



## TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

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### **HIGHLIGHTS**

**August 23, 2023**

#### **TAMC Board Approves \$10.5 Million to Fund Eight Road and Bikeway Projects**

The Transportation Agency Board of Directors approved programming \$10.5 million in Regional Surface Transportation Program and Transportation Development Act 2% funds to projects of regional significance that improve safety, maintain existing facilities, and/or support the development of a multimodal transportation network utilizing the principles of Complete Streets. Fair geographic balance and cost effectiveness are also taken into consideration when awarding grant funds.

Following the recommendation of the grants review committee, the Technical Advisory Committee, and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee, the Board of Directors approved the following projects for funding:

- City of King City: US Highway 101/Broadway Street at San Antonio Drive Roundabout Improvement Project: \$3,519,000
- City of Marina: Del Monte Boulevard and Reservation Road Intersection Improvements: \$1,717,500
- City of Salinas: Harden Parkway Path and Safe Routes to School Project: \$1,556,000
- City of Soledad: West Street Road Diet and Complete Street Project: \$2,758,000
- Monterey-Salinas Transit: Countywide Bus Stop Project: \$425,000

The Board also approved grants for the following "Quick-Build Projects", projects that use semi-permanent materials to test a concept that quickly addresses a safety need, continuously engages the community, measures progress and performance, and provides a foundation for potential permanent infrastructure:

- City of King City: Division Street Bike Lanes and Crosswalk Upgrades: \$117,380
- City of Monterey: Madison/Herrmann/Larkin Traffic Circle: \$119,120
- City of Salinas: East Market Street Cycle Track: \$326,000

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## **Transportation Agency Holds Public Hearing on the Draft 2023 Public Participation Plan**

The Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) is required by federal regulations to prepare and maintain a public participation plan for the tri-county region which is updated every four years. In meeting that requirement, Heather Adamson, Director of Planning, AMBAG presented the Draft 2023 Public Participation Plan to the TAMC Board of Directors.

The plan is a comprehensive document that guides regional planning agencies and local jurisdictions in the public participation process for the tri-county Monterey Bay region that either receive federal funds or are subject to a federally required action. The Draft 2023 Public Participation Plan emphasizes the transportation decision making process, including the expanded use of visualization techniques and innovative online marketing strategies in public outreach. Key sections of the 2023 Public Participation Plan include:

- Public Participation Plan guiding principles
- 2023 Public Participation Plan timeline
- Incorporating Limited-English Proficiency (LEP) populations into the plan
- Public Participation Plan procedures and development process
- Interested parties and public engagement
- Online and visualization outreach strategies

The Final 2023 Public Participation Plan will be prepared and then presented to AMBAG's Board of Directors for adoption on October 11, 2023.

<https://ambag.org/plans/public-participation-plan>



**MST HIGHLIGHTS**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**September 11, 2023**

**RECOGNIZED AUGUST EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**

The MST Board adopted resolution 2024-02 recognizing Yohana Reyes, Mobility Specialist as the August 2023 Employee of the Month for her outstanding contribution to MST and to the entire community.

**RECOGNIZED SEPTEMBER EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**

The MST Board adopted resolution 2024-03 recognizing Renaldo Hernandez, Coach Operator as the August 2023 Employee of the Month for his outstanding contribution to MST and to the entire community.

**APPROVED VOLKSWAGON ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION TRUST FUND PROJECTS**

The MST Board approved Resolution 2024-04 authorizing the General Manager/CEO to execute certifications and assurances, authorized agent forms, and implementation of Volkswagen (VW) Environmental Mitigation Trust Fund Projects.

**APPROVED RESOLUTION FOR TRANSIT AND INTERCITY RAIL CAPITAL PROGRAM**

The MST Board approved Resolution 2024-05 authorizing the General Manager/CEO to execute a master agreement and program supplement for the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP).

**AUTHORIZED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH SANTA CLARA VALLEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

Authorized the General Manager/CEO to execute a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) for Line 59 Salinas-Gilroy for a two-year partnership in the amount of \$128,750.

**NEXT MST BOARD MEETING**

The next regular MST Board meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2023.

