

# Watsonville-Santa Cruz **Multimodal Corridor Program** (WSC-MCP)

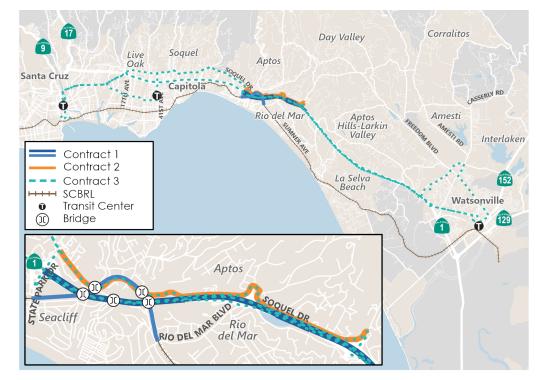
**Cycle 4 Project** 



## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The Watsonville-Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor Program Cycle 4 Project (Project) improves three proximate and parallel routes: the Highway 1 freeway, the local crosscounty bus routes primarily on Soquel Drive, and the Coastal Rail Trail. Due to local topographical constraints, they all come together in the central business district of the town of Aptos in mid-Santa Cruz County.

The Project improvements include the construction of bus-on-shoulder improvements on Highway 1 at three interchanges. two sets of auxiliary lanes, 1.25 miles of Class I path, four bicycle and pedestrian bridges, 3.2 miles of buffered and protected bike lanes, pavement rehabilitation, transit signal priority at 60 intersections, and enhanced rapid bus stops that will include in-lane bus boarding platforms at 23 locations and shelters, and real-time displays at 57 locations to implement rapid bus service between Watsonville and Santa Cruz local and regional routes. The improvements will work together to reduce congestion, improve travel times, improve air quality, and support the mobility needs of low-income communities.



Highway 1 Bus on Shoulder & **Auxiliary Lanes** 

Segment 12 Coastal Rail Trail



Soquel Drive Rapid Routes Muľtimodal









#### **PROJECT GOALS AND BENEFITS**



Provide high quality transportation choices to reduce countywide VMT



Reduce travel times and vehicle hours of delay along the Highway 1 corridor



Increase transit frequency and on-time performance at 57 locations to implement rapid bus service between Watsonville and Santa Cruz



**†**† ← Enhance safety and mobility for vehicles, transit, bicycles, and pedestrians



Eliminate barriers to mobility created by the Highway 1 to reconnect the community



Reduce mobile source emissions and improve air quality and public health



Advance equity through competitive, low-cost transportation alternatives serving disadvantaged communities, including more frequent bus service and improvements to complete streets facilities



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### CONTRACT 1 - HIGHWAY 1 + RAIL TRAIL



Add Bus on Shoulder (BOS) hybrid facility between the State Park and Freedom interchanges



Add two sets of auxiliary lanes (State Park to Rio Del Mar, Rio Del Mar to Freedom)



Widening of the Highway 1 bridge over Aptos Creek and Spreckles Drive



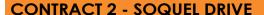
Install soundwalls and retaining walls



Add four bicycle and pedestrian overcrossing bridges



Add 1.25 miles of Coastal Rail Trail along RTCowned Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line (SCBRL)





Install 3.2 miles buffered and protected bike lanes. Stripe green bike boxes and green conflict markings at 4 intersections



Add 4,745 feet of sidewalk gap closures and upgrades, connections to Aptos schools



Install 16 ADA curb ramps and 8 curb extensions at intersections



Upgrade crosswalk visibility at 3 intersections

### **CONTRACT 3 - RAPID INFRASTRUCTURE**



Install in-lane boarding platforms or bus bulbs at 23 stops



Install shelters and real-time arrival displays at 57 locations



Relocate and consolidate 80 bus stops



Add transit signal priority at 60 intersections and queue jumps at 7 locations



Transit only lanes accessing Santa Cruz Transit Center



Add crosswalk improvements at 8 locations





#### **SCHEDULE**

SCHEDULE	2022	2023	2024	2025	202	26	2027	2028	202	29
CONTRACT 1		Env		Design ROW		Con				
CONTRACT 2				Env	Des 8 RO	,		Con		
CONTRACT 3				Env	Des & RO	į.		Con		

#### COST

	SCPP/LPP/TCEP	SCCF			
COST (in millions)	HWY 1 + COASTAL RAIL TRAIL CONTRACT 1	SOQUEL DRIVE MULTIMODAL CONTRACT 2	RAPID BUS INFRA- STRUCTURE CONTRACT 3	TOTAL	
Pre-Construction Local Match	\$30,561	\$5,627	-	\$36,188	
Construction Local Match	\$119,954	-	\$10,043	\$129,997	
Construction SB 1 Request	\$93,574	\$21,290	\$13,686	\$128,700	
Total	\$244,089	\$26,917	\$23,879	\$294,885	