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Regional Transportation Planning Agency - Local Transportation Commission  
Monterey County Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways  
Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency  
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**Board of Directors**

**Wednesday, October 25, 2023**  
**\*\*9:00 AM\*\***

**MEETING LOCATION**

Voting members must attend a physical meeting location to count towards quorum  
or vote on any item on the agenda  
1441 Schilling Place, Salinas, California  
Cinnamon Conference Room  
Wi-Fi Network: MontereyCty-Guest (no password required)

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168 West Alisal Street, 2nd Floor, Salinas, California 93901  
Supervisor Alejo's Office

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**Meeting ID: 446 951 513**  
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**1. QUORUM CHECK – CALL TO ORDER**

*Transportation Agency by-laws require a quorum of a minimum of 9 voting members, including a minimum of 7 city representatives and 1 county representative.*

***If you are unable to attend, please contact your alternate. Your courtesy to the other Transportation Agency Board members to assure a quorum is appreciated.***

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any member of the public may address the Board on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Board. Under this item, each member of the public is allowed three minutes to address concerns. Comments in items on this agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed. Persons who wish to address the Board for public comment or on an item on the agenda are encouraged to submit comments in writing to Maria at [maria@tamcmonterey.org](mailto:maria@tamcmonterey.org) by 5:00 pm the Monday before the meeting, and such comments will be distributed to the Board before the meeting.

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### **3. CONSENT AGENDA**

Approve the staff recommendations for items listed below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the **CONSENT AGENDA** for discussion and action.

#### **ADMINISTRATION and BUDGET**

**3.1.1. APPROVE** the Transportation Agency for Monterey County Board draft minutes of September 27, 2023.

**- Elouise Rodriguez**

**3.1.2. ACCEPT** the list of checks written for September 2023 and credit card statement for the month of August 2023.

**- Dave Delfino**

***The list of checks and copies of credit card statements are submitted to the Transportation Agency Board each month in accordance with the recommendation from the Transportation Agency's independent Certified Public Accountant to keep the Board informed about the Transportation Agency's financial transactions.***

**3.1.3. RECEIVE** list of contracts awarded under \$50,000.

- Jefferson Kise

***The list of contracts awarded by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County for services under \$50,000 approved by the Executive Director is submitted each month in accordance with the Agency's Procurement Policies to keep the Board informed.***

**3.1.4. APPROVE** Resolution 2023-15, pending legal counsel approval, providing:

1. Authority for the Executive Director or his designee to transfer \$158,883 in carry-over funds from the above-entitled funds and add \$209,789 of new grant funds into the Agency's FY 2023-2024 work program and budget;
2. Authority for the Executive Director or his designee to execute work program and budget amendment No. 1 in accordance with this Resolution; and
3. Authority for the Executive Director or his designee to execute all Restricted Grant Agreements and any amendments thereto with the California Department of Transportation.

- Michael Zeller

***This amendment will allow state Rural Planning Assistance and Senate Bill 1 Sustainable Communities grant funds from the prior fiscal year to be utilized in the current fiscal year. New funding received to develop a Regional Transportation Vulnerability Assessment and North Monterey County Safe Routes to School Plan are also included in this amendment.***

**3.1.5. State Legislative Advocate Services Contract:**

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to extend the contract with Khouri Consulting for State legislative analyst/ advocate services, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, by two years, until October 31, 2025, adding One Hundred and Forty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$144,000) to the current contract for a total amended contract budget of Two Hundred and Eight-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$288,000);
2. **AUTHORIZE** the use of reserve funds budgeted to this project; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

- Christina Watson

***The Agency has a contract for State legislative assistance with Khouri Consulting that expires October 31, 2023. The Executive Committee recommends a two-year extension to October 31, 2025 and an additional \$144,000, for a total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$288,000.***

**3.1.6. Agreement for Accounting Services:**

1. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to execute contract Amendment #3 with Oppidea, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$32,220 per year for an additional twenty-four months to provide accounting services through the period ending December 31, 2025;
2. **APPROVE** the use of \$64,440 for the extended term of the Agreement in funds budgeted for this purpose; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the contract if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency counsel.

- Jefferson Kise

*The Agency's current agreement expires December 31, 2023. Due to staffing issues and the need for continuity in accounting services, staff recommends a two-year extension of the Agreement. The contract rate of \$32,220 per year was established in January 2023 and is being held constant through the twenty-four-month term of this agreement as amended.*

- 3.1.7. APPROVE** the appointment of Andromeda Davila to serve as the Youth Representative on the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee.

- Theresa Wright

*The Transportation Safety & Investment Plan Policies calls for the formation of a Citizens Oversight Committee representing a diverse range of community interests. Representatives of these interests must be nominated by their organization. Additional members may be appointed by the Transportation Agency Board of Directors to assure that a broad range of geographic and stakeholder interests are represented on the Committee.*

**BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT, and SOCIAL SERVICES**

- 3.2.1. Federal Transit Grant Section 5310 Application for Monterey-Salinas Transit bus funds:**

1. **ACCEPT** Monterey-Salinas Transit's Federal transit grant application for twenty-four bus replacements for its RIDES paratransit service and operating assistance for the taxi voucher program; and
2. **ADOPT** Resolution No. 2023-12 approving Monterey County's scores for Traditional and Expanded Section 5310 grant applications and certifying that the projects meet federal program requirements and conditions.

- Aaron Hernandez

*The Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 program provides competitive grants for capital and operating costs associated with transportation serving seniors and people with disabilities. Monterey-Salinas Transit submitted an*

*application for \$2,974,608 in FTA 5310 traditional grant funding to replace buses in their RIDES program and \$755,625 in FTA 5310 expanded grant funding for operating assistance in their Taxi Voucher program. The Transportation Agency is responsible for accepting and scoring the FTA 5310 grant applications within Monterey County, and submitting applications to the state for funding. The Transportation Agency's actions do not approve funding for projects, but assist the FTA/Caltrans in making those decisions.*

**3.2.2. Monterey-Salinas Transit State of Good Repair Funds**

1. **ADOPT** Resolution 2023-13 allocating \$910,697 of Fiscal Year 2023-24 Senate Bill 1 State of Good Repair funds to Monterey-Salinas Transit to help fund non-revenue and revenue vehicle replacements, information technology infrastructure upgrades, purchase a scissor lift, and purchase zero emission bus charging infrastructure; and
2. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director or their designee to take any actions and sign and execute on behalf of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County any agreements necessary to pass funds through to Monterey-Salinas Transit.

**- Aaron Hernandez**

*Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) established the State of Good Repair program to fund eligible transit maintenance, rehabilitation and capital project activities that maintain the public transit system.*

**PLANNING- No items on this agenda**

**PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING**

**3.4.1. ADOPT** Final 2023 Public Participation Plan.

**- Theresa Wright**

*The Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) is required by federal regulations to prepare and maintain a public participation plan for the tri-county region. The 2023 Public Participation Plan is a comprehensive document that guides regional planning agencies and local jurisdictions in the public participation process for the tri-county Monterey Bay region that either receive federal funds or are subject to a federally required action.*

**3.4.2. APPROVE** Resolution 2023-14 adopting Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual Chapter 10: Consultant Selection.

**- Janneke Strause**

*The Transportation Agency is eligible to receive federal and/or state funding for certain transportation projects, through the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations Part 172 (23 CFR 172) allows Caltrans Division of Local Assistance (DLA) to prescribe the policies and procedures for engineering and design related services, also known as*

**Architectural and Engineering (A&E). Local Public Agencies are responsible for adopting the written policies and procedures prescribed by Caltrans.**

## **RAIL PROGRAM**

### **3.5.1. Monterey County Rail Extension - Temporary Construction Easement Extension:**

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute an agreement for purchase / extension of a temporary construction easement with MWM Investments, to extend the term to March 1, 2027 for an amount not to exceed \$26,830;
2. **AUTHORIZE** the use of Traffic Congestion Relief Program #14 funds budgeted to this project; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the agreement, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

**- Michael Zeller**

***Agency staff is seeking to extend the temporary construction easement agreed to with MWM Investments for Package 2 (layover facility) of the Monterey County Rail Extension project to match the current construction schedule for the project.***

**REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE-** No items on this agenda

## **COMMITTEE MINUTES and CORRESPONDENCE**

### **3.7.1. ACCEPT** draft minutes of the Transportation Agency Committees:

- Rail Policy Committee - draft minutes of October 2, 2023
- Executive Committee - draft minutes of October 4, 2023
- [Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee](#) - draft minutes of October 4, 2023
- [Technical Advisory Committee](#) - draft minutes of October 5, 2023
- [Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee](#) - October 17, 2023 minutes not yet available

**- Elouise Rodriguez**

### **3.7.2. RECEIVE** TAMC Correspondence for October 2023.

**- Elouise Rodriguez**

## **4. RECEIVE** presentation and **PROVIDE INPUT** on the scheduled community engagement

activities for the Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project.

- Doug Bilse

***Caltrans is preparing the Draft Environmental Document for the Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project and is scheduled to circulate this information by November 7, 2023. TAMC and Caltrans will co-host upcoming community engagement events.***

5. **RECEIVE** update and **PROVIDE INPUT** on the funding proposal for the 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

- Janneke Strause

***To ensure efficient coordination among various fund sources, the 2023 Integrated Funding Strategy identifies projects that are strong candidates for specific Senate Bill 1 grants, State Transportation Improvement Program funds, Measure X, and other matching funds, and can be brought to construction within the next five years. As a subset of that plan, the Regional Transportation Improvement Program specifies the region's proposed use of certain State funds to the California Transportation Commission.***

6. **2026 Regional Transportation Plan Update:**

1. **RECEIVE** presentation on the process and timeline for the 2026 Regional Transportation Plan; and
2. **PROVIDE INPUT** regarding the Plan's development.

- Alissa Guther

***Every four years, the Transportation Agency is responsible for developing an updated Regional Transportation Plan, pursuant to State and federal transportation planning requirements. The Agency has initiated work on the 2026 Regional Transportation Plan and staff will present a timeline of the plan process, and seek input for the draft goals and policy objectives.***

7. **Legislative Update & Draft 2024 Program**

1. **RECEIVE** update on State and federal legislative issues;
2. **DISCUSS** items for the draft 2024 legislative program; and
3. **APPROVE** the draft 2024 legislative program for distribution to committees.

- Christina Watson

***State legislative analyst Gus Khouri and staff will present updates on State and Federal legislative activities. Staff will request input on the 2024 legislative program and ask the Board to approve it for distribution to committees for input.***

8. **RECEIVE** reports from Transportation Providers:

- Caltrans Director's Report and Project Update - Eades
- Monterey Peninsula Airport -
- Monterey-Salinas Transit - Sedoryk
- Monterey Bay Air Resources District - Stedman

9. **Reports on meetings attended by Board Members at Transportation Agency expense, as required by state law.**
10. **Executive Director's Report.**
11. **Announcements and/or comments from Transportation Agency members on matters that they wish to put on future Transportation Agency agendas.**
12. **ADJOURN**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Next Transportation Agency for Monterey County regular meeting will be on  
Wednesday, December 6, 2023  
**9:00 A.M.**

**Monterey County Government Center**  
**1441 Schilling Place, Cayenne Room**

A quorum of voting members is required to be present to hold this meeting.  
There will be a zoom link for hybrid participation.

If you have any items for the next agenda, please submit them to:  
Elouise Rodriguez  
Clerk of the Board  
[elouise@tamcmonterey.org](mailto:elouise@tamcmonterey.org)

### Important Meeting Information

Agenda Packet and Documents: Any person who has a question concerning an item on this agenda may call or email the Agency office to make inquiry concerning the nature of the item described on the agenda. Complete agenda packets are on display online at the Transportation Agency for Monterey County website. Documents relating to an item on the open session that are distributed to the Committee less than 72 hours prior to the meeting shall be available for public review at the Agency website. Agency contact information is as follows:

Transportation Agency for Monterey County  
[www.tamcmonterey.org](http://www.tamcmonterey.org)  
55B Plaza Circle, Salinas, CA 93901  
TEL: 831-775-0903  
EMAIL: [info@tamcmonterey.org](mailto:info@tamcmonterey.org)

Agenda Items: The agenda will be prepared by Agency staff and will close at noon nine (9) working days before the regular meeting. Any member of the Board may request in writing an item to appear on the agenda. The request shall be made by the agenda deadline and any support papers must be furnished by that time or be readily available.





## Memorandum

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Elouise Rodriguez  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** TAMC Draft Minutes of September 27, 2023

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### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**APPROVE** the Transportation Agency for Monterey County Board draft minutes of September 27, 2023.

### **SUMMARY:**

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

### **DISCUSSION:**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. TAMC Draft Minutes\_Sept\_27\_2023

### **WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)**  
**SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAYS AND EXPRESSWAYS**  
**MONTEREY COUNTY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE**  
**JOINT POWERS AGENCY**

**DRAFT MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2023 TAMC BOARD MEETING**

1441 Schilling Place, Salinas CA 93901, Cinnamon Conference Room

Alternate location: 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Supervisor Alejo's Office

<b>TAMC BOARD MEMBERS</b>	<b>OCT 22</b>	<b>DEC 22</b>	<b>JAN 23</b>	<b>FEB 23</b>	<b>MAR 23</b>	<b>APR 23</b>	<b>MAY 23</b>	<b>JUN 23</b>	<b>AUG 23</b>	<b>SEP 23</b>
Luis Alejo, Supr. Dist. 1, (Linda Gonzales, <del>Javier Gomez</del> )	P	P	P(V)	P(V)	E	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P	P(A) (V)
Glenn Church, Supr. Dist. 2, (Marilyn Vierra, Leonie Gray)	P	P(A)	P*	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Chris Lopez, Supr. Dist. 3, <b>1st Vice Chair</b> (Priscilla Barba)	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P(A)
Wendy Root Askew, Supr. Dist. 4, <b>County Representative</b> (Yuri Anderson, <del>Eric Mora</del> )	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)
Mary Adams, Supr. Dist. 5, <b>Past Chair</b> (Colleen Courtney)	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	E	P	P
Dave Potter, Carmel-by-the-Sea <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair</b> (Jeff Baron)	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A
Scott Donaldson, Del Rey Oaks (John Uy)	P	A	E	P*	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jose Rios, Gonzales (Lorraine Worthy)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rachel Ortiz, Greenfield (Robert White)	P	P	P(V)	A	E	E	E	E	P	P
Michael LeBarre, King City, <b>Chair</b> (Carlos DeLeon)	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P
Cristina Medina Dirksen, Marina (Bruce Delgado)	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	E	E	P(V)
Edwin Smith, Monterey, (Kim Barber, Marissa Garcia, Andrea Renny)	P	P	P	P(V)	P(A)	E	P	P	P(A)	P
Chaps Poduri, Pacific Grove, <b>City Representative</b> (Joe Amelio)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Andrew Sandoval, Salinas (Anthony Rocha)	P	P	P*	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Mary Ann Carbone, Sand City (Jerry Blackwelder)	P(A)	A	P(V)	P	P(A)	A	P	A	A	P*
Ian Oglesby, Seaside, (David Pacheco)	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	A	P
Alejandro Chavez, Soledad (Fernando Cabrera, Don Wilcox)	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	A	P

<b>Ex Officio Members:</b>	<b>OCT 22</b>	<b>DEC 22</b>	<b>JAN 23</b>	<b>FEB 23</b>	<b>MAR 23</b>	<b>APR 23</b>	<b>MAY 23</b>	<b>JUN 23</b>	<b>AUG 23</b>	<b>SEP 23</b>
Maura Twomey, AMBAG (Heather Adamson, <del>Bhupendra Patel,</del> Paul Hierling)	P	P	P	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P	P(A) (V)	P (V)	P(A)	P(A) (V)
Scott Eades, Caltrans, Dist. 5 ( <del>Orchid Monroy Ochoa, John Olejnik,</del> Richard Rosales, Brandy Rider, Kelly McClendon)	P(A)	P	P	P(A) (V)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A) (V)
Richard Stedman, Monterey Bay Air Resources District (David Frisbey)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P	A
Vacant, Monterey Regional Airport District (Richard Searle)	P	P	P	P(V)	P	P	E	P	A	A
Carl Sedoryk, Monterey-Salinas Transit (Lisa Rheinheimer, Michelle Overmeyer)	A	A	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P
Eduardo Montesino, Watsonville	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Glen Nelson, CSUMB (Nicole Hollingsworth)	P	A	A	P*	A	P(A)	P	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)

*P = present; P(A) = alternate present; P(V) = videoconference; E = excused absence;  
A = absence; P\*= New Representative*

<b>TAMC STAFF</b>	<b>SEP 22</b>	<b>OCT 22</b>	<b>DEC 22</b>	<b>JAN 23</b>	<b>FEB 23</b>	<b>MAR 23</b>	<b>APR 23</b>	<b>MAY 23</b>	<b>JUNE 23</b>	<b>AUG 23</b>
D. Bilse, Principal Engineer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
R. Brayer, Legal Counsel	P	P	P	P	P(V)	P	P	P	P	P
D. Delfino, Finance Officer/Analyst	P	E	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P
A. Green, Principal Transp. Planner	P	P	P	P	P(V)	P	P	E	P	P(V)
A. Guther, Asst. Transportation Planner	E	P	P	P	P(V)	P	P	P	P	P
A. Hernandez, Asst. Transp. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
J. Kise, Dir. Finance & Administration					P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Montiel, Administrative Assistant	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
T. Muck, Executive Director	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
E. Rodriguez, Clerk of the Board	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
A. Sambrano, Transportation Planner										P
J. Strause, Transportation Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
C. Watson, Director of Planning	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
L. Williamson, Senior Engineer	P	P	P	P	P(V)	P	P	P	P	P
T. Wright, Community Outreach	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Zeller, Director of Programming & Project Delivery	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Jasmine Cortez	County resident	Orchid Monroy Ochoa	Caltrans District 5
Gary Cursio	County resident		

**1. QUORUM CHECK – CALL TO ORDER**

Chair LeBarre called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Elouise Rodriguez, Clerk of the Board, called the roll and confirmed a quorum was established. The Chair led the pledge of allegiance.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comment.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

**M/S/C** Poduri/Anderson/unanimous

The Board approved the consent agenda as follows:

Items 3.1.1 and 3.4.1 were pulled for discussion.

***ADMINISTRATION and BUDGET***

- 3.1.1** Approved minutes of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, the Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways, and the Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency for Monterey County meeting of August 23, 2023.
- 3.1.2** Accepted the list of checks written for the month of August 2023 and credit card statements for the month of July 2023.
- 3.1.3** Accepted the Agency's Financial Audit Reports for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.
- 3.1.4** Approved the appointment of Christie Cromeenes to serve as the Central Coast Builders Exchange Representative and John McPherson, Alliance on Aging, to serve as the senior or disabled services agency Alternate Representative on the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee.
- 3.1.5** Received list of contracts awarded under \$50,000.
- 3.1.6** Received the call for nominations for the 22nd Annual Transportation Excellence awards to honor individuals, businesses, groups, or projects for their efforts to improve the transportation system in Monterey County.
- 3.1.7** Received report on conferences or trainings attended by agency staff.

**BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT and SOCIAL SERVICES**

No items this month.

**PLANNING**

**3.3.1** Received update on state and federal legislative issues.

**PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING**

**3.4.1**

**M/S/C**

Donaldson/ Adams/unanimous

Regarding FORTAG Canyon Del Rey - Construction Management Contract:

1. Approved and authorized the Executive Director to execute a contract with MNS, subject to approval by Agency Counsel and Independent Office of Audits and Investigations, in an amount not to exceed \$2,692,012, which includes a 15% contingency, to provide construction management services for the Canyon Del Rey segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway (FORTAG) project, for the period ending December 31, 2026;
2. Approved the use of Measure X funds budgeted for this project;
3. Authorized the Executive Director to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract amount or term; and
4. Authorized the Executive Director to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the FORTAG Master Agreement, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved purpose of the agreement.

Board Member Donaldson pulled this item for discussion. He expressed concerns with the location of outreach meetings being held in Seaside and requested that they be held in Del Rey Oaks. He also had questions about the bid process and the outreach plan, noting that he wants to be a part of this timeline. Ms. Williamson noted that she would include him in the stakeholder group.

- 3.4.2** Regarding On-Call Property Cleanup Services - Smith & Enright Contract Amendment 1:
1. Approved and authorized the Executive Director to execute contract amendment #1 with Smith & Enright, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, to extend the contract timeline from October 3, 2023 to December 31, 2024, to continue to support cleanup operations on Agency-owned properties; and
  2. Authorized the Executive Director to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

***RAIL PROGRAM***

- 3.5.1** No items this month.

***REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE***

- 3.6.1** No items this month.

***COMMITTEE MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE***

- 3.7.1** Accepted draft minutes from Transportation Agency committees:
- Executive Committee – draft minutes of September 6, 2023
  - Rail Policy Committee – draft minutes of September 11, 2023
  - Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee – No Meeting
  - Technical Advisory Committee – No Meeting
  - Excellent Transportation Oversight Committee – No Meeting

- 3.7.2** Received Transportation Agency for Monterey County correspondence for September 2023.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

#### 4. **MEASURE X REVENUES**

The Transportation Agency Board of Directors received a presentation on the Measure X revenues and the annual adjustment to the Regional Projects and Programs.

Mike Zeller, Director of Programming & Project Delivery, presented that prior to Monterey County voters adopting Measure X in November 2016, revenues were conservatively estimated to be \$20 million per year. Actual revenues have been significantly higher, with the fiscal year 2021/22 revenues totaling \$38.13 million.

The Measure X program's existing fund balance, along with new revenues, will allow the Measure X program of projects to meet programmed local match requirements for the next five years. Since 60% of the Measure X funds are allocated to the cities and County, these increased revenues already filter through for local road and street projects.

Priority regional projects that are expected to start construction during the five-year timeframe include the following projects:

- Imjin Road Widening project, which uses \$18 million in Measure X funds as match to a \$19 million Senate Bill 1 Local Partnership Program grant;
- Highway 218 Segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project, which used \$1 million in Measure X as a match to a \$10 million Active Transportation Program grant;
- State Route 156/Castroville Boulevard project, which received a \$20 million Senate Bill 1 Trade Corridors grant that is matched with \$10 million in Measure X and \$5 million in development impact fees; and
- SURF! Rapid Bus Corridor, which used \$15 million in Measure X funds as a match to \$1.4 million Senate Bill 1 Local Partnership Program funds, \$24.7 million Federal grants, and a \$25 million Transit and Intercity Rail capital Program grant.

During a review of the Policies and Projects Description for the Transportation Safety and Investment Plan (Measure X), staff identified an approved policy for addressing inflation and increased projects costs that had not previously been implemented. Since Measure X revenues have been consistently higher than expected, and project costs have risen dramatically in recent years, Agency staff proposed to enact the annual inflation adjustment going forward for regional programs and projects using the same construction cost index from the Engineering News Record that is used to index the Measure X Maintenance of Effort requirement.

Board Member Oglesby asked when will the Board be able to add new projects to the list. Director Muck noted that there is no exact date, but noted that once the current projects on the list are completely constructed, we will know what capacity we have for new projects. Board Member



Church commented that inflation needs to be accounted in the baseline amount to show the actual increase in revenues.

**5. REPORTS FROM TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS**

Caltrans District 5 – Brandy Rider highlighted Caltrans District 5 construction, road closures and repairs:

- Caltrans thanked the City of Salinas for their Clean California Mural Project on East Market and Alisal Street.
- Caltrans has a comprehensive Storm Water Program for preventing water pollution on properties it manages for a Cleaner Coast Line.
- Caltrans encourages trash collection.

Board Member Sandoval thanked Caltrans for the historic art in the Salinas Community.

Monterey Regional Airport District – No Report.

