



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of  
Supervisors

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Department Name: Public Works  
Department No.: 054  
For Agenda Of: May 15, 2012  
Placement: Administrative  
Estimated Time: N/A  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department Director: Scott McGolpin, Public Works Department, 568-3010  
Contact Info: Eric Pearson, Interim Deputy Director, Transportation, 568-3005  
**SUBJECT:** **Amendment to Cooperative Agreement for Cycle 1 Measure A Safe Routes to School and Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects, First, Second, and Third Supervisorial Districts**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve and authorize the Chair to amend the Cooperative Agreement with SBCAG for Cycle 1 Measure A Safe Routes to School and Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects by adding attachments for County-Sponsored projects receiving funds from the Cycle 1 Measure A Safe Routes to School and Bicycle and Pedestrian Programs;
- B. Find that the proposed action is for the operation, leasing or licensing of an existing public structures, facilities, mechanical equipment or topographical feature, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that which presently exists, that the proposed action is therefore exempt from CEQA pursuant to 14 CCR 15301(c) and approve the filing of a Notice of Exemption on that basis.

**Summary Text:**

The Measure A Bicycle and Pedestrian and Safe Routes to School grant committee awarded nine projects to the County: four capital projects, one planning project and four programs where the County partnered with cities as cosponsors. On March 6, 2012 your Board approved a cooperative agreement with SBCAG for County-Sponsored projects receiving funds from the Cycle 1 Measure A Safe Routes to School and Bicycle and Pedestrian Programs. The attachments to the agreement covered three capital and one planning project. This action will add one capital project and four County co-sponsored

program applications that were also awarded grants to the agreement. These attachments were held out pending discussion and resolution of how responsibilities would be shared for projects spanning multiple jurisdictions: the programs are co-sponsored by all south coast agencies and the Hope/Pueblo project has elements in both the City of Santa Barbara and the County. Subsequently these issues have been resolved and Public Works recommends approving the amendment to the agreement to include these projects.

***Projects previously, approved under the Cooperative Agreement, by the Board on March 6, 2012:***

San Marcos Road/Cathedral Oaks Road Sidewalk Improvements

The Obern Trail Lighting Retrofit Project

Lakeview Road Crosswalk Improvements

Los Alamos Pedestrian and Bicycle Circulation Plan

***Projects to be added with this action:***

***Capital Project***

Hope/Pueblo Avenue Crosswalk Improvements – This project will add curb ramps, a curb extension, and pedestrian activated flashing yellow beacons to enhance the existing pedestrian crosswalk at the north side of the Hope Avenue/Pueblo Avenue intersection adjacent to Monte Vista elementary school.

***Co-sponsored Programs***

Safe Routes to School (COAST) – This program will be implemented at schools throughout the South Coast by the Coalition for Sustainable Transportation (COAST). The program includes activities such as helmet fittings, school assemblies, hazard assessment, and incentive programs to help children, schools and parents in the community promote bicycling and walking to school. This application was co-sponsored by the Cities of Carpinteria, Santa Barbara, and Goleta. The County will serve as the contract administrator for the project.

Adult Bicycle Education and Safety Outreach – This program will be implemented by the Santa Barbara Bicycle Coalition to target south coast adult bicyclists who lack access to low-cost transportation. It will include training and resources to help people acquire, repair, and maintain bicycles. It also provides safety training for riding bicycles in traffic. This application was co-sponsored by the Cities of Carpinteria, Santa Barbara, and Goleta. The County will serve as the contract administrator for the project.

Youth Bicycle Education - This program will be implemented by the Santa Barbara Bicycle Coalition to provide education programs for grades 6-12 in bicycle riding skills, basic rules of the road and bike maintenance. This application was co-sponsored by the Cities of Carpinteria, Santa Barbara, and Goleta. The County will serve as the contract administrator for the project.

Senior and Handicapped Pedestrian/ADA Needs Assessment – This program will be implemented by COAST to provide public outreach, surveys and maps to assess senior and handicapped pedestrian needs in the City of Goleta and the unincorporated County on the south coast. This application was co-sponsored by the City of Goleta. The County will serve as the contract administrator for the project.

The cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta and Carpinteria will be responsible for overseeing implementation of these co-sponsored programs in their respective jurisdictions.

The Measure A Investment Plan requires grant award recipients (Sponsors) to execute a Cooperative Agreement with SBCAG (Authority), and all funding recommendations are contingent on an executed agreement. The amended agreement will be forwarded to the SBCAG board for approval once approved by your Board. SBCAG approved the Cooperative Agreement in March, authorizing the County to move forward on four of the projects awarded funding. SBCAG will take this amendment to the agreement to their Board in May.

**Background:**

SBCAG is administering \$1.8 M in funding for Cycle 1 Measure A Bicycle & Pedestrian and Safe Routes to School Programs. These grants will fund a variety of projects to fill gaps in the regional bicycle/pedestrian network, rehabilitate important infrastructure on the existing network, facilitate bicycle usage, and increase the safety of children walking and riding bikes to school.

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (c), this project has been determined to be exempt from further environmental review. Approval of this CEQA Notice of Exemption will indicate the Board of Supervisors' approval of this project and will commence the appeal period, pursuant to CEQA guidelines.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: N/A

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Other: Regional Measure A			\$ 271,450.00
Other: Local Match ^			\$ 40,050.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 311,500.00</b>

^ Local Match includes only County of Santa Barbara contribution (TDA, Measure A, and gas taxes)

**Narrative:**

The Measure A Bike and Pedestrian and Safe Routes to School Programs will fund up to the amount in the attachments as a percentage of the total cost. Transportation Demand Act (TDA), Measure A Local Streets and Roads, and State Gas funds will be used for the remainder for the county's share of matching funds. Amounts in these attachments cover all phases (design, construction, and construction/program administration.)

**Special Instructions:**

Please forward a certified stamped Minute Order to Gena Valentine Felix, Public Works, Transportation, ext. 3064.

**Attachments:**

1. Attachments E-I, Project Scope, Cost, Schedule and Funding Plan for 5 projects
2. Notice of Exemption

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