

County Planning Commission
Staff Report for
New Projects in the Five-Year Capital Improvement Program
for Fiscal Years 2026-2031
Comprehensive Plan Conformity Review

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Division: Long Range Planning

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Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines
§§ 15060 (c)(3) and 15378(b)(4)

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1.0 Request

Hearing at the request of Planning and Development Department (P&D) staff on behalf of the Board of Supervisors to review the proposed new projects in the Five-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Years 2026-2031 and report to the Board of Supervisors as to their conformity with the Comprehensive Plan, pursuant to Government Code §§ 65401 and 65402.

2.0 Recommendation and Procedures

P&D staff recommends that the County Planning Commission:

1. Review the Five-Year CIP for Fiscal Years 2026-2031 (Attachment A).
2. Consider the conformity of projects requiring review with the Comprehensive Plan pursuant to Government Code §§ 65401 and 65402 (Attachments C and D).
3. Report to the Board of Supervisors that the County Planning Commission finds:

- a. For the purposes of Government Code § 65401, the proposed new projects in the Five-Year CIP for Fiscal Years 2026-2031 that required review, as listed in Attachment C, have been analyzed, and eight proposed new projects were found to conform with the Comprehensive Plan. In addition, six proposed new projects were found to have insufficient information at this time to move forward with a conformity determination and will require additional review.
 - b. For the purposes of Government Code § 65402, the proposed new projects in the Five-Year CIP for Fiscal Years 2026-2031 that required additional review, as listed in Attachment D, have been analyzed, and five proposed new projects were found to conform with the Comprehensive Plan. In addition, one proposed new project was found to have insufficient information at this time to move forward with a conformity determination and will require additional review.
4. Determine that the County Planning Commission’s review of, and report on, the CIP is not a “project” pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §§ 15060 (c)(3) and 15378(b)(4).

Please refer the matter back to staff if the County Planning Commission takes actions other than those recommended.

3.0 Jurisdiction

Government Code § 65401 requires an annual, programmatic level of review of proposed new major public works projects for conformity with the State-mandated general plan components of the Comprehensive Plan. Government Code § 65402 requires specific review of proposed new projects that involve the acquisition or disposal of real property, vacation or abandonment of streets, or construction of public buildings or structures for conformity with the Comprehensive Plan.

The County Planning Commission must review and report to the Board of Supervisors on projects added to the Five-Year CIP pursuant to Government Code § 65401, which states (in pertinent part):

If a general plan or part thereof has been adopted, ... each county or city officer, department, board, or commission ... whose jurisdiction lies wholly or partially within the county or city, whose functions include recommending, preparing plans for, or constructing, major public works, shall submit to the official agency, as designated by the respective county board of supervisors or city council, a list of the proposed public works recommended for planning, initiation or construction during the ensuing fiscal year. The official agency receiving the list of proposed public works shall list and classify all such recommendations and shall prepare a coordinated program of proposed public works for the ensuing fiscal year. Such a coordinated program shall be submitted to the county or city planning agency for review and report to said official agency as to conformity with the adopted general plan or part thereof.

On January 12, 1999, the Board of Supervisors designated itself as the “official agency” responsible for preparation of the CIP. The County Planning Commission is the “County planning agency” pursuant to Santa Barbara County Code § 2-25.1. This staff report sets forth an analysis of the 14 proposed new projects in the 2026-2031 Five-Year CIP that the County Planning Commission must review, and on which the County Planning Commission must report to the Board of Supervisors, pursuant to Government Code § 65401.

In addition, Government Code § 65402(a) states (in pertinent part):

If a general plan or part thereof has been adopted, no real property shall be acquired by dedication or otherwise for street, square, park or other public purposes, and no real property shall be disposed of, no street shall be vacated or abandoned, and no public building or structure shall be constructed or authorized, if the adopted general plan or

part thereof applies thereto, until the location, purpose and extent of such acquisition or disposition, such street vacation or abandonment, or such public building or structure have been submitted to and reported upon by the planning agency as to conformity with said adopted general plan or part thereof

This report sets forth a review of projects included in the 2026-2031 Five-Year CIP that include project components that trigger more detailed conformity review pursuant to Government Code § 65402(a). There are six projects in the 2026-2031 Five-Year CIP that necessitate a Government Code § 65402(a) review. Five of these projects were found to conform to the Comprehensive Plan. Sufficient information currently does not exist to review one of these proposed projects for conformity with the Comprehensive Plan, pursuant to Government Code § 65402(a); therefore, this project will require future conformity review as discussed further below.

