



AMBAG Board of Directors Agenda

Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments

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Voting members must attend the physical meeting to count toward quorum.

DATE: April 10, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM

**LOCATION: Monterey Bay Air Resources District , Board Room, 3rd Floor
24580 Silver Cloud Court
Monterey, CA 93940**

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AMBAG Board of Directors meeting online:**

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On September 13, 2022, California Governor Gavin Newsom signed into law Assembly Bill (AB) 2449 (Rubio). The new amendments to the Brown Act go into effect on January 1, 2023. AB 2449 provides alternative teleconference procedures to allow members of the AMBAG Board of Directors to participate remotely under very limited circumstances.

Persons who wish to address the AMBAG Board of Directors on an item to be considered at this meeting are encouraged to submit comments in writing at info@ambag.org by Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 5 PM. The subject line should read "Public Comment for the April 10, 2024 Board of Directors Meeting." The agency clerk will read up to 3 minutes of any public comment submitted. If you have any questions, please contact Ana Flores, Clerk of the Board at aflores@ambag.org or at 831-883-3750 Ext. 300.

AMBAG Board Member(s) Meeting Remotely:

Manu Koenig: 5200 Soquel Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95062

831-234-3922

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. AB 2449 VOTE ON “JUST “ AND “EMERGENCY” CAUSE

Recommended Action: APPROVE

- Maura Twomey, Executive Director

Receive oral report.

4. ROLL CALL

**5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
(A maximum of one minute on any subject not on the agenda)**

6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive/Finance Committee

Recommended Action: INFORMATION

- President Carbone

Receive oral report.

B. Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (MBNMS) Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting

Recommended Action: DIRECT

- Director McCarthy

The next meeting is scheduled on May 17, 2024.

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Recommended Action: INFORMATION

- Maura Twomey, Executive Director

Receive a report from Maura Twomey, Executive Director.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Recommended Action: APPROVE

Note: Actions listed for each item represents staff recommendation. The Board of Directors may, at its discretion, take any action on the items listed in the consent agenda.

A. Draft Minutes of the March 13, 2024 AMBAG Board of Directors Meeting

- Ana Flores, Clerk of the Board

Approve the draft minutes of the March 13, 2024 AMBAG Board of Directors meeting. (Page 5)

B. AMBAG Regional Clearinghouse Monthly Newsletter

- Regina Valentine, Senior Planner

Accept the clearinghouse monthly newsletter. (Page 11)

C. AMBAG Sustainability Program Update

- Amaury Berteaud, Sustainability Program Manager

Accept the AMBAG Sustainability Program update. (Page 19)

D. Financial Update Report

- Errol Osteraa, Director of Finance & Administration

Accept the financial update report which provides an update on AMBAG's current financial position and accompanying financial statements. (Page 23)

10. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

11. PLANNING

A. 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy: Performance Measures

Recommended Action: APPROVE

- Heather Adamson, Director of Planning

Approve the performance measures for the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy. (Page 29)

12. ADJOURNMENT

REFERENCE ITEMS:

- A. 2024 AMBAG Meeting Schedule (Page 33)
- B. Acronym Guide (Page 35)

NEXT MEETING:

Date: May 8, 2024

Location: MBARD Board Room, 24580 Silver Cloud Court, Monterey, CA 93940

Executive/Finance Committee Meeting: 5:00 PM

Board of Directors Meeting: 6:00 PM

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**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
ASSOCIATION OF MONTEREY BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS**

March 13, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors of the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments, President Mary Ann Carbone presiding, convened at 6:01 p.m. Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at the MBARD Board Room, 24580 Silver Cloud Court, Monterey, CA 93940.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. AB 2449 VOTE ON ‘EMERGENCY’ CAUSE

None.

4. ROLL CALL

<u>AMBAG Board of Directors</u>			
PRESENT:			
Agency	Representative	Agency	Representative
Capitola	Kristen Brown	County of Monterey	Mary Adams
Carmel	Karen Ferlito	County of Monterey	Glenn Church
Del Rey Oaks	John Uy	County of Santa Cruz	Felipe Hernandez (6:06)
Greenfield	Robert White	County of Santa Cruz	Manu Koenig
Hollister	Dolores Morales	County of San Benito	Mindy Sotelo
King City	Carlos Victoria		
Marina	Brian McCarthy	<u>Ex-Officio Members:</u>	
Monterey	Alan Haffa	Caltrans, District 5	Orchid Monroy-Ochoa
Pacific Grove	Luke Coletti (6:10)	3CE	Chris Cook
Salinas	Steve McShane	MST	Lisa Rheinheimer
Sand City	Mary Ann Carbone	SCCRTC	Mitch Weiss
Santa Cruz	Scott Newsome	TAMC	Christina Watson
Scotts Valley	Derek Timm		
Seaside	Alex Miller		
Soledad	Anna Velazquez		
ABSENT:			
Gonzales	Scott Funk	<u>Ex-Officio Members:</u>	
San Juan Bautista	John Freeman	MBARD	Richard Stedman
Watsonville	Vanessa Quiroz-Carter	MPAD	Carl Miller
County of San Benito	Dom Zanger	SBtCOG	Binu Abraham
		SC Metro	John Urgo

Others Present: Dawn Hayes, MBNMS; Gary Richard Arnold; James Ewing; Amaury Berteaud, Sustainability Program Manager; Heather Adamson, Director of Planning; Bhupendra Patel, Director of Modeling; Jessica Lu, Planner; Elizabeth Lippa, Administrative Assistant; Will Condon, Associate Planner; Regina Valentine, Senior Planner; Diane Eidam, Retired Annuitant; Gina Schmidt, GIS Coordinator; Ana Flores, Clerk of the Board; and Maura Twomey, Executive Director.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

James Whitman stated that he was happy to speak for three minutes in the earlier meeting, as he doesn't have time to say much. Mr. Whitman added that constitutional republic sheriffs should be brought back. We haven't had one since 1771.

