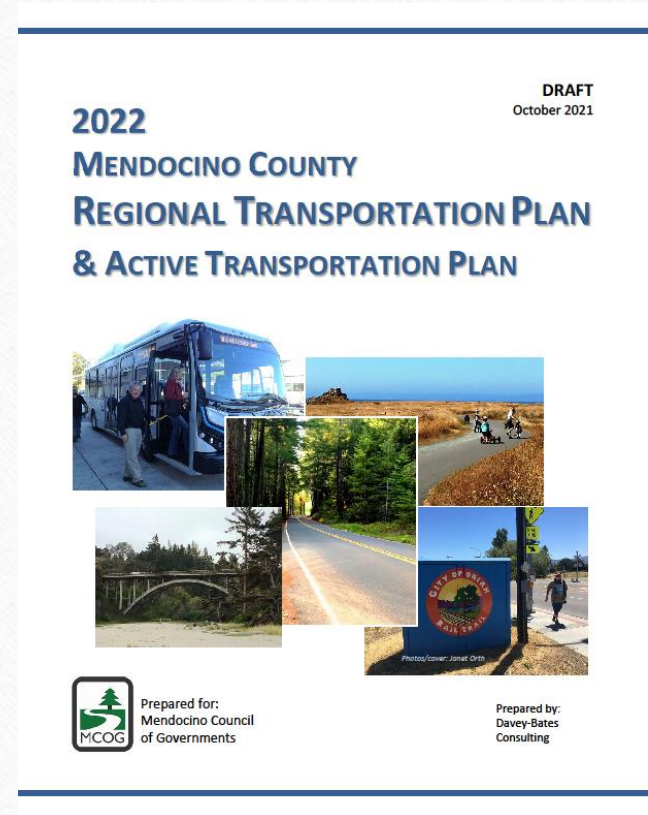


Mendocino Council of Governments Draft 2022 Regional Transportation Plan & Active Transportation Plan

Presentation to Mendocino Council of Governments

November 1, 2021



Last RTP adopted 2/5/18

Four-Year Updates Required –

next update due 2/5/22

**2017
MENDOCINO COUNTY
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN**



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Virtual Public Outreach

Winter 2020 – Fall 2021

- Updated Public Participation Plan – adopted 12/7/20
- Conducted Needs Assessment – Identification of Needs, Deficiencies & Barriers
 - Utilized Social Pinpoint – online survey & mapping tools, posted on MCOG’s website
 - 1874 total visits; 610 unique users; 141 unique stakeholders; 126 comments; 113 surveys; 45 budget responses
 - Distributed emails/flyers to numerous individuals & posted on social media
 - Posted pre-recorded video on County’s YouTube channel & MCOG website
 - Gave virtual presentations at Caltrans D1 Quarterly Tribal Meeting; Municipal Advisory Councils, County Climate Action Advisory Committee

Conducted outreach to local & state agencies

Collected data from:

- County & Cities
- Caltrans
- Mendocino Transit Authority
- Tribes
- Airports
- Harbors
- Rail agencies



RTP Components

- Goals, Objectives, and Policies
- Modal Elements:
 - Needs Assessment
 - Action Plan
 - Performance Measures
- Financial/Funding constraints

Introduction

- Updates basic information
- Details virtual public outreach process & stakeholder involvement
- Key findings from Social Pinpoint data
- Updates Countywide Issues & Concerns
 - Greenhouse Gas (GHG) & Climate Change information

Introduction

GGH & Climate Change

- Added information about five (5) Governor's Executive Orders related to GHG & Climate Change
- MCOG's past and future activities will continue to support these efforts for a sustainable and resilient future, as evidenced in the Goals, Objectives & Policies, and as addressed in the updated summary list of MCOG activities

Goals, Objectives & Policies

Climate Change & The Environment

- Goal, Policies & Objectives expanded with reference to reduced Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) & Governor's Executive Orders N-19-19 (GHG Reduction Goals) and 79-20 (Zero Emission Vehicles)

Land Use, Accessibility & the Economy

- New objectives and policies added in support of healthy communities & affordable housing

Prior Vision Mendocino 2030 Implementation Goal, Policies, Objectives – no longer its own section; now incorporated in Land Use and other sections where appropriate

