

Summit Town Hall

Constituent Meeting



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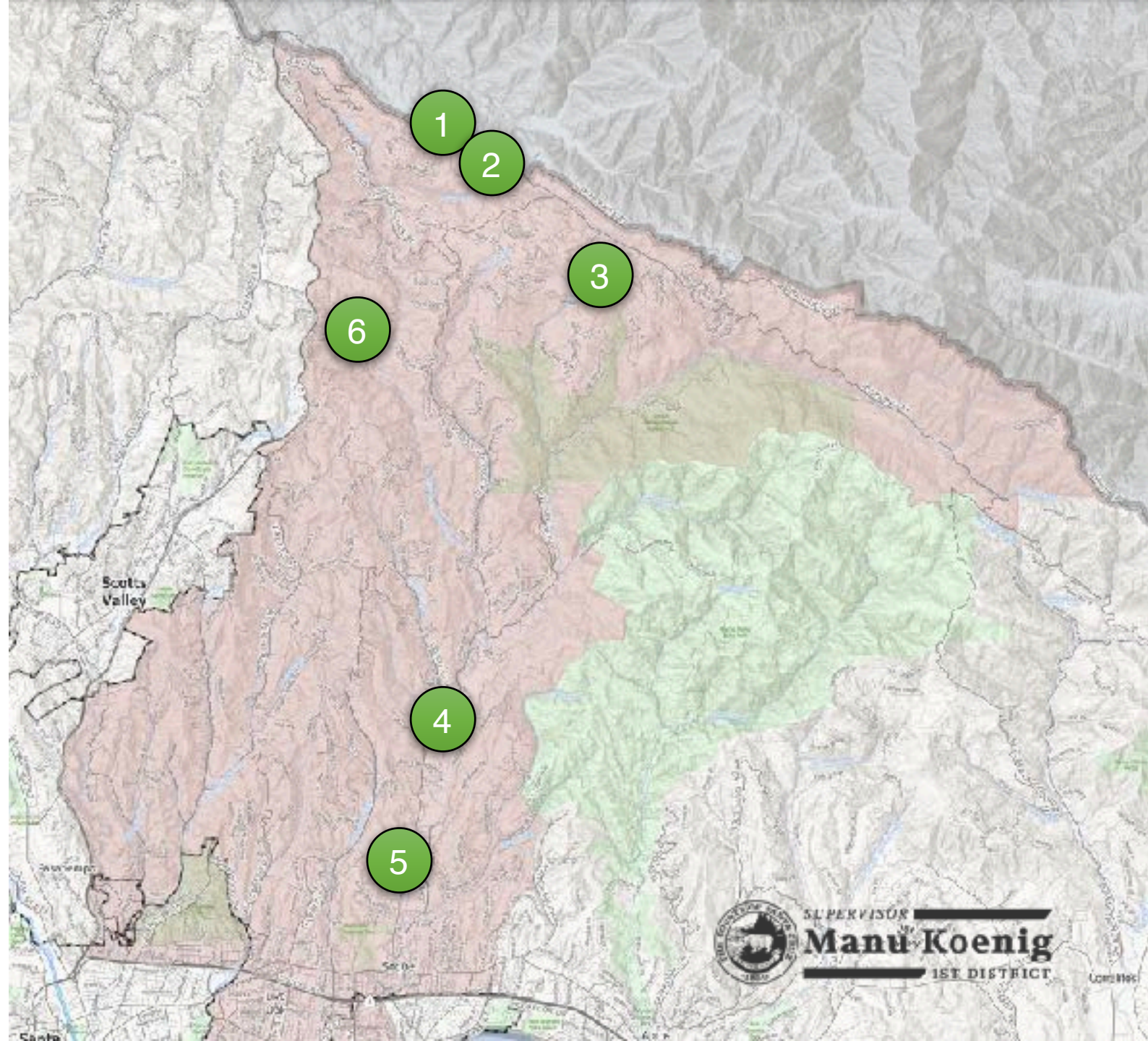
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2.10.22

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1. Summit Shaded Fuel Break
2. Sheriff Substation Project
3. Fire Camera Update
4. Cell Tower/ Wireless Update
5. Soquel San Jose Resurfacing
6. Code Compliance - Laurel Rd
7. Generator Ordinance Revised
8. FireWise



1. Summit Shaded Fuel Break



Phase 1: Pilot project completed Fall 2021, 2 acres at the intersection of Summit Road and Soquel-San Jose Road. Funded by a PG&E grant.

Phase 2: RCD awarded \$585K from CALFIRE. Applying for permits for entire 5.7 mile project (HWY 17 to Mt Bache Rd). Anticipate completing 2.6 miles (60 acres) with the current grant in 2022 (Mt Bache Rd to Loma Prieta School). Additional \$300K grant applied for.

Matt Abernathy, RCD Forest Health Specialist

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Summit Road Shaded Fuel Break Map:



Santa Cruz County Hazardous Fuel Reduction and Summit Road Shaded Fuel Break
Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County
20-FP-GZU-0283

Legend

Phases

-  Proposed phase of Summit Road SFB
-  PG&E funded phase
-  Seek Future Funding

2. Sheriff Substation

- Working with Superintendent Grier (Loma Prieta School District), Supervisor Simitian, and Sheriff Smith (Santa Clara County) on joint staffing and renovation funding plan.
- One time costs ~ \$15K
- Timing can be before or after the rest of the building.
- Substation will be at the front of the building for ready ingress and egress.



