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**RE: Humboldt County Association of Governments 2026 Regional
Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP)**

Dear Executive Director Taylor,

The Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG) is submitting the Regional Transportation Improvement Program, approved by the HCAOG Board on November 20, 2025.

The Humboldt region has worked collaboratively to put forward a suite of projects this STIP cycle that include a range of benefits with a focus on safety for the most vulnerable road users. HCAOG is pleased to put forth four new projects and cover an additional phase of one previously funded project. The selected projects, once constructed, will improve safety, provide new multimodal facilities, improve the pavement condition and provide improved access for all transportation users at the selected locations.

We appreciate the opportunity to put STIP funds to good use to benefit the people of our region.

Please contact me at brendan.byrd@hcaog.net or 707-444-8208 if you have questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,

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2026 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (2026 RTIP)

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A. Overview and Schedule

Section 1. Executive Summary

The Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG), as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency for Humboldt County, has prepared this 2026 RTIP consistent with Caltrans' Draft 2026 ITIP, the California Transportation Commission's (CTC) 2026 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Guidelines and 2026 Fund Estimate (FE).

This STIP cycle HCAOG is pleased to put forth four new projects and cover additional phases of a previously funded project (Blue Lake Truck Route Project). The selected projects will improve safety, provide new multimodal facilities, and improve the pavement condition at the selected locations. These projects have been selected for their regional benefits. Highlights include a new Bike Boulevard through the City of Eureka, and interchange/interchange improvements that will improve safety and provide access for pedestrians and cyclists at two locations.

This year we are requesting to program \$666,000 over our target shares, but well below the maximum shares identified in the 2026 STIP Fund Estimate. Projects have been ranked by priority.

State only funds are requested for all projects. Based on the Federal- Aid Project Funding Guidelines (State of California Department of Transportation, January 28, 2019, Sections II.A.1.c and II.A.2.d), the projects requesting State Only Funding do not meet the thresholds of the Federal Aid funding level requirements for STIP Capital Outlay or Right of Way capital and are therefore qualified for state only funding.

Section 2. General Information

- **Regional Agency Name**
Humboldt County Association of Governments
- **Agency website links for Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).**
- **Regional Agency Website Link:** <http://www.hcaog.net>
RTIP document link: <https://www.hcaog.net/funding-administration>
RTP link: https://www.hcaog.net/sites/default/files/vroom_2022%20including%202026%20RTIP%20project%20additions.pdf
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Section 3. Background of Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP)

A. What is the Regional Transportation Improvement Program?

The Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) is a program of highway, local road, transit, and active transportation projects that a region plans to fund with State and Federal revenue programmed by the California Transportation Commission in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The RTIP is developed biennially by the regions and is due to the Commission by December 15 of every odd numbered year. The program of projects in the RTIP is a subset of projects in the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), a federally mandated master transportation plan which guides a region's transportation investments over a 20 to 25 year period. The RTP is based on all reasonably anticipated funding, including federal, state, and local sources. Updated every 4 to 5 years, the RTP is developed through an extensive public participation process in the region and reflects the unique mobility, sustainability, and air quality needs of each region.

B. Regional Agency's Historical and Current Approach to developing the RTIP

In years when funding is available, HCAOG solicits project programming requests from the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), which includes representatives of the County, cities, federally recognized tribes, transit agencies, Caltrans, and the California Highway Patrol.

TAC members submit projects by filling out a programming request form. For each project proposed, the project must be included in the Regional Transportation Plan (*VROOM*). If a project is not included, an amendment to *VROOM* can be considered if the project meets at least one of the Complete Streets & Connected Communities chapter action plan objectives. TAC members complete a project request form and submit a Project Study Report or equivalent. The TAC members and the public have the opportunity to review the submitted materials prior to the TAC

meeting. The TAC reviews public comment and then works collaboratively to review the submitted projects and develops recommendations for programming. TAC recommendations are forwarded to the HCAOG Policy Advisory Committee, with final decision coming from the HCAOG Board.

Section 4. Completion of Prior RTIP Projects (Required per Section 78)

Since the last STIP cycle several project phases have been completed or are in progress. Most programming since the last cycle went towards earlier project phases such as environmental studies and permits (E&P), plans specifications and estimates (PS&E), or right of way (R/W), and Construction.

A full description of progress since the last STIP cycle is provided in the table below.

Project Name and Location	Description	Summary of Improvements/Benefits
Route 101 Eureka-Arcata Corridor Improvement	This is a safety improvement project partially funded with RIP and partially funded with ITIP. Project includes multiple safety measures throughout the 101 corridor, with the most significant being the Indianola Undercrossing.	Currently under construction with a 3-year construction schedule. The project will improve safety by reducing turning movements at uncontrolled intersections. The project also provides a pedestrian and cyclist connection to the Humboldt Bay Trail. Construction is anticipated to be completed in the summer of 2026.
Route 101/12 Street Interchange Modernization in Fortuna	STIP funds were allocated for E&P of this project. Proposed project components include a roundabout on 12th Street at the intersections with the northbound US 101 ramps, modifications to the US 101 on- and off-ramps, the realignment of Newburg Road, and widening the highway overcrossing bridge in order to accommodate non-motorized facilities.	The E & P phase is near completion, and the environmental documentation was completed in 2025. This phase of the project is anticipated to be fully completed in 2026. The modernization project will improve traffic, pedestrian, and bicycle operations and safety at the 12th Street interchange with US 101 in Fortuna in Humboldt County.
City of Fortuna, Kenmar Interchange Improvement Project	Install “dog bone” roundabouts on each side of US 101. The westerly roundabout accommodates traffic to and from the US 101 southbound offramp, Kenmar Road, and the southbound US 101 onramp. The easterly roundabout manages traffic from Kenmar Road, the southerly reach of Eel River Drive, and northbound US 101 on and offramps. The northern portion of Eel River Drive is realigned to cross the railroad and connect directly into the	In the previous STIP cycle this project was funded for PSE and ROW. The project is currently in the engineering design and ROW phase and the funding has been allocated. Construction funding has not been identified for the project. The project will improve traffic, pedestrian and bike connectivity, and safety at the interchange with HWY 101. The project will also connect to the future Great Redwood Trail.

	new roundabout located east of US 101. This project includes a separated bike and walking path with connections to potential trails (Strongs Creek Trail and Great Redwood Trail), as well as pedestrian facilities throughout the system. Project includes reconfiguring the park and ride facility to allow for a future bus stop.	
City of Eureka, Bay to Zoo Trail	This new trail segment, bike and sidewalk improvements will connect the existing Eureka Waterfront Trail in the north of Eureka with the Sequoia Park Zoo located in the southern edge of the city and transform one of the city's busiest streets (Myrtle Avenue) with the installation of the city's first roundabout at the new trail crossing. The roundabout will increase safety for trail users and pedestrians where no crossing existed before.	STIP funds were allocated in the previous STIP cycle for E&P, PSE, ROW, and CON. The project is currently in the design phase. Once completed, the project will provide safety improvements and a class 1 trail through the City of Eureka.
City of Eureka, Myrtle Ave Improvements (5 th to Harrison Ave)	Improvements to bike lanes and to ADA facilities as well as maintenance of failing roadway on Myrtle Avenue between 5th Street and Harrison Avenue.	The project was completed in 2025. This segment of roadway is approximately 1 mile in length. Shifting to buffered bike lanes increases cyclist safety and the is intended to increase the comfort level and therefore their use. Improvements to 6th and 7th bike lanes, in 2024 (not part of this project) will include shifting those bike lanes to buffered bike lanes as well. This shift is intended to make the facilities safer and more comfortable to use, which should increase their use, as well as the use on Myrtle.
Greenwood, Railroad and Hatchery Road Improvements in Blue Lake	R/W and construction was funded. The project includes traffic calming measures and pedestrian improvements on	The project was fully completed in 2024. Benefits include increased pedestrian safety, and are especially beneficial to Blue Lake Elementary School, and City Hall with access to

	Greenwood Avenue to reduce vehicle speeds. Including the addition of mountable curbs, chokers, raised crosswalks and traditional crosswalks with bulb outs, a widened sidewalk on western side of Greenwood Avenue to provide safe access for school children, and planting of trees. In addition, road rehabilitation measures will be implemented to extend the useful life of the road section.	the Annie and Mary Trail (which will become part of the Great Redwood Trail).
Trinity Street Pavement Rehabilitation in Trinidad	STIP funds have been allocated for PS&E and CON. The project will rehabilitate and extend the useful life of the roadway pavement on Trinity Street.	This project has been completed. The project includes replacing non-accessible sidewalks, driveways, and curb ramps; pavement rehabilitation; and signage, striping and pavement marking improvements on Main Street, Patrick's Point Drive, and Westhaven Drive, within the City of Trinidad. Main Street, Patrick's Point Drive, and Westhaven Drive are the primary routes into and through the City of Trinidad. In recent years the pavement condition has significantly deteriorated on these roads and rehabilitation is needed to maintain the function of the system and extend the useful life of the facility. In addition, sidewalk, curb ramp and driveway improvements are needed to eliminate accessibility barriers.
City of Trinidad, Main Street Patricks Point Dr. and Westhaven Dr. Pavement Rehabilitation	<p>The project includes the following primary components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main Street: Replace asphalt concrete surfacing, non-compliant sidewalks and curb ramps, and thermoplastic pavement striping and markings. • Patrick Points Drive: Replace asphalt concrete surfacing, and thermoplastic 	<p>The project is currently in PSE, with the CON phase anticipated in the summer of 2026.</p> <p>Main Street, Trinity Street, Patrick's Point Drive, and Westhaven Drive are the primary routes into and through the City of Trinidad. In recent years the pavement condition has significantly deteriorated on these roads and rehabilitation is needed to maintain the function of the system. Where several previous projects in the area were focused on improving pedestrian accessibility through the downtown area, this project is</p>