Gary Richard Arnold referred to an article from Time Magazine from 1942 which was written during the height of the second World War. The article can be found in the packet hand out to the Board. The article mentions a conference that was held in England. The conference most important assertion was that duties now performed by local and national governments, "can now only effectively be carried out by international authority. It would allow the world to be policed by an international army and navy with regulation of trade and population movement. The ultimate goal is a newly constitutional world government and adequate provisions for enforcing worldwide economic authority." Unfortunately, CALCOG is doing exactly that. Please allow the public to speak for at least two minutes.

Director Hernandez arrived.

6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Director Ferlito stated that the audio at the February meeting was not working properly. The board meeting was difficult to follow during the presentations.

Director Victoria spoke about the tragedy that occurred in King City and thanked everyone for their well wishes and help.

Director Carbone stated that the meeting will end with a moment of silence.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive/Finance Committee

President Carbone reported that the Executive/Finance Committee approved the consent agenda that included 1) Minutes of the February 14, 2024 meeting 2) list of warrants as of January 31, 2024; and 3) accounts receivable as of January 31, 2024. The Executive/Finance Committee also received a report on the financials from Maura Twomey, Executive Director.

Director Coletti joined the meeting.

B. Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (MBNMS) Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting

Director McCarthy stated that he attended the February 16, 2024 SAC meeting and gave a brief overview of the actions taken.

James Whitman stated that if the state or cities want to make some revenue, enforce a \$1,000 fine for littering. Mr. Whitman also referred to the 1975 California Coastal Commission, the people should have 24/7 access to the beach and waterways. There was an item on the city and county agenda for discussion regarding restricting access three miles out in the county of Santa Cruz. People should be able to use the water for fishing and boating.

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Maura Twomey, Executive Director reported that the MBARD board room's audio-visual equipment was been upgraded to better support Zoom meetings.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Draft Minutes of the February 14, 2024 AMBAG Board of Directors Meeting

The draft minutes of the February 14, 2024 AMBAG Board of Directors meeting were approved.

B. AMBAG Regional Clearinghouse Monthly Newsletter

The AMBAG Clearinghouse monthly newsletter was accepted.

C. AMBAG Sustainability Program Update

The Sustainability Program update was accepted.

D. Financial Update Report

The financial update report was accepted.

Motion made by Director Victoria, seconded by Director Morales to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

10. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

None.

11. ADMINISTRATION

A. Draft FY 2024-25 Monterey Bay Region Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget

Bhupendra Patel, Director of Modeling gave a presentation on the draft FY 2024-25 OWP and Budget. The FY 2024-2025 OWP is 1) a federally required document to receive federal funds; 2) covers all AMBAG work programs and activities; 3) used as a project management tool by staff; 4) implements Federal Planning Emphasis Areas; and 5) implements the AMBAG Board adopted priorities; a) Modeling and Research, b) Planning and Forecasts; c) Sustainable Development Strategies; and d) Collaborative Planning and Implementation. Mr. Patel added that the final draft will be brought back to the Board at their May 8, 2024 meeting for approval.

James Whitman stated that there seems to be a funneling of various amounts of information. Are we on the right track? Mr. Whitman practices the scientific method. Mr. Whiteman referred to the article *The Federal Council of Churches* Conference in 1942 from Time Magazine that states these agendas of control, consolidation, and funneling were going on long before 1942. Mr. Whitman added that all the sustainability stuff is based on reducing CO2. Where there is one part CO2 to every 2,375 parts of other atmosphere. The amount of CO2 we have now is extinction level. People that want to grow plants increase the CO2. So everything you're saying is backwards.

Gary Richard Arnold referred to “Regional government” by the Fabian socialist out of London, called intensive education, where they want to replace all local governments and supervisors. Ronald Reagan tried it with an executive order in the 60’s. Willie Brown, according to an AP report, wants to get rid of all 450 cities and counties. The report came back saying we’d be better off holding their independence and doing arms lengths control. Their final paragraph states, “the scheme makes the fullest provision for planning and reconstruction and for other proposes it introduces a new form of partnership between the central and local governments.” You have no business doing that. The people that you were elected to represent should know about what’s being presented here before the meeting happens.

12. PLANNING

A. 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS) Update

Heather Adamson, Director of Planning gave a report on the 2050 MTP/SCS. The 2050 MTP/SCS is 1) a long range plan for transportation investments; 2) federal and state law requires that an MTP/SCS be prepared every four years; 3) must provide a 20+ year horizon planning period; 4) detailed work program and schedule to be approved in April 2023; 5) its scheduled for adoption in June 2026; and 6) highlight a number of key components under development. Ms. Adamson stated that the AMBAG Board accepted the tri-county forecast for population, housing, and employment in January 2024 and subregional disaggregation to the jurisdiction level will begin in 2024. The draft subregional growth forecast will be available in the Spring 2024. The Growth Forecast is scheduled to be approved for planning purposes in the Fall 2024. AMBAG will 1) reach out to each local jurisdiction to verify and update the traffic analysis zones (TAZs) using the new forecast; 2) work with the RTPAs, transit operators, Caltrans, and local jurisdictions to update the project list for the 2050 MTP/SCS; 3) projects will be included in the MTP/SCS scenarios and evaluated using MTP/SCS performance measures; and 4) financial assumptions for the MTP/SCS through 2050 will be developed. Ms. Adamson added that AMBAG is the lead agency for a joint program level EIR for the 2050 MTP/SCS and the county level Regional Transportation Plans. The Notice of Preparation for the joint EIR was released for public review and comments were due on March 1, 2024. Ms. Adamson asked that Board members provide input and feedback on the draft performance measures. The Board will be asked to approve the 2050 MTP/SCS performance measures at its April 2024 meeting. Brief discussion followed.

