



TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

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HIGHLIGHTS

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TAMC Board Approves \$10.5 Million to Fund Eight Road and Bikeway Projects

The Transportation Agency Board of Directors approved programming \$10.5 million in Regional Surface Transportation Program and Transportation Development Act 2% funds to projects of regional significance that improve safety, maintain existing facilities, and/or support the development of a multimodal transportation network utilizing the principles of Complete Streets. Fair geographic balance and cost effectiveness are also taken into consideration when awarding grant funds.

Following the recommendation of the grants review committee, the Technical Advisory Committee, and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee, the Board of Directors approved the following projects for funding:

- City of King City: US Highway 101/Broadway Street at San Antonio Drive Roundabout Improvement Project: \$3,519,000
- City of Marina: Del Monte Boulevard and Reservation Road Intersection Improvements: \$1,717,500
- City of Salinas: Harden Parkway Path and Safe Routes to School Project: \$1,556,000
- City of Soledad: West Street Road Diet and Complete Street Project: \$2,758,000
- Monterey-Salinas Transit: Countywide Bus Stop Project: \$425,000

The Board also approved grants for the following “Quick-Build Projects”, projects that use semi-permanent materials to test a concept that quickly addresses a safety need, continuously engages the community, measures progress and performance, and provides a foundation for potential permanent infrastructure:

- City of King City: Division Street Bike Lanes and Crosswalk Upgrades: \$117,380
- City of Monterey: Madison/Herrmann/Larkin Traffic Circle: \$119,120
- City of Salinas: East Market Street Cycle Track: \$326,000

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Transportation Agency Holds Public Hearing on the Draft 2023 Public Participation Plan

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 which is updated every four years. In meeting that requirement, Heather Adamson, Director of Planning, AMBAG presented the Draft 2023 Public Participation Plan to the TAMC Board of Directors.

The 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. The Draft 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 include:

- 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

The Final 2023 Public Participation Plan will be prepared and then presented to AMBAG's Board of Directors for adoption on October 11, 2023.

<https://ambag.org/plans/public-participation-plan>