



1S. **Support legislation that would enable the use of funds from the sale of Prunedale Bypass project right-of-way for another regional highway project.**

- a. Sponsor a bill that would amend California Government Code sections 14528.5 and 14528.6 to extend the applicability of these provisions to a specified portion of State Highway Route 101 in Monterey County and San Benito County. The bill would limit the use of revenues from excess property sales to state highway purposes.

2S. **Preserve funding and delivery schedule of priority highway projects:**

1. Airport Boulevard at US 101 Interchange
2. US 101 Prunedale Improvement Project (PIP)
3. Highway 1 Truck Climbing Lane Extension
4. Highway 68 Operational Improvements.

3S. **Seek state funding for regional priority highway projects as follows:**

1. Highway 156 improvements
2. Highway 68 Holman Highway (Access to Community Hospital), Phase II, construction
3. Highway 1/ Highway 183 Intersection Improvements
4. US 101 Corridor South of Salinas.

4S. **Seek state funding for passenger rail and bus transit facilities and service, including:**

1. Commuter Rail Extension to Monterey County
2. Monterey Peninsula busway or light rail transit
3. New Coast Daylight train
4. Monterey-Salinas Transit priority projects

5S. **Work with a coalition of California transportation entities to lower the voter threshold for local transportation sales tax ballot measures from the 2/3 supermajority to a simple majority, 55% or 60% majority vote.**

6S. **Support the California High-Speed Rail project and seek funding for connections with Monterey County rail projects.**



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## 7S. Encourage the state to restore, preserve and augment transportation and transit funding:

- a. Support efforts by the California Transit Association to protect the Public Transportation Account.
- b. Support efforts by the transportation community to create a permanent payback of Public Transportation Account "spillover" funds.
- c. Support full funding for local streets and roads in accordance with Propositions 42 and 1A.
- d. Preserve and protect against deferral, borrowing or taking of Highway User Tax Account or Propositions 42 funding.
- e. Work to ensure Monterey County projects are eligible for transit-oriented development and infill funding in accordance with Proposition 1C or similar legislation.
- f. Index the gas tax to inflation.
- g. Support doubling the Local Transportation Fund quarter percent general sales tax collected statewide to a half percent.

## 8S. Support facilitating the ability of non-profits to assume the long-term management of lands or easements as mitigation for road projects

## 9S. Monitor climate change legislation to:

- a. Ensure that proposals will not adversely affect transportation project planning and construction costs;
- b. Encourage the state to modify the blueprint requirements for rural counties; and
- c. Support a greenhouse gas cap and trade system to provide funding for transit.

## 10S. Seek state funding to fully fund regional priority bicycle and pedestrian trail projects, including, but not limited to:

1. Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail

## 11S. Support legislation that promotes transit-oriented development, transit villages and smart growth, and support eligibility for housing bond funds.

## 12S. Improve roadway safety, via double-fine zones, safety zones and increased funding for the Freeway Service Patrol.

## 13S. Monitor eminent domain legislation to ensure that proposals will not adversely affect transportation project timelines, delivery and cost.

## 14S. Support development guidelines that integrate alternative forms of transportation, such as transit, bicycle and pedestrian commuting.

## 15S. Encourage road-resurfacing or reconstruction guidelines to allow sufficient space for bicycle routes.

## 16S. Support member agencies' requests for state funding of regionally significant transportation projects and support partner agency legislative efforts as they interface with regional transportation priorities, consistent with Transportation Agency for Monterey County policies.

