### TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

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### **HIGHLIGHTS**

### April 23, 2014 Meeting

## IT'S ELECTRIC: MORE E.V. CHARGING STATIONS COMING SOON

The Transportation Agency is overseeing the installation of seven new electric vehicle charging stations. With the help of a Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District grant, the Transportation Agency will work with property owners and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers to install seven electric vehicle charging stations at key locations in the Monterey Bay Area. The new charging stations will improve the local network of charging stations and help reduce greenhouse emissions by providing an alternative to gas powered vehicles. The seven proposed locations are:

- 1. Community Hospital of Monterey Peninsula (City of Monterey)
- 2. CHOMP Wellness Center (City of Marina)
- 3. Central Coast Labor Council (City of Salinas)
- 4. Mee Memorial (King City)
- 5. Watsonville Civic Center Parking Garage
- 6. Corbin Motorcycles (City of Hollister)
- 7. Scotts Valley Library

## THE FREEWAY SERVICE PATROL CONTINUES TO DELIVER

Monterey County's Freeway Service Patrol marked another successful year with the release of the 2012/13 Annual Report. Started in February 2000, the Freeway Service Patrol helps clear the freeway of disabled cars, trucks, motorcycles, and roadway debris. The Freeway Service Patrol also provides "quick fix" service for motorists free of charge, such as providing one gallon of gasoline or changing a flat tire. Last year, the Monterey County Freeway Service Patrol Program provided an average benefit of \$3.80 for every dollar invested in the program. The Transportation Agency's Freeway Service Patrol program also saved 68,947 gallons of fuel savings, decreased carbon dioxide emissions by approximately 135 tons, and saved local drivers a remarkable 40,109 hours in prevented delays.

# THE MARINA-SALINAS MULTIMODAL CORRIDOR MAKES PROGRESS

The Marina-Salinas Multimodal Corridor is getting closer to improving travel between the Salinas Valley and the Monterey Peninsula. The Transportation Agency is currently finalizing the selected route for corridor, which will run from the former Fort Ord rail station at 8<sup>th</sup> Street in

Marina to the rail station in Oldtown Salinas. The Transportation Agency is beginning the next phase of the planning process, which will identify the preferred conceptual roadway design features for the corridor. Some features being considered are improved bicycle facilities and bus stops, bus prioritization at signalized intersections, dedicated bus rapid transit (BRT) facilities, and pedestrian and equestrian enhancements. For more information about the Marina-Salinas Multimodal Corridor project, please call 831-775-0903 or visit <a href="http://tamcmonterey.org/programs/MMCorridor/index.html">http://tamcmonterey.org/programs/MMCorridor/index.html</a>.