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Monterey County Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways
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Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

****6:00 PM****

MEETING LOCATION

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

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1. Quorum Check - Call to Order

Call to order and self-introductions. Committee bylaws specify that quorum shall consist of a majority (8) of the number of voting memberships actually filled at the time (15); the existence of any vacancies shall not be counted for purposes of establishing a quorum.

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

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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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.

- 3.1. **APPROVE** the draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee Minutes for January 8, 2025.

- Maria Montiel

The draft minutes of the January 8, 2025, Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting are attached for review

4. **CALL** for nominations and **ELECT** a Chair of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee, for a one-year term beginning February 5, 2025 until January 2026.

- Ariadne Sambrano

The current Chair of the BPC, Martin Wegenstein, has announced his intention to step down from his role effective February 5, 2025. As a result, the Committee will need to hold an election to select a new Chair to ensure continued leadership and guidance through the end of his term, to January 2026.

5. **RECEIVE** update on projects funded by the Regional Surface Transportation Program.

- Janneke Strause

The Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) was established by California State Statute utilizing Surface Transportation Program Funds that are identified in Section 133 of Title 23 of the United States Code. The State of California allows smaller counties to exchange their apportionment of federal RSTP funds for State Highway Account funds. The Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) distributes these funds to local agencies as part of its responsibilities as a Regional Transportation Planning Agency. RSTP funds are distributed on a three-year cycle and in 2023, eight projects received funding, five in the Competitive Grant program and three in the Quick-Build Grant program. Per RSTP Guidelines, reviewed by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory and Technical Advisory Committees and adopted by

the TAMC Board, recipients of RSTP grant must submit an annual progress report describing the use of funds.

6. **RECEIVE** an update and **PROVIDE INPUT** on the multimodal components of the Toro Park Cut-Through Traffic Pilot Project, focusing on the development of the proposed multi-use path.

- Doug Bilse

The Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) initiated the Toro Park Cut-Through Traffic Pilot Project to address safety and congestion issues caused by excessive morning traffic on State Route 68 and its impact on residential roads. A significant component of this pilot is the development of multimodal infrastructure, including a proposed multi-use path to enhance active transportation options. This path will connect Toro Park Elementary School to a nearby parking lot and Fort Ord National Monument, addressing safety and mobility for non-motorized users while reducing traffic near the school.

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS**

8. **ADJOURN**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Committee meeting will be held at
Wednesday, March 5, 2025 at 6:00 P.M.
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas, California 93901
Transportation Agency Conference Room

A quorum of voting members is required to be present to hold this meeting.

There will be a zoom link for hybrid participation by members of the public.

Voting members: please note that the circumstances in which you may remotely teleconference have been severely curtailed and require prior notice and only certain justifications. Click [here](#) for more details.

If you have any items for the next agenda, please submit them to:
Aaron Hernandez, Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee Coordinator
Aaron@tamcmonterey.org

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 inspection at the office of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, 55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas, CA. Documents distributed to the Committee at the meeting by staff will be available at the meeting; documents distributed to the Committee by members of the public shall be made available after the meeting.

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Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant
Meeting Date: February 5, 2025
Subject: **Draft BPC Minutes**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVE the draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee Minutes for January 8, 2025.

SUMMARY:

The draft minutes of the January 8, 2025, Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting are attached for review

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None.

DISCUSSION:

ATTACHMENTS:

1. BPC Draft January 8, 2025 MINUTES

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee**

Draft Minutes of January 8, 2025
Transportation Agency Conference Room
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas CA 93901