3. Fire Camera Update

- Three (3) new fire cameras scheduled to be installed before 2022 fire season. Locations:
 - Silver Mountain Winery (thanks Jerold!)
 - Watsonville Airport (PG&E)
 - Dream Inn, Santa Cruz (PG&E)
- <https://www.alertwildfire.org/region/centralcoast/>



4. Soquel San Jose Resurfacing and Multi-Modal Improvements

- \$1,455,000 awarded by the Regional Transportation Commission on 12/2/21 from state gas tax revenues.
- Will improve bike lanes, pedestrian crossings and resurface the bottom 3.15 miles of Soquel San Jose Rd (from Soquel Dr. To Laurel Glen Rd).
- Exact project date is dependent on the State making funds available.



5. Wireless Update

- **1931 Soquel San Jose Rd Cell Service Improvement Project.** Verizon anticipates beginning construction of this site by late February 2022.
 - Contact information and to request improved service in your area:
Maureen Cruzen, Verizon Municipal Engagement Partner
E: maureen.cruzen@verizonwireless.com
T: (925) 279-6638
- **Cruzio \$500K Broadband Award for Wireless Access Points.** Line of sight required.
- **Wireless Ordinance Update - March 9th Planning Commission**
 - Current ordinance is from 2003 and in "desperate need of an update."
 - Biggest change: **transition from discretionary to ministerial** process, unless in a sensitive area: scenic, historic, coastal zone, etc.
 - **More uniform approach to timelines, adoption of the FCC shot clocks (60 days).** Application deemed approved if shot clock expires
 - Denial of an application must be based on "substantial written evidence"
 - Denial cannot be based on environmental or health impacts
 - CPUC July 16, 2020, 72-hour backup power requirement effective July 2021. County ordinance will reiterate this requirement.



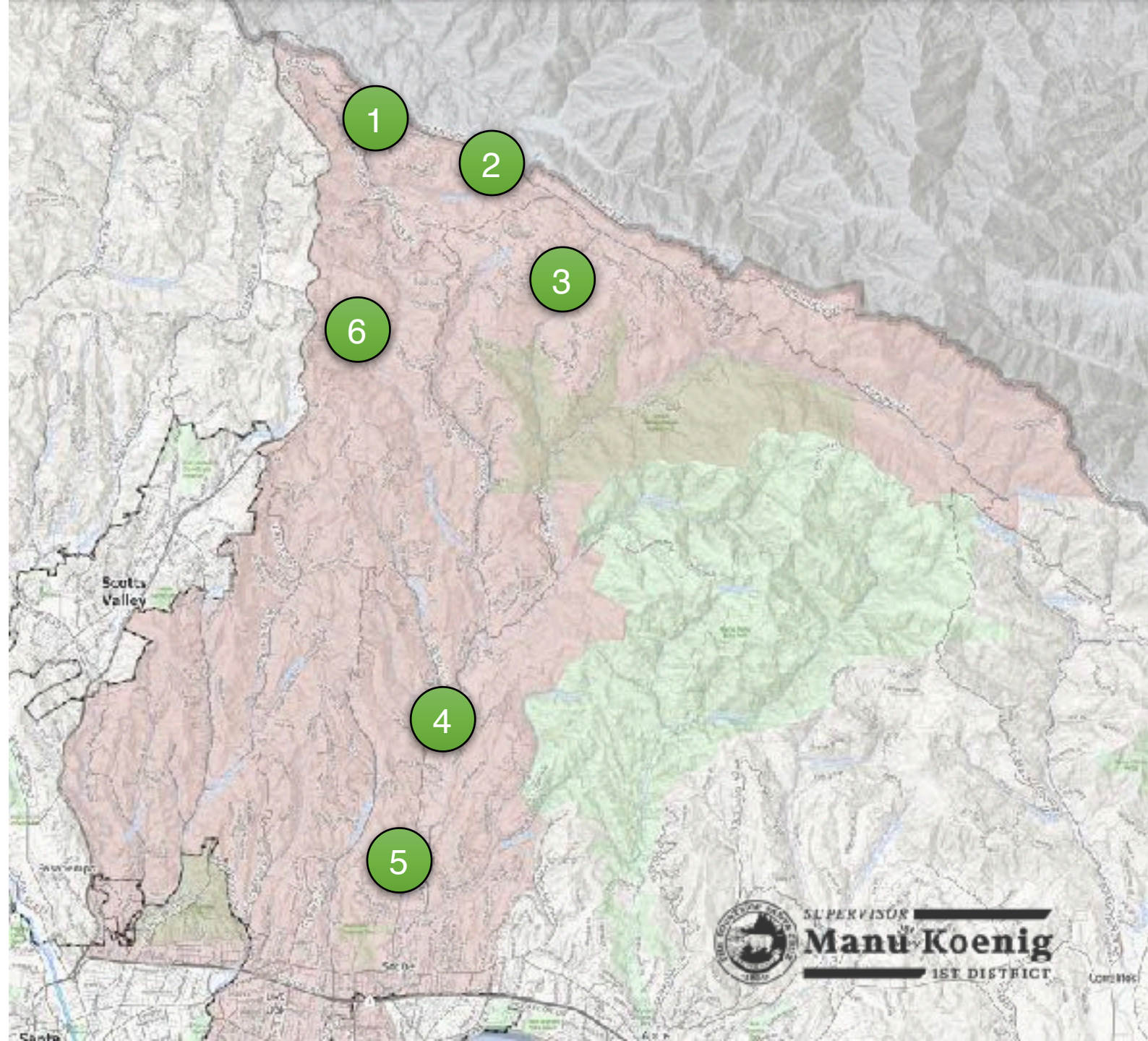
6. Code case update: 17195 Laurel Road/APN 09506226

