

# Measure D Renewal

2008 TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT PLAN

## North County Measure D Renewal Investment Plan Proposal

North County Subregional Share - \$455 million (30 years)		
Local Program (77.5%) - \$352.625 million		
Regional Program (22.5%) - \$102.375 million		
Regional Program Project List	Measure D Contribution	Estimated Project Cost
<b>Highway 101: Union Valley Parkway Interchange</b> - Construct a new interchange at Union Valley Parkway in Orcutt	\$10 million	\$17 million
<b>Highway 101: Santa Maria River Bridge</b> - Widen the Santa Maria River Bridge from 4 to 6 lanes	\$10 million	\$50 million
<b>Highway 101: McCoy Lane Interchange</b> - Construct a new interchange at McCoy Lane in Santa Maria	\$10 million	\$25 million
<b>Highway 101: Highway 135 Interchange</b> - Reconstruct the Highway 135 (Broadway) interchange in Santa Maria near the Santa Maria River Bridge	\$10 million	\$23 million
<b>Highway 101: Betteravia Road</b> - Add a northbound loop on-ramp at Betteravia Road in Santa Maria	\$5 million	\$5 million
<b>Highway 246: Passing Lanes</b> - Add passing lanes from Purisma Road to Domingos Road between Buellton and Lompoc	\$20 million	\$50 million
<b>Highway 246: Santa Ynez River</b> - Improve the Highway 246 crossing of the Santa Ynez River to Lompoc	\$8 million	\$26 million
<b>Circulation Improvements: Guadalupe</b> - Widen roads, install traffic signals, construct bike/pedestrian paths, improve railroad crossings	\$3 million	\$6 million
<b>Circulation Improvements: Solvang</b> - Make safety and operational improvements including intersection improvements, pedestrian crossings, bicycle lanes, wider bridges, and traffic signal synchronization	\$3 million	\$7 million
<b>Interregional Transit Program</b> Current examples of services that may be funded include, but are not limited to:  <b>Clean Air Express:</b> Fund operations and capital to maintain and expand existing service from Santa Maria and Lompoc to employment centers on the South Coast and add future reverse commute service to North County employment centers (North County 50% Share) <b>Breeze Bus:</b> Transit service between Santa Maria, Vandenberg AFB and Lompoc and add future extension from Lompoc to Buellton. Fund operations and expansion costs. <b>Valley Express:</b> Fund operations and capital costs to maintain existing service from Buellton, Solvang, Santa Ynez Valley to employment centers on the South Coast (North County 50% share) <b>Guadalupe Flyer:</b> Transit service between Guadalupe and Santa Maria. Fund operations and expansion costs.	\$23.375 million	\$80.5 million
<b>Total Regional Program Project List</b>	<b>\$102.375 M</b>	<b>\$289.5 M</b>

**Note: Changes made to the September 12 draft plan are shaded**

## Proposed Regional Program Project Descriptions

### Regional Highway & Circulation Projects

Funding for these projects will be used in combination with other revenue sources such as state and federal gas taxes or local fees to deliver the projects and can be loaned to the State to deliver the projects sooner than would normally be expected using state and federal gas taxes. The cost of these projects can include such items as traffic signals, sidewalks, bike lanes, intersection channelization, curbs and gutters, shoulders, and landscaping as long as these costs are directly related to the project. Where appropriate, traffic impact fees collected from new development served by the regional project will provide a fair share contribution to the cost of the project.

#### **Highway 101: Union Valley Parkway Interchange**

This project will connect Union Valley Parkway to Highway 101 through a new interchange including northbound and southbound on and off ramps to provide Orcutt residents and businesses with access 101 in addition to the existing Clark Avenue and Santa Maria Way interchanges.

#### **Highway 101: Santa Maria River Bridge**

This project will widen the Highway 101 bridge over the Santa Maria River from 4 to 6 lanes to match the 6 lane widening south of the bridge which is currently under construction. The project will also add a Class I bike path adjacent to the northbound lanes.