Goals, Objectives & Policies

Complete Streets

Policies changed to reflect new Caltrans funding program in SHOPP

Goods Movement

Policies revised regarding freight rail & alternative goods movement

Goals, Objectives & Policies

Transportation Security & Emergency Response

Policies added regarding emergency evacuations

State Highway System

Policy to prioritize completion of all phases of Willits Bypass deleted

Policy to consider funding projects that maintain or improve Level of Service deleted

Goals, Objectives & Policies

Local Streets & Roads

Policies added to support timely delivery of local projects & provide agencies with tools

Active Transportation

Goal expanded to emphasize walking and biking

No significant changes; some objectives moved to new Public Health & Equity section

Goals, Objectives & Policies

Transit

Policies added to assist MTA & senior centers with grant applications, and provide support for transportation services & mobility solutions by senior centers and others

Rail Transportation

Goal, Objectives & Policies revised to reflect loss of freight rail along NWP corridor due to legislation restructuring NCRA to new trail agency

Goals, Objectives & Policies

Aviation

Goal, Objectives & Policies remain unchanged

Maritime

Policy added to consider projects that enhance economic viability of harbor facilities and strengthen local economies

Goals, Objectives & Policies

Tribal Transportation

Objective and policy added to provide opportunities for tribes to have early input on regional transportation issues

Public Health & Equity

New section – added goal, objectives & policies to encourages healthier lifestyles through increased walking & biking; some policies from Active Transportation & Land Use sections moved here

Goals, Objectives & Policies

Financial Policies

Deleted policy to consider acting as implementing agency when applying for grant funding

Added policy to consider applying for planning and capital grants

State Highways Element – Action Plan

Short Range Projects (10 Years)

- SR 1 Gualala Downtown Streetscape Improvements
- SR 1 Garcia River Flooding – Gasker Slough
- SR 20/Blosser Lane – Intersection Safety
- US 101/North State Street Interchange Improvements
- US 101 Hopland ADA Project

Long Range Projects (10-20 Years)

- US 101 Ukiah Area Interchanges; SR 1 Pudding Creek; SR 20/S. Main Street Willits, SR 222 Talmage

County Roads & City Streets – Action Plan

Short Range Projects (10 Years)

- County – Storm Damage Repairs; Fire Damage Restoration; Annual Maintenance Program; Bridge Projects; North State Street Intersection Improvements; East Side Potter Valley Road Reconstruction
- Ukiah – Road Reconstruction projects; Orr Street Bridge project; Low Gap/Bush Roundabout; Gobbi/Main & Gobbi/Waugh Traffic Signals; Perkins/Orchard intersection improvements; Downtown Streetscape Improvements
- Willits – Road Rehabilitation projects; SR 20/Blosser Lane intersection safety (with Caltrans); Rail Trail project
- Fort Bragg – So. Main Bike & Pedestrian improvements; Street Rehabilitation projects
- Point Arena – Riverside Drive & Center Street renovation; Mill Street Reconstruction; Windy Hollow Road Improvements

County Roads & City Streets – Action Plan

Long Range Projects (10-20 Years)

- County – North State Street Intersection Improvements, Ph. 2; East Side Potter Valley Road Improvements, Ph. 2; Orchard Avenue Extension
- Willits – E. Valley Street Bridge Replacement; Brown's Corner (Main Street/Baechtel Road) Intersection Improvements; Railroad Avenue Extension
- Fort Bragg – Backlog of deferred maintenance/rehabilitation projects; parallel facility to SR 1; Improving circulation system; second emergency access to Noyo Harbor
- Point Arena – Improved access to cove and pier; roundabout at SR 1 and Lake Street

Active Transportation Element – Action Plan

Short Range Projects (10 Years)