- Code Compliance site visit 11/3, posted Notice of Violation and recorded it on 12/1 that includes:
 - 13.10.556 neglected property - outdoor storage of property and materials
 - 13.10.683(i) Parking or use of mobile homes, trailers, or RVs without a permit
 - 13.10.683(h) Parking or use of mobile homes, trailers, or RVs without a permit
- No contact has been confirmed with owner.
- The Notice of Violation begins a 90 day compliance window for the property owner. Next step is an Administrative Hearing, however service on Steve Rognas is near impossible. If he cannot be located to serve the notice, most likely a default judgement will be made. Once that judgement is handed down (possibly in March but more likely in April) Code Compliance will reassess the case to determine how to proceed.
- If anyone has information as to the whereabouts (or contact info) of Mr. Rognas please let our office know:
first.district@santacruzcounty.us
(831) 454-2200



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7. New Rules for Generators Approved

- Basics of proposal, allow 65dBA, but **limit operation from 7am to 10pm**. Exceptions for medical need. 5 decibel increase is considered noticeable but it's infrequent.
- Effectively **reduces setback standards from 45-75 feet to 25-45 feet**.
- Approved 12/7/21, will go into effect February 2022.



8. FireWise

- June 2021 - \$50,000 of funding allocated in 2021-2022 County Budget
- November 2021 - \$175,000 from the California Fire Safe Council awarded to fund an 18-month County-wide coordinator to organize hazardous fuel reduction, forest health, fire safety and Fire Wise community efforts. Grant was a collaboration between OR3, the Resource Conservation District, and dedicated Fire Safe Council of Santa Cruz County.
- 14 new Fire Wise communities created in 2021, 24 total.
- <https://www.firesafesantacruz.org/>



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8. FireWise Cont.

Firewise USA Recognized Communities in Santa Cruz County

Santa Cruz Mountains (including Bonny Doon)

Las Cumbres (2019)

Old Ranch Road (2021)

Pineridge Plus (2021)

Riva Ridge (2019)

Sunset Ridge Road (2019)

Marty Road (2020)

Terrace Grove (2020)

Bird Streets (2021) - Bonny Doon

Ellen Roads (2021)

Hutchinson Road (2021)

Westdale Firewise (2021) - Bonny Doon

Bonny Wood (2021) - Bonny Doon

San Lorenzo Valley

TangleWood Neighborhood (2020) - Felton

Forest Lakes (2021) – Felton

Lost Acre-Valhalla (2021) – Felton

Santa Cruz Environs

Prospect Heights (2019)

Paradise Park (2019)

Happy Valley (2021)

Highland/Hillcrest Terrace (2020)

B40FirewiseCharlie (2021)

Santa Cruz Gardens (2021)

Aptos and Soquel Area

Redwood Drive/Cathedral (2020)

Viewpoint Road (2021)

North Rodeo Gulch (2021)

What is the process?

Six steps to becoming Firewise USA recognized for the first year:

1. Form a steering committee with a few proactive neighbors
2. Collect neighborhood data for a Community Risk Assessment, and complete the assessment with input from a local Fire Professional.
3. Prepare a Multi-Year Plan, using observations from the Community Risk Assessment and neighborhood priorities
4. Complete one community education event related to wildfire risk reduction
5. Meet the minimum community investment criteria (1 hour or \$25 per household for the year)
6. Create a Firewise USA portal account, complete and submit your application.



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A photograph of a diverse group of people in a meeting or conference. Many individuals have their hands raised, indicating an interactive session. The background is slightly blurred, focusing attention on the audience members in the foreground.

Questions?

Ask Me Anything...