Monterey Salinas Transit District – Carl Sedoryk announced the following:

- In September 1973, Monterey Peninsula Transit started service with six well-worn buses on four routes serving Monterey, Pacific Grove, Carmel-by-the-Sea, and Seaside.
- The Trolley service will be suspended on Labor Day.
- On October 30, MST will have a Ribbon Cutting for the beginning of service on Line 59, servicing Salinas to Gilroy Transit, providing four trips per day.

Monterey Bay Air Resources District – No Report.

**6. REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED BY BOARD MEMBERS AT AGENCY EXPENSE**

No reports this month.

**7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Todd Muck announced the following:

- Introduced new TAMC staff Ariadne Sambrano, Transportation Planner, graduate from University of San Diego.
- Save the Date: Assembly Member Addis and Senator Laird will visit Elkhorn Slough/Moss Landing on October 23, 11 am.

- Evaluation forms for the Executive Director and Agency Counsel are due to the Chair on September 29.
- Caltrans awarded TAMC two Sustainable Planning Grants: \$665,000 for the North Monterey County Safe Routes to School and \$378,000 for the North Monterey County Vulnerability Assessment.
- On Imjin Parkway, construction has started.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**

Past Chair Adams commented on a traffic crash that occurred near the Toro Park school, injuring a child and parent. Director Muck noted that he had reached out to District 5 regarding the accident.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair LeBarre adjourned the meeting at 9:52 a.m.

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Dave Delfino, Finance Officer/Analyst  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** TAMC Payments for the month of September 2023

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**ACCEPT** the list of checks written for September 2023 and credit card statement for the month of August 2023.

**SUMMARY:**

The list of checks and copies of credit card statements are submitted to the Transportation Agency Board each month in accordance with the recommendation from the Transportation Agency's independent Certified Public Accountant to keep the Board informed about the Transportation Agency's financial transactions.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The checks processed and ACH transfers this period total \$533,269.53, which included checks written for September 2023 and payment of the August 2023 Platinum Plus Credit Card statement.

**DISCUSSION:**

During the month of September 2023, normal operating checks were written and ACH transfers were processed, as well as two checks totaling \$2,510.00 to Burke Williams & Sorsensen for right of way legal services for the Salinas Rail Extension Kick-Start Project, a check for \$101,352.69 to GHD Inc. for design engineering and a check for \$27,600.00 to Linda Ng Gin for a temporary construction easement for FORTAG Segment 1, two checks totaling \$8,617.00 to Smith and Enright Landscaping Inc. for Branch Line homeless cleanup, a check for \$13,581.34 to Property Restoration Services, Inc. for rail property cleanup and fencing and a check for \$40,399.96 to Alliant Insurance for liability insurance for the Agency, the Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency and the Service Authority for Freeways Emergencies.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. September Checks
2. August Credit Card

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC)

Union Bank Operating Account

September 2023

DATE	ITEM NAME	CHECK	DEPOSIT	DESCRIPTION
09/01/2023	EFT CalPers Health Benefits	14,678.08		Employee Benefit
09/01/2023	EFT Payroll	49,467.64		Payroll
09/01/2023	EFT United States Treasury	10,873.64		Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/01/2023	EFT EDD	4,441.75		Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/01/2023	EFT Pers Retirement	9,832.17		Employee Benefits
09/01/2023	EFT Pers Retirement PEPRA	2,932.39		Employee Benefits
09/01/2023	EFT CalPERS	9,419.97		Employee Benefits
09/01/2023	EFT Elouise Rodriguez	130.01		Reimbursement for Meeting and Office Expenses
09/06/2023	21086 Alvarez Technology Group, Inc. (CA)	2,706.16		Computer Support
09/06/2023	21087 AT & T (Carol Stream, IL)	470.57		Telecommunications, Call Box and Rideshare - Phone Service
09/06/2023	21088 Khouri Consulting LLC	4,000.00		State Legislative Consultant
09/06/2023	21089 Streamline	168.00		Website Platform for Rideshare
09/06/2023	21090 The Maynard Group	353.70		Telephone Equipment Lease
09/06/2023	21091 Thorn Run Partners, LLC	10,000.00		Federal Legislative Consultant
09/06/2023	21092 Verizon Wireless	24.41		Call Box - Phone Service
09/06/2023	21093 Property Restoration Services, Inc.	13,581.34		Rail Property Clean up and Fencing
09/06/2023	EFT Jefferson Kise	482.85		125 Plan Reimbursement
09/06/2023	EFT Dave Delfino	350.00		125 Plan Reimbursement
09/06/2023	EFT Laurie Williamson	84.22		Reimbursement for Supplies
09/06/2023	EFT Maria Montiel	60.00		Reimbursement for Membership
09/07/2023	21094 Alvarez Technology Group (TX)	1,434.48		Computer Equipment Lease
09/07/2023	21095 Burke, Williams & Sorensen LLP	2,310.00		Right of Way Legal Services for Salinas Rail Extension Kick-Start Project
09/07/2023	21096 FedEx (Printing)	1,759.75		Signs for Rail Clean Up and Printing for HWY 68 Mailer
09/07/2023	21097 Smith & Enright Landscaping Inc.	6,222.00		Branch Line Homeless Clean Up
09/08/2023	DEP MTY Motors, Cardinale, Haedrich, Cappel, Quarto and Mar Concrete		13,594.95	Railroad Right of Way Rent
09/08/2023	DEP CSU Monterey Bay		5,750.00	Reimbursement for Traffic Counts
09/08/2023	DEP City of Greenfield		5,985.00	Local Agency Contribution 23/24
09/15/2023	21098 Burke, Williams & Sorensen LLP	200.00		Right of Way Legal Services for Salinas Rail Extension Kick-Start Project
09/15/2023	21099 Business Card	2,910.86		Supplies, Staff Travel, Payroll Service & Professional Training
09/15/2023	21100 Clinica de Salud del Valle de Salinas	8,817.97		Office Rent
09/15/2023	21101 Comcast	252.67		Telecommunication
09/15/2023	21102 De Lage Landen Financial Services	319.02		Office Copier Lease
09/15/2023	21103 Delta Dental	917.21		Employee Benefits
09/15/2023	EFT Payroll	51,620.48		Payroll
09/15/2023	EFT United States Treasury	11,227.06		Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/14/2023	EFT EDD	4,537.12		Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/15/2023	EFT EDD	50.59		Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/15/2023	EFT Pers Retirement	9,832.17		Employee Benefits
09/15/2023	EFT Pers Retirement PEPRA	3,357.20		Employee Benefits
09/15/2023	EFT CalPERS	9,882.05		Employee Benefits
09/15/2023	EFT U.S. Bancorp	43.65		Bank Charge
09/18/2023	EFT Graniterock		8,783.88	Railroad Right of Way Rent
09/20/2023	21104 AAMCOM LLC	296.00		SAFE Call Box - Answering Service

09/20/2023	21105	Alliant Insurance	40,399.96	Liability Insurance for TAMC, RDIF and SAFE
09/20/2023	21106	GHD Inc. (formerly Omni Means)	101,352.69	Engineering Design Services for FORTAG Segment 1
09/20/2023	21107	Lincoln National Life Insurance Co.	873.27	Employee Benefits
09/20/2023	21108	Monterey County Weekly	1,307.00	Request - Call for Art for Safe Routes to School Program
09/20/2023	21109	Moss Landing Harbor District	250.00	Permit Fee
09/20/2023	21110	Oppidea, LLC	2,685.00	Accounting Services
09/20/2023	21111	Sentry Alarm Systems	283.50	Office Security
09/20/2023	21112	Smile Business Products Inc.	145.47	Office Copier Expenses
09/20/2023	21113	Smith & Enright Landscaping Inc.	7,395.00	Branch Line Homeless Clean Up
09/20/2023	21114	Linda Ng Gin	27,600.00	Temporary construction Easement
09/20/2023	21115	Office of the County Counsel	5,124.50	Legal Services
09/20/2023	21116	Uretsky Investigations	300.00	Background Checks
09/25/2023	EFT	TAMC County Acct. 691	250,000.00	Funds Transfer From TAMC County Acct. 691
09/26/2023	EFT	State of California	100,557.08	Rural Planning Assistance (RPA) 4th Qtr. 22/23
09/26/2023	EFT	State of California	90,473.18	Grant for Salinas Valley Safe Routes to School
09/26/2023	EFT	State of California	524,450.18	Active Transportation Program - Safe Routes to School Grant
09/26/2023	EFT	State of California	158,353.79	LLP Grant - HWY 68 Connection to Blackie Road
09/29/2023	EFT	Payroll	55,616.11	Payroll
09/29/2023	EFT	United States Treasury	12,344.76	Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/28/2023	EFT	EDD	4,999.17	Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/29/2023	EFT	EDD	51.61	Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/29/2023	EFT	Pers Retirement	10,320.65	Employee Benefits
09/29/2023	EFT	Pers Retirement PEPRA	3,340.30	Employee Benefits
09/29/2023	EFT	CalPERS	8,833.36	Employee Benefits
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>533,269.53</b>	<b>1,157,948.06</b>

# Credit Card August 2023



ELOUISE RODRIGUEZ

Business Card

August 05, 2023 - September 04, 2023

Cardholder Statement

**Account Information:**  
www.bankofamerica.com

**Mail Billing Inquiries to:**  
BANK OF AMERICA  
PO BOX 660441  
DALLAS, TX 75266-0441

**Mail Payments to:**  
BUSINESS CARD  
PO BOX 15796  
WILMINGTON, DE 19886-5796

**Customer Service:**  
1.800.673.1044, 24 Hours

**Outside the U.S.:**  
1.509.353.6656, 24 Hours

**For Lost or Stolen Card:**  
1.800.673.1044, 24 Hours

**Business Offers:**  
www.bankofamerica.com/mybusinesscenter

**Payment Information**

New Balance Total ..... \$2,910.86  
**Minimum Payment Due ..... \$29.11**  
**Payment Due Date ..... 10/01/23**  
**Late Payment Warning:** If we do not receive your minimum payment by the date listed above. You may have to pay a fee based on the outstanding balance on the fee assessment date:  
 \$0.00 for balance less than \$100.01  
 \$29.00 for balance less than \$1,000.01  
 \$39.00 for balance less than \$5,000.01  
 \$49.00 for balance equal to or greater than \$5,000.01

**Minimum Payment Warning:** If you make only the minimum payment each period, you will pay more in interest and it will take you longer to pay off your balance.

**Account Summary**

Previous Balance ..... \$2,905.51  
 Payments and Other Credits ..... -\$2,928.44  
 Balance Transfer Activity ..... \$0.00  
 Cash Advance Activity ..... \$0.00  
 Purchases and Other Charges ..... \$2,933.79  
**Fees Charged ..... \$0.00**  
**Finance Charge ..... \$0.00**  
 New Balance Total ..... \$2,910.86  
 Credit Limit ..... \$20,000  
 Credit Available ..... \$17,089.14  
 Statement Closing Date ..... 09/04/23  
 Days in Billing Cycle ..... 31

**Transactions**

Posting Date	Transaction Date	Description	Reference Number	Amount
<b>Payments and Other Credits</b>				
08/24	08/23	PAYMENT - THANK YOU		-2,905.51
08/28	08/26	AMZN MKTP US AMZN.COM/ 8007728574 WA		-22.93
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS AND OTHER CREDITS FOR THIS PERIOD</b>				<b>-\$2,928.44</b>
<b>Purchases and Other Charges</b>				
08/07	08/04	OFFICE DEPOT 1135 8004633768 CA		721.02
08/07	08/06	DEVICEMAGIC 8559970800 NC		160.50
08/08	08/07	WAL-MART #5751 SALINAS CA		160.33
08/09	08/08	INTUIT *TSheets 8338309255 CA		132.00
08/09	08/07	C & J COLLISION PARTS 8314225314 CA		237.09

Account Number:  
August 05, 2023 - September 04, 2023

New Balance Total ..... \$2,910.86  
**Minimum Payment Due ..... \$29.11**  
**Payment Due Date ..... 10/01/23**

Enter payment amount

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For change of address/phone number, see reverse side.

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PO BOX 15796  
WILMINGTON, DE 19886-5796

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ATTN DAVE DELFINO  
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SALINAS, CA 93901-2952

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BUSINESS CARD,  
or make your payment online at  
www.bankofamerica.com

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August 05, 2023 - September 04, 2023

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**Transactions**

Posting Date	Transaction Date	Description	Reference Number	Amount
08/10	08/08	LA PLAZA BAKERY - KING 8319858888 CA		134.37
08/16	08/15	MONTEREY PENINSULA CHA 8316485360 CA		150.00
08/16	08/15	SMART AND FINAL 431 8317541068 CA		31.98
08/17	08/15	STARBUCKS STORE 06629 8317513420 CA		20.00
08/17	08/15	LUCKY #747 SALINAS CA		38.85
08/21	08/18	SALINAS ACE HARDWARE 4087781550 CA		9.82
08/21	08/18	OFFICE DEPOT 1135 8004633768 CA		240.34
08/23	08/21	SALAD SHOPPE 8314229600 CA		112.88
08/24	08/22	STARBUCKS STORE 06629 8317513420 CA		40.00
08/28	08/27	Mailchimp 6789990141 GA		80.00
08/30	08/28	SALAD SHOPPE 8314229600 CA		120.08
08/31	08/30	AMZN Mktp US*T35XS8RV2 8662161072 WA		294.96
09/04	09/01	ODP BUS SOL LLC # 1011 5104971900 CA		249.57
<b>TOTAL PURCHASES AND OTHER CHARGES FOR THIS PERIOD</b>				<b>\$2,933.79</b>

**Finance Charge Calculation**

Your Annual Percentage Rate (APR) is the annual interest rate on your account.

	Annual Percentage Rate	Balance Subject to Interest Rate	Finance Charges by Transaction Type
PURCHASES	17.99%	\$0.00	\$0.00
CASH	29.49% V	\$0.00	\$0.00

V = Variable Rate (rate may vary), Promotional Balance = APR for limited time on specified transactions.

**Important Messages**

**TIP: Stay ahead of upcoming due dates by signing up for payment alerts.**

You can get alerts about small business credit card payments five days before they're due to avoid any late fees and finance charges. They can be delivered by text, email or through Business Advantage 360 and our Mobile Banking app. Turn on alerts at [bankofamerica.com/SmallBusiness](http://bankofamerica.com/SmallBusiness) by clicking on Alerts in the Activity Center.

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Jefferson Kise, Director of Finance & Administration  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **Contracts Awarded under \$50,000**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**RECEIVE** list of contracts awarded under \$50,000.

**SUMMARY:**

The list of contracts awarded by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County for services under \$50,000 approved by the Executive Director is submitted each month in accordance with the Agency's Procurement Policies to keep the Board informed.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The revenue source for each specific contract is in the approved Agency budget or has been approved by a specific Agency Board action.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Procurement Policies of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County state that contracts for services and annual extensions of such contracts for \$50,000 or less may be approved by the Executive Director, if the revenue source for the specific contract is in the approved Agency budget or is approved by a specific Agency Board action. The policies also require the Executive Director to submit a report to the Board identifying any contracts valued at \$50,000 and under, entered into in the preceding quarter.

The attached list of contracts awarded by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County for services under \$50,000 approved by the Executive Director is submitted each month to keep the Board informed.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Contracts under \$50,000-Oct 2023 Board

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**



**Contracts for services and annual extensions of such contracts for \$50,000 or less may be approved by the Executive Director, if the revenue source for the specific contract is in the approved Agency budget or is approved by a specific Agency Board action. The Executive Director shall include a quarterly report to the Board identifying any contracts valued at \$50,000 and under, entered into in the preceding quarter.**

**Contracts Under \$50,000  
(but greater than \$5,000)  
Board Report date: October 2023**

<b>Staff</b>	<b>Consulting Firm/ Agency</b>	<b>Contract Activity</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>	<b>Contract amount</b>	<b>Work Element</b>	<b>Fund Source</b>
Christina	The Centre for Organizational Effectiveness	Staff Retreat Facilitation	11/1/23	11/30/23	\$6,795	9110	Reserves

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Michael Zeller, Director of Programming & Project Delivery  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** Overall Work Program and Budget Amendment #1

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**APPROVE** Resolution 2023-15, pending legal counsel approval, providing:

1. Authority for the Executive Director or his designee to transfer \$158,883 in carry-over funds from the above-entitled funds and add \$209,789 of new grant funds into the Agency's FY 2023-2024 work program and budget;
2. Authority for the Executive Director or his designee to execute work program and budget amendment No. 1 in accordance with this Resolution; and
3. Authority for the Executive Director or his designee to execute all Restricted Grant Agreements and any amendments thereto with the California Department of Transportation.

**SUMMARY:**

This amendment will allow state Rural Planning Assistance and Senate Bill 1 Sustainable Communities grant funds from the prior fiscal year to be utilized in the current fiscal year. New funding received to develop a Regional Transportation Vulnerability Assessment and North Monterey County Safe Routes to School Plan are also included in this amendment.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Amendment No. 1 adds \$64,807 of Rural Planning Assistance funds and \$94,076 of SB 1 Sustainable Communities grant funds carried over from the prior fiscal year.

This amendment also adds a \$378,023 Climate Adaptation Planning Grant awarded to the Transportation Agency for the Monterey County Regional Transportation Vulnerability Assessment. \$48,977 of the Rural Planning Assistance carry-over funds mentioned above have been allocated to match these State funds for a total project cost of \$427,000. Overall Work Program Amendment No. 1 adds \$76,771 of State grant funds to the fiscal year 2023/24 budget to initiate work on the plan. The remainder of the grant will be programmed in FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26.

Finally, this amendment adds a \$665,091 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant awarded to the Transportation Agency for the North Monterey County Safe Routes to Schools plan. \$126,684 of Measure X funds have been allocated to match these State funds for a total project cost of \$791,775. Overall Work Program Amendment No. 1 adds \$131,018 of State grant funds to the fiscal year 2023/24 budget to initiate work on the plan. The remainder of the grant will be programmed in FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26.

## **DISCUSSION:**

The annual Transportation Agency Overall Work Program describes the activities to be accomplished during the fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30. Adopting an annual work program is mandatory to utilize Rural Planning Assistance funds and discretionary planning grants that the Transportation Agency receives from Caltrans. Carry-over amounts and new funding need to be amended into the Overall Work Program and Budget before associated tasks can be initiated.

The Transportation Agency receives an annual allocation of Rural Planning Assistance funds and has the flexibility to program these funds to eligible activities as it deems appropriate. Carry-over funds from the prior fiscal year can likewise be allocated as needed and approved by Caltrans. Rural Planning Assistance carry-over funds totaling \$64,807 is available to be programmed into fiscal year 2023/24.

Staff recommends the carry-over Rural Planning Assistance funds be used to pay for staff activities in the following work elements:

- 6220 - Regional Transportation Plan: The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for Monterey County is a long range (20+ year) plan, updated every four years, that forms the basis for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) prepared by Association for Monterey Bay Area Governments for the Monterey Bay Area. The Agency coordinates its update with Association for Monterey Bay Area Governments, the other Monterey Bay regional transportation planning agencies, and partner agencies including California Department of Transportation, Monterey-Salinas Transit, the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District and the Monterey Regional Airport District to ensure consistency between plans. Examples of work expected under this work element includes developing the 2026 Regional Transportation Plan.
- 6731 - Monterey County Regional Transportation Vulnerability Assessment: The Transportation Agency recently received \$378,023 from the Caltrans Climate Adaptation Grant Program for this project. The funds will be used to assess transportation corridors in Monterey County with a focus on identifying transportation infrastructure in the coastal areas of the county that are at risk of sea level rise, coastal flooding, and erosion, create a project prioritization list, with information on adaptation strategies for the projects on that list. The Rural Planning Assistance funds will be used as a match to a State planning grant that was awarded to the project. Work Element 6731 is being added to the Overall Work Program incorporating this new work effort. Funding for the plan is spread over a three fiscal-year period starting in FY 2023/24 and concluding in FY 2025/26.

The Transportation Agency also recently received \$665,091 from the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning grant program. The funds will be used to develop the North Monterey County Safe Routes to School Plan. The plan will gather data, conduct walking audits and surveys and utilize community input to identify a set of safe routes to school, complete streets, travel demand management and active transportation improvements for eleven K-12 public schools in the unincorporated communities of Castroville, Pajaro, Las Lomas, Prunedale, Royal Oaks, Oak Hills, Aromas, Moss Landing and Elkhorn. The Plan will create a Safe Routes to School Steering Committee to pilot a participatory budgeting process and empower community members to prioritize quick-build projects for implementation following plan adoption. Work Element 6732 is being added to the Overall Work Program incorporating this new work effort. Funding for the plan is spread over a three fiscal-year period starting in FY 2023/24 and concluding in FY 2025/26.

In addition, the Agency received a State grant for the Salinas Valley Safe Routes to School plan in fiscal year 2021/22. Less funds were utilized last year than was anticipated when the Overall Work Program was adopted in May 2022. Correspondingly, an additional \$94,076 of State grant funds are being carried over to the current fiscal year in Work Element 6730.

New Overall Work Program pages reflecting the above recommendations are attached.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. 2023-15 Work Program Amendment No. 1
2. Amended Work Element Pages for 6220, 6730, 6731, and 6732

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**



**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-15 OF THE  
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)  
TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NUMBER 1 TO THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR OVERALL WORK  
PROGRAM AND BUDGET AND  
AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS WITH THE  
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR  
THE NORTH MONTEREY COUNTY SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS PLAN AND  
THE MONTEREY COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT.**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 3, Title 21, Section 6646 of the California Code of Regulations permits the Regional Transportation Planning Agency to allocate funds for implementation of the annual work program of the transportation planning process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency adopted its FY 2023-2024 work program and budget on May 24, 2023;

**WHEREAS**, the Agency's 2023-2024 fiscal year work program and budget describes the work tasks to be completed;

**WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation notified the Agency \$64,807 of Rural Planning Assistance funds have been carried over from FY 2022-2023 and are available to be amended into the Agency's FY 2023-2024 work program and budget;

**WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation notified the Agency the total carry over balance for the Salinas Valley Safe Route to School plan's SB 1 Sustainable Communities planning grant from FY 2022-2023 is \$94,076 and is available to be reconciled into the Agency's FY 2023-2024 work program and budget;

**WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation notified the Agency \$378,023 of SB 1 Climate Adaptation planning grant funds have been awarded to the Agency to develop the Monterey County Regional Transportation Vulnerability Assessment and \$76,771 is being amended into the Agency's FY 2023-2024 work program and budget;

**WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation notified the Agency \$665,091 of SB 1 Sustainable Communities planning grant funds have been awarded to the Agency to develop the North Monterey County Safe Routes to School Plan and \$133,018 is being amended into the Agency's FY 2023-2024 work program and budget; and

**WHEREAS**, work program elements 6220 and 6730 have been revised and work program elements 6731 and 6732 have been created to reflect the above listed funding and attached to this resolution by reference;

**WHEREAS**, a Restricted Grant Agreement is needed to be executed with the California Department of Transportation before SB1 planning grant funds can be claimed through the Transportation Planning Grant Programs;

**WHEREAS**, the Agency wishes to delegate authorization to execute these agreements and any amendments thereto;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** the Board of Directors of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County hereby 1) authorizes the Executive Director or his designee to transfer \$158,883 in carry-over funds from the above-entitled funds and add \$209,789 of new grant funds into the Agency's FY 2023-2024 work program and budget; 2) authorizes the Executive Director or his designee to execute work program and budget amendment No. 1 in accordance with this Resolution; and 3) authorizes the Executive Director or his designee to execute all Restricted Grant Agreements and any amendments thereto with the California Department of Transportation.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, State of California this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October 2023, by the following votes:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

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**MIKE LEBARRE, CHAIR**  
**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**

**ATTEST:**

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**TODD MUCK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**  
**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**

**Revenue Budget Summary for Work Elements with Overall Work Program Agreement Funds: FY2023/24**

Work Element	Description	SB 1 Adaptation	SB 1 Sustainable Communities	FTA Section 5304	FHWA SP&R	RPA	Other Local/State	Total
1010	Budget, Overall Work Program	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$55,000	\$31,636	\$86,636
1120	Plans Coord -Leg Mon.-Interagency Liaison	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$220,951	\$95,843	\$316,794
4110	Environmental Document Review	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$19,678	\$0	\$19,678
6140	Bicycle/Pedestrian Planning	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$46,233	\$23,608	\$69,841
6220	Regional Transportation Plan - Planning	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$38,347	\$13,046	\$51,393
6410	RTIP/ Programming-Planning	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$57,621	\$0	\$57,621
6730	Salinas Valley Safe Route to School Plan (1)	\$0	\$94,076	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$79,038	\$173,114
6731	Monterey County Regional Transportation Vulnerability Assessment (2)	\$76,771	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$48,977	\$0	\$125,748
6732	North Monterey County Safe Routes to Schools Plan (3)	\$0	\$133,018	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,337	\$158,355
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$76,771</b>	<b>\$227,094</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$486,807</b>	<b>\$268,508</b>	<b>\$1,059,180</b>

**Footnotes**

- (1) WE 6730 has a total encumbered SB 1 funding amount of \$664,128. This is split between three fiscal years; 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24. The grant must be completed by June 30, 2024. See WE 6730 for details.
- (2) WE 6731 has a total encumbered SB 1 funding amount of \$378,023. This is split between three fiscal years; 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26. The grant must be completed by June 30, 2026. See WE 6731 for details.
- (3) WE 6732 has a total encumbered SB 1 funding amount of \$665,091. This is split between three fiscal years; 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26. The grant must be completed by June 30, 2026. See WE 6732 for details.