	<p>pavement striping and markings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Westhaven Drive: Overlay concrete surfacing, and thermoplastic pavement striping and markings 	<p>primarily focused on rehabilitating the failed roadway pavement and extending the useful life of the facility.</p>
Old Arcata Road, Rehabilitation and Pedestrian/ Bike Improvements in Arcata	<p>STIP funds have been allocated for PS&E and Construction (CON) since the 2022 STIP cycle. This project includes rehabilitating 5,900 feet of Old Arcata Road/ Samoa Boulevard from the Buttermilk Road Roundabout to Jacoby Creek Road. The project also includes widening and improvement to include Class 2 Bike lanes, improvement of pedestrian paths, and intersection safety improvements at Jacoby Creek Road through the implementation of a roundabout or channelization work.</p>	<p>The project was fully completed in 2025.</p> <p>The project will improve safety for non-motorized and motorized users, increase the use of active modes of transportation, and rehabilitate deteriorated roadway pavement.</p> <p>Additional benefits include enhanced heightened driver awareness of the community, filling an existing gap for non-motorized travel between the Jacoby Creek School and Jacoby Creek Road and the installation of a new roundabout at the intersection of Old Arcata Road and Jacoby Creek Road</p>
Route 101NB/ Sunset Ave & Sunset Ave and LK Wood Blvd. Ramp improvement	<p>STIP funds have been allocated for E&P. Project will replace the current intersections with a one lane roundabout constructed in the center of the current Sunset Avenue/LK Wood Boulevards and Sunset Avenue/US 101 North ramps intersection. The project will provide a Class IV bikeway along the southern side of the roundabout. This will provide pedestrians and cyclists with a separate path that crosses LK Wood Boulevard and accesses Sunset Avenue.</p>	<p>This project will improve safety for cyclists and pedestrians at one of the main access points to Cal Poly Humboldt. Funding for PS&E and R/W was requested in the 2024 STIP cycle to continue progress on this project. The project is still currently in the design phase. The project was also successful in obtaining a USDOT RAISE grant, and is expected to go to construction in 2026.</p>
Rio Dell Neighborhood Connectivity Project	<p>The E&P was allocated in the 2022 STIP cycle. Right of Way and Construction is programmed but has not yet been allocated. The project will</p>	<p>E&P has been completed, and construction is anticipated to begin in 2026.</p>

	infill sidewalk segments, install curb ramps, and install crosswalk striping to connect neighborhoods to the school and to main areas of town.	This project will increase pedestrian safety for several streets adjacent to the Rio Dell Elementary School.
County of Humboldt, Hubbard Lane	This project consists of pavement surface rehabilitation on Hubbard Lane. The roadway has existing sidewalks that have been upgraded to current ADA standards within the last 10 years. As part of the Preliminary Engineering phase, bike lane study and parking analysis will be developed, as well as a drainage analysis to review the drainage infrastructure that currently prevents Hubbard Lane from being serviced by transit.	Initial allocations for this project were requested in 2025. This project will provide fix it first benefits to a key transportation corridor in the County and the City of Eureka.
County of Humboldt Central Ave Bike Lane Surface Rehabilitation and Overlay	This project consists of pavement surface rehabilitation, overlay, and bike-lanes on an approximately 1.26 mile portion of Central Avenue.	Initial allocations for this project were requested in 2025. This project will improve multimodal access and provide fix it first benefits to a key transportation corridor in the County
County of Humboldt, Redwood Drive Complete Streets	This project will rehabilitate Redwood Drive and provide parking/walking/biking improvements that follow the complete streets guidelines.	Initial allocations for this project were requested in 2025. This project would provide significant non-motorized benefits to the 'gateway' main street area entering Humboldt County.

Section 5. RTIP Outreach and Participation

A. RTIP Development and Approval Schedule

Action	Date
CTC adopts Fund Estimate and Guidelines	August 14-15, 2025
Caltrans identifies State Highway Needs	September 15, 2025
Caltrans submits draft ITIP	October 15, 2025
CTC ITIP Hearing, South	October 30, 2025
CTC ITIP Hearing, North	November 7, 2025
Regional Agency adopts 2026 RTIP	RTPA Board Approval Date
Regions submit RTIP to CTC	December 15, 2025
Caltrans submits ITIP to CTC	December 15, 2025

CTC STIP Hearing, North	January 28, 2026
CTC STIP Hearing, South	February 5, 2026
CTC publishes staff recommendations	February 27, 2026
CTC Adopts 2026 STIP	March, 2026

B. Community Engagement

Community engagement has happened at several touchpoints in the development of this RTIP including the development of the Regional Transportation Plan, outreach of individual projects, and the development of this RTIP.

First, projects that are included in the RTIP must be consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan, locally this is *Vroom 2022-2042* (VROOM). VROOM was developed with a robust outreach and community engagement plan. A variety of engagement platforms were used: online surveys, virtual community meetings, tabling at events such as farmers markets, food bank distribution, and community fairs. Additionally, an ad-hoc committee of community members was formed and ultimately developed the Safe and Sustainable Transportation Targets contained in VROOM. Chapter by chapter of VROOM was reviewed by the Social Service Technical Advisory Committee, the Technical Advisory Committee, and the Policy Advisory Committee and finally approved by the HCAOG Board, all with opportunities for public comment. In these community outreach efforts among the highest priority areas was improving safety, improved connectivity for safely walking and biking, improving access to and frequency of public transit, and maintaining the road system in a state of good repair.

Community outreach has also occurred in the development of individual projects. Outreach for the larger projects proposed in this RTIP is summarized below:

- City of Eureka Hawthorne and Humboldt Bike Boulevard- This project came into being as a result of a Bike Master Plan that the City recently completed in 2024. The plan included a robust public outreach campaign. This project was identified in the plan as one of the City's top 3 priorities.
- City of Arcata SAMSIP- Arcata performed extensive public outreach for their SAMSIP project, including hosting two community meetings, posting a survey, establishing a social pinpoint map, and forming a project task force with community members and stakeholders.
- City of Blue Lake Truck Route Phase II – This project was initially brought forward by the Community of Blue Lake through an initial walkability assessment lead by the residents of Blue Lake. Since then, the project has been considered at several public meetings, and Phase I of the project was completed in 2024.
- City of Ferndale Francis Street – This project was identified as a priority through Ferndale's public City Council process. This project was submitted to HCAOG along with a resolution by the City Council requesting funding for the project, and inclusion in the 2022 RTIP.
- City of Fortuna Kenmar, Ross Hill Road, and South Fortuna Boulevard Intersection Improvement Project- The City of Fortuna developed this project over several years. Early engagement on this project came out of the City's Kenmar Interchange project, which is has also been STIP funded in recent previous cycles. The City also identified this project as a priority in their 2021 Local Road Safety Plan, which was publicly circulated, included a project stakeholder task force, and was approved by the City

Council. Lastly, the City led and developed a project study report, which was presented to the Council at public meetings multiple times.

The final point of community engagement has been during the development of this RTIP. The RTIP has been reviewed by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), the HCAOG Policy Advisory Committee, and Board at noticed public meetings. The TAC and the PAC took comments into consideration during their deliberations.

Consultation with Caltrans District (Required per Section 20)

Caltrans District: 1

A representative from Caltrans District 1 sits on the HCAOG TAC. Caltrans receives the same project solicitation as the rest of the TAC members and has an opportunity to bring projects forward at that time. This cycle, Caltrans has not requested any programming.

B. 2026 STIP Regional Funding Request

Section 6. 2026 STIP Regional Share and Request for Programming

A. 2024 Regional Fund Share Per 2026 STIP Fund Estimate

2026 STIP Programming	
\$ in thousands	
Total Target	Maximum
Share through 2030-31	Estimated Share through 2031-32
2,523	5,293

B. Summary of Requested Programming –

Project Name and Location	Project Description	Requested RIP Amount
City of Arcata – South Arcata Multi-Modal Safety Improvement Project (SAMSIP) State Only Funding Requested	Update existing interchange control to roundabout. Established a new class I trail connecting Arcata across highway 101. Traffic calming and multi-modal improvements along Samoa Boulevard. Funding request would cover project activity through PA&ED.	\$700,000
Blue Lake Truck Route Phase II State Only Funding Requested	Roadway rehabilitation, sidewalk and pedestrian crossing improvements. The funding request covers activity through construction.	\$625,000
City of Eureka Hawthorn and Humboldt Bike Boulevard	Roadway rehabilitation and conversion of existing roadway to class III bicycle boulevard. Funding request would cover activity through construction.	\$750,000

State Only Funding Requested		
City of Ferndale Francis Street Roadway Improvements State Only Funding Requested	Roadway rehabilitation of Francis Street in between Main Street and the park, sidewalk infill and ADA curb ramp upgrades. Funding request to cover work through construction.	\$425,000
City of Fortuna Kenmar and Ross Hill Road Intersection Improvements State Only Funding Requested	Convert existing signalized intersection to roundabout. Sidewalk and bicycle facility gap closures and improvements. Funding request to cover work through PA&ED.	\$500,000

Section 7. Overview of Other Funding Included with Delivery of Regional Improvement Program (RIP) Projects

The projects presented in this RTIP are a combination of those fully funded by regional improvement program shares, and those that will be funded in combination with other sources. None of the projects will require Commission approval for non-proportional spending allowing for the expenditure of STIP funds before other funds (sometimes referred to as sequential spending). Other funding sources are noted in the notes section of the following table.

Proposed 2024 RTIP	Total RTIP	Other Funding					Total Project Cost
		ITIP	STBG/ CMAQ	Fund Source 1	Fund Source 2	Fund Source 3	
City of Eureka, Hawthorne and Humboldt Bike Boulevard	\$750,000			\$450,000 ²			\$1,200,000
City of Fortuna, Kenmar and Ross Hill Road Intersection Improvement	\$500,000			\$8,100,000 ⁴			\$8,600,000
City of Blue Lake Truck Route Phase II	\$625,000			\$2,143,000 ^{1,3}			\$2,768,000
City of Ferndale Francis Street Project	\$425,000						\$425,000
City of Arcata SAMSIP	\$700,000			\$35,000,000 ⁴			\$35,700,000
	\$3,000,000	-	-	\$45,693,000	-	-	\$48,693,000

Notes: ¹Active Transportation Program, ² City of Eureka Tax Measure/Local Funds, ³Will request future STIP funding, ⁴State Highway to Boulevards, or Federal Reconnecting Communities, or USDOT BUILD

Section 8. Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP) Funding and Needs

The purpose of the Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP) is to improve interregional mobility for people and goods in the State of California. As an interregional program, the ITIP is focused on increasing the throughput for highway and rail corridors of strategic importance outside the urbanized areas of the state. A sound transportation network between and connecting urbanized areas ports and borders is vital to the state's economic vitality. The ITIP is prepared in accordance with Government Code Section 14526, Streets and Highways Code Section 164 and the STIP Guidelines. The ITIP is a five-year program managed by Caltrans and funded with 25% of new STIP revenues in each cycle. Developed in cooperation with regional transportation planning agencies to ensure an integrated transportation program, the ITIP promotes the goal of improving interregional mobility and connectivity across California.

HCAOG is not requesting any ITIP funding this cycle.

The Eureka-Arcata 101 Corridor Improvement project has been allocated funding in the STIP since 2001, with funding coming from both the RTIP and ITIP. This project has been the highest priority in the region for two decades and finally began construction in 2023. Construction is anticipated to be complete in 2026.

Other high priority interregional highway needs are safety and active transportation improvements along the Highway 101 corridor through Eureka. Highway 101 serves as the City of Eureka's "main street" (Broadway and 4th and 5th). Due in part to high vehicular travel volumes and lack of convenient and safe facilities for the movement of pedestrians, bicycles, and public transit, this corridor has a significant crash history and in particular ones involving pedestrians and bicyclists that needs attention and correction. Caltrans D1, the City of Eureka and other partners have made progress on implementing changes, notably with the funding of the Broadway Complete Streets project through the SHOPP but much work remains to improve the safety of this corridor.

Additionally, there is a theme of the most pressing regional projects that appear in the RTIP, many involve interchange improvements (US 101 & Sunset Ave Interchange Project, Kenmar Interchange Improvement Project, and SAMSIP) or are located on routes that were former State Highways (Central Avenue Surface Rehab and Overlay, Redwood Drive Complete Streets). The legacy and ongoing impacts caused by the State Highway system continue to create issues that our local financial resources are insufficient to adequately address. These impacts include safety, maintenance, and disconnected communities with limited to non-existent multimodal facilities. Improvements to these facilities tend to be among the region's highest priorities and highlight the need for state partnership in improving them.

Section 9. Projects Planned Within Multi-Modal Corridors

The primary corridors in the region are the US 101 Corridor and State Route 299. None of the projects proposed directly impact these corridors. The only project proposed this STIP cycle that impact the Highway corridors are the City of Eureka's Bicycle Boulevard project (which crosses Broadway in Eureka), and Arcata's SAMSIP project (which is along State Route 255, and crosses the US 101).

