, maps, models, charts, studies, surveys, photographs, memoranda, plans, studies, specifications, records, files, or any other documents or materials, in electronic or any other form, that CONTRACTOR prepares or obtains in accordance with this Agreement and that relate to the matters covered under the terms of this Contract shall be the property of the COMMISSION.

During the term of this Agreement, either party (the "Disclosing Party") may disclose confidential, proprietary or trade secret information (the "Information"), to the other party (the "Receiving Party"). The Receiving Party shall hold the Disclosing Party's Information in confidence and shall take all reasonable steps to prevent any unauthorized possession, use, copying, transfer or disclosure of such Information. CONTRACTOR understands that COMMISSION is a public agency and is subject to the laws that may compel it to disclose information about CONTRACTOR'S business.

- 16. PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.** Presentation and processing of any or all claims arising out of or related to this Contract shall be made in accordance with the provisions contained in Chapter 1.05 of the Santa Cruz County Code, which by this reference is incorporated herein.

- 17. ATTORNEY'S FEE.** If a Party to this Contract brings any action, including an action for declaratory relief, to enforce or interpret the provision of this Contract, the prevailing Party shall be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees in addition to any other relief to which that Party may be entitled. The court may set such fees in the same action or in a separate action brought for that purpose.

18. VENUE. In the event that either Party brings any action against the other under this Contract, the Parties agree that trial of such action shall be vested exclusively in the state courts of California in the County of Santa Cruz or in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California.

19. ATTACHMENTS. This Contract includes the following attachments:

Exhibit A: Scope of Services

Exhibit B: Rate Sheet

Exhibit C: St. Paul & Pacific Railroad Right of Entry Guidelines
for Document Submission

20. LICENSE, REGISTRATION, AND CALIFORNIA STATE LICENSE BOARD NOTICE.

A. CONTRACTOR shall maintain all required licenses throughout the term of this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5.

B. **NOTICE:** CONTRACTOR IS required by law to be licensed and regulated by CONTRACTOR'S State License Board which has jurisdiction to investigate complaints against contractors if a complaint regarding a patent act or omission is filed within four years of the date of the alleged violation. A complaint regarding a latent act or omission pertaining to structural defects must be filed within 10 years of the date of the alleged violation. Any questions concerning a contractor may be referred to the Registrar, Contractors' State License Board, P.O. Box 26000, Sacramento, California 95826.

C. In accordance with the License Law and the Public Contract Code (Business & Professions Code §7059(b) and Public Contract Code §3300(a)). The COMMISSION shall determine the license classification necessary to bid and perform the project and this classification is indicated in Scope of Work (Exhibit A), where applicable.

21. WARRANTY. In addition to any and all warranties provided or implied by law or public policy, CONTRACTOR warrants that all Services (including but not limited to all equipment and materials supplied in connection therewith) shall be free from defects in

design and workmanship, and that CONTRACTOR shall perform all Services in accordance with all applicable engineering, construction and other codes and standards, and with the degree of high professional skill normally exercised by or expected from recognized professional firms engaged in the practice of supplying services of a nature similar to the Services in question. CONTRACTOR further warrants that, in addition to furnishing all tools, equipment and supplies customarily required for performance of work, CONTRACTOR shall furnish personnel with the training, experience and physical ability, as well as adequate supervision, required to perform the Services in accordance with the preceding standards and the other requirements of this Contract. In addition to all other rights and remedies which COMMISSION may have, COMMISSION shall have the right to require, and CONTRACTOR shall be obligated at its own expense to perform, all further services which may be required to correct any deficiencies which result from Contractor's failure to perform any Services in accordance with the standards required by this Contract. Moreover, if, during the term of this Contract (or during the one (1) year period following the term hereof), any equipment, goods or other materials or Services used or provided by CONTRACTOR under this Contract fail due to defects in material and/or workmanship or other breach of this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall, upon any reasonable notice from COMMISSION, replace or repair the same to COMMISSION's satisfaction. Unless otherwise expressly permitted, all materials and supplies to be used by CONTRACTOR in the performance of the Services shall be new and best of kind. Contractor hereby assigns to City all additional warranties, extended warranties, or benefits like warranties, such as insurance, provided by or reasonably obtainable from suppliers of equipment and material used in the Services.

22. NON-BINDING UNTIL APPROVED. Regardless of whether this Contract has been signed by all parties, if the total compensation identified in Section 2 of this Contract is greater than \$50,000, this Contract is not binding on any party until the Contract has been approved by the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission.

23. INTEGRATION; INCORPORATION. This Contract, including all the exhibits attached hereto, represents the entire and integrated agreement between COMMISSION and CONTRACTOR and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements,

either written or oral. All exhibits attached hereto are incorporated by reference herein.

- 24. SEVERABILITY.** If a court of competent jurisdiction finds or rules that any provision of this Contract is invalid, void, or unenforceable, the provisions of this Contract not so adjudged shall remain in full force and effect.
- 25. MISCELLANEOUS.** This written Contract, along with any attachments, is the full and complete integration of the parties' agreement forming the basis for this Contract. The parties agree that this written Contract supersedes any previous written or oral agreements between the parties, and any modifications to this Contract must be made in a written document signed by all parties. The unenforceability, invalidity or illegality of any provision(s) of this Contract shall not render the other provisions unenforceable, invalid or illegal. Waiver by any part of any portion of this Contract shall not constitute a waiver of any other portion thereof. Any arbitration, mediation, or litigation arising out of this Contract shall occur only in the County of Santa Cruz, notwithstanding the fact that one of the contracting parties may reside outside of the County of Santa Cruz. This Contract shall be governed by, and interpreted in accordance with, California law.
- 26. COUNTERPARTS.** This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one agreement.

The Parties have executed this Contract as of the date signed by the COMMISSION.

SIGNATURE PAGE

Contract No. TP2155

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT
CONSTRUCTION BY INFORMAL BIDDING

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hands the day and year first above written.

1. CONTRACTOR: Irish Excavation 2. SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION:

By _____
Sean O'Donoghue
Owner

By _____
Guy Preston
Executive Director

Date _____

Date _____

Irish Excavation
305 Vineyard Town Center Suite
109
Morgan Hill, CA 95037
(408) 659-6136
sean@irishexcavation.com

3. APPROVED AS TO FORM:

4. APPROVED AS TO INSURANCE:

By _____
Steve Mattas
RTC Counsel

By _____
Yesenia Parra
Administrative Services Officer

Date _____

Date _____

Distribution:
RTC Contract Manager, RTC Contract Coordinator, CONTRACTOR



Site Specifics

Location 1



Location: The site is located at Manresa State Beach in La Selva Beach, California with the closest public road being Vista Dr.

Access: Access to the site can be attained by using the private driveway connected to Vista Drive and (through coordination with the La Selva Beach Improvement Association) via the gates and parking lot adjacent to the Culvert Rehabilitation work area. Refer to attached Right of Entry agreement dated January 21, 2022 by and between the RTC and the La Selva Beach Improvement Association and to attached Right of Entry agreement dated December 16, 2021 by and between the RTC and Robert Sullivan.



Scope of Work: The contractor is expected to perform the tasks listed below in no specific order.

Task 1: Locate existing 12" CMP culvert under driveway and clean out. Grade around inlet and outlets to match invert elevations of culvert. Place erosion control (e.g., Rolled Erosion Control Product (Jute Mesh), Hydroseed, Fiber Rolls, Straw, Dry Seed (Hand Broadcast)) per Contract Documents; do not place Rolled Erosion Control Product within the central 2–3 feet (in plan view) of drainage ditches.

Task 2: Reestablish line and grade of (a) 530 linear feet of existing ditch inland of the tracks, from MP 8.93 culvert inlet south to existing 12" CMP culvert inlet under driveway and (b) 150 linear feet of existing ditch inland of the tracks from MP 8.93 culvert inlet north. Grade drainage ditch to match inlet and outlet of existing culverts. Refer to Sections 1.2.3 and 1.2.4 of the American Railway Engineering and Maintenance-of-Way Association (AREMA) *Manual for Railway Engineering*. Refer also to Union Pacific Railroad, Engineering Standards, Standard Drawing 0001E *Roadbed Section for Wood Tie Track Construction*, which is included in the *Information Handout*. However, ditches may be v-ditches in lieu of trapezoidal flat-bottomed ditches, if approved by the Engineer. Size ditches to match constraints of existing topography in collaboration and coordination with the Engineer, but ditches must be no less than 2 feet wide and 1 foot deep; generally, the typical ditch will be 3 to 4 feet wide, with an anticipated maximum width of 5 feet for the project.

Task 3: Install Temporary Protective Measures (plastic sheeting, sandbags, temporary exclusion fencing, caution tape, and barricades) at the critical erosion locations: Erosion Control Site 1, Erosion Control Site 2.

Irish Excavation 2022 Rates

- Operator: \$180/hr
- Foreman: \$195/hr
- Ground Crew: \$135/hr
- Heavy Equipment Delivery (under 18,000lbs): \$400
- Remote Control Tracked Slope Masticator LV600: \$300/hr
- 6.5 Ton Takeuchi Excavator w/masticator BL1EX: \$300/hr
- 6.5 Ton Takeuchi Track Loader TL12 w/masticator: \$300/hr
- Line Trimmer: \$35/hr
- Chainsaw Small: \$35/hr
- Chainsaw Large: \$45/hr
- 1" Water Pump: \$35/hr
- 2" Water/Trash Pump: \$50/hr
- 500 Gallon Water Trailer: \$75/hr
- 5 YD Dump Truck: \$1,000/day + \$.40/mile
- Skid Steer Loader: \$200/hr (4HR Min)
- Brush Mulcher Attachment for skid: \$75/hr (4HR Min)
- Hydraulic Auger Attachment for skid: \$75/hr (4HR Min)
- Large Backhoe (up to 16' depth): \$200/hr
- Mini Excavator (up to 10' depth): \$200/hr (4HR Min)
- Mini Excavator (up to 14' depth): \$300/hr (4HR Min)
- CAT D4 Dozer: \$350/hr (4HR Min)
- Skip Loader w/scrapper: \$225/hr (4HR Min)



Guidelines for Document Submission Railroad Right of Entry (ROE)

Step 1: You can access our ROE Application at www.progressiverail.com, at the bottom of the page is "Customer Links". Click on the "Right of Entry Request". Once submitted, you will receive an email with further instructions on our process and the packet that will need to be filled out and approved prior to performing any and all work within the Railroad Right of Way.

ROE Packet will entail:

- A one-time, non-refundable Application Processing Fee of **\$1,500.00**
- If you are a "Utility" based on the definition in section (f) under MN Statute 237.045 the Fee is **\$1250.00**.
- Right of Entry Application
- Sub-Contractor Form
- Certificate of Insurance Requirements
- Right of Entry Agreement
- Flagging Rates and Instructions for scheduling future flagging.

Flagging rate for Standard Projects is **\$2000.00/ 8-hour day**; Flagging rate for Govt. Project is **\$500.00/day**

- Flagging rates are based on an 8-hour day, during Normal Business Hours between 7:30 A.M. and 3:30 P.M, Monday-Friday (excluding Holidays). Flag requirements outside of the Normal Business Hours will be assessed as a second day rate charge.
- After Flagging has been scheduled, you are allowed one free change. Any further changes to your Flagging will be assessed an additional \$500.00 per change to your Flagging fees.
- A Flagman is required when the work will take place within 25' of the right of way. Rates will be assessed after the completed project and remitted to the responsible billing party for payment.

Certificate of Insurance (COI)

COI are required from the General Contractor and ALL Sub Contractors

A Certificate of Insurance is required from each Contractor/Entity who will be working within the Railroad Right of Way. The COI must state that a minimum of Two Million Dollars in General Liability Coverage is possessed by that Contractor; the General Liability policy shall include the CG2417 'Contractual Liability – Railroads' or its equivalent. An alternative to the CG2417 would be a separate Railroad Protective Liability policy with minimum limit of Two Million Dollars. The Railroad shall be listed as a certificate holder and the Certificate of Insurance must be submitted via email. Note that if the project has an established General Contractor, that General Contractor must provide the above-mentioned General Liability CG2417 or Railroad Protective Policy.

