

***NOTE: THIS DOCUMENT IS A FIRST DRAFT AND NOT YET BEEN REVIEWED BY OTHER MIDCOAST COMMUNITY MEMBERS***

## Midcoast Background

The TA Program is well organized to spin up and address the needs and opportunities of the Bayside of San Mateo County with regard to Bicycle and Pedestrian projects. The unincorporated Midcoast will benefit from such projects, but it's current priority needs are driven by larger projects associated with one state highway (SR1) and two area trail projects (Coastal Trail and Multi-Modal Trail). The attached file, "The Unincorporated Midcoast" provides the background context for understanding the nature of the transportation infrastructure for the residents of the five communities and the visitors who come to take in the wide range of natural resources.

## Bicycle References and Classifications

There are four types of roadways in the Midcoast:

- SR1 with its right of way
- The Coastal and Parallel Trails
- Major few roadways in the communities:
  - Sunshine Valley Road (Montara and Moss Beach)
  - Etheldore Street (Moss Beach)
  - Carlos Street (Moss Beach)
  - Airport Street (Princeton - a key local road and a bicycle strand of the Coastal Trail)
  - The Four Avenues in El Granada
- The interior residential streets

The relevant bike lane options can be appropriately assigned to the first three types

## Support Programs and Policies

In listing adopted plans you should **make reference to the Highway 1 Safety and Mobility Studies**. The full record of these studies, videos of public meetings, comments by the public and agencies is available on the MCC website. <http://www.midcoastcommunitycouncil.org/hwy-1-mobility-studies/>. These studies are a comprehensive concept discussion with emphasis highways, but also address bicycle and walkability issues.

The California Coastal trail, unlike the other plans listed on p. 16 of your draft, is a state level initiative. Functional responsibility for the program is delegated to counties. The California Coastal Trail in the Midcoast does not have a clear line of responsibility within the county

governance.

## Support Programs and Policies

The TA Goals and Objectives are clearly articulated and form an appropriate basis for program development and assessment.

## Gaps & Focus Areas

The Active Transportation draft process identified three Study Areas to show the methods to be used. The Midcoast focus areas I'm recommending for highest priority are a Focus Area in El Granada (I identify a total of four focus areas (one was a Study Area in the draft) and the other is identified as Focus Area D. The difference between the three draft Study Areas and the two I selected is that the ones selected here are where SR1 opens directly into the interior streets

The attachment "Focus Areas" identifies these areas. Focus Area D in El Granada is an area of immediate need. Without startup funding I don't know whether the AT group can do work immediately. Focus Area D needs immediate attention in 2021.

The difference between the three draft Study Areas and the two I selected is that the ones selected here are where SR1 opens directly into the interior streets which presents additional considerations.

The other focus area I want to highlight is Airport Street. Where the above focus areas align well with AT's methods and priority focus, Airport Street may be a better fit for C/CAG's planning process.