James Whitman stated that it’s interesting that the public can only comment for one minute. Several people have been on their phones 90 percent of the time I’ve tried to make eye contact with them. It would be nice to talk and be able to provide more information. Mr. Whitman stated that since 1997-2014 over 800,000 youth in India were paralyzed by the Gates Foundation providing polio vaccines.

Gary Richard Arnold referred to “regional government” by the Fabian socialist out of London, called intensive education. It suggests that authorities not be appointed to regional staffs unless they have shown unmistakable signs of possessing a regional outlook in a world government. Anything your passing causes your constituents to pay more in state and federal taxes. Socialism and communism are tools of the banking establishment used to enslave and create a world government.

B. AMBAG’s 2024 Title VI Program Development Process

Regina Valentine, Senior Planner gave a presentation on AMBAG’s 2024 Title VI Program Development Process. Title VI is a Federal statute and provides that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance. The federally required Title VI Plan is a comprehensive document that guides AMBAG in the Title VI process. The timeline includes 1) prepare the draft 2024 Title VI Program April – May 2024; 2) present draft 2024 Title VI Program to Advisory Committees, Planning Directors Forum, and AMBAG Board of Directors meeting in May – June 2024; 3) public comment period is June 3, 2024 – July 12, 2024; 4) present final 2024 Title VI Program to Advisory Committees and Planning Directors Forum; and 5) AMBAG Board adoption of the final 2024 Title VI Program.

Gary Richard Arnold stated that were going in the direction to get rid of local counties and cities. Mr. Arnold spoke about a proposed communist state composed of Washington, Oregon, Western Nevada, and California. You should only representing your people and not conform to outrageous demands.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned with a moment of silence for the tragedy that occurred in King City, CA.

The Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 7:26 PM.

Mary Ann Carbone, President

Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

DRAFT AMBAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING ATTENDANCE & VOTING RECORD
BOARD MEETING DATE: March 13, 2024

Attendance (X= Present; AB= Absent) Voting (Y= Yes; N=No; A=Abstain)			
MEMBER	AMBAG REP	Attendance	Item 9
Capitola	Kristen Brown	X	Y
Carmel-by-the-Sea	Karen Ferlito	X	Y
Del Rey Oaks	John Uy	X	Y
Gonzales	Scott Funk	AB	N/A
Greenfield	Robert White	X	Y
Hollister	Dolores Morales	X	Y
King City	Carlos Victoria	X	Y
Marina	Brian McCarthy	X	Y
Monterey	Alan Haffa	X	Y
Pacific Grove	Luke Coletti (6:10)	X	Y
Salinas	Steve McShane	X	Y
San Juan Bautista	John Freeman	AB	N/A
Sand City	Mary Ann Carbone	X	Y
Santa Cruz	Scott Newsome	X	Y
Scotts Valley	Derek Timm	X	Y
Seaside	Alex Miller	X	Y
Soledad	Anna Velazquez	X	Y
Watsonville	Vanessa Quiroz-Carter	AB	N/A
County Monterey	Mary Adams	X	Y
County Monterey	Glenn Church	X	Y
County Santa Cruz	Manu Koenig	X	Y
County Santa Cruz	Felipe Hernandez (6:06)	X	Y
County San Benito	Mindy Sotelo	X	Y
County San Benito	Dom Zanger	AB	N/A

(* = Board Member(s) arrived late or left early, therefore, did not vote on the item. Please refer the minutes)



MEMORANDUM

TO: AMBAG Board of Directors

FROM: Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

RECOMMENDED BY: Regina Valentine, Senior Planner

SUBJECT: AMBAG Regional Clearinghouse Monthly Newsletter

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2024

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Directors accept the March 2024 Clearinghouse monthly newsletter.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

Since March 12, 1984, under adopted State Clearinghouse Procedures, the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) was designated the regional agency responsible for clearinghouse operations in Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz Counties. These procedures implement Presidential Executive Order 12372 as interpreted by the "State of California Procedures for Intergovernmental Review of Federal Financial Assistance and Direct Development Activities." They also implement the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 as interpreted by CEQA Guidelines.

The purpose of the Clearinghouse is to provide all interested parties within the Counties of Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz notification of projects for federal financial assistance, direct federal development activities, local plans and development projects and state plans that are proposed within the region. These areawide procedures are intended to be coordinated with procedures adopted by the State of California.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no direct financial impact. Staff time for monitoring clearinghouse activities is incorporated into the current AMBAG Overall Work Program and budget.

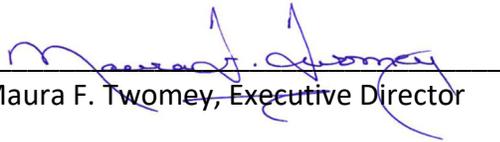
COORDINATION:

Notices for the Clearinghouse are sent by lead agencies to AMBAG. Interested parties are sent email notifications twice a month with the newsletter attached.

ATTACHMENT:

1. Monthly Newsletter - Clearinghouse items March 1 – 31, 2024.

APPROVED BY:



Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

Attachment 1

AMBAG REGIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE

The AMBAG Board of Directors will review these items on 4/10/24

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ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS

20240304

City of Carmel-by-the-Sea 6th Cycle Housing Element Update (2023-2031) and Safety Element Update

City of Carmel-by-the-Sea

Marnie Waffle
(831) 620-2057

Notice of Intent (NOI)

Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)

The project includes the update to the City’s 6th Cycle Housing Element Update (2023-2031) Housing and Community Development (HCD) Revised Draft (dated January 24, 2024) (“Housing Element Update”) and the update to the City’s Safety Element. The adoption of these two elements would be an amendment to the City’s General Plan/Coastal Land Use Program (General Plan).