Voting Members	APR 24	MAY 24	JUN 24	AUG 24	SEP 24	OCT 24	NOV 24	JAN 25
Eric Petersen, District 1	E	P	P	C	P	P	P	P
Victor Tafoya– District 2 <i>(David Tavares)</i>	P	P	P	A	P	P	P(VC)	A
Mike Novo – District 3, Vice Chair <i>(Nathalie Gomez)</i>	P	P	P	N	P	P	P	P
Jeff Wriedt, District 4 <i>(Frank Henderson)</i>	A	E	P	C	P	P	P(EM)	P
Martin Wegenstein, District 5, Chair <i>(vacant)</i>	P	P	E	E	P	P	E	P
D. L. Johnson, Carmel-By-The Sea	P	E	P	L	P	A	P	P
Del Rey Oaks – vacant	-	-	-	L	P	-	-	-
Gonzales – vacant	-	-	-	E	-	-	-	-
Ernest Gallardo, Greenfield	A	P	P	D	P	P	P	P
King City – vacant	-	-	-		-	-	-	-
Liesbeth Visscher, Marina	P	E	E		P	P	E	E
Gino Garcia, Monterey <i>(Abby Ostovar)</i>	E	E	E		P	A	E	A
Katie Stern, Pacific Grove <i>(Lester Brown)</i>	P	P	P		P	A	P	E
Chris Flescher, Salinas <i>(vacant)</i>	P	P	P		E	P	P	P
Elizabeth (Libby) Sofer, Sand City	P	A	P		E	E	E	A
Ralph Wege, Seaside <i>(Jan Valencia)</i>	P	P	P		P	A	P	A
Soledad – Vacant	-	-	-		-	-	-	-
Marzette Henderson, Monterey Salinas Transit <i>(Michelle Overmeyer)</i>	P	E	P		P	P	P	E
Mark Chaffey, Velo Club of Monterey <i>(Alex Capelli)</i>	P	P	E		P	P	P	P
N. County Recreation & Park District - Vacant	-	-	-		-	-	-	-
Salinas Public Works - Vacant	-	-	-		-	-	-	-
Monterey County Public Works – Vacant	-	-	-		-	-	-	-
Caltrans - District 5 - Vacant	-	-	-		-	-	-	-
AMBAG <i>(Will Condon)</i>	A	A	A		A	A		A
CSUMB -vacant	-	-	-		-	-	-	-

E – Excused
P(A) – Alternate
A – Absent
AB 2449 Emergency =EM/ Public Health=PH

VC – Video Conference
TC – Teleconference

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY STAFF	APR 24	MAY 24	JUN 24	AUG 24	SEP 24	OCT 24	NOV 24	JAN 25
Doug Bilse, Principal Engineer	A	A	A		A	P	A	P
Amelia Conlen, Senior Transportation Planner	P	A	A		A	A	A	A
Ariana Green, Principal Transportation Planner	A	P(VC)	A		A	A	A	A
Alissa Guther, Transportation Planner	P(VC)	P(VC)	A		A	P	A	A
Aaron Hernandez, Transportation Planner	P	P	P		A	P(VC)	A	A
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P		P	P	P	P
Ariadne Sambrano, Transportation Planner	P	P	P		P	A	P	P
Janneke Strause, Associate Transportation Planner	A	A	A		A	P	P	P(VC)
Christina Watson, Director of Planning	P	P	P		P	P	P	P(VC)
Mike Zeller, Director of Programing and Project Delivery	A	P(VC)	A		A	A	A	A

OTHERS PRESENT:			
Nathalie Gomez	District 3 Alternate	Laurie Williamson	TAMC staff
Chenin Otto	GHD Inc.	Steve Grupico	GHD Inc.
Randi Ishii	Monterey County Public Works	Brian Flores	Monterey County Parks

1. Chair Martin Wegenstein called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established, and Maria Montiel took roll call.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

3. **BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S/C Novo/ Gallardo / unanimous

Abstain: Martin Wegenstein

3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of November 6, 2024, with a minor word change “collision”.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. CARMEL VALLEY ROAD AND LAURELES GRADE ROUNDABOUT PROJECT UPDATE

The Committee received a presentation on the Carmel Valley Road and Laureles Grade Roundabout Project from the County of Monterey and provided feedback on potential safety improvements and community impacts.

