



Regional Transportation Planning Agency - Local Transportation Commission

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BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPC)

Wednesday, March 6, 2019 6:00 PM

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)

Sand City Council Chambers: 1 Sylvan Park, Sand City

AGENDA

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1. ROLL CALL

Call to order and self-introductions. Committee bylaws specify that a quorum shall consist of a majority (7) of the number of voting memberships actually filled at that time (13); the existence of any vacancies shall not be counted for purposes of establishing a quorum. If you are unable to attend, please contact the Transportation Agency. Your courtesy to the other Committee members to assure a quorum is appreciated.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any member of the public may address the Committee on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Committee. Each member of the public is allotted with three minutes to address any concerns. Comments on items on today's agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed.

3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA

Any member of the public may address the Committee on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of Transportation Agency and Executive Committee. Comments on items on today's agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed.

3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. Bicycle Secure Program Grant Applications

- 1. REVIEW grant applications;
- 2. RECOMMEND funding of all or some of the applications; and
- **3. RECOMMEND** the TAMC Board authorize the Executive Director to allocate funds for employers and schools participating in the Go831 and Measure X Safe Routes to School programs.

- Green

The Agency released a call for 2019 Bicycle Secure Program applications on December 5, 2018. The original application deadline was February 7, 2019 but was extended to February 28, 2019. At the time this report was written, the Agency had received applications from the City of Monterey and Salinas Regional Sports Authority for a combination of bike and skateboard racks.

- **5.** Measure X Safe Routes to School Update:
 - 1. **RECEIVE** update on the Measure X Safe Routes to School Program; and
 - 2. **PROVIDE** feedback to TAMC staff about opportunities for program improvement

- Green

The Safe Routes to School Program is a Measure X-funded initiative. The Program sets a vision and identifies goals, objectives and types of projects and activities that can be funded. This report reviews the activities accomplished in fiscal year 2018/2019 and upcoming plans for fiscal year 2019/20.

- 6. ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS
- 7. ADJOURN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Committee meeting:
Wednesday, April 3, 2019
TAMC Conference Room
55b Plaza Circle, Salinas, California, 93901

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CORRESPONDENCE, MEDIA CLIPPINGS, & REPORTS

Correspondence - No items this month.

Media Clipping - No items this month.

Reports - No items this month.



TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee

From: Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant

Meeting Date: March 6, 2019

Subject: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee minutes

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of January 9, 2019 and February 6, 2019.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Draft BPC January 2019 minutes
- Draft BPC February 2019 minutes

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)

Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee Draft Minutes of January 9, 2019

Held at the Transportation Agency for Monterey County

at TAMC office 55-B Plaza Cir., Salinas CA 93901

at TAMC office	APR	MAY	JUN	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	JAN
Voting Members	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	19
Eric Petersen, District 1, Past Chair	P	P	P	P	C	C	P	P
Jack Smith— District 2	-	-	-	P	A	A	P	P
Mike Novo – District 3	-	-	-	-	N	N	P	P
Jeff Wriedt, District 4	P	Е	P	P	C	C	Е	P
(Frank Henderson)								
Martin Wegenstein, District 5	P	TC	Е	Е	E	E	P	P
(Jeff Lindenthal)								
D. L. Johnson, Carmel-By-The Sea	E	P	E	P	L	L	P	P
Del Rey Oaks - vacant	-	-	-	-	L	L	-	-
Gonzales - Vacant	-	-	-	-	E	E	-	-
Ernest Gallardo, Greenfield	P	-	P	P	D	D	P	Е
Michael LeBarre, King City	P	P	P	P			P	P
Vacant, Marina	-	-	-	-			-	-
Monterey - Vacant,	-	-	-	-			-	-
Linda Petersen, Pacific Grove	P	TC	P(A)	P(A)			Е	P(A)
(Jung Hwa Kim) Chris Flescher, Salinas, Vice Chair	P	P	P	P			P	P
(Mark Lasnik)	Г	r	r	r			r	r
Sand City - Vacant	_	_	_	_			_	_
Jan Valencia, Seaside	P(A)	P(A)	P	P			P	P
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Soledad - Vacant	-	_	-	_			-	-
Vacant, MBUAPCD	-	-	-	-			-	-
Lisa Rheinheimer, Monterey Salinas Transit -	P	P	P	Е			P	P
Chair	-	1	1				1	
Vera Noghera, Velo Club of Monterey	P	P	P(A)	P			P	P
(Alex Capelli)		TEG.						-
Mary Israel, FORA	P	TC	P	Е			P	Е
(<i>Jonathan Brinkmann</i>) N. County Recreation & Park District - Vacant								
James Serrano, Salinas Public Works	_	-	P	_			P	P
Raul Martinez – County Public Works	- E	- Р	P	- Р			P	P
Caltrans - District 5	<u> </u>		-	_			-	_
Vacant, AMBAG	_	_	_	_			_	_
Vacant, Pebble Beach Company	-	-	-	-			-	-
Vacant - CSUMB (Matthew McCluney)								-