Railroad Contact Information

Please email and mail required documents to:

Brenda Rivera
Progressive Rail Inc.
21778 Highview Ave.
Lakeville, MN 55044
952-495-0579
brivera@progressiverail.com

**SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
TDA REVENUE REPORT
FY 2022/2023**

MONTH	FY21 - 22 ACTUAL REVENUE	FY22 - 23 ESTIMATE REVENUE	FY22 - 23 ACTUAL REVENUE	DIFFERENCE	DIFFERENCE AS % OF PROJECTION	CUMULATIVE % OF ACTUAL TO PROJECTION
JULY	1,180,089	1,221,370	1,159,164	-62,206	-5.09%	94.91%
AUGUST	947,834	980,991	954,929	-26,062	-2.66%	95.99%
SEPTEMBER	1,008,451	1,043,728	1,013,414	-30,314	-2.90%	96.35%
OCTOBER	1,242,981	1,286,462				
NOVEMBER	835,454	864,680				
DECEMBER	1,015,997	1,051,538				
JANUARY	990,616	1,025,270				
FEBRUARY	1,080,393	1,118,187				
MARCH	863,751	893,967				
APRIL	894,620	925,915				
MAY	1,067,922	1,105,280				
JUNE	960,550	994,152				
TOTAL	12,088,658	12,511,540	3,127,507	-118,582	-0.95%	25%

Note:

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**SCCRTC
TRANSPORTATION TAX REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION FUND (TTRTF) - MEASURE D
SUMMARY OF REVENUE ALLOCATION BY MONTH
FY2023 ENDING JUNE 30, 2023**

	KEY/OBJECT	RATE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	TOTAL	YEAR END ADJUSTMENT	ADJUSTED TOTAL
GROSS	729000/40186		2,595,872.85	2,349,895.40	2,241,845.65	7,187,613.90	0.00	7,187,613.90
BOE FEES			-	(65,160.00)	-	(65,160.00)	-	(65,160.00)
NET			2,595,872.85	2,284,735.40	2,241,845.65	7,122,453.90	0.00	7,122,453.90
ADMINISTRATION & IMPLEMENTATION - 729100/75381								
ADMINISTRATION - SALARIES & BENEFITS		1%	25,958.73	22,847.35	22,418.46	71,224.54	0.00	71,224.54
O/H ADMIN			33,362.16	29,363.42	28,812.20	91,537.78	0.00	91,537.78
SALARIES & O/H IMPELEM& OVERSIGHT			13,056.25	13,056.25	13,056.25	39,168.75	0.00	39,168.75
SERVICES & SUPPLIES			4,041.67	4,041.67	4,041.67	12,125.00	0.00	12,125.00
Subtotal			76,418.80	69,308.69	68,328.57	214,056.07	0.00	214,056.07
TO DISTRIBUTE TO INVESTMENT CATEGORIES			2,519,454.05	2,215,426.71	2,173,517.08	6,908,397.83	-	6,908,397.83
1. NEIGHBORHOOD - 729200/75382								
		30%	755,836.21	664,628.01	652,055.12	2,072,519.35	-	2,072,519.35
SLV SR9		Fixed \$	27,777.78	27,777.78	27,777.78	83,333.33	0.00	83,333.33
HWY 17 Wildlife		Fixed \$	13,888.89	13,888.89	13,888.89	41,666.67	0.00	41,666.67
			41,666.67	41,666.67	41,666.67	125,000.00	0.00	125,000.00
City of Capitola - V100207		4.8540%	34,665.83	30,238.58	29,628.29	94,532.69	-	94,532.69
City of Santa Cruz - V110467		22.3548%	159,650.96	139,261.57	136,450.93	435,363.46	-	435,363.46
City of Scotts Valley - V102713		4.8017%	34,292.60	29,913.02	29,309.30	93,514.92	-	93,514.92
City of Watsonville - V1728		15.6656%	111,879.26	97,590.91	95,621.29	305,091.46	-	305,091.46
County of Santa Cruz		52.3238%	373,680.90	325,957.27	319,378.65	1,019,016.82	-	1,019,016.82
		100%	714,169.55	622,961.35	610,388.46	1,947,519.35	0.00	1,947,519.35
2. HWY Corridors - 729300/75383								
		25%	629,863.51	553,856.68	543,379.27	1,727,099.46	-	1,727,099.46
3. TRANSIT/PARATRANSIT - 729400/75384								
Santa Cruz Metro (SCMTD) 16%		80%	403,112.65	354,468.27	347,762.73	1,105,343.65	-	1,105,343.65
Community Bridges - V127587 - 4%		20%	100,778.16	88,617.07	86,940.68	276,335.91	-	276,335.91
4. ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION - 729500/75385								
		17%	428,307.19	376,622.54	369,497.90	1,174,427.63	-	1,174,427.63
5. RAIL CORRIDOR - 729600/75386								
		8%	201,556.32	177,234.14	173,881.37	552,671.83	-	552,671.83
DISTRIBUTED TO INVESTMENT CATEGORIES		100%	2,519,454.05	2,215,426.71	2,173,517.08	6,908,397.83	-	6,908,397.83
TOTAL ADMIN & IMPEM AND INVESTMENT CATEGORIES			2,595,872.85	2,284,735.40	2,241,845.65	7,122,453.90	0.00	7,122,453.90

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TO: Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation
FROM: Luis Pavel Mendez, Deputy Director
RE: Assembly Bill 361 Findings for Virtual and Hybrid Meetings

RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) find that:

1. The RTC has reconsidered the circumstances of the current COVID-19 state of emergency; and
 2. The state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members of the RTC, its committees, its staff and the public to meet safely in person; and
 3. State or local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing; and
 4. Therefore, meetings of the RTC will continue to be held in a hybrid or virtual format via Zoom and meetings of RTC committees will be held virtually via Zoom.
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BACKGROUND

In March 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Newsom declared a state of emergency which remains in effect. The Governor also issued executive orders suspending several provisions of the Brown Act to ensure that the work of government agencies could continue with virtual meetings to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19. The executive orders suspending the Brown Act provisions expired on September 30, 2021. AB 361 was signed into law and took effect on October 1, 2021, which allows virtual meetings as long as the declared state of emergency continues and requires that findings be made by local agencies to continue virtual and/or hybrid meetings.

DISCUSSION

Unfortunately, the COVID-19 pandemic continues; therefore, the RTC has been making the necessary AB361 findings at its meetings since November

2021 to continue to hold virtual and/or hybrid meetings. The goal of the RTC is to hold RTC meetings in a hybrid format as long as the COVID-19 situation permits, and the facilities are available for hybrid meetings. The August 4, 2022 meeting was the first hybrid RTC meeting. Staff will continue to plan for hybrid RTC meetings, which currently can only take place using the County Board Chambers. For hybrid meetings, a limited number of Commissioners and members of the public may participate in person. Everyone participating in person will need to abide by Santa Cruz County requirements that may be in place for wearing masks and social distancing. All others will participate via Zoom. All of the meetings of RTC committees will continue to be virtual meetings via Zoom because conference rooms are not equipped for hybrid meetings.

To continue to hold virtual and/or hybrid meetings, the RTC must continue to make findings as required in Section 54953 of the Government Code, added by AB 361, which states:

- “(3) If a state of emergency remains active, or state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, in order to continue to teleconference without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b), the legislative body shall, not later than 30 days after teleconferencing for the first time pursuant to subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) of paragraph (1), and every 30 days thereafter, make the following findings by majority vote:
- (A) The legislative body has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency.
 - (B) Any of the following circumstances exist:
 - (i) The state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person.
 - (ii) State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.”

Therefore, staff recommends that the RTC find that RTC has reconsidered the circumstances of the current COVID-19 state of emergency; the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members of the RTC, its committees, its staff and the public to meet safely in person; and state and local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing; and meetings of the RTC will be virtual or hybrid while meetings of committees will be virtual.

30-Day Requirement for AB 361 Findings

State law requires that findings to continue virtual and/or hybrid meetings be made every 30 days. State law also allows special virtual meetings for the sole purpose of making AB 361 findings to hold virtual and/or hybrid meetings. Therefore, the RTC may periodically hold special virtual meetings solely for the purpose of making necessary AB361 findings. A number of agencies around the state are working towards legislative modifications so such special meetings will not be required but such modifications are not anticipated soon.

FISCAL IMPACT

The costs necessary to hold meetings of the RTC either as regular Brown Act meetings, virtual meetings or hybrid meetings are included in the approved RTC budget. The costs to hold Brown Act and virtual meetings of RTC committees are also included in the RTC budget. No additional fiscal impacts are anticipated for such meetings at this time. For hybrid meetings of RTC committees, it would likely be necessary to equip conference rooms accordingly, which would have additional fiscal impacts.

SUMMARY

Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, the Governor declared a state of emergency and issued executive orders to allow public agencies to hold meetings virtually. The executive orders allowing virtual meetings expired and AB 361 was signed into law to allow the continuation of virtual and/or hybrid meetings as long as the state of emergency still exists and public agencies make appropriate findings. Staff recommends that the RTC make such findings to allow virtual and/or hybrid meetings of itself and its committees.

TO: Regional Transportation Commission (RTC)
FROM: Yesenia Parra, Administrative Services Officer
RE: Regional Transportation Commission Meeting Schedule for 2023

RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) approve the proposed 2023 meeting schedule for the RTC's regular meetings and Transportation Policy Workshop (TPW) meetings.

BACKGROUND

Each year the RTC approves the schedule of RTC and TPW meetings for the following year. Historically, prior to the COVID 19 pandemic, one RTC meeting was scheduled to take place in each of the following cities: Santa Cruz, Capitola, and Scotts Valley. Three RTC meetings and one TPW meeting were scheduled to take place in the City of Watsonville to increase participation opportunities for South County residents. The remaining five RTC meetings were scheduled at the County Board of Supervisors Chambers and the remaining TPW meetings at the RTC offices.

However, following the state of emergency declared in California related to the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent amendments to the Brown Act issued by executive order and then AB 361, all RTC and TPW meetings since March 19, 2020 have been conducted either exclusively via Zoom teleconference or in a hybrid format. Hybrid meetings provide a physical meeting location for a limited number of Commissioners and some members of the public. The remaining Commissioners and other members of the public participate remotely through Zoom. Information on how to participate in any given meeting can be found at the top of the meeting's agenda.

DISCUSSION

RTC meetings are generally held on the first Thursday of the month and TPW meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month. There are no meetings in the month of July. Due to the end of the year holidays, the January RTC meeting is generally on the second or third Thursday of the month and a TPW meeting is not scheduled.

Governor Newsom signed AB 361 on September 16, 2021. This continued the Brown Act waivers which allow the RTC to hold virtual and hybrid meetings as long as every 30 days, the Commission makes findings that there is a declared state of

emergency and state or local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing.

On August 4, 2022, the RTC held its first hybrid meeting with a physical location at the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors Chambers and remote access via Zoom. At the time of this writing, the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors Chambers is the only venue with the technological and logistical capability to host hybrid meetings of the RTC, and such meetings are scheduled to take place in this format through the end of calendar year 2022. The cities are working to have their council chambers available for hybrid meetings in 2023. Transportation Policy Workshops, if needed, are scheduled to remain remote-only via Zoom teleconference.

Staff is working to restore RTC meetings to the historical rotation through the four jurisdictional council chambers as well as the Board of Supervisors Chambers. Staff has contacted each jurisdiction and submitted requests for meeting dates in 2023. Below is the proposed schedule with preferred and alternate meeting locations. The City of Watsonville will be going through Council Chambers renovations sometime between February and April so alternative locations are being sought. Staff will update meeting location every month via the 3-month calendar that is included in the RTC meeting agenda packets.

The proposed RTC meeting schedule for 2023 is as follows:

Date	Preferred	Alternative	Remote
January 12	County Board of Supervisors Chambers		Zoom
February 2	Watsonville City Council Chambers	County Board of Supervisors Chambers	Zoom
March 2	City of Santa Cruz Council Chambers	County Board of Supervisors Chambers	Zoom
April 6	Watsonville City Council Chambers	County Board of Supervisors Chambers	Zoom
May 4	Capitola City Council Chambers		Zoom
June 1	County Board of Supervisors Chambers		Zoom
July	No Meeting		No Meeting
August 3	Watsonville City Council Chambers		Zoom
September 7	Scotts Valley City Council Chambers		Zoom
October 5	County Board of Supervisors Chambers		Zoom
November 2	County Board of Supervisors Chambers		Zoom
December 7	City of Santa Cruz Council Chambers	Watsonville City Council Chambers	Zoom

The proposed **Transportation Policy Workshop** meeting schedule for 2023 is as follows:

Meeting Date	Physical Location	Remote Location
<i>January</i>	<i>No Meeting</i>	<i>No Meeting</i>
February 16	REMOTE ONLY	Zoom
March 16	REMOTE ONLY	Zoom
April 20	REMOTE ONLY	Zoom
May 18	REMOTE ONLY	Zoom
June 15	REMOTE ONLY	Zoom
<i>July</i>	<i>No Meeting</i>	<i>No Meeting</i>
August 17	REMOTE ONLY	Zoom
September 21	REMOTE ONLY	Zoom
October 19	REMOTE ONLY	Zoom
November 16	REMOTE ONLY	Zoom
December 21	REMOTE ONLY	Zoom

All RTC and TPW meetings start at 9:00 a.m. Agenda packets are posted on the RTC website <http://sccrtc.org/meetings/commission/agendas/> one week prior to the meeting. TPW meetings are tentative until confirmed 1 week prior to the meeting.

Staff recommends that the RTC approve the proposed RTC and TPW meeting schedules. Updates to the physical meeting locations will be provided as necessary monthly in the 3-month meeting schedule included in RTC monthly meeting packets.

SUMMARY

Each year the RTC approves a schedule for RTC and TPW meetings for the following year. RTC will continue to adhere to all COVID-19 guidelines and for health and safety reasons will hold meetings via Zoom if necessary. Staff recommends that the RTC approve the proposed RTC and TPW meeting schedules for 2023. Any physical meeting location changes will be reported on the 3-month meeting schedule included in the RTC meeting packets each month.

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TO: Regional Transportation Commission (RTC)

FROM: Yesenia Parra, Administrative Services Officer

RE: California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) health benefit contribution rates for plan year 2023

RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the Regional Transportation Commission approve the resolutions (Attachment 1 and 2) to continue providing CalPERS Health Benefits to RTC employees pursuant to the approved Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) with the RTC labor groups and the employment contract with the Executive Director.

BACKGROUND

Medical insurance is currently offered to all RTC active and retired employees through the CalPERS Health Benefits Program as established in the Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) with the RTC's two bargaining groups and in the Executive Director's employment agreement. As per these agreements, the RTC contributes to the cost of the employee's health insurance premiums at levels established by each Memoranda of Understanding with the Community of RTC Employees (CORE), the RTC Association of Middle Management (RAMM), and the Executive Director's employment contract. Currently, all of the RTC bargaining agreements are identical in terms of the amounts that the RTC contributes toward employee and dependent health premiums. The amount contributed by RTC for retired employee only is now equal to the amount for active employees. The amount for retired employees and their dependents is set at a lower amount than for active employees with annual increases as required by law.