Randy Ishi, County of Monterey Public Works Director, reported that the County is working on the Carmel Valley Road and Laureles Grade Roundabout project that is designed to enhance both safety and efficiency at the intersection. He noted that the current one-way stop-controlled “T” intersection will be replaced with a roundabout to reduce traffic conflicts and improve vehicle flow. While the project includes widening portions of both Laureles Grade and Carmel Valley Road, it will not add any lanes or increase the overall capacity of the intersection. Medians will be constructed along Carmel Valley Road to the northwest and southeast of the roundabout and on Laureles Grade to the northeast. These enhancements will help manage traffic more effectively and improve safety for all road users.

The Committee had the following comments and input on the Carmel Valley Road and Laureles Grade Roundabout Project:

- Limit road closures during construction
- Adding traffic calming features to encourage vehicles to slow down
- Consider “sharrows” (share the road signage)

5. E-BIKE ORDINANCE FOR COUNTY PARKS

The Committee received a presentation on proposed updates to an e-bike ordinance and provided feedback to the County of Monterey regarding trail usage, community safety, and potential impacts.

Bryan Flores, County of Monterey Parks Director, reported that the rise in e-bike usage necessitates updating regulations to address community concerns and align with state and federal guidelines. He noted that the Monterey County Parks Commission is exploring updates to the existing ordinances governing electric bicycle (e-bike) use within County Parks.

The Committee had the following comments and input on the e-bike ordinances in Monterey County:

- Consider more community outreach on the ordinance and safe trail practices
- Consider more enforcement on trails to discourage class 3 motorized bikes

6. FORT ORD REGIONAL TRAIL AND GREENWAY CALIFORNIA AVENUE SEGMENT UPDATE

The committee received an update and provided input on the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway (FORTAG) Project California Avenue segment.

Steve Grupico and Chenin Otto with GHD reported that the FORTAG California Avenue segment was awarded a State Active Transportation Program grant in June 2023 for Final Design and Construction. He noted that GHD has completed 60% of the design. The target timeframe to begin construction is fall 2025. The project includes two new ADA curb ramps at Karen Court and California Avenue and a 1.4-mile, 12-foot paved multi-use path with two-foot shoulders, and two new at-grade crossings with Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) at Imjin Parkway. He noted that a protected intersection at Imjin Parkway and California Avenue will be constructed via a separate project to provide a safe crossing for bicyclists and pedestrians using the FORTAG system.

The Committee had the following comments and input on the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway California Avenue segment:

- Consider bringing future projects for comments and input before the 60% plans are prepared
- Consider pedestrian and rectangular rapid flashing beacons
- Consider a raised road crossing
- Consider other designs for pedestrian crossings
- Consider more enforcement on roadway speed limits
- Consider removing the small stop signs from the existing bike path

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS

Committee Member Eric Petersen asked for more information on the new 2025 bicycle-related law changes.

Committee Member Ernie Gallardo noted that an electric charger in Santa Cruz started a fire and that was the second one that week.

Chair Martin Wegenstein announced that he is moving out of the area and next month will be his last meeting.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Wegenstein adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Ariadne Sambrano, Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: February 5, 2025
Subject: **Special Election for BPC Chair**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

CALL for nominations and **ELECT** a Chair of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee, for a one-year term beginning February 5, 2025 until January 2026.

SUMMARY:

The current Chair of the BPC, Martin Wegenstein, has announced his intention to step down from his role effective February 5, 2025. As a result, the Committee will need to hold an election to select a new Chair to ensure continued leadership and guidance through the end of his term, to January 2026.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None.

DISCUSSION:

The Chair plays a critical role in presiding over meetings, representing the Committee to the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, and advancing its mission to improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities. It is essential to choose a candidate who embodies strong leadership, fosters collaboration, and demonstrates a commitment to the Committee's goals.

The BPC Bylaws are online as a **web attachment**.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

[2024 BPC Bylaws](#)

Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Janneke Strause, Associate Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: February 5, 2025
Subject: **Regional Surface Transportation Program - Annual Project Update**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE update on projects funded by the Regional Surface Transportation Program.

