

Midcoast Community Council

*An elected Municipal Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
representing Montara, Moss Beach, El Granada, Princeton, and Miramar
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San Mateo County Transportation Authority
1250 San Carlos Avenue
P.O. Box 3006
San Carlos, CA 94070

Re: Measure A Highway Program funds

To Whom It May Concern,

The Midcoast Community Council (MCC) is an elected Municipal Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, serving the citizens of the unincorporated Midcoast in Miramar, El Granada, Princeton, Moss Beach, and Montara. We are writing to express both our thanks as well as our wholehearted support for the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors' decision to submit an application for San Mateo County Transportation Authority Measure A Highway Program funds.

It is hard to imagine that there could be any better use of funds than on a project that will increase pedestrian and motor vehicle safety while reducing traffic congestion; funds that will be invested in a scenic highway that is enjoyed daily by residents and visitors alike.

Highway 1 is the only arterial link for the San Mateo County unincorporated Midcoast, providing access between all the local communities and connecting the Midcoast with the rest of the Coastside and Bay Area. The corridor, which provides for weekday commuters and school traffic, as well as high-volume weekend visitor traffic, can also act as a barrier preventing residents from leaving their homes during times of high usage. It must also provide for pedestrians and bicyclists of all ages and abilities who are using the highway right-of-way and trying to cross.

We support the goals of the Highway 1 Safety and Mobility Improvement Study for improved traffic circulation and pedestrian/bicycle safety and connectivity. Of the conceptual plans developed in the study, the most enthusiastic support from the community is for projects that improve vehicle and pedestrian/bicycle safety via raised medians, well-placed left turn and merge lanes, and well-placed and designed crossings. We look forward to an early process of consultation with the MCC and community on design details.

Sincerely,

s/Bill Kehoe, Chair
Midcoast Community Council

cc: San Mateo County Board of Supervisors