It is not expected that the updates to the City’s Safety Element result in any physical changes. The Housing Element Update includes 410 housing units, which is approximately 17 percent more than the RHNA of 349 units. The City does not anticipate that future housing projects proposed on sites with existing commercial/office uses would also result in expanded building square footage for such uses. Consequently, no increase in existing commercial/office building square footage would occur with implementation of the Housing Element Update.

Project Location:

Monterey County
Carmel-by-the-Sea

Parcel: Multiple

Public hearing information:

City Hall, Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-By-The-Sea, CA 93923 and by Zoom

4/2/2024 4:30 PM

Public review period ends **Monday, March 25, 2024**

Santa Cruz County

Rob Tidmore

(831) 454-7947

Notice of Availability

The Project is an approximately 4.5-mile new multi-use bicycle and pedestrian trail proposed to extend along the RTC-owned railroad corridor from the eastern side of 17th Avenue at the western limits of the Project to the western side of State Park Drive at the eastern limits of the Project, extending through unincorporated Santa Cruz County and the City of Capitola.

Project Location:

Santa Cruz County

Unincorporated

Parcel: NA

Public hearing information:

Santa Cruz County Board Chambers, 701 Ocean Street, Room 525, Santa Cruz CA

3/26/2024 9:00 AM

Public review period ends **Tuesday, March 26, 2024**

Monterey County

Craig Spencer
(831) 755-5233

Supplemental Environmental Impact Re

The Harper Canyon Subdivision (Project) is a 17-lot subdivision on 164 acres, with one 180-acre remainder parcel in Monterey County. The Monterey County Board of Supervisors certified the Harper Canyon Subdivision EIR and approved the Project on April 7, 2015 (BOS Res.14-075). The 2015 Board of Supervisor's decision was challenged and ultimately resulted in the Sixth District Court of Appeal's opinion that the EIR lacked analysis concerning the proposed project's potential impacts to the Toro Creek wildlife corridor (Landwatch Monterey et al. v. County of Monterey et al., Case No. H046932). The Supplemental Draft EIR examines wildlife movement between the Fort Ord National Monument, Santa Lucia Ranges, and Toro Creek via under-crossing of State Route 68, overpasses along Portola Drive, and local/onsite drainages and culverts. Review of previous research, including but not limited to the Central Coast Connectivity Project and the 2008 WRA Environmental Consultants memorandum developed for the Ferrini Ranch EIR. The supplemental draft environmental impact report identifies, where necessary, mitigation to avoid, eliminate, or reduce impacts to a less-than-significant level, where feasible.

Project Location:

Monterey County

Salinas

Parcel: 416611001000

Public hearing information:

Time and date to be determined, to be notified of the hearing please contact Craig Spencer, Acting Director, County of Monterey Housing and Community Development

Public review period ends **Friday, April 26, 2024**

City of Santa Cruz

Brittany Whitehill

(831) 420-5134

Notice of Preparation (NOP)

The project consists of Residential and Non-Residential Demolition Authorization Permits, Heritage Tree Removal Permit, Minor Land Division, Design Permit, Special Use Permit, and Density Bonus Request to demolish nine commercial buildings (approximately 29,431 square feet [sf]) and 12 residential units, remove of 13 heritage trees, and construct a mixed-use development on one 14.5-acre parcel with 389 residential units and 9,570 square feet of commercial space. The project is requesting a 42.5% density bonus from a base density project of 273 units.

The project would include three buildings – Building A (433,585 gross square feet [sf]), a five story building with basement (garage parking), and two three-story buildings (Building B [62,952 gross sf] and Building C [46,260 gross sf]). Residential uses are proposed on all floors except in the below grade parking garage. The proposed commercial space and residential amenities are proposed on the ground floor. The proposed 389 residential units consist of 46 studio units, 206 one-bedroom units, 120 two bedroom units, 15 three-bedroom units, and two four-bedroom units. Proposed residential amenities, totaling 12,236 sf, include a resident co-workspace, fitness gym, lounge, and club room. An outdoor pool for residents is proposed on the second-floor courtyard of Building A.

The commercial space, totaling 9,570 sf, is proposed on the ground floor of Building A fronting Ocean Street. Existing commercial uses on the site total approximately 27,630 sf, and thus, the project would result in a net decrease in 18,060 sf of commercial space. The area consists of two commercial spaces on either side of the entrance. It is anticipated that future retail and/or commercial service uses will be provided, but no specific commercial uses are proposed at this time.

Project Location:

Santa Cruz County

City of Santa Cruz

Parcel: 00833103

Public hearing information:

Zoom, <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81627538283>, Webinar ID: 816 2753 8283

4/10/2024 6:00 PM

Public review period ends **Monday, April 15, 2024**

PUBLIC HEARINGS

20240301

PLN240010 Appeal of Planning Commission Denial of Conditional Use Permit and Recommendation Deny GP

San Benito County

Abraham Prado

(831) 697-5313

Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

The public hearing will consider an appeal of the February 7, 2024, Planning Commission decision regarding County Planning file PLN210002, which includes a request from Waste Solutions for a conditional use permit, General Plan amendment, and certification of an environmental impact report ("EIR") pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") (SCH# 2021020371). After public hearings on October 11, 2023, October 25, 2023, October 27, 2023, October 30, 2023, and January 31, 2024, the Planning Commission voted to deny the conditional use permit and recommend that the Board of Supervisors deny the General Plan amendment that would allow the expansion of JSRL, comprised of the 95.16-acre existing landfill, 388.05-acre expansion area on the north side of John Smith Road (APNs 025-190-078 and 025-190-079), and potential use of approximately 70 acres of County-owned land on the south side of John Smith Road (APN 025-190-075) for habitat mitigation ("Expansion Project"). During the appeal, the Board of Supervisors will decide whether to grant or deny Waste Solutions' appeal. If the Board of Supervisors' grants the appeal in whole or in part, the Board of Supervisors may consider the Expansion Project, including but not limited to, the following actions: Certification of the Final EIR for the Expansion Project, Approval of Conditional Use Permit, and General Plan Amendment.