Section 10. Highways to Boulevards Conversion Pilot Program

There are several communities divided by state routes throughout Humboldt County. Highway 101 divides the cities of Rio Dell, Fortuna, Eureka, Arcata, the Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria, and the community of Orick. Highway 96 divides Hoopa Valley tribal lands. Highway 299 divides the community of Willow Creek and the City of Arcata. All of these could be considered for the Highways to Boulevards Conversion Pilot Program.

11. Complete Streets Consideration (per Section 26)

Every project that is included in the RTIP is asked to incorporate complete street project elements to the maximum extent feasible. Each project under consideration in this RTIP includes complete streets elements.

The City of Ferndale's project includes sidewalk infills and ADA curb ramp improvements leading from downtown to the City's community park facility. The City of Blue Lake's project includes traffic calming, pedestrian, and crosswalk improvements near the City's trail facility. Fortuna and Arcata's project include bicycle and pedestrian infill improvements, and help close gaps through key intersections/interchanges in those communities. Eureka's bicycle boulevard project is a critical east-west connection that will connect the City's Bay Trail with other bicycle boulevards on C, H, and I Street.

C. Relationship of RTIP to RTP/SCS/APS and Benefits of RTIP

Section 12. Regional Level Performance Evaluation (per Section 22A of the guidelines)

The Humboldt region does not have a Sustainable Communities Strategy or Alternative Planning Scenario. The region is not currently monitoring the performance measures listed in the RTIP template other than the Pavement Condition Index on local streets and roads. However, as there are no large-scale local road rehabilitation projects included in the STIP programming for this region, this is not an effective way to evaluate the RTIP. As an alternative HCAOG has prepared the following evaluation of the effectiveness of RTIP projects in achieving the goals and objectives of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

The current Regional Transportation Plan is the *VROOM (Variety in Rural Options of Mobility)* 2022-2024, which was adopted in January 2022. The overall goal:

"HCAOG's goal is for Humboldt County to have a carbon-neutral, multimodal, transportation system that is comprehensive, safe, sustainable, and equitable so that people in the region can travel and move goods by the modes that best suit the individual or business/ industry, and society at large."

The overall objective:

"Program all transportation funds based on multi-modal transportation goals and objectives, and needs and priorities as established in the Regional Transportation Plan."

The action plan contained in the Complete Streets and Connected Communities chapter includes a list of Capital Projects that work to achieve one or more of the following objectives:

- Mode shift to active transportation
- Lowering vehicle miles traveled from cars and trucks
- Improving access to essential destinations by walking, biking, and/or public transportation
- Vision Zero, with the goal to eliminate all traffic deaths and severe injuries
- Fix-it-First priority for keeping existing investments in a "state of good repair" over building new infrastructure

These objectives are part of the Safe and Sustainable Transportation Targets included in VROOM. Generally speaking, it is expected that projects that will meet the most objectives/targets will be the top priorities.

The supporting policies relevant to these objectives include:

POLICY STREETS-1. Multi-modal safety & functionality: HCAOG shall encourage and facilitate local jurisdictions, local Native American Tribes, Caltrans, and non-profits to individually and collaboratively plan, design, install, and maintain roads in Humboldt County to build a transportation system that emphasizes safety over speed, and emphasizes multi-modal functionality over convenience for single-occupancy automobiles.

POLICY STREETS-3. Complete Streets improvements HCAOG shall include Complete Streets improvements in regionally funded transportation system projects to the extent feasible, as consistent with California Complete Streets Act of 2008 (AB 1358) and Caltrans Deputy Directive 64-R2.

POLICY STREETS-6. Fix it first for safety: HCAOG will accelerate programming for regional projects that retrofit existing roads to provide safe and convenient travel by all users. HCAOG supports a “fix it first” priority of protecting and preserving existing roadways and other transportation assets, with priority for communities that have been underinvested in or have borne disproportionate levels of harm from transportation infrastructure.

POLICY STREETS-7. Global Warming Solutions: HCAOG shall carry out policies and program funding for projects that will help achieve the goals of the Global Warming Solutions Act (California Assembly Bill 32 (2006) and Senate Bill 32 (2016)). This shall include supporting efforts to reduce non-renewable consumption and air pollution, such as projects that increase access to alternative transportation and renewable fuels, reduce congestion, reduce single-occupancy (motorized) vehicle trips, and shorten vehicle trip length, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

POLICY STREETS-9. Equity programming for roads and trails: HCAOG shall promote equity, cost effectiveness, safety and active transportation in programming and allocating funds to regionally significant roadway and trail projects.

POLICY STREETS-11. Vision Zero: HCAOG adopts the Vision Zero commitment to support policy, strategies, and roadway design standards that have been shown to be most effective in improving safety, with the goal of eliminating all traffic fatalities and severe injuries in Humboldt, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all users.

2026 RTIP Projects in relation to RTP Complete Streets Objectives and Policies

Implementing Agency	Project	Primary Complete Street Objectives Addressed	Policy	Discussion
City of Arcata	SAMSIP	Mode Shift, Access, Vision Zero	S1, S3, S7, S9, S11	The project will have meaningful benefits to non-motorized users through a host of project improvements. The separated Class I trail will provide a safe and accessible route connecting both east and west Arcata. Traffic calming measures along Samoa Boulevard will provide additional safety benefits for motorized and non-motorized users alike. Improving the highway crossing with a Class I facility will also promote further non-motorized use, which can lead to the ability to provide meaningful mode shift.
City of Blue Lake	Truck Route Phase II	Mode Shift, Access, Vision Zero, Fix it First	S1, S3, S6, S11	The truck route is the primary access to commercial timberlands, several gravel mining operations, an asphalt batch plant, agricultural properties, and various businesses located in the City's business park, which are all located south of town. Currently, Blue Lake Elementary School is the most at-risk facility in terms of safety concerns along the truck route because of the school children accessing Blue Lake School, with no bike lanes, and a narrow sidewalk with utility poles located within the sidewalk. As the truck route continues from Greenwood onto Railroad Avenue, it nears the downtown area of Blue Lake where pedestrians are more active. The intersection of Railroad Avenue, Hatchery Road, and South Railroad Avenue is an expansive streetscape with undefined travel lanes and poorly located stop

				locations and crosswalk, making it complex for vehicles to navigate and unsafe for pedestrians and bicyclists, especially when mixed with truck traffic. This intersection now has an added crossing with the Annie and Mary Trail (separate project), increasing the complexity and need for an improved intersection allowing for multimodal harmony. There are complete street improvements planned for each section of the Blue Lake Truck Route as well as road rehabilitation and repair of storm drains.
City of Eureka	Hawthorn and Humboldt Bike Boulevard	Mode Shift, Access, Vision Zero, Lowers VMT	S1,S3, S6,S7,S11	This project will provide a safer facility for bicycle users in Eureka, and will represent the first in many east-west connections that connect several of the City's existing bicycle facilities. Including traffic calming features will help promote use, which can lead to expanded mode shift and a reduction in VMT. Additionally, the traffic calming features will also benefit pedestrian and motorized users. Lastly, the project will rehabilitate the roadway itself, making for a more robust piece of infrastructure within the city.
City of Ferndale	Francis Street Rehabilitation Project	Access, Fix it First	S3, S6	The project will fix a failing, aging section of roadway that is current a critical route connecting downtown Ferndale to their public park facility. Additionally, the project will provide ADA curb ramps and sidewalk infills, making walking to and from these key destinations safe and more accessible to all users.
City of Fortuna	Kenmar and Ross Hill Road Intersection Improvement Project	Mode Shift, Access, Vision Zero, Fix it First	S1,S3, S6, S9,S11	This project will address a number of existing deficiencies with the current intersection configuration. Currently there are no connecting non-motorized facilities at this intersection, save for north-south bike lanes. This project will provide class II bike lanes along all legs of the roundabout, and full sidewalk connections on all legs. Pedestrian

				crossings will be shortened to single lane crossings, where now the few crossings that exist span 3-4 lanes. Pedestrian refuges and RRFB's would also be provided at crossings. Vehicular safety would be improved through the installation of the roundabout, which are shown through the safe streets approach to provide a reduction in serious collisions. The project will also help to provide more robust access options to all users, helping connect the east and west Fortuna through the Kenmar Road/Kenmar Interchange area.
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Section 13. Regional and Statewide Benefits of RTIP

At the regional level the projects will contribute to a more robust and safe active transportation system, as well as promoting economic vitality and contributing to an efficient and viable transportation system. Given the level of funding available in the RTIP, it is difficult to fully fund transformative, large-scale projects. However, jurisdictions within our region do an exceptional job of leveraging other funding sources such as the Active Transportation Program, or local tax revenue, to make large strides forward. Examples include the Hawthorn Bike Boulevard project. For projects that have earlier project components funded such as the interchange improvement projects, RTIP funding allows these projects to become competitive for grant sources that can fund construction. The RTIP continues to be an important source of funding to maintain rural roads.

At statewide level, the projects proposed contribute to statewide benefits, and are consistent with efforts to promote mode shift and reduce vehicle miles travelled by providing safe active transportation networks. It is also consistent with the State' "fix-it first" approach to ensuring our transportation systems remain viable.

D. Performance and Effectiveness of RTIP

Section 14. Evaluation of Cost Effectiveness of RTIP (Required per Section 22B)

The region is not currently collecting quantitative data related to the cost effectiveness indicators listed in the RTP template other than Pavement Condition Index on local roads. The following information is provided related to the rural cost effectiveness indicators.

Congestion Reduction

Indicator/Measures: Change in vehicle miles travelled per capita, change in peak volume or capacity, change in commute mode share to school or work.

Fortuna's intersection projects involves a roundabout that will help reduce congestion by increasing the efficiency and capacity of the intersections. This project include complete street elements that can also promote mode shift. Arcata's SAMSIP project promotes mode share, specifically an opportunity for non-motorized users to better access east and west Arcata without a vehicle. The City of Eureka's project will be another can can promote mode shift and VMT

reductions, by further providing a holistic transportation network that makes non-motorized options less stressful and more available. Projects with active transportation features can contribute to mode shift and have the potential to reduce vehicle miles travelled, however even combining all projects, there is not likely to be a measurable difference in Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) throughout the region as a result of these projects.

Infrastructure Condition

Indicator/Measures: Change in distressed lane miles, change in PCI

All the proposed projects will improve the infrastructure condition at the project locations. Overall the projects will improve the PCI from poor or failing to good condition. The projects are located on locally and regionally important routes and will incrementally improve the region's infrastructure condition.

Safety

Indicator/ Measures: Change in Total accident cost per capita and VMT

Although HCAOG does not keep totals on accident costs per capita and VMT, safety, especially for pedestrians and cyclists, is a focus for a number of proposed projects, including Arcata's SAMSIP, Eureka's Bike Boulevard, Blue Lake's Truck Route, and Fortuna's Kenmar Interchange. In a region that has the unfortunate distinction of being among the worst ranked in the State for pedestrian safety these are important safety upgrades.

Environmental Sustainability

Indicator/ Measures Change in Land Use Efficiency (total developed land in acres per population)

The projects will contribute to environmental sustainability by enhancing pedestrian facilities that will increase mode share for walking and biking. The rehabilitation projects will extend the life of the existing infrastructure.

In the case of the Kenmar and Ross Hill Road Intersection Improvement project, improvements including multimodal access and congestion reduction are needed to facilitate infill redevelopment of an adjacent former mill site. Redevelopment of that site will increase jobs (new commercial developments) and housing on the currently vacant land that is centrally located within the City of Fortuna. The project will contribute to increased land use efficiency.