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TRANSPORTATION AGENCY STAFF	APR 18	MAY 18	JUN 18	AUG 18	SEP 18	OCT 18	NOV 18	JAN 19
Debbie Hale, Executive Director	Е	Е	Е	Е			Е	Е
Todd Muck, Deputy Executive Director	Е	Е	Е	Е			Е	Е
Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner	P	P	P	P			P	P
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P			P	P
Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner			P	Р			P	P
Laurie Williamson, Engineer							P	P

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ralph Wege Seaside Alternate Abby Lindsay Public
Lucy Martinez Public Dave Caneer Public
Sean Marshall Lime Bikes Matthew McCluney CSUMB

1. Chair Lisa Rheinheimer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established, and self-introductions were made.

2. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u>

Chair Lisa Rheinheimer noted that Mari Lynch provided TAMC with her comments to provide to the committee. She distributed a one-page document with her comments. Committee members accepted the comments. Dave Caneer, Public, requested a correction to the November 7, 2018 minutes where Chair Rheinheimer requested TAMC staff to schedule a presentation from Caltrans on their rumble strip program at a future meeting.

3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C Johnson/ Novo/unanimous

3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of November 7, 2018 with a few minor corrections made by Mary Israel, FORA.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. <u>CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY MONTEREY BAY ELECTRIC SCOOTER PROGRAM</u>

The Committee received a presentation on the California State University Monterey Bay's electric scooter program from a representative of Lime scooters.

Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner introduced Sean Marshall, Lime Bikes representative and Mathew McCluney, California State University, Monterey Bay (CSUMB) representative. Mr. McCluney reported that CSUMB has partnered with the San Francisco based smart mobility company, Lime, to bring dockless electric scooters to campus. He noted that ridership was very successful, and students found it exciting to get on a scooter, since the September 2018 start date.

Sean Marshall, Lime representative presented on the dockless bike and/ or scooter share is a type of shared mobility that makes bicycles, electric bicycles, and/or electric scooters available for rent on a short-term basis within a defined service area. CSUMB campus began an electric scooter share program with Lime and held a pop-up demonstration at CSUMB in September 2018 to introduce the electric scooters and give test rides. All of Lime's scooters are GPS and 3Genabled, making it simple for riders to find, unlock and pick up a nearby vehicle using their smartphone. When the ride is finished, riders simply end the ride with the Lime mobile app and responsibly park by the street curb, or at a bike rack. All safety and proper riding information can also be found in the app. Lime offers the most advanced technology to prevent negative connotations of scooter "clutter." Lime uses geofencing to establish no parking zones, preferred parking zones, and location-based speed reduction zones. Mr. Marshall reported that to-date about 100,000 rides have been taken though the CSUMB dockless scooter share program. In conclusion Mr. Marshall reported that the scooters have proven popular with riders, attracting investment capital allowing companies to expand to additional cities. Some commentators have pointed out the shared scooters' potential to provide convenient, affordable travel for short trips, especially "first and last mile" connection trips for transit users.

Committee member Eric Peterson, District 1 asked whether helmets are required for scooter users. Per state law, helmets are not required for individuals age 18 and over when riding a bike or scooter.

Committee member D.L. Johnson noted that the City of Carmel is looking into a simple use of electric bike and scooters since they are very popular but is concerned about how the scooter's small wheels will perform in Carmel's uneven roads.