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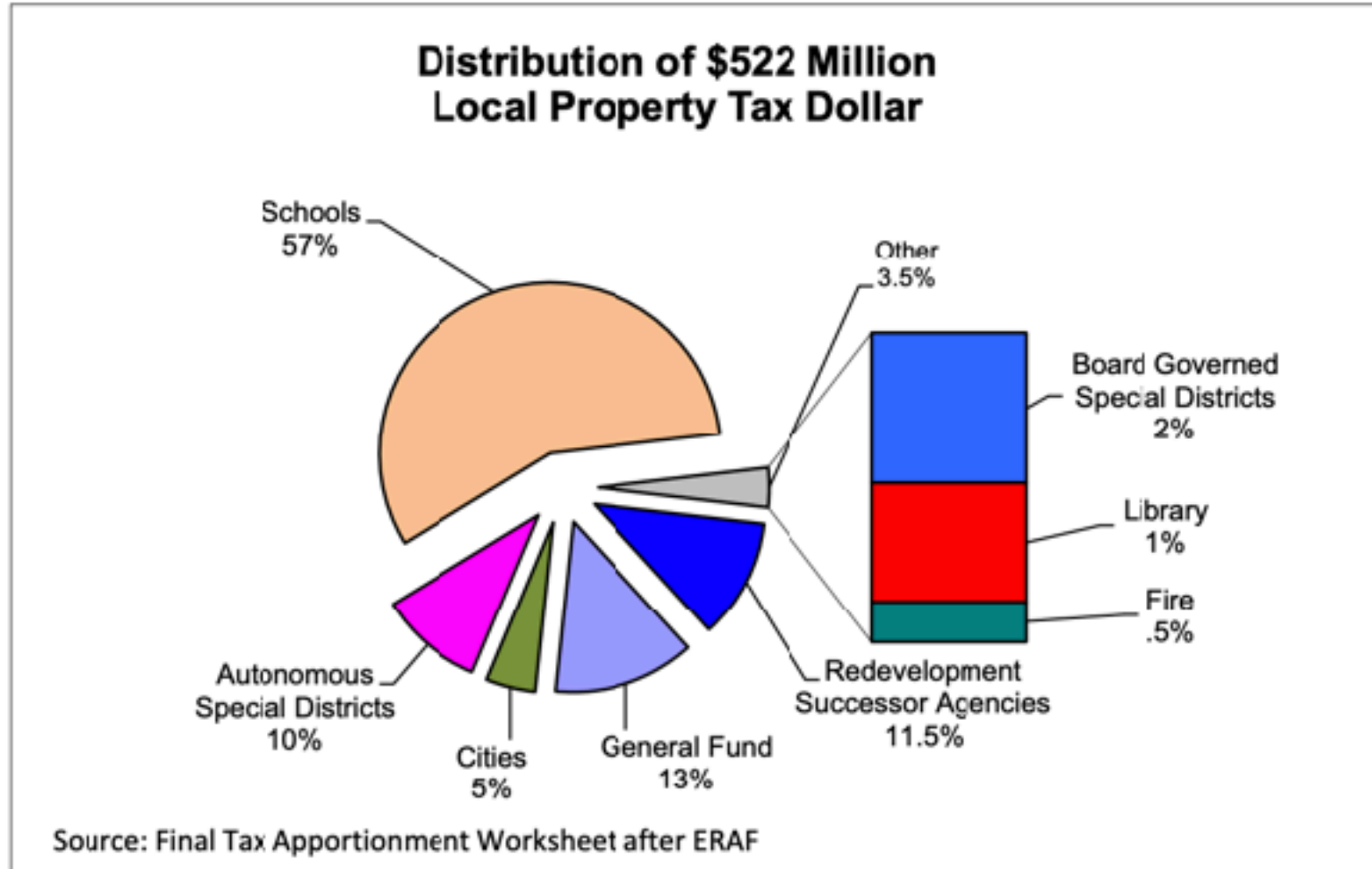


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Thank You!

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Where Do Your Property Taxes Go?