Section 15. Project Specific Evaluation (Required per Section 22D)

Each RTIP shall include a project specific benefit evaluation for each new project proposed that estimates its benefits to the regional system from changes to the built environment, including, but limited to the items listed on page 9 of the STIP Guidelines. A project level evaluation shall be submitted for projects for which construction is proposed if:

- The total amount of existing and proposed STIP for right-of-way and/or construction of the project is \$15 million or greater, or
- The total project cost is \$50 million or greater.

HCAOG is not proposing any projects that require a project specific evaluation.

E. Detailed Project Information

Section 16. Overview of Projects Programmed with RIP Funding

Maps for individual projects can be found following the PPR's in Appendix Section 17.

Agency	Priority	Project Title	Total Funding Request	Project Requests totals by Fiscal Year					Project Request Totals by Component			
				26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30	30/31	PA&ED	PS&E	ROW	CON
HCAOG	1	Planning, Programming, and Monitoring	\$ 189,000				\$ 94,000	\$ 95,000				\$ 189,000
Arcata	4	South Arcata Multi-Modal Safety Improvements Plan (SAMSIP)	\$ 700,000	\$ 700,000					\$ 700,000			
Blue Lake	1	Blue Lake Truck Route - Phase II	\$ 625,000	\$ 625,000						\$ 18,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 587,000
Eureka	2	Hawthorn and Humboldt Bike Boulevard	\$ 750,000	\$ 750,000								\$ 750,000
Ferndale	3	Francis Street - Francis Creek to Eugene Street	\$ 425,000	\$ 425,000					\$ 4,640	\$ 34,800		\$ 385,560
Fortuna	5	Kenmar/Roass Hill Road Intersection Improvements	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000					\$ 500,000			
Total			\$ 3,189,000									
		Total Target (includes PPM)	\$ 2,523,000									
		Requested	\$ 3,189,000									
		Difference	\$ (666,000)									
		Max Target (includes PPM)	\$ 5,293,000									

F. Appendices

Section 17. Projects Programming Request Forms

Section 18. Board Resolution or Documentation of 2026 RTIP (Add cover page)

Section 19. Fact Sheet

Section 20. Project Maps

Section 17. Project Programming Request Forms

Amendment (Existing Project) <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO					Date	12/12/2025 14:25:17
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District	EA	Project ID	PPNO	Nominating Agency		
01				City of Blue Lake		
County	Route	PM Back	PM Ahead	Co-Nominating Agency		
Humboldt County						
				MPO	Element	
				NON-MPO	Local Assistance	
Project Manager/Contact			Phone	Email Address		
Jordan Ludtke			707-441-8855	jludtke@shn-engr.com		

Project Title

Blue Lake Truck Route Phase II

Location (Project Limits), Description (Scope of Work)

In the City of Blue Lake, on Hatchery Road, from South Railroad Avenue intersection to approximately 100 ft south of H Street intersection. Sidewalk and pedestrian crossing improvements, bicycle lane improvements, and roadway rehabilitation.

Component	Implementing Agency
PA&ED	City of Blue Lake
PS&E	City of Blue Lake
Right of Way	City of Blue Lake
Construction	City of Blue Lake

Legislative Districts

Assembly:	2	Senate:	2	Congressional:	2
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Project Milestone	Existing	Proposed
Project Study Report Approved	12/13/2017	
Begin Environmental (PA&ED) Phase		
Circulate Draft Environmental Document	Document Type	
Draft Project Report		
End Environmental Phase (PA&ED Milestone)		
Begin Design (PS&E) Phase		06/01/2026
End Design Phase (Ready to List for Advertisement Milestone)		04/30/2027
Begin Right of Way Phase		06/01/2026
End Right of Way Phase (Right of Way Certification Milestone)		04/30/2027
Begin Construction Phase (Contract Award Milestone)		05/03/2027
End Construction Phase (Construction Contract Acceptance Milestone)		10/29/2027
Begin Closeout Phase		10/29/2027
End Closeout Phase (Closeout Report)		06/01/2028

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Purpose and Need

Pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements are needed on this portion of the City's designated truck route. The intersection of Railroad Avenue, Hatchery Road, and South Railroad Avenue is an expansive streetscape with undefined travel lanes and poorly located stop locations and crosswalks, making it complex for vehicles to navigate and unsafe for pedestrians and bicyclists, especially when mixed with truck traffic. This intersection has a crossing with the existing Annie and Mary Trail (a class 2 bike and pedestrian trail), increasing the complexity and need for an improved intersection allowing for multimodal harmony

NHS Improvements

☐ YES ☒ NO

Roadway Class

NA

Reversible Lane Analysis

☐ YES ☒ NO

Inc. Sustainable Communities Strategy Goals

☒ YES ☐ NO

Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

☒ YES ☐ NO

Project Outputs			
Category	Outputs	Unit	Total
ADA Improvements	Install accessible pedestrian signal	EA	1
Active Transportation	Crosswalk	EA	3
Active Transportation	Pedestrian/Bicycle facilities miles constructed	Miles	0.1
Pavement (lane-miles)	Local road - rehabilitated Miles	Miles	0.1
ADA Improvements	New curb ramp installed	EA	3

Additional Information

Performance Indicators and Measures						
Measure	Required For	Indicator/Measure	Unit	Build	Future No Build	Change
Safety	Optional	Number of Property Damage Only and Non-Serious Injury Collisions	Number	0	0	0

District	County	Route	EA	Project ID	PPNO
01	Humboldt County				
Project Title					
Blue Lake Truck Route Phase II					

Existing Total Project Cost (\$1,000s)									Implementing Agency
Component	Prior	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	31-32+	Total	
E&P (PA&ED)									City of Blue Lake
PS&E									City of Blue Lake
R/W SUP (CT)									City of Blue Lake
CON SUP (CT)									City of Blue Lake
R/W									City of Blue Lake
CON									City of Blue Lake
TOTAL									
Proposed Total Project Cost (\$1,000s)									Notes
E&P (PA&ED)									
PS&E		18						18	
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W		20						20	
CON		587						587	
TOTAL		625						625	

Fund #1:	RIP - State Cash (Committed)								Program Code
Existing Funding (\$1,000s)									
Component	Prior	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	31-32+	Total	Funding Agency
E&P (PA&ED)									Humboldt County Association of Gov
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON									
TOTAL									
Proposed Funding (\$1,000s)									Notes
E&P (PA&ED)									
PS&E		18						18	
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W		20						20	
CON		587						587	
TOTAL		625						625	

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District	EA	Project ID	PPNO	Nominating Agency			
01				City of Arcata			
County	Route	PM Back	PM Ahead	Co-Nominating Agency			
Humboldt County	US S						
				MPO	Element		
				NON-MPO	Capital Outlay		
Project Manager/Contact			Phone	Email Address			
Netra B Khatri			707-825-2173	nkhatri@cityofarcata.org			

Project Title

South Arcata Multi-Modal Safety Improvements

Location (Project Limits), Description (Scope of Work)

This project would reduce the number of travel lanes heading east and west by half but will not affect the level of service for traffic. The project will utilize the existing structure and require minimal work to construct a bi-directional bicycle and pedestrian shared use path that would be entirely separated from vehicular traffic along the north side of the corridor. Lighting would be added to improve sight visibility of all users within the project area. The northern on and off ramps would be eliminated and offer the opportunity to restore the land to native vegetation, provide beautification and drainage improvements, and to reduce the number of conflict points between vehicular and non-vehicular users. Roundabouts will be introduced on the east and west side of the interchange to provide traffic calming in the project area.
Location: Arcata, California; Between F Street and Union Street along State-Route 255 and including the U.S. Highway 101 Interchange on and off ramp syste

Component	Implementing Agency
PA&ED	City of Arcata
PS&E	City of Arcata
Right of Way	City of Arcata
Construction	City of Arcata

Legislative Districts

Assembly:	2	Senate:	2	Congressional:	2
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Project Milestone	Existing	Proposed
Project Study Report Approved		
Begin Environmental (PA&ED) Phase		08/07/2026
Circulate Draft Environmental Document	Document Type CE	01/07/2027
Draft Project Report		07/01/2027
End Environmental Phase (PA&ED Milestone)		01/31/2028
Begin Design (PS&E) Phase		
End Design Phase (Ready to List for Advertisement Milestone)		
Begin Right of Way Phase		
End Right of Way Phase (Right of Way Certification Milestone)		
Begin Construction Phase (Contract Award Milestone)		
End Construction Phase (Construction Contract Acceptance Milestone)		
Begin Closeout Phase		
End Closeout Phase (Closeout Report)		

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Purpose and Need

The purpose of this project is to address the barriers created by the U.S. Highway 101 which separates the east and west sides of Arcata for non-vehicular modes of transportation. The existing structure provides a high level of traffic stress for bicyclists and pedestrians, leading non-vehicular traffic to cross the interchange in unsafe conditions or causing individuals to have to travel over a mile out of their way to go between Sunnybrae or downtown Arcata. Redesigning the U.S. Highway 101 and State Route 255 interchange offers the opportunity to provide bicycle and pedestrian facilities along the corridor while also reducing the number of conflict points between all modes of transportation.

NHS Improvements ☐ YES ☒ NO

Roadway Class NA

Reversible Lane Analysis ☐ YES ☒ NO

Inc. Sustainable Communities Strategy Goals ☒ YES ☐ NO

Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions ☒ YES ☐ NO

Project Outputs			
Category	Outputs	Unit	Total
Active Transportation	Pedestrian/Bicycle facilities miles constructed	Miles	0.5
Operational Improvement	Interchange modifications	EA	2
Drainage	Culverts	LF	400
ADA Improvements	New crosswalk	LF	100
Active Transportation	Sidewalk miles	Miles	0.5
ADA Improvements	Install new detectable warning surface	SQFT	75
ADA Improvements	Install accessible pedestrian signal	EA	2

Additional Information

This project would provide bicycle and pedestrian facilities where there are currently none existing along the State Route 255 corridor as it crosses the U.S. Highway 101 interchange. The proposed alternative would provide a separated bicycle and pedestrian path adjacent to vehicular traffic as it crosses over the US Highway 101. The proposed alternative pathway would also have no conflict points with vehicular traffic until arriving at F Street to the west, and Union Street to the east, outside of the project area. This project will also provide lighting improvements to help increase visibility for all modes of transportation in the project area.

A Project Taskforce was formed early on with members of the community who assisted in outreach and informing the public of the initial concept design phase and associated work. The project taskforce was composed of stakeholders with a vested interest in the development of the SAMSIP concept designs. The project taskforce included members of the community that lived within, or adjacent to the project area, as well as parents, and a member of the Coalition for Responsible Transportation Parties.

A “Social Pinpoint Map” survey was conducted throughout the SAMSIP project which allowed the community to place comments on a geospatial online map to help identify facilities around Arcata that the community loves, but also what could be improved in the SAMSIP project area. At least 228 comments were provided through the Social Pinpoint Map survey.

Two surveys were posted on City website during the initial concept development phase of SAMSIP. The first survey helped gauge the types of facilities and improvements that the community would like to see as a result of the SAMSIP project, while the second provided the community with another opportunity to provide comments and feedback on the alternative designs being proposed for the US 101 / SR 255 interchange. 119 people participated between both surveys.

The City hosted two Community Workshop events on 08/29/24 and 04/29/25. Both workshops provided a summary of the outreach and work conducted to-date. Community members were able to provide questions and comments to the team concerning the project and alternative designs being proposed. At least 30 members of the community attended the first workshop while around two dozen members attended the second workshop.

