



NAPA VALLEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY ITOC Agenda Letter

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SUBJECT: Executive Director Report

RECOMMENDATION

Information only

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Soscol Junction Highway 29 and Highway 221 Intersection

The final environmental document was approved on February 13, 2020! This is a very big milestone for the project and the agency. On January 30th, Executive Director Miller testified at the California Transportation Commission's State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) hearing. Each region is invited to provide highlights from their STIP and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), the agency that administers the STIP for the 9-county Bay Area, invited NVTA, as one of three agencies to testify. Executive Director Miller spoke on the project benefits of Soscol Junction. The CTC will take action on approving the planning and design funds for Soscol Junction and advancing \$20 million in construction funds to the project at its March meeting. NVTA is currently in the process of hiring a firm to complete 100% design on the project. This work will commence in April and take approximately one year to complete.

Countywide Transportation Plan

The Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTA) is in the process of updating Napa's Countywide Transportation Plan (CTP) – *Advancing Mobility 2045* to create a shared transportation vision for the next 25 years. The CTP is updated approximately every 4 years. The plan will incorporate ideas from residents and cities across the County. NVTA is now consolidating projects for the six county/city jurisdictions in Napa as well as NVTA's regional projects and preparing them for submission to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) who will include them in Plan Bay Area. The NVTA board also acted in January to approve the plan's goals and objectives. NVTA staff is also working with the jurisdictions on targets and performance metrics in order to measure progress over

the next 4 years (until the next plan) to ensure that we are meeting the agency's goals. There will be a number of opportunities to comment on the CTP, including when the draft plan is released in fall 2020.

Vine Bus Maintenance Facility

The status of the Vine Maintenance facility remains unchanged from the last meeting of the ITOC. The facility is at 100% design but a funding gap needs to be addressed before building the facility can begin. NVTA hopes construction can commence in summer 2020.

Calistoga to St. Helena Vine Trail

NVTA and the Napa Valley Vine Trail Coalition (NVVTC) are partnering to deliver the 9-mile segment of the Vine Trail that will connect Calistoga to St. Helena. The NVVTC is leading the effort to acquire easements from private property owners along the highway. The County of Napa and NVVTC have come to terms on easement language so the project can move forward, however, several property owners have requested changes to the agreement. NVTA has received approval from the California Transportation Commission for an extension of the state grant funds and has awarded the completion of the environmental and 65% to RSA+. The draft environmental document will be released in March with the final environmental document expected to be completed by April 2020.

Imola Park and Ride

The project is still on schedule to complete the environmental and design phase by April 2020. NVTA staff is also working on addressing the funding gaps for the project by applying for regional grant programs.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None