The CalPERS Health Benefits Program is governed by PEMHCA, the Public Employees Medical and Hospital Care Act. To offer employee benefits through this program, the RTC must abide by PEMHCA rules and annually adopt and file resolutions with CalPERS regarding health insurance contribution rates for the upcoming year. Resolutions must be filed by November of the preceding year to establish the following year's contribution amounts.

DISCUSSION

The current Memoranda of Understanding for both the Community of RTC Employees (CORE) and the RTC Association of Middle Management (RAMM) specify the percentage of health insurance premiums to be paid by the RTC and by employees respectively based on the premium costs set each year by CalPERS. Premium and contribution rates for 2023 are included in Attachment 3. Premium

payments made for the Executive Director are consistent with those provided to employees in the bargaining units.

The attached resolutions (Attachment 1 and 2) reflect the contribution levels and provisions established in the MOUs currently in effect until March 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT

The current approved budget for FY22-23 have the necessary funds needed to cover these premiums. Future year budgets will include the funds necessary to cover health premiums consistent with the approved labor agreements.

SUMMARY

To continue in the CalPERS Health Insurance program governed by the Public Employees Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMCHA), the RTC must comply with the rules and regulations set forth by PEMCHA and submit resolutions by November 2022 that sets the contribution rates for health insurance premiums for the upcoming year. The resolutions before you today fulfill this commitment to meet the PEMHCA rules. Staff recommends that the RTC approve the attached resolutions (Attachment 1 and 2) outlining the RTC's health insurance contribution amounts for RTC active employees and retirees for calendar year 2023.

Attachments:

1. Resolutions for CalPERS Health Benefits – General Rep/Mid Management
2. Resolution for CalPERS Health Benefits- Executive Director
3. CalPERS/RTC Health Plan Rates for 2023 and MOU excerpt

**RESOLUTION NO. Number
FIXING THE EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION
UNDER THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES’ MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL CARE ACT
AT AN UNEQUAL AMOUNT FOR EMPLOYEES AND ANNUITANTS
WITH RESPECT TO A RECOGNIZED EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION
001 GENERAL REP/MID MANAGEMENT/UNREPRESENTED**

WHEREAS, (1) Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission is a contracting agency under Government Code Section 22920 and subject to the Public Employees’ Medical and Hospital Care Act (the “Act”) for participation by members of General Rep/Mid Management/Unrepresented; and

WHEREAS, (2) Government Code Section 22892(a) provides that a contracting agency subject to Act shall fix the amount of the employer contribution by resolution; and

WHEREAS, (3) Government Code Section 22892(b) provides that the employer contribution shall be an equal amount for both employees and annuitants, but may not be less than the amount prescribed by Section 22892(b) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, (4) Government Code Section 22892(c) provides that, notwithstanding Section 22892(b), a contracting agency may establish a lesser monthly employer contribution for annuitants than for employees, provided that the monthly employer contribution for annuitants is annually increased to equal an amount not less than the number of years the contracting agency has been subject to this subdivision multiplied by five percent of the current monthly employer contribution for employees, until the time that the employer contribution for annuitants equals the employer contribution paid for employees; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, (a) That the employer contribution for each employee shall be the amount necessary to pay the full cost of his/her enrollment, including the enrollment of family members in a health benefits plan up to a maximum of:

Medical Group	Monthly Employer Health Contribution		
	Self	Self+1	Self+ Family
001 General Rep/Mid Management/Unrep	\$983.45	\$1,863.38	\$2,422.40

plus administrative fees and Contingency Reserve Fund assessments; and be it further

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- RESOLVED, (d) That this annual adjustment to the minimum monthly employer contribution for annuitants shall not exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00); and be it further
- RESOLVED, (e) Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission has fully complied with any and all applicable provisions of Government Code Section 7507 in electing the benefits set forth above; and be it further
- RESOLVED, (f) That the participation of the employees and annuitants of Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission shall be subject to determination of its status as an “agency or instrumentality of the state or political subdivision of a State” that is eligible to participate in a governmental plan within the meaning of Section 414(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, upon publication of final Regulations pursuant to such Section. If it is determined that Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission would not qualify as an agency or instrumentality of the state or political subdivision of a State under such final Regulations, CalPERS may be obligated, and reserves the right to terminate the health coverage of all participants of the employer; and be it further
- RESOLVED, (g) That the executive body appoint and direct, and it does hereby appoint and direct, Administrative Services Officer to file with the Board a verified copy of this resolution, and to perform on behalf of Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission all functions required of it under the Act; and be it further
- RESOLVED, (h) That coverage under the Act be effective on January 1, 2023.

Adopted at a regular or special meeting of the Governing Body at Location, this Day day of Month, Year.

Signed: _____
(President, Chairman, etc.)

Attest: _____
(Secretary or appropriate officer)

**RESOLUTION NO. Number
FIXING THE EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION
UNDER THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES’ MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL CARE ACT
AT AN UNEQUAL AMOUNT FOR EMPLOYEES AND ANNUITANTS
WITH RESPECT TO A RECOGNIZED EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION
002 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

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RTC Employees and Retirees

Medical Plan Rates - 2023

Coverage Effective: January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023

	Plan Code	Monthly Premium	RTC Contribution	EE Monthly Costs			EE PAY PERIOD COST
				EE Cost For Plan	ER Cost Admin 0.33% of Premium	Total EE Cost	
BSC Access+ (BLUE SHIELD HMO)							
EE	5251	1,035.21	983.45	51.76	3.42	51.76	25.88
EE+1	5252	2,070.42	1,863.38	207.04	6.83	207.04	103.52
EE+2	5253	2,691.55	2,422.40	269.16	8.88	269.16	134.58
Blue Shield Trio							
EE	4511	888.94	888.94	0.00	2.93	2.93	1.47
EE+1	4512	1,777.88	1,777.88	0.00	5.87	5.87	2.93
EE+2	4513	2,311.24	2,311.24	0.00	7.63	7.63	3.81
Blue Shield Access + EPO							
EE	5241	1035.20	983.45	51.75	3.42	55.17	27.58
EE+1	5242	2,070.42	1,863.38	207.04	6.83	213.87	106.94
EE+2	5243	2,691.55	2,422.40	269.16	8.88	278.04	139.02
Anthem Select HMO							
EE	5061	1128.83	983.45	145.38	3.73	149.11	74.55
EE+1	5062	2,257.66	1,863.38	394.28	7.45	401.73	200.87
EE+2	5063	2,934.96	2,422.40	512.57	9.69	522.25	261.13
Anthem HMO Traditional							
EE	5091	1,210.71	983.45	227.26	4.00	231.26	115.63
EE+1	5092	2,421.42	1,863.38	558.04	7.99	566.03	283.02
EE+2	5093	3,147.85	2,422.40	725.45	10.39	735.84	367.92
KAISER HMO-REGION 1							
EE	5331	913.74	913.74	0.00	3.02	3.02	1.51
EE+1	5332	1,827.48	1,827.48	0.00	6.03	6.03	3.02
EE+2	5333	2,375.72	2,375.72	0.00	7.84	7.84	3.92
KAISER HMO-REGION 2							
EE	5331	756.21	756.21	0.00	2.50	2.50	1.25
EE+1	5332	1,512.42	1,512.42	0.00	4.99	4.99	2.50
EE+2	5333	1,966.15	1,966.15	0.00	6.49	6.49	3.24
HEALTH NET SMARTCARE							
EE	5281	1,174.50	983.45	191.05	3.88	194.93	97.46
EE+1	5282	2,349.00	1,863.38	485.62	7.75	493.37	246.69
EE+2	5283	3,053.70	2,422.40	631.30	10.08	641.38	320.69
PERS Platinum (CHOICE & CARE PPO)							
EE	5481	1200.12	983.45	216.67	3.96	220.63	110.32
EE+1	5482	2,400.24	1,863.38	536.86	7.92	544.78	272.39
EE+2	5483	3,120.31	2,422.40	697.92	10.30	708.21	354.11
PERS Gold (Select* PPO)							
EE	5571	825.61	825.61	0.00	2.72	2.72	1.36
EE+1	5572	1,651.22	1,651.22	0.00	5.45	5.45	2.72
EE+2	5573	2,146.59	2,146.59	0.00	7.08	7.08	3.54
Western Health Advantage							
EE	5921	760.17	760.17	0.00	2.51	2.51	1.25
EE+1	5922	1,520.34	1,520.34	0.00	5.02	5.02	2.51
EE+2	5923	1,976.44	1,976.44	0.00	6.52	6.52	3.26
United Healthcare Alliance							
EE	5761	1044.07	983.45	60.62	3.45	64.07	32.03
EE+1	5762	2,088.14	1,863.38	224.76	6.89	231.65	115.83
EE+2	5763	2,714.58	2,422.40	292.18	8.96	301.14	150.57
Retirees*							
EE		Max	983.45				
EE+1		Max	1,557.00				
EE+2		Max	1,713.00				

10.1 MEDICAL COVERAGE & FLEXIBLE CREDIT

PERS offers employees choices in medical plans. Enrollment of some domestic partners is permitted in PERS medical.

- A. Employees in this bargaining unit may enroll in a medical plan offered by PERS in accordance with the provisions of the Public Employees' Medical & Hospital Care Program (PEMHCA) or a PERS approved Commission offered alternate medical plan. Employees have the option of enrolling their eligible dependents in a PERS approved Commission offered medical plan. Alternate medical plans must conform to PERS plans, rules, and regulations.
- B. For coverage during the term of this agreement the Commission shall contribute to PERS PEMHCA or any other PERS approved Commission offered alternate medical plans the following monthly amount for active, eligible employees in budgeted positions who elect to participate in such program:
 - 1. For the duration of this agreement, the RTC will provide the monthly medical contribution for active employees:
 - (a) Employee Only: 95% of the monthly premium for Blue Shield Access (EXT) HMO premium
 - (b) Employee + one dependent: 90% of the monthly premium for Blue Shield Access (EXT) HMO premium
 - (c) Employee + two or more dependents: 90% of the monthly premium for Blue Shield Access (EXT) HMO premium
- C. Employees in this representation unit hereby authorize the Commission to make a payroll deduction in the amount equivalent to the remainder of the premium required for the Public Employees' Medical & Hospital Care Program, or any other PERS approved Commission offered alternate medical plan in which they and their dependents are enrolled.
- D. Employees hereby authorize the Commission to make a payroll deduction for the payment of the required PERS administrative fee based upon the plan selected by the employee.
- E. Should PERS require a contribution to the Public Employees' Contingency Reserve Fund, employees hereby authorize payroll deductions equivalent to any such contributions required by PERS.

enrolling their eligible dependents (including domestic partners) in this program.

- B. For coverage during the term of this agreement, the RTC shall contribute to PERS Public Employees' Medical & Hospital Care Program, or any other PERS approved RTC offered alternate medical plans, the following monthly amount for active, eligible employees in budgeted positions who elect to participate in such program:
 - 1. For the duration of this agreement, the RTC will provide monthly benefit contributions for active employees:
 - A. Flexible Credit Contribution
 - 1. Employees only: 95% of the monthly premium for Blue Shield Access (EXT) HMO premium
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- C. Employees in this representation unit hereby authorize the RTC to make a payroll deduction in the amount equivalent to the remainder of the premium required for Public Employees Medical & Hospital Plan or any other PERS-approved RTC offered alternate medical plan in which they are enrolled.
- D. Should PERS require a contribution to the Public Employees' Contingency Reserve Fund, employees hereby authorize payroll deductions equivalent to the contributions required by PERS.
- E. Pre-Tax Dollar Program. The RTC will make available to members of this representation unit a voluntary program of pre-tax dollar contributions as provided in Internal Revenue Code Section 125.
- F. Survivor Coverage. Upon the death of an active employee who has dependents covered under a medical plan offered through the RTC, the RTC shall provide coverage under that plan five (5) months

**Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission
THREE MONTH MEETING SCHEDULE**

October 2022 – December 2022

www.sccrtc.org/meetings/

See agenda for teleconference log-in information. All meetings are subject to cancellation when there are no action items to be considered.