Project Location:

San Benito County

Unincorporated

Parcel: 025190073

Public hearing information:

Board Chambers, 481 Fourth Street, San Benito County, Administration Building, Hollister, CA 95023 or Zoom Webinar ID 838 283S 4982 and Password 146382

3/26/2024 1:30 PM

Public review period ends **Tuesday, March 26, 2024**

Monterey County
Fionna Jensen
(831) 796-6407

Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)

Coastal Development Permit to allow expansion of a storm water detention pond and improvement of a water level control structure and outlet structure within 100 feet of Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Area.

Project Location:

Monterey County
Moss Landing

Parcel: 413081004000

Public hearing information:

Date TBD, Location Monterey County Board of Supervisors Chambers, 168 West Alisal Street, 2nd Floor, Salinas, CA 93901

Public review period ends **Monday, April 1, 2024**

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More detailed information on these projects is available by calling the contact person for each project or through AMBAG at (831) 883-3750. Comments will be considered by the AMBAG Board of Directors in its review. All comments will be forwarded to the applicants for response and inclusion in the project application. If substantial coordination or conflict issues arise, the Clearinghouse can arrange meetings between concerned agencies and applicants.



MEMORANDUM

TO: AMBAG Board of Directors

FROM: Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

RECOMMENDED BY: Amaury Berteaud, Sustainability Program Manager

SUBJECT: AMBAG Sustainability Program Update

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2024

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Board of Directors accept this report.

BACKGROUND/ DISCUSSION:

AMBAG Sustainability Program Elements

Energy Efficiency Program Development

AMBAG is a founding member of the Rural and Hard to Reach (RHTR) working group, which was created in 2015 to promote the deployment of energy efficiency resources to California’s rural communities. In the past two years AMBAG staff has been working with RHTR partners to create a Regional Energy Network (REN). RENs are entities which submit business plans to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to obtain ratepayer funds and implement energy efficiency programs.

In June 2021, RHTR partners executed a memorandum of understanding for the development of the RuralREN. RHTR partners submitted a motion for the creation of the RuralREN as well as the RuralREN 2023-2031 strategic business plan to the CPUC in March 2022. In June 2022, Commissioner Shiroma issued a ruling which determined that the RuralREN motion should be considered on the same timeline, and in the same proceeding as the 2024-2031 business plans from existing energy efficiency portfolio administrators. On June 29, 2023, the CPUC issued Decision D.23.06.055 which included approval of RuralREN, and its business plan, with a 2024-2027 budget of \$84 million and an 2028-2031 preliminary budget of \$93 million. AMBAG is working with RuralREN partners to engage in the regulatory process and clarify the governance structure of the RuralREN. Once this process is completed AMBAG will work with partners to launch RuralREN programs which are expected to launch in fall 2024.

Planning Excellence!

Monterey Bay Natural and Working Lands Climate Mitigation and Resiliency Study

On December 6, 2021, the California Department of Conservation awarded AMBAG a \$250,000 Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation (SALC) program planning grant to fund the creation of a Monterey Bay Natural and Working Lands Climate Mitigation and Resiliency Study.

The Monterey Bay Natural and Working Lands Climate Mitigation and Resiliency Study project seeks to create an inventory of natural and working lands carbon stock in the AMBAG region and forecast its evolution based on different climate change and land use scenarios, as well as the implementation of different adaptation and mitigation strategies. This project will empower the Monterey Bay region to consider the health of natural and working lands as a part of long-range planning as well as provide an opportunity for cities and counties to further integrate natural and working land GHG mitigation strategies as part of their climate action planning process.

In the past month AMBAG staff worked with Ascent Environmental Inc. to continue drafting the Monterey Bay Natural and Working Lands Climate Mitigation and Resiliency Study.

Monterey Bay Electric Vehicle Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Framework (Monterey Bay EV CAR Framework)

On August 31, 2023, the California Department of Transportation awarded AMBAG and Ecology Action a \$750,000 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant (STPG) climate adaptation planning grant to fund the creation of a Monterey Bay Electric Vehicle Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Framework.

The Monterey Bay EV CAR Framework will create a roadmap in the Monterey Bay Area for assessing current charging infrastructure vulnerability to climate change and create strategies that ensure the build-out of EV charging infrastructure increases equity and resiliency in the face of climate change. This project will empower the Monterey Bay region to integrate climate and equity considerations as part of long-range EV infrastructure planning.

In the past month AMBAG staff worked with Ecology Action staff to release the request for proposals (RFP) to hire equity and outreach consultants. AMBAG staff also continued to gather the data necessary to complete the Monterey Bay EV CAR Framework.

ALTERNATIVES:

There are no alternatives to discuss as this is an informational report.

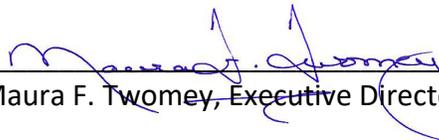
FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The budget is fully funded under a SALC planning grant, SB1 Planning Funds, and a Caltrans Climate Adaptation Planning Grant. All funding is programmed in the FY 2023-24 Overall Work Program and Budget.

COORDINATION:

AMBAG staff is coordinating with the RuralREN partners, local jurisdictions, and local community stakeholders.

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Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

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MEMORANDUM

TO: AMBAG Board of Directors

FROM: Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

RECOMMENDED BY: Errol Osteraa, Director of Finance and Administration

SUBJECT: Financial Update Report

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2024

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors accept the Financial Update Report.

BACKGROUND/ DISCUSSION:

The enclosed financial reports are for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year (FY) and are presented as a consent item. The attached reports contain the cumulative effect of operations through February 29, 2024, as well as a budget-to-actual comparison. Amounts in the Financial Update Report are unaudited.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Balance Sheet for February 29, 2024, reflects a cash balance of \$2,019,083.90. The accounts receivable balance is \$657,450.37, while the current liabilities balance is \$632,790.38. AMBAG has sufficient current assets on hand to pay all known current obligations.

