



Rendering of roundabout and crosswalks on the west side of Interstate 80 facing eastward on Gilman Street.



ALAMEDA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

MAY 2022

Keeping Our Promises

Alameda CTC is keeping our promises of delivering projects and programs while supporting jobs and the economy. I am ensuring that the agency continues to perform strategic planning, develop projects and implement programs, move projects into construction, and support our cities, the County, transit agencies and business partners. Our work is an important part of supporting local communities and the economy.

Thank you,

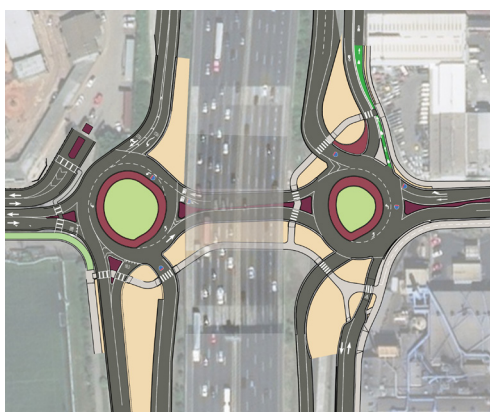
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Project Updates

Interstate 80/Gilman Street Interchange Improvements, Phase 2 construction to begin



Mapping of Interstate 80/Gilman Street Interchange Project, Phase 2 roundabouts.

On January 4, 2022, Phase 2 construction of the [Interstate 80 \(I-80\)/Gilman Street Interchange](#) improvements project was awarded to O.C. Jones and Sons of Berkeley. Construction is anticipated to begin as early as July 2022. Phase 2 of the project includes: interchange and local street improvements; pedestrian and bicycle Improvements through interchange; Bay Trail gap closure; and safety improvements at the Gilman Street/ Union Pacific Railroad at-grade crossing.

Phase 1 construction of the pedestrian and bicycle overcrossing is currently underway, as is the final phase of utility relocation in the area.

Once both phases are completed, the improvements will:

- Provide safe access for pedestrians and bicyclists
- Reduce congestion and improve mobility
- Simplify traffic operations, navigation and mobility at the interchange
- Shorten queues
- Reduce turning conflicts and improve merging
- Improve local and regional biking facilities

Construction of Phase 1 is scheduled for completion in summer of 2023; Phase 2 construction is anticipated for completion in fall 2024.



Phase 1 pedestrian and bicycle overcrossing at the Gilman Street exit off of northbound Interstate 80.

Interstate 680 Express Lane

Alameda CTC is the project sponsor and implementing agency of the [Interstate 680 \(I-680\) Sunol Express Lanes Project](#). The I-680 Sunol Southbound Express Lane was opened to traffic in September 2010 as a controlled access express lane. Since the opening was a success, the next step was to develop [Project Updates cont'd on page 2](#)

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a parallel northbound express lane, which is currently open for use while toll system development activities are being completed.

The I-680 Sunol Southbound Express Lane ceased revenue operations and began operating in high-occupancy vehicle (HOV)-only mode beginning August 10, 2020. It is currently open for use only to HOV-eligible vehicles during the operating hours of 5 a.m.-8 p.m., Monday through Friday, and open to all users during all other hours. On October 29, 2020, the new northbound express lane opened for use, also in HOV-only mode, as construction and toll system activities are being completed.



Interstate 680 Sunol Express Lane.

A new tolling system is scheduled for roll-out this year. Implementation of the new toll system requires the services of a Toll System Integrator (TSI) to provide very specialized services for toll system design, software development, equipment procurement and installation, testing, and opening of the express lanes for revenue service. Only upon completion of system testing during live operations, is the toll system implementation considered complete. The toll system is expected to begin operations in fall 2022.

For more information on these and other projects, visit Alameda CTC's

[Projects webpage](#).

Planning Updates

Retreat outcomes

This year provides Alameda CTC a unique opportunity to recommit to responding to the needs of Alameda County by working with our federal, state, and local partners to leverage funding, invest in providing safe, equitable and sustainable transportation solutions that meet the needs of our communities.

The Commission's retreat in March 2022 provided an opportunity for the Commissioners to discuss policy priorities and hear from engaging panels on state and regional priorities, partnership opportunities and innovative programs. Attendees heard presentations from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, the California Department of Transportation, AC Transit, East Bay Community Energy, Sonoma County Regional Climate Protection Authority, Alameda CTC staff, and a keynote by Charles Brown of Equitable Cities who spoke on the intersectionality of safety, equity and public health. The Commissioners concluded the day by restating their commitment to advancing safety, equity, and climate in 2022 and identifying specific outcomes and milestones related to each key policy focus. Two of the noted actions, creation of a new Ad Hoc Committee for Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion and the development of a Countywide Bikeways Network are already well underway with Commission actions in April and May.



Policy News

Legislative visit to Washington D.C.



Alameda CTC's federal delegation from left, Vice Chair Ortiz, Commissioners Dutra-Vernaci and Ezzy Ashcraft, Executive Director Lengyel and Chair Bauters (kneeling).