Chair Lisa Rheinheimer asked Public Works representatives if they foresee any challenges related to infrastructure.

Committee member Raul Martinez, Monterey County Public Works noted that the County has a lot of rural communities that have no sidewalks or roadways and the electric bike or scooters won't work at this time.

Committee James Serrano, City of Salinas noted that the City has a lot of potential riders but it would be a matter of learning and educating the community about how to use and staying along the rights-of-way.

5. BICYCLE SECURE PROGRAM CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The Committee received the call for applications for the 2019 Bicycle Secure Program.

Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner reported that the Bicycle Secure Program provides the infrastructure needed to support increased use of bicycles, skateboards and scooters. She noted that applications for the 2019 program cycle are due February 7, 2019. Studies have shown that one of the primary reasons that individuals do not travel via bicycle is the lack of a secure place to store their vehicle. The Bicycle Secure Program addresses this need by funding bicycle racks and bicycle shelters. Over time, the program has been expanded to include other facilities to support active transportation such as bicycle repair stations and skateboard racks. By providing secure bicycle parking businesses can attract more bicycle-riding patrons, employers can support the growing number of people who choose to bicycle to work, and schools can support students who bike to school – all of which support local economic, health and environmental goals. In conclusion, Ms. Green noted that for the 2019 grant cycle, the proposed schedule for an initial application period is from December 8, 2018 – February 7, 2019. She noted that TAMC staff will review all application materials and submit recommendations at the March 6, 2019 meeting.

Committee member D.L. Johnson asked where the flyers are distributed. Ariana Green noted that TAMC would send them to the Cities in Monterey County, Chambers, and libraries.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS

Committee member D.L Johnson expressed concerns near the Carmel High School and noted that it took one hour to get out of the parking lot due to the traffic light/signal.

Mathew McCluney announced that CSUMB will be having a Lime scooter rodeo at the campus at the end of the month. He also noted that they are hiring a TDM position.

Committee member James Serrano announced that the City of Salinas will have an open house Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at the Salinas City Hall West Wing Conference Room located at 200 Lincoln Avenue, Salinas, CA, 93901 to discuss future safety improvements along West Alisal Street.

7. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Chair Rheinheimer adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)

Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee Draft Minutes of February 6, 2019

Held at the Transportation Agency for Monterey County

at TAMC office 55-B Plaza Cir., Salinas CA 93901

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Eric Petersen, District 1, Past Chair	P	P	P	C	C	P	P	P
Jack Smith – District 2	-	-	P	A	A	P	P	P(A)
(David Tavarez)								
Mike Novo – District 3	-	-	-	N	N	P	P	P
Jeff Wriedt, District 4	Е	P	P	C	C	Е	P	P(A)
(Frank Henderson)								
Martin Wegenstein, District 5	TC	Е	Е	E	E	P	P	P
(Jeff Lindenthal)								
D. L. Johnson, Carmel-By-The Sea	P	Е	P	L	L	P	P	P
Del Rey Oaks - vacant	-	-	-	L	L	-	-	-
Gonzales - Vacant	-	-	-	E	E	-	-	-
Ernest Gallardo, Greenfield	-	P	P	D	D	P	Е	P
Michael LeBarre, King City	P	P	P			P	P	Е
Vacant, Marina	-	-	-			-	-	-
Monterey - Vacant,	-	-	-			-	-	-
Linda Petersen, Pacific Grove	TC	P(A)	P(A)			Е	P(A)	P(A)
(Jung Hwa Kim)								
Chris Flescher, Salinas, Vice Chair	P	P	P			P	P	P
(Mark Lasnik)								
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Jan Valencia, Seaside	P(A)	P	P			P	P	P
(Ralph Wege)								
Soledad - Vacant	-	-	-			-	-	-
Vacant, MBUAPCD	-	-	-			-	-	-
Lisa Rheinheimer, Monterey Salinas Transit - Chair	P	P	Е			P	P	P
Vera Noghera, Velo Club of Monterey	P	P(A)	P			P	P	P
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Mary Israel, FORA	TC	P	Е			P	Е	P
(Jonathan Brinkmann)		_				_		_
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James Serrano, Salinas Public Works	_	P	-			P	P	-
Raul Martinez – County Public Works	P	P	P			P	P	P
Caltrans - District 5	-	-	-			-	-	-
Vacant, AMBAG	-	-	-			-	-	-
Vacant, Pebble Beach Company	-	-	-			-	-	-
Vacant - CSUMB							-	P(A)
(Matthew McCluney)								