Date	Meeting Day	Meeting Body	Time	Place
10/06/22	Thursday	Regional Transportation Commission	9:00 am	County BOS & Zoom
10/11/22	Tuesday	Elderly & Disabled TAC	1:30 pm	Zoom
10/13/22	Thursday	Budget & Admin/Personnel	1:30 pm	Zoom
10/20/22	Thursday	Transportation Policy Workshop	9:00 am	Zoom
10/20/22	Thursday	Interagency Technical Advisory Committee	1:30 pm	Zoom
11/03/22	Thursday	Regional Transportation Commission	9:00 am	County BOS & Zoom
11/17/22	Thursday	Transportation Policy Workshop	9:00 am	Zoom
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12/01/22	Thursday	Regional Transportation Commission	9:00 am	County BOS & Zoom
12/12/22	Monday	Bicycle Advisory Committee	6:00 pm	Zoom
12/13/22	Tuesday	Elderly & Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee	1:30 pm	Zoom
12/15/22	Thursday	Transportation Policy Workshop	9:00 am	Zoom
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08/23/22	Email	Incoming	C.Convisser 9.1.2022	Yesenia	Parra	SCCRTC	Christine	Otakan	Resident	RTC24GSC Current status and timeline inquiry
08/22/22	Email	Incoming	R.Gerbrandt 8.22.2022	Riley	Gerbrandt	SCCRTC	Avila	Bright	Albion Environmental	Question re: list of pre-proposal meeting attendees Rail Transit RFP2153
08/23/22	Email	Incoming	R.Gerbrandt 8.23.2022	Riley	Gerbrandt	SCCRTC	Michael	Lewis	Resident	Embedded links in the PDF RFP 2153 are not clickable
08/25/22	Email	Incoming	J.Thompson 9.23.2022	Jason	Thompson	SCCRTC	Steve	Glascock	SC Land Trust	Hazardous waste and structure built by members of the public.
08/23/22	Contact us form	Incoming	K.Corwin 8.31.2022	RTC		SCCRTC	Frank	Rimicci	Resident	Suggestions for ped/bike mobility in the midst of Murray St. Bridge work
08/23/22	Email	Incoming	K.Corwin 8.31.2022	RTC		SCCRTC	Mark	Mesiti-Miller	Friends of the Rail and Trail	Support SB 457 - \$2,500 tax credit for not owning a car
08/08/22	Email	Incoming	T.Travers 8.24.2022	Tommy	Travers	SCCRTC	Robert	Johnson	Resident	Southern Graham Hill Road bicycle and pedestrian needs - William Menchine
08/24/22	Email	Outgoing	n/a	Interested	Parties	Various	RTC		SCCRTC	Notice RE: RFP 2153 Electric Passenger Rail Transit & Trail Project
08/25/22	Email	Incoming	K.Corwin 8.31.2022	RTC		SCCRTC	Joe	Martinez	Resident	What a colossal waste of tax payer dollars!!! RE: Notice RE: RFP 2153 Electric Passenger Rail Transit & Trail Project
08/25/22	Email	Incoming	K.Corwin 8.31.2022	RTC		SCCRTC	Rick	Longinotti	Campaign for Sustainable Transportation	Clarity on HOV Lane EIR
08/25/22	Email	Incoming	n/a	Rainey	Graeven	Central Coast @ Coastal Commission	Brian	Peoples	Trail Now	Cc'ed on email to Coastal Commission re: support for proposed waiver notice for 3-22-0709-W (SCCRTC-Manresa Rehabilitation and Preservation)

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08/23/22	Email	Incoming	R.Gerbrandt 8.26.2022	Riley	Gerbrandt	SCCRTC	Michael	Lewis	Resident	Comments re: RFP 2153 Notice of Availability
08/28/22	Email	Incoming	K.Corwin 8.31.2022	RTC		SCCRTC	Brian	Peoples	Trail Now	Comments on item 23 & 24, RTC Meeting 9/1/2022
08/25/22	Contact us form	Incoming	K.Corwin 8.31.2022	Brianna	Goodman	SCCRTC	Jerry	Sawyer	Resident	Trail to connect Santa Cruz to Felton and Boulder Creek
08/30/22	Letter	Incoming	n/a	Guy	Preston	SCCRTC	Richard	Rosales	Caltrans D5	Update of the State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) for District 5 & Bi-Annual Project List Communication Booklet for Santa Cruz County, August 2022
08/31/22	Email	Incoming	K.Corwin 9.2.2022	RTC		SCCRTC	Barry	Scott	Friends of the Rail and Trail	Comments re: 3-22-0709-W (RTC Santa Cruz Branch Line Erosion Control)
08/23/22	Contact us form	Incoming	J.Thompson 9.23.2022	Luis	Mendez	SCCRTC	Steven	Glascok	Land Trust of Santa Cruz County	Rail Corridor and Antonelli Pond
08/31/22	Contact us form	Incoming	R.Moriconi 9.6.2022	Rachel	Moriconi	SCCRTC	Gabriela	Newell	Arup	Inquiry re: Santa Cruz County Transportation Equity Action Plan
08/29/22	Email	Incoming	K.Corwin 9.2.2022	RTC		SCCRTC	Jim	Cumming	Resident	Comments re: FWD: Reminder Tahoe Bike News!
08/31/22	Email	Incoming	A.Marino 9.6.2022	Amanda	Marino	SCCRTC	Christine	Duymich	Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG)	REAP 2.0 Outreach
09/02/22	Email	CC'ed	n/a	Sarah	Christensen	SCCRTC	Debbie	Bulger	Resident	Comments re: Pedestrian Bridges over Hwy 1
09/02/22	Email	Incoming	K.Corwin 9.6.2022	RTC		SCCRTC	Dan	deGrassi	Resident	Notifying RTC of "Notice of Funding for \$1.4 Billion in CRISI Grants"
09/03/22	Email	Incoming		Shannon	Munz	SCCRTC	Brian	Peoples	Trail Now	Where is our community in opening the Capitola Trestles as an Interim Trail?

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09/06/22	Email	Incoming	C.Convisser 9.6.2022	Yesenia	Parra	SCCRTC	Christine	Otakan	Resident	Public records request - Environmental Document for RTC24GSC - State Route 1 - Freedom to State Park Auxiliary Lanes and Bus on Shoulders
09/06/22	Email	Incoming	C.Convisser 9.6.2022	Cindy	Convisser	SCCRTC	Christine	Otakan	Resident	Follow up request for current status and timeline of RTC24GSC
09/07/22	Email	Incoming	R.Gerbrandt 9.7.2022	Riley	Gerbrandt	SCCRTC	Mark	Mesiti-Miller	Resident	Comments Re: RFP 2153 for Engineering Services
09/07/22	Mail	Outgoing	n/a	Betty	Yee	State Controller's Office	Tracy	Newell	SCCRTC	Request for duplicate controller's warrant/stop payment
09/07/22	Letter	Outgoing	n/a	Katie	Herlihy	Community Development Dept. Capitola	Riley	Gerbrandt	SCCRTC	Appeal of Permit Application Number 21-0376
09/08/22	Email	Incoming	K.Corwin 9.8.2022	RTC		SCCRTC	Mark	Mesiti-Miller	Resident	Safer Streets - Vision Zero Documentary
09/09/22	Email	Incoming	Y.Parra 9.9.2022	Yesenia	Parra	SCCRTC	Steven	Allen	Resident	Request for mapped section of the Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail Network Master Plan which shows detail as to what is planned to accommodate a future rail trail adjacent to properties on Spreckels Drive
09/12/22	Email	Incoming	n/a	RTC		SCCRTC	Tamie	McGowan	Caltrans	Caltrans and California Coastal Commission Celebrate Coastal Cleanup Month with Events Throughout September
09/12/22	Email	Incoming	K.Corwin 9.12.2022 (phone)	RTC	Planners	SCCRTC	Tammy	Pitts	Grant Writing USA	Grants Training in Sunnyvale, CA - September 29-30
09/14/22	Email	Incoming	K.Corwin 9.14.2022	Krista	Corwin	SCCRTC	Laura	Sampson	Resident	Trying to get some ride options for my senior Mother
09/16/22	Email	Incoming	n/a	Amanda	Marino	SCCRTC	Debbie	Bulger	Mission: Pedestrian	CC'd on correspondence to City of Santa Cruz DPW re: Concept striping plan downtown intersections

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09/16/22	Email	Incoming	C.Convisser 9.16.2022	RTC		SCCRTC	Vicki	Miller	Sherwood Design Engineers	Re: Feasibility study and planning RFP
06/15/22	Email	Incoming	C.Convisser 9.15.2022 (2 replies)	Yesenia	Parra	SCCRTC	Barry	Scott	Resident	Re: Request for documents supporting completion of work over first seven miles of the Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line
09/15/22	Email	Incoming	T.Travers 9.19.2022	Tommy	Travers	SCCRTC	Jin	Miao	Caltrans Div of Research, Innovation, and System Information	Request for average daily traffic counts
09/14/22	Mail	Incoming	n/a	Riley	Gerbrandt	SCCRTC	Dan Carl	Rainey Graeven	California Coastal Commission, Central Coast District	Re: Coastal Development Permit (CDP) Waiver 3-22-0709-W
09/19/22	Email	Incoming		Tommy	Travers	SCCRTC	Jin	Miao	Caltrans Div of Research, Innovation, and System Information	Do you know of any permanent count stations in the county on the local streets?
09/19/22	Mail	Incoming	K.Corwin fwd'd to addressee 9.19.2022	Amelia	Conlen	Bicycle Advisory Committee	Susan	Renison	Volunteer, Our Downtown Our Future	Letter regarding Measure O initiative (not relevant to RTC or its advisory bodies)
09/21/22	Email	Incoming	R.Gerbrandt 9.22.2022	Riley	Gerbrandt	SCCRTC	Adrian	Gunderson	HDR, Inc.	Please disregard HDR's proposal that should arrive at your office today. We are resending the proposal to incorporate addendum 1
09/22/22	Email	Incoming	n/a	Guy	Preston	SCCRTC	Carrie	Jett	Aptos Chamber of Commerce	Voting is now open 2022 Man, Woman, Business, and Organization of the Year
09/22/22	Email	Incoming	n/a	Riley	Gerbrandt	SCCRTC	Marilyn	Raffaelli	Santa Cruz County	Invoice - right of entry review - Pajaro River Railroad Bridge Rehabilitation Project

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09/26/22	Email	Incoming		Shannon	Munz	SCCRTC	Karen	Barrett	Resident	Sign complaint - property on highway 9 in Boulder Creek
09/26/22	Email	Incoming	K.Corwin 9.26.2022	Manu	Koenig	SCCRTC	Brian	Peoples	Trail Now	Demonstration Trail proposed
09/26/22	Email	Outgoing	n/a	Interested	Parties	Various	RTC		SCCRTC	Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Impact Report for Coastal Rail Trail Segments 8 and 9 Project



PROJECT UPDATE – SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

PREPARED FOR THE OCTOBER 6, 2022 SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING

PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION									
	Project	Location Post Mile (PM)	Description	Construction Timeline	Construction Cost	Funding Source	Project Manager (Resident Engineer)	Contractor	Comments
1.	SR 1/ SR 17 Ramp Safety Improvements (1H060)	From the Fishhook to Pasatiempo overcrossing (Various near SR 1 PM 16.7)	Construct ramp safety improvements-signs, lighting, shoulders and drainage	Summer 2022	\$5.8 million	SHOPP	Heidi Borders	Teichert Construction	Project has been awarded to Teichert Construction and is in construction.
2.	Traffic Management System (TMS) Detection Repair (1H990)	Various locations throughout District 5 along SRs 1, 17, 68, 156, 101 (PM Various)	Replace failed TMS Detection	Summer 2022	\$4.9 million	SHOPP SB-1	Nick Heisdorf	Traffic Loops Crackfilling, Inc.	Project construction is complete, and contract was accepted. In final report stage.
3.	Santa Cruz & San Benito Rumble Strip & Striping Safety Project (1M330)	Various-multi-county locations. In Sta. Cruz, the project includes Highways 1, 9, 17, 129	Update striping and install edgeline and center rumble strips at various locations	Summer 2024	\$4.7 million	SHOPP Safety Collision Reduction	Terry Thompson (J.W.)	Central Striping Service, Inc.	Construction has begun on the project.



PROJECT UPDATE – SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

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Project	Location Post Mile (PM)	Description	Construction Timeline	Construction Cost	Funding Source	Project Manager (Resident Engineer)	Contractor	Comments
4. SR 1 Drainage Improvements (1K640)	On SR 1, from 0.5 miles South of the Santa Cruz County Line to 0.2 miles North of Larking Valley Rd and Monterey County at PM 101.53. (PM MON 101.53 to SCR 0/R7.7)	Culvert repairs, improved lighting, new traffic monitoring systems, and constructing maintenance vehicle pullouts.	Fall 2024 to Fall 2025	\$15.5 million	SHOPP	Nicholas Heisdorf	PA&ED	The project is in the PAED phase until November 2022. PSE phase to follow.
5. SR 1 Soquel Creek Scour Protection (1H480)	In Capitola at Soquel Creek Bridge (PM 13.3)	Bridge preventative maintenance – Place scour protection	Spring 2024	\$1.4 million	SHOPP	Heidi Borders	Granite Construction Company	Contract awarded to Granite Construction Company. Contractor is not mobilizing until 6/1/2023. Schedule has been adjusted to reflect the delay.
6. SR 1 Davenport Culvert Replacement (0J200)	Near Davenport and south of Waddell Creek Bridge (PM 31.9 to 35.7)	Replace culverts	Spring 2024	\$7.4 million	SHOPP SB-1	Heidi Borders	Serafix Engineering	



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	Project	Location Post Mile (PM)	Description	Construct ion Timeline	Construct ion Cost	Fundin g Source	Project Manager (Resident Engineer)	Contractor	Comments
7.	SR 9 South Drainage and Erosion Control Improvements (1F920)	On SR 9 from SR 1 to slightly north of Glen Arbor Rd (PM 0.1 to 7.5)	Upgrade drainage systems and stabilize slopes	Target Wrap Up: Fall 22	\$6.1 million	SHOPP	Doug Hessing	Disney Construction, Inc.	Contract awarded and approved to Disney Construction Inc, March 4, 2021. Construction is substantially complete with intermittent items remaining through October 2022.
8.	SR 9 PM 1.0 and 4.0 Viaducts (1K120)	On SR 9, 0.5 miles north of Vernon Street & 0.8 miles south of Glengarry Road (PM 1 and 4)	Construct side-hill viaduct, restore roadway and facilities, place Water Pollution Control BMPs, erosion control	Fall 2022 to Fall 2025	\$9.9 million	SHOPP	Doug Hessing	PS&E	Project is Ready to List (RTL). Route 9 may require 24-hour long term time-of-day-based closures during construction.
9.	SR 9 Upper Drainage and Erosion Control Improvements (1G950)	On SR 9 in Boulder Creek from Holiday Lane just south of Ben Lomond to 4.7 miles north of the SR 236/9 Junction (PM 8.5 to 25.5)	Upgrade drainage and erosion control	Fall 2023 to Spring 2026	\$14.49 million	SHOPP	Nick Heisdorf	PS&E	The project is in the Design and Right of Way phase. Ready to List (RTL) moved from 9/2022 to 6/2023 due to delay in potholing utilities.