## Concluding Note

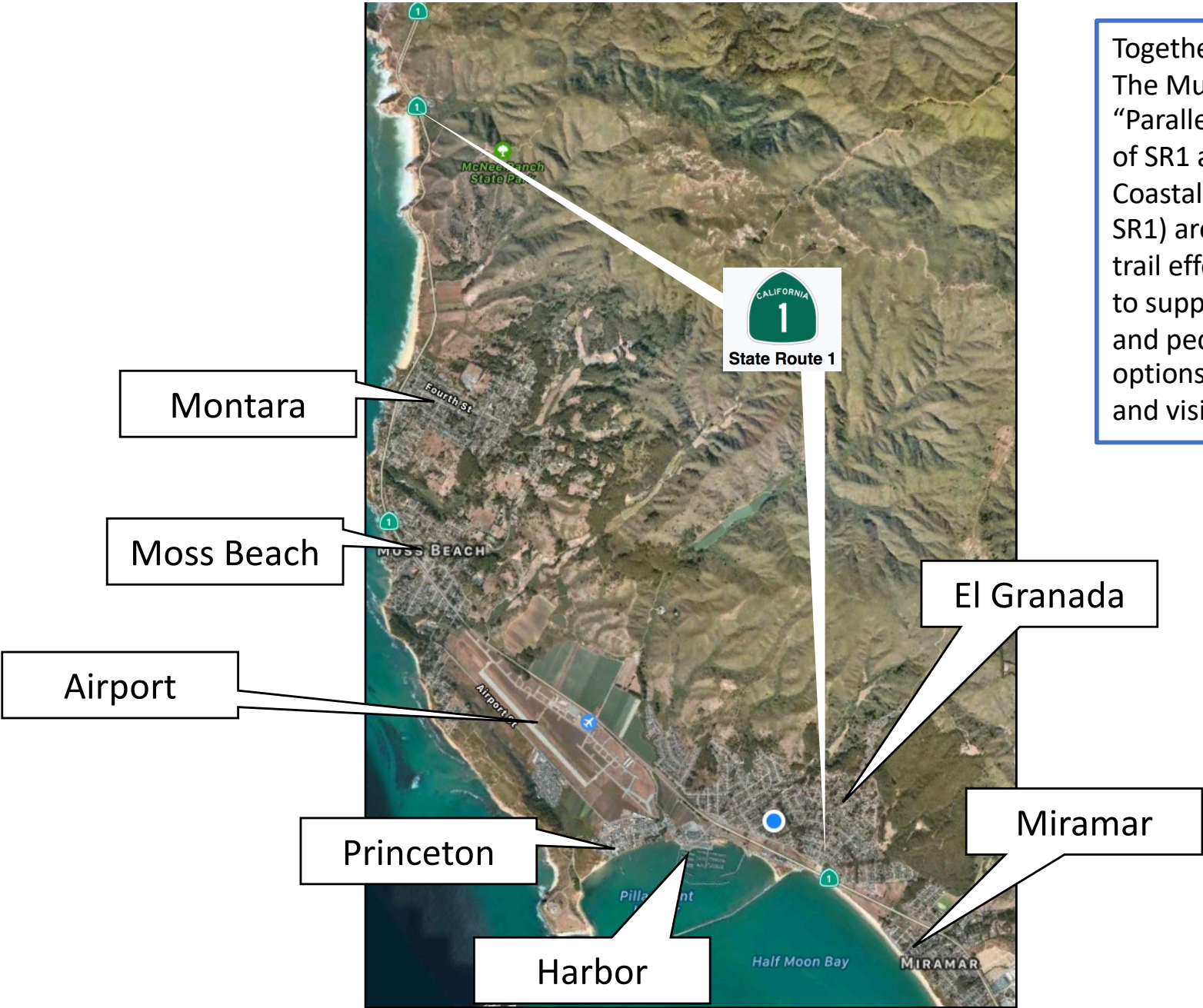
This document takes a different approach to working the Bicycle and Pedestrian focus of Active Transportation and C/CAG Bike and Ped. I look for the release of the final draft of Connect the Coastside will provide make the transition forward for CTC with it's primary focus being SR1 and the Bike and Ped emphasis of the other two programs. I will be able to evaluate that better with the release of the draft.

A second response to the SMC AT draft plan has been submitted by Lisa Ketcham. This document is intended to complement those responses. No time has been taken to compare notes. I also expect that will be a useful activity when the CTC draft is released.

# A Quick View of the Unincorporated Midcoast of San Mateo County

November, 2020

# Nine Miles of SR 1 Main Street of the Midcoast



Together with SR1, The Multi-Modal "Parallel" Trail (east of SR1 and the Coastal Trail (west of SR1) are the major trail efforts intended to support bicycle and pedestrian options for residents and visitors.

