

# MEASURE X

## CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT

**Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee:** Despite the fluctuations in Measure X sales tax revenues due to the pandemic, Measure X projects remain on track. To ensure the public trust in the use of these funds, the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee conducted their annual audit of revenues and expenditure of Measure X funds for compliance with the terms of the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan. The Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee's annual audit report for fiscal years 20/21 is included on the next two pages of this report.

We are proud to represent the wide variety of stakeholders who, in 2015, dreamed of ways to invest in our highways, roads, streets and sidewalks to improve the safety and mobility of all who live, work and play in Monterey County. Measure X represents the promise of our democratic form of self-governance, when multiple interests can listen, negotiate, compromise, and harness consensus for taxation as an investment in the common goods of safe and reliable transportation systems. Because we agreed to tax ourselves locally, Monterey County is leveraging State funding and ready to leverage Federal funding through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021. Members of the Measure X Citizen Oversight Committee have transitioned from their role as advocates for Measure X's passage in 2016 (69% approval) to now holding elected officials accountable to steward the tax dollars as promised.

The majority of Measure X funds (60 percent) flows to the county and 12 cities. It is our job to ensure that all of them comply with their funding agreements through this Year-end Annual Compliance Report, now in its third year. Key to compliance is 'Maintenance of Effort' -which requires that the county and cities are using Measure X funds only in addition to previously committed funding to their local roads and streets instead of as a replacement for previous improvement funds or ongoing expenditures.

The City of Carmel and Sand City are not in compliance because they lacked sufficient project expenditures to count towards their Maintenance

of Effort requirement. In both instances, the cities will need to make up the difference in funds while still meeting their current year Maintenance of Effort in order to bring themselves into compliance. The City of Greenfield is out of compliance due to missing audit reports. All three cities must remediate these issues in order to continue receiving future Measure X distributions.

The table on page 8 illustrates the amount of funds received by each jurisdiction and their compliance with reporting requirements.



Reservation Road, Marina



US 101, South of Salinas, Courtesy of KION

City or County	Funds Received	Reports Submitted on Time?	Annual Compliance Report	Maintenance of Effort	5-Year Program of Projects	Independent Audit	Pavement Condition Report
Monterey County	8,149,671	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Carmel-by-the-Sea	213,305	Yes	Yes	NO	Yes	Yes	Yes
Del Rey Oaks	81,764	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gonzales	279,520	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Greenfield	550,328	NO	NO	Yes	NO	Yes	NO
King City	460,858	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Marina	847,410	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Monterey	1,093,219	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pacific Grove	657,027	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Salinas	4,865,844	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sand City	32,375	Yes	Yes	NO	Yes	Yes	Yes
Seaside	1,084,029	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Soledad	727,433	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

#### TOTAL

#### Local

Agencies: **\$19,042,784**

The Measure X Citizen Oversight Committee continues to encourage judicious stewardship of our tax dollars. We encourage Monterey County voters and residents to engage your Mayors and City Council members as they make decisions for spending Measure X funds on local street and road safety, repair, and maintenance. This is how we will all uphold the promise made in 2016 to contribute to our common good and indeed how we will make it so.

Respectfully,

Barbara Meister, *2021-2022 Chair*

Paula Getzelman, *2020-2021 Past Chair*

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