

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Grant Workshop Announcement

MEETING DATE: October 4, 2007

AGENDA ITEM: 10

RECOMMENDATION: Receive information on a workshop “Preparing Competitive Grant Applications for Safe Routes to School, Bicycle Transportation Account and Highway Safety Improvement Programs.”

STAFF CONTACT: Brittany Odermann and Sarkes Khachek

DISCUSSION:

SBCAG Staff, in coordination with Caltrans District 5 Local Assistance Staff, will be conducting a workshop to provide local agencies with an opportunity to learn more about three statewide competitive funding programs: the Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA), the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) and the Federal and State Safe Routes To School (SRTS/SR2S) programs. These programs are administered through Caltrans with funding cycles conducted on an annual basis.

Currently, calls for projects have been announced by Caltrans for the state Safe Routes to School and Bicycle Transportation Account programs, and this workshop has been organized to help staff at local agencies prepare better, more competitive grant applications.

The workshop will be held on Thursday, October 18 in Buellton from 1PM to 3:30PM (see attached flyer). Caltrans District 5 Local Assistance staff members Mike Giuliano and Mickie Wickersham, will assist in conducting the workshop and provide information on best practices for preparing and submitting applications for each program.

SBCAG staff requests that local agencies distribute this flyer to members of their staffs that will be preparing the applications for these programs.

Please RSVP to Sarkes Khachek by Monday, October 15th.
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ATTACHMENTS: October 18, 2007 Grant Funding Workshop Flyer

Funding Workshop for Santa Barbara County Agency Staff

Want to learn how to put together a great Safe Routes to School application? Not sure if a project you have in mind is eligible to receive funding through the Bicycle Transportation Account? Need to get a project funded through the Highway Safety Improvement Program, but not sure about all the requirements?



SBCAG Staff, in coordination with Caltrans District 5 Local Assistance, would like to invite you to an informational workshop to learn more and get answers to your questions about these three valuable funding programs administered through Caltrans Local Assistance:

- ❖ Bicycle Transportation Account;
- ❖ Highway Safety Improvement Program;
- ❖ Federal and State Safe Routes to School Programs.



Mike Giuliano and Mikie Wickersham from Caltrans District 5 Local Assistance will be in attendance to assist in conducting the workshop.

Workshop Details

Date: Thursday, October 18, 2007
Time: 1:00PM to 3:30PM
Location: Central Coast Water Authority Conference Room
255 Industrial Way, Buellton, CA

Please RSVP to SBCAG by Monday, October 15th

Contact: Sarkes Khachek: skhachek@sbcag.org or 961-8913

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