4.0 Project Information

The Five-Year CIP is a compilation of proposed projects intended to implement various public projects and plans, including facilities plans and the County Comprehensive Plan. The CIP sets forth the future capital improvements to be carried out during a five-year planning period, together with project descriptions, cost estimates, and the anticipated means and sources of financing for each project. All new projects added to the CIP are subject to review for conformity with the Comprehensive Plan, pursuant to Government Code § 65401 and, if applicable, § 65402.

On March 3, 2026, the General Services Department presented the projects included in the 2026-2031 Five-Year CIP to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors reviewed and conceptually approved the CIP and formally referred the proposed CIP projects to the County Planning Commission for review of conformance with the Comprehensive Plan.

5.0 Project Analysis

5.1 Government Code §§ 65401 and 65402 Review

For the purposes of the Planning Agency conformity determination, proposed “new projects” in the Five-Year CIP for Fiscal Years 2026-2031 include: 1) projects that have not yet been reviewed in previous years’ CIPs; 2) projects that were reviewed previously but for which conformity could not be determined at that time and new information is now available; and 3) projects that were found in conformity previously but the scope has changed significantly since that determination was made so as to require additional review.

The 2026-2031 CIP includes 14 proposed projects that require review, including 10 that have not been reviewed in previous years, and two projects that were reviewed previously but for which conformity could not be determined at that time, and new information is now available. Two projects were found in conformity previously but have changed significantly since that determination was made so as to require additional review. P&D staff reviewed all 14 proposed projects for conformity with the Comprehensive Plan, pursuant to Government Code §§ 65401 (Attachment C) and 65402 (Attachment D), as applicable. The results are as follows:

- Eight of the 14 proposed projects included in the 2026-2031 CIP reviewed under § 65401 were found to conform to the Comprehensive Plan. The remaining six proposed projects have insufficient information to move forward with a conformity determination at this time and will require future review (Attachment C).
- Six of the 14 proposed projects include project components that trigger Government Code § 65402 review. Five projects conform to the Comprehensive Plan, and one has insufficient information to move forward with a conformity determination at this time and will require future review (Attachment D). Two of the 14 projects currently have an

unknown status for § 65402 review since there is insufficient information at this time to determine if the projects will require § 65402 review.

For any project for which there is insufficient project information at this time to make a Government Code § 65401 or § 65402 conformity determination, as identified in the tables included in Attachments C and D, the department undertaking the project will need to file a separate application for Planning Commission conformity review once the project is sufficiently developed. Alternatively, the project may be reviewed during a future annual CIP Comprehensive Plan Conformity Review. In either case, conformity review needs to be completed before initiating any work on the project.

5.2 Environmental Review

CEQA Guidelines § 15060(c) states: “An activity is not subject to CEQA if ... [t]he activity is not a project as defined in [§] 15378.” CEQA Guidelines § 15378(b)(4) states that a “[p]roject does not include ... [t]he creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project” The CIP does not appropriate funds or otherwise commit the County to particular projects. Rather, any appropriations will ultimately be included in the respective departmental budgets as funding becomes available. As a result, the CIP is not considered a “project” and is not subject to CEQA.

Attachments

Attachment A: All Projects in the Five-Year CIP for Fiscal Years 2026-2031.

Attachment B: Map of CIP Projects That Require Conformity Review.

Attachment C: Five-Year CIP for Fiscal Years 2026-2031 Government Code § 65401 Comprehensive Plan Conformity Analysis and Identification of Need for Government Code § 65402 Review.

Attachment D: Five-Year CIP for Fiscal Years 2026-2031 Government Code § 65402 Comprehensive Plan Conformity Analysis.

