



TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

**October 25, 2023**

### **TAMC Board Receives Presentation on Community Engagement Activities for the Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project**

The Transportation Agency Board of Directors received a presentation on the community engagement activities scheduled for the Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project, in conjunction with the planned release of the Draft Environmental Document for the project in November.

The community engagement features three public hearings co-hosted by TAMC and Caltrans to share project information with the public and solicit feedback on the information contained in the environmental document.

The dates of the public hearings are:

- Wednesday, November 15, 3-7 pm at the Hospitality Pavilion, WeatherTech Raceway, Laguna Seca
- Thursday, November 16, 4-7 pm at the Salinas Armory
- Wednesday, December 6, 3-7 pm at the Monterey Conference Center

The meetings will encourage the community to share concerns about the project's environmental impacts and allow formal comments to be submitted in response to the information provided in the document. During the public comment period of the draft environmental document, TAMC staff will be holding informal stakeholder meetings intended to ensure the communities impacted by the project are well informed and understand the process required to submit formal comments on the environmental document.

### **TAMC Board Honors Outgoing Board Member Alejandro Chavez**

The TAMC Board of Directors honored outgoing Board Member and Past Chair Alejandro Chavez with a certificate of appreciation for his nearly twenty-three years of dedicated work to improve regional transportation throughout Monterey County.

Alejandro Chavez has served on the Board of Directors of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, including the Rail Policy Committee, for almost 13 years from January 2011 through October 2023, after serving for nearly ten years, from 2001 to 2010, as Supervisor Fernando Armenta's alternate.

During his tenure as Chair in 2017, TAMC initiated the implementation of Measure X, including forming the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan Citizens Oversight Committee and updating the Agency's strategic goals and objectives.

### **2026 Regional Transportation Plan Update**

The TAMC Board of Directors received a presentation on the process and timeline for the 2026 Regional Transportation Plan and provided input by participating in the online survey through the agency's new interactive public engagement software platform through PublicInput.

The Regional Transportation Plan, updated every four years, is a long range plan, which functions as a twenty-year road map for improvements to Monterey County's multi-modal transportation network. It forms the basis for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan prepared by the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) for the Monterey Bay Area.

The development of the Regional Transportation Plan includes the opportunity for members of the public to help define it by providing input. Input can be given by either taking an online survey or by filling out a paper copy and returning it to the Transportation Agency. The online and paper surveys are available in both English and Spanish.

The survey is available online at:

- Survey: <https://publicinput.com/rtpeng>
- Encuesta: <https://publicinput.com/rtpspn>

Paper surveys can be downloaded at these links:

- English: [2023 RTP Public Input Survey EN.pdf](#)
- Spanish: [2023 RTP Public Input Survey ES.pdf](#)

Hard copies of the surveys are also available at the TAMC office, located at 55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas. The deadline to provide public input for the Regional Transportation Plan is 5 p.m., Thursday, November 30, 2023.