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Todd Muck, Deputy Executive Director	Е	Е	Е			Е	Е	P
Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner	P	P	P			P	P	-
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P			P	P	P
Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner		P	P			P	P	P
Laurie Williamson, Engineer						P	P	-

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ralph Wege Seaside Alternate Andrew Sterling City of Salinas Matt Mogersen City of Marina Sean Marshall Lime Bikes

David Craft Salinas Resident

1. Chair Lisa Rheinheimer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established, and self-introductions were made.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Committee member Chris Flescher announced that the 2019 San Francisco Sunday Streets calendar has been released.

3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C Novo/ Valencia /unanimous

3.1 Committee motioned to bring back for approval at the next meeting due to minor corrections to the Draft minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of January 9, 2019.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. <u>DOCKLESS BIKE/ SCOOTER SHARED MOBILITY PROGRAM – RECOMMENDED</u> POLICIES AND SAMPLE ORDINANCE

The Committee received a presentation on the Dockless Bike/Scooter Shared Mobility Program Recommended Policies and Sample Ordinance; and provided input on the draft documents.

Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner reported that dockless, shared, electric kick-scooters started popping up on U.S. city streets without warning in 2017. These battery-powered devices are motorized versions of kick-scooters. She noted that the "shared" versions of these devices are owned by for-profit companies offering the scooters for short-term rental, and dockless refers to company policy that riders may leave the device at any destination rather that requiring that the scooters be physically returned to a fixed set of docking stations. She noted that across the country, many of these companies launched without contracts, permits, or business licenses. In response, cities have developed new permitting and licensing structures to manage them and to ensure that public safety and welfare remain at the forefront of new mobility advances. In conclusion Ms. Castillo noted that bike and scooter sharing have the potential to play an important role in bridging some of the gaps in existing transportation networks, as well as encouraging individuals to use multiple transportation modes.

The Committee had the following comments and suggestions on the Dockless Bike/ Scooter Shared Mobility Program and Sample Ordinance:

- Consider replacing cities to communities
- Consider having a contact customer service number on the Dockless Bike/ Scooter
- Consider researching the furniture zone
- Consider a few vendor selection
- Encourage helmet usage
- Consider replacing handicapped with persons with disabilities
- Consider educating communities on how to safely ride Dockless Bikes/Scooters

5. <u>CANYON DEL REY (SR 218) CORRIDOR STUDY</u>

The Committee received a presentation on the Canyon Del Rey (SR 218) Corridor Study proposed short-term and long-term improvements.

Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner reported that the Canyon Del Rey (SR 218) Corridor Study is evaluating how to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety, stormwater management, and environmental and wildlife preservation along this 2.85-mile regionally-significant corridor that connects SR 1 to SR 68 through the cities of Seaside, Del Rey Oaks, and Monterey. She noted that the goal is a set of short-term and long-term complete streets improvements that will improve safety for all modes of transportation and people of all ages and abilities, improve access to transit service, and facilitate stormwater management and wildlife preservation. She went over the map concepts. She noted that concepts include a mix of traffic safety improvements for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians in the communities of Seaside and Del Rey Oaks. In conclusion Ms. Castillo noted that these improvements were developed through a combination of technical studies and public outreach. The first phase of public outreach took place between April and June of 2018 and included two public workshops and an online survey. The project team also completed the existing conditions report and travel demand modeling in the summer of 2018. After reviewing existing and future conditions as well as the information gathered from the public workshops, online survey, and website, the project team developed the set of short-term and longterm improvements for the corridor that she went over at the meeting.