A Walking Tour was conducted on 10/19/24 where 22 members of the community were able to go on a guided tour around the SAMSIP project area. The team also provided feedback for how they felt when walking in and around the project area and for what changes they'd like to see.

A pop-up demonstration was held along South G Street on 04/26/25 where Complete Streets related alternatives were illustrated for the public to show what could be possible as part of the SAMSIP and Samoa and South G Street projects. This demonstration included bulb-outs with native landscaping, buffered bike lanes with green paint in the bike lane, and enhanced crosswalks.

Performance Indicators and Measures						
Measure	Required For	Indicator/Measure	Unit	Build	Future No Build	Change
Safety	Optional	Accident Cost Savings	Dollars	35,000,000	50,000,000	-15,000,000
Accessibility	Optional	Number of Destinations Accessible by Mode	Number	3	0	3

District	County	Route	EA	Project ID	PPNO
01	Humboldt County	US			
Project Title					
South Arcata Multi-Modal Safety Improvements					

Existing Total Project Cost (\$1,000s)									Implementing Agency
Component	Prior	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	31-32+	Total	
E&P (PA&ED)									
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON									
TOTAL									
Proposed Total Project Cost (\$1,000s)									Notes
E&P (PA&ED)		700,000						700,000	
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON									
TOTAL		700,000						700,000	

Fund #1:	RIP - STIP (Committed)								Program Code
Existing Funding (\$1,000s)									
Component	Prior	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	31-32+	Total	Funding Agency
E&P (PA&ED)									City of Arcata
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON									
TOTAL									
Proposed Funding (\$1,000s)									Notes
E&P (PA&ED)		700,000						700,000	Local match funds
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON									
TOTAL		700,000						700,000	

PROJECT PROGRAMMING REQUEST (PPR)

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District	EA	Project ID	PPNO	Nominating Agency		
01				Humboldt County Association of Governments		
County	Route	PM Back	PM Ahead	Co-Nominating Agency		
Humboldt County				Caltrans (Modified)		
				MPO	Element	
				NON-MPO	Local Assistance	
Project Manager/Contact			Phone	Email Address		
JAY WORTELBOER			707-441-4194	jwortelboer@eureka.gov		

Project Title

Hawthorne and Humboldt Bike Boulevard

Location (Project Limits), Description (Scope of Work)

The City of Eureka is proposing to construct a 9500 LF class 3 Humboldt/Hawthorn Streets bicycle boulevard. This location was proposed due to it east-west corridors in the City connecting The Eureka Waterfront Trail and the Eureka High school. The Bicycle boulevard limits would be from the Waterfront trail to J Street which is approximately 9500 LF. Bike way implantation in the Hawthorne and Humboldt street corridor will provide access to the Eureka High School, connect with multiple existing and proposed bicycle facilities and provide access across Highway 101 through a signalized intersection. Road rehabilitation will consist of pavement overlay, bicycle boulevard marking and signage, traffic calming elements with safety and connectivity enhancements.

Component	Implementing Agency
PA&ED	City of Eureka
PS&E	City of Eureka
Right of Way	City of Eureka
Construction	City of Eureka

Legislative Districts

Assembly:	2	Senate:	2	Congressional:	2
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Project Milestone	Existing	Proposed
Project Study Report Approved		
Begin Environmental (PA&ED) Phase		
Circulate Draft Environmental Document	Document Type	
Draft Project Report		
End Environmental Phase (PA&ED Milestone)		
Begin Design (PS&E) Phase		
End Design Phase (Ready to List for Advertisement Milestone)		
Begin Right of Way Phase		
End Right of Way Phase (Right of Way Certification Milestone)		
Begin Construction Phase (Contract Award Milestone)		01/31/2027
End Construction Phase (Construction Contract Acceptance Milestone)		09/30/2027
Begin Closeout Phase		12/31/2025
End Closeout Phase (Closeout Report)		02/28/2028

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Purpose and Need

The Hawthorne and Humboldt Street corridor was identifies based on a need for a east -west corridors in the City connecting the Waterfront Trial and key destinations including Eureka High School. Hawthorne and Humboldt Street corridor will provide access to Eureka High School, connect with multiple existing and proposed bicycle facilities, and provide connection across Highway 101/Broadway through a signalized intersection.

NHS Improvements	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	Roadway Class 3	Reversible Lane Analysis	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
Inc. Sustainable Communities Strategy Goals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

Project Outputs

Category	Outputs	Unit	Total
Active Transportation	Pedestrian/Bicycle facilities miles constructed	Miles	1.09

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Additional Information

Performance Indicators and Measures						
Measure	Required For	Indicator/Measure	Unit	Build	Future No Build	Change

District	County	Route	EA	Project ID	PPNO
01	Humboldt County				
Project Title					
Hawthorne and Humboldt Bike Boulevard					

Existing Total Project Cost (\$1,000s)									
Component	Prior	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	31-32+	Total	Implementing Agency
E&P (PA&ED)									City of Eureka
PS&E									City of Eureka
R/W SUP (CT)									City of Eureka
CON SUP (CT)									City of Eureka
R/W									City of Eureka
CON									City of Eureka
TOTAL									
Proposed Total Project Cost (\$1,000s)									Notes
E&P (PA&ED)									
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON		750,000						750,000	
TOTAL		750,000						750,000	

Fund #1:	RIP - State Cash (Committed)								Program Code
Existing Funding (\$1,000s)									
Component	Prior	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	31-32+	Total	Funding Agency
E&P (PA&ED)									Caltrans District 1
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON									
TOTAL									
Proposed Funding (\$1,000s)									Notes
E&P (PA&ED)									
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON		750,000						750,000	
TOTAL		750,000						750,000	

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District	EA	Project ID	PPNO	Nominating Agency		
01				Caltrans District 1		
County	Route	PM Back	PM Ahead	Co-Nominating Agency		
Humboldt County				Humboldt County Association of Governments		
				MPO	Element	
				NON-MPO	Local Assistance	
Project Manager/Contact			Phone	Email Address		
Brian Ontiveros, PE			707-725-7410	brian.ontiveros@att.net		

Project Title

Francis Street Rehabilitation between Francis Creek to intersection with Main St./Ocean Av.

Location (Project Limits), Description (Scope of Work)

In the city of Ferndale, on Francis Street from the bridge over Francis Creek to the intersection of Ocean Avenue. Rehabilitate/reconstruct the Francis Street roadway from the bridge for ±110-feet; repair two smaller sections of the roadway with potholes; and ground down (cold planed) and resurfaced with new AC Pavement the remainder of the roadway from the bridge to Main Street. Construct a sidewalk from the house on the east side of the roadway to the pedestrian footbridge over Francis Creek (±65'). Install new accessible curb ramps at the corners of Eugene Street where it intersects Francis Street.

Component	Implementing Agency
PA&ED	City of Ferndale
PS&E	City of Ferndale
Right of Way	City of Ferndale
Construction	City of Ferndale

Legislative Districts

Assembly:	2	Senate:	2	Congressional:	2
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Project Milestone	Existing	Proposed
Project Study Report Approved		
Begin Environmental (PA&ED) Phase		07/01/2026
Circulate Draft Environmental Document Document Type CE		07/31/2026
Draft Project Report		07/31/2026
End Environmental Phase (PA&ED Milestone)		10/31/2028
Begin Design (PS&E) Phase		01/01/2027
End Design Phase (Ready to List for Advertisement Milestone)		04/30/2029
Begin Right of Way Phase		
End Right of Way Phase (Right of Way Certification Milestone)		
Begin Construction Phase (Contract Award Milestone)		08/15/2029
End Construction Phase (Construction Contract Acceptance Milestone)		12/31/2029
Begin Closeout Phase		01/01/2030
End Closeout Phase (Closeout Report)		03/31/2030

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Purpose and Need

This is a Fix It First project: Francis Street was identified to have a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) of 40 (Bridge to Ocean Ave) in the '2021/2022 Pavement Management Program Update' for the City of Ferndale. There has been no maintenance on this section of roadway for quite some time. If the pavement condition on the roads is not rehabilitated soon, it will continue to deteriorate and ultimately require the entire roadway to be fully reconstructed. The project proposes to improve pedestrian facilities, including accessibility, by completing the sidewalk from the house on the east side of the roadway to the pedestrian footbridge over Francis Creek (±65'), installing new accessible curb ramps at the corners of Eugene Street. This is a local road, and associated pedestrian facilities are part of the route to a City park. Bicyclists use the roadway and shoulder areas, although this portion of the transportation network does not have a dedicated bike lane.

NHS Improvements

☐ YES ☒ NO

Roadway Class

NA

Reversible Lane Analysis

☐ YES ☒ NO

Inc. Sustainable Communities Strategy Goals

☐ YES ☒ NO

Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

☐ YES ☒ NO

Project Outputs			
Category	Outputs	Unit	Total
ADA Improvements	New curb ramp installed	EA	2
ADA Improvements	New sidewalk	LF	65
Pavement (lane-miles)	Local road - rehabilitated Miles	Miles	0.123

Additional Information

Performance Indicators and Measures						
Measure	Required For	Indicator/Measure	Unit	Build	Future No Build	Change
Accessibility	Optional	Number of Destinations Accessible by Mode	Number	2	2	0

District	County	Route	EA	Project ID	PPNO
01	Humboldt County				
Project Title					

Francis Street Rehabilitation between Francis Creek to intersection with Main St./Ocean Av.

Existing Total Project Cost (\$1,000s)									Implementing Agency
Component	Prior	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	31-32+	Total	
E&P (PA&ED)									City of Ferndale
PS&E									City of Ferndale
R/W SUP (CT)									City of Ferndale
CON SUP (CT)									City of Ferndale
R/W									City of Ferndale
CON									City of Ferndale
TOTAL									
Proposed Total Project Cost (\$1,000s)									Notes
E&P (PA&ED)					4			4	
PS&E					35			35	
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON					386			386	
TOTAL					425			425	

Fund #1:	RIP - STIP Advance Construction (Uncommitted)								Program Code
Existing Funding (\$1,000s)									
Component	Prior	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	31-32+	Total	Funding Agency
E&P (PA&ED)									Caltrans District 1
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON									
TOTAL									
Proposed Funding (\$1,000s)									Notes
E&P (PA&ED)					4			4	
PS&E					35			35	
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON					386			386	
TOTAL					425			425	

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District	EA	Project ID	PPNO	Nominating Agency	
01				Humboldt County Association of Governments	
County	Route	PM Back	PM Ahead	Co-Nominating Agency	
Humboldt County	S				
				MPO	Element
				NON-MPO	Local Assistance
Project Manager/Contact			Phone	Email Address	
Brian Issa			707-725-1469	bissa@ci.fortuna.ca.us	

Project Title

Kenmar and Ross Hill Road Intersection Improvement Project

Location (Project Limits), Description (Scope of Work)

Intersection of Kenmar and Ross Hill in Fortuna, CA. This project will address a number of existing deficiencies with the current intersection configuration. Currently there are no connecting non-motorized facilities at this intersection, save for north-south bike lanes. This project will provide class II bike lanes along all legs of the roundabout, and full sidewalk connections on all legs. Pedestrian crossings will be shortened to single lane crossings, where now the few crossings that exist span 3-4 lanes. Pedestrian refuges and RRFB's would also be provided at crossings. Vehicular safety would be improved through the installation of the roundabout, which are shown through the safe streets approach to provide a reduction in serious collisions. The project will also help to provide more robust access options to all users, helping connect the east and west Fortuna through the Kenmar Road/Kenmar Interchange area.