**DEA Thank You!**

Foust, Shawn J. <Shawn.J.Foust@dea.gov>

Thu 6/1/2023 11:24 AM

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Cc: Salopek, Christopher A <Christopher.A.Salopek@dea.gov>; Moore, Kristofer M <Kristofer.M.Moore@dea.gov>

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Chief,

I really appreciate the partnership and support you've given to our Task Force Group working to pressure the flow of drugs into Monterey County. Your two officers have actively helped and participated as investigative partners in the group and given strong efforts, experience and collaboration in a variety of complex criminal investigations throughout Monterey County.

As an example, our team targeted a supplier who has coordinated multi-pound methamphetamine transactions that we have tracked from suppliers in Mexico, north to a secondary supplier residing in [REDACTED]. That supplier distributed 2, 5 and 10 pound transactions verified by investigative active supported by Del Rey Oaks Task Force Officers Moore and Salopek. The investigation has thus far identified couriers who assist in the transportation of pound quantities of methamphetamine throughout California as directed by traffickers in Mexico.

Your officers have helped with the investigation that has utilized surveillance, buy/walks, border crossing research, public covert camera installation, social media warrants, undercover use, informant handling, phone GPS warrants and surveillance throughout Monterey, San Benito, San Luis Obispo County and Santa Cruz County. Needless to say, your deputized officers are priceless.

Today, our team executed the first phase of the enforcement aspect of the investigation which included a precision search warrant operation in an effort to take the secondary supplier [REDACTED] in hopes of [REDACTED] leading us to what we believe to be Mexican [REDACTED] Cartel drug traffickers.

As you know, your officers worked all day yesterday to support a critical incident in Salinas only to show up at 4:00 AM to support our enforcement operation (Search Warrant) in Freedom this morning. Although we never expect our teammates to over extend themselves, their commitment to the team and the mission was impressive. We were prepared to delay our operation but with their extra effort, we were able to safely execute a search warrant at a property with multiple structures in the early morning hours without incident and with great success.

The overall investigation has approximately 35 pounds of methamphetamine in evidence [REDACTED]. On behalf of DEA and the goal to target cartel activity in Monterey County and beyond, I can't express enough how thankful I am that your agency and officers have positively contributed as an invaluable part of our team.

We'll keep you updated on this and a handful of other investigations your team has helped us with.

Thank you!

Shawn

Shawn Foust, Supervisory Special Agent  
Drug Enforcement Administration  
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**From:** Foust, Shawn J. <Shawn.J.Foust@dea.gov>

**Sent:** Monday, August 7, 2023 11:34:11 AM

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**Subject:** DEA Meeting Attendance on August 10, 2023

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Chief Hunt,

If able, I'd like to throw many thanks at the meeting to Chief(s) Mixer, Bourquin, Filice and Sheriff Nieto for their troops help in recent weeks on several investigations.

v/r

Shawn

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To: Officer Juan Gomez

From: Del Rey Oaks Chief of Police

Date: 7/31/23

SUBJECT: COMMENDATION FOR HANDLING A CRITICAL INCIDENT

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On July 31st, 2023 a collision occurred at the Stone Creek 7-11 involving a vehicle versus pedestrian. Officer Gomez was the first officer on scene after being dispatched from county communications. Once on scene, Officer Gomez immediately realized the severity of the collision and quickly expedited AMR and additional resources. The pedestrian had been pinned up against the door entrance to the store after a large sport utility vehicle crashed into the building without warning. The crash caused severe bodily injury to the victim's right arm as it was nearly severed.

Officer Gomez kept a level head throughout the entire incident and successfully managed the scene as he took charge of the situation. Officer Gomez assisted medical personnel and kept the driver from leaving the area until additional officers arrived. Once additional officers were on scene, Officer Gomez coordinated the other officers to obtain statements and video in order to complete his investigation.

This critical incident was handled in a professional manner by Officer Gomez. Officer Gomez demonstrated excellent bearing and kept a level head despite the chaos that was organic to this type of mishap. Officer Gomez performed his duty in an exemplary manner that reflected great credit upon him and were in the highest traditions of the Del Rey Oaks Police Department.