Committee members had the following comments and recommendations for the Canyon Del Rey (SR 218) Corridor Study:

- Consider replacing some of the Class I dangerous paths to a safer Class II
- Consider Bus Rapid Transit connections
- Consider looking at the Caltrans Highway Design Manual, Chapter 1000
- Consider the pavement grade issue
- Consider looking over the study area that overlaps with the FORTAG project and dropping components not necessary

6. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS</u>

Committee member D.L. Johnson expressed that San Carlos and Ocean street in Carmel is a nightmare at any time during the day and noted that it is a tourist area.

7. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Chair Rheinheimer adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.



TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee

From: Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner

Meeting Date: March 6, 2019

Subject: Bicycle Secure Program Grant Applications

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Bicycle Secure Program Grant Applications

- 1. REVIEW grant applications;
- 2. RECOMMEND funding of all or some of the applications; and
- **3. RECOMMEND** the TAMC Board authorize the Executive Director to allocate funds for employers and schools participating in the Go831 and Measure X Safe Routes to School programs.

SUMMARY:

The Agency released a call for 2019 Bicycle Secure Program applications on December 5, 2018. The original application deadline was February 7, 2019 but was extended to February 28, 2019. At the time this report was written, the Agency had received applications from the City of Monterey and Salinas Regional Sports Authority for a combination of bike and skateboard racks.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Transportation Agency's FY 18/19 Budget has \$30,000 in Regional Surface Transportation Program funds designated for the Bicycle Secure Program. This year's applications are estimated to cost approximately \$5,510, leaving a program surplus of approximately \$24,490.

DISCUSSION:

On December 5, 2018, the Agency released the call for 2019 Bicycle Secure Program applications. The applications were due on February 7, 2019 but the deadline was extended to February 28, 2019. At the time of the creation of this report, the Agency received applications from the City of Monterey and the Salinas Regional Sports Authority.

The Agency received applications from the City of Monterey for two single circular racks that would provide 4 bicycle parking spaces. One rack would be located at 355 Calle Principal and one rack would be located at 131 Webster Street. The racks would be used for short-term day use and serve bicyclists in Oldtown Monterey. The Salinas Regional Sports Complex applied for 24 Single Inverted-U bike racks providing 48 bike parking spaces and one verticle wall-mounted skateboard racks with 8 spaces. The racks would provide secure skateboard and bicycle parking for youth and families at the regional soccer complex located at Constitution Blvd and Laurel Ave in Salinas.

Both the 2019 applicants have demonstrated a need for parking facilities as well as the potential for usage. As such, each applicant has demonstrated that they meet the goals and criteria of the program. Due to the low number of applications and resulting budget reserve, staff recommends that reserve funding be made available to purchase additional equipment for employers participating in the Go831 program and schools participating in Measure X Safe Routes to School programs throughout the the year. Providing secure parking facilities will help support both safe routes to school and smart commute programs, and having a funding reserve will allow the Agency to provide additional equipment for requests made during the year.

Once the applications have been approved by the Board of Directors, staff will purchase the equipment and oversee the installation process. All the racks are to be installed within one month of receipt by the applicant, unless other arrangements have been made with Agency staff.



TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee

From: Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner

Meeting Date: March 6, 2019

Subject: Measure X Safe Routes to School Update

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Measure X Safe Routes to School Update:

- 1. RECEIVE update on the Measure X Safe Routes to School Program; and
- 2. PROVIDE feedback to TAMC staff about opportunities for program improvement

SUMMARY:

The Safe Routes to School Program is a Measure X-funded initiative. The Program sets a vision and identifies goals, objectives and types of projects and activities that can be funded. This report reviews the activities accomplished in fiscal year 2018/2019 and upcoming plans for fiscal year 2019/20.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Measure X Safe routes to School program provides a consistent source of funding over the next 30 years: approximately \$667,000 annually, or \$20 Million over the 30-year life of Measure X. To broaden the reach of the program, Measure X money will leverage state SB 1 gas tax monies and federal dollars to plan and build safe routes to school projects and fund education and encouragement programs.

DISCUSSION:

The Measure X Safe Routes to School program funds projects and programs that improve children's health by making walking and bicycling safer and easier. The program will result in projects that provide the following benefits: improved safety for children walking and biking to school; better connections between schools, residential areas and vocational training programs; enhanced air quality; reduced traffic congestion around schools, and healthier transportation choices for school children and

parents.