# Five Communities – a Harbor – an Airport and 15000 Residents

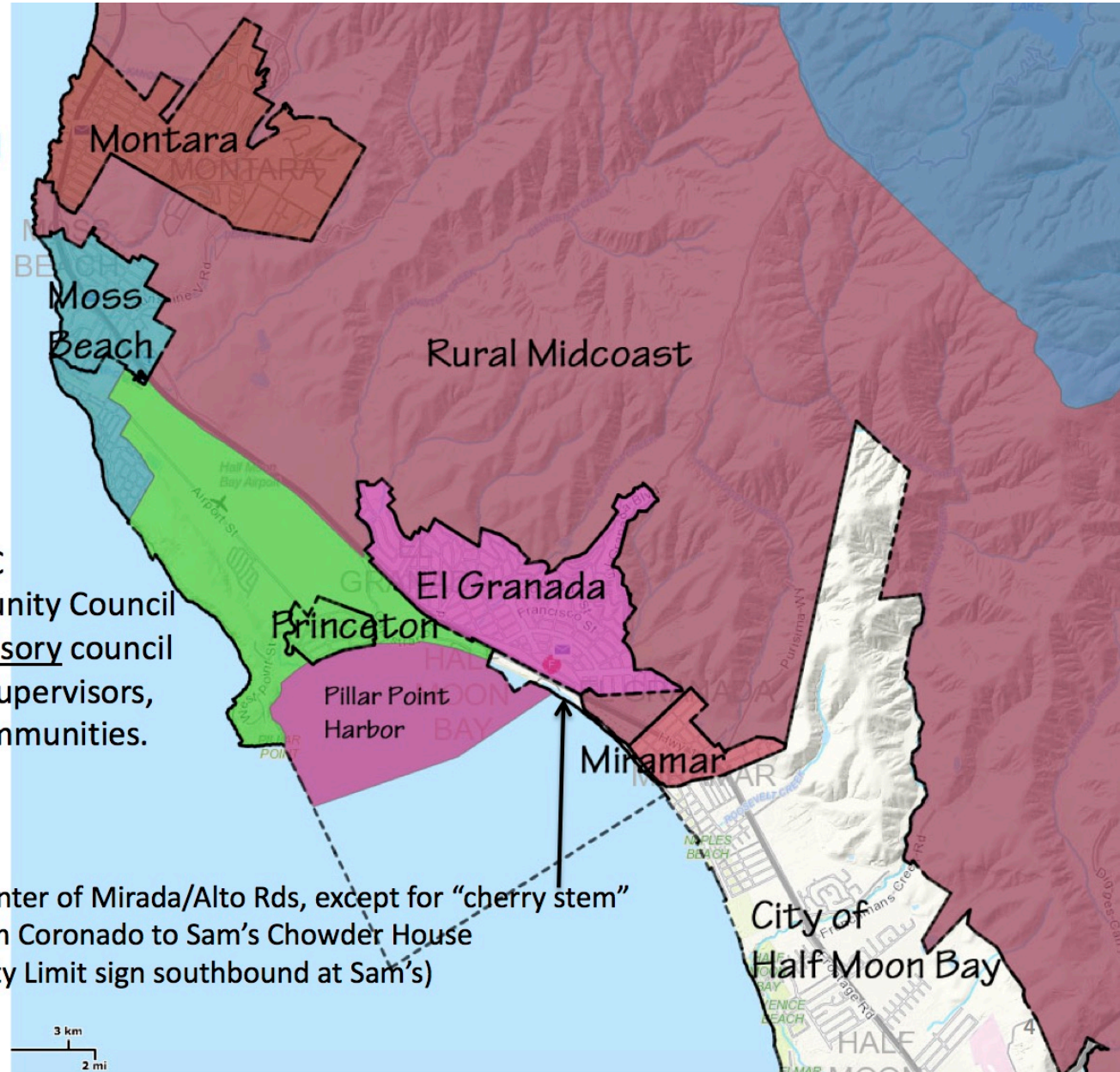
5 unincorporated  
Midcoast  
communities:

- Montara
- Moss Beach
- El Granada
- Princeton
- Miramar

MCC

Midcoast Community Council  
is an elected advisory council  
to the Board of Supervisors,  
serving these communities.