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	Project	Location Post Mile (PM)	Description	Construction Timeline	Construction Cost	Funding Source	Project Manager (Resident Engineer)	Contractor	Comments
10.	Extend Side Hill Viaduct (1K060)	On SR 9 near Brookdale 0.3 mile south of Western Ave (PM 10.80 to 10.80)	Construct viaduct wall extension, restore roadway and facilities, place Water Pollution Control BMPs	Winter 2022/2023	\$1.9 million	SHOPP SB-1	Doug Hessing (PD)	GORDON N. BALL, INC.	One-Way Traffic Control during the day.



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PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT

Project	Location Post Mile (PM)	Description	Construction Timeline	Estimated Construction Cost	Funding Source	Project Manager	Phase (PID, PA&ED, PS&E, RW, Construction)	Comments
11. SR 1 Roadside Safety (1J960)	0.5 mile north of Larkin Valley Rd. U.C. (San Andreas Rd) to Laguna Rd (North) (PM 8.20 to 26.00)	Drainage System Restoration; Paving at 40 ramps; Install Lighting at Interchanges and Install Count Stations	Winter 2024/25 to Winter 2025/26	\$22.02 million	SHOPP	Heidi Borders	PA&ED	Draft Project Report in circulation.
12. Santa Cruz Route 1 CAPM (1M110)	In and near Santa Cruz from 0.06 miles south of Route 9 Junction to 0.09 miles north of the Mission St intersection. (PM 17.5 to 20.2)	Grinding/ paving 2.7 miles of pavement, upgrading up to 89 curb ramps, guard rail upgrade, sign panel upgrade, loop detector replacement.	Spring 2026 to Spring 2027	\$8.9 million	SHOPP	Nick Heisdorf	PAED	This project is the PAED phase.
13. Felton Safety Improvements (1M400)	On SR 9 in Santa Cruz County between Kirby St and San Lorenzo Valley High School signaled intersection (PM 6.3 to 7.2)	Construct Accessible Pedestrian Path	Fall 2024 to Winter 2026/27	\$8 million	SHOPP Safety	Doug Hessing (P.D.)	PA&ED	The Project Report is scheduled to be approved in September 2022. The project would move to the Design phase following the Project Report approval.



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14.	SR 9 San Lorenzo River Bridge and Kings Creek Bridge Replacement (1H470)	On SR 9 near Boulder Creek, at San Lorenzo River Bridge and at Kings Creek Bridge (PM 13.6 & 15.5)	Replace bridges	Spring 2024 to Spring 2027	\$12 million	SHOPP SB-1	Doug Hessing	PS&E	The project is in the Right of Way phase. Work includes utility relocation coordination and associated easement requirements.
15.	SR 9 North CAPM (1K900)	In Santa Cruz County from 0.4 miles south of Saratoga Toll Rd to the Santa Cruz/San Mateo County line (PM 18.89 to 27.09)	Preserve CAPM Strategies including but not limited to dig-outs, profile grinding, overlay, placing shoulder backing and dike. Reconstruct guardrail, rehabilitate or replace 6 culvert and replace 67 sign panels	Summer 2026 to Summer 2028	\$6.3 million	SHOPP	Doug Hessing	PA&ED	Project programmed in the 2022 SHOPP. PA&ED phase started.
16.	SR 9 Hairpin Tieback (1K130)	Near Boulder Creek about 1.1 miles south of the SR 236/9 Junction (PM 19.97)	Soldier Pile Tieback Retaining Wall	Summer 2023	\$2.6 million	SHOPP	Doug Hessing	Gordon N. Ball, Inc.	The construction contract was awarded to GORDON N. BALL, INC. One-way traffic control in place.



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17. SR 17 Install High Friction Surface Treatment (HFST) (1M730)	On SR 17 near Santa Cruz at various locations from 0.2 miles south of Scotts Valley Overcrossing to 1.6 miles south of Summit Road Separation. (PM 3.2 to 11.27)	Safety Construction includes HFST between the left/right edges of the travel way and cold plane removal of Open Grade Asphalt Concrete (OGAC) and replacement with Hot Mix Asphalt	Winter 2022/23 to Summer 2023	\$6.5 million	SHOPP	Heidi Borders	PS&E/RW	PS&E Package submitted to Office Engineer (OE).
18. SR 17 Jarvis Slide Rock Fence (1K070)	On SR 17 near Scotts Valley at 0.5 miles south of Sugarloaf Rd (PM 8.2)	Construct rock fence/barrier at Jarvis Slide	Fall 2022 to Fall 2023	\$3.12 million	SHOPP	Nick Heisdorf	PS&E	Bids opened for this project on 8/31/2022. Currently in the award/approval process.
19. SR 17 Wildlife Habitat Crossing (1G260)	From Laurel Rd to just north of Laurel Rd (PM 9.442 to 9.692)	Construct wildlife undercrossing	Winter 2023/2024	\$6.448 million	SHOPP	Aaron Henkel	Granite Rock Construction	Construction has begun on the removal of soil under bridge.



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20.	SR 129 Paving, Sign Panels, Lighting, TMS Improvement (1J830)	Near Watsonville for SR 129/1 separation to Salsipuedes Creek Bridge (PM 0.0 to 0.56)	Pavement Preservation, Lighting, Sign Panel Replacement and TMS Elements improvements	Winter 2024/25 to Fall 2025	\$8 million	SHOPP	Nick Heisdorf	PS&E	PS&E Phase continues.
21.	SR 152 Watsonville Rehab/CAPM (1P110)	Santa Cruz County on Route 152 from Junction with SR 1 to 0.5 Mile East of Carlton Road (PM T0.31 to 4.14)	Preserve pavement, rehabilitate or replace Salsipuedes Creek Bridge, replace culverts, rehabilitate traffic signals, upgrade curb ramps, reconstruct guardrail, replace sign panels, and complete streets elements	2031-2032	\$25 million	SHOPP	Heidi Borders	PID	No updates. This project is anticipated to include complete streets elements and be transformative, so a long lead-time is being utilized.
22.	SR 152 Corralitos Creek ADA (1F620)	On SR 152 near Watsonville, east of Beverly Dr to Holohan/College Rd (PM 1.9 to R2.0)	Construct Accessible Pathway	Winter 2022/23 to Winter 2023/24	\$3.4 million	SHOPP	Nick Heisdorf	PS&E	The project is in HQ awaiting advertisement for bids.



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23. SR 236 Heartwood Hill Embankment Restoration (1M450)	On SR 236 near Boulder Creek (PM 5.4)	Restore Embankment with a Retaining Wall	Winter 2022/23 to Winter 2024/25	\$1.8 million	SHOPP	Doug Hessing	PS&E	The project is Ready to List.

ACRONYMS USED IN THIS REPORT:

ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
CCA	Construction Contract Acceptance
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act
CMAQ	Congestion Mitigation Air Quality
CMIA	Corridor Mobility Improvement Account
CTC	California Transportation Commission
ED	Environmental Document
EIR	Environmental Impact Report
HFST	High Friction Surface Treatment
PA&ED	Project Approval and Environmental Document
PID	Project Initiation Document
PM	Post Mile
PS&E	Plans, Specifications, and Estimates
RTL	Ready to List
RW	Right of Way
SB1	Senate Bill 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017
SCL	Santa Clara County Line
SHOPP	State Highway Operation and Protection Program
SR	State Route
STIP	State Transportation Improvement Program
TMS	Traffic Management System

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Dear Mr. Preston:

UPDATE OF THE STATE HIGHWAY OPERATION AND PROTECTION PROGRAM (SHOPP)
FOR DISTRICT 5

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 5 has included with this letter the status of SHOPP programming and project initiation documents (PID) under development in Santa Cruz County.

Caltrans is responsible for maintaining and operating approximately 50,000 lane-miles of the state highway system, the backbone of California's transportation infrastructure. This includes monitoring the condition and operational performance of the highways through periodic inspections, traffic studies, and system analysis. The SHOPP is primarily funded through the State Highway Account supporting the State's priority for preserving the existing infrastructure.

The projects listed include programmed projects in and near construction, projects programmed for construction in future years, projects funded by the Minor program (less than \$1.25M), Long-Lead projects with committed but not yet programmed funding, the 2024 SHOPP PID candidate projects proposed for programming on July 1, 2024, and future PID projects identified in the 10-Year Plan. The final page in the attachment includes a list of Non-SHOPP projects that are captured in the 3-year workplan.

Please provide any updates as well as identify any new regionally or locally funded projects that Caltrans should be aware. Discussion of proposed scope, funding scenarios, delivery timeframes, potential impacts to the State Highway System, and coordination responsibilities can help determine partnering opportunities and well as determine if the project will require traditional Non-

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Guy Preston, Executive Director
Aug 30, 2022
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SHOPP PID oversight or can be processed through our Permits Office. As a reminder, for Caltrans to add projects into the Non-SHOPP PID workplan it needs to be in your Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), be in Caltrans's 3-yr workplan, and have an executed cooperative agreement. For all Non-SHOPP questions please contact Garin Schneider at (805) 503-5025 or email Garin.Schneider@dot.ca.gov.

District 5 SHOPP Webviewer Tool

The District 5 SHOPP Webviewer tool is available to view current and future SHOPP projects from the approved SHOPP 10 Year Book that is within your region.

Visit

<https://caltrans.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=97ceb019d16a4445acb3ae92cfaf8ca8>

Please share this information with your member agencies and encourage them to contact the appropriate project manager for specific project information. For more information on the attachments and to schedule a presentation of this material for an upcoming Technical Advisory Committee meeting, please contact Darron Hill, Office Chief of Programming and Asset Management at (805) 503-9374 or email Darron.Hill@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



Richard Rosales
Deputy District Director Program/Project Management and Asset Management

Attachments

1. County project listing

Enclosure

cc. Richard Rosales, Scott Eades, Brandy Rider, Darron Hill, David Silberberger, Garin Schneider, Kelly McClendon, Orchid Monroy-Ochoa, John Olejnik, Lindsay Leichtfuss, Aaron Henkel, Berkeley Lindt, Doug Hessing, Heidi Borders, Nicholas Heisdorf, Terry Thompson, Meg Henry, and Paul Guirguis



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Projects In Construction or Near Construction Phase

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PI: 0522000017 AMT: 23333 EA: 05-1H482 PPNO: 2736X	SCR_1_13.3/13.3	In Capitola, at Soquel Creek Bridge No. 36-0013. Biological monitoring for parent project EA 1H480. (201.119)	Soquel Creek Biological Monitoring	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction only Target RTL Date: 10/3/2022 Contract Acceptance Date: 11/17/2032	\$40 Con Sup	Heidi Borders 916-995-4933 heidi.borders@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0522000010 AMT: 22942 EA: 05-0J201 PPNO: 1967X	SCR_1_31.9/35.7	Near Davenport, from 1.4 miles north of Swanton Road to 0.6 mile south of Waddell Creek. Environmental mitigation biological monitoring for project EA 0J200. (201.151)	Davenport Culvert Replacement Biological Monitoring	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction only Target RTL Date: 8/10/2022 Contract Acceptance Date: 3/26/2029	\$100 Con Sup	Heidi Borders 916-995-4933 heidi.borders@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0518000126 AMT: 19496 EA: 05-1K130 PPNO: 2876	SCR_9_19.97/19.97	In Santa Cruz County near Boulder Creek about 1.1 mile south of Junction 236/9. Construct Soldier Tieback Retaining Wall. (201.131)	PM 19.97 Hairpin Tieback Route 9	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 1/5/2021 Contract Acceptance Date: 8/23/2023	\$3,766	Doug Hessing 805-835-6568 doug.hessing@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0516000079 AMT: 16590 EA: 05-1H480 PPNO: 2736	SCR_1_13.3/13.3	In Capitola, at Soquel Creek Bridge No. 36-0013. Place Rock Slope Protection (RSP) to protect bridge foundation. (201.119)	Soquel Creek Scour Protection	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 11/10/2021 Contract Acceptance Date: 3/15/2023	\$1,291 Award	Heidi Borders 916-995-4933 heidi.borders@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0519000115 AMT: 21589 EA: 05-1M330 PPNO: 3008	SCR_1_28.9/29.5 SCR_9_1/27.09 SCR_17_0.03/11.57 SCR_129_L0.03/5.1	In Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties, on Routes 9, 1, 17, 25, 129 and 156 at various locations. Install both centerline and edge line rumble strips and re-stripe with thermoplastic stripe. (201.010) (Project in SCR and SBT Counties on various routes)	Santa Cruz & San Benito Rumble Strip & Striping Safety	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 12/17/2021 Contract Acceptance Date: 7/22/2024	\$2,311 Award	Terry Thompson 805-503-5013 terry.thompson@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0521000018 AMT: 23486 EA: 05-1N440 PPNO: 3044	SCR_1_10.2/18.06	In various counties on various routes. Unsheltered encampments. EFA Contract in Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties (201.130)	Unsheltered Encampments North	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 2/15/2022 Contract Acceptance Date: 6/20/2023	\$8,000	Berkeley Lindt 805-549-3315 berkeley.lindt@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0514000131 AMT: 14033 EA: 05-1G260 PPNO: 2593	SCR_17_9.1/9.9	Near Scotts Valley, from 0.4 mile south of Laurel Road to 0.5 mile north of Laurel Road. Construct wildlife undercrossing. (201.240) Local contributions to fund construction capital.	Wildlife Habitat Connectivity	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 2/8/2021 Contract Acceptance Date: 1/17/2024	\$2,000 Con Sup Vote	Aaron Henkel 805-835-6366 aaron.henkel@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0514000145 AMT: 20896 EA: 05-0Q601 PPNO: 1989Y	SCR_17_0.7/1.4	In Santa Cruz, from 0.7 mile north of Route 1/17 Separation to Beulah Park Undercrossing. Landscape mitigation for 0Q600. (201.335)	Hwy 17 Storm Water Mitigation Landscape Split	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 3/29/2019 Contract Acceptance Date: 4/13/2023	\$427 Award	Doug Hessing 805-835-6568 doug.hessing@dot.ca.gov

