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Project Title: 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy and 2050 Regional Transportation Plans for San Benito, Santa Cruz, and Monterey Counties

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City: Monterey Zip: 93940 County: Monterey

Project Location: County: San Benito, Santa Cruz, Monterey City/Nearest Community: all cities and unincorporated areas

Cross Streets: Multiple (project encompasses tri-county area) Zip Code: Multiple

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 36 ° 53 ′ 44.9 ″ N / 121 ° 34 ′ 32.1 ″ W Total Acres: _____

Assessor's Parcel No.: Multiple Section: _____ Twp.: _____ Range: _____ Base: _____

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: Multiple Waterways: Multiple

Airports: Multiple Railways: Multiple Schools: Multiple

Document Type:

CEQA: ☐ NOP ☒ Draft EIR NEPA: ☐ NOI Other: ☐ Joint Document
☐ Early Cons ☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR ☐ EA ☐ Final Document
☐ Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) _____ ☐ Draft EIS ☐ Other: _____
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Local Action Type:

☐ General Plan Update ☐ Specific Plan ☐ Rezone ☐ Annexation
☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ Master Plan ☐ Prezone ☐ Redevelopment
☐ General Plan Element ☐ Planned Unit Development ☐ Use Permit ☐ Coastal Permit
☐ Community Plan ☐ Site Plan ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) ☒ Other: MTP/SCS and RTPs

Development Type:

☐ Residential: Units _____ Acres _____
☐ Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____
☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____
☐ Educational: _____
☐ Recreational: _____
☐ Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____
☒ Transportation: Type Multiple
☐ Mining: Mineral _____
☐ Power: Type _____ MW _____
☐ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
☐ Hazardous Waste: Type _____
☐ Other: _____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☒ Aesthetic/Visual ☐ Fiscal ☒ Recreation/Parks ☒ Vegetation
☒ Agricultural Land ☒ Flood Plain/Flooding ☒ Schools/Universities ☒ Water Quality
☒ Air Quality ☒ Forest Land/Fire Hazard ☒ Septic Systems ☒ Water Supply/Groundwater
☒ Archeological/Historical ☒ Geologic/Seismic ☒ Sewer Capacity ☒ Wetland/Riparian
☒ Biological Resources ☒ Minerals ☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading ☒ Growth Inducement
☒ Coastal Zone ☒ Noise ☒ Solid Waste ☒ Land Use
☒ Drainage/Absorption ☒ Population/Housing Balance ☒ Toxic/Hazardous ☒ Cumulative Effects
☒ Economic/Jobs ☒ Public Services/Facilities ☒ Traffic/Circulation ☒ Other: Energy, Wildfire

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Multiple (encompasses San Benito, Santa Cruz, and Monterey Counties)

Project Description: *(please use a separate page if necessary)*

As the metropolitan planning organization for the tri-county region of Monterey, San Benito, and Santa Cruz counties, the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) is charged with developing a 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS). The 2050 MTP/SCS is both a long-range transportation plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy for Monterey, San Benito, and Santa Cruz counties. The Council of San Benito County Governments, the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission, and the Transportation Agency for Monterey County are the state-designated Regional Transportation Planning Agencies for San Benito, Santa Cruz, and Monterey counties, respectively. Each prepares a county-level long-range Regional Transportation Plan, which is evaluated in the EIR.
The 2050 MTP/SCS is used to guide the development of the Regional and Federal Transportation Improvement Programs, as well as other transportation programming documents and plans. The MTP outlines the region's goals and policies for meeting current and future mobility needs, providing a foundation for transportation decisions by local, regional, and state officials that are ultimately aimed at achieving a coordinated and balanced transportation system. The 2050 MTP/SCS sets forth actions, programs, and projects to address these needs consistent with adopted policies and goals. The 2050 MTP/SCS also documents the financial resources needed to implement the plan. Additionally, pursuant to SB 375, AMBAG (as the regional MPO) must prepare an SCS that demonstrates how the region will meet its greenhouse gas reduction target (6% reduction by 2035) through integrated land use, housing, and transportation planning.

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	Boating & Waterways, Department of		Office of Public School Construction
	California Emergency Management Agency	X	Parks & Recreation, Department of
X	California Highway Patrol		Pesticide Regulation, Department of
X	Caltrans District # 5		Public Utilities Commission
X	Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	X	Regional WQCB # 3
	Caltrans Planning		Resources Agency
	Central Valley Flood Protection Board		Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
	Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy		S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
X	Coastal Commission		San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
	Colorado River Board		San Joaquin River Conservancy
X	Conservation, Department of		Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
	Corrections, Department of		State Lands Commission
	Delta Protection Commission		SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
	Education, Department of	X	SWRCB: Water Quality
	Energy Commission		SWRCB: Water Rights
X	Fish & Game Region # 3, 4		Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
	Food & Agriculture, Department of		Toxic Substances Control, Department of
X	Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	X	Water Resources, Department of
	General Services, Department of		
	Health Services, Department of		Other:
X	Housing & Community Development		Other:
X	Native American Heritage Commission		

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date 11/17/2025 Ending Date 01/30/2026

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