Component	Implementing Agency
PA&ED	City of Fortuna
PS&E	City of Fortuna
Right of Way	City of Fortuna
Construction	City of Fortuna

Legislative Districts

Assembly:	2	Senate:	2	Congressional:	2
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Project Milestone	Existing	Proposed
Project Study Report Approved	09/15/2025	
Begin Environmental (PA&ED) Phase		09/01/2026
Circulate Draft Environmental Document	Document Type ND/MND	09/01/0027
Draft Project Report		09/04/2028
End Environmental Phase (PA&ED Milestone)		12/31/2028
Begin Design (PS&E) Phase		
End Design Phase (Ready to List for Advertisement Milestone)		
Begin Right of Way Phase		
End Right of Way Phase (Right of Way Certification Milestone)		
Begin Construction Phase (Contract Award Milestone)		
End Construction Phase (Construction Contract Acceptance Milestone)		
Begin Closeout Phase		
End Closeout Phase (Closeout Report)		

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Purpose and Need

Intersection of Kenmar and Ross Hill in Fortuna, CA. This project will address a number of existing deficiencies with the current intersection configuration. Currently there are no connecting non-motorized facilities at this intersection, save for north-south bike lanes. This project will provide class II bike lanes along all legs of the roundabout, and full sidewalk connections on all legs. Pedestrian crossings will be shortened to single lane crossings, where now the few crossings that exist span 3-4 lanes. Pedestrian refuges and RRFB's would also be provided at crossings. Vehicular safety would be improved through the installation of the roundabout, which are shown through the safe streets approach to provide a reduction in serious collisions. The project will also help to provide more robust access options to all users, helping connect the east and west Fortuna through the Kenmar Road/Kenmar Interchange area.

NHS Improvements	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	Roadway Class 3	Reversible Lane Analysis	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
Inc. Sustainable Communities Strategy Goals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

Project Outputs

Category	Outputs	Unit	Total
Operational Improvement	Intersection / Signal improvements	EA	1

Additional Information

Performance Indicators and Measures						
Measure	Required For	Indicator/Measure	Unit	Build	Future No Build	Change
Congestion Reduction	TCEP	Change in Daily Vehicle Hours of Delay	Hours	11.81	96.01	-84.2
Safety	Optional	Number of Property Damage Only and Non-Serious Injury Collisions	Number	3	22	-19
Accessibility	Optional	Number of Destinations Accessible by Mode	Number	25	0	25

District	County	Route	EA	Project ID	PPNO
01	Humboldt County				

Project Title
Kenmar and Ross Hill Road Intersection Improvement Project

Existing Total Project Cost (\$1,000s)									Implementing Agency
Component	Prior	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	31-32+	Total	
E&P (PA&ED)									
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON									
TOTAL									
Proposed Total Project Cost (\$1,000s)									Notes
E&P (PA&ED)		500						500	
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON									
TOTAL		500						500	

Fund #1:	IIP - STIP - Federal/State (Uncommitted)								Program Code
Existing Funding (\$1,000s)									
Component	Prior	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	31-32+	Total	Funding Agency
E&P (PA&ED)									City of Fortuna
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON									
TOTAL									
Proposed Funding (\$1,000s)									Notes
E&P (PA&ED)		500						500	
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON									
TOTAL		500						500	

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Programs <input type="checkbox"/> LPP-C <input type="checkbox"/> LPP-F <input type="checkbox"/> SCCP <input type="checkbox"/> TCEP <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STIP <input type="checkbox"/> Other					
District	EA	Project ID	PPNO	Nominating Agency	
01				Humboldt County Association of Governments	
County	Route	PM Back	PM Ahead	Co-Nominating Agency	
Humboldt County					
				MPO	Element
				NON-MPO	Local Assistance
Project Manager/Contact			Phone	Email Address	
Brendan Byrd			707-444-8208	brendan.byrd@hcaog.net	

Project Title

Planning, Programming and Monitoring

Location (Project Limits), Description (Scope of Work)

Planning, programming and monitoring

Component	Implementing Agency
PA&ED	
PS&E	
Right of Way	
Construction	Humboldt County Association of Governments

Legislative Districts

Assembly:	2	Senate:	2	Congressional:	2
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Project Milestone	Existing	Proposed
Project Study Report Approved		
Begin Environmental (PA&ED) Phase		
Circulate Draft Environmental Document	Document Type	
Draft Project Report		
End Environmental Phase (PA&ED Milestone)		
Begin Design (PS&E) Phase		
End Design Phase (Ready to List for Advertisement Milestone)		
Begin Right of Way Phase		
End Right of Way Phase (Right of Way Certification Milestone)		
Begin Construction Phase (Contract Award Milestone)		
End Construction Phase (Construction Contract Acceptance Milestone)		
Begin Closeout Phase		
End Closeout Phase (Closeout Report)		

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Purpose and Need

NHS Improvements	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Roadway Class	Reversible Lane Analysis	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Inc. Sustainable Communities Strategy Goals	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

Project Outputs			
Category	Outputs	Unit	Total

Additional Information

Performance Indicators and Measures						
Measure	Required For	Indicator/Measure	Unit	Build	Future No Build	Change

District	County	Route	EA	Project ID	PPNO
01	Humboldt County				

Project Title
Planning, Programming and Monitoring

Existing Total Project Cost (\$1,000s)									Implementing Agency
Component	Prior	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	31-32+	Total	
E&P (PA&ED)									
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									Humboldt County Association of Gov
R/W									
CON									Humboldt County Association of Gov
TOTAL									
Proposed Total Project Cost (\$1,000s)									Notes
E&P (PA&ED)									
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON					94	95		189	
TOTAL					94	95		189	

Fund #1:	RIP - National Hwy System (Committed)								Program Code
Existing Funding (\$1,000s)									
Component	Prior	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	31-32+	Total	Funding Agency
E&P (PA&ED)									Humboldt County Association of Gov
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON									
TOTAL									
Proposed Funding (\$1,000s)									
E&P (PA&ED)									
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON					94	95		189	
TOTAL					94	95		189	

Section 17. Board Resolutions



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RESOLUTION 25-22

**RESOLUTION OF THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
AMENDING THE 2022 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG), in its official capacity as the designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA), is responsible for preparing and implementing the Humboldt County Regional Transportation Plan (RTP); and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2022, *VROOM 2022-2042*, was adopted by the HCAOG Board and this document is the current RTP; and

WHEREAS, the City of Eureka has requested an amendment to *VROOM 2022-2042*, limited to adding the Hawthorn and Humboldt Bicycle Boulevard Project to the project list in the Complete Streets Project Table (Table *Streets-4*); and

WHEREAS, the Hawthorn and Humboldt Bicycle Boulevard Project has the primary purpose of maintaining the roadway, providing non-motorized facilities, and promoting roadway user safety; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ferndale has requested an amendment to *VROOM 2022-2042*, limited to adding the Francis Street Rehabilitation Project to the project list in the Complete Streets Project Table (Table *Streets-4*); and

WHEREAS, the Francis Street Rehabilitation Project has the primary purpose of maintaining Francis in a state of good repair and providing access to public facilities; and

WHEREAS, both Projects are consistent with policies outlined in *VROOM 2022-2042* including Complete Streets Policies 1, 3, 6, 7, and 11; and

WHEREAS, the public has had the opportunity to give input on the proposed amendment at the HCAOG Technical Advisory Committee meetings on October 2, 2025, and November 6, 2025, and at the HCAOG Board meeting on October 16, 2025 and November 20, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Humboldt County Association of Governments, as the RTPA, finds that the City of Eureka's Hawthorn and Humboldt Bicycle Boulevard Project and the City of Ferndale's Francis Street Rehabilitation Project conform to the goals and objectives of the adopted Regional Transportation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that HCAOG approves amending its

2022 Humboldt County Regional Transportation Plan (*VROOM 2022-2042*) to include the City of Eureka's Hawthorn and Humboldt Bicycle Boulevard Project and the City of Ferndale's Francis Street Rehabilitation Project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Humboldt County Association of Governments, in the City of Eureka, County of Humboldt, State of California, this 20th day of November 2025, by the following vote:

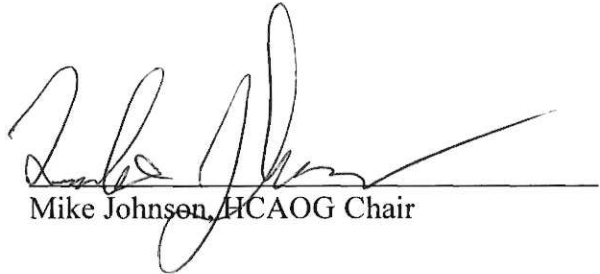
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NOES: MEMBERS:

ABSENT: MEMBERS:

ABSTAIN: MEMBERS:

Attest:


Brendan Byrd, HCAOG Executive Director
Mike Johnson, HCAOG Chair



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RESOLUTION 25-23

**RESOLUTION OF THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
ADOPTING THE 2026 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG) is the designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for Humboldt County; and

WHEREAS, on August 14, 2025, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) adopted the 2026 State Transportation Improvement Program Fund Estimate (STIP FE) which provides Regional Improvement Program (RIP) fund targets to regional transportation planning agencies; and

WHEREAS, HCAOG, as the RTPA, is required to prepare, adopt and submit to Caltrans and the CTC a Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) by December 15, 2025, which requests programming of these funds; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 Fund Estimate identified a new programming target for the Humboldt County Region of \$2,523,000, which includes \$189,000 of Planning, Programming, and Monitoring (PPM) funding, with a maximum programming limit of \$5,293,000;

WHEREAS, the HCAOG Technical Advisory Committee recommended the following projects, programming amounts, and priority be included in the 2026 RTIP at the meeting on November 6, 2025:

Agency	Priority	Project	Total
Arcata	4	South Arcata Multi-Modal Safety Improvements Plan (SAMSIP)	\$700,000
Blue Lake	1	Blue Lake Truck Route – Phase II	\$625,000
Eureka	2	Hawthorn and Humboldt Bicycle Boulevard Project	\$750,000
Ferndale	3	Francis Street Rehabilitation Project	\$425,000
Fortuna	5	Kenmar/Ross Hill Road Intersection Improvement Project	\$500,000
Total			\$3,000,000

WHEREAS, HCAOG finds that the 2026 RTIP is consistent with HCAOG's Regional Transportation Plan (*VROOM 2022-2042*); and

WHEREAS, HCAOG desires to program Federally funded projects approved by the CTC into the Federal State Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) in order to be eligible for federal funding, and this RTIP will serve as the formal means whereby the approved projects will be added to the FSTIP by Caltrans.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the HCAOG Board hereby adopts the 2026 RTIP, and directs staff to forward this resolution and the appropriate documentation to Caltrans and the CTC.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Humboldt County Association of Governments, in the City of Eureka, County of Humboldt, State of California, this 20th day of November 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: MEMBERS:

NOES: MEMBERS:

ABSENT: MEMBERS:

ABSTAIN: MEMBERS:

Attest:


Brendan Byrd, HCAOG Executive Director


Mike Johnson, HCAOG Chair

Section 17. Fact Sheet



HCAOG

2026 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

Fact Sheet

Executive Summary

The Humboldt region has worked collaboratively to put forward a suite of projects this STIP cycle that include a range of benefits with a focus on safety for the most vulnerable road users. HCAOG is pleased to put forth four new projects and cover an additional phase of a previously funded project (City of Blue Lake Truck Route Project). The selected projects, once constructed, will improve safety, provide new multimodal facilities, and improve the pavement condition at the selected locations.