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Attachment A

All Projects in the Five-Year CIP for Fiscal Years 2026-2031

Proposed Capital Improvement Program Fiscal Year 2026-2031

Available on the County's [Capital Improvement Program Webpage](#)

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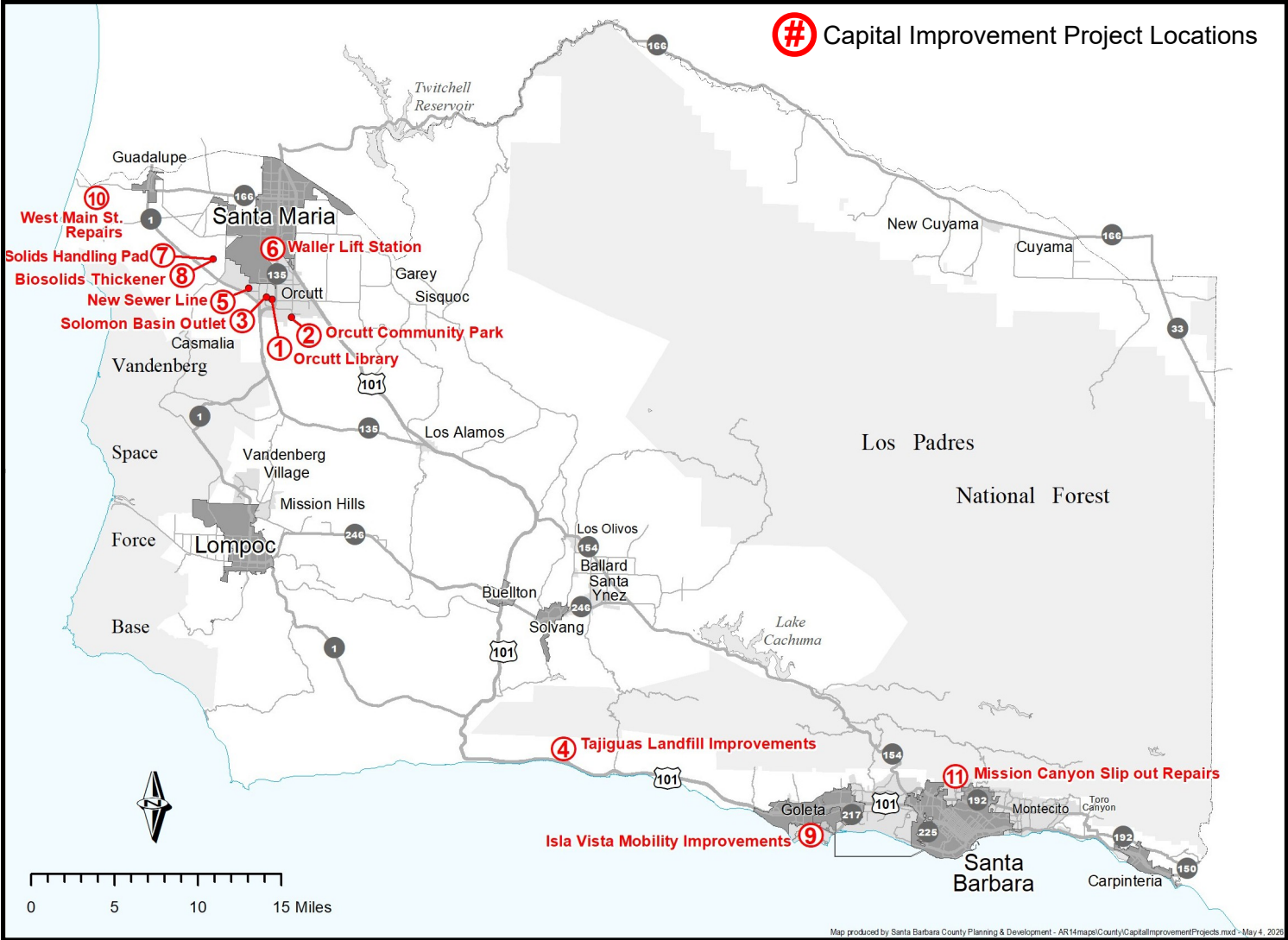
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Map of CIP Projects That Require Conformity Review