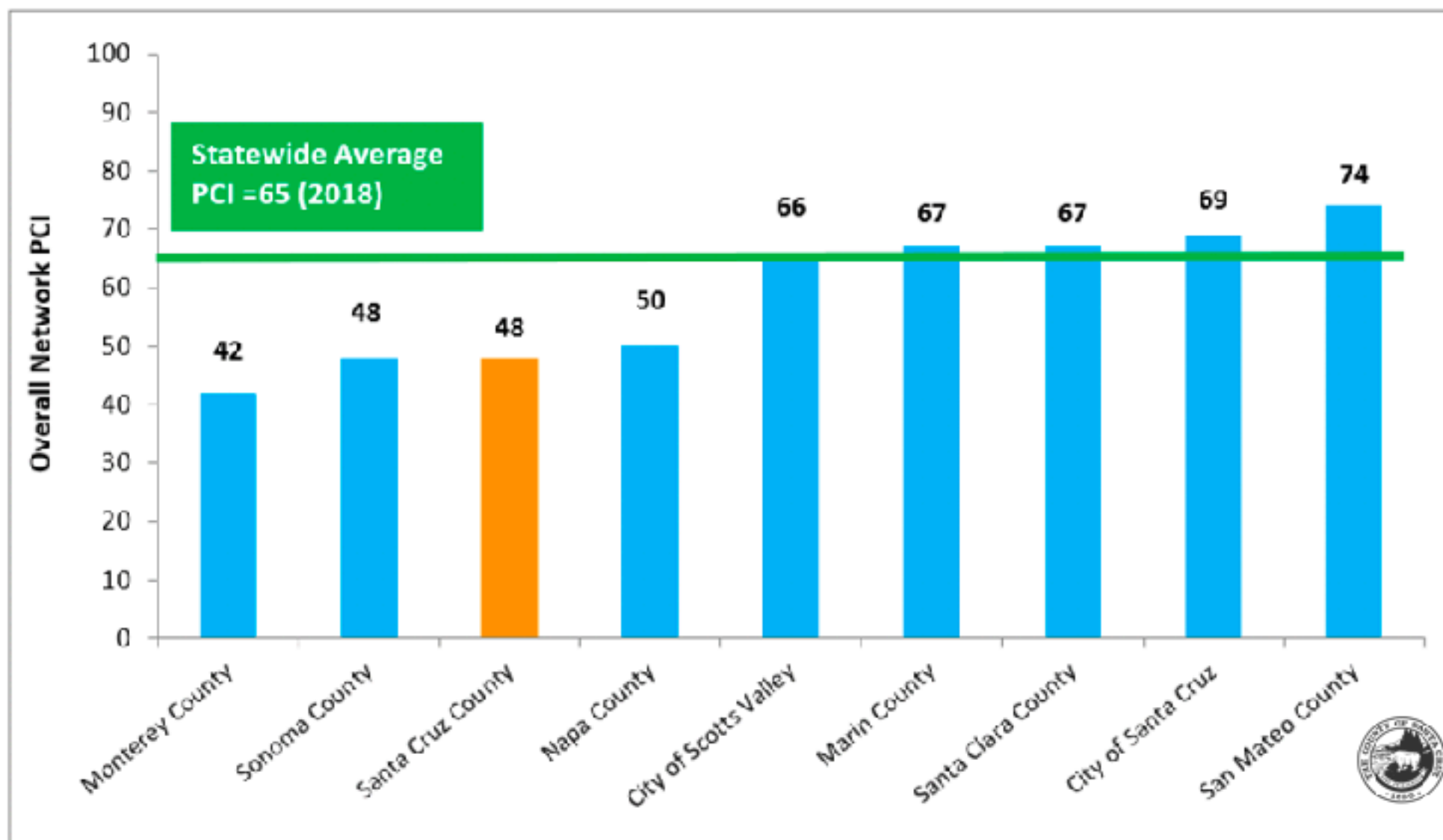


Prop 13 Set Rates

- Our county gets one of the lowest shares of property taxes, despite having one of the highest shares of population in the unincorporated county.

County	% of Value in Unincorporated Area	% of Property Taxes to County
San Francisco	0%	70%
San Luis Obispo	50%	25%
Santa Barbara	46%	20%
Napa	47%	20%
Marin	28%	19%
Monterey	48%	16%
Santa Cruz	58%	13%

PCIs of Neighboring Jurisdictions



Funding Sources

Forecasted Revenue Sources for the Pavement Management Program

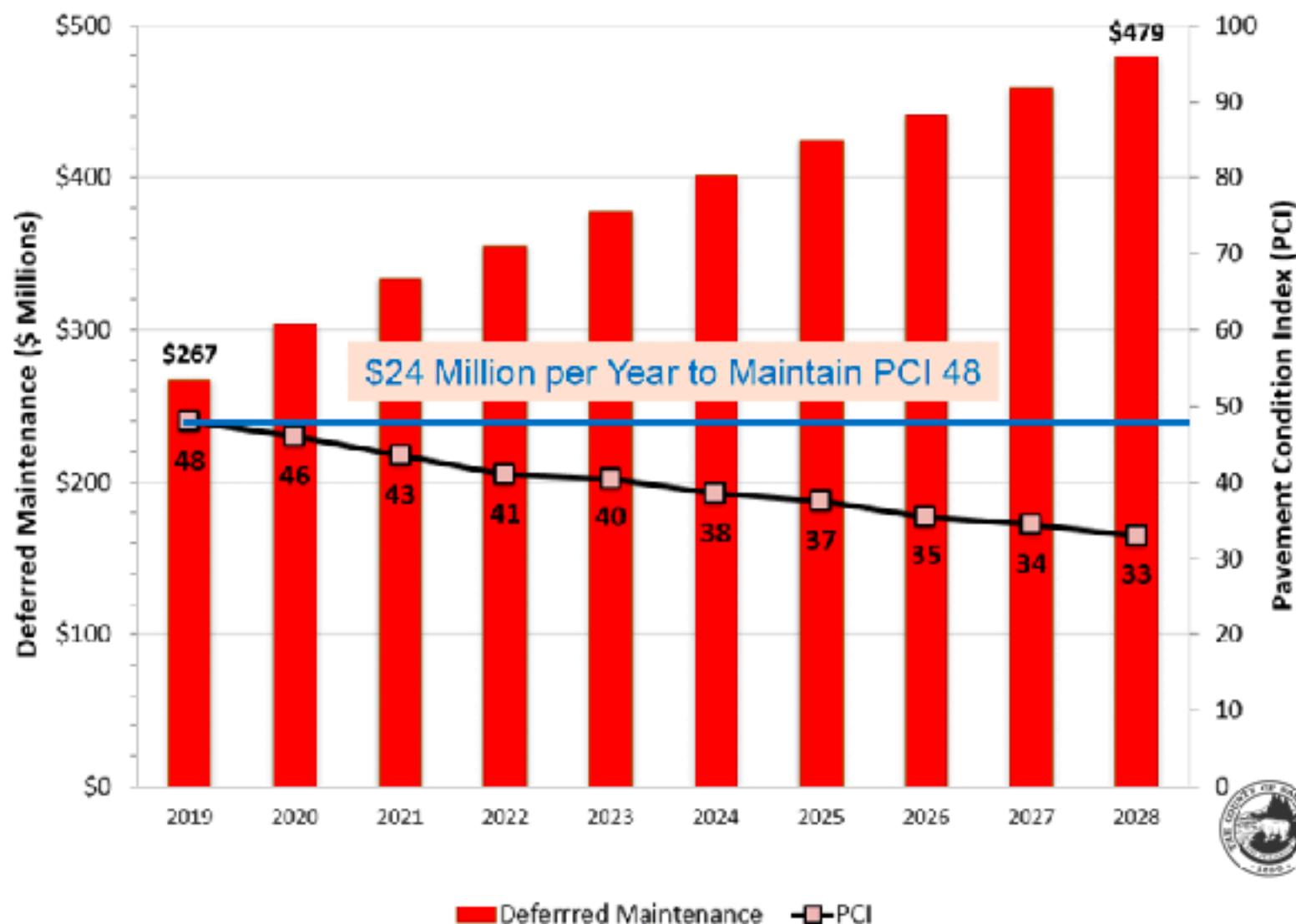
Anticipated Revenue Sources Available for Pavement Maintenance