AMBAG's Balance Sheet as of February 29, 2024, reflects a positive Net Position in the amount of \$413,559.91. This is due to the Profit and Loss Statement reflecting an excess of revenue over expense of \$230,301.28. Changes in Net Position are to be expected throughout the fiscal year (FY), particularly at the beginning due to the collection of member dues which are received in July and the timing of various year-end adjustments required after our financial audit.

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The following table highlights key Budget to Actual financial data:

Budget to Actual Financial Highlights
For Period July 1, 2023 through February 29, 2024

Expenditures	Budget Through February 2024	Actual Through February 2024	Difference
Salaries & Fringe Benefits	\$ 1,939,400.00	\$ 1,765,096.18	\$ 174,303.82
Professional Services	\$ 8,679,269.00	\$ 2,176,700.17	\$ 6,502,568.83
Lease/Rentals	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 50,827.91	\$ 4,172.09
Communications	\$ 18,533.00	\$ 13,481.85	\$ 5,051.15
Supplies	\$ 97,443.00	\$ 34,883.97	\$ 62,559.03
Printing	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 1,505.38	\$ 6,494.62
Travel	\$ 48,733.00	\$ 8,096.15	\$ 40,636.85
Other Charges	\$ 242,835.00	\$ 288,862.47	\$ (46,027.47)
Total	\$ 11,089,213.00	\$ 4,339,454.08	\$ 6,749,758.92
Revenue			
Federal/State/Local Revenue	\$ 11,156,558.00	\$ 4,569,755.36	\$ 6,586,802.64

Note: AMBAG is projecting a surplus, therefore budgeted revenues do not equal expenses.

Revenues/Expenses (Budget to Actual Comparison):

The budget reflects a linear programming of funds while actual work is contingent on various factors. Therefore, during the fiscal year there will be fluctuations from budget-to-actual.

Professional Services are under budget primarily due to the timing of work on projects performed by contractors. Projects early in their implementation are Integrated Land Use Model and Development Monitoring Framework Tool, Monterey Bay Natural and Working Lands Climate Mitigation and Resiliency Study, California Central Coast Sustainable Freight Study, and Complete Streets. This work is not performed in a linear fashion while the budget reflects linear programming. In addition, the Regional Early Action Planning Housing Program (REAP) provides \$7,931,311 in funding of which a large portion will pass through to partner agencies. This program is approximately 96% completed. The current budget includes a proportionate share of \$10,133,742 in funding for the REAP 2.0 program. It is in its early stages.

Since AMBAG funding is primarily on a reimbursement basis, any deviation in expenditure also results in a corresponding deviation in revenue. Budget-to-actual revenue and expenditures are monitored regularly to analyze fiscal operations and propose amendments to the budget if needed.

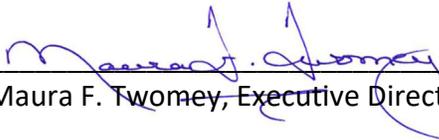
COORDINATION:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Balance Sheet as of February 29, 2024
2. Profit and Loss: July 1, 2023 – February 29, 2024
3. Cash Activity for March 2024

APPROVED BY:



Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

Balance Sheet - Attachment 1

As of February 29, 2024

	February 29, 2024	February 29, 2024
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Mechanics Bank - Special Reserve	925,419.27	463,889.51
Mechanics Bank - Checking	253,750.30	168,900.87
Mechanics Bank - REAP Checking	533,595.00	0.00
Mechanics Bank - REAP 2.0 Checking	301,963.39	632,790.38
Petty Cash	500.00	
LAIF Account	3,855.94	
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	2,019,083.90	
Accounts Receivable		
Accounts Receivable	657,450.37	258,986.95
Total Accounts Receivable	657,450.37	1,888,153.69
Other Current Assets		
Due from PRWFPA/RAPS	558.58	15,087.16
Prepaid Items	16,707.13	507,907.93
Total Other Current Assets	17,265.71	2,670,135.73
Total Current Assets	2,693,799.98	3,302,926.11
Long-Term Assets		
Net OPEB Asset	96,473.00	
Deferred Outflows - Actuarial	533,833.49	
Deferred Outflows - PERS Contribution	272,963.59	
Total Long-Term Assets	903,270.08	
Capital Assets		
Capital Assets	376,274.18	183,258.63
Accumulated Depreciation	(256,858.22)	230,301.28
Total Capital Assets	119,415.96	413,559.91
Total Assets	3,716,486.02	3,716,486.02
Liabilities & Net Position		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		463,889.51
Employee Benefits		168,900.87
Mechanics Bank - Line of Credit		0.00
Total Current Liabilities		632,790.38
Long-Term Liabilities		
Deferred Inflows - Actuarial		258,986.95
Net Pension Liability (GASB 68)		1,888,153.69
OPEB Liability		15,087.16
Deferred Revenue		507,907.93
Total Long-Term Liabilities		2,670,135.73
Total Liabilities		3,302,926.11
Net Position		
Beginning Net Position		183,258.63
Net Income/(Loss)		230,301.28
Total Ending Net Position		413,559.91
Total Liabilities & Net Position		3,716,486.02