- Point Arena – Lake St. & Mill St. Sidewalk Replacement; Sidewalk Repair & Replacement Project
- Fort Bragg – So. Main Street Bike & Pedestrian Project; Noyo Harbor Access; Sidewalk Infill
- County – Brush Street walking/biking facilities; Safe Routes to School projects in Laytonville and Covelo; Anderson Valley Way Bike Route
- Ukiah –Downtown Streetscape, Ph. 2; Gobbi/Dora Intersection Enhancement; Rail Trail, Ph. 4
- Willits – Rail Trail, Ph. 1; Sidewalk infill projects on East Hill Road, Blosser Lane, bike lane signage and striping on Coast St, Locus St, Railroad Avenue; various pedestrian improvements.
- Caltrans –SR 222 Talmage Rd. Bike & Pedestrian improvements; Hopland ADA project; Westport Bike Lanes project development, Laytonville pedestrian improvements, Gualala Downtown Streetscape, MacKerricher State Park Haul Road Repair; SR 162 Multi-Purpose Trail

Active Transportation Element – Action Plan

Long Range Projects (10-20 Years)

- Point Arena – Multi-use Trail from Cove
- Fort Bragg – Redwood Avenue Coastal Trail Linkage; Noyo Harbor Access – Old Mill Road
- County – Anderson Valley Safe Routes to School Project; Brooktrails to Willits Multi-use Trail; Rail Trail Project Brush St. to Lake Mendocino Drive; Windy Hollow Road Bicycle & Pedestrian Bridge
- Ukiah – Walking trail around Todd Grove Park; Orr Creek Trail; Pomolita Middle School Access Improvements
- Willits – Walnut/Main Pedestrian Crossing; Willits Main Street Corridor Enhancement Projects; Brown's Corner Roundabout/Signal
- Caltrans – SR 1 shoulder improvements; Westport Bike Lanes Construction; Roundabout/Signal at SR 20/Blosser Lane

Public Transit – Action Plan

Short Range Projects (10 Years)

- Short Range Transit Development Plan
- Transit Hub Location Plan
- Rural Mobility Solutions Pilot Project
- Bus Stop Improvements
- Solar-Powered Maintenance Facility – Revamp Solar Canopy
- Vehicle Replacement

Long Range Projects (10-20 Years)

- Design & Construction of New Administration and Operations Building

Rail Transportation – Action Plan

Short Range Projects (10 Years)

- California Western Railroad – Restore service through tunnel #1; offer freight service to Willits; increase ridership; improve track structure

Long Range Projects (10-20 Years)

- California Western Railroad/Skunk Train – Maintenance/Improvement of Willits and Fort Bragg stations, equipment and track structure; increase freight traffic, ridership, entertainment and marketing. Mendocino Railway (CWR's parent company) is interested in acquiring a portion of NWP line to preserve access from Willits to the interstate rail system.

There are no short- or long-range projects for NCRA

Aviation – Action Plan

Short Range Projects (10 Years)

- Ukiah, Willits, Little River, Round Valley & Boonville Airports – various runway, pavement, tree removal, ramp, and hangar projects programmed in CA Division of Aeronautics CIP

Long Range Projects (10-20 Years)

- Ukiah, Willits, Little River, Round Valley & Boonville Airports – various improvements and expansion of airport facilities and buildings, runways, hangars, maintenance

Maritime – Action Plan

Short Range Projects (10 Year)

- Noyo Harbor – Routine maintenance; Corps of Engineers will continue to dredge channel as needed
- Point Arena Harbor – Routine maintenance; project to raise the elevation of parking lot; project to replace wooden fender pilings on the pier

Long Range Projects (10-20 Years)

- Noyo Harbor – Breakwater project; storage areas for fishing-related uses; property for additional berths; see list in Appendix I
- Point Arena Harbor – Support commercial fishing industry; pursue growth opportunities at Arena Cove Pier; development of small city park near harbor

Tribal Transportation – Action Plan

Construction & Implementation Projects

- SR 162 Corridor Trail Project - extends through Round Valley Reservation tribal lands
- Redwood Valley Tribe – Development of emergency exit route

MCOG Actions

- Implementing SR 162 Corridor Multi-use Trail Project
- Focus on enhanced partnerships; continue to include tribal participation in TAC meetings; consider holding annual Tribal Transportation workshop; seek funding sources for tribal projects

Next Steps

- Submit comments to lellard@dbcteam.net by Nov. 22 for inclusion in Final RTP
- MCOG staff will continue virtual public outreach
- Final RTP/ATP & Environmental Document will be considered for approval at Dec. 6 MCOG meeting

- Documents posted at <https://www.mendocinocog.org/draft-2022-regional-transportation-plan>

Questions?

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