Fiscal Year	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29
Measure D	\$2,648,932	\$2,714,602	\$2,782,467	\$2,852,029	\$2,923,329	\$2,996,412	\$2,996,412	\$2,996,412	\$2,996,412	\$2,996,412
SB-1	\$0	\$0	\$1,171,750	\$2,318,000	\$2,490,000	\$3,698,000	\$3,938,000	\$4,206,000	\$4,206,000	\$4,206,000
Refuse Vehicle Impact Fee	\$700,000	\$1,400,000	\$1,443,000	\$1,479,000	\$1,516,000	\$1,516,000	\$1,516,000	\$1,516,000	\$1,516,000	\$1,516,000
Assumed Grant Funding (RSTP, STBG, & STIP)	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000
HUTA Funds	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total:	\$4,607,932	\$5,364,602	\$6,497,217	\$7,749,029	\$8,029,329	\$9,310,412	\$9,550,412	\$9,818,412	\$9,818,412	\$9,818,412

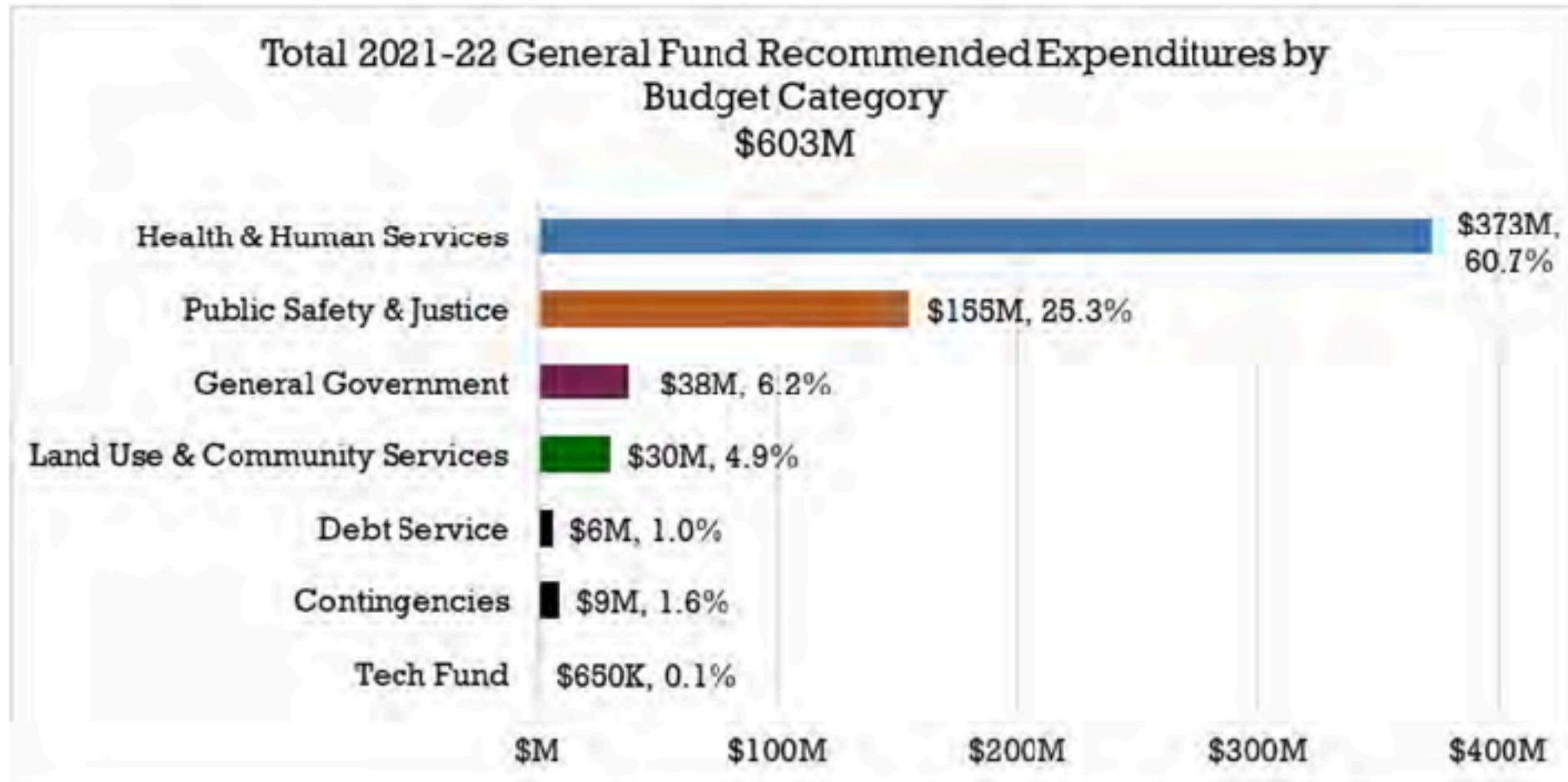