The following projects have been selected for their regional benefits.

Agency	Priority	Project Title	Total Funding	Phases	Funding Year	RTP Priorities¹
HCAOG	1	Planning, Programming and Monitoring	\$189,000	CON	29/30 & 30/31	N/A
City of Arcata	4	South Arcata Multi-Modal Safety Improvement Plan	\$700,000	PA&ED	26/27	MS, A, VZ, FF
City of Blue Lake	1	Blue Lake Truck Route Phase II	\$625,000	CON	26/27	MS, A, VZ, FF
City of Eureka	2	Hawthorn and Humboldt Bike Boulevard	\$750,000	CON	26/27	MS, VMT, A, VZ
City of Ferndale	3	Francis Street Rehabilitation Project	\$425,000	PA&ED, PS&E, CON	26/27	A, FF
City of Fortuna	5	Kenmar and Ross Hill Road Intersection Improvement	\$500,000	PA&ED	26/27	MS, A, VZ, FF

¹ MS = Mode Shift, VMT = Lowers VMT, A = Access to Destinations, VZ = Vision Zero, FF = Fix it First

In addition to the specific benefits noted above, the projects included in the 2026 RTIP will meaningfully contribute to a number of the region's most pressing priorities. These include improving transportation system safety, providing more robust transportation infrastructure for non-vehicular users, and responsibly maintaining existing key transportation investments.

Benefits

At the regional level the projects will contribute to a more robust and safe transportation system, as well as promoting economic vitality and contributing to an efficient and viable transportation system. Given the level of funding available in the RTIP, it is difficult to fully fund transformative, large-scale projects.



However, jurisdictions within our region do an exceptional job of leveraging other funding sources such as the Active Transportation Program, federal transportation grants, or local tax revenue.

Safety for all transportation system users is a high priority, and particularly for the most vulnerable road users. All proposed projects include elements that would improve access or safety conditions for either vehicles, non motorized users, or in most cases both.

Equity has been considered in the development of these projects. Each of the projects are in or directly serve residents of equity priority census blocks as defined in the Regional Transportation Plan.

At statewide level, the projects proposed contribute to statewide benefits, and are consistent with efforts to reduce GHG emissions, increase safety, and keep the State's transportation investments viable.

Goals and Objectives

The current Regional Transportation Plan is the *VROOM (Variety in Rural Options of Mobility)* 2022-2024, which was adopted in January 2022. The overall goal:

"HCAOG's goal is for Humboldt County to have a carbon-neutral, multimodal, transportation system that is comprehensive, safe, sustainable, and equitable so that people in the region can travel and move goods by the modes that best suit the individual or business/ industry, and society at large."

The overall objective:

"Program all transportation funds based on multi-modal transportation goals and objectives, and needs and priorities as established in the Regional Transportation Plan."

The action plan contained in the Complete Streets and Connected Communities chapter includes a list of Capital Projects that work to achieve one or more of the following objectives:

- Mode shift to active transportation
- Lowering vehicle miles traveled from cars and trucks
- Improving access to essential destinations by walking, biking, and/or public transportation
- Vision Zero, with the goal to eliminate all traffic deaths and severe injuries
- Fix-it-First priority for keeping existing investments in a "state of good repair" over building new infrastructure

As shown in the table in the executive summary, each of the projects included in the 2026 RTIP advances at least two of the goals specifically referenced in the RTP.

The RTIP projects are aligned with the California Transportation Plan 2050 Goals, specifically Safety (provide a safe and secure transportation system, Accessibility (improve multimodal mobility and access to destinations for all users), Quality of Life and Public Health (Enable vibrant, healthy communities, and Infrastructure (maintain a high-quality, resilient transportation system).

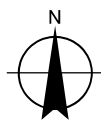
The CAPTI Investment Framework supports working within the fix-it- first approach to achieve several guiding principles, several of which are supported with our region's RTIP projects. These include making safety improvements to reduce fatalities and severe injuries of all users towards zero, investing in networks for safe and accessible bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, and promoting projects that do not significantly increase passenger vehicle travel.

Section 17. Project Maps



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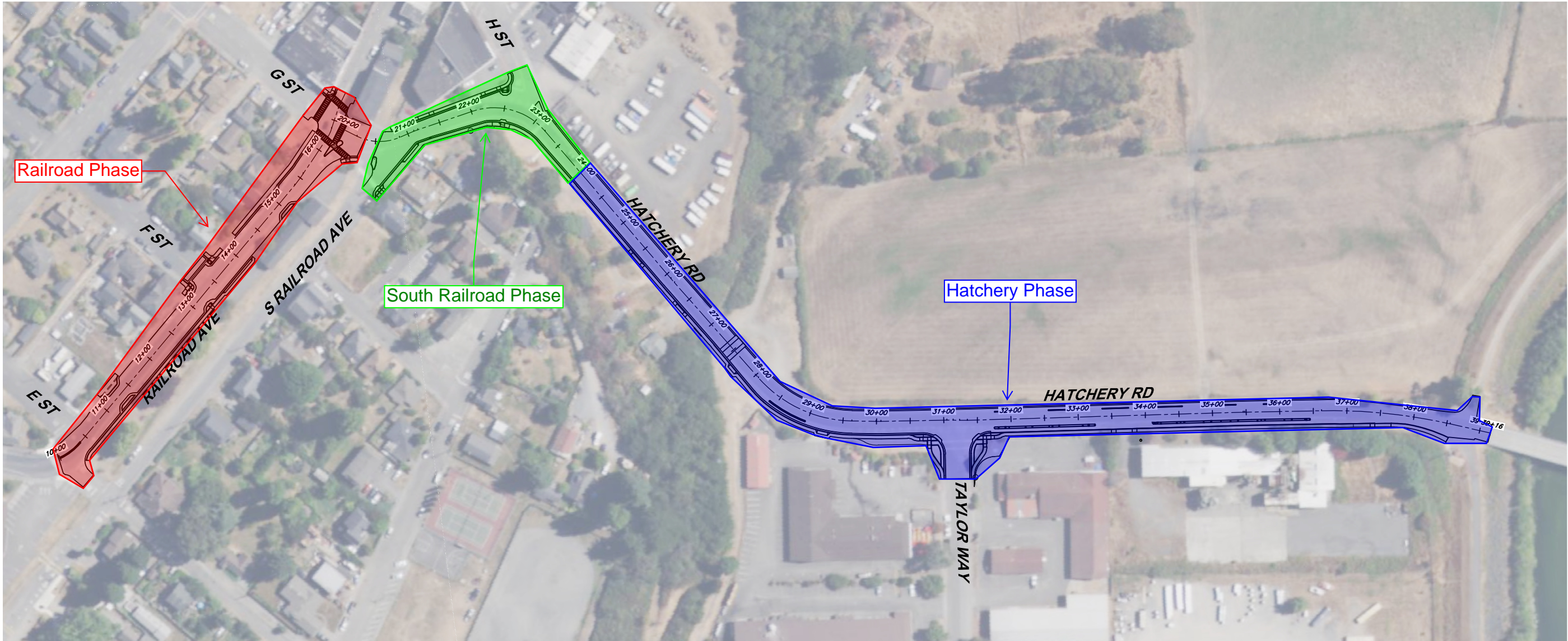
City of Arcata
 South Arcata Multimodal Safety Improvement Plan

Project No.
 Revision No. -
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Project Study Area