The Program is consistent with local, State and Federal goals to provide safe access to and from school and applies the 6 E's to ensure programs and projects funded are comprehensive and inclusive. The 6 E's are:

- Evaluation (& Planning)
- Engineering
- Education
- Encouragement
- Enforcement
- Equity

2018 Measure X Safe Routes to School Program Activities

2018 was a productive year for safe routes to school work in Monterey County including the adoption of the Measure X Safe Routes to School Guidelines in Spring 2018, beginning work on the Seaside & Marina Safe Routes to School Plan, implementing the Education Program, drafting mini grant program guildelines, and applying for state grant funding.

Seaside & Marina Safe Routes to School Plan

Funded through a Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant, the Seaside & Marina Safe Routes to School Plan will develop safe routes to school recommendations for 15 public K-12 schools in the cities of Seaside and Marina. The planning effort launched in late August with two community workshops (one in Seaside and one in Marina). In the Fall of 2018, the planning team comprised of TAMC, Monterey County Health Department, City of Seaside Public Works, City of Marina Public Works, and Ecology Action staff invited school staff and community members to participate in walking audits at each of the 15 schools. The walking audits allowed the team and school community to observe morning drop-off issues as well as opportunities for infrastructure improvements. The list of recommended infrastructure and non-infrastructure improvements will be brought to each school community and City committees and councils for review and input in Spring 2019.

Safe Routes to School Education Program

The Measure X Safe Routes to School Program has set a goal of providing pedestrian safety classes to all 2nd graders and bicycle safety classes to all 5th graders in Monterey County. these bicycle and pedestrian safety education programs will take place at elementary schools across the county. TAMC has contracted with Ecology Action to teach bicycle and pedestrian safety in all elementary schools in the Salinas Valley, Marina and Seaside over the next 2-5 years. In Fall of 2018, Ecology Action served 13 5th grade classes and 10 2nd grade classes at five schools with comprehensive bicycle and pedestrian safety education. 615 students were trained and 87 students learned how to ride a bicycle using Measure X funding.

Draft Mini Grant Program Guidelines

Staff drafted Mini Grant Program Guidelines in Winter 2018 with the goal of adopting the Guidelines in Spring 2019. The Mini Grant program will provide support to non-infrastructure Education, Encouragement and Enforcement activities such as Walk & Roll programs, Walk to School Day

events, volunteer crossing guard training, traffic safety training workshops, and more.

Grants

TAMC staff applied to two state grant programs in 2018 to deliver Measure X Safe Routes to School work:

Grant	Project Title	Description	Grant Measure Request X Match
Active Transportation Program (Cycle 4)	Every Child: Community Supported Safe Routes to School	Education/Encouragement/Enforcement at 10 schools in Salinas Valley, Peninsula and North Monterey County	\$2.12M \$82K
Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning	Salinas Safe Routes to School Plan	Safe Routes to School Planning for 42 K- 12 public schools in Salinas	\$995K \$129K

TAMC was awarded the Active Transportation Program Cycle 4 grant in January 2019. Monterey County Health Department is a grant partner and will help to deliver the project. Work will begin in July 2019.

Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning awards will be granted in April 2019 with work beginning in fiscal year 19/20. The Safe Routes to School Plan will be a partnership between TAMC, Monterey County Health Department, City of Salinas and Ecology Action.

Goals for Fiscal Year 2019/20

- Launch a comprehensive Measure X Safe Routes to School Website;
- Adopt Mini Grant Program guidelines and develop application forms;
- Kick-off "Every Child: Community-Supported Safe Routes to School" grant work;
- Kick-off Salinas Safe Routes to School Plan (if receive grant award);
- Continue implementing the Education Program serving Salinas Valley, Seaside, Marina and North County;
- Continue to coordinate with stakeholders through Safe Routes to School Taskforce meetings;
- Support Safe Routes to School infrastructure projects in all cities and Monterey County;
- Adopt the Seaside & Marina Safe Routes to School Plan in Spring 2020;
- Apply for Active Transportation Program Cycle 5 and/or provide support to City/County applications.