

# TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

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## *HIGHLIGHTS*

**December 4 , 2019**

### **TAMC Board Allocates Funds for Safe Streets Pilot Program**



The TAMC Board of Directors approved the allocation of \$817,000 to pilot a *Safe Streets Program*.

The funds set aside by the Board as the TAMC Reserve for Complete Street implementation will be used to demonstrate how roadway maintenance projects, such as repaving, can include low-cost features to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety.

Jurisdictions applied for funding from this incentive program to pay for bicycle and/or pedestrian safety features above and beyond what would be included in a traditional repaving project. The Transportation Agency received eight applications for the competitive program and funded the following six projects:

- **Salinas:** E Rossi St Safe Street Project
- **Seaside:** Pedestrian Intersection Improvements Project
- **King City:** Broadway Street Bulbout Project
- **Marina:** Cardoza Ave Corridor Improvement Project
- **Pacific Grove:** Forest Lodge Road / PG High School Sidewalk Improvement
- **Monterey:** Casa Verde / Helvic / Portola / McNear Intersection Improvements

Each city is required to meet with TAMC to discuss their proposed improvements prior to receiving funds in order to solidify the design for the proposed improvements.

### **Measure X Senior & Disabled Transportation Program**



The Board adopted the Measure X Senior & Disable Program Guidelines that were based upon input from the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee and the Monterey-Salinas Transit Mobility Advisory Committee. TAMC is now seeking projects for the next round of funding. The program guidelines to submit a proposal for this second round of funding is available at this link: [Program Guidelines](#). Applications are due January 16, 2020.

Measure X allocates \$15 million over 30 years to Measure X Senior & Disabled Transportation, which is approximately \$500,000 per year. In the first cycle of funding, \$1.5 million was awarded to five non-profits for fiscal years 2017/18, 2018/19, and 2019/20. This round of the 3-year grant cycle is for fiscal years 2020/21, 2021/22, and 2022/23.

## **FORTAG Draft Environmental Impact Report Public Hearing**

The TAMC Board of Directors received a presentation on the Fort Ord Regional Trail & Greenway (FORTAG) draft environmental impact report. At the conclusion of the presentation, the Board's chair opened a public hearing to receive public comments on the environmental impacts outlined in the draft report.

In addition to public testimony provided at the hearing, TAMC will be accepting comments in writing via email or letter until January 3, 2020. TAMC will also be hosting two public meetings on the draft environmental report where comments can be submitted in person. These meetings will take place on:

<b>Thursday, December 12, 2019, 2:00-4:00 P.M.</b> Oldemeyer Center, Blackhorse Room 968 Hilby Avenue Seaside, California 98955	<b>Thursday, December 12, 2019, 6:00-8:00 P.M.</b> Marina Branch Library, Meeting Room 190 Seaside Circle Marina, California 93933
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TAMC staff will also be presenting the Draft Environmental Impact Report and collecting public input at the following City Council and Agency meetings:

<b>Wednesday, December 11, 2019, 6:00 p.m.</b> Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District Board of Directors Palo Corona Regional Park, Pub Room 4860 Carmel Valley Road Carmel, California 93923	<b>Tuesday, December 17, 2019, 4:00 p.m.</b> Monterey City Hall 580 Pacific Street Monterey, California 93940
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Electronic copies of the Draft Environmental Impact Report and Appendices are available for viewing and download at the TAMC website:

<https://www.tamcmonterey.org/measure-x/programs-projects/fort-ord-regional-trail-greenway/>

Hardcopies of the Draft Environmental Impact Report are available for viewing at the following locations:

- **TAMC Offices** (55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas California 93901)
- **Marina Branch Library** (190 Seaside Circle, Marina California 93933)
- **Seaside Branch Library** (550 Harcourt Avenue, Seaside California 93955)