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\$236 MILLION ALLOCATED TO MAINTAIN AND UPGRADE TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE

Commission Also Adopts Components for 2017 Active Transportation Program

SANTA ANA – Continuing the push to rebuild and maintain California's infrastructure, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) has today allocated \$236 million to 40 transportation projects that will alleviate traffic delays, repair aging roads and bridges and encourage bicycling and walking.

"Allocations like those made today help Caltrans continue to invest in, maintain and modernize California's transportation system," said Caltrans Director Malcolm Dougherty. "Each of these projects is an opportunity to improve safety, access and mobility for all travelers in California, whether you choose to travel via car, take transit or ride a bicycle."

The newly allocated funding includes \$190 million from the State Highway Operation and Protection Program for 10 projects that will maintain and preserve the investment in the state highway system and its supporting infrastructure. These capital improvements consist of projects covering maintenance, pavement repair and preservation work, safety improvements and upgrades to bridges throughout the state.

Also included among allocations:

- \$31.6 million from the Active Transportation Program (ATP) that will go toward 40 bicycle and pedestrian projects throughout the state.
- \$4 million for Transit and Intercity Rail Program projects which seek to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, expand rail service to increase ridership, integrate various rail and bus systems and improve rail safety.
- \$1.2 million for Traffic Congestion Relief Program projects that will relieve congestion, connect transportation systems and provide for better goods movement.
- The remaining \$9 million in allocations came from various state and federal transportation accounts.





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Among the projects that received funding allocations were:

\$2.4 million from ATP funds to construct 0.6 mile of a 10-foot wide Class I paved bicycle trail and 3,400 linear feet of decomposed granite pedestrian path along the former Union Pacific Railroad right of way from State College Boulevard to Birch Street in the City of Brea..

\$340 thousand also from ATP funds to construct a new 12-foot wide pedestrian and bicycle pathway in the City of Santa Ana along Lincoln Avenue from Park Lane to the Santiago Creek Trail and install bike boulevard improvements with applicable signage, striping, and signal improvements including protected left turn phasing in other areas of the city.

Please see the attached file for more information about all projects that received allocations.

The Commission also adopted the 2017 Active Transportation Program, Statewide and Small Urban & Rural components. The statewide component includes \$131.7 million for 44 projects and \$26.3 million for 10 small urban and rural projects. Together, these components represent 60 percent of available funding under the 2017 ATP. The CTC's adoption of these 2017 components is not authorization to begin work on a project, which still require an allocation by the CTC for the project to begin work. A list of the adopted 2017 ATP Statewide and Small Urban & Rural components can be found at http://www.catc.ca.gov/meetings/agenda/2016Agenda/2016-12/yellows/Tab_20_4.8.pdf.

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