In mid-May, Alameda CTC Commission Chair Bauters, Commission Vice Chair Ortiz, Commissioners Dutra-Vernaci, Ezzy Ashcraft, and staff traveled to Washington, D.C. to meet with members of the U.S. Senate, House of Representatives, and Department of Transportation staff, including the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Rail Administration, and Federal Transit Administration, to discuss Alameda CTC's portfolio of projects and programs and funding needs.

Further discussion centered on goods movement, transit, heavy and inter-city rail, major arterial improvements and active transportation, modernization of interchanges, and the introduction to the new Countywide Bikeways Network, which creates a vision for a 400-mile bikeway network consisting of corridors of countywide significance.

Alameda CTC has a number of projects ready for delivery to which we have committed local funding and we will be seeking federal partnerships to close the funding gaps through grant programs.

Programming Updates

2024 Comprehensive Investment Plan Call for Projects

This month, Alameda CTC released the [2024 Comprehensive Investment Plan \(CIP\) call for projects](#). The 2024 CIP includes approximately \$150.8 million in discretionary funding available for programming from the Measure B, Measure BB, VRF, TFCA, and federal One Bay Area Grant Program (OBAG 3) program sources. Applicants will have until June 30, 2022 to submit applications related to bicycle/pedestrian, transit improvements, and complete streets projects. Alameda CTC staff will evaluate proposed projects and programs for project readiness, degree of transportation benefit, such as safety, and access criteria. A program recommendation for OBAG 3 candidate projects will be schedule for Alameda CTC Commission approval in September, with the final OBAG-funded projects ultimately decided by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission. The overall 2024 CIP program recommendation is anticipated to be considered by the Commission in spring 2023.

Easy Does It – Fast Accessible Safe Transportation Emergency Repair

Easy Does It (EDI) continues to implement its Fast-Accessible Safe Transportation Emergency Repair (FASTER) program across North and Central Alameda County. This program dispatches drivers/repair technicians to provide free emergency assistance to clients requiring mobility device and wheelchairs repairs. This paratransit program has received approximately \$400,000 in Measure BB discretionary funds for FY's 2021-22 and 2022-23 operations.



Finance Updates

Proposed FY2022-23 annual budgets and Measure BB bonds

During the month of April, the finance team worked diligently to finalize the FY2022-23 budgets for Alameda CTC and the Sunol Smart Carpool Lane Joint Powers Authority (JPA). Staff also prepared several reports to be presented to the Finance and Administration Committee and the Commission during their May meetings, including the Alameda CTC and Sunol JPA proposed budgets for FY2022-23, a proposed update to the FY2021-22 Measure B and Measure BB sales tax revenue budgets, and third quarter financial and investment reports for both Alameda CTC and the Sunol JPA.

In addition, staff worked with a financing team on an inaugural Measure BB bond issuance and will be requesting approval of the bond structure and issuance of Sales Tax Revenue Bonds (Limited Tax Bonds), Series 2022 to support the delivery of the Measure BB capital program and authorizing resolution in May. Bond documents include the master indenture, first supplemental indenture, preliminary official statement, bond purchase agreement, continuing disclosure certificate, and an update to the agency's post-issuance tax compliance procedures for tax-exempt bonds.

Upcoming Contracting Opportunities

Professional Services contracts

- East Bay Greenway project
- Municipal Advisory and Support Services

Construction contracts

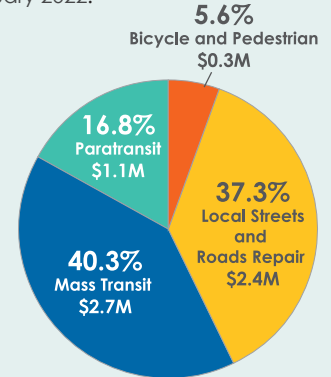
- East Bay Greenway Maintenance Services
- 7th Street Grade Separation East project

For more information, visit Alameda CTC's [Contracting Opportunities webpage](#).

Transportation Investments

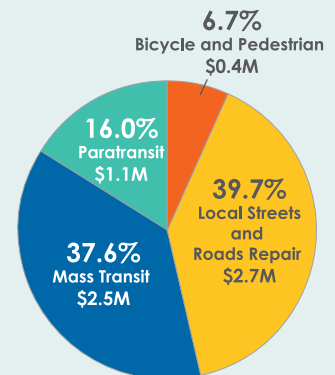
Measure BB Program Distributions

Measure BB direct local distributions began in April 2015 and total over \$546.0 million; over \$6.5 million was distributed in February 2022.



