



# Transportation Solutions in the County of Alameda

Senate Bill 1 Infrastructure Investments At Risk With Proposition 6



Essential funding for transportation programs and projects throughout Alameda County is provided through Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) and will generate **over \$197 million for road repairs and maintenance over the next 10 years for the County of Alameda**, facilitating faster project delivery.

## FUNDING SOLUTIONS

### SENATE BILL 1 (SB 1)

In April 2017, Governor Jerry Brown signed into law SB 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. This landmark funding program increased the gas tax, diesel tax and vehicle registration fees to invest approximately \$5.4 billion annually in state and local roads, goods movement, public transit and active transportation programs.

### ANNUAL STATEWIDE SB 1 FUNDING

- **\$1.5 Billion:** state highway operations protection program administered by Caltrans
- **\$400 Million:** state bridge maintenance and repairs
- **\$1.5 Billion:** local streets and roads
- **\$750 Million:** mass transit
- **\$300 Million:** goods movement and freight projects
- **\$250 Million:** congested corridors and relief management
- **\$200 Million:** the local partnership program to match locally generated transportation funds
- **\$100 Million:** Active Transportation Program

## ROAD REPAIRS ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

The County of Alameda proposes to deliver nine overall projects providing improvements at 62 locations on roads during FY2018-19 funded by SB 1 for maintenance, rehabilitation and safety. This **Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation** throughout the County entails:

- Construction of asphalt or concrete overlays on various roadways.
- Rehabilitation of major corridors with the construction of new sidewalks, new crosswalks, new pavement, new bicycle lanes, new street lighting and storm drains upgrades.
- Modernizing traffic signals and upgrading landscaping and streetscaping.
- Street improvements that include curb, gutter and clean water improvements, and sidewalk repairs.



## PROPOSITION 6 PUTS SB 1 FUNDING AT RISK IN THE COUNTY

The measure to repeal SB 1 through a constitutional amendment will be on the November 2018 ballot as Proposition 6. If successful, it will:

- **Eliminate over \$40 million per year in road maintenance funds from city and county budgets.**
- **Eliminate all SB 1 funding designated for state highways.**
- **Eliminate more than \$30 million per year in transit funds in Alameda County.**
- Require any measure enacting specified taxes or fees on gas or diesel fuel, or on the privilege to operate a vehicle on public highways, to be submitted to the electorate for approval.
- Potentially **lower future transportation tax revenues.**

**Alameda County projects to improve highways, rail, goods movement, roads, bridges, trails and pedestrian safety could be delayed indefinitely with elimination of SB 1 funding.**

### SB1 ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY

Strict accountability and transparency along with performance measures ensures safe and efficient delivery.

#### ✓ SB 1

- Cities and counties must adopt and submit to the state a planned list of projects and year-end reporting that accounts for every dollar of SB 1 revenue received.
- SB 1 establishes an independent Inspector General appointed by the Governor to oversee programs to ensure all funds are spent as promised and reports annually.

### PROTECTION OF FUNDS

The State and counties have long relied on "user fees," fuel taxes and vehicle charges, to maintain transportation infrastructure. Diversion of those funds created a backlog of road and bridge repairs. **Proposition 69**, approved by voters in June 2018, created a "lockbox" to ensure that all SB 1 funding is dedicated for transportation-related purposes only.

#### ✓ Proposition 69

- Prohibits the diversion of funds.
- Prohibits revenue from new vehicle license fees from being used to repay general obligation bond debt.
- Exempts new revenues from state and local spending limits.

### FUNDING AT RISK

#### ✓ Proposition 6: SB 1 Repeal Effort

If approved on the November 2018 ballot, it would:

- Eliminate all SB 1 funding sources and reduce transportation funding statewide.
- Require any measure enacting specified taxes or fees on gas or diesel fuel, or on the privilege to operate a vehicle on public highways, to be submitted to the electorate for approval.
- Potentially lower future transportation tax revenues.

## Transportation Projects At Risk

SB 1 is a new revenue stream to support projects currently funded by Measure BB – a measure approved overwhelmingly by Alameda County voters anticipated to generate over \$8 billion for essential transportation improvements in every city and throughout the County, serving as a down payment to attract regional, state and federal funds to deliver projects, supporting local jobs and the economy. **Together, Measure BB and SB 1 can deliver projects faster. However, if Proposition 6 on the November ballot passes ...**

#### HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE SAFETY will be at risk with the County losing funding for projects on every highway to:

- ✓ Improve highway safety
- ✓ Repair and repave highways
- ✓ Repair bridges
- ✓ Reduce collisions
- ✓ Improve traveler information



#### ROAD REPAIRS will be at risk and unsafe conditions, accidents and costly repairs could worsen because of reduced funding for:

- ✓ Road repair
- ✓ Potholes repair
- ✓ Safety modernization
- ✓ Signals modernization

#### TRANSIT OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE will be at risk by reduced funding to:

- ✓ Deliver expanded transit services
- ✓ Maintain transit vehicles
- ✓ Improve stations and cleanliness
- ✓ Support reliable services



#### The County's GOODS MOVEMENT AND ECONOMIC ACTIVITY will be at risk at some of the world's most strategic trade locations – the Port of Oakland, Oakland International Airport and highways of national freight significance. The County would lose funding for:

- ✓ Delivery of roadway and rail safety improvements at the Port of Oakland
- ✓ Installing smart technology to deliver goods more safely and efficiently
- ✓ Installing railroad crossing safety improvements in cities throughout Alameda County