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To: Commander Roger Guzman  
From: Chris Bourquin, Chief of Police  
Date: September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Re: Commendation

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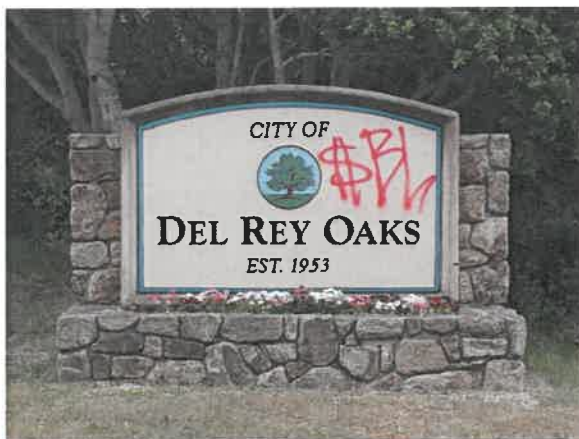
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To: Officer Dowson

From: Del Rey Oaks Chief of Police

Date: 09/07/2023

SUBJECT: COMMENDATION FOR OUTSTANDING INVESTIGATION

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Outstanding investigation performed while working uniformed patrol on August 20, 2023, reference crime report # 23-231. Officer Dowson was instrumental investigating a vehicle burglary report that occurred at "The Oaks" complex within the city of Del Rey Oaks. After responding to a dispatched call of a suspicious vehicle, Officer Dowson went above and beyond locating the vehicle that ultimately led to the arrest of a female subject that had just broken into another vehicle within the parking lot of the complex.

During the investigation, Officer Dowson spoke to witnesses on scene and checked the area for suspicious activity. Officer Dowson discovered a vehicle with a smashed window and located the victims to get an inventory of the loss. Officer Dowson only obtained a partial plate of the suspect vehicle but quickly realized it was a possible match to a vehicle he remembered from a track flier from an outside agency. The track flier had the full plate of the vehicle that was registered to a local address in Seaside. Ofc. Dowson, along with other DRO officers, responded to the residence and located the vehicle with the stolen items still inside. The registered owner was arrested after admitting she had just broken into the vehicle at "The Oaks" complex. The stolen items were subsequently returned to the owner.

Officer Dowson's tenacity and follow-up to this investigation was exemplary, reflected great credit upon him, and were in the highest traditions of the Del Rey Oaks Police Department.

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To: Sergeant David Nguyen

From: Del Rey Oaks Chief of Police

Date: 7/31/23

SUBJECT: COMMENDATION FOR A CRITICAL INCIDENT

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On July 31st, 2023 a collision occurred at the Stone Creek 7-11 involving a vehicle versus pedestrian. Sergeant David Nguyen was called out to assist as the lead supervisor handling the standardized field sobriety tests (SFST's) for the suspected driver. The pedestrian had been pinned up against the door entrance to the store after the driver crashed his sport utility vehicle into the building without warning. The crash caused severe bodily injury to the pedestrian's right arm as it was nearly severed.

Sergeant Nguyen, as the most experienced officer at handling DUI drivers, came in early to assist with the investigation. Sergeant Nguyen is the subject matter expert on SFST's for the Del Rey Oaks Police Department. Sergeant Nguyen was professional with handling the SFST's for the driver and was able to obtain blood from the suspect without incident. Sergeant Nguyen successfully completed the SFST's and the driver was subsequently released after showing no signs of impairment. Although an arrest was not made, Sergeant Nguyen was thorough with his investigation and ensured the SFST's were conducted in a meticulous manner.

These SFST's were critical to the investigation and were handled in a professional manner by Sergeant Nguyen. Sergeant Nguyen demonstrated an excellent skillset and performed his duty in an exemplary manner that reflected great credit upon him and were in the highest traditions of the Del Rey Oaks Police Department.

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To: Officer Christopher Salopek

From: Del Rey Oaks Chief of Police

Date: FY 2023

SUBJECT: COMMENDATION AS THE LEAD RANGEMASTER

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Outstanding performance while serving as the primary Del Rey Oaks Rangemaster for FY 2023. Officer Christopher Salopek has gone above and beyond the expectations of the Del Rey Oaks Police Department through his service as a rangemaster. Throughout the year, Officer Salopek has been instrumental with coordinating the Del Rey Oaks firearms training and range qualifications. Officer Salopek utilized the rangemaster team to qualify all personnel within the department each quarter of this year without any remedial days. Additionally, the training that has been incorporated during these qualifications has been well planned and tactically sound, providing the most up to date standards for Del Rey Oaks Officers.

This assignment is a critical billet within a police department and must be handled in a meticulous manner, utilizing the highest safety standards. Officer Salopek is a professional in this assignment and takes great pride in training officers of all ranks. Officer Salopek has performed this duty in an exemplary manner that has reflected great credit upon him and are in the highest traditions of the Del Rey Oaks Police Department.

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