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PI: 0516000020 AMT: 17059 EA: 05-1H060 PPNO: 2636	SCR_17_0.191/0.191	In and near Santa Cruz, from 0.1 mile south of Route 1/17 Separation to 0.4 mile south of Pasatiempo Overcrossing; also on Route 17 (PM 0.0/0.3). Realign southbound Route 17 connector to southbound Route 1. (201.010)	Pasatiempo II	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 6/18/2020 Contract Acceptance Date: 8/1/2022	\$5,833 Award	Heidi Borders 916-995-4933 heidi.borders@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0514000075 AMT: 13588 EA: 05-1F920 PPNO: 2569	SCR_9_0.046/7.53	In and near the city of Santa Cruz, from Route 1 to north of Fall Creek Drive. Stormwater improvements. (201.335)	SCR 9 South Drainage and Erosion Control Improvements	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 6/23/2020 Contract Acceptance Date: 9/15/2022	\$2,381 Award	Doug Hessing 805-835-6568 doug.hessing@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0518000115 AMT: 19495 EA: 05-1K060 PPNO: 2847	SCR_9_10.8/10.8	In Santa Cruz County near Brookdale, south of Western Avenue. Construct side hill viaduct extension with cutoff retaining wall, restore roadway and facilities, and install permanent erosion control. (201.131)	Extend Viaduct Wall	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 6/28/2021 Contract Acceptance Date: 2/8/2023	\$1,978 Award	Doug Hessing 805-835-6568 doug.hessing@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0520000046 AMT: 22625 EA: 05-1M650 PPNO: 3024	SCR_1_17/37.45	In Santa Cruz County, on Routes 1, 9 and 236 at various locations. Remove fire debris, burned trees, replace guardrail, drainage systems, timber wall lagging, and signs. (201.130)	CZU August Lightning Complex Fire Restoration	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 8/12/2020 Contract Acceptance Date: 8/1/2022	\$13,000	Berkeley Lindt 805-549-3315 berkeley.lindt@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0518000117 AMT: 20869 EA: 05-1K070 PPNO: 2852	SCR_17_8.2/8.2	In Santa Cruz County near Scotts Valley at 0.5 miles south of Sugarloaf Road. Stabilize eroded cut slope at Jarvis Slide. (201.131)	Jarvis Slide Rock Fence	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PS&E/RW Actual RTL Date: 4/27/2022 Contract Acceptance Date: 10/24/2023	\$3,213 Vote	Nicholas Heisdorf 805-835-6558 nicholas.heisdorf@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0518000125 AMT: 19493 EA: 05-1K120 PPNO: 2874	SCR_9_1/4	In and near the city of Santa Cruz, at north of Vernon Street; also at south of Glengarry road (PM 4.0). Construct sidehill viaducts, restore roadway and facilities, provide erosion control. (201.131)	PM 1.0 and 4.0 Viaduct	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PS&E/RW Actual RTL Date: 6/24/2022 Contract Acceptance Date: 8/22/2025	\$11,635	Doug Hessing 805-835-6568 doug.hessing@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0514000039 AMT: 15672 EA: 05-1F620 PPNO: 2530	SCR_152_1.9/R2.0	Near Watsonville, from 0.1 mile east of Beverly Drive to Holohan Road/College Road. Construct accessible pathway, concrete barrier, retaining wall, curb, gutter and sidewalk to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. (G13 Contingency) (201.361)	Corralitos Creek ADA	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PS&E/RW Actual RTL Date: 6/27/2022 Contract Acceptance Date: 1/2/2024	\$1,528	Nicholas Heisdorf 805-835-6558 nicholas.heisdorf@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0512000069 AMT: 9294 EA: 05-0J200 PPNO: 1967	SCR_1_31.9/35.7	On Route 1 in Santa Cruz County near Davenport and south of Waddell Creek from PM 31.9 to 35.7. Replace culverts. (201.151)	Davenport Culvert Replacement	SB-1 Funded Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 7/26/2021 Contract Acceptance Date: 3/25/2024	\$6,695 Award	Heidi Borders 916-995-4933 heidi.borders@dot.ca.gov

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PI: 0520000105 AMT: MB001294 EA: 05-1N030	SCR_1_14.9/14.9 SCR_9_6.5/6.5 SCR_152_1.35/1.35	In Various Counties on Various Routes at Various Locations. Various electrical repairs. EFA Contract (Project in MON, SBT, SCR, SLO and SB counties)	D5 Electrical Repairs	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 5/13/2021 Contract Acceptance Date: 8/31/2022	\$333	Berkeley Lindt 805-549-3315 berkeley.lindt@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0521000094 AMT: MB000888 EA: 05-1N770	SCR_1_17.064/17.064 SCR_17_0.005/0.005	In various counties on various routes. Left exit signs. EFA Contract in Santa Cruz and Santa Barbara Counties	Left Exit Signs	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 9/20/2021 Contract Acceptance Date: 8/31/2022	\$245	Berkeley Lindt 805-549-3315 berkeley.lindt@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0522000031 AMT: MB001512 EA: 05-1P330	SCR_1_R1.0/R1.0	In various counties on various routes Drainage work. EFA Contract in Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties	MON/SCr Drainage Work	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 1/11/2022 Contract Acceptance Date: 8/31/2022	\$388	Berkeley Lindt 805-549-3315 berkeley.lindt@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0521000154 AMT: MB001356 EA: 05-1N980	SCR_1_R4.11/13.92	In various counties on various routes at various locations. Replace cameras. Replace batteries. Install census stations. This was a bid job that was advertised twice but failed to receive the minimum number of bids both times. EFA Contract (Project in MON, SBT, SCR, SLO and SB counties)	CTV/MVOS/Census stations	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 6/17/2021 Contract Acceptance Date: 10/31/2022	\$270	Berkeley Lindt 805-549-3315 berkeley.lindt@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0522000033 AMT: MB001484 EA: 05-1P350	SCR_9_13.98/13.98	In Santa Cruz County on various routes. Drainage work. EFA Contract in Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties	SCr Drainage Repair	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Construction Actual RTL Date: 12/27/2022 Contract Acceptance Date: 10/31/2022	\$333	Berkeley Lindt 805-549-3315 berkeley.lindt@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0522000016 AMT: MA001321 EA: 05-1P280	SCR_1_17.02/17.02	In Santa Cruz County, in Santa Cruz, at Route 1 NB / 17 Separation (Br No. 36-0069R) Replace Damaged Bridge Girder	Separation Girder Replacement	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PA&ED Target RTL Date: 6/16/2023 Contract Acceptance Date: 5/22/2024	\$1,250	Terry Thompson 805-503-5013 terry.thompson@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0522000004 AMT: MA001361 EA: 05-1P240	SCR_236_4.27/4.27	In Santa Cruz County, near Boulder Creek at Boulder Creek Bridge (Br No. 36-0006) Place Scour Protection	Scour Mitigation (Br No. 36-0006)	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PA&ED Target RTL Date: 12/4/2024 Contract Acceptance Date: 8/26/2025	\$1,250	Terry Thompson 805-503-5013 terry.thompson@dot.ca.gov

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Projects Programmed in the Year: 2021-2022

Project IDs	Project Location County_Route_Postmile	Project Description	Project Name	Project Details	Construction Cost (\$1,000)	Project Manager
PI: 0516000078 AMT: 15835 EA: 05-1H470 PPNO: 2655	SCR_9_13.6/15.5	Near Boulder Creek, at San Lorenzo River Bridge No. 36-0052 (PM 13.61) and Kings Creek Bridge No. 36-0054 (PM 15.49). Replace bridges to maintain standards of safety and reliability. (201.110)	San Lorenzo River Bridge & Kings Creek Bridge Replacement	SB-1 Funded Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PS&E/RW Target RTL Date: 12/1/2023 Contract Acceptance Date: 11/14/2025	\$17,765	Doug Hessing 805-835-6568 doug.hessing@dot.ca.gov



Projects Programmed in the Year: 2022-2023

Project IDs	Project Location County_Route_Postmile	Project Description	Project Name	Project Details	Construction Cost (\$1,000)	Project Manager
PI: 0520000055 AMT: 22182 EA: 05-1M730 PPNO: 3025	SCR_17_3.2/3.7	In Santa Cruz County near Santa Cruz at various locations from 0.2 miles south of Scotts Valley Overcrossing to 1.6 miles south of Summit Road Separation. Grind pavement and place Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA), apply High Friction Surface Treatment (HFST), and contrasting surface treatment. (201.010)	Route 17 High Friction Surface Treatment	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PS&E/RW Target RTL Date: 7/29/2022 Contract Acceptance Date: 7/25/2023	\$6,923	Heidi Borders 916-995-4933 heidi.borders@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0519000153 AMT: 21770 EA: 05-1M450 PPNO: 3017	SCR_236_5.4/5.4	In Santa Cruz County, on Route 236, near Boulder Creek, at 0.6 mile south of Lodge Road. Construct retaining wall to stabilize slope, widen shoulder, repair pavement, improve drainage systems and install erosion control. (201.131)	Heartwood Hill Embankment Restoration	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PS&E/RW Target RTL Date: 8/15/2022 Contract Acceptance Date: 12/27/2024	\$2,521	Doug Hessing 805-835-6568 doug.hessing@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0516000005 AMT: 13752 EA: 05-1G950 PPNO: 2627	SCR_9_8.5/25.5	Near Ben Lomond, from Holiday Lane to 4.7 miles north of the northern junction of Routes 236/9. Replace failed culverts systems and construct energy dissipaters. (201.335)	SCR 9 Upper Drainage and Erosion Control Improvements	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PS&E/RW Target RTL Date: 4/7/2023 Contract Acceptance Date: 3/17/2026	\$7,234	Nicholas Heisdorf 805-835-6558 nicholas.heisdorf@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0521000112 AMT: 23330 EA: 05-1H481 PPNO: 2736Y	SCR_1_13.3/13.3	In Capitola, at Soquel Creek Bridge No. 36-0013. Landscape and plant establishment for parent project EA 1H480. (201.119)	Soquel Creek Landscape Planting	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PS&E Target RTL Date: 9/21/2022 Contract Acceptance Date: 9/3/2026	\$300	Heidi Borders 916-995-4933 heidi.borders@dot.ca.gov

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Projects Programmed in the Year: 2023-2024

Project IDs	Project Location County_Route_Postmile	Project Description	Project Name	Project Details	Construction Cost (\$1,000)	Project Manager
PI: 0518000078 AMT: 19155 EA: 05-1J830 PPNO: 2775	SCR_129_L0.0/0.56	In and near Watsonville, from Route 1 to east of Blackburn Street. Rehabilitate pavement and lighting, replace sign panels, and install Transportation Management System (TMS) elements. Construct new sidewalk, curb ramps, high visibility crosswalks, flashing beacons, and Class 2 and Class 3 bike lanes as complete streets elements. (201.121)	129 Paving, Sign Panels, Lighting, TMS Improvement	SB-1 Funded Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PS&E/RW Target RTL Date: 5/1/2024 Contract Acceptance Date: 11/7/2025	\$8,440	Nicholas Heisdorf 805-835-6558 nicholas.heisdorf@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0518000093 AMT: 19159 EA: 05-1J960 PPNO: 2843	SCR_1_8.2/26	In and near the cities of Capitola and Santa Cruz, from north of Larkin Valley Road Undercrossing to Laguna Road; also in Monterey County (PM R101.53). Rehabilitate drainage systems, enhance highway worker safety, replace lighting and install Transportation Management System (TMS) elements. (201.151)	SCR 1 Roadside Safety	SB-1 Funded Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PA&ED Target RTL Date: 6/12/2024 Contract Acceptance Date: 1/26/2026	\$12,389	Heidi Borders 916-995-4933 heidi.borders@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0519000136 AMT: 21693 EA: 05-1M400 PPNO: 3012	SCR_9_6.3/7.2	In Santa Cruz County, on Route 9, near Felton, from Kirby Street to north of Fall Creek Drive. Construct pedestrian and bicycle facilities to improve safety. (201.010)	SR9 Felton Pedestrian Safety Improvements	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PA&ED Target RTL Date: 5/13/2024 Contract Acceptance Date: 2/3/2027	\$4,591	Doug Hessing 805-835-6568 doug.hessing@dot.ca.gov

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Projects Programmed in the Year: 2025-2026