**Regional Transportation Plan**

**Work Element Number:** 6220  
**Project Manager:** Alissa Guther

**ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE AND ANTICIPATED REVENUE: FY2023/24**

EXPENDITURES			REVENUE		
Agency	Amount (\$)	Change	Source	Amount (\$)	Change
<b>TAMC</b>			<b>TAMC</b>		
Personnel	51,393	15,830	State RPA	38,347	15,830
Contractual	-	-	PPM	13,046	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>51,393</b>	<b>15,830</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>51,393</b>	<b>15,830</b>
				<b>% Federal</b>	<b>0%</b>

**Project Description**

The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for Monterey County is a long range (20+ year) plan, updated every four years, that forms the basis for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) prepared by Association for Monterey Bay Area Governments for the Monterey Bay Area pursuant to Federal Highway Administration and Caltrans transportation planning requirements. As the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Monterey Bay Area, which includes Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz counties, the Association for Monterey Bay Area Governments incorporates the financial assumptions and project lists included in the Regional Transportation Plans prepared for Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties into the Metropolitan Transportation Plan. The Agency coordinates its update with Association for Monterey Bay Area Governments, the other Monterey Bay regional transportation planning agencies, and partner agencies including California Department of Transportation, Monterey-Salinas Transit, the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District and the Monterey Regional Airport District to ensure consistency between plans. Pursuant to state and federal guidelines, the Regional Transportation Plan includes a countywide multi-modal needs assessment, transportation policy element, long-range funding forecast, funding-constrained countywide transportation project list, and a program-level environmental review document assessing the probable environmental impacts associated with implementation of the plan. The Agency seeks public participation to develop the Regional Transportation Plan for each of the project steps identified in the Overall Work Program, and undertakes public outreach for the project according to adopted Monterey Bay Area Public Participation Plan.



**Previous and Ongoing Work**

Regional (countywide) Transportation Plans have been prepared by the Agency since 1975. These plans and plan elements are to be in place at the time the biennial State Transportation Improvement Program candidate projects are transmitted to the California Transportation Commission via each area's Regional Transportation Improvement Program. Association for Monterey Bay Area Governments has prepared a Metropolitan Transportation Plan for the Santa Cruz, San Benito and Monterey County region since 1991. Since 2002, the regional agencies and Association for Monterey Bay Area Governments have coordinated to prepare a single environmental document and financial estimates for the region's transportation plans.

The Agency completed the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan in June 2022. During 2023, the Agency will begin the process of developing the 2026 Regional Transportation Plan. The updated Regional Transportation Plan and associated California Environmental Quality Act findings are due for adoption by the Agency's Board of Directors in June 2026.

This work supports the Association for Monterey Bay Area Governments priorities for planning and forecasts and sustainable development strategies for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, as well as collaborative planning and implementation with regional agencies.

<b>Steps and Products</b>				
<b>Task</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Deliverable</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Party</b>
1	Coordinate with local jurisdictions on master plan and general plan updates to ensure consistency with the Regional Transportation Plan	Comment letters on draft plans	6/30/2024	Agency Staff
2	Develop Performance Measures in coordination with Association for Monterey Bay Area Governments and other regional and state partner agencies	Performance Measures for 2026 Plan	3/30/2024	Agency Staff
3	Continue coordination of the Regional Transportation Plan development with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan and RTPs for Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties.	Staff reports and memos	6/30/2024	Agency Staff
4	Undertake public outreach plan based on adopted Monterey Bay Public Participation Plan and participation plan for the Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy.	Updated TAMC Board strategic priorities	12/31/2023	Agency Staff
5	Draft transportation project lists and cost estimates	Transportation project lists with cost estimates for the Draft 2026 Regional Transportation Plan	11/30/2023	Agency Staff
6	Draft financial revenue projections	Financial revenue projections for the Draft 2026 Regional Transportation Plan	12/31/2023	Agency Staff

**Salinas Valley Safe Route to Schools Plan**

**Work Element Number:** 6730  
**Project Manager:** Ariana Green

**ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE AND ANTICIPATED REVENUE: FY 2021 - 2022**

EXPENDITURES			REVENUE		
Agency	Amount (\$)	Change	Source	Amount (\$)	Change
<b>TAMC</b>			<b>TAMC</b>		
Personnel	12,251	-	SB 1 Sustainable Communities	91,816	-
Contractual	97,053	-	Measure X - SRTS	17,489	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>109,304</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>109,304</b>	<b>0</b>
				<b>% Federal</b>	<b>0%</b>

**ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE AND ANTICIPATED REVENUE: FY 2022 - 2023**

EXPENDITURES			REVENUE		
Agency	Amount (\$)	Change	Source	Amount (\$)	Change
<b>TAMC</b>			<b>TAMC</b>		
Personnel	62,674	-	SB 1 Sustainable Communities	478,236	-
Contractual	489,650	-	Measure X - SRTS	87,461	-
			Local	911	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>552,324</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>566,608</b>	<b>0</b>
				<b>% Federal</b>	<b>0%</b>

<b>ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE AND ANTICIPATED REVENUE: FY 2023 - 2024</b>					
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			<b>REVENUE</b>		
<b>Agency</b>	<b>Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>TAMC</b>			<b>TAMC</b>		
Personnel	61,887		SB 1 Sustainable Communities	94,076	
Contractual	111,227		Measure X - SRTS	20,640	
			Local	58,398	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>173,114</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>173,114</b>	
				<b>% Federal</b>	<b>0%</b>

<b>ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE AND REVENUE SUMMARY (FY 21/22 - 23/24)</b>					
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			<b>REVENUE</b>		
<b>Agency</b>	<b>Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>Amount (\$)</b>	
<b>TAMC</b>			<b>TAMC</b>		
Personnel	136,813		SB 1 Sustainable Communities	664,128	
Contractual	697,930		Measure X - SRTS	125,590	
			Local	59,309	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>834,743</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>849,026</b>	

## Project Description

This project aims to provide a regional safe routes to school plan for four historically underserved rural cities in the Salinas Valley in Monterey County. The Salinas Valley Safe Routes to School Plan will include all the K-12 public schools in five school districts in the cities of Gonzales, Soledad, Greenfield and King City (22 schools total) serving a total of 15,927 students.

In addition to leading a robust public engagement process that will result in a plan with infrastructure and non-infrastructure recommendations, including piloting a Participatory Budgeting Process. The Participatory Budgeting process will more deeply engage community members by empowering them to define and prioritize quick-build projects to be implemented in their city immediately following the adoption of the Plan. Four on-street 'pop-up' demonstrations (one in each city) will allow community members to physically walk, bike and drive through a proposed street design and let the planning team know if they want the improvements to be made permanent. This proposal will test a new kind of immersive planning process that will enable more immediate project implementation and create the robust and engaged community networks necessary to support future safe routes to school programs and projects. This plan will provide the basis for future investments in infrastructure by the local Measure X Safe Routes to Schools program, the SB 1 local road rehabilitation program, and the infrastructure portion of the Active Transportation Program. Founded on a public partnership, this plan will involve active participation by parents, school administrators, neighbors, City staff and officials, County Public Health, community advocacy groups and students from twenty-two K-12 schools.

### OVERALL PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- Identify greatest barriers for active trips to school (walk, bike, skateboard & scooter).
- Identify improvements that would increase pedestrian and bicyclist safety.
- Identify low cost, community-led solutions to increase school-based active trips.
- Identify barriers to public transit and carpooling to schools.
- Identify low cost and community led non-infrastructure solutions to traffic congestion at schools.
- Produce a plan to guide future infrastructure improvements that reduce school-based traffic congestion and increase safe, active and sustainable transportation to and from school.
- This project will directly support the Sustainability, Mobility, Safety, Health and Social Equity goals of this grant program.

## Previous and Ongoing Work

Work on the plan will be initiated in the second quarter of fiscal year 2021/2022. The study's schedule spans three fiscal years. Prior work that has been completed include the kick-off meeting with Caltrans in FY21/22; and the steering committee and participatory budgeting process for Greenfield and Soledad, as well as the Existing Conditions report, in FY22/23. All work products funded by the SB 1 Sustainable Communities Competitive grant must be completed by February 29, 2024 and final invoice must be submitted by April 29, 2024.

<b>Steps and Products</b>				
<b>Task</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Deliverable</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Party</b>
1	Project Administration	Quarterly invoices and back-up documentation, quarterly progress reports	4/29/2024	Agency Staff / Consultant
3	Coordination	Log of Meetings and contacts	2/29/2024	Agency Staff / Consultant
4	Community Engagement	Community Engagement Strategy, outreach kit, project website, school site maps and data, flyers, sign-in sheets, log of contacts, presentation materials, flyers, communications materials and attendance sheets.	2/29/2024	Agency Staff / Consultant
5	Steering Committee & Participatory Budgeting	Contact list, Committee Guidelines, meeting agendas, presentations, project handouts, meeting notes, participatory budget guidelines, recommended list of quick-build projects and implementation strategy.	2/29/2024	Agency Staff / Consultant
6	School Site Audits & Recommendations	Participant list, summary map and comments from parent meetings, notes and photos from audits, barrier list for each school, draft non-infrastructure recommendations list, draft infrastructure recommendations list, compiled recommendations list, presentations, meeting minutes and agendas, revised draft recommendations list	6/30/2023	Agency Staff / Consultant
7	Pop-Up Infrastructure Demonstrations	Maps of demonstration site locations, drawings, materials list, permits and sign plan, informational flyers, social media posts, volunteer recruitment lists, pictures, notes, community surveys, bike and pedestrian counts, summary of pop-up demonstration events	6/30/2023	Agency Staff / Consultant
8	Draft and Final Plan	Draft Plan, Public Review – list of comments, Final Plan that includes a summary of next steps towards implementation, credits FHWA, FTA, and/or Caltrans on the cover or title page, submitted to Caltrans in an ADA accessible electronic copy.	12/31/2023	Agency Staff / Consultant
9	Board Review/Approval & Project Implementation	Board Agenda, presentation materials, meeting minutes with board acceptance/approval, press release.	2/29/2024	Agency Staff / Consultant

**Monterey County Regional Transportation Vulnerability Assessment**

Work Element Number: **6731**  
 Project Manager: Alissa Guther

**ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE AND ANTICIPATED REVENUE: FY 2023 - 2024**

EXPENDITURES			REVENUE		
Agency	Amount (\$)	Change	Source	Amount (\$)	Change
<b>TAMC</b>			<b>TAMC</b>		
Personnel	46,497	-	State RPA	9,947	-
Contractual	40,220	-	SB 1 Adaptation Planning	76,771	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>86,718</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>86,718</b>	<b>0</b>
				<b>% Federal</b>	<b>0%</b>

**ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE AND ANTICIPATED REVENUE: FY 2024 - 2025**

EXPENDITURES			REVENUE		
Agency	Amount (\$)	Change	Source	Amount (\$)	Change
<b>TAMC</b>			<b>TAMC</b>		
Personnel	86,174	-	State RPA	24,710	-
Contractual	129,261	-	SB 1 Adaptation Planning	190,725	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>215,435</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>215,435</b>	<b>0</b>
				<b>% Federal</b>	<b>0%</b>

<b>ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE AND ANTICIPATED REVENUE: FY 2025 - 2026</b>					
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			<b>REVENUE</b>		
<b>Agency</b>	<b>Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>TAMC</b>			<b>TAMC</b>		
Personnel	43,696		State RPA	14,320	
Contractual	81,151		SB 1 Adaptation Planning	110,527	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>124,847</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>124,847</b>	
				<b>% Federal</b>	<b>0%</b>

<b>ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE AND REVENUE SUMMARY (FY 23/24 - 25/26)</b>					
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			<b>REVENUE</b>		
<b>Agency</b>	<b>Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>Amount (\$)</b>	
<b>TAMC</b>			<b>TAMC</b>		
Personnel	176,368		State RPA	48,977	
Contractual	250,632		SB 1 Adaptation Planning	378,023	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>427,000</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>427,000</b>	



**Project Description**

Hazards brought on by climate change pose a serious threat to transportation infrastructure and the safety and quality of life of residents. The Regional Transportation Vulnerability Assessment for transportation corridors in Monterey County will focus on identifying transportation infrastructure in the coastal areas of the county that are at risk of sea level rise, coastal flooding, and erosion, create a project prioritization list, with information on adaptation strategies for the projects on that list. This vulnerability assessment will draw on existing studies done in the county and at the state level, the Caltrans District 5 Climate Change Adaptation Priorities Report to understand how these impacts will affect transportation through the county and region including but not limited to local roads and streets, railroad lines and crossings, active transportation infrastructure, and transit infrastructure. This project area is the northern region of Monterey County including Moss Landing, Elkhorn, Pajaro, Castroville, and the unincorporated regions of the northern Monterey County coastal area.

**Previous and Ongoing Work**

Work on the plan will be initiated in the second quarter of fiscal year 2023/2024. The study's schedule spans three fiscal years. All work products funded by the SB 1 Climate Adaptation Planning Grant must be completed by June 30, 2026 and final invoice must be submitted by August 31, 2026.

<b>Steps and Products</b>				
<b>Task</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Deliverable</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Party</b>
1	Project Administration	Quarterly invoices and back-up documentation, quarterly progress reports	6/30/2026	Agency Staff
2	Consultant Procurement	Consultant contract	2/29/2024	Agency Staff
3	Public and Stakeholder Outreach	Community Engagement Strategy, outreach kit, project website, sign-in sheets, log of contacts, presentation materials, flyers, communications materials and attendance sheets.	1/30/2026	Agency Staff / Consultant
4	Project Framework and Background	Project framework, background, and existing conditions chapter for the draft and final report.	7/30/2024	Agency Staff / Consultant
5	Vulnerability Assessment	Vulnerability assessment chapter for the draft and final report.	3/31/2025	Agency Staff / Consultant
6	Recommended Adaptation Project Prioritization List	List of prioritized adaptation projects.	12/31/2025	Agency Staff / Consultant
7	Draft and Final Plan	Draft Plan, Public Review – list of comments, Final Plan that includes a summary of next steps towards implementation, credits Caltrans on the cover or title page, submitted to Caltrans in an ADA accessible electronic copy.	2/28/2026	Agency Staff / Consultant
8	Board Review/Approval & Project Implementation	Board Agenda, presentation materials, meeting minutes with board acceptance/approval, press release.	4/29/2026	Agency Staff / Consultant

**North Monterey County Safe Routes to Schools Plan**

**Work Element Number:** 6732  
**Project Manager:** Ariana Green

**ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE AND ANTICIPATED REVENUE: FY 2023 - 2024**

EXPENDITURES			REVENUE		
Agency	Amount (\$)	Change	Source	Amount (\$)	Change
<b>TAMC</b>			<b>TAMC</b>		
Personnel	23,094	-	SB 1 Sustainable Transportati	133,018	-
Contractual	135,261	-	Measure X	25,337	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>158,355</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>158,355</b>	<b>0</b>
				<b>% Federal</b>	<b>0%</b>

**ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE AND ANTICIPATED REVENUE: FY 2024 - 2025**

EXPENDITURES			REVENUE		
Agency	Amount (\$)	Change	Source	Amount (\$)	Change
<b>TAMC</b>			<b>TAMC</b>		
Personnel	46,187	-	SB 1 Sustainable Transportati	266,036	-
Contractual	270,523	-	Measure X	50,674	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>316,710</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>316,710</b>	<b>0</b>
				<b>% Federal</b>	<b>0%</b>

<b>ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE AND ANTICIPATED REVENUE: FY 2025 - 2026</b>					
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			<b>REVENUE</b>		
<b>Agency</b>	<b>Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>TAMC</b>			<b>TAMC</b>		
Personnel	46,187		SB 1 Sustainable Transportati	266,036	
Contractual	270,523		Measure X	50,674	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>316,710</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>316,710</b>	
				<b>% Federal</b>	<b>0%</b>

<b>ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE AND REVENUE SUMMARY (FY 23/24 - 25/26)</b>					
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			<b>REVENUE</b>		
<b>Agency</b>	<b>Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>Amount (\$)</b>	
<b>TAMC</b>			<b>TAMC</b>		
Personnel	115,468		SB 1 Sustainable Transportati	665,091	
Contractual	676,307		Measure X	126,684	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>791,775</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>791,775</b>	

**Project Description**

The Transportation Agency for Monterey County has committed to developing Safe Routes to School Plans for Monterey County's students and families through the passage of Measure X. Drawing on multi-agency partnerships the Agency has established with the Monterey County Health Department and non-profit Ecology Action, the North Monterey County Safe Routes to School Plan will gather data, conduct walking audits and surveys and utilize community input to identify a set of safe routes to school, complete streets, travel demand management and active transportation improvements for eleven K-12 public schools in the unincorporated communities of Castroville, Pajaro, Las Lomas, Prunedale, Royal Oaks, Oak Hills, Aromas, Moss Landing and Elkhorn. The Plan will create a Safe Routes to School Steering Committee to pilot a participatory budgeting process and empower community members to prioritize quick-build projects for implementation following plan adoption. The Plan will build on the Regional Transportation Plan and Active Transportation Plan to support mobility, social equity, safety and greenhouse gas reductions supportive of the region's Sustainable Communities Strategy.

**Previous and Ongoing Work**

Work on the plan will be initiated in the second quarter of fiscal year 2023/2024. The study's schedule spans three fiscal years. All work products funded by the SB 1 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant must be completed by June 30, 2026 and final invoice must be submitted by August 31, 2026.

<b>Steps and Products</b>				
<b>Task</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Deliverable</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Party</b>
1	Project Management & Coordination	Meeting minutes	6/30/2026	Agency Staff
2	SRTS Kick-Off	Log of Meetings and contacts	6/30/2026	Agency Staff
3	Engagement & Education at Schools	Community Engagement Strategy, outreach kit, project website, school site maps and data, flyers, sign-in sheets, log of contacts, presentation materials, flyers, communications materials and attendance sheets.	6/30/2026	Agency Staff / Consultant
4	Engagement & Education in the Community	Community Engagement Strategy, outreach kit, project website, school site maps and data, flyers, sign-in sheets, log of contacts, presentation materials, flyers, communications materials and attendance sheets.	6/30/2026	Agency Staff / Consultant
5	Walking Presentations to Seniors	Participant list, summary map and comments from meetings, notes and photos, presentations, meeting minutes and agendas	6/30/2026	Agency Staff / Consultant
6	Traffic Garden & Sidewalk Art	Maps of demonstration site locations, drawings, materials list, permits and sign plan, informational flyers, social media posts, volunteer recruitment lists, pictures, notes, community surveys, summary of demonstration events	6/30/2026	Agency Staff / Consultant
7	Health in All Policies Civic Engagement	Participant list, summary map and comments from meetings, notes and photos, presentations, meeting minutes and agendas	6/30/2026	Agency Staff / Consultant
8	Reporting / Invoicing	Quarterly invoices and back-up documentation, quarterly progress reports	6/30/2026	Agency Staff / Consultant

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Christina Watson, Director of Planning  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **State Legislative Advocate Services Contract**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:****State Legislative Advocate Services Contract:**

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to extend the contract with Khouri Consulting for State legislative analyst/ advocate services, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, by two years, until October 31, 2025, adding One Hundred and Forty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$144,000) to the current contract for a total amended contract budget of Two Hundred and Eight-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$288,000);
2. **AUTHORIZE** the use of reserve funds budgeted to this project; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

**SUMMARY:**

The Agency has a contract for State legislative assistance with Khouri Consulting that expires October 31, 2023. The Executive Committee recommends a two-year extension to October 31, 2025 and an additional \$144,000, for a total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$288,000.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The adopted Agency budget sets aside local funds for State and federal legislative assistance. Staff proposes to extend the State legislative assistance contract for two years, for a total not-to-exceed cost of \$288,000. Funding for this type of assistance will come from local revenue sources and not any State or federal funds. Utilizing State legislative assistance may result in the protection or allocation of several millions of dollars in additional transportation funds being devoted to transportation projects in the region.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Transportation Agency has employed the services of a State legislative analyst/advocate since 1999 to assist with requesting State funds for transportation projects in Monterey County and seeking other State actions. The current contract with Khouri Consulting LLC, procured via a competitive request for qualification process in 2020, expires on October 31, 2023.

At their October 4, 2023 meeting, the Executive Committee discussed this contract and voted to recommend the Board approve extending the current contract for another two years, expiring October 31, 2025. The Committee recommends increasing the payment from \$4,000 per month, which was

the rate for the three-year contract, to \$6,000 per month for the next two years. This new rate reflects the lack of a cost of living increase over that contract's duration and the increase in costs over the period of the contract, including increased office space and insurance costs. It is also an acknowledgement that TAMC has been paying Khouri Consulting less than the market rate for similar customers doing the same kind of work.

Gus Khouri has done an excellent job representing TAMC for the past three years, including proactive and timely efforts on behalf of the Agency on multiple bills, grant applications, and other funding issues. Mr. Khouri exhibits a depth of understanding of transportation issues and of Agency priorities. Mr. Khouri recently brought on Mitch Weiss to help him with his workload. Mitch was recently the Executive Director of the California Transportation Commission (CTC) and has an exceptional knowledge of transportation funding and finance.

The draft contract amendment is attached.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Khouri - State Leg Amend 1 2023-10-25

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**



**AMENDMENT #1 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**  
**AND**  
**KHOURI CONSULTING LLC**

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 1 to the agreement dated October 28, 2020, between the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, hereinafter referred to as “TAMC,” and Khouri Consulting, LLC, hereinafter referred to as “Consultant,” is hereby entered into between TAMC and Consultant.

**RECITALS:**

- A. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Consultant entered into an agreement for professional services on October 28, 2020, hereinafter referred to as “Agreement;” and
- B. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Consultant desire to amend the Agreement to extend it by two years to October 31, 2025 and add funds to the contract budget to allow for an increase in payment from the existing contract’s Four Thousand (\$4,000) per month (Forty-Eight Thousand, \$48,000 per year) to Six Thousand (\$6,000) per month (Seventy-Two Thousand, \$72,000 per year), starting November 1, 2023;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

**1. TERM OF AGREEMENT**

Paragraph 2 of the Agreement is amended as follows (changes in strikeout and underline): “The term of this Agreement shall begin upon October 28, 2020, contingent upon approval by the TAMC Board of Directors, and Consultant shall commence work only after a Notice to Proceed has been issued by TAMC’s Project Manager specified in Paragraph 28. Unless earlier terminated as provided herein, this Agreement shall remain in force until October 31, ~~2023~~ 2025. Consultant acknowledges that this Agreement is not binding until it is fully executed and approved by TAMC.”

