



## DISTRICT 5 DIRECTOR'S REPORT – SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

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### NEWSWORTHY

- Governor Brown recently signed legislation establishing the Active Transportation Program (ATP). The program consolidates existing federal and state transportation programs, including the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA), and state funded Safe Routes to School (SR2S). The ATP program supports the following: active modes of bicycling and walking, increasing safety and mobility for non-motorized users, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, enhancing public health, ensuring disadvantaged communities fully share in the benefits, and providing a wide spectrum of projects for many transportation system users. More information is available at:  
<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/atp/index.html>
- Caltrans recently released the 2013 *Interregional Transportation Strategic Plan Status Update*. The plan provides guidance for identifying and prioritizing interregional state highway projects. It also provides information on intercity passenger rail and highlights critical planning efforts in system planning, complete streets and climate change. More information is available at:  
<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/>
- Caltrans recently released project lists for the 2014 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) cycle state highway and intercity rail needs. This information is provided to all regional agencies for consideration in the 2014, 2016 and 2018 STIP cycles. Project listings are available at:  
<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/>

### DISCRETIONARY FUNDING

The California Coastal Commission is accepting applications for its Local Coastal Program Assistance Grant Program (Fiscal Year 2013/2014). A total of \$1 million is available for coastal cities and counties to develop and update local coastal programs with a special emphasis addressing impacts from climate change and sea-level rise.

Applications are due **Friday, November 22, 2013** with grant award announcements planned in early 2014. Applications must be emailed or received by the submission date. Commission staff is available to assist local governments during the application process. For more information, contact Hilary Papendick, statewide LCP coordinator, at 415-904-5294 or [LCPGrantProgram@coasal.ca.gov](mailto:LCPGrantProgram@coasal.ca.gov). Applications and more information is available at:

<http://www.coastal.ca.gov/lcp/lcpgrantprogram.html>

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