Santa Barbara County Capital Improvement Projects 2026-2031



1. Orcutt Library Acquisition (General Services)
2. Orcutt Community Park Lighting (Community Services)
3. Orcutt Solomon Basin Outlet (Public Works Flood Control)
4. Tajiguas Landfill System Improvements (Public Works Resource Recovery and Waste Management)
5. New Sewer Line (Public Works Laguna County Sanitation District)
6. Waller Lift Station (Public Works Laguna County Sanitation District)
7. Solids Handling Pad (Public Works Laguna County Sanitation District)
8. Biosolids Thickener (Public Works Laguna County Sanitation District)
9. Isla Vista Mobility Improvements (Public Works Transportation)
10. West Main Street Repairs (Public Works Transportation)
11. Mission Canyon Slip out Repairs [Multiple projects] (Public Works Transportation)

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**Attachment C
Five-Year CIP for Fiscal Years 2026-2031**

Government Code § 65401 Comprehensive Plan Conformity Analysis and Identification of Need for Government Code § 65402 Review.

| Map ID | Project Title | Sup. Dist. | Planning Area | APN(s) | Lead Dept. | Project Description | Conformity Analysis GC § 65401 | GC § 65402 Required? |
|--------|---|------------|-----------------------|---|------------------|---|---|----------------------|
| 1 | Orcutt Library (Acquisition Component) | 4 | Orcutt Community Plan | 105-020-063, 105-020-064, 105-020-061, 105-020-060, and 105-020-062 | General Services | The existing Orcutt Branch Library, as identified in the 2021 Space Needs Report, is inadequately sized to serve the growing Orcutt community. Following evaluation of three site options, the County determined that relocation from the current leased facility in Old Town Orcutt to an expanded, County-owned facility would best meet long-term community needs. This expansion will allow for increased library services, vital working areas, and flexible community space. This component being reviewed is limited to the acquisition of five parcels for the project. | The Orcutt Community Plan’s Policy LIB-O-1 supports the provision of adequate library services for community members, and Action LIB-O-1.1 states that the County should seek funding mechanisms for library services. The acquisition of the parcels is a necessary step in implementing this public benefit project. The project conforms to the Comprehensive Plan. | Yes |

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| 2 | Orcutt Community Park Lighting and Turf Conversion | 4 | Orcutt Community Plan | 101-390-012 | Community Services Dept - Parks | <p>This project installs field lighting at the two play fields to expand field play hours and increase recreational opportunities, including footings engineered for liquefaction for the 15 field lights. Pathway and parking lot lighting may be installed in conjunction with permanent field lighting for park egress. Modifications to the Orcutt Community Plan were approved in 2024, and design was completed in 2025. The project will be implemented in phases to accommodate available funding. This project also involves the eventual replacement of 191,432 square feet of grass turf with a non-toxic artificial turf for water savings and reduction in overall maintenance costs.</p> | <p>The project was reviewed in 2023 and found to have insufficient information for a conformity determination. In 2024, the project’s lighting component, which required an amendment to the Rice Ranch Specific Plan, was approved by the Board of Supervisors (Case No. 23SPP-00001). Parks staff prepared an Addendum to reflect changes to the project described in the certified Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (2003) and related Addendum (2015). The amendment allows for the future installation of permanent lighting. The project conforms with the Comprehensive Plan.</p> | No |

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| 3 | Orcutt Solomon Basin Outlet Modification | 4 | Orcutt Community Plan | 105-020-070 | Public Works (PW) Flood Control | The project proposes to remove the existing basin outlet structure and place a new discharge pipe to improve drainage capacity. In the past few years, the Orcutt Solomon Basin on Orcutt Creek has become a substantial maintenance issue due to woody debris clogging the outlet and/or fine material clogging the discharge pipe, which causes build-up and deposition of fine materials in the basin. When this happens, District staff must remove material deposited to restore capacity. The District completed design and is moving forward with construction to complete this modification project during the summer of 2026 as part of the District's Annual Routine Maintenance Program. | The project is part of Flood Control's Annual Routine Maintenance Program and involves the removal of the existing basin outlet structure and place a new discharge pipe to improve drainage capacity. This project will be covered under CEQA Exemption Section 15301: Existing Facilities. The project conforms to the Comprehensive Plan. | No |