**2. PAYMENTS TO CONSULTANT; MAXIMUM LIABILITY**

Paragraph 3 of the Agreement is amended as follows (changes in strikeout and underline): “Subject to the limitations set forth herein, TAMC shall pay to Consultant the amounts provided in Exhibit B: Budget, upon receipt and acceptance of deliverables listed therein. Each payment by TAMC shall be for a specific deliverable outlined in Exhibit A: Scope of Work and Schedule. The maximum amount payable to the

Consultant under this Agreement is set forth in Exhibit B: Budget and shall not exceed the amount of ~~One Hundred Forty Four Thousand Dollars (\$144,000)~~ Two Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$288,000). If there is any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of either Exhibit A (Scope of Work) or Exhibit B (Budget), the terms of this Agreement shall prevail. TAMC does not guarantee any minimum amount of dollars to be spent under this Agreement.”

The Budget attached to the Agreement as Exhibit B is hereby replaced with the Budget attached hereto as Exhibit B-1 and shall be effective upon execution.

The Scope of Services is unchanged.

**3. REMAINDER OF TERMS UNCHANGED**

All other terms of the Agreement, as amended, remain in full effect.

An executed copy of this Amendment No. 1 shall be attached to the Agreement and shall be incorporated as if fully set forth therein.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with Khouri Consulting LLC.

Khouri Consulting LLC

TAMC

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gus F. Khouri  
President and Sole Proprietor

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Todd A. Muck  
Executive Director

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

INSTRUCTIONS: If Consultant is a corporation (including limited liability and nonprofit corporations), the full legal name of the corporation shall be set forth together with the signatures of two specified officers. If Consultant is a partnership, the name of the partnership shall be set forth together with the signature of a partner with authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the partnership. If Consultant is contracting in an individual capacity, the individual shall set forth the name of his or her business, if any, and shall personally sign the Agreement.

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Approved as to form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
TAMC Counsel

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

## **EXHIBIT B-1: Budget**

### **Payment for monthly services.**

Starting with the execution of Amendment 1 (effective November 1, 2023), TAMC shall pay Consultant Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) at the end of each month for the performance of all things necessary for, or incidental to, the performance of work as set forth in the Scope of Work, including any expenses or other costs, subject to receipt of a monthly invoice and progress report. Consultant's compensation under this paragraph is based on the performance of approximately ten (10) hours of work each month for TAMC.

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Jefferson Kise, Director of Finance & Administration  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **Agreement for Accounting Services**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:****Agreement for Accounting Services:**

1. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to execute contract Amendment #3 with Oppidea, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$32,220 per year for an additional twenty-four months to provide accounting services through the period ending December 31, 2025;
2. **APPROVE** the use of \$64,440 for the extended term of the Agreement in funds budgeted for this purpose; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the contract if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency counsel.

**SUMMARY:**

The Agency's current agreement expires December 31, 2023. Due to staffing issues and the need for continuity in accounting services, staff recommends a two-year extension of the Agreement. The contract rate of \$32,220 per year was established in January 2023 and is being held constant through the twenty-four-month term of this agreement as amended.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The consultant currently has a monthly rate of \$2,685 (\$32,220 annually), which will remain unchanged for the term of this Amendment. There are sufficient funds in the budget to cover this expense on an annual basis.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Agency's current contract for accounting services expires on December 31, 2023; an agreement needs to be in place before the current Agreement expires.

Oppidea, LLC was selected in 2016 after a competitive Request for Proposals was issued. In June 2019, the Board authorized amendment #1 to extend the contract until December 31, 2022. In September 2022, the Board authorized amendment #2 to extend the contract until December 31, 2023. Due to several retirements that have occurred in the accounting department, with one position still unfilled, the need for continuity of the Agency's specialized accounting needs is critical. The contractor has agreed to leave the monthly cost unchanged from the current rate through the new expiration date of December 31, 2025. Therefore, staff recommends the approval of a twenty-four month extension of the current Agreement with Oppidea to provide accounting services to the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, based on experience, knowledge, and cost.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Oppidea Contract Amendment #3 final

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

**AMENDMENT # 3 TO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**  
**AND**  
**OPPIDEA, LLC.**

This is Amendment No. 3 to the agreement dated December 27, 2016, between the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) and Oppidea, LLC (Consultant).

**RECITALS:**

- A. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Consultant entered into an agreement for professional services on December 7, 2016 (the Agreement).
- B. **WHEREAS**, the Agreement relates to Accounting Services;
- C. **WHEREAS**, at the time the Agreement was approved, an option to extend the Agreement for an additional three-year period was also approved; Amendment #1 extended the agreement to December 31, 2022;
- D. **WHEREAS**, Amendment #2 increased the “not-to-exceed” amount and extended the agreement to December 31, 2023;
- E. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Consultant desire to modify the Terms of Agreement to renew for an additional twenty-four months at the existing cost of \$2,685 per month (\$32,220 per year).;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. **TERM OF AGREEMENT:**

Paragraph 2 of the Agreement (“Term of Agreement”) shall be amended to read in the second sentence:

“Unless earlier terminated as provided herein, this Agreement shall remain in force until December 31, ~~2023~~ 2025”

2. **MAXIMUM LIABILITY**

Paragraph 3 of the Agreement (“Payments to Consultant; Maximum Liability”) shall be amended to read in the third sentence:

The maximum amount payable to the Consultant under this Agreement is set forth in Exhibit B: Budget and shall not exceed \$2,685 per month, for a not to exceed total of \$32,220 per year for the ~~twelve~~ twenty-four-month extension and a total contract price of \$~~200,340~~ 264,780.

3. **REMAINDER OF TERMS UNCHANGED**

All other terms of the Agreement, shall remain in full effect.

An executed copy of this Amendment No. 3 shall be attached to the Agreement and shall be incorporated as if fully set forth therein.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment #3 to the Agreement with Oppidea, LLC.

TAMC:

OPPIDEA, LLC:

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Todd A. Muck  
Executive Director

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

Approved as to form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
TAMC Counsel

\_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee Appointment**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**APPROVE** the appointment of Andromeda Davila to serve as the Youth Representative on the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee.

**SUMMARY:**

The Transportation Safety & Investment Plan Policies calls for the formation of a Citizens Oversight Committee representing a diverse range of community interests. Representatives of these interests must be nominated by their organization. Additional members may be appointed by the Transportation Agency Board of Directors to assure that a broad range of geographic and stakeholder interests are represented on the Committee.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Prior to Monterey County voters adopting Measure X in November 2016, revenues were conservatively estimated to be \$600 million over the 30-year life of the Measure. Actual revenues, however, have been significantly higher. To account for rising project costs, the Measure X Policies and Project Descriptions allows for annual inflation adjustments, which currently forecasts the total Measure at \$726 million.

**DISCUSSION:**

In accordance with the Policies & Project Description for the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan (**web attachment**), a Citizens Oversight Committee representing a diverse range of community interests was formed within six months of voter approval of Measure X. Members and their alternates were nominated by the organizations they were representing, and appointed by the Transportation Agency Board to serve on the Committee. Additional members were appointed by the Transportation Agency Board of Directors to assure that a broad range of geographic and stakeholder interests are represented on the Committee.

Andromeda Davila has been nominated to serve as the youth representative on the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee. The nomination was submitted by Seaside City Council Member, Alexis Garcia - Arrazola, who is a former youth representative who served on the committee. Anromeda Davila is a student at California State University Monterey Bay, and currently interns in the office of State Senator John Laird. This report seeks Board approval to appoint Anromeda Davila to serve as the youth representative on the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None



**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

- [Policies & Project Description for the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan](#)

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Aaron Hernandez  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **Federal Section 5310 Application for Funding Transit for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:****Federal Transit Grant Section 5310 Application for Monterey-Salinas Transit bus funds:**

1. **ACCEPT** Monterey-Salinas Transit's Federal transit grant application for twenty-four bus replacements for its RIDES paratransit service and operating assistance for the taxi voucher program; and
2. **ADOPT** Resolution No. 2023-12 approving Monterey County's scores for Traditional and Expanded Section 5310 grant applications and certifying that the projects meet federal program requirements and conditions.

**SUMMARY:**

The Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 program provides competitive grants for capital and operating costs associated with transportation serving seniors and people with disabilities. Monterey-Salinas Transit submitted an application for \$2,974,608 in FTA 5310 traditional grant funding to replace buses in their RIDES program and \$755,625 in FTA 5310 expanded grant funding for operating assistance in their Taxi Voucher program. The Transportation Agency is responsible for accepting and scoring the FTA 5310 grant applications within Monterey County, and submitting applications to the state for funding. The Transportation Agency's actions do not approve funding for projects, but assist the FTA/Caltrans in making those decisions.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

There is no impact to the Transportation Agency budget associated with this action. A total of \$22.3 million in Section 5310 program funds for Fiscal Year 2023 are available through Caltrans on a competitive basis for small urban and rural areas. This cycle has no funding cap per agency as traditionally seen in previous cycles and no requirement for local matching funds as long as the awarded projects stay within the grant amount. Monterey-Salinas Transit submitted a grant application for \$2,974,608 of Federal Transit Administration 5310 funds with \$385,392 from Measure Q, as MST's local match. The requested action will authorize MST to secure grant funds if awarded by Caltrans.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 grant program provides capital grants to public agencies and certified non-profit organizations for the purpose of meeting the transportation needs of the elderly and persons with disabilities where public transportation services are otherwise

unavailable, insufficient or inappropriate. Eligible projects for these grant funds include purchases of new vehicles and equipment to support paratransit programs.

The Transportation Agency is designated by Caltrans to determine the eligibility of 5310 grant program applicants, review and score 5310 program grant applications submitted for projects in Monterey County, and submit a Regional Priority Project list to Caltrans that identifies scores for each 5310 project. For the 5310 program, each vehicle or piece of equipment provided in an application is considered an individual "project" for scoring purposes and is included in the project priority list.

For the current grant cycle, the Transportation Agency received a 5310 program application from Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST), which relies on the Section 5310 grant program for its RIDES program vehicle replacement needs. MST's application has a total project cost of \$3,360,000, requesting \$2,974,608 of Federal Transit Administration 5310 funds with a local match of \$385,392. The grant will allow MST to purchase twenty-four (24) vehicles to replace aging and high mileage vehicles in the RIDES fleet. The RIDES program provides service pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act to individuals unable to use fixed-route public transit due to age or disability. This program is otherwise an unfunded federal mandate.

For the FTA 5310 grant program, each vehicle replacement is assigned an individual score and listed in the Regional Project Priority List. FTA 5310 grant projects are scored according to specific criteria established by Caltrans consistent with federal requirements for this program. The Transportation Agency is only responsible for scoring the Traditional Application and not the expanded application in which MST applied for additional funding for their Taxi Voucher Program. The expanded application will be reviewed by Caltrans and the State Review Committee.

The Regional Priority Project List for the 5310 program, which includes scores calculated by staff for each project, is included with the attached resolution. MST earned scores ranging from 85 to 100 for each of the vehicle replacement projects; in the past, projects that score above 70 have been awarded grant funding. Projects proposing to replace vehicles with lower mileage tend to score lower than replacing high-mileage vehicles. The Transportation Agency reviewed MST's application and submitted scores to Caltrans. Staff requests that the board adopt Resolution 2023-12 (**attached**), which certifies that MST's project meets federal program requirements and is consistent with the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan, and approves the Regional Priority Project List for the FTA 5310 program.

Once submitted to Caltrans, the applications are reviewed by the State Review Committee, then the Transportation Agency will verify the Regional Prioritized List for submissions to the FTA by Caltrans. The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is scheduled to approve the final project list and award funding in summer 2024.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution 2023-12 - FTA Section 5310

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**



**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-12  
OF THE  
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING MONTEREY COUNTY’S SCORES FOR TRADITIONAL AND EXPANDED  
SECTION 5310 GRANT APPLICATIONS AND CERTIFYING THAT THE PROJECTS MEET FEDERAL  
PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS**

**WHEREAS**, the U. S. Department of Transportation is authorized to make grants to states through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA C 9070.1G) to support projects for non-urbanized public transportation systems under Section 5310 of the Federal Transit Act Federal law (Title 49 U.S.C. Section 5310) to provide for grants for the purpose of assisting private nonprofit corporations and public agencies in providing transportation services to meet the needs of elderly persons and persons with disabilities for whom public mass transportation services are otherwise unavailable, insufficient, or inappropriate; and

**WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has been designated by the Governor of the State of California to administer Section 5310 Program grants for public transportation projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Agency is charged with scoring local applications for the Section 5310 program for specialized transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) has submitted two Section 5310 grant applications to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) with a total project cost of \$3,360,000 to purchase 24 replacement vehicles to ensure the continued effectiveness of the RIDES program, which offers service for the elderly and persons with disabilities pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, and \$1,511,250 for taxi vouchers from FY 24 through FY 26; and

**WHEREAS**, MST has, to the maximum extent feasible, coordinated with other transportation providers and users in the region; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Agency has scored the projects included in the application submitted by MST; and

**WHEREAS**, the projects being recommended for funding are consistent with the Monterey County Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the Monterey Bay Area Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Transportation Agency hereby certifies that the projects submitted by Monterey-Salinas Transit for funding in the section 5310 FY22-23 funding cycle provide specialized transportation services to Monterey County meet the requirements and conditions of 49 U.S.C. 5310 and are eligible for the Section 5310 funds; and
2. The Transportation Agency certifies that the projects submitted are consistent with the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan and Monterey Bay Area Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan; and
3. The Transportation Agency assures that the projects recommended and approved by the California Transportation Commission will be included in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, State of California this October 25, 2023 by the following votes:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

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**MIKE LEBARRE, CHAIR**  
**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**

**ATTEST:**

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**TODD MUCK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**  
**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**

## SECTION 5310: Transportation Agency for Monterey County Regional Priority Project List

Applicant	Project Description	Cost per Unit	FTA Funding Request**	Sect 1 (Max 32 pts)	Sect 2 (Max 18 pts)	Sect 3 (Individualized score - Max 20 pts)	Sect 4 (Max 30 pts)	Total (Max 100 pts)
<b>Monterey-Salinas Transit</b>	Twenty-four (24) purchase replacement buses (< 30-foot buses)	\$140,000	\$2,974,608	32	18	--	30	--
<b>Individualized scores for replacement buses based on vehicle mileage and age</b>								
Project	Bus to Replace	Unit Cost		Sect 1	Sect 2	Sect 3	Sect 4	Total
Bus Replacement 1	2013 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	20	30	100
Bus Replacement 2	2013 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	20	30	100
Bus Replacement 3	2015 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	15	30	95
Bus Replacement 4	2015 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	15	30	95
Bus Replacement 5	2015 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	20	30	100
Bus Replacement 6	2018 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	15	30	95
Bus Replacement 7	2018 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	15	30	95
Bus Replacement 8	2018 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	10	30	90
Bus Replacement 9	2018 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	15	30	95
Bus Replacement 10	2018 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	10	30	90
Bus Replacement 11	2018 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	15	30	95
Bus Replacement 12	2019 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	5	30	85
Bus Replacement 13	2019 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	5	30	85
Bus Replacement 14	2019 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	10	30	90
Bus Replacement 15	2019 Bus II	\$140,000		32	18	5	30	85

Bus Replacement 16	2019 Bus II	\$140,000	32	18	5	30	85
Bus Replacement 17	2019 Bus II	\$140,000	32	18	10	30	90
Bus Replacement 18	2019 Bus II	\$140,000	32	18	5	30	85
Bus Replacement 19	2019 Bus II	\$140,000	32	18	10	30	90
Bus Replacement 20	2019 Bus II	\$140,000	32	18	10	30	90
Bus Replacement 21	2019 Bus II	\$140,000	32	18	10	30	90
Bus Replacement 22	2019 Bus II	\$140,000	32	18	10	30	90
Bus Replacement 23	2019 Bus II	\$140,000	32	18	10	30	90
Bus Replacement 24	2019 Bus II	\$140,000	32	18	5	30	85

\*\*Total project cost: \$3,360,000

FTA Portion of Net Project Cost: \$2,974,608

Local Match: \$385,392

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Aaron Hernandez  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **Monterey-Salinas Transit State of Good Repair Funds**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:****Monterey-Salinas Transit State of Good Repair Funds**

1. **ADOPT** Resolution 2023-13 allocating \$910,697 of Fiscal Year 2023-24 Senate Bill 1 State of Good Repair funds to Monterey-Salinas Transit to help fund non-revenue and revenue vehicle replacements, information technology infrastructure upgrades, purchase a scissor lift, and purchase zero emission bus charging infrastructure; and
2. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director or their designee to take any actions and sign and execute on behalf of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County any agreements necessary to pass funds through to Monterey-Salinas Transit.

**SUMMARY:**

Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) established the State of Good Repair program to fund eligible transit maintenance, rehabilitation and capital project activities that maintain the public transit system.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

This action will allow Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) to secure \$910,697 in State of Good Repair funds available for Monterey County for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24.

**DISCUSSION:**

Senate Bill 1 is a landmark transportation bill adopted in 2017 that will provide over \$50 million in new transportation funding over the next decade to repair highways, bridges and local roads, to make strategic investments in congested commute and freight corridors, and to improve transit service. The State of Good Repair Program provides approximately \$105 million annually to transit operators in California for capital projects. The Program is funded under a portion of the new Transportation Improvement fee on vehicle registrations due on or after January 1, 2018. The Program investments will benefit the public by providing transportation agencies with a consistent and dependable revenue source to invest in the upgrade, repair, and improvement of transit infrastructure, and in turn, improvement of transit service.

As a transportation planning agency, the Transportation Agency is an eligible recipient of Program funds for Monterey County, and can act as a lead agency on eligible projects or as a "contributing agency" that can pass funds to MST to support an eligible project. Program funds are allocated to regional transportation planning agencies and to transit operators using the State Transit Assistance distribution formula, which allocates funding to transportation planning agencies based on population



(PUC 99313) and to transit operators based on transit operator revenues (PUC 99314). The Transportation Agency's allocation of Program funds is \$694,172 and MST's allocation is \$216,525 for a Monterey County total of \$910,697.

Staff recommends that the Transportation Agency act as a "contributing sponsor" and release its FY 2023-24 State of Good Repair allocation to support Monterey-Salinas Transit's non-revenue and revenue vehicle replacements, IT infrastructure upgrades, purchasing a scissor lift, and purchasing zero emission bus charging infrastructure.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution 2023-13 - State of Good Repair Allocation FY 2023-24
2. MST Project List - FY 2023-24

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**



**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-13  
OF THE  
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE  
REGIONAL ENTITIES APPROVING PROJECT LIST  
FOR THE CALIFORNIA STATE OF GOOD REPAIR PROGRAM AND PROGRAMMING  
FY 2023/2024 STATE OF GOOD REPAIR FUNDS TO  
MONTEREY-SALINAS TRANSIT**

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill (SB 1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, established the State of Good Repair (SGR) program to fund eligible transit maintenance, rehabilitation and capital project activities that maintain the public transit system in a state of good repair; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) is an eligible recipient and may receive State Transit Assistance funding from the State of Good Repair Program (SGR) now or sometime in the future for transit capital projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the statutes related to the state-funded transit capital projects require a local or regional implementing agency to abide by various regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill 1 (2017) named the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) as the administrative agency for the SGR; and

**WHEREAS**, Caltrans has developed guidelines for the purpose of administering and distributing SGR funds to eligible recipients (local agencies such Monterey-Salinas Transit); and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Agency for Monterey County wishes to delegate authorization to execute these documents and any amendments thereto to the Executive Director; and

**WHEREAS**, the fund recipient (Monterey-Salinas Transit) agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the Certification and Assurances document and applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all SGR funded transit capital projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Agency's allocation of Fiscal Year 2023-24 State of Good Repair Program funds is \$694,172 (PUC 99313) and MST's allocation is \$216,525 (PUC 99314) for a Monterey County total of \$910,697; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Agency wishes to approve the project list and allocation for the PUC 99313 (based on the latest available annual population estimates from the Department of Finance) and PUC 99314 (based on the revenue amount for each eligible operator) of Fiscal Year 2023-24 State of Good Repair Program funds to support Monterey-Salinas Transit's Non-Revenue and Revenue Vehicle Replacements, IT Infrastructure Upgrades, Purchasing a Scissor Lift, and Purchasing Zero Emission Bus Charging Infrastructure.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Transportation Agency for Monterey County Board of Directors hereby approves the region's SB 1 State of Good Repair project list and allocation for FY 2023/24.
2. The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to take any actions and sign and execute on behalf of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County any agreements necessary to pass funds through to Monterey-Salinas Transit.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, State of California this 25th day of October 2023, by the following votes:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

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**MIKE LEBARRE, CHAIR**  
**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**

**ATTEST:**

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**TODD MUCK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**  
**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**

# Submittal Report

SGR-C16-FY23/24-6011-001

FY 23/24

## Submittal Details

<b>Program</b> State of Good Repair Program	<b>Agency</b> Monterey-Salinas Transit	<b>Date Created</b> 09/13/2023	<b>Date</b> 09/13/2023	<b>Date</b>
<b>Address</b> 19 Upper Ragsdale Drive	<b>City</b> Monterey	<b>State</b> CA	<b>Zip Code</b> 93940	
<b>Contact</b> Matthew Deal		<b>Contact Title</b> Grants Analyst		
<b>Contact Phone</b> (831) 264-9287		<b>Contact Email</b> mdeal@mst.org		
<b>Support Documentation</b> Draft MST Board Resolution - Estimated date of final Board Resolution is 10/9/2023. Draft TAMC Board Resolution - Estimated date of final Board Resolution is 10/25/2023.		<b>Additional Information</b>		

# Project Details

Title	Description	Asset Type	Project Category	Est. Useful Life	Est. Project Start Date	Est. Project Completion Date	Est. 99313 Costs	Est. 99314 Costs
FY 23/24 Replace Non-	Replace Non-Revenue Vehicles: 2 Relief Units, 2 Shop Trucks	Rolling Stock/Fleet	Replacement	3	01/01/2024	04/01/2025	\$0	\$35,010
FY 23/24 SURF! BEB's	Purchase 12 replacement heavy duty BEBs to replace 12 diesel	Rolling Stock/Fleet	Replacement	12	01/01/2024	06/30/2026	\$694,172	\$153,729
FY 23/24 Transit	FY 23/24 Transit Master SMS IVR Server Upgrade	Operational Equipment	Replacement	5	01/01/2024	12/31/2025	\$0	\$2,000
FY 23/24 Employee	FY 23/24 Employee Workstation Replacements	Operational Equipment	Replacement	5	01/01/2024	12/31/2024	\$0	\$6,000
FY 22/23 Purchase	FY 22/23 Purchase Scissor Lift	Maintenance Equipment	Maintenance	12	01/01/2024	12/31/2024	\$0	\$18,600
FY 22/23 SURF! BEB	FY 22/23 SURF! BEB Chargers (CJW - 3 Units / TDA - 6 Units)	Operational Equipment	Modernization	12	01/01/2024	06/30/2026	\$0	\$1,186

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **Final 2023 Public Participation Plan Approval**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**ADOPT** Final 2023 Public Participation Plan.

**SUMMARY:**

The Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) is required by federal regulations to prepare and maintain a public participation plan for the tri-county region. The 2023 Public Participation Plan is a comprehensive document that guides regional planning agencies and local jurisdictions in the public participation process for the tri-county Monterey Bay region that either receive federal funds or are subject to a federally required action.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Transportation Agency staff time to participate in updating the Public Participation Plan is funded through state planning funds allocated to the Transportation Agency for transportation planning. These funds are included in the Agency's approved budget.