Project IDs	Project Location County_Route_Postmile	Project Description	Project Name	Project Details	Construction Cost (\$1,000)	Project Manager
PI: 0521000173 AMT: 23331 EA: 05-1H471 PPNO: 2655Y	SCR_9_0.046/0.046	Near Boulder Creek, at San Lorenzo River Bridge No. 36-0052 and Kings Creek Bridge No. 36-0054 (PM 15.49). Landscape mitigation and biological monitoring for parent project EA 1H470. (201.110)	San Lorenzo River Bridge & Kings Creek Bridge Replacement Landscape Mitigation and Biological Monitoring	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PS&E/RW Target RTL Date: 7/16/2025 Contract Acceptance Date: 6/17/2026	\$1,400	Doug Hessing 805-835-6568 doug.hessing@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0519000067 AMT: 19952 EA: 05-1M110 PPNO: 2725	SCR_1_17.5/20.2	In and near the city of Santa Cruz, from south of River Street (Route 9) to north of Western Drive. Rehabilitate pavement, reconstruct guardrail, replace sign panels, upgrade facilities to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, and update crosswalks and repair Class 2 bike lanes. (201.121)	Santa Cruz Route 1 CAPM	SB-1 Funded Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PA&ED Target RTL Date: 9/19/2025 Contract Acceptance Date: 4/7/2027	\$8,892	Nicholas Heisdorf 805-835-6558 nicholas.heisdorf@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0519000037 AMT: 19935 EA: 05-1K900 PPNO: 2880	SCR_9_18.897/27.094	Near Boulder Creek and Saratoga, from south of Saratoga Toll Road to Route 35. Rehabilitate pavement and drainage systems, and reconstruct guardrail. (201.121)	Upper Scr 9 CAPM	SB-1 Funded Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: PA&ED Target RTL Date: 1/15/2026 Contract Acceptance Date: 7/3/2028	\$7,529	Doug Hessing 805-835-6568 doug.hessing@dot.ca.gov



Programmed Long Lead Projects

Project IDs	Project Location County_Route_Postmile	Project Description	Project Name	Project Details	Construction Cost (\$1,000)	Project Manager
PI: 0518000233 AMT: 19156 EA: 05-1K670 PPNO: 2921	SCR_17_0/12.5	In and near the cities of Santa Cruz and Scotts Valley, from Route 1 to Santa Clara County line at various locations. Construct and install stormwater quality Best Management Practices (BMPs) and rehabilitate drainage systems. (201.335) (Long Lead Project)	Hwy 17 Drainage Improvements	Long Lead Project Project Phase: PA&ED Target RTL Date: 11/16/2026 Contract Acceptance Date: 7/12/2029	\$4,632	Nicholas Heisdorf 805-835-6558 nicholas.heisdorf@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0519000036 AMT: 19939 EA: 05-1K890 PPNO: 2879	SCR_9_0.046/7.5	In and near the city of Santa Cruz, Felton and Brackney, from Route 1 to south of El Solyo Heights Drive. Rehabilitate pavement and drainage systems, upgrade Transportation Management System (TMS) elements, reconstruct guardrail, replace sign panels, upgrade facilities to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, and construct sidewalks and Class 2 bike lanes. (Long Lead project)(201.121)	South Scr 9 CAPM	SB-1 Funded Long Lead Project Project Phase: PA&ED Target RTL Date: 11/16/2026 Contract Acceptance Date: 7/13/2029	\$14,724	Doug Hessing 805-835-6568 doug.hessing@dot.ca.gov

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Project Initiation Document Development: SHOPP Cycle 2024

Project IDs	Project Location County_Route_Postmile	Project Description	Project Name	Project Details	Construction Cost (\$1,000)	Project Manager
PI: 0519000170 AMT: 19943 EA: 05-1M530 PPNO: 3019	SCR_001_2.683/7.947	Improve inlet/outlet of Drainage System at PM 5.11 and restore wildlife connectivity for sensitive species affected by adjacent projects.	Santa Cruz Long-toed Salamander Connectivity & Drainage Project	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: K-Phase Target RTL Date: 6/30/2025	\$1,100	Meg Henry 805-801-5160 meg.henry@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0521000181 AMT: 22890 EA: 05-1P180 PPNO: 3074	SCR_001_R5/8.2	Widen existing paved inside shoulder to improve vehicle drift recovery	Inside Shoulder Widening	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: K-Phase Target RTL Date: 7/1/2024	\$3,500	Terry Thompson 805-503-5013 terry.thompson@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0522000105 AMT: 23573 EA: 05-1P770	SCR_129_0.56/9.99	This project will satisfy mitigation needs of multiple transportation projects that are anticipated to impact wetland and non-wetland waters as well as CRLF, CTS, and Tidewater Goby.	Advanced Mitigation	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: K-Phase Target RTL Date: 3/1/2024	\$3,558	Meg Henry 805-801-5160 meg.henry@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0522000174 AMT: 20027 EA: 05-1Q150 PPNO: 3105	SCR_152_T2.45/T2.929	Construct curb extension (an extension of a road diet strategy), and high visibility ladder style crosswalk, to enhance pedestrian safety.	Downtown Watsonville Safety Project	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: K-Phase Target RTL Date: 7/1/2025	\$4,100	Heidi Borders 916-995-4933 heidi.borders@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0522000188 AMT: 20003 EA: 05-1Q250 PPNO: 3106	SCR_001_17.46/17.66	Construct continuous lightings to enhance motorist and pedestrian safety.	SR1/SR9 Junction Lighting Project	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: K-Phase Target RTL Date: 7/1/2025	\$1,300	Terry Thompson 805-503-5013 terry.thompson@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0521000139 AMT: 22780 EA: 05-1N900 PPNO: 3066	SCR_001_9.8/10	Abandon/Remove Culvert, Construct Retaining Wall/Bridge	Valencia Creek Improvement Project	Long Lead Project Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: K-Phase Target RTL Date: 7/1/2030	\$5,448	Nicholas Heisdorf 805-835-6558 nicholas.heisdorf@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0521000170 AMT: 22734 EA: 05-1P110 PPNO: 3070	SCR_152_T0.31/4.14	Preserve 8.252 lane miles of flexible Class 2 pavement and 9.218 miles of flexible Class 3 pavement using 3R strategy from T0.310 to R2.0 and CAPM strategy from R2.0 to 4.14, rehabilitate/replace drainage structure, replace culverts, rehabilitate traffic signals, upgrade curb ramps, reconstruct guardrail, replace sign panels, and complete streets.	TBD	Long Lead Project Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: K-Phase Target RTL Date: 7/1/2030	\$25,134	Heidi Borders 916-995-4933 heidi.borders@dot.ca.gov

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Proposed Future Projects: 2021-Ten Year Plan

Project IDs	Project Location County_Route_Postmile	Project Description	Project Name	Project Details	Construction Cost (\$1,000)	Project Manager
PI: 0522000137 AMT: 23388 EA: 05-1Q010 PPNO: 3096	SCR_17_0/12.553	Proposed future project will address SR17 Median Barrier Project in Santa Cruz on State Route 17 from the interchange of 1/17 to the Santa Cruz/Santa Clara County Line	Future Santa Cruz County Proactive Safety Project	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Pre-PID Pre-PID Target RTL Date: 7/1/2028	\$1,200	TBD
AMT: 20029	SCR_129_0.56/9.998	Proposed future project will address Pavement in Santa Cruz County on Route 129 From Salspuedes Creek Bridge to Santa Cruz/San Benito County Line.	Future Santa Cruz County Pavement Project	Implementing Agency: Caltrans Project Phase: Pre-PID Pre-PID Target RTL Date: 7/1/2028	\$11,859	TBD

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Project Initiation Document Development: Oversight Projects

Project IDs	Project Location County_Route_Postmile	Project Description	Project Name	Project Details	Construction Cost (\$1,000)	Project Manager
PI: 0520000048 EA: 05-1M720 RTP ID: CT-34	SCR_001_31.55/31.55	Replace the existing Scott Creek Bridge with an 800 foot bridge that addresses the needs of the proposed restoration of the Scott Creek Lagoon.	Scotts Creek Coastal Resiliency Project	Implementing Agency: SCCRTC Project Phase: K-Phase Project Status: Active	\$26,000	Brandy Rider 805-503-9628 brandy.rider@dot.ca.gov
PI: 0520000015 EA: 05-1M550	SCR_009_4/15.422	Construct operational improvements and complete streets elements, from Henry Cowell Redwood State Park to northerly junction of SR 9/236.	San Lorenzo Valley Complete Streets Corridor Implementation	Implementing Agency: SCCRTC Project Phase: K-Phase Project Status: Active	\$7,500	Doug Hessing 805-835-6568 doug.hessing@dot.ca.gov



Project Initiation Document Development: Proposed Oversight Projects

Project IDs	Project Location County_Route_Postmile	Project Description	Project Name	Project Details	Construction Cost (\$1,000)	Project Manager
RTP ID: SC-P130, SC-P81	SCR_1_13.19/13.19	SR1 Mission Street intersection upgrades at Chestnut to Western Drive.	SR 1 Mission Street Operational Upgrades	Implementing Agency: County of Santa Cruz Project Phase: CO-OP Not Executed Project Status: Proposed PID For Year 2023/2024	TBD	TBD
RTP ID: CO-P106	SCR_1_TBD SCR_129_TBD SCR_152_TBD	Pajaro River flood control and bridge improvements at SR 1, 129 and 152	Pajaro River Flood control Project	Implementing Agency: County of Santa Cruz Project Phase: CO-OP Not Executed Project Status: Proposed PID For Year 2022/2023	TBD	TBD
RTP ID: WAT-27A	SCR_152_T2.503/T2.503	SR 152 Main Street/Freedom Boulevard operational improvements	SR 152 Mainstreet Roundabout	Implementing Agency: City of Watsonville Project Phase: CO-OP Not Executed Project Status: Proposed PID For Year 2024/2025	TBD	TBD

TO: Regional Transportation Commission (RTC)
FROM: Amanda Marino, Transportation Planner
RE: Central Coast Zero Emission Vehicle Strategy (CCZEVS) Update

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) receive a presentation from SBCAG Staff and DKS Associates Consulting Firm and provide input on the Central Coast Zero Emission Vehicle Strategy.

BACKGROUND

The regional metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) on the Central Coast are developing a Central Coast Zero Emission Vehicle Strategy (CCZEVS) which will identify alternative fuel needs for interregional trips in counties from Ventura to Santa Cruz. Funded by a Caltrans transportation planning grant, this effort is led by the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG), in partnership with the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) and Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG).

DISCUSSION

The Central Coast MPOs are developing a Central Coast Zero Emission Vehicle Strategy (CCZEVS) to identify electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure needs in Central Coast Counties (Santa Cruz, Monterey, San Benito, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura).

Key objectives of the CCZEVS

- Assess the existing EV infrastructure environment in the Central Coast – with a specific focus on unincorporated rural areas between cities that experience significant interregional travel;
- Identify key challenges, gaps, and barriers to EV travel for interregional travelers including long-distance commuters, regional transit providers, freight and other users, as determined through input solicited from key stakeholders;
- Identify where equity issues currently exist with access to EV charging and ensure infrastructure improvements and investments are equitable

and accessible to all users including traditionally underserved populations;

- Recommend infrastructure improvements and related investments, policies and implementation strategies to promote ZEV adoption through charging infrastructure investments based on analysis and stakeholder input.

Through development of this plan, Central Coast agencies will be better positioned to apply and/or compete for state and federal funding for electric vehicle infrastructure implementation. This includes establishing a nexus with the federal National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) program and [California NEVI deployment plan](#). California is slated to receive about \$383 million over the next five years; Caltrans is refining its' process for distributing NEVI formula funds. In addition, there is NEVI competitive grant funding that will be administered at the federal level through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). Although there are other local/regional/state funding sources for electric charging infrastructure, the IIJA and NEVI funding are the most significant and therefore attractive to the CCZEVS participating agencies.

Outreach

An important aspect of the CCZEVS is receiving public and stakeholder input. A project website www.centralcoastzevstrategy.com provides a portal for the public and stakeholders to learn more about the study and how to get involved and provide input.

Stakeholder meetings are planned to identify opportunities for collaboration, identify regulatory incentives and barriers, identify partnership avenues for creative funding opportunities, and to ultimately develop and deliver a successful program to support electromobility across all socio-economic segments.

To facilitate outreach efforts, the consultant team developed an [interactive mapping tool](#), which is available for anyone to provide their thoughts or ideas on locations on the Central Coast that would benefit from electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure. The tool works with a GoogleMap-like platform and allows the user to zoom in as close as desired to place a "pin" at a location of interest and provide a comment. This type of geo-reference feedback is essential for the development of the study. The tool will remain live until the end of November. **The RTC and the public are encouraged to visit the**

project website and provide input using the [interactive mapping tool](#).

Status of CCZEVS

Development of the CCZEVS has been underway since February 2022. Key products that have been completed include:

- Developed dedicated Project Webpage that includes the following:
 - Project information and overview and purpose of the Plan.
 - Listing of upcoming meetings.
 - All presentations and materials produced for public meetings and workshops.
 - Fact sheets regarding the planning process (English and Spanish).
 - All drafts and materials produced for the Plan.
 - Library with all relevant documents.
 - Online surveys.
 - Social Pinpoint (interactive online comment capture).
 - Forms for comment/questions.
 - eNews sign-ups.
- Periodic meetings with the CCZEVS Advisory Committee to coordinate and receive guidance on the development of technical materials.
- Performed a virtual Stakeholder Meeting on April 26th.
- Performed a virtual Management Team Meeting on Funding on August 24th
- Completed draft Existing Conditions Report (available on project website)
- Completed draft Regional Transit Assessment (available on project website)

Next Steps

- Evaluation of Opportunities Report (Siting Suitable Future Locations for ZEV Infrastructure)
- Holding Focus Group Meetings with key stakeholders
- Draft and final CCEVS plan

The CCEVS is scheduled to be completed in the Spring of 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with receiving this report on the Central Coast Zero Emissions Vehicle Strategy (CCZEVS).