SUMMARY:

The Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) was established by California State Statute utilizing Surface Transportation Program Funds that are identified in Section 133 of Title 23 of the United States Code. The State of California allows smaller counties to exchange their apportionment of federal RSTP funds for State Highway Account funds. The Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) distributes these funds to local agencies as part of its responsibilities as a Regional Transportation Planning Agency. RSTP funds are distributed on a three-year cycle and in 2023, eight projects received funding, five in the Competitive Grant program and three in the Quick-Build Grant program. Per RSTP Guidelines, reviewed by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory and Technical Advisory Committees and adopted by the TAMC Board, recipients of RSTP grant must submit an annual progress report describing the use of funds.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

At the March 2023 meeting, the Transportation Agency Board voted to use \$10.75 million of RSTP and Transportation Development Act (TDA) 2% funds from the Transportation Agency's FY 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 allocation for a new round of competitive grants, with \$1 million dedicated to Quick-Build Projects and the remaining \$9.75 million for Competitive Program Projects. In August 2023, the Transportation Agency Board voted to program \$10.538 million of RSTP and TDA 2% funds to the 2023 Program of Projects with \$9.975 to the competitive grant program and \$562,500 was awarded to quick-build projects. Five active projects from previous RSTP fund cycles have received funding extensions, totaling \$9.34 million. Ten jurisdictions have Unprogrammed Fair Share Funds totaling \$3.442 million.

DISCUSSION:

Per the Transportation Agency's 2023 Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Competitive Grant Guidelines, reviewed by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory and Technical Advisory Committees and adopted by the TAMC Board, recipients of RSTP grants must submit an annual progress report describing the use of funds. The following is a summary of the progress reports received in December 2024:

Competitive Grants:**Greenfield - Walnut Avenue Pedestrian and Bikeway Improvements**

This project will construct Class II bike lanes, Class III shared lanes, and pedestrian sidewalks on

Walnut Avenue from El Camino Real across US 101 to 3rd Street, including a new mid-block crosswalk connecting Mary Chapa Elementary School to the Santa Lucia shopping center. The project is currently in construction with completion by June 2025.

King City - U.S. Highway 101/Broadway Street at San Antonio Drive Roundabout Improvement Project

This project will construct a roundabout at the intersections of San Antonio Drive/San Lorenzo Park Road/Broadway Street and San Antonio Drive/US 101 Northbound Off Ramp/US 101 Northbound On Ramp. This project is currently at 90% designs and is processing an encroachment permit with Caltrans. The project is expected to begin construction in May 2025 with completion by June 2026.

Marina - Reservation Road Roundabouts

This project will construct roundabouts on Reservation Road at Beach Road and Cardoza Avenue as part of the Marina Station Subdivision. The project is currently at 90% designs and does not have a date planned for construction.

Marina - Del Monte Boulevard and Reservation Road Intersection Improvements

This project will relocate and shorten the crosswalks, reconstruct existing curb ramps to meet accessibility standards, construct curb extensions and bike transition ramps at the intersection corners, add audible accessible cyclist and pedestrian push buttons and signal heads, incorporate leading pedestrian interval (LPI) signal crossing timings, provide wayfinding signs to and from downtown Marina and the Monterey Peninsula Coastal Trail, and stripe high visibility bicycle crossings ("crossbikes") at the intersection crosswalks. The project will also add a new crosswalk on the south leg of the intersection and will optimize the signal to provide protected eastbound and westbound left turn phasing along the Reservation Road approaches. The project designs are 30% complete and construction is planned to begin in late 2025.

Monterey - Traffic System, Pedestrian and Bike Upgrades Citywide

This project is to install critical upgrades to the City's traffic signal system, including ADA improvements such as accessible Pedestrian Push Buttons and supporting the critical infrastructure components to support the installation of the Adaptive Signal System. The project is currently in construction with completion by August 2025.

MST - Countywide Bus Stop Project

This project will install new bus stops countywide at locations identified through a combination of MST's Comprehensive Operational Analysis, South County Planning Study, and extensive community engagement. Due to increases in cost, less than the originally planned 49 stops will be constructed with the grant. This project is currently in construction with completion by April 2025.

Salinas - Harden Parkway Path and Safe Routes to School Project

This project will construct a road diet on Harden Parkway with a 2-way separated and protected multiuse path, stormwater improvements, accessible sidewalks, crosswalks, and a roundabout at Harden Parkway and McKinnon Street. This project is currently in the environmental phase with expected construction to begin in FY2026-2027.