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| 4 | Tajiguas Sanitary Landfill Gas Collection and Treatment System Improvements | 3 | Gaviota Coast Plan | 081-150-042, 081-150-019, and 081-150-026 | PW Resource Recovery and Waste Management | As the landfill continues to receive waste, the landfill gas (LFG) collection system requires phasing to ensure the proper collection and treatment of LFG. Improvements to the LFG collection system are constructed on an annual basis. The project also proposes to replace the existing H2S scrubber treatment system with a new treatment system. These projects are planned under the Tajiguas LFG Master Plan. | This project is still in development, and there is insufficient information at this time to move forward with a conformity determination. | No |

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| 5 | New Sewer Line to Abandon Deerfield Lift Station | 4 & 5 | Orcutt Community Plan | 111-240-029 & 111-240-020 | PW Laguna County Sanitation District (LCSD) | The project proposes replacing an outmoded and outdated sewer lift station with a new gravity flow sewer main extension. It involves the acquisition of a sewer easement, use of an existing sewer main planned for use when the lift station is abandoned, and installation of approximately 0.57 miles of sewer main extending to an existing trunk line. This will allow for the abandonment and removal of an existing sewer lift station originally constructed to serve one housing tract, but which has now been augmented by developers to serve four housing tracts. The lift station is now antiquated and has met its useful life. A new gravity flow sewer main reduces maintenance and operating costs. | This project is still in development, and there is insufficient information at this time to move forward with a conformity determination. | Yes |

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| 6 | Waller Lift Station | 4 & 5 | Orcutt Community Plan | 111-100-018 | PW Laguna County Sanitation District (LCSD) | The project proposes to convey wastewater generated by LCSD customers that currently flows to the City of Santa Maria wastewater treatment plant directly to LCSD. It involves locating a new lift station in an alignment that connects two sewer lines and conveys the wastewater to an existing trunk line via a new force main. | This project is still in development, and there is insufficient information at this time to move forward with a conformity determination. | Unknown |
| 7 | Solids Handling Pad and Structure | 5 | Santa Maria Valley Rural Region | 113-240-013 | PW Laguna County Sanitation District (LCSD) | The purpose of this project is to construct a covered biosolids handling pad to place biosolids from the drying beds for further processing and drying before hauling off. It involves geotechnical review for the pad and footings, and structural design of the semi-open metal structure. The metal structure is also intended to house a solar facility expansion. | This project is still in development, and there is insufficient information at this time to move forward with a conformity determination. | No |

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| 8 | Biosolids Thickener | 5 | Santa Maria Valley Rural Region | 113-240-013 | PW Laguna County Sanitation District (LCSD) | <p>The purpose of this project is to add biosolids handling capacity and provide for biosolids thickening in the winter months. The drying bed capacity is currently 2.8 million gallons per day; this is limited when the weather is not amenable to air drying. To be able to process biosolids in the winter months as well as to increase capacity, staff evaluated several alternatives, and using a belt press is the most cost-effective way to manage biosolids during inclement weather and to meet capacity needs. It involves the installation of a belt press thickener and connecting power. A roof structure is also proposed over the existing concrete pad.</p> | <p>This project is still in development, and there is insufficient information at this time to move forward with a conformity determination.</p> | No |

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| 9 | Isla Vista CSD Mobility Plan Improvements (Measure A Grant) | 2 | Goleta Community Plan | Right-of-Way (ROW) | PW Transportation | This project will implement the County's Measure A SRTS grant for sidewalk infill. The project scope includes constructing new sidewalks and ADA-compliant curb ramps at various locations throughout Isla Vista, closing critical gaps in the pedestrian network. | This project improves pedestrian safety by constructing sidewalks and curb ramps. Any tree removal work is anticipated to be covered under 15AMD-00000-00003 and 10CDP-00000-00025 (26SCD-00001). The project conforms to the Comprehensive Plan. | No |