SUMMARY

A Central Coast Zero Emission Vehicle Strategy (CCZEVS) is currently being developed to identify electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure needs in counties along the Central Coast (Santa Cruz, Monterey, San Benito, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura Counties). The focus of this effort is to identify charging infrastructure siting and technology needs to accommodate future travel demand, especially for interregional motorists, regional transit services and freight. This planning effort is also focused on addressing electromobility needs for intercity travel within the less developed and unincorporated areas of the Central Coast and needs of historically underserved populations, such as disadvantaged communities and residents of multi-family dwelling units. The project team is currently seeking input from travelers and agencies on the Central Coast. A project website www.centralcoastzevstrategy.com provides a portal for the public and stakeholders to learn more about the study and how to get involved and provide input.

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AGENDA: October 6, 2022

TO: Regional Transportation Commission (RTC)

FROM: Grace Blakeslee, Senior Transportation Planner
Guy Preston, Executive Director

RE: Coastal Rail Trail Maintenance & Trail Funding

RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends the Regional Transportation Commission:

1. Continue to advance Coastal Rail Trail projects by strategically investing funds to complete pre-construction activities;
 2. Continue to strategically program funds to leverage State and Federal grant opportunities;
 3. Negotiate maintenance agreements with local jurisdictions responsible for maintenance and joint responsibilities for seeking funding and return to the Commission for authorization for approval;
 4. Continue to require that maintenance agreements be in place, prior to advertising for construction bids; and,
 5. Continue to prudently program funding for corridor and trail maintenance responsibilities on a yearly basis, as part of the Measure D – Five Year Program of Projects.
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BACKGROUND

In November 2016, over two-thirds of Santa Cruz County voters approved a ½-cent transaction and use tax (sales tax) for transportation projects and programs (Measure D-2016). The voter-approved [Expenditure Plan](#) allocates 17% of Measure D revenues to the Active Transportation category (Measure D-AT) for the 32-mile Coastal Rail Trail. The ordinance states that funds will be used for trail construction, maintenance, operation, management and drainage of the rail and trail corridor and will leverage other state and federal grants for completion of the trail network.

Measure D-AT funds are programmed through FY27 to the 17 miles of Coastal Rail Trail projects under development (MBSST segments 5, 7 thru 12 & 18). In May of 2022, the Commission requested staff to provide additional

information regarding trail maintenance costs and funding at a subsequent meeting. There are 15 miles of Coastal Rail Trail (MBSST segments 6, 7-Phase 3, 13-17 & 19-20) that have not advanced past the master planning stage and Measure D funding has not been programmed to these segments. A map showing the status of Coastal Rail Trail Projects is [here](#).

In August 2022, the RTC released a Request for Proposals (RFP) with a scope of work being engineering and environmental review of remaining Coastal Rail Trail segments (except Segments 6 and 7-Phase 3) combined with development of Electric Passenger Rail Transit along the Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line.

DISCUSSION

Maintenance of Coastal Rail Trail projects is required to preserve capital investments and provide a positive trail user experience. At their May 2022 meeting, RTC requested that staff provide additional information regarding trail maintenance costs, funding and strategy. Since then, RTC moved forward on segments of the Coastal Rail Trail that have not advanced past the master planning stage by issuing an RFP for environmental services, and RTC will need to consider programming future Measure D-AT funding to further develop, construct and maintain these segments.

Measure D – AT Category Capacity and Programming Commitments

The Measure D –AT category is currently projected to generate \$194 million in revenue over the 30-year life of the program, which includes an allowance for growth. \$56 Million in Measure D-AT funds have been programmed to fund trail development and construction, corridor maintenance, and trail maintenance over the first 10-years of the Measure. This programming does not fully fund the segments currently under development. Construction will be dependent on grant awards, and trail maintenance funding beyond FY27 still needs to be identified. Even with grant awards, Measure D – AT programming exceeds revenue projections for this 10-year period and will require debt financing to maintain current project schedules. Nonetheless, staff and financial consultants project there will be sufficient funding to complete construction of trail segments under development, including the expenditures for debt service, assuming grant awards. However, RTC and local jurisdictions will need to leverage grant funds to construct trail segments and jointly consider new funding sources for trail maintenance to not over subscribe Measure D-AT funds over the life of the Measure.

Remaining Coastal Rail Trail Development & Construction Cost Estimates

RTC staff recently updated planning level cost estimates for some of the segments that have not advanced past the master planning stage, including

Segments 13-16 (\$192 million) and Segments 17A (\$131 million). Segment 17A provides for a trail along the rail facility. An alternative route, Segment 17B, would be aligned on the existing facilities on San Andreas Road and Beach Street.

The cost to construct the remaining trail segments (Segments 13-20) of the trail exceeds the remaining Measure D-AT category revenue and may be insufficient to leverage grant funding to construct the entire 32-mile Coastal Rail Trail.

Corridor Maintenance

RTC also uses Measure D-AT category funding for drainage, vegetation control, maintenance and management of the rail and trail corridor as specified by the Measure D Expenditure Plan. This work extends beyond the boundaries of the coastal rail trail and is expected to continue even after the trail is constructed.

Trail Maintenance Cost Estimates

Once the trail is constructed, there are additional costs associated with maintaining the new trail facility. RTC staff, in coordination with the City of Santa Cruz, County of Santa Cruz and City of Watsonville staff estimated routine trail maintenance costs. Annual trail maintenance costs are estimated for three different periods: 0-4 years, 5-10 years, and 11-20+ years, and range from \$32k - \$44k per mile per year (2022\$).

Although some pavement preservation is anticipated between 11-20+ years after trail operation commences, the cost for trail pavement rehabilitation is not included in the maintenance cost estimates because the need for significant pavement rehabilitation will likely not occur until after the expiration of the Measure D 30-year sales tax in 2046.

Routine trail maintenance cost estimates per mile vary depending on the conditions. For example, Segment 5 between Wilder Ranch State Park and Davenport involves additional maintenance associated with trail sweeping at farm crossings, bathroom, and parking lot maintenance. Trail volunteer programs may assist in reducing some of the direct trail maintenance costs. However, volunteer programs are not expected to significantly offset total costs due to the administrative cost associated with volunteer programs.

The cost of trail maintenance for the 17 miles of trail segments that are either completed (Segments 7-Phase 1 & Segment 18-Phase 1), underdevelopment (Segment 5, 8-12) or in construction (Segment 7-Phase 2) is approximately \$2.8 million FY21-FY28 and \$1 million annually starting in FY29 when the last trail segment under development is scheduled to

complete construction. The total cost of trail maintenance for 17 miles of trail equals approximately \$27.3 million dollars over the life of the Measure (FY46) assuming 3.5% inflation. This doesn't include the maintenance costs of the 15 miles of trail that haven't advanced past the master planning level (Segments 13-20).

Trail Maintenance Agreements

RTC entered into Trail Maintenance Agreements for completed trail segments & segments under construction located within the City of Santa Cruz and City of Watsonville. These agreements specify that the local agency is responsible for trail maintenance. The term of the agreement with the City of Santa Cruz is indefinite and the term of the agreement with the City of Watsonville is 30 years. To help off-set the cost, RTC started programming Measure D-AT funds for trail maintenance as part of Measure D 5-Year programming cycles and agreed to split the cost with the cities 50/50, up to the annual programmed amount in the latest approved Measure D 5-Year Plan. Since these agreements either do not have a defined term or a term that extends beyond the Measure D expiration date (FY46), the agreements will outlast the programmed Measure-D AT category funding. RTC also programmed funding for 7.5 miles of Segment 5 trail maintenance, which is scheduled for construction in FY24, but has not reached an agreement with the County to share in the cost of maintenance. A total of \$1.135 million in Measure D funds is programmed for trail maintenance through FY27.

Approximately 7.5 more miles of trail are under development within County limits (Woods Lagoon/ Harbor to Rio del Mar Boulevard) and are scheduled to complete construction in FY27, pending additional funding. The approved Measure D 5-Year Plan does not include funding for trail maintenance for these trail segments.

RTC met with the City of Santa Cruz, City of Watsonville and County of Santa Cruz to discuss trail maintenance needs and funding options for trail segments under development. Options discussed included:

- funding 100% of trail maintenance with Measure D-AT funds;
- splitting the trail maintenance cost 50/50 between Measure D-AT funds and local jurisdictional funds;
- funding approximately 80% of the cost of trail maintenance from Measure D-AT with local jurisdictions responsible for trash receptacle clearing for segments within its jurisdiction (estimated to be approximately 20% of total early year maintenance costs); and,
- funding 100% of trail maintenance with local jurisdictional funds.

All jurisdictional staff expressed concern in fully funding maintenance within its current resources available for maintaining its various facilities. Nonetheless, the Cities of Santa Cruz and Watsonville staff expressed a

willingness to meet prior agreements which specifies that they are responsible for maintenance of the trail, and RTC shall pay 50% of the cost, up to the Measure D programmed amount, which is updated as part of annual 5-Year programming cycles. Although the County staff expressed a willingness to perform maintenance activities, County staff indicated that it does not have funding available to pay for half the cost to maintain the trail. County staff indicated that it could only fund the cost of trash receptacle clearing services, which is approximately \$7k of the \$32k per mile. County staff also expressed concern about entering into a trail maintenance agreement that is subject to annual programming of funds by RTC and requested that RTC consider a trail maintenance agreement that expires at the termination of Measure D programming. RTC staff does not recommend a maintenance agreement that expires. RTC staff recommends an agreement that specifies that the local jurisdiction is responsible to maintain the trail and that both parties will cooperate in seeking funding for trail maintenance costs.

Strategy for Programming Measure D Active Transportation for Development and Delivery of Trail Segments and Future Maintenance Cost

The Commission continues to maximize its pursuit of State and Federal funding to develop additional portions of the trail. RTC staff assumes a minimum of 20% local match will be needed to leverage State and Federal funds. In some cases, RTC may need to provide a greater match to be competitive for grant funds.

If Measure D-AT funds are programmed to fully fund trail maintenance over the life of the program, less funding will be available for leveraging construction grants. Over time, there may not be enough Measure D-AT funds to leverage the needed grants to fully fund remaining segments. In the event of a Measure D-AT shortfall, the Commission could consider programming discretionary funding (i.e. Measure D-Neighborhood category, STBG/RSTPX, TDA, STIP) or seek a new funding source to complete remaining trail projects and/or fund maintenance.

To not oversubscribe the Measure D-AT category funding, the Commission has programmed the majority of the pre-construction cost and match needed for the application for construction of Segment 12 of the Coastal Rail Trail from Measure D-Highway Corridors funding. The project includes two Highway 1 overcrossings, which is in the Highway Corridors expenditure plan. To further maximize opportunities to fund the trail, the Commission included most of the remaining trail segments in the proposed electric passenger rail transit project RFP for preliminary engineering and environmental services. With the inclusion of most remaining trail sections in passenger rail project, nearly the entire Coastal Rail Trail will be advancing towards construction and well positioned to seek funding grants.

With consideration of the following:

- there is a desire to advance Coastal Rail Trail segments
- local jurisdictions cannot currently fund the full cost of trail maintenance with existing fund sources
- maintenance is an allowable expenditure under Measure D;
- the total annual cost for trail maintenance will increase as new segments are operational and more segments are developed
- funding trail maintenance will decrease available funding for trail development
- Measure D will sunset in 2047
- the Commission cannot commit funding beyond capacity and term,

Staff recommends the Commission:

- 1. continue to advance Coastal Rail Trail projects by strategically investing funds to complete pre-construction activities;**
- 2. continue to strategically program funds to leverage State and Federal grant opportunities;**
- 3. direct staff to negotiate maintenance agreements with local jurisdictions responsible for maintenance and joint responsibilities for seeking funding and return to the Commission for authorization for approval;**
- 4. continue to require that maintenance agreements be in place, prior to advertising for construction bids; and,**
- 5. continue to prudently program funding for corridor and trail maintenance responsibilities on a yearly basis, as part of the Measure D – AT program Five Year Program of Projects.**

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no direct fiscal impact by the proposed actions in this report, but input received may result in recommendations and subsequent action on the future programming of funds. Measure D-AT category currently generates approximately \$4.2 million per year in revenue. Funds are programmed at least annually as part of Five-Year Programs of Projects (5-Year Plans). RTC is next scheduled to adopt 5-Year Plans at its November 2023 meeting.

Next Steps

Staff will be requesting input on updates to the 5-Year Programs of Projects to RTC advisory committees (Bicycle, Elderly & Disabled TAC, and Inter-Agency) in October and the Commission in November. Also in October, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) will be announcing their recommendations for their Active Transportation Program grant awards,

which should inform RTC on the leveraging of funds for Segments 8-11. In November, the RTC will submit its application for SB1 competitive grants, with CTC staff recommendations expected in the spring. Meanwhile, staff will work with local jurisdictions to negotiate maintenance agreements prior to the start of construction.

SUMMARY

Maintenance of Coastal Rail Trail projects is required to preserve capital investments and provide a positive trail user experience. Trail maintenance along with trail construction, operation, management and drainage of the corridor are eligible expenses of Measure D-AT funds. However, RTC and local jurisdictions will need to leverage grant funds to fully fund construction of trail segments and jointly consider new funding sources for trail maintenance to not over subscribe Measure D-AT funds over the life of the Measure. RTC met with the City of Santa Cruz, City of Watsonville and County of Santa Cruz to discuss trail maintenance needs and funding options for trail segments under development. Options discussed ranged from funding 100% of trail maintenance with Measure D-AT funds to funding 100% of trail maintenance with local jurisdictions funds or cost sharing agreements. RTC staff recommends that RTC continue to strategically invest funding to development segments of the coastal rail trail, direct staff to negotiate maintenance agreements with local jurisdictions responsible for maintenance and joint responsibilities for seeking funding, and program funding for corridor and trail maintenance responsibilities on a yearly basis.

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