**DISCUSSION:**

The federally required 2023 Public Participation Plan is a comprehensive document that guides regional planning agencies and local jurisdictions in the public participation process for the tri-county Monterey Bay region that either receive federal funds or are subject to a federally required action. AMBAG, as the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Monterey Bay region, prepares and adopts the Public Participation Plan at least once every four years.

The 2023 Public Participation Plan covers the four-year period from 2023-2026 and complies with the current transportation authorization act. The 2023 Public Participation Plan emphasizes the transportation decision making process, including the expanded use of visualization techniques and innovative online marketing strategies in public outreach.

Key sections of the 2023 Public Participation Plan are listed below:

- Public Participation Plan Guiding Principles
- 2023 Public Participation Plan Timeline
- Incorporating Limited-English Proficiency (LEP) Populations into the plan
- Public Participation Plan Procedures and Development Process
- Interested Parties and Public Engagement
- Online and Visualization Outreach Strategies

An updated Public Participation Plan is the required guide for all public involvement activities conducted by AMBAG. As such, the plan contains the procedures, strategies and techniques used by AMBAG for public involvement in all programs and projects that use federal funds. A number of appendices are included in the 2023 Plan. For example, Appendix G includes the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS) Public Involvement Program. This appendix outlines how AMBAG will engage the public and stakeholders throughout the development of the 2050 MTP/SCS.

An overview of the 2023 Public Participation Plan development process was presented to the Transportation Agency's Technical Advisory Committee in spring 2023, followed by a presentation of the Draft Public Participation in May and June 2023. On August 23, 2303, the Transportation Agency's Board of Directors received a presentation on the Draft 2023 Public Participation Plan and conducted a public hearing to hear comments on the plan during it's 70-day public comment review period. This report requests that the Transportation Agency for Monterey County Board of Directors adopt the Final Draft 2023 Public Participation Plan.

A link to the Final Draft 2023 is provided as a **web attachment**. More information about the plan can be found on the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments website at [www.AMBAG.org](http://www.AMBAG.org).

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

- [Final 2023 Public Participation Plan](#)

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Janneke Strause, Transportation Planner  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **Resolution Adopting Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual Chapter 10: Consultant Selection**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**APPROVE** Resolution 2023-14 adopting Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual Chapter 10: Consultant Selection.

**SUMMARY:**

The Transportation Agency is eligible to receive federal and/or state funding for certain transportation projects, through the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations Part 172 (23 CFR 172) allows Caltrans Division of Local Assistance (DLA) to prescribe the policies and procedures for engineering and design related services, also known as Architectural and Engineering (A&E). Local Public Agencies are responsible for adopting the written policies and procedures prescribed by Caltrans.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

No financial impact, although non-compliance of this adoption may result in loss of funds and/or sanctions.

**DISCUSSION:**

On August 4, 2021, Caltrans released [Office Bulletin #21-05](#), from the Caltrans Division of Local Assistance. The Office Bulletin cited Chapter 10 of the Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM) and stated that it has been updated to specify how local public agencies need to submit evidence adopting Chapter 10 by their governing body.

The Division of Local Assistance (DLA) policies and procedures for local agency procurement of Architecture & Engineering consultant services presently reside in Chapter 10 of the LAPM. The Division of Local Assistance requires that Local Public Agencies (LPAs) adopt Chapter 10 of the LAPM for federal-funded A&E contracts. To meet this requirement, LPAs are required to provide either a copy of the agency's Board Resolution or an official letter signed by the agency's Public Works Director stating the LPA has adopted Chapter 10 of the LAPM. To avoid having to resubmit this declaration annually, Agency staff are recommending the approval of a Board resolution adopting Chapter 10 of the LAPM.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. 2023-14 - Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual Ch 10 Consultant Selection



**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

[Local Assistance Procedures Manual - Chapter 10](#)



## RESOLUTION NO. 2023-14

### A RESOLUTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC) ADOPTING CALTRANS LOCAL ASSISTANCE PROCEDURES MANUAL CHAPTER 10: CONSULTANT SELECTION

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Agency for Monterey County is responsible for constructing transportation projects that are state and federally funded; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to comply with the Federal regulations and due to limited staffing and expertise, certain services including Architectural and Engineering (A&E) are contracted out to qualified firms; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal regulations set forth standards for procuring and administering A&E contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, the provisions of the Brooks Act (40 United States Code, Section 1104) requires local agencies to award federally funded engineering and design-related contracts, otherwise known as A&E contracts, on the basis of fair and open competitive negotiations, demonstrated competence, and professional qualifications (23 CFR 31.201-3); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 23 CFR 172.5 (b), local agencies shall develop and sustain organizational capacity and provide the resources necessary for the procurement, management, and administration of engineering and design related consultant services, reimbursed in whole or in part with Federal-Aid Highway Program funding as specified in 23 U.S.C. 106(g)(4)(A); and

**WHEREAS**, the provision 23 CFR 172.5 (b)(1) requires local agencies to adopt written policies and procedures for the procurement, management, and administration of engineering and design related consultant services in accordance with applicable Federal and State laws and regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has developed the Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM), Chapter 10, Consultant Selection which sets forth policies and procedures to be utilized by local agencies in the procurement and management of A&E contracts on state and federal funded transportation projects to ensure compliance with

applicable Federal and State laws and regulations and to maintain eligibility for Federal-Aid reimbursement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Agency for Monterey County has developed additional policies, dated April 27, 2016, and further amended April 27, 2022, to ensure avoidance of conflict of interests in the performance of A&E services for state and federal funded transportation projects; and

**WHEREAS** the Transportation Agency for Monterey County desires to adopt Caltrans's LAPM Chapter 10 and the Agency's conflict of interest policies for compliance with Federal regulations on the procurement and administration of A&E contracts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County Board of Directors as follows:**

**Section 1.** The above recitals are true and correct findings of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County Board of Directors.

**Section 2.** The Local Assistance Procedures Manual, Chapter 10, Consultant Selection dated January 2023 or as amended in future updates, is approved, and adopted.

**Section 3.** The Procurement Policies and Procedures and Contract Management Manual dated April 27, 2022, and the Construction Contract Administration Policies and Procedures Manual, dated May 25, 2016, developed by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County for State and Federal Funded Projects are approved and adopted.

**Section 4.** Authorizes the Executive Director to approve amendments to the Agency's adopted procurement policies in consultation with the Federal Highways Administration.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, State of California this 25th day of October 2023, by the following votes:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

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**MIKE LEBARRE, CHAIR**  
**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**

**ATTEST:**

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**TODD MUCK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**  
**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Michael Zeller, Director of Programming & Project Delivery  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **Monterey County Rail Extension - Temporary Construction Easement Extension**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:****Monterey County Rail Extension - Temporary Construction Easement Extension:**

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute an agreement for purchase / extension of a temporary construction easement with MWM Investments, to extend the term to March 1, 2027 for an amount not to exceed \$26,830;
2. **AUTHORIZE** the use of Traffic Congestion Relief Program #14 funds budgeted to this project; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the agreement, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

**SUMMARY:**

Agency staff is seeking to extend the temporary construction easement agreed to with MWM Investments for Package 2 (layover facility) of the Monterey County Rail Extension project to match the current construction schedule for the project.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The Salinas Rail Extension Kick Start project budget includes secured funding for property acquisition. The total project budget is estimated at \$81 million.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Monterey County Rail Extension Project extends passenger rail service from Santa Clara County south to Salinas. TAMC is pursuing a phased implementation of the Project. Phase 1, known as the Kick Start Project, includes Salinas train station circulation improvements, a train layover facility in Salinas, and track improvements at the Gilroy station and between Salinas and Gilroy. The Kick Start Project has completed construction of Package 1, improvements at the Salinas train station. The layover facility (Package 2) and track improvements (Package 3) are now at 100% design by HDR Engineering. The design schedule currently anticipates final plans, specifications & estimates (PS&E) in summer 2024, and circulating bid documents for construction in winter 2024.

At the March 22, 2017 meeting, the Transportation Agency Board of Directors approved resolutions of necessity for nine properties necessary for the Monterey County Rail Extension Project. As part of

this process, the Agency acquired a portion of the property previously owned by MWM Investments located at 21 Happ Place in Salinas, along with a 48-month temporary construction easement.

Through a license agreement between the Agency and MWM Investments, the term of the temporary construction easement was set to begin once MWM Investments completed a "cut and cap" of their warehouse to remove a portion of the building that was constructed in the right-of-way needed for the rail extension project. The "cut and cap" was completed in March 2020, meaning the temporary construction easement would run until March 2024, which is before bid documents are expected to be circulated.

The proposed Temporary Construction Easement (TCE) extension would extend the term for the Temporary Construction Easement from March 1, 2024 until March 1, 2027 consistent with the current project schedule. The rate of compensation for the TCE was determined by using the values included in the original 2016 appraisal report and applying the annual rate for an additional three years.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. MWM Investments - Purchase of TCE

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

[TAMC & MWM Investments - TCE Purchase Agreement with Exhibits](#)

## TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY AGREEMENT FOR PURCHASE/EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENTS

This Agreement is based on the following facts:

- A. The Transportation Agency for Monterey County filed an eminent domain action on April 6, 2017, in Monterey Superior Court to acquire fee interests and temporary construction easements in portions of the property located at 21 Happ Place in the City of Salinas and County of Monterey, State of California, Assessor's Parcel Numbers 002-031-030 and 002-171-028, for a public use, more particularly for the construction of the Salinas Rail Extension Kick Start Project.
- B. Judgment in Condemnation after Jury Trial – Action in Eminent Domain was entered on July 9, 2019.
- C. The fair market value of the temporary construction easements was determined to be \$35,773.00
- D. The Parties entered into a license agreement that provided that the TCE's commenced on July 1, 2018, except for any portion of the TCE on which the warehouse was located in order to allow reconstruction of same.
- E. The Parties entered into an Amendment to License Agreement which provided that the TCEs "shall commence upon completion of the 'Cut and Cap'".
- F. On September 11, 2019, the Court entered a Final Order of Condemnation that ordered, adjudged and decreed the "Temporary Construction Easements more particularly described and depicted in Exhibits B and B-1 are hereby condemned to and taken by TAMC for the following public use, to wit, for purposes of development and construction of the Salinas Rail Extension Project."
- G. The fair market value was determined by multiplying \$119,243 by a rate of return of 7.5% times for four years. This agreement extends the TCEs by an additional 3 years for additional total compensation due Property Owner of \$26,829.68.

Now, therefore, the Parties agree:

**1. Definitions.** In this Agreement:

*TAMC* means the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, and its officers, employees, agents and contractors.

*Project* means the Salinas Rail Extension Project.

*GRANTOR*, or *Property Owner*, means MWM Investments, LLC, a California limited liability company.

*Property* means the parcel(s) owned by GRANTOR on which the temporary construction easements are located

*TCE* or the *TCE Area* means the Temporary Construction Easements, described in **Attachment 1** including **Exhibits B** and **B-1**.

**2. Title VI Compliance.** The parties to this Agreement shall, pursuant to Section 21.7(a) of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, comply with all elements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. This requirement under Title VI and the Code of Federal Regulations is to complete the USDOT Non-Discrimination Assurance requiring compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 49 C.F.R. Parts 21 and 28 C.F.R. Section 50.3.

Further, no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that is the subject of this contract.

**3. Grant of TCEs.** GRANTOR shall submit to TAMC a *Grant of Temporary Construction Easements Deed* suitable for recordation conveying the TCEs from GRANTOR to TAMC. The form of the Grant of TCEs shall be substantially as set forth in **Attachment 1**, with the attached legal descriptions and plat maps identified as **Exhibits B** and **B-1**.

**4. Purchase.**

A. Consideration. TAMC shall pay the sum of TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED and THIRTY Dollars (\$26,830.00) to GRANTOR as consideration for the Temporary Construction Easements.

B. Escrow and title charges. TAMC agrees to pay all escrow, recording and title insurance charges, if any, incurred in this transaction.

**5. Temporary Construction Easements.**

A. Grant of TCE. As noted in Section 3, GRANTOR shall submit to TAMC a *Grant of Temporary Construction Easements Deed* suitable for recordation extending/conveying the TCEs from GRANTOR to TAMC. The form of the Grant of TCEs shall be substantially as set forth in **Attachment 1**, including its **Exhibit B** and **B-1**.

B. Permit. The TCE permits TAMC to enter upon GRANTOR'S Property on a temporary basis, not longer than an additional 36-month period from commencement of possession of the TCEs obtained through the eminent domain action referenced above. The new TCE period shall begin March 1, 2024 and terminate March 1, 2027. TAMC will give the GRANTOR: (1) at least 30 days prior written notice before it is about to begin construction; and (2) at least 48 hours advanced written notice before the first entry on the TCE.

This TCE Area shall terminate either upon GRANTOR receiving written notification of the completion of construction of that portion of the project lying adjacent to the above-described parcel, or March 1, 2027, whichever occurs first, unless the term is extended pursuant to AGREEMENT. Within thirty (30) days following expiration of the term of this Grant of Temporary Construction Easements, TAMC shall deliver to GRANTOR a fully-executed Quitclaim Deed in recordable form reasonably acceptable to GRANTOR quitclaiming TAMC's right, title, and interest in the TCE Area and terminating this Grant of Temporary Construction Easements.

C. Permit Extension. In case of unpredictable delays in construction, upon written notification by TAMC, the terms of the Temporary Construction Easements may be extended by an amendment to the Agreement. GRANTOR shall be compensated based on the same calculation as that upon which judgment was rendered following a jury trial. Payment shall be made to the GRANTOR for the extension prior to the expiration of the original period.



D. Restoration. TAMC agrees to promptly restore any damage to the TCE area (including the parcels upon which the TCEs are situated, and any improvements located there caused by TAMC'S entry or work performed in connection with the Project.

E. Grantor's Conveyance. If the GRANTOR sells, conveys or assigns any property interest, encumbered by this Agreement, GRANTOR shall notify the successor or assignor of the rights and obligations under this Agreement. TAMC has no obligation to compensate a successor or assignee for the rights and interests granted to TAMC under this Agreement.

**6. TAMC Performed Work.** All work done under this Agreement shall conform to all applicable building, fire and sanitary laws, ordinances, and regulations relating to such work, and shall be done in a good workmanlike manner. All structures, improvements or other facilities, when removed, and relocated, or reconstructed by the TAMC or its authorized agent, shall be left in as good condition as found.

**7. TAMC's Indemnification.** TAMC shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless GRANTOR from and against all claims, causes of action, damages, liabilities, cost and expenses (including reasonable attorney fees and costs), arising from or related to TAMC'S rights under this Agreement, except as to action, damages, liabilities or costs due to GRANTOR's negligence or willful misconduct.

**8. Right of Possession and Use.** TAMC's right of possession shall commence on the date the amount of funds as specified in Section 4.A herein are deposited into the escrow controlling this transaction. The consideration shown in Section 4.A includes, but is not limited to, full payment for the possession and use from that date, including interest and damages if any.

**9. Notice to successors.** If GRANTOR sells, conveys or assigns any property interest encumbered by this Agreement before TAMC exercises its rights, GRANTOR shall notify the successor or assignor of the rights and obligations under this Agreement.

**10. Escrow Instructions.** GRANTOR authorizes TAMC to prepare and file escrow instructions in accordance with this Agreement on behalf of both parties.

**11. No Leases.** GRANTOR warrants that there are no oral or written leases on all or any portion of TCE Area. GRANTOR agrees to hold TAMC harmless and reimburse TAMC for any of its losses and expenses occasioned by reason of any lease of the TCE Area held by a tenant.

**12. Release of All Claims.** This is intended as a full and complete release of all or any claims that either party has against the other and is in full settlement of any and all such claims and intends to and does hereby release all of said persons, firms, associations and corporations of and from any and all liability of any nature whatsoever for all claims or causes of action including those for all consequences, effects and results of any loss, injury or damage, whether the same are now known or unknown to the undersigned, expected or unexpected by the undersigned, or have already appeared or developed or may now be latent or may in the future appear or develop. GRANTOR hereby acknowledges that the compensation paid to GRANTOR through this Agreement constitutes the full and complete settlement of any and all claims against TAMC, by reason of TAMC's extension/acquisition of the TCEs, specifically including, but not limited to, any and all rights and claims that GRANTOR has, may have, or may in the future have under Article 1, Section 19 of the California Constitution, the California Eminent Domain Law, Code of Civil Procedure section 1230.010 et seq., or any other law or regulation. The parties acknowledge that they each have been informed of and are familiar with the provisions of California Civil Code Section 1542 which provides:

“A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release and that, if known by him or her, would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.”

Further, the parties mutually waive the provisions of California Civil Code Section 1542, and further waive any right they might have to voice said provisions now or in the future with respect to the releases set out in this Agreement. The parties recognize and acknowledge that factors which have induced them to enter into this Compromise and Release may turn out to be incorrect or different to what they have previously anticipated, and the parties expressly assume the risks and further expressly assume the risk of this waiver of California Civil Code section 1542.

If this Agreement is terminated, this Section shall have no force and effect.

**13. Remedies for Breach.** In the event of a breach of this Agreement by GRANTOR, TAMC is entitled to pursue any and all remedies available to it against GRANTOR, including, without limitation, claims for all damages attributable to GRANTOR’s breach, and specific performance of this Agreement.

**14. Miscellaneous.**

A. Authority to sign; Approval of TAMC. GRANTOR and the signatories represent and warrant that the signatories to this Agreement are authorized to enter into this Agreement to convey real property and that no other authorizations are required to implement this Agreement on behalf of GRANTOR.

GRANTOR understands that this Agreement is subject to the approval of TAMC, and this Agreement shall have no effect unless and until the Board approves it.

B. Counterparts Signature. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be an original, but all counterparts shall constitute one agreement.

C. Specific Performance. In the event of GRANTOR’s breach of this Agreement, TAMC shall be entitled to pursue any and all remedies available to it, including, without limitation, claims for damages attributable to GRANTOR’s breach, and specific performance of this Agreement.

D. Entire Agreement. The parties have here set forth the whole of their agreement. The performance of this Agreement constitutes the entire consideration for the TCEs and shall relieve TAMC of all further obligations or claims on this account or on account of the location, grade, construction or operation of the proposed Project.

E. Binding on Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the respective heirs, successors and assigns of the parties.

GRANTOR: MWM INVESTMENTS, LLC , A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY  
APNs: 002-031-030 AND 002-171-028  
PROJECT: SALINAS RAIL EXTENSION KICK START PROJECT

The parties have executed this Agreement the last date written below.

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR  
MONTEREY COUNTY**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Approved as to Form:**

By: Brenda Aguilar - Guerrero  
Brenda Aguilar-Guerrero

Title: Counsel for Transportation Agency  
for Monterey County

**MWM INVESTMENTS, LLC, A  
CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY  
COMPANY**

By: Greg Molinari

Name: Greg Molinari

Title: Principal

Date: 9-20-2023

By: Norm Matteoni  
Norm Matteoni

Title: Counsel for Owner or Grantor

**Attachments:**

- 1 Form of Grant of Temporary Construction Easements, including Exhibits B and B-1
- 2 Legal Descriptions and Plat Maps for TCEs (APNs: 002-031-030 and 002-171-028) specifically Exhibits B and B-1

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Elouise Rodriguez  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **MINUTES**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**ACCEPT** draft minutes of the Transportation Agency Committees:

- Rail Policy Committee - draft minutes of October 2, 2023
- Executive Committee - draft minutes of October 4, 2023
- [Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee](#) - draft minutes of October 4, 2023
- [Technical Advisory Committee](#) - draft minutes of October 5, 2023
- [Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee](#) - October 17, 2023 minutes not yet available

**SUMMARY:****FINANCIAL IMPACT:****DISCUSSION:****ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Exec draft minutes Oct\_4\_2023
2. Draft\_RPC\_Minutes\_October\_2023\_Meeting

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**  
 SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAYS EMERGENCIES AND MONTEREY COUNTY  
 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE JOINT POWERS AGENCY

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

*Members: Michael LeBarre (Chair), Chris Lopez (1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair),  
 Dave Potter (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair), Mary Adams (Past Chair),  
 Wendy Root Askew (County representative), Chaps Poduri (City representative)*

**Wednesday, October 4, 2023**

\*\*\* 8:30 a.m. \*\*\*

Transportation Agency Conference Room, 55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas CA

Alternate locations:

*2616 1st Avenue, Marina, CA 93933, Supervisor Askew's Office*

*599 El Camino Real, Greenfield, CA 93927, Supervisor Lopez's Office*

<b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</b>	<b>NOV 22</b>	<b>JAN 23</b>	<b>FEB 23</b>	<b>MAR 23</b>	<b>APR 23</b>	<b>MAY 23</b>	<b>JUN 23</b>	<b>AUG 23</b>	<b>SEP 23</b>	<b>OCT 23</b>
Michael LeBarre, <b>Chair</b> King City (C. DeLeon)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P	P	P	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Mary Adams, <b>Past Chair</b> Supr. Dist. 5 (C. Courtney)	P (VC)	P (TC)	P (VC)	P	P	P(A) (VC)	P	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P
Chris Lopez, <b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair</b> Supr. Dist. 3 (P. Barba)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)
Dave Potter, <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair</b> Carmel-By-The-Sea (J. Baron)	P (VC)	P (VC)	A	P*	P	P	P	P	P	P
Wendy Root Askew, <b>County Representative</b> Supr. Dist. 4 (Y. Anderson)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)
Chaps Poduri, <b>City Representative</b> (Joe Amelio)	P (VC)	E	P* (VC)	P	P	P	P (VC)	P	P	P

*TC: via teleconference; VC: via video conference*

P = Present

A = Absent

P(A) = alternate present

E = Excused

P(VC) Video Conference

P\*= New Representative

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair LeBarre called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed.

Staff present: Guther, Kise, Muck, Rodriguez, Sambrano, Strause, Watson, and Zeller.

Others present: Robert Brayer, County Counsel; Paul Schlesinger and Jim Davenport, Thorn Run Partners; Gus Khouri, Khouri Consulting; and Lisa Rheinheimer, Monterey-Salinas Transit.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comment

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

On a motion by Committee Member Adams seconded by Committee Alternate Member Anderson, the Committee voted 6-0 to approve the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of September 6, 2023.

**4. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE & DRAFT 2024 PROGRAM**

On a motion by Committee Member Potter seconded by Committee Member Adams, the Committee voted 6-0 to recommend the Board of Directors approve the draft 2024 legislative program for distribution to committees.

Christina Watson, Director of Planning, highlighted proposed edits to the draft 2024 legislative program.

Gus Khouri, Agency state legislative analyst, presented an update on state legislative activities. He noted that the Governor has until October 13 to veto or sign legislation.

Jim Davenport and Paul Schlesinger, Agency federal legislative analysts, presented an update on federal legislative activities. Mr. Davenport reported that the Continuing Resolution expires on November 17, noting they have six and a half weeks to get appropriations bills passed. The House will not start appropriations bill process until a new Speaker is elected. The Senate's federal fiscal year 2024 Transportation Housing and Urban Development (THUD) Bill includes a \$1.8 million earmark to construct a segment of the G12 Pajaro to Prunedale project. Mr. Shlesinger noted the newest Senator for CA was sworn in, and that Senator Butler will be in the job at least until the 2024 election to fill that seat. Chair LeBarre asked staff to draft a letter congratulating Senator Butler.

Ms. Watson outlined the parameters for federal fiscal year 2025 “Community Project Funding” (earmarks), setting the stage for a future discussion of potential projects to nominate for an earmark.