Average Yearly Funding = \$8.06 Million

Forecasted Funding Level of \$8M per Year

Overall PCI drops to 33 over 10 years
Unfunded Backlog increases from \$266M to \$479M



County General Fund



Back of the Envelope: Filling the Road Funding Gap

Increase County Property Tax Share to 20% - \$23M*

1/2 Cent Sales Tax (50% towards roads) - \$4M

Other Taxes & Fees

- TOT - \$2M
- Cannabis Cultivation (2x) - \$5M
- Event Permits - \$2M

Fair Share of Gas Tax Revenues (RTIP) - \$2M

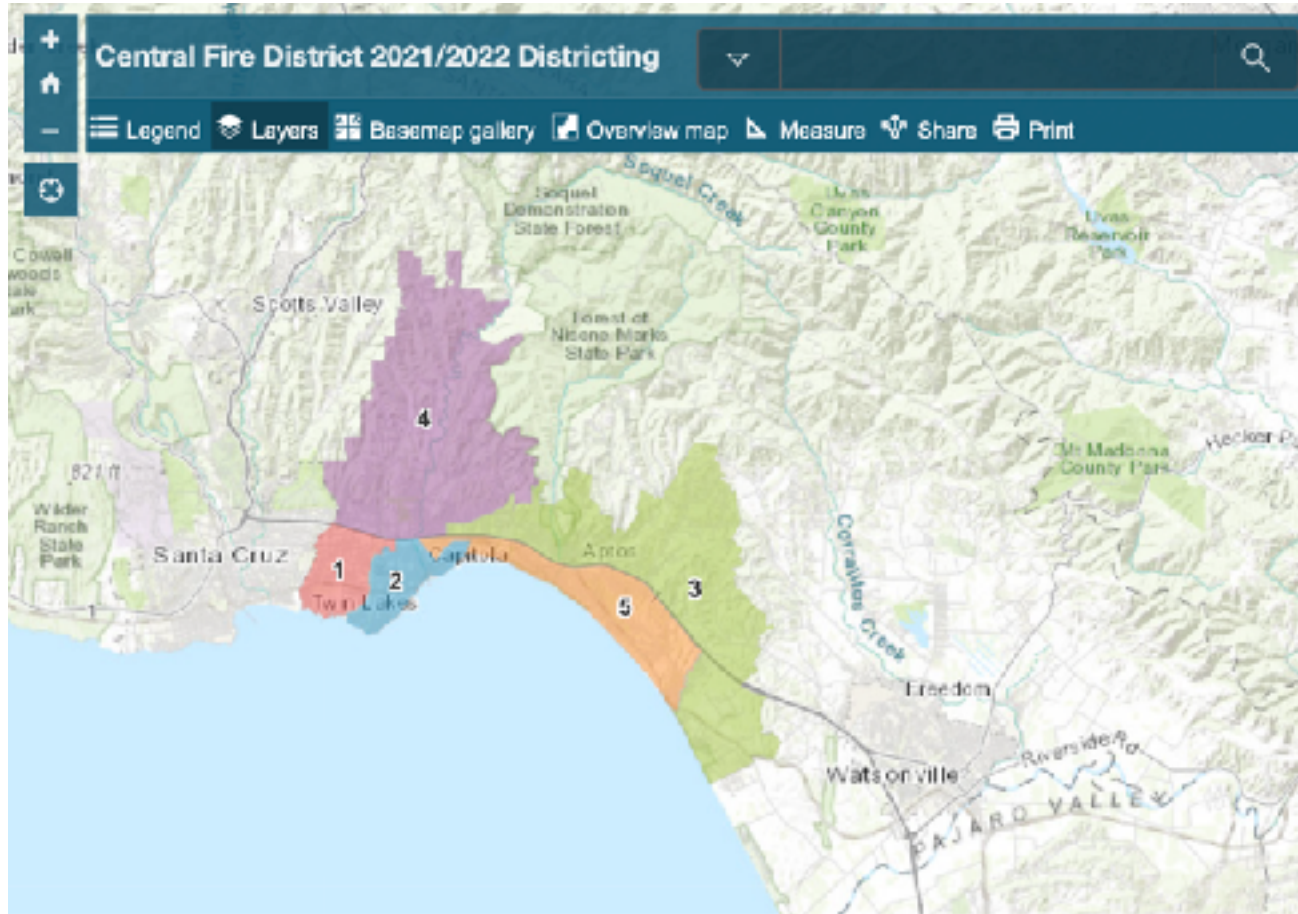
Cuts to General Government - \$1M

Additional Road Funding Needed to Maintain PCI - \$16M

*2008 dollars



Central Fire District Elections



- More info: centralfiresc.org
- Comment: publiccomments@centralfiresc.org.

