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Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission March 6, 2008 Meeting Highlights

Caltrans Report received: The Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) received a presentation from Caltrans staff providing an overview of projects recently completed, projects underway and projects on the planning horizon. The presentation also included detailed information about the Highway 1/17 Interchange Merge Lanes project currently under construction and the Glenwood Curves safety project on Highway 17, whose construction is expected to begin soon.

Right of Way Consultant Contract for Highway 1 HOV Lanes project approved:

The RTC adopted a resolution approving funds for support services associated with the Project Approval/Environmental Documentation phase of the Highway 1 High Occupancy Vehicle Lanes project extending between Santa Cruz and Aptos. Independent right of way services are needed to assess data and complete valuation reports by a certified right of way agent knowledgeable with state regulations.

Federal Appropriation Request for the Pajaro/Watsonville Rail Station approved:

The RTC authorized the Executive Director to request a federal appropriation in the amount of about \$2.5 million toward the construction costs of the Pajaro Valley project. The Watsonville/Pajaro Rail Station is expected to serve the planned Caltrain extension from Gilroy to Salinas and the planned Amtrak Coast Daylight rail service from San Francisco to Los Angeles. About 80% of the Caltrain riders using this station are expected to come from Santa Cruz County.

Upcoming SCCRTC and Committee Meetings (please call 831/460-3200 to confirm):

Commission Meetings

Thursday, April 3, 9:00 am
Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors Chambers
701 Ocean Street, Fifth Floor, Santa Cruz

Thursday, May 1, 9:00 am
Capitola City Council Chambers
420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola

Transportation Policy Workshop (TPW) - Commission meetings

Thursday, March 20, 9:00 am
Thursday, April 17, 9:00 am
SCCRTC Offices
1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

Budget and Administration/Personnel Committee

Thursday, April 10, 3:30 pm
CAO Conference Room
701 Ocean Street, Santa Cruz

Bicycle Committee

Monday, April 14, 2008 7:00 pm
SCCRTC Offices
1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

Elderly/Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee

Tuesday, April 15, 2008 1:30 pm
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1523 Pacific Ave, Santa Cruz

Interagency Technical Advisory Committee

Thursday, March 20, 2008 1:30 pm
Thursday, April 17, 1:30 pm
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