## **5. STATE TRANSIT AND ZERO EMISSION FUNDING PROJECT CANDIDATES**

The Committee received information about state transit and zero emission funding and eligible projects.

Alissa Guther, Assistant Transportation Planner, reported on July 10, 2023, the Governor signed Senate Bill (SB) 125 into law, which included new formula funding through the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) and created a new Zero-Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP). TAMC is slated to receive \$44.5 million over two years in TIRCP formula funds and \$8 million over four years for the ZETCP.

Ms. Guther noted that if funds are to be applied to transit operations in fiscal year (FY) 2023-24, then TAMC must submit a regional short-term financial plan to demonstrate how the region will address any operational deficit using all available funds (besides SB125 funds) through FY 2025–26.

She noted that a maximum of 1% of the total SB 125 multi-year funding budget, or just shy of \$530,000, may be programmed by TAMC for administration of funding and planning expenses related to developing the long-term financial plan.

Director Muck noted that this is a unique program, in that once TAMC submits the project allocation request at the end of December, the state will allocate the funds to TAMC. TAMC can modify the project list after the allocation, which will create opportunities to fund projects as they develop, and other fund sources are brought in.

## **6. 2024 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

The Committee received an update and provided input on the funding proposal for the 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

Janneke Strause, Transportation Planner, reported that the State Transportation Improvement Program is funded through state and federal gas taxes on a 5-year cycle. The fund estimate adopted by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) in August is for FY 2024/2024 – FY 2028/2029; Monterey County’s share for the 5-year period is \$15,515,000. She noted that every two years in December, regions submit their project proposals in the form of the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) to the CTC for approval in March the following year.

Ms. Strause reported that staff are proposing allocating funds to the Scenic State Route 68 corridor and US 101 South of Salinas corridor in the 2024 RTIP. The final proposal will go to the TAMC Board at their December meeting.

## **7. STATE LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATE SERVICES CONTRACT**

On a motion by Committee Member Potter and seconded by Committee Member Adams, the Committee voted 6-0 to recommend the Board of Directors:

1. Approve and authorize the Executive Director to extend the contract with Khouri Consulting for State legislative analyst/ advocate services, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, by two years, until October 31, 2025, adding One Hundred and Forty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$144,000) to the current contract for a total amended contract budget of Two Hundred and Eight-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$288,000);
2. Authorize the use of reserve funds budgeted to this project; and
3. Authorize the Executive Director to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

Christina Watson, Director of Planning, reported that staff recommends extending the current contract for another two years, expiring October 31, 2025. Staff recommends increasing the payment from \$4,000 per month, which was the rate for the three-year contract, to \$6,000 per month for the next two years. This new rate reflects the lack of a cost-of-living increase over that contract's duration and the increase in costs over the period of the contract.

Ms. Watson noted that Gus Khouri has done an excellent job representing TAMC for the past three years, including proactive and timely efforts on behalf of the Agency on multiple bills, grant applications and other funding issues. Mr. Khouri exhibits a depth of understanding of transportation issues and of Agency priorities. Mr. Khouri recently brought on Mitch Weiss to help him with his workload. Mitch was recently the Executive Director of the California Transportation Commission (CTC) and has an exceptional knowledge of transportation funding and finance.

Director Muck noted staff recognized we have been paying Mr. Khouri less than what other similar sized agencies pay him, noting staff is very happy with his performance. Chair LeBarre noted that Gus is knowledgeable and experienced. Committee Members Adams, Potter, and Poduri concurred.



## **8. TAMC BOARD DRAFT AGENDA**

Executive Director Todd Muck reviewed the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of October 25, 2023. After Executive Committee discussion, directions were provided to staff to place the following items for consideration on the regular agenda:

- Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project Update
- 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program
- 2026 Regional Transportation Plan Update
- Legislative Update & Draft 2024 Program

## **9. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair LeBarre adjourned the meeting at 10:11 a.m.

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)

**RAIL POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING**

*Draft Minutes of October 2, 2023*

55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas, California 93901 - Transportation Agency Conference Room

Alternate locations: 2616 1st Avenue, Marina, California 93933 - Supervisor Askew's Office and

11140 Speegle Street, Castroville CA, 95012 Supervisor Church's Office

	NOV 22	DEC 22	JAN 23	FEB 23	MAR 23	APR 23	MAY 23	JUN 23	JUL 23	AUG 23	SEP 23	OCT 23
L. Alejo, Dist. 1 ( <del>L. Gonzalez</del> , J. Gomez)	P(A)	<b>N</b>	P(A)	P	<b>C</b>	P	P	<b>C</b>	<b>N</b>	P	P	P(A) (VC)
G. Church, Dist. 2 ( <del>M. Vierra</del> , L. Gray)	A	<b>O</b>	A	P	<b>A</b>	P(A)	P(A)	<b>A</b>	<b>O</b>	P(A)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)
W. Askew, Dist. 4 ( <del>Y. Anderson</del> , E. Mora)	P(A)		P(A)	P(A)	<b>N</b>	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	<b>N</b>		P(A)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)
M. Adams, Dist. 5, (C. Courtney)	P(A)	<b>M</b>	E	A	<b>C</b>	P(A) (VC)	E	<b>C</b>	<b>M</b>	E	A	P(A) (VC)
M. LeBarre, King City, Chair (C. DeLeon)	P	<b>E</b>	A	P	<b>E</b>	P	P	<b>E</b>	<b>E</b>	P	P	P
C. Medina Dirksen, Marina (B. Delgado)	P	<b>E</b>	P	P	<b>L</b>	A	A	<b>L</b>	<b>E</b>	A	A	A
E. Smith, Monterey (K. Barber, M. Garcia, A. Renny)	A	<b>T</b>	P	A	<b>L</b>	P	A	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	P	A	P
A. Sandoval, Salinas, (A. Rocha)	P	<b>I</b>	P	P	<b>E</b>	E	P	<b>E</b>	<b>I</b>	A	P	P
M. Carbone, Sand City (J. Blackwelder)	P(A)	<b>N</b>	A	A	<b>D</b>	A	A	<b>D</b>	<b>N</b>	A	A	A
I. Oglesby, Seaside (D. Pacheco)	P	<b>G</b>	P	P		P	P		<b>G</b>	P	P	P
A. Chavez, Soledad (F. Cabera, D. Wilcox)	A		P	P		P	P			P	P	A
D. Potter, At Large Member, Vice Chair (J. Barron)	P		P	P		E	P			E	A	E
M. Twomey, AMBAG ( <del>H. Adamson</del> , P. Hierling)	P(A)		A	P(A)		P(A)	P(A) (VC)			P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	E
A. Lopez, Caltrans District 5	P		P	P		A	P (VC)			A	A	P(A) (VC)
C. Sedoryk, MST (L. Rheinheimer/ <del>M. Overmeyer</del> )	P(A)		E	P(A)		P(A)	P (VC)			P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)
<b>STAFF</b>												
T. Muck, Executive Director	P		P	P		E	P			E	P	P
C. Watson, Director of Planning	P		P	P		P	P			P	P	P
M. Zeller, Director of Programming & Project Delivery	P		E	P		P	P (VC)			P (VC)	E	E



#### **4. STATE TRANSIT AND ZERO EMISSION FUNDING PROJECT CANDIDATES**

The Committee discussed project candidates for state transit and zero emissions funding.

Alissa Guther, Assistant Transportation Planner, noted that on July 10, 2023, the Governor signed Senate Bill (SB) 125 into law, which included new formula funding through the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) and created a new Zero-Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP). She reported that the Transportation Agency will be responsible for distributing the funds and that there is no deadline for expenditure. She mentioned the possible rail projects include:

- Pajaro/Watsonville Multimodal Station
- Salinas Rail Extension
- King City Train Platform
- Central Coast Rail Positive Train Control (PTC)

Ms. Guther noted staff is still working with Monterey-Salinas Transit on possible bus projects:

- MST Operating Shortfall
- SURF! Busway
- Electric Bus Charging
- Zero Emission Buses
- Monterey Bay Microgrid & Hydrogen Electric Bus
- Salinas Valley Hydrogen Electric Bus

Ms. Guther noted that TAMC staff will bring a project list to the November Committee meeting for a recommendation to the Board.

Lisa Rheinheimer, MST Assistant General Manager & Deputy Treasurer, noted that four of the items on their project list will help MST achieve compliance with the unfunded mandate of a zero-emission fleet by 2040.

Committee members made the following comments and direction to staff:

- Consider how this funding can be best leveraged to set up the projects for future grant applications.
- Provide a recommended funding allocation to the November RPC that reflects a balance between rail and bus priorities and a regional perspective.

5. **PAJARO MULTIMODAL STATION PROJECT UPDATE**

The Committee received an update on Pajaro Multimodal Station Project.

Alissa Guther, Assistant Transportation Planner, reported that TAMC received \$2.3 million to fund environmental review documentation, subject to allocation by the California Transportation Commission on December 6.

Ms. Guther reported an update on the proposed October 13, 2023, lunch and site visit with the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC) in Pajaro/Watsonville. She noted that it will not be a public meeting, but a meet-and-greet and a first step toward a more formal working relationship that will include public meetings in the future.

6. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Christina Watson announced that TAMC is seeking nominations for the Transportation Excellence Awards that honor individuals, businesses, groups, or projects for their efforts to improve the transportation system in Monterey County. She noted that the deadline to submit a nomination is December 1, 2023.

7. **ADJOURN**

Chair LeBarre adjourned the meeting at 3:44 p.m.

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Elouise Rodriguez  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **CORRESPONDENCE**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

RECEIVE TAMC Correspondence for October 2023.

**SUMMARY:****FINANCIAL IMPACT:****DISCUSSION:****ATTACHMENTS:**

None

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

- [September 18, 2023 letter to California Strategic Growth Council, Re: letter of Commitment from the Transportation Agency for Monterey County for the Community Resilience Center \(CRC\) Program Development Grant application for Pajaro from TAMC Executive Director Todd Muck](#)
- [September 19, 2023 letter to The Honorable Gavin Newsom, Governor of California Re: AB 825 \(Bryan\): Vehicles: bicycles on sidewalks– REQUEST FOR VETO from TAMC Executive Director Todd Muck](#)
- [September 25, 2023 letter to The Honorable Pete Buttigieg, Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation, Re: letter to express strong support for funding of the “Reconnecting Salinas: Feasibility Study of Key Bicycle and Pedestrian Access Barriers” project through the United States Department of Transportation’s \(USDOT\) 2023 Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods \(RCN\) Grant Program from TAMC Executive Director Todd Muck](#)
- [October 6, 2023 letter to The Honorable Laphonza Butler, United States Senate, Re: Congratulations on your Appointment from TAMC Board of Directors Chair Mike LeBarre](#)
- [October 17, 2023 letter to Tanisha Taylor, Executive Director, California Transportation Commission \(CTC\) Re: Monterey County Rail Extension Project, Phase 2, Pajaro/Watsonville Multimodal Station – Request for funding allocation for the Project Approval and Environmental](#)



## Memorandum

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Doug Bilse, Principal Engineer  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project Community Engagement Schedule**

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**RECEIVE** presentation and **PROVIDE INPUT** on the scheduled community engagement activities for the Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project.

### **SUMMARY:**

Caltrans is preparing the Draft Environmental Document for the Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project and is scheduled to circulate this information by November 7, 2023. TAMC and Caltrans will co-host upcoming community engagement events.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project was identified on the project list approved by Monterey voters as part of the Measure X initiative and was allocated \$50 million for project implementation. The environmental and design phases are fully-funded with State and federal funds. TAMC staff continues to research potential opportunities to leverage Measure X funds to finance the eventual construction of the entire project.

### **DISCUSSION:**

State Route (SR) 68, between Josselyn Canyon Road and San Benancio Road (post miles 4.8 -13.7), is a heavily traveled portion of highway serving residents, businesses, and regional commuters along a scenic corridor (see Project Site Map, **attached**). Users of State Route 68 know that at times there is congestion on the corridor which results in significant travel delays and traffic safety concerns. The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in partnership with TAMC recognized these challenges and conducted a thorough evaluation on safety and operations along State Route 68. This evaluation concluded that road users along this corridor regularly experience travel delays and there is minimal accommodation for non-motorized roadway users. The analysis also showed safety issues like collisions between vehicles that sometimes involved wildlife. The proposed Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project was identified to accomplish three objectives:

- Connect natural habitats using wildlife crossings under Highway 68;
- Address safety concerns along the corridor; and
- Improve operations and traffic flow through each intersection.

The Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project proposes operational improvements and wildlife connectivity improvements along State Route 68 from 0.4 miles west of Josselyn Canyon Road (post



mile 4.8) to 0.4 miles east of San Benancio Road (post mile 13.7). Within the project limits, this segment of State Route 68 is classified as a two-lane undivided conventional highway with the exception of the segment between Corral de Tierra and San Benancio which has two-way left turn median channelization. The State Route 68 signalized intersections within the project limits have left turn lanes, auxiliary through lanes, and/or right turn lanes to accommodate the turning movements. The Draft Environmental Document for this project conducted thorough evaluations on the potential impacts of two alternatives that each include wildlife crossings at 5 locations:

1. Alternative 1 proposes roundabouts at nine intersections replacing existing signalized operations; and
2. Alternative 2 proposes to expand existing signal systems and add Integrated Corridor Management and Adaptive Signal Control at intersections with existing signalized operations.

The Draft Environmental Document is scheduled to be circulated for public review no later than November 7, 2023. Current guidelines call for a review period that is at least 40 days in length, starting when the document is officially circulated for public review. This project will include a longer public review schedule that is expected to exceed 60 days. This schedule defines the time period that the public is allowed to submit formal comments on the draft environmental document.

The community engagements for this project are highlighted by three formal meetings co-hosted by TAMC and Caltrans to share project information with the public and solicit feedback on the information contained in the environmental document. These meetings will encourage the community to share concerns about the project's environmental impacts and allow formal comments to be submitted in response to the information provided in the document. These public meetings are scheduled to be held as follows:

- November 15, 3:00-7:00 pm at the MST Conference Center
- November 16, 4:30-7:00 pm at the Salinas Armory
- December 6, 12:00-3:00 at the Monterey Conference Center (time of event is subject to change)

The December 6 meeting will constitute the public hearing that is required for a project of this scale. During the public comment period of the draft environmental document, TAMC staff will be holding informal stakeholder meetings intended to ensure the communities impacted by the project are well-informed and understand the process required to submit formal comments on the environmental document. A project website is also being developed that will include a virtual workshop setting designed for community members to easily navigate through project information and submit their input on the project.

TAMC conducted a series of public outreach events in 2016 and 2017. These meetings led to a general consensus that the project should include a roundabout alternative with a hybrid design similar in function to the roundabout recently constructed at the intersection of Highway 1 and Highway 68 near the entrance to Pebble Beach. Caltrans staff has subsequently determined that a second alternative should be included in the environmental document that maintains the signalized operations at each intersection, and that a single-lane roundabout design is recommended per current Caltrans guidelines (except at the intersection of State Route 218 where a two-lane roundabout configuration is proposed).

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Scenic Route 68 Project Site Map

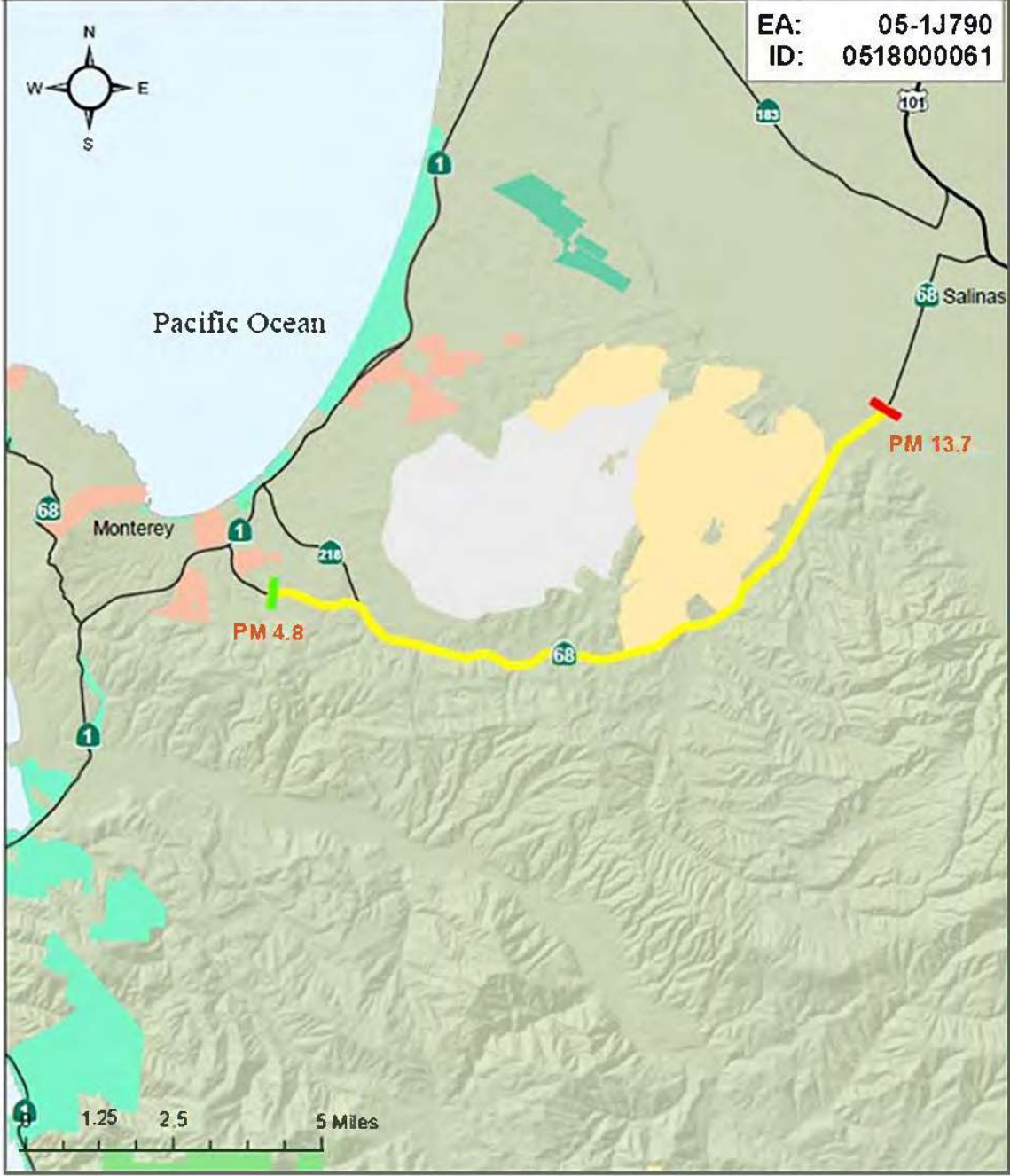
**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

# Vicinity Map

## Highway 68

### Salinas to Monterey

#### Vicinity Map - MON-68-PM 4.8/13.7



**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Janneke Strause, Transportation Planner  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**RECEIVE** update and **PROVIDE INPUT** on the funding proposal for the 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

**SUMMARY:**

To ensure efficient coordination among various fund sources, the 2023 Integrated Funding Strategy identifies projects that are strong candidates for specific Senate Bill 1 grants, State Transportation Improvement Program funds, Measure X, and other matching funds, and can be brought to construction within the next five years. As a subset of that plan, the Regional Transportation Improvement Program specifies the region's proposed use of certain State funds to the California Transportation Commission.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The Transportation Agency for Monterey County's target share per the 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program Fund Estimate is \$15,515,000.

**DISCUSSION:**

Several of the strategic goals identified by the Transportation Agency Board of Directors are to deliver the Measure X regional program of projects, while leveraging as many matching funds as possible. With the passage of California Senate Bill 1 (Beall), several new transportation funding programs were created from which the Transportation Agency will be able to leverage Measure X and other existing fund sources. To ensure coordination between the various fund sources, which all have different requirements and eligibility, the Transportation Agency prepared the 2023 Integrated Funding Strategy that coincides with the 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program cycle.

The Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) is a program of highway, local road, transit and active transportation projects that a region plans to fund with State and Federal revenue programmed by the California Transportation Commission in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The RTIP is developed biennially by the regions and is due to the Commission by December 15 of every odd numbered year.

The Transportation Agency staff's funding proposal for the 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program reflects TAMC's dedication to improving statewide and regional travel by constructing high-priority highway, regional road, rail, and bicycle and pedestrian transportation projects throughout the region. To that end, Transportation Agency staff recommend projects to program in the 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program that are moving through

preconstruction phases; are in the adopted or draft Sustainable Communities Strategy; and are excellent candidates for the Senate Bill 1 grant programs.

The 2023 Integrated Funding Strategy project list was approved by the Transportation Agency Board at the May 24, 2023 meeting. The attached project list (Attachment 1) is a modified version showing the new project funding information. A summary of staff's new funding recommendations follows (new programming is underlined):

**Scenic State Route 68 Corridor:** This project received \$3.4 million of State Transportation Improvement Program funds in fiscal year 2018/19, along with \$2.6 million of federal Highway Infrastructure Program funds, for the environmental phase, and \$640,000 of Measure X. In FY 2022/2023, the project received an additional \$1,949,000 of Senate Bill 1 Local Partnership Formula funds, \$799,000 Highway Infrastructure Program funds, and \$2,087,000 of 2022 State Transportation Improvement Program funds for the environmental phase. The final design phase is programmed in the State Transportation Improvement Program with \$23,516,000. Initial estimates for the construction of the first set of three intersections is \$63 million and agency staff is proposing to use \$6.3 million of Measure X and \$6.3 million of the 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program as a match for a potential future \$50 million Senate Bill 1 Congested Corridors grant in fiscal year 2025/26.

**US 101 South of Salinas Corridor:** This project was programmed with \$8,611,000 in fiscal year 2021/22 and \$1,378,000 in fiscal year 2022/23 of State Transportation Improvement Program funds for the environmental phase. Staff is proposing to program \$8,036,000 of Measure X and \$8,964,000 of 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program funds in fiscal year 2024/25 to fully-fund the PS&E phase. Caltrans has the option to request these funds in an earlier fiscal year if the project moves ahead of schedule.

**Planning, Programming, and Monitoring:** In each State Transportation Improvement Program cycle, funds are available to the Transportation Agency for Planning, Programming, and Monitoring activities. Eligible activities include:

- Regional transportation planning, including the development and preparation of the regional transportation plan.
- Project planning, including the development of project study reports or major investment studies, conducted by regional agencies or by local agencies in cooperation with regional agencies.
- Program development, including the preparation of RTIPs and studies supporting them.
- Monitoring the implementation of STIP projects, including project delivery, timely use of funds, and compliance with State law and the Commission's guidelines.

The Transportation Agency has \$512,000 in new funding available for fiscal years 2024/25 through 2027/28 and \$253,000 in fiscal year 2028/29. Staff is proposing to program \$75,000 (with \$202,000 of existing funds) in fiscal year 2024/25, \$80,000 (with \$197,000 of existing funds) in 2025/26, \$81,000 (with \$196,000 of existing funds) in 2026/27, \$276,000 in 2027/28, and \$253,000 in 2028/29.