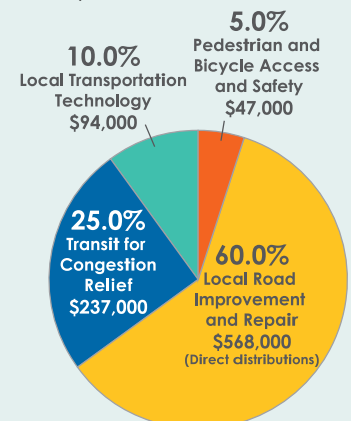
Measure B Program Distributions

Measure B direct local distributions have totaled more than \$1.3 billion since 2002. In February 2022, over \$6.7 million was distributed for four programs.



Vehicle Registration Fee

Since 2011, Alameda CTC has distributed more than \$78.0 million for local road repair; over \$946,000 was collected in February 2022.



Agency Activities

In May 2022, the following events were either hosted, sponsored or participated in by Alameda CTC:

- May 9-13 – Bike to the Moon Week, 2nd Annual virtual event
- May 16-19 – Federal legislative visits, Washington, D.C.
- May 31 – “Seeing Green: Keeping an Eye on the Changing Funding Landscape” – a WTS-sponsored panel discussion with Executive Director Lengyel
- Bike Mobile events
 - May 3 – Alternatives in Action High, Oakland
 - May 4 – Anthony W. Ochoa Middle, Hayward
 - May 5 – Bowman Elementary, Hayward; Guy Emanuele, Jr. Elementary, Union City
 - May 7 – Castro Valley Scouts, Castro Valley
 - May 10 – Hillview Crest Elementary, Hayward
 - May 11 – Anthony W. Ochoa Middle, Hayward; Alameda Community Learning Center, Alameda
 - May 12 – Niles Elementary, Fremont
 - May 13 – Itliong-Vera Cruz Middle, Union City
 - May 17 – North Oakland Community Charter, Oakland
 - May 18 – Westlake Middle, Oakland; Anthony W. Ochoa Middle, Hayward
 - May 19 – Lydiksen Elementary, Pleasanton; Tom Kitayama Elementary, Union City
 - May 20 – Tennyson High, Hayward; Coyote Hills Elementary, Newark
 - May 21 – Boys and Girls Club, San Lorenzo
 - May 22 – Bay Farm Elementary, Alameda
 - May 23 – Donlon Elementary, Pleasanton
 - May 27 – Lazear Charter Academy, Oakland
 - May 31 – Frank Otis Elementary, Alameda

Other News

Fiscal Year 2020-21 annual reports

Every year, Alameda CTC releases its Agency Annual Report and the I-680 Sunol Southbound Express Lane Annual Report.

I-680 Sunol Southbound Express Lane Annual Report



Investment in the I-680 Sunol corridor, one of the most congested in the Bay Area, is critical for the extension of express lanes, providing congestion reduction and more reliable travel times. It also provides an additional option for those traveling the corridor. The FY2020-21 I-680 Sunol Southbound Express Lane Annual Report highlights corridor usage, data on toll rates and overall financial information.

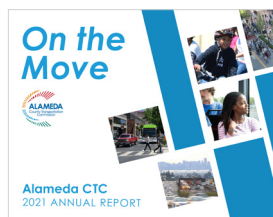
Agency Annual Report

The 2021 Annual Report, as presented to the Commission this month, details

Alameda CTC's key programs and projects funded by Measure, B, Measure BB

and the Vehicle Registration Fees with a focus on projects and programs that highlight:

- **Safety First!** is one of Alameda CTC's key priorities that Alameda CTC looks to realize through the advancement of initiatives like Vision Zero and Complete Streets
- **Commitment to equity**, providing accessible transportation options for all County residents
- **Modernizing highway projects** for a more environmentally sustainable and equitable transportation network
- **Serving our communities** not only through programs that support Alameda County residents, such as Alameda CTC's Student Transit Pass Program and Paratransit Program, but through an open and transparent



public process, and support of the growth and vitality of the economy with systems that create local jobs

Committee Activities

April subcommittee and May advisory committee activities

- April 25-26 – In late April, Alameda CTC's Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee (PAPCO) committee held its Program Plan Review. The annual two-day review is a primary responsibility of PAPCO as mandated in the 2014 Measure BB Transportation Expenditure Plan. ([Day 1](#) and [Day 2](#))

Committee members reviewed performance data of Americans with Disabilities Act-mandated and non-mandated services, including cost-effectiveness and adequacy of service levels, with the objective of creating a more cost-efficient, productive and effective service network through better communication and collaboration of service providers. Upon completion of reviews, the committee may identify and recommend alternative approaches that will improve special transportation service in Alameda County.

In May, the following committee met:

- May 5 – The [Alameda County Technical Advisory Committee \(ACTAC\)](#) met in May to approve the Countywide Bikeways Network, which creates a vision for a 400-mile bikeway network of countywide significance that will have design guidelines developed by staff, along with an implementation plan. Committee members also received an update on the Three-Year Project Initiation Document (PID) Work Plan that is presented annually to the California Department of Transportation and on the One Bay Area Grant Cycle 2 Obligation Status. Information was also shared regarding Alameda County Federal Inactive Project Updates.

Please visit the [Alameda CTC meetings webpage](#) for details on this and all other meetings.