Profit & Loss - Attachment 2

July - February 2024

	July - February 2024	July - February 2024
Income		
AMBAG Revenue	192,690.99	
Cash Contributions	75,018.50	
Grant Revenue	4,118,137.52	
Non-Federal Local Match	183,908.35	
Total Income	4,569,755.36	
Expense		
Salaries	1,094,376.64	
Fringe Benefits	670,719.54	
Professional Services	2,176,700.17	
Lease/Rentals	50,827.91	
Communications	13,481.85	
Supplies	34,883.97	
Printing	1,505.38	
Travel	8,096.15	
Other Charges:		
BOD Allowances	5,250.00	
BOD Refreshments/Travel/Nameplates/Dinner/Other	820.90	
Workshops/Training	4,025.03	
GIS Licensing/CCJDC Support	8,914.00	
Energy Watch Travel/Classes/Events/Recruitment/Other	875.00	
SB1/MTIP/MTP/SCS/OWP/Public Participation Expenses	15,045.23	
Recruiting	1,655.32	
Model Expenses	3,300.00	
Dues & Subscriptions	17,817.78	
Depreciation Expense	20,566.88	
Maintenance/Utilities	943.10	
Insurance	25,480.88	
Interest/Fees/Tax Expense	260.00	
Total Other Charges	104,954.12	
Non-Federal Local Match	183,908.35	
Total Expense	4,339,454.08	
Net Income/(Loss)	230,301.28	

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Cash Activity - Attachment 3
For March 2024**

Monthly Cash Activity	July-23	August-23	September-23	October-23	November-23	December-23	January-24	February-24	March-24	April-24	May-24	June-24	TOTAL
1. CASH ON HAND													
[Beginning of month]	3,485,673.92	3,623,604.37	2,981,151.06	2,876,887.37	2,820,945.79	2,349,153.26	2,167,894.66	2,540,335.16	2,019,083.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2. CASH RECEIPTS													
(a) AMBAG Revenue	122,393.92	39,335.97	36,362.67	11,572.10	7,924.10	20,520.51	11,188.83	3,080.52	6,103.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	258,482.42
(b) Grant Revenue	321,324.61	500,755.13	226,665.54	251,418.16	490,551.54	235,752.42	232,391.56	412,739.71	300,539.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,972,138.62
(c) REAP Advance Payment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	720,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	720,000.00
(d) Borrowing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3. TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	443,718.53	540,091.10	263,028.21	262,990.26	498,475.64	256,272.93	963,580.39	415,820.23	306,643.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,950,621.04
4. TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE	3,929,392.45	4,163,695.47	3,244,179.27	3,139,877.63	3,319,421.43	2,605,426.19	3,131,475.05	2,956,155.39	2,325,727.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5. CASH PAID OUT													
(a) Payroll & Related *	226,595.24	206,279.10	215,964.87	221,730.16	227,634.13	245,033.18	224,953.03	228,819.68	146,150.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,943,159.62
(b) Professional Services	46,858.21	947,109.20	136,956.62	76,138.24	724,329.25	179,301.14	345,764.96	617,146.71	334,209.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,407,813.33
(c) Capital Outlay	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	57,184.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	57,184.25
(d) Lease/Rentals	12,157.40	6,603.40	6,579.38	6,217.41	6,217.41	6,568.08	6,466.82	6,568.08	182.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	57,559.98
(e) Communications	2,057.70	1,795.48	1,326.43	1,895.75	2,405.60	852.76	2,574.85	2,147.87	572.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,629.08
(f) Supplies	828.27	1,754.13	1,685.39	6,243.48	2,665.15	1,206.16	7,195.51	13,826.68	19.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	35,424.17
(g) Printing	0.00	0.00	245.30	0.00	0.00	593.75	0.00	666.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,505.38
(h) Travel	584.62	1,479.85	1,749.05	2,093.37	1,827.96	814.49	135.72	1,070.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,755.13
(i) Other Charges	16,706.64	17,523.25	2,784.86	4,613.43	5,188.67	3,161.97	4,049.00	9,641.82	1,680.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	65,349.72
(j) Loan Repayment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6. TOTAL CASH PAID OUT	305,788.08	1,182,544.41	367,291.90	318,931.84	970,268.17	437,531.53	591,139.89	937,071.49	482,813.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,593,380.66
7. CASH POSITION	3,623,604.37	2,981,151.06	2,876,887.37	2,820,945.79	2,349,153.26	2,167,894.66	2,540,335.16	2,019,083.90	1,842,914.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00



MEMORANDUM

TO: AMBAG Board of Directors

FROM: Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

RECOMMENDED BY: Heather Adamson, Director of Planning

SUBJECT: 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy: Performance Measures

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2024

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the performance measures for the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy.

BACKGROUND/ DISCUSSION:

AMBAG adopted the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS) in June 2022. Federal and state law requires that AMBAG prepare a long-range transportation plan in coordination with our transportation partners every four years. In accordance with state and federal guidelines, the 2050 MTP/SCS is scheduled for adoption by the AMBAG Board of Directors in June 2026. Staff developed the 2050 MTP/SCS Plan Work Program and Schedule which was approved by the AMBAG Board of Directors in April 2023.

2050 MTP/SCS Performance Measures

With each MTP/SCS update, AMBAG starts the planning process by establishing a framework of a vision and goals to guide the development of the Plan. This is a key first step, as it is the policy foundation for the MTP/SCS and identifies the “big picture” of what we aim to achieve. The 2050 MTP/SCS vision and goals were approved by the AMBAG Board of Directors in November 2023. Performance measures allow us to quantify regional goals, estimate the impacts of proposed investments, and evaluate progress over time. The draft 2050 MTP/SCS performance measures were presented to the AMBAG Board of Directors at its March 13, 2024 meeting. The revised draft performance has been updated based on Board, stakeholders, and public input and is included as Attachment 1. Following approval of the performance measures for the 2050 MTP/SCS, AMBAG staff will finalize methodologies to calculate the new measures to be included in the 2050 MTP/SCS.

Next Steps

Staff will finalize the methodologies for the performance measures as well as continue to develop the other components of the 2050 MTP/SCS working with the Planning Directors Forum, Technical Advisory Committees, partner agencies and key stakeholders and engaging with the members of the public.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose not to approve the performance measures for the 2050 MTP/SCS. Staff does not recommend this option.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The funding to conduct the work is budgeted in the FY 2023-24 Overall Work Program and Budget.