Agency staff will revise the plan based on comments received at the October Board meeting. At the December Board meeting, Agency staff will bring the finalized proposal forward as the Regional Transportation Improvement Program, which is the document the Agency is required to submit in order to receive the County's share of State Transportation Improvement Program funds.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. 2024 RTIP Proposal

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

**Transportation Agency for Monterey County**  
**2023 Integrated Funding Strategy (all dollars in \$1,000s)**  
 Revised for 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program



	Prior	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	Funding
<b>State Route 68 Safety &amp; Traffic Flow</b>	<b>Env't</b>		<b>Design</b>	<b>Con</b>			
State Transportation Improvement Program - 2022	\$ 5,487		\$ 23,516				\$ 29,003
Highway Infrastructure Program	\$ 2,594						\$ 2,594
Measure X	\$ 640			\$ 6,300			\$ 6,940
SB1 Local Partnership Formula - FY20/21-22/23	\$ 1,949						\$ 1,949
Highway Infrastructure Program - FY19/20-20/21	\$ 799						\$ 799
Congested Corridors Grant Request				\$ 50,400			\$ 50,400
State Transportation Improvement Program - 2024				\$ 6,300			\$ 6,300
	<b>\$ 11,469</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 23,516</b>	<b>\$ 63,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 97,985</b>

			Design				
<b>US 101 Safety Improvements - South County</b>							
Measure X	\$ 440		\$ 8,036				\$ 8,476
State Transportation Improvement Program - 2022	\$ 9,989						\$ 9,989
State Transportation Improvement Program - 2024			\$ 8,964				\$ 8,964
	<b>\$ 10,429</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 17,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 27,429</b>

<b>Planning, Programming, and Monitoring</b>							
State Transportation Improvement Program - 2022	\$ 916	\$ 202	\$ 197	\$ 196			\$ 1,511
State Transportation Improvement Program - 2024		\$ 75	\$ 80	\$ 81	\$ 276	\$ 253	\$ 765
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 916</b>	<b>\$ 277</b>	<b>\$ 277</b>	<b>\$ 277</b>	<b>\$ 276</b>	<b>\$ 253</b>	<b>\$ 2,276</b>

**Memorandum**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Alissa Guther, Assistant Transportation Planner  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **2026 Regional Transportation Plan Update**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:****2026 Regional Transportation Plan Update:**

1. **RECEIVE** presentation on the process and timeline for the 2026 Regional Transportation Plan; and
2. **PROVIDE INPUT** regarding the Plan's development.

**SUMMARY:**

Every four years, the Transportation Agency is responsible for developing an updated Regional Transportation Plan, pursuant to State and federal transportation planning requirements. The Agency has initiated work on the 2026 Regional Transportation Plan and staff will present a timeline of the plan process, and seek input for the draft goals and policy objectives.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The 2026 Regional Transportation Plan is being prepared in-house by staff in coordination with Agency committees and the Board of Directors. The Plan's environmental document is budgeted by the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments not to exceed \$325,000, of which TAMC will pay \$75,000, and will cover the tri-county Metropolitan Transportation Plan as well as the individual Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito County Regional Transportation Plans. The Plan will include cost estimates for transportation projects in Monterey County through the 2050 horizon year. The 2022 Regional Transportation Plan's financial estimate identified a total of approximately \$6.7 billion in projected funding for transportation projects in Monterey County through the 2045 horizon year of the plan.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Regional Transportation Plan for Monterey County is a long range (20+ year) plan, updated every four years. The Regional Transportation Plan forms the basis for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan prepared by the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) for the Monterey Bay Area pursuant to Federal Highway Administration and Caltrans transportation planning requirements. As the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Monterey Bay Area, AMBAG incorporates the financial assumptions and project lists included in the Regional Transportation Plans for Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties into the Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

Pursuant to state and federal guidelines, the Regional Transportation Plan includes a countywide



multi-modal needs assessment, transportation policy element, long-range funding forecast, funding-constrained project list, and a program-level environmental review document assessing the probable environmental impacts associated with implementation of the Plan. Public participation is sought after in the development of the Regional Transportation Plan for each of the project steps, and as adopted by AMBAG through the Monterey Bay Area Public Participation Plan.

Staff has initiated the development of updated goals and policy objectives for the 2026 Regional Transportation Plan. Staff reviewed the draft 2024 Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines and began revising the Plan's 2026 goals and policy objectives to be more reflective of current projects and programs happening in Monterey County. Staff recommends aligning the 2026 RTP with the following overarching goals:

- Access & Mobility
- Safety & Health
- Climate Adaptation
- Equity
- Economic Vitality

Proposed modifications to the 2022 goals and policy objectives include greater emphasis on geographic equity, integration of public health/health equity, climate resiliency and adaptation, and direct reflection of Measure X projects and programs, such as Safe Routes to Schools and the participatory budgeting program. Staff requests that the Board provide input on regional priorities following the overview presentation. Staff developed a draft timeline to provide stakeholders with an overview on the Monterey County's Regional Transportation Plan process. The projected schedule of activities include:

- Jan. 2024: TAMC Board Action: Adoption of Goals, Policy Objectives and Performance Measures.
- Jan - March 2024: TAMC to develop updated project and program cost estimates in collaboration with the cities and the County.
- April 2024: TAMC to present the draft project list and cost estimates to the Technical Advisory Committee.
- Jan/Feb 2025: TAMC Board Action: Adoption of final project list.
- Dec. 2025: TAMC Board Action: Receive draft Regional Transportation Plan and release notice to the public for review/comment.
- Dec. 2025: AMBAG to release Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan for public review and comment.
- June 2026: TAMC Board Action: Approval of Final Regional Transportation Plan, adoption of CEQA findings and adoption of the joint Environmental Impact Report.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

None

#### **WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

## Memorandum

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Christina Watson, Director of Planning  
**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2023  
**Subject:** **Legislative Update & Draft 2024 Program**

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### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

#### **Legislative Update & Draft 2024 Program**

1. **RECEIVE** update on State and federal legislative issues;
2. **DISCUSS** items for the draft 2024 legislative program; and
3. **APPROVE** the draft 2024 legislative program for distribution to committees.

### **SUMMARY:**

State legislative analyst Gus Khouri and staff will present updates on State and Federal legislative activities. Staff will request input on the 2024 legislative program and ask the Board to approve it for distribution to committees for input.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The legislative program continues a focus on preserving and seeking transportation funding.

### **DISCUSSION:**

Agency State legislative analyst Gus Khouri will present an update on State legislative activities, staff will present an update on Federal legislative activities, and staff will request input for the Agency legislative program for 2024.

**Attachment 1** is a State legislative update and **Attachment 2** is the State bill list showing the current status of State legislation and whether the bills are signed, dead, or awaiting the Governor's signature (he has until October 14 to veto or sign legislation, past the deadline for this report). Key bills signed into law include:

- Senate Bill (SB) 304 (Laird): Monterey-Salinas Transit District: public contracting, which increases from \$100,000 to \$150,000 the monetary threshold for MST to award contracts for the purchase of supplies, materials, and equipment, to the lowest responsible bidder, or to the responsible bidder that provides the best value.
- SB 825 (Limon): Local Government: public broadband services, which adds metropolitan planning organizations and regional transportation planning authorities to the list of local government agencies included in the definition of "local agency" eligible to directly apply for local technical assistance grants administered by the California Public Utilities Commission for implementation of broadband.

**Attachment 3** is a federal legislative end-of-year report and **Attachment 4** is a memo from Thorn Run Partners, "Planning for FY 2025 Community Funded Projects (aka Earmarks)".

The 2023 adopted TAMC legislative program is online as a **web attachment**. **Attachment 5** is a draft showing proposed changes to the 2023 program for discussion at the meeting.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. State legislative update
2. State bill list - Oct
3. Federal Legislative update
4. Federal Community Funded Projects Guidance - FY 2025
5. DRAFT TAMC 2024 Leg Program show changes

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

- [2023 TAMC Legislative Program](#)



September 22, 2023

TO: Board Members, Transportation Agency for Monterey County  
FROM: Gus Khouri, President, Khouri Consulting LLC  
RE: **STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – SEPTEMBER**

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### **General Update**

The first year of the 2023-24 concluded on September 14. Governor Newsom will have until October 14 to sign or veto legislation pending on his desk. Legislators will return on January 3 to commence the second year of session.

### **New Senate President pro Tempore**

On August 28, it was announced that Senator Mike McGuire (North Coast) will become the 52<sup>nd</sup> California State Senate President pro Tempore. He will succeed Toni Atkins (San Diego), who is termed out in 2024 and will be running for Governor in 2026 when Governor Newsom is also termed out. Senator Atkins will join a field expected to include Lieutenant Governor Eleni Kounalakis and Attorney General Rob Bonta. McGuire, who will term out in 2026, has been a strong advocate on transportation issues, including his work on SB 1, the \$5 billion annual transportation package that provides a broad array of investments into passenger rail, highways, and local streets and roads.

### **California Transportation Commission Needs Assessment**

SB 1121, Chapter 508, Statutes of 2022, requires the California Transportation Commission (CTC), in consultation with the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) and Caltrans, to prepare a needs assessment of the cost to operate, maintain, and provide for the necessary future growth of the state and local transportation system for the next ten years. This represents an opportunity for TAMC to identify priority projects for future funding consideration. The Interim Transportation Needs Assessment is due to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2024. The Completed Transportation Needs Assessment is due on or before January 1, 2025, and every five years thereafter.

## **Bills of Interest**

**Assembly Constitutional Amendment (ACA) 1 (Aguiar-Curry)** would authorize a local government, including a special district, to impose, extend, or increase a sales and use tax or transactions and use tax, or a parcel tax, imposed to fund the construction, rehabilitation, or replacement of public infrastructure, defined to include improvements to transit and streets and highways and projects for the protection of property from the impacts of sea level rise, as well as for affordable housing, if the proposition proposing that tax is approved by 55% of its voters. **Status:** Governor's Desk

**ACA 13 (Ward)** requires an initiative constitutional amendment to comply with any increased voter approval threshold that it seeks to impose on future ballot measures. Guarantees in the state constitution the ability of local governments to submit advisory questions to voters. This measure is a response to the California Business Roundtable's initiative to make all tax thresholds to be set at a 2/3 vote margin. **Status:** Governor's Desk.

## **Caltrans System Investment Strategy (CSIS)**

Per executive orders N-19-19 and N-76-20 issued by Governor Newsom in 2019 and 2020, CalSTA has been attempting to implement the Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI, 2021). CAPTI supports the "California Transportation Plan 2050" (2021) goals that work to meet the State's ambitious climate change mandates, targets, and policies. The CTP 2050 is the state's broad vision for the future of California's transportation system, focusing on advancing equity and climate priorities by expanding travel options for all Californians.

Additionally, CAPTI aligns with Caltrans 2020-24 Strategic Plan (2021), which signals a fundamental shift for Caltrans to lead climate action as a strategic priority for the first time. Caltrans is in a significant leadership role to carry out meaningful measures that advance the state's goals and priorities by developing and implementing the Caltrans System Investment Strategy (CSIS).

The CSIS implementation is envisioned as an investment framework through a data- and performance-driven approach that guides transportation investments and decisions. This framework includes methodologies and processes for how Caltrans should invest billions of dollars in highly competitive fund programs to address transportation deficiencies while achieving the CAPTI goals of reducing single-occupant vehicles and vehicle miles traveled and encouraging mode shift to transit and active transportation. Caltrans seeks to leverage state and federal funds to accelerate investments into mass transit, bicycle and pedestrian programs, and zero-emission infrastructure. This effort may impact the delivery of transportation projects on the statewide system. Further clarification is needed on project eligibility and implications of delivering on TAMC's priorities through the Measure X expenditure plans.

**TAMC Bill Matrix – October 2023**

<b>Measure</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Bill Summary</b>	<b>Recommended Position</b>
<b>AB 7 (Friedman)</b> <b>Transportation:</b> <b>project selection</b> <b>processes</b>	9/11/23 Senate Floor Two-year bill	As amended on June 28, this bill would require the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA), the Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to incorporate principles outlined in the Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI), the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (IIJA), and the federal Justice40 initiative into their existing program funding guidelines and processes. TAMC staff has concerns related to provision (g), “Promoting projects that do not significantly increase passenger vehicle travel, particularly in congested urbanized settings where other mobility options can be provided and where projects are shown to induce significant auto travel. These projects should generally aim to reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and not induce significant VMT growth. When addressing congestion, consider alternatives to highway capacity expansion, such as providing multimodal options in the corridor, employing pricing strategies, and using technology to optimize operations.”	<b>OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED</b>  <b>Priority 1S</b>
<b>AB 251 (Ward)</b> <b>California Transportation Commission:</b> <b>vehicle weight safety study</b>	10/7/23 Chaptered	This bill would require the CTC to convene a task force to study the relationship between vehicle weight and injuries to vulnerable road users, such as pedestrians and cyclists, and degradation to roads, and to study the costs and benefits of imposing a passenger vehicle weight fee, or restructuring an existing fee to include consideration of vehicle weight.	<b>Watch</b>  <b>Priority 9S</b>
<b>AB 557 (Hart)</b> <b>Open Meetings: local agencies:</b> <b>teleconferences</b>	10/8/23 Chaptered	This bill would remove the January 1, 2024, sunset on the Brown Act exemptions for boards to meet virtually during a declared state of emergency declaration provided under AB 361 (Rivas), Chapter 165, Statutes of 2021.	<b>SUPPORT</b>  <b>Priority 15S</b> <b>Letter sent 6/28</b>

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<b>Measure</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Bill Summary</b>	<b>Recommended Position</b>
<b>AB 610 (Holden)</b> <b>Youth Transit Pass Pilot Program: free youth transit passes</b>	9/11/23 Senate Floor Two-year bill	Upon the appropriation of moneys by the Legislature, this bill would create the Youth Transit Pass Pilot Program, administered by Caltrans for purposes of awarding grants to transit agencies for the costs of creating, designing, developing, advertising, distributing, and implementing free youth transit passes to persons attending certain educational institutions, providing free transit service to holders of those passes, and administering and participating in the program. Riders under the age of 18 would be authorized to use a system for free. This bill is like AB 1919 (Holden) from 2022, which TAMC supported.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 2S</b>
<b>AB 645 (Friedman)</b> <b>Vehicles: speed safety system pilot program</b>	9/20/23 Governor's Desk	This bill would authorize the Cities of Los Angeles, San Jose, Oakland, Glendale, and Long Beach, and the City and County of San Francisco, to establish a Speed Safety System Pilot Program. The bill would require a participating jurisdiction to adopt a Speed Safety System Use Policy and a Speed Safety System Impact Report before implementing the program and would require the participating city or city and county to engage in a public information campaign at least 30 days before implementation of the program, including information relating to when the systems would begin detecting violations and where the systems would be utilized.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 9S</b>
<b>AB 744 (Carillo)</b> <b>California Transportation Commission: data, modeling, and analytic software tools procurement</b>	10/8/23 Chaptered	Upon the appropriation of funds by the Legislature, this bill would require the CTC to acquire public domain or procure commercially available or open-source licensed solutions for data, modeling, and analytic software tools to support the state's sustainable transportation, congestion management, affordable housing, efficient land use, air quality, and climate change strategies and goals. This bill would authorize the CTC to establish best practices for use of data in transportation planning and to identify data elements that should be made available to state and local agencies for transportation planning.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 2S</b>

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<b>Measure</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Bill Summary</b>	<b>Recommended Position</b>
<b>AB 825 (Bryan)</b> <b>Vehicles: bicycles on sidewalks</b>	10/8/23 Vetoed by the Governor	This bill would prohibit a local authority from prohibiting the operation of a bicycle on a sidewalk adjacent to a highway or corridor that does not include a Class I, Class II, or Class IV bikeway until January 1, 2031.	<b>OPPOSE</b> <b>Priority 9S</b> <b>Letter sent 9/19</b>
<b>AB 1335 (Zbur)</b> <b>Local government: transportation planning and land use: sustainable communities strategy</b>	7/12/23 Senate Appropriations Failed passage	This bill would require each transportation planning agency to follow certain population projection procedures when updating the regional transportation plan. The bill would require the sustainable communities strategy to be based on population projections produced by the Department of Finance and regional population forecasts used in determining applicable city and county regional housing needs. The bill would impose similar reconciliation procedures when there are differences in the population forecast provided by the council of governments and the Department of Finance.	<b>OPPOSE</b> <b>Priority 1S</b> <b>Letters sent 6/7</b>
<b>SB 304 (Laird)</b> <b>Monterey-Salinas Transit District: public contracting</b>	7/21/23 Chaptered	This bill would increase, from \$100,000 to \$150,000, the monetary threshold for the Monterey-Salinas Transit District (MST) to award contracts for the purchase of supplies, materials, and equipment, to the lowest responsible bidder, or to the responsible bidder that provides the best value. The bill would require MST to obtain a minimum of 3 quotes that permit prices and terms to be compared whenever the expected expenditure required for the purchase exceeds \$10,000 but does not exceed \$150,000. The bill would apply those rules concerning monetary thresholds for contracts to contracts for the purchase of services, excluding services related to certain public construction projects and architectural, landscape architectural, engineering, environmental, land surveying, or construction project management services.	<b>SUPPORT</b> <b>Priority 16S</b> <b>Letters sent 3/24 &amp; 7/6</b>



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Measure	Status	Bill Summary	Recommended Position
<p><b>SB 537 (Becker)</b>  <b>Open meetings: multijurisdictional, cross-county agencies: teleconferences</b></p>	<p>9/14/23                      Assembly Floor                      Two-year bill</p>	<p>As amended on August 14, this bill authorizes multi-jurisdictional, cross-county legislative bodies to use alternate teleconferencing provisions if the authorizing agency has adopted a resolution. The bill would require a legislative body to provide a record of attendance on its internet website within 7 days after a teleconference meeting. The bill requires a quorum of members of the legislative body to participate from <u>one or more physical locations that are open to the public and within the boundaries of the agency jurisdiction. The bill would require a member who receives compensation for their service, as specified, on the legislative body to participate from a physical location that is open to the public.</u> The bill requires the legislative body to identify in the agenda each member who plans to participate remotely and to include the address of the publicly accessible building from each member will participate via teleconference. The bill would prohibit a member from participating remotely pursuant to these provisions unless the remote location is the member’s office or another location in a publicly accessible building and is more than 40 miles from the in-person location of the meeting.</p>	<p><b>SUPPORT</b>  <b>Priority 15S</b>  <b>Letter sent 6/27</b></p>
<p><b>SB 617 (Newman)</b>  <b>Public contracts: progressive design-build: local and regional agencies: transit</b></p>	<p>10/4/23                      Chaptered</p>	<p>As amended on June 28, this bill authorizes a transit district, municipal operator, consolidated agency, joint powers authority, regional transportation agency, or local or regional agency, to use the progressive design-build process for up to 10 public works projects more than \$5,000,000 for each project. The bill would specify that this authority to use the progressive design-build process does not include inspection services for projects on, or interfacing with, the state highway system. Progressive design-build procurement is defined as a project delivery process in which both the design and construction of a project are procured from a single entity that is selected through a qualifications-based selection at the earliest feasible stage of the project.</p>	<p><b>SUPPORT</b>  <b>Priority 8S</b>  <b>Letter sent 3/24</b></p>

**TAMC Bill Matrix – October 2023**

<b>Measure</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Bill Summary</b>	<b>Recommended Position</b>
<b>SB 677 (Blakespear)</b> <b>Intercity rail: LOSSAN Rail Corridor</b>	10/7/23 Chaptered	This bill would require the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor (LOSSAN Corridor) Agency, as part of the annual business plan submitted to the secretary, to include a description of the effects of climate change on the LOSSAN corridor, to identify projects planned to increase climate resiliency on the corridor, and to discuss possible funding options for those identified projects.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 7S</b>
<b>SB 695 (Gonzalez)</b> <b>Department of Transportation: state highway system: public data portal</b>	10/8/23 Chaptered	This bill would require Caltrans to annually prepare and make available information and data about activities on the state highway system on a public data portal from the prior fiscal year. The bill would require Caltrans to prepare and make available data and information on a public data portal on planned, pending projects on the state highway system.	<b>Watch</b> <b>Priority 3S</b>
<b>SB 825 (Limón)</b> <b>Local government: public broadband services</b>	9/8/23 Chaptered	This bill would add metropolitan planning organizations and regional transportation planning authorities to the list of local government agencies included in the definition of “local agency” eligible to directly apply for local technical assistance grants administered by the California Public Utilities Commission for implementation of broadband.	<b>SUPPORT</b> <b>Priority 6S</b> <b>Letter sent 3/24</b>

**TO:** Christina Watson

**FROM:** Paul Schlesinger  
Jim Davenport

With Congress still in session and business pertinent to TAMC still unfinished, it is not possible to provide a definitive summation of the year. However, progress has been made on obtaining funding for TAMC's Pajaro to Prunedale Project, which is slated to receive \$1,811,000 in the fiscal year (FY) 2024 Senate Transportation and Housing and Urban Development (THUD) Appropriations bill. Notably, the project is one of just two highway projects included in the bill for the entire State. TAMC staff prepared excellent documentation and application materials in support of the request. Moreover, TAMC did an exemplary job of gaining support for the project from several entities throughout the region.

The Pajaro to Prunedale project failed to advance in the House, given it was not submitted to the House Appropriations Committee by Representatives Jimmy Panetta or Zoe Lofgren. We also submitted the project to Senators Dianne Feinstein and Alex Padilla, and with Senator Padilla's leadership and advocacy, the project was included in the Senate THUD bill. The Senate THUD bill is one of three bills currently pending consideration in the Senate in the form of a minibus – a conglomeration of three separate appropriations bills. While we strongly believe Congress will eventually pass the FY 2024 THUD appropriations bill, the timing is uncertain. House Republicans are mired in a political mess of their own creation over spending levels, with a small group of Freedom Caucus members holding up appropriations bills and a continuing resolution, which must be passed before September 30<sup>th</sup> so the Federal government can continue operating, while Congress completes its work, and the Administration enacts FY 24 appropriations bills.

Completion of the FY 24 bills will be no easy task given the House and Senate bills are so vastly different, with the Senate sticking to spending levels that were agreed upon by Congress and the Administration, and the House aiming to significantly cut spending for most federal programs. For instance, the House THUD bill includes an 82 percent cut to the Capital Investment Grants (CIG) for transit projects, funding the program at \$392 million, while the Senate funds CIG at \$2.45 billion. The House bill also eliminates the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) program, which has been a popular, oversubscribed grant program that was created under President Obama's leadership. The Senate fully funds RAISE at \$800 million. The House also cuts nearly two thirds of Amtrak's budget.

While much of our focus has been on obtaining funding for TAMC through the appropriations process, the Administration continued to provide several new funding opportunities that were authorized as part of the 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). A hallmark of the legislation, also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), was the truly dramatic increase in the amount of funds that were authorized to be implemented through discretionary grants, of which there was a similarly dramatic increase in number. Notices of Funding Opportunities for most of the new programs have been issued, including: Safe Streets for All, Bridge Investment Program, Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (i.e., electric vehicle chargers), RAISE, and Reconnecting Communities, to name a few. We have provided briefing papers on most of these new transportation grants, and brought them to the Agency's attention upon release of their Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFOs).

We were pleased to assist in securing Congressional support for various federal and state grant applications the Agency pursued.

Additionally, we were pleased to assist with the scheduling and staffing of a trip to Washington for a TAMC Board Member that was timely in providing input on the Hill in support of our Pajaro to Prunedale funding request.

We provided staff with information on procedures and timing for securing funding for the US 101 auxiliary lane earmark that TAMC received from Congress in 2022.

In addition, we have apprised TAMC staff of other, more general developments related to transportation policy and legislation, including Justice 40 implementation, pandemic relief spending flexibility, and tolling project impacts, to name a few. Moreover, we have assisted with preparation of, and participated in, Board and Executive Committee meetings as requested, and provided TAMC with the TRP daily Tip Sheet.

## PLANNING FOR FY 2025 COMMUNITY FUNDED PROJECTS (AKA EARMARKS)

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Anticipating that many members of the House and Senate will once again solicit Community Funded Project requests (also known as earmarks) for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 appropriations process beginning early next year, now is a good time to begin planning for what project(s) you may want to request. While we do not know exactly what the process will look like, how many projects Members may be able to request on behalf of constituents, which Members may or may not participate, or when deadlines may occur, it is prudent to begin brainstorming now.

