



DISTRICT 5 DIRECTOR'S REPORT – SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

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NEWSWORTHY

- Caltrans recently released its 2013 Version 3 of the *Main Street, California: A Guide for Improving Community and Transportation Vitality*. This document incorporates livability and sustainability principles into main street projects and helps balance the need for an efficient multi-modal transportation facility with local needs for a community's main street. More information is available at:
<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LandArch/mainstreet/>
- Construction was recently completed on the Highway 1 Pitkins Curve bridge and rock shed project in Monterey County. The \$39 million permanent slide repair project installed a bridge and rock shed at Pitkins Curve along the Big Sur coast, one of the most difficult highway maintenance challenges on California's central coast. Extensive major landslides had occurred on the route during inclement weather, severing travel on the highway for weeks at a time. Other key infrastructure projects completed in 2013 that helped improve mobility, safety, and sustainability throughout California are listed at:
<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/paffairs/news/pressrel/13pr117.htm>
- The California Transportation Commission recently released its 2013 *Draft Active Transportation Program Guidelines*. This document describes the policy, standards, criteria and procedures for developing, adopting and managing this program. It is a working group product with representatives from Caltrans, government agencies' and active transportation stakeholders with expertise in pedestrian and bicycle issues, including the Safe Routes to School programs. More information is available at:
<http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/ATP.htm>
- The Federal Highway Administration recently released a report on *Programming for Operations: MPO Examples of Prioritizing and Funding Transportation System Management & Operations Strategies*. This document highlights funding sources and prioritization methods for incorporating these strategies as well as lessons learned about effective practices from nine metropolitan planning organizations around the country. More information is available at:
<http://www.trb.org/Highways1/Blurbs/170126.aspx>

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

Caltrans is accepting online applications only for the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Federal Fiscal Year 2013 Section 5339 grant program. This new program provides funding for capital projects to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses, and bus-related equipment and facilities. Projects to construct bus facilities are *ineligible* for this grant cycle, but may be included in future funding years. A total of \$7.4 million is available statewide to small urban areas with populations between 50,000 and 200,000. Applications and all required plans and documents are due to Caltrans on **Friday, March 14, 2014**. Applications and guidelines are available at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/MassTrans/5339.html>.

Please Submit Maintenance Service Requests at the Following Link: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/maint/mrsrsubmit/>

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