

# OUTSIDE AGENCY REQUESTS FOR COUNTY RESOURCES

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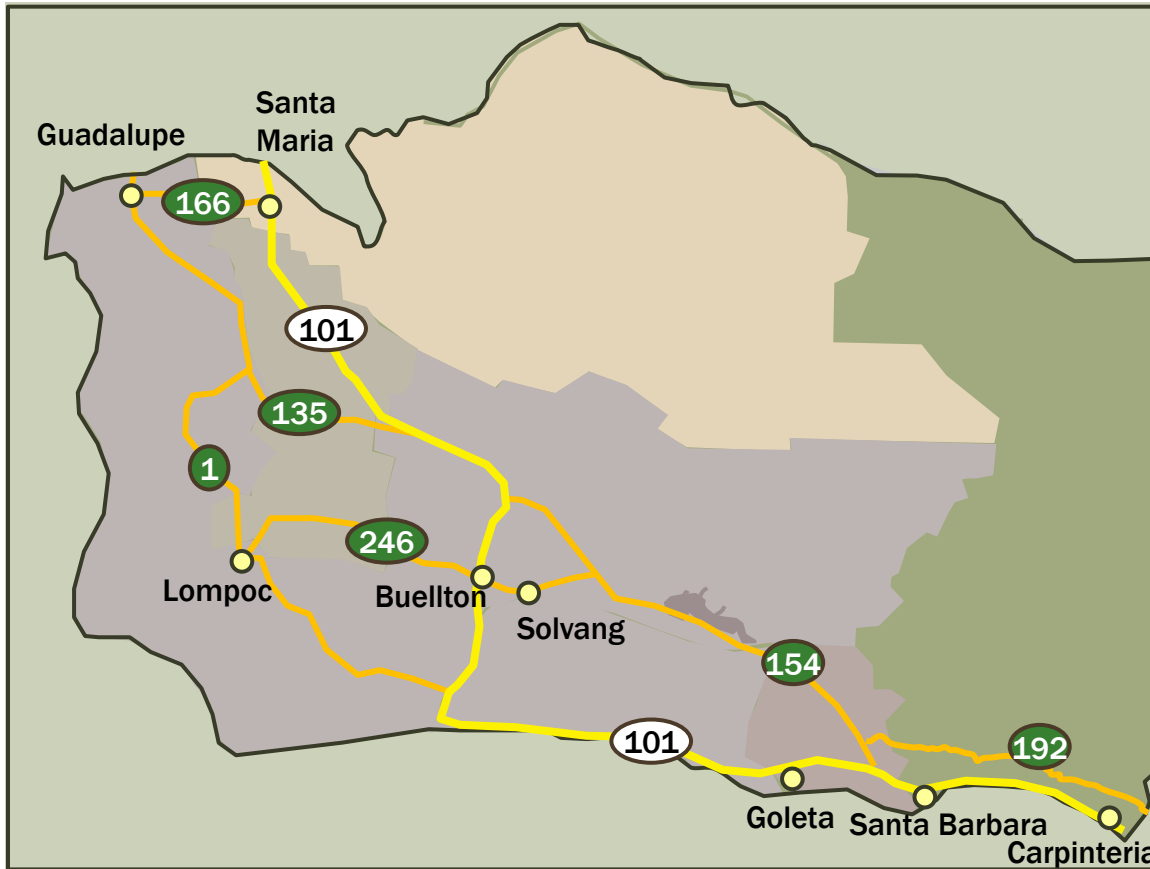
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# OUTSIDE AGENCY REQUESTS - OVERVIEW

- CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES
- TASKS THE COUNTY IS BEING ASKED TO COMPLETE
- EFFECT ON COUNTY RESOURCES
  - FUNDING
  - STAFF
  - DELIVERY SCHEDULE
- DISCUSSION

# THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM - INCLUDES



## STATE GAS TAX ALLOCATION:

- 1,660 LANE MILES MAINTAINED BY THE COUNTY
- INTENDED FOR USE ONLY ON THOSE ROADS

## ROADS

1,660 lane miles

- Arterials
- Collectors
- Residential
- Rural

## BIKE AND PEDS

sidewalk, bike paths and trails

## TREES

over 10,000 urban and rural trees

## DRAINAGES

approximately 4,000 structures

## TRAFFIC

signals, signs and other devices

# THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM - **RESOURCES**

## ROAD MAINTENANCE

### State Gas Sales (HUTA)

~25% drop in FY15/16

Future uncertain

### Measure A

Provides stable revenue

### General Fund

Maintenance of Effort funding

Budget Expansion Requests

## TRAFFIC OPERATIONS

Predominately HUTA

## ENGINEERING – CAPITAL MAINTENANCE and CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Highway Bridge Program

HUTA

Measure A

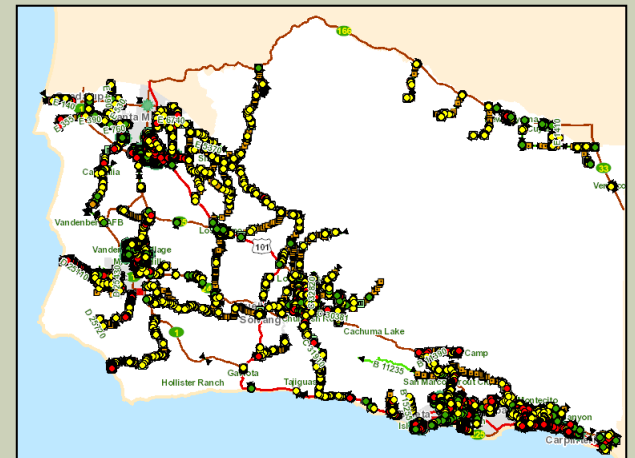
General Fund Contributions

Unallocated growth funding

Grants

~~STIP AND RSTP~~

~~Fed Earmarks~~



# THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM - RESOURCES

## ROAD MAINTENANCE

### ROADS

45 lane miles for every maintenance worker

### TREES and SIDEWALKS

One crew of six for the entire county

DRAINAGES: 105 structures for every maintenance worker

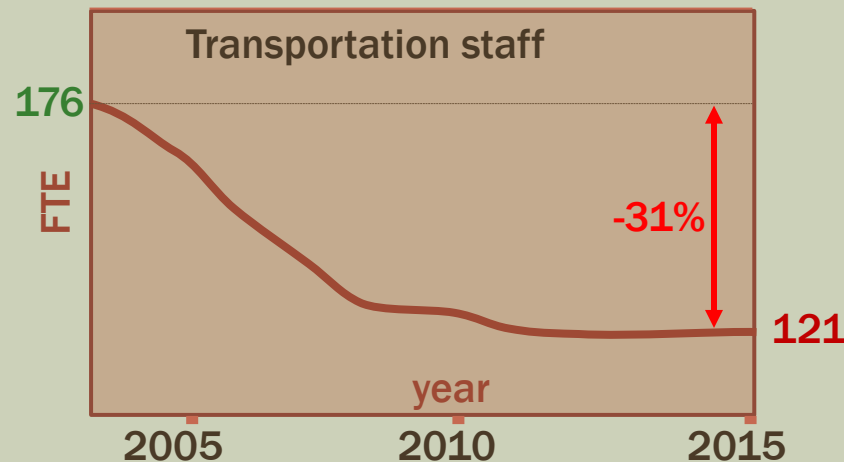
## TRAFFIC

- One Engineer for north and south county
- one crew of six for all the signs, markings, and striping
- One crew of two for all operations

## ENGINEERING

Two supervising engineers and two full time project managers for (typical):

- 3-5 Major capital maintenance projects annual
- 10+ Major capital replacement and rehab projects ongoing
- ~10 Major capital improvement projects ongoing
- Minor projects, etc.