Note that the President's budget is expected to be released in February 2024, which is typically the kick-off to the discussion of funding the government for the coming fiscal year. Also, FY 2024 funding has yet to be resolved by Congress, including any earmarks that may be in those draft House or Senate bills. Even with those caveats, requests to participating members of Congress and Senators may still be due as early as February or as late as April.

Below is information the House Appropriations Committee provided this year to guide requests. Until we have new information, this is the best guidance to help think of ideas for FY 2025. We can also pull projects that were funded in the draft FY 2024 bills if you would like additional examples or ideas.

### INFORMATION NEEDED FOR REQUESTS

Like the last few years, all requests will require us to fill out forms with your assistance with information. Beyond that, we will need letters of support at a minimum, but the Committee in the past suggested these other types of community support identifiers may be helpful:

- Press articles highlighting the need for the requested Community Project Funding;
- Support from newspaper editorial boards;
- Letters from regional elected officials;
- Projects listed on State intended use plans, community development plans, or other publicly available planning documents; or
- Resolutions passed by city councils or boards.

## TYPES OF PROJECT/PROGRAM REQUESTS THAT CAN BE MADE VIA APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEES

### Transportation Housing, and Urban Development, and Related Agencies

- DOT - Local Transportation Priorities
  - Highway and transit capital projects eligible under title 23 and title 49 of the United States Code. Eligible projects are described under Section 133(b) of title 23, United States Code.
  - Sample projects:
    - CA State Route Improvement Project – \$3 million
    - FL Highway Corridor Improvements – \$600,000
    - MI Reconstruction Project – \$1.4 million
    - TX Road Expansion – \$3 million
- DOT - Airport Improvement Program (AIP)
  - Projects for enhancing airport safety, capacity, and security, and mitigating environmental concerns.
  - Sample projects:
    - CA Terminal Expansion and Safety Enhancement Project – \$2 million
    - OR Automated Weather Observing System Replacement – \$500,000
    - CO Pavement Upgrades – \$450,000
    - MD Regional Airport Runway Extension – \$500,000
- HUD - Economic Development Initiative (EDI)
  - Site acquisition, demolition or rehabilitation of housing or facilities, construction and capital improvements of public facilities (including water and sewer facilities), and public services are eligible.
  - Sample projects:
    - CA Transitional Housing Project – \$500,000
    - LA Sewerage and Water Board Wastewater and Stormwater Improvement – \$6 million
    - MA Climate Resilient Community Park – \$2 million
    - ME Fish Pier Redevelopment – \$1.5 million

Additional information from 2024 related to requests made under this bill can be found [here](#).



## **2023-2024 Legislative Program**

### **DRAFT State Priorities**

- 1S.** Preserve funding for all modes of transportation projects, maximize formula funding to regions, and preserve regional discretion and priority-setting for infrastructure needs, particularly safety projects, and the delivery of voter-approved programs and projects.
- 1S.2S.** Advocate for proportionality on the application of vehicle miles traveled metrics in comparison to larger metro areas in the state, particularly for completing multi-modal corridors or highway projects in less densely populated or disadvantaged areas of the county, to increase safety for commuters, enhance routes needed for evacuation from climate events, goods movement, and tourism travel.
- 2S.3S.** Leverage Measure X funds and partner with state agencies to pursue competitive grant or bond funding for highway safety, traffic congestion relief, trade corridors, passenger rail, public transportation, infrastructure resiliency, and bicycle and pedestrian routes for Monterey County projects.
- 3S.4S.** Promote jobs-housing balance and clean transportation modes as ways to reduce vehicles miles traveled, such as via funding reduced transit fares, rail expansion, and frequent bus service, while maintaining statewide equity between urban and rural areas.
- 4S.5S.** Support funding for zero-emission fuel initiatives that enhance mobility and accessibility while reducing greenhouse gas emissions, such as electric vehicle charging infrastructure, electric power storage capacity, electrical grid reliability, hydrogen hubs, and incentives for electric bike and vehicle purchases.
- 5S.6S.** Explore replacement funding mechanisms to the gas and diesel tax for transportation investments, such as a pay-by-the-mile user fee, public private partnerships, full conversion to a vehicle registration fee, or wholesale energy taxes, that are equitable to disadvantaged and rural areas.
- 6S.7S.** Support the promotion of telecommuting to reduce vehicle miles traveled via broadband investments in rural areas and disadvantaged communities, support the inclusion of local

government representation in the administration of broadband infrastructure funding, and support new server farms in rural areas.

- 7S.8S.** Support an increase in the use of State rail funding, such as the State Rail Assistance program, Public Transportation Account, or any successor or supplemental source, or redistribution of cap-and-trade proceeds, to implement new state-supported passenger rail service on the Coast Route to help the State meet transportation and greenhouse gas emission reduction goals.
- 8S.9S.** Support efforts to reauthorize Public Private Partnership authority, public tolling authority, and design-build authority, expand mode eligibility, and allow for regional control of such projects
- 9S.10S.** Support legislation that increases roadway safety by implementing Vision Zero strategies and improving driver safety training.
- 10S.11S.** Support sustainable funding for the oversubscribed Active Transportation Program.
- 11S.12S.** Support streamlining project delivery, including simplifying grant program applications, raising encroachment permit thresholds, and accelerating project permit approvals.
- 12S.13S.** Coordinate with the Monterey-Salinas Transit District (MST) to update Transportation Development Act (TDA) law and augment state transit funding programs to provide ongoing operational support.
- 13S.14S.** Support MST efforts to seek funding to implement the infrastructure needed to meet the deadlines of the Innovative Clean Transit (ICT) Regulation transition to a 100 percent zero-emission bus fleet by 2040.
- 14S.15S.** Support legislation that promotes transit-oriented development (such as via redevelopment or opportunity zones), complete streets, clean commutes, multi-modal transportation, bikes on board trains and buses, and active transportation projects.
- 15S.16S.** Modernize the Brown Act to enhance transparency and wider public access to allow the use of remote access to public meetings without requiring noticing of all remote Board or committee member locations, provided the public can participate via remote access software or in-person.
- 16S.17S.** Support member agencies' requests for state funding of regionally significant transportation projects and support partner agency legislative efforts as they interface with regional transportation priorities when they are consistent with Transportation Agency for Monterey County priorities.





**2023-2024 Legislative Program**

**DRAFT Federal Priorities**

- 1F.** Support stabilizing and increasing transportation infrastructure funding sources to avoid the bankruptcy of the federal highway and transit trust funds.
- 2F.** Support adequate funding for the following transportation priorities:
  - 1.** Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) District capital projects, vehicles, and operations.
  - 2.** Amtrak and state-supported passenger rail, including a fair share allocation to California for capital improvements and vehicle acquisition.
  - 3.** Zero-emission vehicle infrastructure for transit and personal vehicles.
  - 4.** Active transportation projects, including Vision Zero.
- 1.** ~~Support an adequate level of funding for the Monterey Salinas Transit (MST) District with appropriations sufficient to ensure immediate access to funding.~~
- 1F.3F.** Support congressionally directed federal funding for Agency transportation priorities.
- 2F.4F.** Coordinate with regional military installations to seek funding for transportation projects with a nexus to operations at those installations.
- 3F.** ~~Support MST applications for federal funding for the SURF! Bus Line in the Monterey Branch Line corridor and for hydrogen fueling facilities.~~
- 4F.5F.**
- 6F.** Support applications for ~~the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Department of~~ Transportation discretionary grant and climate resiliency/adaptation grant programs for projects on the California Central Coast.
- 7F.** Preserve regional discretion and priority-setting for infrastructure needs.
- 2.8F.** Support programmatic flexibility in federal funding for infrastructure.

**5F.9F.** Allow the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to substitute for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and expand the definition of Categorical Exclusions, while retaining environmental protections.

**6F.10F.** ~~Support availability of funding for enhanced broadband and a~~ Advocate for the Federal Communications Commission to regulate broadband/internet access as a utility to enable the increase of broadband infrastructure capacity to help bridge the digital divide and to encourage telecommuting.

**7F.11F.** Support streamlining of federal rail funding and removal of funding barriers between commuter and intercity rail programs, with the goal of increasing integrated passenger rail service for the traveling public.

**8F.12F.** Support the use of Federal rail funding to implement new passenger rail service on the Coast Route.

**9F.** ~~Support an adequate level of funding for Amtrak and support a fair share allocation to California for capital improvements and vehicle acquisition.~~

**10F.13F.** Support member agencies' requests for federal funding of regionally significant transportation projects and support partner agency legislative efforts as they interface with regional transportation priorities when they are consistent with Transportation Agency for Monterey County priorities.



# PROJECT UPDATE – MONTEREY COUNTY

PREPARED FOR THE OCTOBER 25, 2023, TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY AGENCY MEETING

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS									
	Project	Location & Post Mile (PM)	Description	Estimated Construction Timeline	Construction Cost	Funding Source	Project Manager	Contractor	Comments
1.	<b>Highway 1 Garrapata Creek Bridge Rehab</b> <b>(1H460)</b>	At Garrapata Creek Bridge  (PM 63.0)	Electrochemical Chloride Extraction (ECE) of bridge structure	July 2021 – March 2024	\$6.49 million	SHOPP	Carla Yu	Future Contractors and Engineers, Irvine, CA	Construction underway.
2.	<b>Highway 1 Granite Canyon Bridge ECE</b> <b>(1K7004)</b>	In Monterey County near Carmel by the Sea at Granite Canyon Bridge  (MON 64.4)	Electrochemical Chloride Extraction of Bridge Structure	Summer 2021-Winter 2022/2023	\$4.9 million	Maintenance	Kelly McClain (RJ)	American Civil Constructors	Field work has been completed and contract has been accepted.
3.	<b>SLO/Mon County line failed culverts</b> <b>(1P880)</b>	In Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties on Route 1 at various locations  (MON 2.72/SLO 71.49)	Replace failed culverts and restore the roadway	Fall 2022/ Winter 2023	\$388k	SHOPP Minor	Berkeley Lindt (MT)	S. Chaves Construction, Inc.	Construction in progress.
4.	<b>Big Sur Winter Prep Repairs</b> <b>(1Q230)</b>	In Monterey County on Route 1 from Limekiln Bridge to 0.9 miles south of Soberanes  (MON-1-21/65.7)	Repair voided crib wall revetment and replace failed culvert	Fall 2022/ Winter 2023	\$388k	SHOPP Minor	Berkeley Lindt (AP)	S. Chaves Construction, Inc.	Construction in progress.



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5.	<b>Big Sur South (1Q760)</b>	In San Luis Obispo and Monterey Counties, Near Big Sur, From Ragged Point to Limekiln Creek Bridge  SLO-1-71.8 to MON-1-20.9	Storm Damage Repairs	Winter 2023/ Spring 2024	\$18.35 Million	SHOPP	Victor Devens	S. Chaves Construction, Inc.	Construction in progress.
	<b>Big Sur Central (1Q770)</b>	In Monterey Counties, Near Big Sur, Limekiln Creek Bridge to 0.9 Mile south of Castro Canyon Bridge  MON-1-20.9 to MON-1-42.2	Storm Damage Repairs	Winter 2023/ Spring 2024	\$45.6 Million	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Papich Construction, Inc.	Construction in progress.
	<b>Big Sur North (1Q800)</b>	In Monterey County, Near Big Sur, From 0.9 Mile south of Castro Canyon Bridge to 0.3 Mile south of Carmel River Bridge  MON-1-42.2/72.0	Storm Damage Repairs	Winter 2023/ Spring 2024	\$25.4 million	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Granite rock Construction	Construction in progress.



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8.	<b>Highway 1 Flooding 1Q960</b>	In Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties from Approximately 1 mile North and South of the Pajaro River Bridge  MON,SCr-1-T100.0,R1.0	Storm Damage Repairs	Winter 2023/ Fall 2023	\$1,850,000	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Teichert Construction	Construction in progress.
	<b>Highway 1 Pfeiffer Canyon Mitigation (1K080)</b>	At Pfeiffer Canyon Bridge (PM 45.4/45.6)	Environmental mitigation (planting, erosion control) for project EA 05-1J130.	April 2023 – May 2026	\$0.2 million	SHOPP	Jackson Ho	CON	Contract Approved on 4/11/2023. 3 Year Plant Establishment.
10.	<b>Culvert Replacement/ Slope Repair 1Q900</b>	In Monterey and San Benito Counties on Route 101, At and 5.5 miles South of the 156 East and 101 separation.  MON,SBt-101-99.0,3.0	Storm Damage Repairs	Winter 2023/ Fall 2023	\$950,000	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Teichert Construction	Construction in progress.



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11.	<b>MON/SBt Storm Damage 1Q810</b>	In Monterey and San Benito Counties on various routes at various locations	Storm Damage Repairs	Winter 2023/ Spring 2024	\$2.8 million	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Brough Construction	Construction in progress.
12.	<b>US 101 North Soledad OH Deck Replacement (0F970)</b>	North Soledad Bridge (PM 62.2/62.9)	Bridge deck rehabilitation	April 2022 – November 2023	\$4.7 million	SHOPP	Jackson Ho	Granite Rock Company	Construction in progress.
13.	<b>US 101 Camp Roberts SRRRA Infrastructure Upgrade (1H020)</b>	Northbound and southbound at the Camp Roberts Rest Area (PM R2.9/R5.3)	Safety roadside rest area infrastructure upgrade	March 2021 – October 2023	\$6.2 million	SHOPP	Doug Hessing	Newton Construction	Southbound rest area opened 8/22. Northbound opened 10/2. Construction ongoing.
14.	<b>US 101 Market Street Northbound On-ramp Improvements (1H050)</b>	Near Salinas from East Market Street to South of Sherwood Drive (PM 87.4/87.8)	Roadway and Retaining Wall	September 2022 – October 2024	\$6.0 million	SHOPP	Jackson Ho	Granite Construction Company	Construction in Progress.



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15.	<b>US 101 Prunedale Rehab</b> <b>(1H690)</b>	Near Prunedale North of Boronda Road overcrossing to Monterey/San Benito County Line  (PM R91.3/98.8 & 100.3/101.3)	Pavement rehabilitation	Mar 2023- November 2024	\$36.2 million	SB 1 SHOPP	Doug Hessing	Desilva Gates Construction	Construction in progress.
	<b>US 101 Salinas Clean CA</b> <b>(1P534)</b>	At US 101 and Market, Alisal, and Sandborn  (PM 86.12/87.33)	Beautify three blighted undercrossing structures, and the adjacent infrastructure and roadside landscape.	February 2023 – Nov. 2023	\$1.8 million	Clean California	Nic Heisdorf	Gordon N. Ball, INC	Construction substantially complete. Working on punch list items.
17.	<b>King City Clean California Project</b> <b>(1Q100)</b>	On Route 101 in Monterey County at the First St, Canal St, and Broadway St  (PM 40.1/41.1)	Install beautification, transportation art, and safety measure enhancement project in Caltrans Right of Way	February 2023 – December 2024	\$0.75 million	Clean California	Mike Lew	Wabo Landscape & Construction, Inc.	Project is currently in Plant Establishment period.



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18.	<b>Highway 156 Castroville Overhead (0A090)</b>	On SR 156 between the SR 183/156 separation and Castroville Boulevard  (PM R1.1/R2.1)	Replace Bridge Railing	January 2022 – March 2024	\$7.0 million	SHOPP	Jackson Ho	Granite Rock Company	Construction in progress.
19.	<b>SR218 Seaside ADA (1H230)</b>	From Del Monte Road to Fremont Boulevard  (PM R0.2/L0.9)	ADA compliant pedestrian access	July 2023 – February 2024	\$1.7 million	SHOPP	Jackson Ho	FBD Vanguard Construction Company	Utility relocation in progress and Construction in progress.
20.	<b>MON-1,68 Storm Damage (1R130)</b>	In Monterey on various routes at various locations	Storm Damage Repairs (slides, slip-outs, sinkhole)	Spring 2023/ Fall 2023	\$700,000	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Granite Rock	Construction in progress.
21.	<b>MON-198 Pavement Settlement (1R150)</b>	In Monterey County on SR 198 7 miles east of SR 25	Extreme Pavement Settlement - Storm Damage	Spring 2023/ Spring 2024	\$3.0 million	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Brough Construction	Geotechnical Investigations ongoing, Construction in progress.
22.	<b>Gonzales to Salinas Flood mitigation (1Q730)</b>	On Highway 101 in Monterey County near Salinas	Drainage cleaning and preparation	Spring 2023/ Fall 2023	\$388,000	SHOPP Minor	Victor Devens	Top Tier Grading	Construction in progress





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1.	<b>Highway 1 Mud Creek Permanent Restoration</b> <b>(1K020)</b>	In Monterey County 0.8 miles north of Alder Creek Bridge to 1.2 miles north of Alder Creek Bridge  (PM 8.7/9.1)	Coastal Development Permit Requirements	April 2025 – October 2025	\$2.1 million	SHOPP MAJOR	Luis Duazo	PS&E/RW	Right of Way Acquisition is Ongoing
2.	<b>Highway 1 Big Creek Tieback Wall</b> <b>(1K010)</b>	Near Lucia south of Big Creek Bridge  (PM 27.5/27.7)	Construct tieback wall, restore roadway and facilities, place Water Pollution Control BMPs, and erosion control	February 2025 – December 2026	\$7.3 million	SHOPP	Meg Henry	PA&ED	Project is in the PS&E phase and working on the design. CDP application has been submitted to Coastal.
3.	<b>Highway 1 Castro Canyon Bridge Rail Upgrade</b> <b>(1H490)</b>	At Castro Canyon Bridge  (PM 43.1)	Replace bridge rail	August 2024 - April 2028	\$2.5 million	SHOPP	Meg Henry	PS&E/RW	Project is now in the Design phase. Project is delayed due to AT&T. CDP was approved for project. RTL date is unknown at this time.



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4.	<b>Highway 1 Coastlands II Wall Permanent Restoration (1P210)</b>	Near Big Sur at 1.1 Miles south of Pfeiffer Canyon Bridge  (PM - 44.34/44.34)	Construct soldier pile wall or mechanically stabilized embankment wall.	January 2026-October 2026	\$3.2 million	SHOPP	Carla Yu	PA&ED	Environmental studies are underway.



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5.	<b>Highway 1 Garrapata Creek Bridge Rail Replacement (1H800)</b>	At Garrapata Creek Bridge (PM 62.97)	Bridge rail rehabilitation	April 2024 – April 2025	\$3.6 million	SHOPP	Carla Yu	PS&E	Project is in Design phase. 6th ADAC community recommended to use CA Type 86H rail when given that option and Texas rail type C412. CDP application submitted in March 2022. Monterey County Historic Records Review Board recommended project for approval to Monterey County Planning Commission (MCPC) at 1/5/23 meeting. MCPC denied CDP on 2/22/2023 and denied appeal on 3/8/23. Additional ADAC meeting held 10/2/23 to discuss 5 modified design options. CDP denial will be appealed at the Dec5 - 6, 2023 Board of Supervisors meeting.
6.	<b>Highway 68 Route 68 Drainage Improvements (1J880)</b>	From west of Sunset Dr to Toro Park (PM 0.2/15.7)	Drainage improvement, replace lighting, and install count stations	December 2024 – January 2026	\$8 million	SHOPP	Mark Leichtfuss	PS&E	Project is currently in Design phase, estimated Ready to List date is June 2024.



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7.	<b>Route 68 Corridor Improvements (1J790)</b>	On State Route 68 from Josselyn Canyon Road to San Benancio Road.  (PM 4.87-13.7)	Operational Improvements	February 2028 – November 2029	\$105 million	STIP & AUTHORIZED	Carla Yu	PAE&ED	Project is currently in Environmental studies phase, and analysis on the two alternatives is ongoing. Draft Environmental Document to be released in Fall 2023.
8.	<b>US 101 Mon 101 Drainage (1J890)</b>	In and near King City, Greenfield, Soledad, Gonzales, and Salinas, from Paris Valley Road Overcrossing to Dunbarton Road  (PM R28.23/100)	Rehabilitate drainage systems, replace overhead signs and structures, and update Transportation Management System (TMS) elements	July 2025 – July 2026	\$19.4 million	SHOPP MAJOR	Mark Leichtfuss	PS&E	PS&E phase in progress.



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9.	<b>US101 King City CAPM (1K440)</b>	Near King City from Jolon Road undercrossing to Lagomarsino Ave (PM R41.9/R49.0)	Pavement Preservation, TMS Elements, Lighting and Drainage	January 2025 - August 2025	\$ 27 million	SHOPP	Mark Leichtfuss	PS&E	Team working towards 60% PS&E.
10.	<b>US 101 Spence Rd Acceleration Lane (1M760)</b>	South of Salinas at Spence Rd (PM 81.03)	Extend NB acceleration lane	July 2023 – March 2024	\$1 million	MINOR	Meg Henry	PS&E/RW	Project has been awarded to Granite Construction Company.



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11.	<b>US 101 Prunedale Drainage (1H691)</b>	At and near Prunedale between 0.4 mile north of Crazy Horse Canyon Overcrossing and 1.1 mile south of San Juan Road Overcrossing (PM 98.8./100.3)	Drainage System Rehab	Jan 2025 - December 2026	\$ 6.2 million	SHOPP MAJOR	Mark Leichtfuss	PS&E/R W	In PS&E Phase working towards 60% PS&E.
12.	<b>Highway 156 Castroville Boulevard Interchange (31601)</b>	Castroville Boulevard and Highway 156 (PM R1.6/1.4)	Construct a new interchange	December 2023 – August 2025	\$43 million	STIP Measure X Federal Demo	Chad Stoehr	PS&E/R W	Final R/W activities are ongoing.
13.	<b>Highway 183 Salinas to Castroville CAPM (1K430)</b>	South of Old Cemetery Rd near Salinas south of Del Monte Ave at Castroville (PM 2.1/8.3)	Roadway rehabilitation, TMS elements, lighting, and sign panel replacement	April 2024 - January 2025	\$6.9 million	SHOPP	Mark Leichtfuss	PS&E/R W	Team working towards 100% PS&E.



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14.	<b>Highway 183 Castroville Improvement Project</b>  (1H650)	Community of Castroville from Del Monte Ave. to Washington St  (PM R8.3/9.98)	Asset Management Pilot Project	July 2024 – April 2027	\$21.3 million	SHOPP	Jackson Ho	PS&E/RW	100% PSE to OE on 4/3/2023. ROW Certification delayed. New Target of 11/15/23.
15.	<b>Highway 183 Castroville Arch</b>  (1P540)	On Route 183 at Preston St  (PM 9.46/9.46)	Restore a community landmark and enhance sidewalk paving	October 2023 – December 2023	\$0.5 million	Clean California	Jackson Ho	PS&E/RW	Working on maintenance agreement. Reviewing encroachment permit application.
16.	<b>SR218 FORTAG Bike Trail</b>  (1M570)	Located in the City of Seaside  (PM 0.1/1.5)	Construct Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail. The project provides a safe alternative to Hwy 218 from Del Rey Woods Elementary in City Del Rey Oaks to Laguna Grande Regional Park	TBD	\$1.2 million	100% LOCAL FUNDED	Doug Hessing	PS&E/RW	100% Design completed. CTC approved Construction funding. TAMC is administering construction and is seeking a resident engineer.



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## ACRONYMS USED IN THIS REPORT:

<b>ADA</b>	Americans With Disabilities Act
<b>CTC</b>	California Transportation Commission
<b>EIR</b>	Environmental Impact Report
<b>PA&amp;ED</b>	Project Approval and Environmental Document
<b>PID</b>	Project Initiation Document
<b>PS&amp;E</b>	Plans, Specifications, and Estimates
<b>SB</b>	Senate Bill, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017
<b>SCL</b>	Santa Clara County Line
<b>SHOPP</b>	Statewide Highway Operation and Protection Program
<b>SR</b>	State Route
<b>RTL</b>	Ready To List
<b>R/W or ROW</b>	Right of Way
<b>TMS</b>	Traffic Management System