Planning

Local Streets and Roads Funding Program

Fiscal Year 2020-21 Funding Eligibility Reminder

The Local Streets and Roads Fiscal Year 2020-21 Funding Eligibility Proposed Project List-Resolution Submittals are due to the Commission on or before May 1, 2020. To be eligible for fiscal year program apportionments, cities and counties must submit an adopted list of projects to the Commission pursuant to Streets and Highways Code (SHC) Section 2034(a).

In accordance with the 2019 Local Streets and Roads Funding Program Guidelines CalSMART, the California Statewide Multi-Modal Application and Reporting Tool (CalSMART) is the only accepted submission method recognized. The submittal feature will be open from March 20, 2020 to May 1, 2020.

The Commission will adopt the Initial List of Eligible Cities and Counties at the June 2020 Commission meeting. Visit the Local Streets and Roads Fund Program Web-site for the annual program schedule.

Eligibility submittals must be consistent with SHC Sections 2030-2034 2019 Local Streets and Roads Funding Program Guidelines and the adopted by the Commission.

To establish eligibility the cities and counties must:

• Include a description, location, estimated schedule, and estimated useful life for each project proposed in the list that is adopted.
• The list of projects must be adopted by the applicable city council or county board of supervisors each year, at a regular meeting prior to submitting to the Commission.
• The list adoption shall be a standalone action item and should not take place as a part of another budgetary or project action taken.
• The adopted proposed project list-resolution must be submitted to the Commission by May 1st annually in CalSMART.

Fiscal Year 2020-21 Local Streets and Roads Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account SB 1 Estimates are available on the California Local Government Finance Almanac web-site. The estimates are provided by a third-party consultant that is contracted by the League of California Cities.

For more information please contact by email: LSR@catc.ca.gov
Central Coast Highway 1 Climate Resiliency Study
Public Workshop, February 27, 2020
The Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) invites you to come learn about the Central Coast Highway 1 Climate Resiliency Study. The Highway 1 corridor near Elkhorn Slough could face significant challenges to the future of transportation in the Monterey Bay region under conditions of climate change and sea level rise. Elkhorn Slough is California’s third largest tract of tidal wetlands and hosts extraordinary biological diversity, providing critical habitat for more than 135 aquatic birds, 550 marine invertebrate species, and 102 fish species. Changes to the road and railway infrastructure will likely affect these important ecological resources. This multi-benefit planning study seeks to identify the needs and opportunities to improve transportation mobility, safety and efficiency, promote healthy coastal habitats, and provide economic security and benefits to the local community. Community members are invited to attend this second community open house to find out more about future adaptation strategies for Highway 1, Elkhorn Rail and Elkhorn Slough and contribute their input on the study and transportation and ecological resources in the area.

MEETING DETAILS:
Date: Thursday, February 27, 2020
Place: Marina Library Community Room, 190 Seaside Circle, Marina, CA 93933
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Contact Information
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Website: https://ambag.org/programs-services/planning/central-coast-highway-1-climate-resiliency-study

Welcome AMBAG Staff!
Miranda Taylor

Miranda Taylor is our newest Planning and Grants Intern joining us from Humboldt State University. Miranda recently graduated with a B.S. in Environmental Science and Management with a focus in Ecological Restoration and a minor in Environmental & Natural Resource Planning and in Geospatial Analysis. While in school Miranda worked in the nonprofit sector managing CDFW grants and invasive species removal projects, she evaluated University Master Plan flaws associated with carbon emissions due to a parking shortage on campus and focused her capstone on analyzing flaws in the County’s Commercial Cannabis Land Use Ordinance. Her time with government agencies began as a Stormwater Intern for the City of Pullman, Washington where she was involved with a department wide EPA audit, water quality testing local creeks and the annual outfall inventory.

Growing up in the California Central Valley, Miranda has a strong understanding of the agricultural issues we face on the Central Coast including lack of biodiversity, urban sprawl, water scarcity and pollution. Miranda is interested in ecosystem preservation, local government policy making, and regional land use planning. Outside of land use planning and ecosystem management, Miranda is a board member at the Carmel River Steelhead Association where she focuses her time on preserving the Carmel River’s supply of endangered Steelhead. She is an avid fan of the outdoors and plans to continue advocating for natural entities throughout her career.
Gammon Koval

Please, welcome Gammon Koval, our new GIS and Planning Intern. In 2019, Gammon graduated from the University of Miami with dual bachelor’s degrees in marine science and biology. During his undergraduate, Gammon was introduced to GIS and focused on the scientific applications of the program. He examined the space-time patterns of shark species based on environmental conditions. Currently, Gammon is pursuing his master’s degree in marine science at Moss Landing Marine Laboratories. His thesis is focused on evaluating the effects of marine protected areas on the fish communities in the surf zone.

Gammon continues to apply and develop his GIS skills here at AMBAG with application to transportation planning and sustainable community strategy. He is passionate about communicating science with the public and educating people on sustainable environmental practices. When not in the office or the lab, Gammon can likely be found diving in the kelp forests.

Energy Watch

Three AMBAG jurisdictions complete comprehensive LED lighting projects

In the last quarter of 2019 AMBAG Energy Watch staff worked closely with three jurisdictions to complete comprehensive LED lighting retrofit projects. These projects were funded through PG&E On Bill financing and received AMBAG Energy Watch rebates.

The City of Carmel completed interior LED lighting retrofits at seven sites, including the City Hall, the library and the fire station. Now that this project is complete the city is saving over 70,000 kWh and over $13,000 in avoided energy costs annually.

The City of Seaside completed a city-wide interior and exterior LED lighting project at twelve sites including the City Hall, the Oldemeyer Center and the Patullo Swim Center. Now that the project is complete the City of Seaside is saving over 400,000 kWh and over $75,000 in avoided energy costs annually.

The City of Watsonville completed a city-wide interior and exterior LED lighting retrofit project at 26 sites, including the civic plaza, the police department, the fire stations and the airport. The project was completed in December and the City of Watsonville is now saving over 950,000 kWh and over $130,000 in avoided energy costs annually.
Announcements

AMBAG Calendar of Meetings

March 11, 2020: Marina Library Community Room, 190 Seaside Circle, Marina, 93933, Meeting Time: 6 pm
April 8, 2020: Greenfield Civic Center 599 El Camino Real, Greenfield, 93927, Meeting Time: 6 pm
May 13, 2020: Marina Library Community Room, 190 Seaside Circle, Marina, 93933, Meeting Time: 6 pm
June 10, 2020: Marina Library Community Room, 190 Seaside Circle, Marina, 93933, Meeting Time: 6 pm
July 2020: No Meeting Scheduled
August 12, 2020: Marina Library Community Room, 190 Seaside Circle, Marina, 93933, Meeting Time: 6 pm
September 9, 2020: Corralitos Community Center, 35 Brown’s Valley Road, Corralitos, 95076, Meeting Time: 6pm
October 14, 2020: Marina Library Community Room, 190 Seaside Circle, Marina, 93933, Meeting Time: 6 pm
November 18, 2020: Seaside Community Room, 220 Coe Avenue, Seaside, 93955, Meeting Time: 6 pm
December 2020: No Meeting Scheduled