Salinas - Boronda Road Congestion Relief Project - Phase 1

This project will construct roundabouts at four signalized intersections (McKinnon St, El Dorado Dr, Natividad Rd, and Independence Blvd), enhanced pedestrian and bicyclist crossing treatments at roundabouts, ADA curb ramps at all intersections, new sidewalk along the north side of the roadway to provide connectivity to planned neighborhoods and commercial areas, buffers to the existing bike lanes, bus pullouts and enhanced amenities at Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) stops, and widening E Boronda Rd from two to four travel lanes. This project is currently in construction with completion by

January 2026.

Salinas - Downtown Salinas Complete Streets Improvements

This project reconfigured Lincoln Avenue between Market Street and Alisal Street, constructed a pedestrian scramble at the intersection of Alisal Street and Salinas Street, installed a traffic signal at the intersection of Alisal Street and Capitol Street, and modified the signal equipment at intersections along Alisal Street and Lincoln Avenue to include rapid transit enhancements. The remaining competitive funds are being used for final costs to complete the project.

Soledad - West Street Road Diet and Complete Street Project

This project will reconstruct West St and implement a road diet, reducing the number of vehicle travel lanes from four to two, install bike lane buffers, a two-way left turn lane south of North St and a median with tree plantings north of North St., a pedestrian crossing at North St (with Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon and pedestrian refuge island), and a marked crosswalk at Sundew St. This project is currently in the design phase with no date to begin construction.

Quick-Build Grants:

King City - Division Street Bike Lanes and SRTS Crosswalk Upgrades

This project will restripe Division Street with narrower travel lanes, high-visibility crosswalks, and Class II buffered bike lanes, and to install six (6) compliant curb ramps at two locations around Success Middle School and City of King Park. This project is currently in construction with completion by March 2025.

Monterey - Madison/Herrmann/Larkin Traffic Circle

This project will install a stop control traffic circle at an existing 5-leg all-way stop control intersection with paint and temporary vertical elements on intersection approaches to narrow the travel lanes. This project has completed design and will be formally bidding the project for competitive pricing on construction with construction start date to be determined.

Salinas - East Market Street Cycle Track Quick Build

This project upgraded the existing parking separated bike lanes on East Market Street to cycle tracks with a raised curb and parking buffer. During construction there were changes in length of various cycle tracks, removal of one (1) cycle track, and the installation of yellow curb markings on the nose of various cycle tracks. This project has been completed.

RSTP Fair Share Unprogrammed Funds

RSTP Fair Share is an approved TAMC policy that apportions part of the RSTP funding by formula to the cities and County of Monterey. The distribution formula of Fair Share funds is based on 50% population (as estimated by the California Department of Finance) and 50% centerline miles (as reported in the jurisdiction's pavement management program) and approved by the Board of Directors. Historically, TAMC has programmed three years' worth of Fair Share funding for a total of \$3.6 million. Implementing agencies must submit a letter requesting the programming of RSTP Fair Share funds. Linked in the web attachments is a "RSTP Fair Share Allocation Template". The list of jurisdictions with unprogrammed Fair Share funds can be found in the "2024 RSTP Annual Progress Reports - All Active Projects" document linked below.

Submitting a Claim

To submit a claim for reimbursement, please complete the "Claim Form", linked in the web attachments. The Claim Form serves as a cover sheet for the reimbursement request. Claims for reimbursement must include documentation (receipts, vendor invoices, and progress reports) to be deemed valid. Invoiced costs must comply with state and federal regulations. In addition to the Claim Form, submit a summary list of the backup documentation that amounts to the claim total.