COORDINATION:

All MTP/SCS planning activities are coordinated with the MTP/SCS Executive Steering Committee and Staff Working Group which includes participation from Caltrans District 5, Monterey Salinas Transit, Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District, Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission, San Benito County Council of Governments, and the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, as well as the Planning Directors Forum and the RTPAs Technical Advisory Committees which includes the local jurisdictions.

ATTACHMENT:

1. 2050 MTP/SCS Revised Draft Performance Measures

APPROVED BY:


Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

2050 MTP/SCS
Revised Draft Performance Measures

Mobility
Daily Vehicle Delay Per Capita (hours)
Commute Travel Time (minutes)
Peak Period Congested Vehicle Miles of Travel (miles)
Maintain the Transportation System (percentage)
Fatalities and Injuries per 1,000 VMT
Annual Projected Bike/Pedestrian Fatalities and Injuries per 1,000 VMT
Environment
GHG Reductions (Percent reduction from 2005 baseline)
Alternative Transportation Trips (percentage)
Open Space Consumed (acres)
Farmland Converted (acres)
<i>Population in Climate Risk Areas (percentage)*</i>
Communities
Growth in Opportunity Areas (percentage)
Monterey County
San Benito County
Santa Cruz County
<i>Residential Density*</i>
Population Near High Quality Transit (percentage)
<i>Population Near 30 Minute Transit Service (percentage)*</i>
Population Near Bike Facilities (percentage)
Population Within 30 Minutes of Healthcare (percentage)
Drive Alone
Bike
Walk
Population Within 30 Minutes of Parks (percentage)
Drive Alone
Bike
Walk
Economic
Jobs Near High Quality Transit (percentage)
Jobs Near Bike Facilities (percentage)
Work Trips Within 30 Minutes (percentage)
Drive Alone
Carpool
Transit
<i>Jobs in Opportunity Areas (percentage)*</i>
Daily Truck Delay (hours)

Equitable
Distribution of MTP/SCS Investments (percentage)
Low income population
Non low income population
Minority population
Non minority population
Low mobility (zero car households and aged populations)
Low community engagement (linguistic isolation and education attainment)
Access to Transit within 1/2 mile (percentage)
Low income population
Non low income population
Minority population
Non minority population
Low mobility (zero car households and aged populations)
Low community engagement (linguistic isolation and education attainment)
Housing Mix*
Low income population
Non low income population
Minority population
Non minority population
Low mobility (zero car households and aged populations)
Low community engagement (linguistic isolation and education attainment)

** New performance measures proposed for the 2050 MTP/SCS*



2024 AMBAG Calendar of Meetings

May 8, 2024	MBARD Board Room 24580 Silver Cloud Court, Monterey, CA 93940 Meeting Time: 6 pm
June 12, 2024	MBARD Board Room 24580 Silver Cloud Court, Monterey, CA 93940 Meeting Time: 6 pm
July 2024	No Meeting Scheduled
August 14, 2024	MBARD Board Room 24580 Silver Cloud Court, Monterey, CA 93940 Meeting Time: 6 pm
September 11, 2024	MBARD Board Room 24580 Silver Cloud Court, Monterey, CA 93940 Meeting Time: 6 pm
October 9, 2024	MBARD Board Room 24580 Silver Cloud Court, Monterey, CA 93940 Meeting Time: 6 pm
November 13, 2024	MBARD Board Room 24580 Silver Cloud Court, Monterey, CA 93940 Meeting Time: 6 pm
December 2024	No Meeting Scheduled

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AMBAG Acronym Guide	
ABM	Activity Based Model
ACFR	Annual Comprehensive Financial Report
ADA	Americans Disabilities Act
ALUC	Airport Land Use Commission
AMBAG	Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments
ARRA	American Reinvestment and Recovery Act
3CE	Central Coast Community Energy
CAAA	Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 (Federal Legislation)
Caltrans	California Department of Transportation
CalVans	California Vanpool Authority
CARB	California Air Resources Board
CCJDC	Central Coast Joint Data Committee
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act
CHTS	California Households Travel Survey
CMAQ	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement
CPUC	California Public Utilities Commission
CTC	California Transportation Commission
DEIR	Draft Environmental Impact Report
DEM	Digital Elevation Model
DOF	Department of Finance (State of California)
EAC	Energy Advisory Committee
EIR	Environmental Impact Report
FAST Act	Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
FTIP	Federal Transportation Improvement Program
GHG	Greenhouse Gas Emissions
GIS	Geographic Information System
ICAP	Indirect Cost Allocation Plan
ITS	Intelligent Transportation Systems
JPA	Joint Powers Authority

LTA	San Benito County Local Transportation Authority
LTC	Local Transportation Commission
MAP-21	Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21 st Century Act
MBARD	Monterey Bay Air Resources District
MOA	Memorandum of Agreement
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MPAD	Monterey Peninsula Airport District
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization
MST	Monterey-Salinas Transit
MTP	Metropolitan Transportation Plan
MTIP	Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program
OWP	Overall Work Program
PG&E	Pacific Gas & Electric Company
PPP	Public Participation Plan
RAPS, Inc.	Regional Analysis & Planning Services, Inc.
RFP	Request for Proposal
RHNA	Regional Housing Needs Allocation
RTDM	Regional Travel Demand Model
RTP	Regional Transportation Plan
RTPA	Regional Transportation Planning Agency
SB 375	Senate Bill 375
SBtCOG	Council of San Benito County Governments
SCCRTC	Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission
SCMTD	Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District
SCS	Sustainable Communities Strategy
S RTP	Short-Range Transit Plan
STIP	State Transportation Improvement Program
TAMC	Transportation Agency for Monterey County
TAZ	Traffic Analysis Zone
USGS	United States Geological Survey
VMT	Vehicle Miles Traveled
VT	Vehicle Trips