#### **Highway 101: McCoy Interchange**

This project will connect McCoy Lane to Highway 101 through a new interchange including northbound and southbound on and off ramps to provide Santa Maria residents and businesses with improved access to the highway.

#### **Highway 101: Highway 135 Interchange**

This project will reconstruct the Highway 135 interchange with Highway 101 adjacent to the Santa Maria River bridge to improve safety for merging vehicles and accommodate the six lane widening of Highway 101.

#### **Highway 101: Betteravia Road**

This project will improve the operations of intersections at Betteravia Road and Highway 101 by constructing a northbound loop on ramp in the south east interchange quadrant.

#### **Highway 246: Passing Lanes**

This project will improve the safety and operations of Highway 246 between Buellton and Lompoc by adding passing lanes and turning lanes between Purisma and Domingos Roads.

#### **Highway 246: Santa Ynez River**

This project will improve access to Lompoc across the Santa Ynez River by providing a bridge raised above flood level that can accommodate bicycles and pedestrians.

#### **Circulation Improvements: Guadalupe**

Funds for this project will make improvements to local streets and highways, consistent with the City of Guadalupe's circulation element, including widening roads, installing traffic signals, improving bicycle and pedestrian safety, and improving intersections.

#### **Circulation Improvements: Solvang**

Funds for this project will be used to make safety and operational improvements to local streets and/or Highway 246 in Solvang including intersection improvements, pedestrian crossings, bicycle lanes, wider bridges and traffic signal synchronization.

### Interregional Transit Program

Maintain and expand bus service between North County and South Coast regions and between Santa Barbara County and adjoining counties. Expenses for planning and promotions, vehicles, capital facilities such as transportation hubs, and operations are eligible. Funding would be used to continue existing services after federal funding grants expire, deliver expanded peak hour commute and express bus service and provide greater frequencies on existing routes. Any public transit operator providing interregional services shall be eligible to receive these funds and funds allocated under this program shall

be allocated directly to the public transit operator providing the service. Eligible projects that may be funded from under this program include, but are not limited to:

- Clean Air Express service from North County cities to employment centers on the South Coast and a future reverse commute service to North County employment centers. *(Funding identified in the North County Investment Plan represents 50% of the total Measure D Renewal allocation for the Clean Air Express. The remaining 50% would be included in the proposed draft South Coast Investment Plan.)*
- Breeze bus service between Santa Maria, Vandenberg Air Force Base and Lompoc and add future extension from Lompoc to Buellton.
- Valley Express service from Buellton, Solvang, Santa Ynez Valley to employment centers on the South Coast. *(Funding identified in the North County Investment Plan represents 50% of the total Measure D Renewal allocation for the Valley Express. The remaining 50% would be included in the proposed draft South Coast Investment Plan.)*
- Guadalupe Flyer service between the cities of Guadalupe and Santa Maria.

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## **Regional Projects Not Funded**

### **Rural Highway Safety Program**

Funds awarded to projects that will leverage state and federal funding to make safety improvements to rural highways in the county. Eligible highways are 246, 166, 1, 154, and 135.

### **Traffic Demand Reduction Program**

This countywide program is intended to reduce traffic congestion, improve air quality, and expand commuter choices through the formation of carpools and vanpools and by facilitating the use of transit services, bicycle and pedestrian options, telecommuting and flexible work schedules. Whenever possible, funds would be used in partnership with employers that are seeking to improve employee retention and mitigate the jobs-housing imbalance by expanding commute options for their employees. Funds would be used for planning, implementation, education, marketing and incentives to increase use of these options. An annual report would be published quantifying the effectiveness of the program to ensure that performance measures are being met. It is intended that program funds be used to match federal, state, local, and private funding to maximize the number of commute options implemented.

### **Specialized Transit**

Reduce fares charged to the elderly, the disabled, and the transportation disadvantaged by funding the operating expenses of specialized transit service providers.

### **Circulation Improvements: Buellton**

*Note: At its Sept 12 meeting, the committee discussed including funding in the regional program for a project (or projects) that would improve local circulation similar to those projects listed for Guadalupe and Solvang.*