Project Reporting Requirements

The following is required for all recipients of RSTP Competitive and Quick-Build grants:

- Annual Reporting: Recipients of RSTP funding will be required to submit an annual report to TAMC describing the use of funds.
- Project Completion Report: Recipients of RSTP competitive and Quick-Build Project funding will be required to submit a Project Completion Report, which includes before and after photos of the project, within sixty (60) days of the project being accepted as complete by the sponsor.
- Before-and-After Study: Additionally, recipients of RSTP funding will be required to submit a Before-and-After Study that assesses the impact of the project after it's built. The Before Study is required prior to construction and the After Study shall be completed twelve (12) months after construction. Further details can be found on page 5 of the "2023 RSTP Guidelines & Grant Application" linked in the web attachments.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

[2024 RSTP Annual Progress Reports - All Active Projects](#)

[2023 RSTP Guidelines & Grant Application](#)

[2023 RSTP Competitive Grant Funding Recommendations](#)

[RSTP Fair Share Allocation Template](#)

[RSTP Claim Form](#)

Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Doug Bilse, Principal Engineer
Meeting Date: February 5, 2025
Subject: **Toro Park Update: Multimodal Path**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE an update and **PROVIDE INPUT** on the multimodal components of the Toro Park Cut-Through Traffic Pilot Project, focusing on the development of the proposed multi-use path.

SUMMARY:

The Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) initiated the Toro Park Cut-Through Traffic Pilot Project to address safety and congestion issues caused by excessive morning traffic on State Route 68 and its impact on residential roads. A significant component of this pilot is the development of multimodal infrastructure, including a proposed multi-use path to enhance active transportation options. This path will connect Toro Park Elementary School to a nearby parking lot and Fort Ord National Monument, addressing safety and mobility for non-motorized users while reducing traffic near the school.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This pilot project was funded with \$150,000 of Regional Measure X funds, as approved at the May 2024 TAMC Board meeting. Remaining funds may be allocated to interim multimodal solutions or further environmental studies for long-term improvements.

DISCUSSION:

Multimodal Improvements Overview

To complement the pilot project's traffic control measures, TAMC and its partners developed plans for a multi-use path that prioritizes safety and accessibility for pedestrians and bicyclists. This proposed path, highlighted in **Attachment 1**, aims to connect the following:

1. **Toro Park Elementary School:** Enhancing safe routes for students walking or biking to school.
2. **Nearby Parking Lot:** Encouraging parents and guardians to use off-site parking and walk their children to school, alleviating congestion during peak hours.
3. **Fort Ord National Monument:** Providing a recreational and educational opportunity for community members to access regional trails.

The multimodal path will align with TAMC's Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Study, currently in development, which emphasizes sustainable transportation infrastructure and enhanced community

connectivity.

Benefits of the Proposed Multi-Use Path:

- **Safety:** The path mitigates conflict points between vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists near the school entrance by providing a dedicated, protected space.
- **Mobility:** Offers alternative transportation options, reducing reliance on personal vehicles and alleviating congestion.
- **Community Connectivity:** Encourages active transportation by linking the school with nearby community amenities and recreational areas.

Implementation Considerations:

- **Design:** The multi-use path includes features such as raised crosswalks and dedicated signage for pedestrian and cyclist safety.
- **Coordination:** Collaboration with local stakeholders, including Toro Park residents, school officials, and Monterey County staff, to finalize alignment and address community concerns.
- **Funding:** Pursue grant opportunities to secure additional funding for construction and environmental documentation.

Challenges:

- Ensuring the path's alignment avoids significant disruption to residential neighborhoods.
- Balancing the needs of commuters, local residents, and school operations while promoting active transportation.
- Addressing potential environmental concerns associated with construction near Fort Ord National Monument.

Next Steps:

- **Community Engagement:** Continue public workshops to gather input on the design and implementation of the multi-use path.
- **Environmental Documentation:** Initiate studies to assess potential environmental impacts of the proposed path.
- **Grant Applications:** Identify and apply for state and federal grants to fund the construction phase.
- **Integration with County Plans:** Coordinate with Monterey County to ensure the multimodal components align with broader traffic mitigation and mobility goals.
- **Monitoring and Evaluation:** Assess the path's impact on traffic patterns, pedestrian safety, and community usage once implemented.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Proposed Multimodal Path

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Proposed Multi-Use Path from Toro Park Elementary School to Fort Ord National Monument

