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Call for New Transportation Project Ideas for the Regional Transportation Plan

The Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission is currently in the process of updating the 2001 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The RTP is a planning document which is developed to provide a vision of regional transportation goals, policies, objectives and strategies. One of the key elements of the Plan identifies transportation improvements necessary to address the region's mobility and accessibility needs. The projects listed in Plan will serve as a foundation for future transportation funding programs.

To assist in the development of the updated Regional Transportation Plan, the Commission is seeking input from Santa Cruz County transportation system users on what new transportation improvements, that are not included in the current Plan, should be made in Santa Cruz County over the next 25 years. Examples include a street in need of a bike lane, a turn lane or better signal timing to improve traffic flow, a road that needs a sidewalk, new bus services, and other improvements that members of the community would like to see implemented. Individuals interested in including their ideas in the transportation planning process can fill out a project idea form on-line at www.sccrtc.org/rtp or request a form from the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission at 831/460-3200. Completed forms should be submitted to SCCRTC by December 1, 2003.

Project ideas will be forwarded to the appropriate lead agency for their consideration when developing prioritized lists for the RTP. The Commission will consider the final project list at a public hearing in early 2004.

Copies of the current RTP are available online at www.sccrtc.org/rtp and at local libraries.

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