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| 10 | West Main Street Category C Repairs | 5 | Santa Maria Valley Rural Region | ROW | PW Transportation | The purpose of this project is to return West Main Street to its pre-existing condition, before the 2023 storm emergency event. The road will be reconstructed to its original alignment and profile by building up onto the existing emergency opening work that was done within the emergency period. This project includes removal of temporary hot mix asphalt layer, additional Class II Base, embankment work, culvert lengthening, and final paving and striping. | This project is still in development, and there is insufficient information at this time to move forward with a conformity determination. | Unknown |

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| 11A | Mission Canyon Slip out Repairs 23STM1-1J56 Slope Repair (FEMA Site Code: 862458) | 1 | Mission Canyon Community Plan | 023-330-042 & ROW | PW Transportation | The purpose of this project is to repair storm damage on Mission Canyon Road experienced during the 2023 and 2024 federally declared disasters. The Mission Canyon Road slip out repairs are split up into the following projects based on Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) site codes: 862458 (23STM1-1J56), 862460 (24STM1-1L07), 864057 (23STM1-1J56), and 864062 (24STM1-1L07). 864057 and 864062 require retaining walls to repair slip outs, and 862458 and 862460 require bench and fill to repair the slip out and embankment slopes. While there are separate site codes, all projects are located in one area in coordination with FEMA. | This project is to repair storm damage on Mission Canyon Road, improve slope stability, and reduce further erosion. The Mission Canyon Community Plan has several policies and development standards related to the protection of biological resources and slope stability, such as Policy GEO-MC-4 and Development Standard GEO-MC-2.3. The project also aligns with the Community Plan's Goal PDR-MC-1, which is to rebuild the Mission Canyon community so that it can survive a future natural disaster with minimum loss of life and property while maintaining and enhancing its character and charm. The project conforms to the Comprehensive Plan. | Yes |

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| 11B | Mission Canyon Slip out Repairs 23STM1-1J56 Retaining Wall (FEMA Site Code: 864057) | 1 | Mission Canyon Community Plan | 023-330-042 & ROW | PW Transportation | The purpose of this project is to repair storm damage on Mission Canyon Road experienced during the 2023 and 2024 federally declared disasters. The Mission Canyon Road slip out repairs are split up into the following projects based on FEMA site codes: 862458 (23STM1-1J56), 862460 (24STM1-1L07), 864057 (23STM1-1J56), and 864062 (24STM1-1L07). 864057 and 864062 require retaining walls to repair slip outs, and 862458 and 862460 require bench and fill to repair the slip out and embankment slopes. While there are separate site codes, all projects are located in one area in coordination with FEMA. | This project is to repair storm damage on Mission Canyon Road, improve slope stability, and reduce further erosion. The Mission Canyon Community Plan has several policies and development standards related to the protection of biological resources and slope stability, such as Policy GEO-MC-4 and Development Standard GEO-MC-2.3. The project also aligns with the Community Plan's Goal PDR-MC-1, which is to rebuild the Mission Canyon community so that it can survive a future natural disaster with minimum loss of life and property while maintaining and enhancing its character and charm. The project conforms to the Comprehensive Plan. | Yes |

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| 11C | Mission Canyon Slip out Repairs 24STM1-1L07 Retaining Wall (FEMA Site Code: 864062) | 1 | Mission Canyon Community Plan | 023-330-042 & ROW | PW Transportation | The purpose of this project is to repair storm damage on Mission Canyon Road experienced during the 2023 and 2024 federally declared disasters. The Mission Canyon Road slip out repairs are split up into the following projects based on FEMA site codes: 862458 (23STM1-1J56), 862460 (24STM1-1L07), 864057 (23STM1-1J56), and 864062 (24STM1-1L07). 864057 and 864062 require retaining walls to repair slip outs, and 862458 and 862460 require bench and fill to repair the slip out and embankment slopes. While there are separate site codes, all projects are located in one area in coordination with FEMA. | This project is to repair storm damage on Mission Canyon Road, improve slope stability, and reduce further erosion. The Mission Canyon Community Plan has several policies and development standards related to the protection of biological resources and slope stability, such as Policy GEO-MC-4 and Development Standard GEO-MC-2.3. The project also aligns with the Community Plan's Goal PDR-MC-1, which is to rebuild the Mission Canyon community so that it can survive a future natural disaster with minimum loss of life and property while maintaining and enhancing its character and charm. The project conforms to the Comprehensive Plan. | Yes |