Minimum Fire Safe Regulations - “Substandard” Roads

Board of Forestry and Fire Protection

- The Board of Forestry and Fire (BOF) held a Public Hearing regarding this item on June 22nd.
- The BOF Board did not take any action on this item on June 22nd.
- They received letters of opposition from several residents, government officials and even fire personnel regarding the proposed changes.
- Biggest take away was intention was to make communities safer, but one size does not fit all.
- BOF is revising their proposed draft based on public comments.



SERFR/Jet Noise Update

- Met with FAA, Supervisory Senior Advisor
- Met with Roundtable Chair Mary-Lynn Bernald
- SCSC Roundtable was disbanded 11/11 as a result of Santa Clara Cities Association removing themselves as fiscal sponsor
- SFO RT will not expand beyond inviting E Palo Alto and Colma
- Send comments to our congressional leaders requesting a change to the flight path studied by the FAA at:

Rep Anna Eshoo

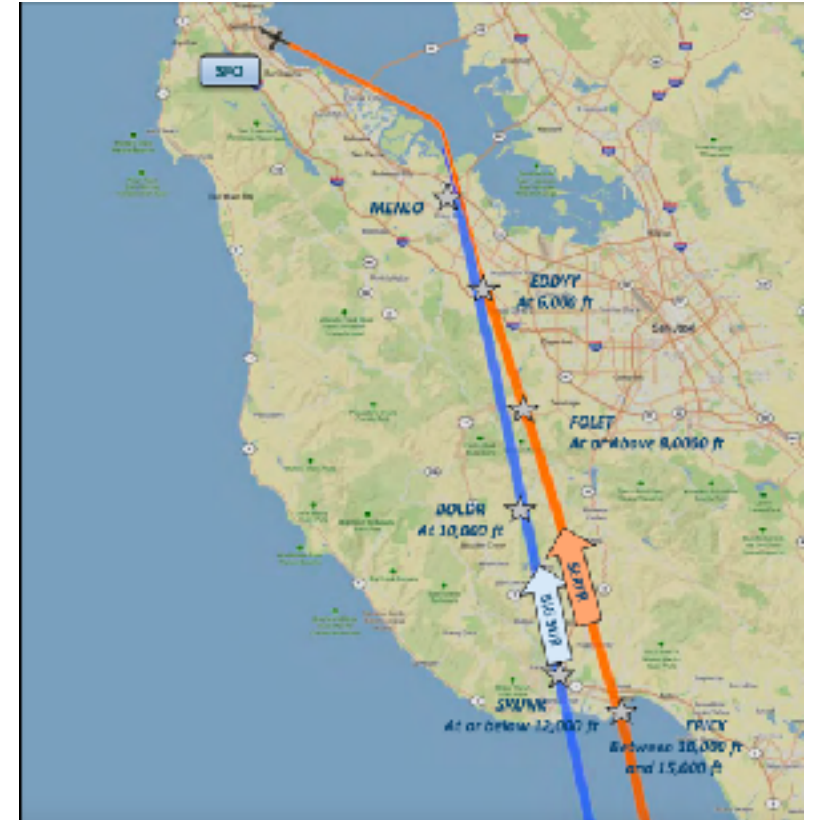
<https://eshoo.house.gov/contact/email-me>

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Rep Jimmy Panetta

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County Fire Equipment Update

Equipment replacement due to cost savings on CAL FIRE contract and increased revenues from the 2019 ballot measure. 6 vehicles ordered 2 put into service:

- 1994 Water Tender 3251 in Bonny Doon. Replacement *ordered*, expected to arrive in 2022.
- 1993 Rescue 4161 in Corralitos replacement *ordered* and should be arriving soon.
- 1995 Rescue 3761 in Davenport replacement *ordered* and should be arriving soon.
- 2008 Engine 4111 in Corralitos replacement has been *ordered* and will arrive in 2022. It will then be downgraded to reserve status and replace our current reserve engine there which is a 1991.
- 1998 Engine 3721 in Davenport replacement has been *ordered* and will arrive in 2022.
- 2011 Fire Marshal replacement vehicle *ordered* and should be arriving soon as well as vehicle for second Fire Marshal position that was added in 2020 and hasn't had a vehicle.
- **Two new Type 3 engines were put into service in 2019 and were the first Type 3 engines in the County fire fleet. They are currently stationed in Loma Prieta and Las Cumbres.**

In 2022 we will likely order one more Type 3 engine for Corralitos so that all 5 companies have a Type 3 engine.

Speaking specifically about Loma Prieta in District 1 our current fleet is as follows:

- 2017 Water Tender (purchased with community funds and donated to County Fire)
- 2015 Type 1 engine
- 2018 Type 3 engine
- 1999 Rescue 3661 was replaced in the last 5 years



“The plan is for each company to have a Water Tender, Type 1 engine, Type 3 engine and a rescue/utility vehicle.”

- Chief Nate Armstrong