# OUTSIDE AGENCY REQUESTS

- **AGENCIES REQUESTING COUNTY RESOURCES:**
  - SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SBCAG)
  - CALTRANS
  
- **REQUESTS OF COUNTY RESOURCES FOR:**
  - SAFETY, OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE
  - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

# OUTSIDE AGENCY REQUESTS - REASONS

## ■ SBCAG

- LACK OF STAFF/FUNDING
- FOCUS ON OTHER PROJECTS/DIFFERING PRIORITIES

## ■ CALTRANS

- STAFFING AND FUNDING CHALLENGES
- NEW MANDATES SHIFT FUNDING AND RESOURCE PRIORITIES
- STRATEGIC PLANNING TO REDUCE LIABILITIES:
  - TRANSFER ROADS TO LOCAL AGENCIES
  - FORWARDING REQUESTS FOR SERVICE OR PROJECTS TO AGENCIES
  - PLACING MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY FOR NEW PROJECTS ON LOCAL AGENCIES

# OUTSIDE AGENCY REQUESTS

## STATE EFFORTS TO REDUCE LIABILITIES:

From the State Smart Transportation Initiative (January 2014)

- “Caltrans should find ways to transfer local-serving roads to local government“
- “Caltrans and CalSTA should negotiate coverage for long-term maintenance, resurfacing, and reconstruction costs when locally controlled STIP and LTST funds are used to add capacity to state highways.”

From proposed SB254:

Relinquishment “shall not obligate the department for widening, new construction, or major reconstruction...A state of good repair requires maintenance...including litter removal, weed control, and tree and shrub trimming to the time of relinquishment.”



# OUTSIDE AGENCY REQUESTS - EXAMPLES

- **UNION VALLEY PARKWAY BARRIER WALLS**
  - REGIONAL MEASURE A NAMED PROJECT
  - SBCAG BOARD VOTED TO FUND THE PROJECT
  - COUNTY STAFF DELIVERING THE PROJECT
- **SANTA CLAUS LANE BIKE PATH**
  - REQUIRED AS PART OF THE 101HOV PROJECT
  - SHARED JURISDICTIONS: ~90-95% in CALTRANS, ~5-10% in COUNTY and CARPINTERIA RIGHT OF WAY
  - COUNTY AND CARPINTERIA PROVIDING DESIGN FUNDING AND ASKED TO PARTICIPATE IN MAINTENANCE
- **SAN YSIDRO INTERCHANGE**
  - SBCAG BOARD DIRECTED SBCAG STAFF TO PURSUE INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS WITH 101HOV PROJECT
  - COUNTY CONTRIBUTED FUNDING AND STAFF TO EXAMINE IMPACTS TO COUNTY ROADS, US101 AND RESIDENTS

# OUTSIDE AGENCY REQUESTS - EFFECTS

## REDUCTION OF RESOURCES TO COMPLETE COUNTY PROJECTS

### OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE REQUESTS

- REDUCES STAFF AND FUNDING AVAILABLE TO WORK ON COUNTY SAFETY, OPERATIONS, MAINTENANCE PRIORITIES
- POTENTIALLY ADDS TO COUNTY LIABILITY

### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REQUESTS

- DELAYS CAPITAL PROJECT SCHEDULES
  - STAFF DIVERTED FROM COUNTY PROJECTS FOR OUTSIDE AGENCY WORK
  - FUNDING AND GRANT OPPORTUNITIES DIVERTED FOR OTHER WORK
- COUNTY REQUIRED TO DESIGN AND DELIVER USING CALTRANS PROCESS

# OUTSIDE AGENCY REQUESTS - DISCUSSION

## PRIORITIES FOR COUNTY WORK VS. OUTSIDE AGENCY REQUESTS

- REFER SAFETY, OPERATIONS, AND MAINTENANCE REQUESTS ON STATE FACILITIES TO CALTRANS
  - SHARED MAINTENANCE IS SHARED LIABILITY
- CAPITAL PROJECTS IMPACTING BOTH STATE AND COUNTY ROADS:
  - SEEK COMMITMENT FOR COMMENSURATE RESOURCES AND EFFICIENT PROJECT DELIVERY

**OUTSIDE AGENCY REQUESTS - END**

**THANK YOU**