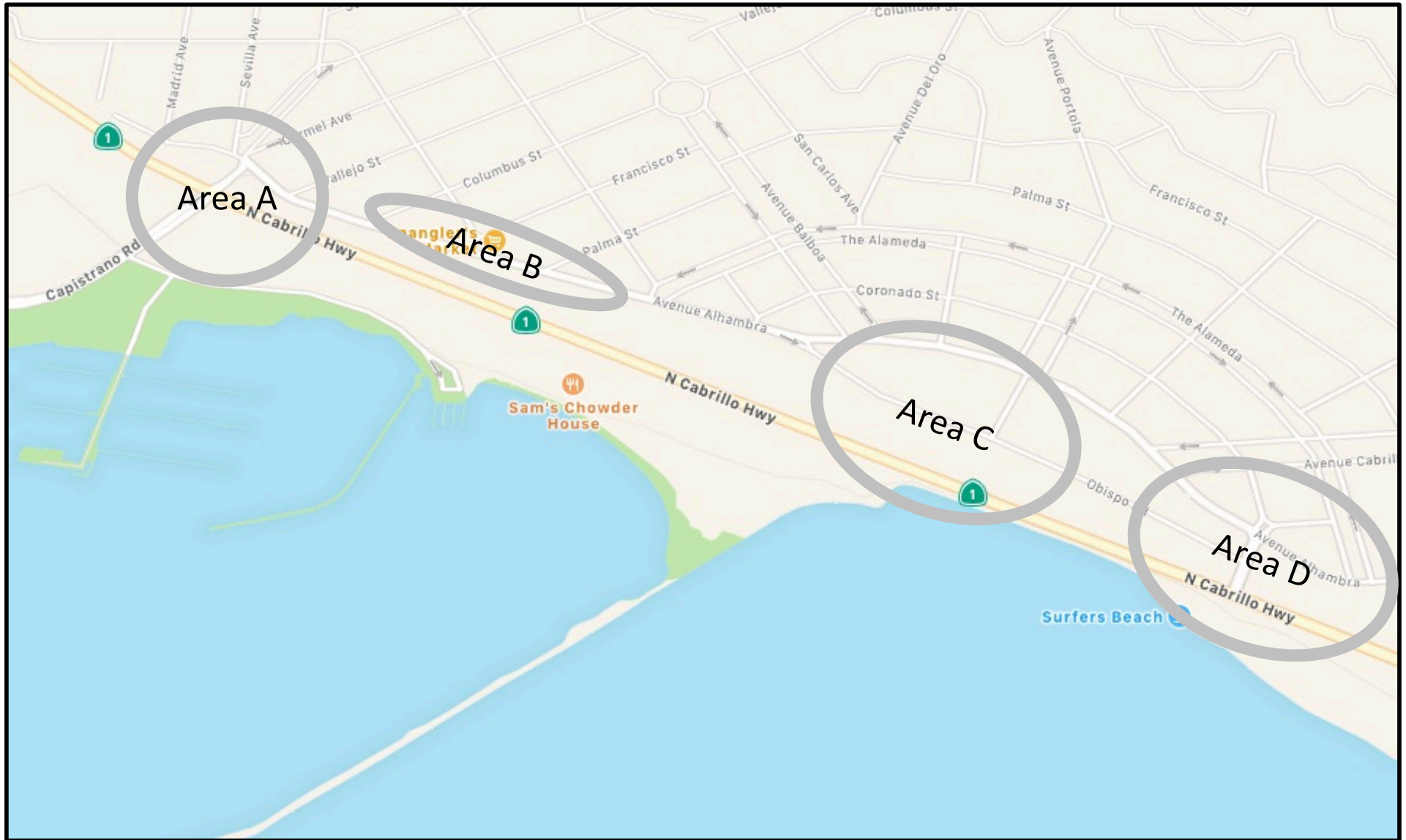
HMB city limit is center of Mirada/Alto Rds, except for “cherry stem”  
west of Hwy 1, from Coronado to Sam’s Chowder House  
(hence the HMB City Limit sign southbound at Sam’s)



# Marine Preserves - Parks - Beaches



# El Granada – Four Focus Areas



# Focus Area D – Two schools, new fire station, parallel trail connection in 2021





# Focus Area - Moss Beach Corridor

