



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: March 6, 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, 568-3064  
**SUBJECT:** **Cooperative Agreement and Construction of Cycle 1 Measure A Safe Routes to School and Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects, Second, Third and Fourth Supervisorial Districts**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: No

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve and authorize the Chair to adopt 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;
- B. Authorize the Director of Public Works to advertise for construction bids for the Construction of Measure A Safe Routes to School Hardscape Improvements, Second Supervisorial District, County Project No. 862338; and
- C. 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.

***Capital Projects:***

The Obern Trail Lighting Retrofit Project - The Obern Trail's current lighting system consists of outdated first generation solar fixtures, many of which no longer work. This project would replace these outdated solar fixtures with new, state-of-the-art, energy efficient lighting fixtures that will require less maintenance. These improvements will increase public safety, and enhance cost efficiency for the County.

San Marcos Road/Cathedral Oaks Road Sidewalk Improvements - This project will replace a deteriorated section of pathway along the west side of San Marcos Road, as well as complete a segment of sidewalk on the north side of Cathedral Oaks that will tie into the existing walkway, and continue from Via Los Santos to Foothill Elementary School and other schools in the area.

Lakeview Road Crosswalk Improvements - This project will add curb ramps, crosswalk, a pedestrian refuge island, and pedestrian activated flashing yellow beacons at a midblock crosswalk on Lakeview Road near Marvin Street.

***Planning Project:***

Los Alamos Pedestrian and Bicycle Circulation Plan - This project will create a unified pedestrian and bicycle circulation plan for the unincorporated area in and around the town of Los Alamos. This project will be headed by Planning and Development.

The attached Cooperative Agreements cover these projects. In addition, the County was co-sponsor on four applications that were awarded grants. The Department will come to your Board at a later date with a Cooperative Agreement for the co-sponsored programs once a document has been finalized for programs with multiple agencies as sponsors.

***Co-sponsored Programs:***

The County co-sponsored four grants with cities that were awarded funds:

Senior and Handicapped Pedestrian/ADA Needs Assessment

Youth Bicycle Education

Adult Bicycle Education and Safety Outreach

Safe Routes to School (COAST)

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. Public Works is requesting that your Board execute this Cooperative Agreement to secure funds for these County projects. This agreement will be forwarded to the SBCAG board for execution once approved by your Board. The current SBCAG schedule indicates it will go to their board in March.

If approved, the "Notice to Contractors" will be published prior to the date set for bid opening. Sealed proposals to construct this project will be received at the front counter, Santa Barbara County, Department of Public Works, County Engineering Building, 123 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, California 93101, and at the North County Public Works Office, 620 West Faster Road, Santa Maria, California 93455, at a date to be determined, and will be opened publicly and read aloud.

**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, promote ADA mobility, 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

<b><u>Funding Sources</u></b>	<b><u>Project Cost</u></b>
Regional Measure A	\$ 577,500.00
Local Match	\$ 249,000.00
Total	\$ 826,500.00

**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. Amounts in these attachment cover all phases (design, construction, and construction admin).

**Special Instructions:**

Please return both original executed Agreements and a certified stamped Minute Order to Gena Valentine Felix, Public Works, Transportation, ext. 3064. Once SBCAG has signed, Public Works will return one original, fully executed Agreement to the Clerk of the Board.

**Attachments:**

1. Cooperative Agreement (2 originals)
2. Attachments A-D, Project Scope, Cost, Schedule and Funding Plan for 4 projects
3. Notice of Exemption

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