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| 11D | Mission Canyon Slip out Repairs 24STM1-1L07 Slope Repair (FEMA Site Code: 862460) | 1 | Mission Canyon Community Plan | 023-330-042 & ROW | PW Transportation | The purpose of this project is to repair storm damage on Mission Canyon Road experienced during the 2023 and 2024 federally declared disasters. The Mission Canyon Road slip out repairs are split up into the following projects based on FEMA site codes: 862458 (23STM1-1J56), 862460 (24STM1-1L07), 864057 (23STM1-1J56), and 864062 (24STM1-1L07). 864057 and 864062 require retaining walls to repair slip outs, and 862458 and 862460 require bench and fill to repair the slip out and embankment slopes. While there are separate site codes, all projects are located in one area in coordination with FEMA. | This project is to repair storm damage on Mission Canyon Road, improve slope stability, and reduce further erosion. The Mission Canyon Community Plan has several policies and development standards related to the protection of biological resources and slope stability, such as Policy GEO-MC-4 and Development Standard GEO-MC-2.3. The project also aligns with the Community Plan's Goal PDR-MC-1, which is to rebuild the Mission Canyon community so that it can survive a future natural disaster with minimum loss of life and property while maintaining and enhancing its character and charm. The project conforms to the Comprehensive Plan. | Yes |

**Attachment D
Five-Year CIP for Fiscal Years 2026-2031**

Government Code § 65402 Comprehensive Plan Conformity Analysis.

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| 11A | Mission Canyon Slip out Repairs 23STM1-1J56 Slope Repair (FEMA Site Code: 862458) | 1 | Mission Canyon Community Plan | 023-330-042 & ROW | PW Transportation | The purpose of this project is to repair storm damage on Mission Canyon Road experienced during the 2023 and 2024 federally declared disasters. The Mission Canyon Road slip out repairs are split up into the following projects based on FEMA site codes: 862458 (23STM1-1J56), 862460 (24STM1-1L07), 864057 (23STM1-1J56), and 864062 (24STM1-1L07). 864057 and 864062 require retaining walls to repair slip outs, and 862458 and 862460 require bench and fill to repair the slip out and embankment slopes. While there are separate site codes, all projects are located in one area in coordination with FEMA. | The County plans to purchase an approximately 5,254± square foot Permanent Slope Easement from an adjacent property in order to implement the necessary repairs. The acquisition of the permanent easement is a necessary step in implementing this public benefit project. The project conforms to the Comprehensive Plan. |

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| 11B | Mission Canyon Slip out Repairs 23STM1-1J56 Retaining Wall (FEMA Site Code: 864057) | 1 | Mission Canyon Community Plan | 023-330-042 & ROW | PW Transportation | The purpose of this project is to repair storm damage on Mission Canyon Road experienced during the 2023 and 2024 federally declared disasters. The Mission Canyon Road slip out repairs are split up into the following projects based on FEMA site codes: 862458 (23STM1-1J56), 862460 (24STM1-1L07), 864057 (23STM1-1J56), and 864062 (24STM1-1L07). 864057 and 864062 require retaining walls to repair slip outs, and 862458 and 862460 require bench and fill to repair the slip out and embankment slopes. While there are separate site codes, all projects are located in one area in coordination with FEMA. | The County plans to purchase an approximately 5,254± square foot Permanent Slope Easement from an adjacent property in order to implement the necessary repairs. The acquisition of the permanent easement is a necessary step in implementing this public benefit project. The project conforms to the Comprehensive Plan. |

