

Public Review of Projects Funded by the San Mateo County Transportations Authority Congestion Management Program

GOAL: San Mateo County will provide the public with adequate opportunities to review and provide feedback on the design, analysis, and construction of the projects funded by the Measure A Congestion Management Program.

PROCESS: The first meeting will be the initial meeting to discuss the overall project, process, and conceptual designs. During this meeting, County staff will collect public feedback. Following this meeting, County staff will provide the public feedback to the consultants at the TA. The TA will then move forward with the Project Implementation Document (PID). The PID will refine the scope and design of the project elements (Left turn lanes, raised medians, and pedestrian crossings) as necessary to address public feedback, State Highway Standards, and other relevant requirements. After the PID is completed, the County and MCC will release that document to the public and schedule a public meeting. At this meeting, the County will gather public feedback on the document and provide that feedback to the TA consultants.

Following the release of the PID, environmental review documents will be prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and if necessary, the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA), in order to identify and address the potential environmental impacts of the projects contained in the PID. The public will have the opportunity to review and comment on the scope of these documents, as well as on the draft and final versions, both in writing, and at public meetings co-hosted by Supervisor Horsley, the MCC, and the Planning and Building Department. All environmental documents will be distributed to the community well in advance of the public meetings. Certification of the environmental documents by the County, and review of the permit applications required to construct the projects funded by the Congestion Management Program will involve public hearings that will provide an additional opportunity for public comments.

FORMAT: Meetings will be hosted by Supervisor Horsley, the MCC, and the Planning and Building Department, and shall be open to the public. They will be organized in the same way as the Highway 1 Safety and Mobility meeting hosted by the County and MCC, in a large venue with seats facing the front. The County and MCC will have some form of presentation(s) (PowerPoint, Maps, Drawings, etc.) for the

community to review and comment on. The meetings will start with the County presenting the most recent progress regarding the grant and projects. At the first meeting we will discuss what we received funding to do and at the last meeting we will discuss the final environmental documents. After the briefing by the County, the community will have an opportunity to provide input and ask questions. The meeting location would vary depending on the primary focus of the meeting. For example, if the focus of the meeting is raised medians and pedestrian crossings in Montara, we will hold the meeting in Montara. Once again, everyone is invited to the meeting regardless of where someone resides.

THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND: Due to the funding amount granted by the TA, there is a chance that not all elements of the projects applied for (all raised medians, all pedestrian crossings, and all left turn lanes) will be pursued. The need to prioritize and potentially reduce the scope of the project will be discussed during preparation of the PID. Any conversation prior to the release of the initial planning document would be premature given we are unsure as to what our budget will allow.