FIGURE 1

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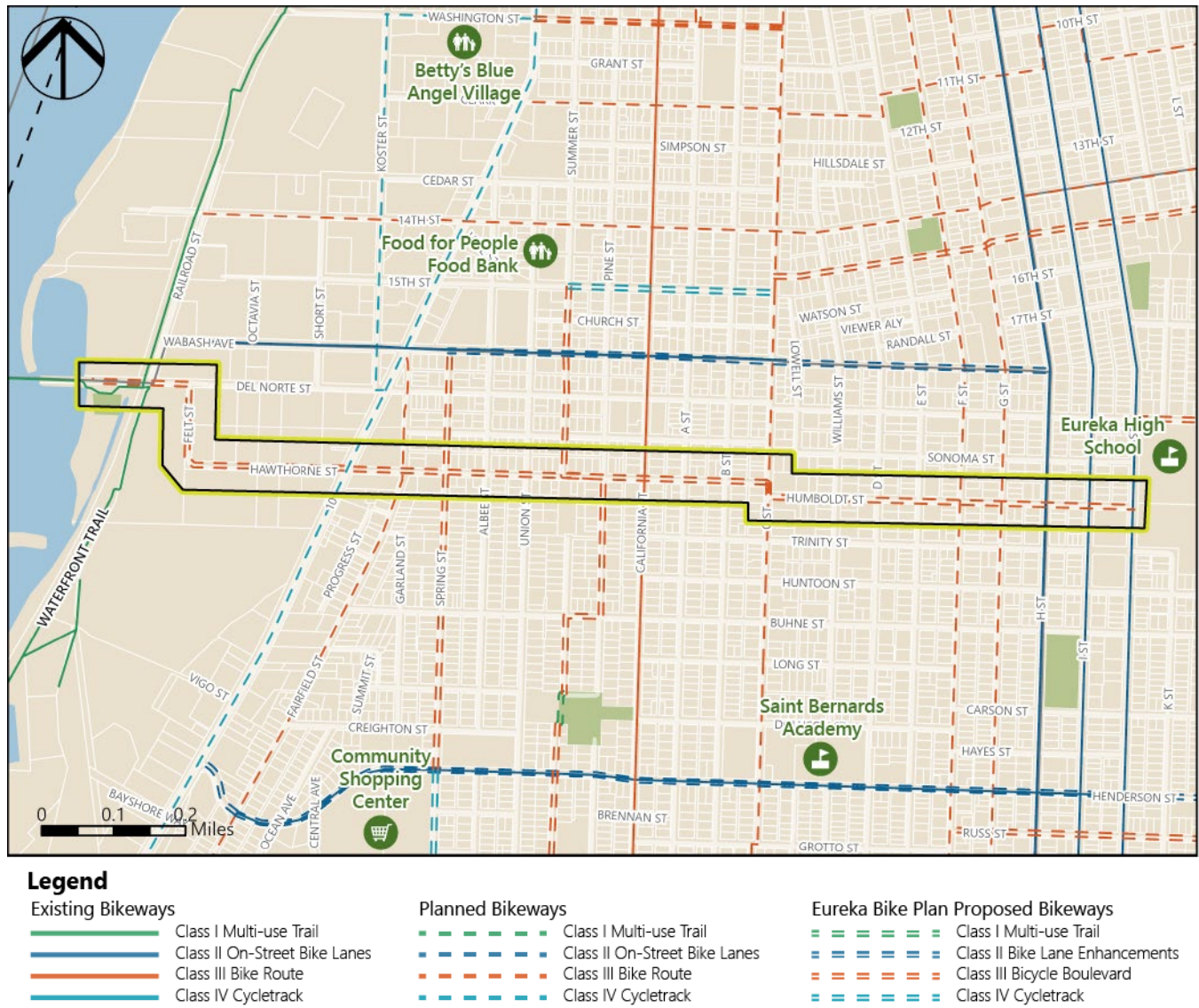
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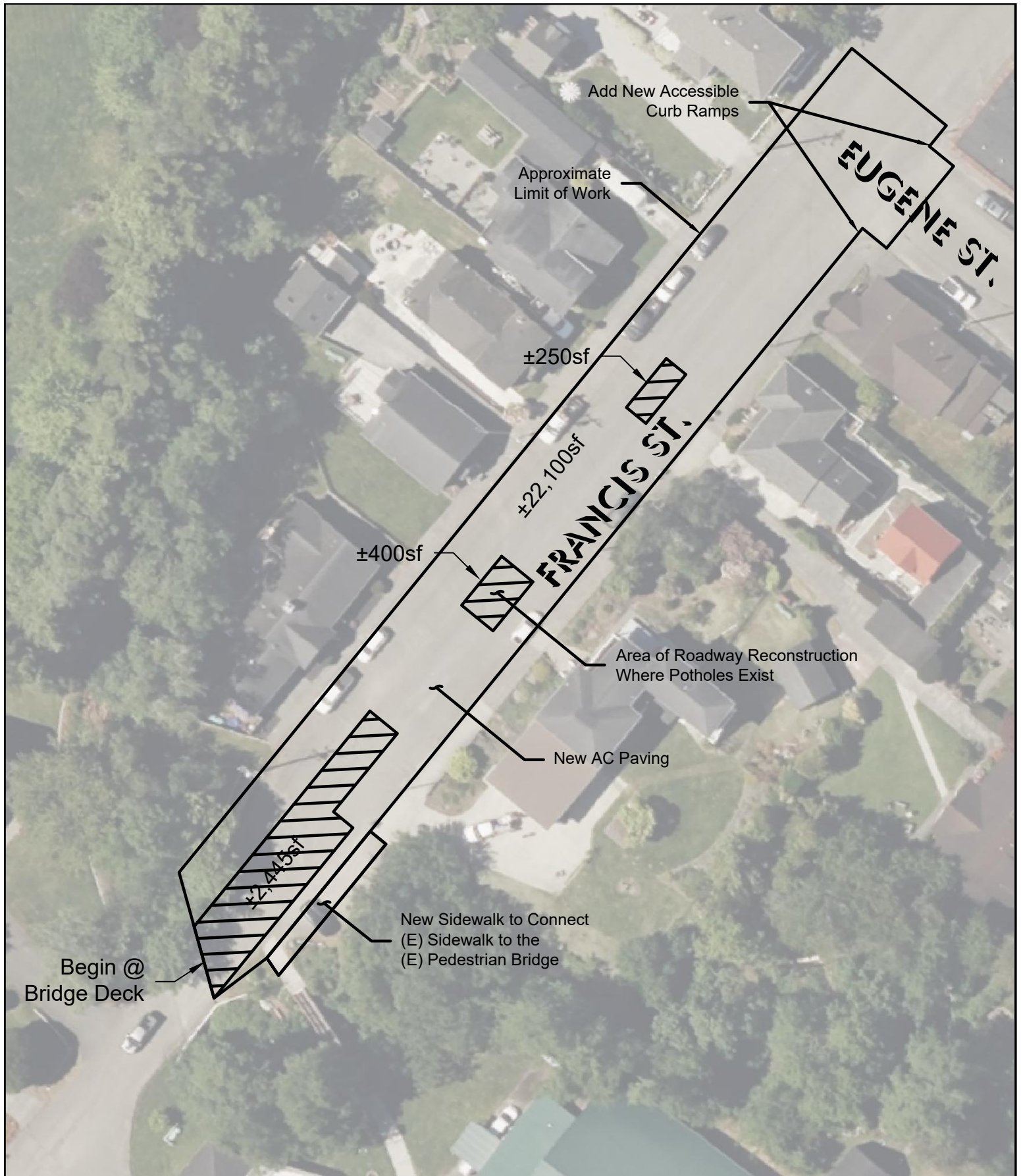
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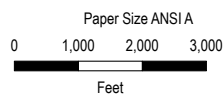
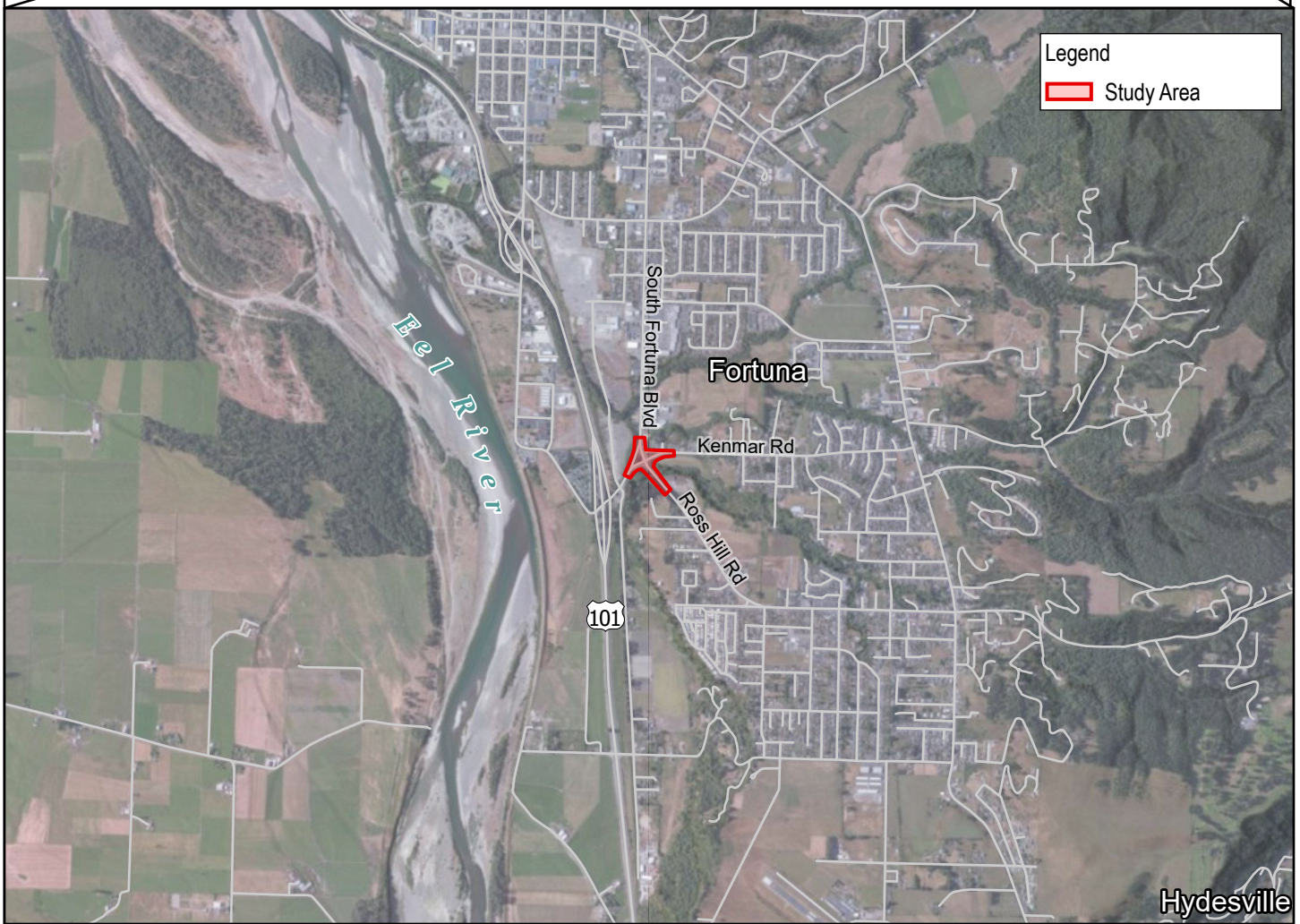
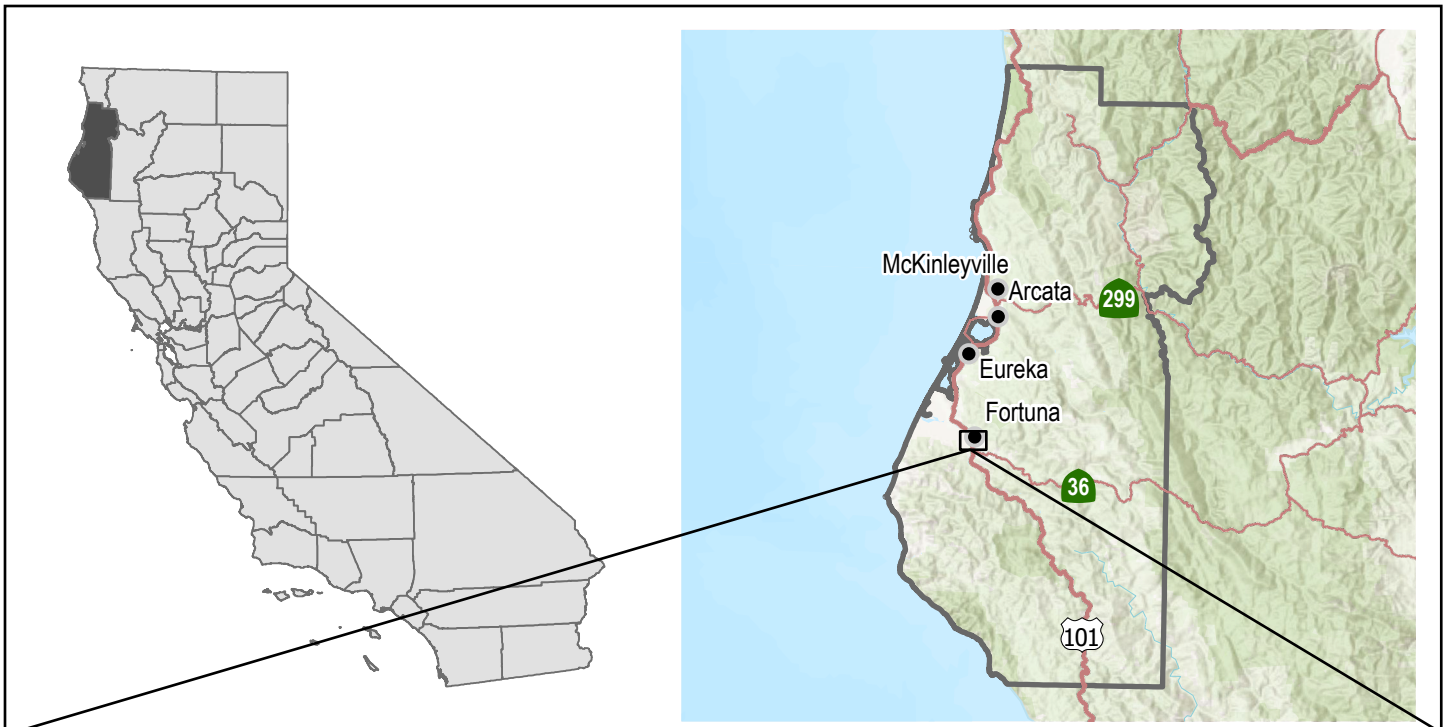
Hawthorne Street & Humboldt Street: Bicycle Boulevard from Waterfront Trail to J Street (1.6 miles)

The Hawthorne Street & Humboldt Street corridor was identified based on a need for east-west corridors in the City connecting the Waterfront Trail and key destinations including Eureka High School. Hawthorne Street & Humboldt Street have no existing bicycle facilities. Bikeway implementation in the Hawthorne Street & Humboldt Street corridor would provide access to Eureka High School, connect with multiple existing and proposed bicycle facilities, and provide connection across Highway 101/Broadway through a signalized intersection.

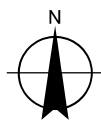
Figure 52 Hawthorne Street & Humboldt Street Corridor







Map Projection: Lambert Conformal Conic
Horizontal Datum: North American 1983
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