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| 11C | Mission Canyon Slip out Repairs 24STM1-1L07 Retaining Wall (FEMA Site Code: 864062) | 1 | Mission Canyon Community Plan | 023-330-042 & ROW | PW Transportation | The purpose of this project is to repair storm damage on Mission Canyon Road experienced during the 2023 and 2024 federally declared disasters. The Mission Canyon Road slip out repairs are split up into the following projects based on FEMA site codes: 862458 (23STM1-1J56), 862460 (24STM1-1L07), 864057 (23STM1-1J56), and 864062 (24STM1-1L07). 864057 and 864062 require retaining walls to repair slip outs, and 862458 and 862460 require bench and fill to repair the slip out and embankment slopes. While there are separate site codes, all projects are located in one area in coordination with FEMA. | The County plans to purchase an approximately 5,254± square foot Permanent Slope Easement from an adjacent property in order to implement the necessary repairs. The acquisition of the permanent easement is a necessary step in implementing this public benefit project. The project conforms to the Comprehensive Plan. |

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| 11D | Mission Canyon Slip out Repairs 24STM1-1L07 Slope Repair (FEMA Site Code: 862460) | 1 | Mission Canyon Community Plan | 023-330-042 & ROW | PW Transportation | The purpose of this project is to repair storm damage on Mission Canyon Road experienced during the 2023 and 2024 federally declared disasters. The Mission Canyon Road slip out repairs are split up into the following projects based on FEMA site codes: 862458 (23STM1-1J56), 862460 (24STM1-1L07), 864057 (23STM1-1J56), and 864062 (24STM1-1L07). 864057 and 864062 require retaining walls to repair slip outs, and 862458 and 862460 require bench and fill to repair the slip out and embankment slopes. While there are separate site codes, all projects are located in one area in coordination with FEMA. | The County plans to purchase an approximately 5,254 ± square foot Permanent Slope Easement from an adjacent property in order to implement the necessary repairs. The acquisition of the permanent easement is a necessary step in implementing this public benefit project. The project conforms to the Comprehensive Plan. |



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TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA

PLANNING COMMISSION
HEARING OF JUNE 3, 2026

**RE: *Five-Year Capital Improvement Program Comprehensive Plan Conformity Determination;
26GOV-00003***

Hearing at the request of Planning and Development Department (P&D) staff on behalf of the Board of Supervisors to review the proposed new projects in the Five-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Years 2026-2031 and report to the Board of Supervisors as to their conformity with the Comprehensive Plan, pursuant to Government Code §§ 65401 and 65402.

Dear Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

At the Planning Commission hearing of June 3, 2026, Commissioner Martinez moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford and carried by a vote of 4 to 0 to:

1. Review the Five-Year CIP for Fiscal Years 2026-2031 (Attachment A of the staff report dated May 26, 2026);
2. Considered the conformity of projects requiring review with the Comprehensive Plan pursuant to Government Code §§ 65401 and 65402 (Attachments C and D of the staff report dated May 26, 2026):
3. Report to the Board of Supervisors that the County Planning Commission finds:

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- a. For the purposes of Government Code § 65401, the proposed new projects in the Five-Year CIP for Fiscal Years 2026-2031 that required review, as listed in Attachment C of the staff report dated May 26, 2026, have been analyzed, and eight proposed new projects were found to conform with the Comprehensive Plan. In addition, six proposed new projects were found to have insufficient information at this time to move forward with a conformity determination and will require additional review.
 - b. For the purposes of Government Code § 65402, the proposed new projects in the Five-Year CIP for Fiscal Years 2026-2031 that required additional review, as listed in Attachment D of the staff report dated May 26, 2026, have been analyzed, and five proposed new projects were found to conform with the Comprehensive Plan. In addition, one proposed new project was found to have insufficient information at this time to move forward with a conformity determination and will require additional review.
4. Determined that the County Planning Commission's review of, and report on, the CIP is not a "project" pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §§ 15060 (c)(3) and 15378(b)(4).

Sincerely,



Jeff Wilson
Secretary to the Planning Commission

cc: Danielle Moore, Planner

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