

Midcoast Community Council

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To: San Mateo County Transportation Authority
Cc: City of Half Moon Bay City Manager
Subject: Support for Half Moon Bay grant application for completion of the east-side trail on SR1

The Midcoast Community Council is the elected advisory body to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors representing unincorporated Montara, Moss Beach, El Granada, Princeton, and Miramar. We are pleased to submit this letter of support for the City of Half Moon Bay's project entitled "Pacific Coast Connectivity North." The proposed project is the "Last Link" that will extend the Naomi Patridge multi-use Class I trail in Half Moon Bay approximately 0.3 miles to the San Mateo County Line, where it will connect to the multi-use trail in unincorporated county (currently under construction).

This project will provide safe, continuous access for our residents in unincorporated county to the heart of Half Moon Bay and vice versa. Currently, residents that choose to walk or ride their bikes into Half Moon Bay must take the much longer, scenic Coastal Trail or use the narrow shoulder on Highway 1. Unsurprisingly, most residents choose to use their single-occupancy vehicles instead.

While jurisdictional boundaries show the unincorporated county and City of Half Moon Bay as two communities, those that live on the Coastside know we are truly one community physically separated by a lack of adequate infrastructure. Construction of the "Last Link" creates a pathway to connect our communities and supports our ongoing efforts to make the Coastside more resilient, healthy, and safe for all.

In conclusion, this project provides enormous value for the Coastside community both in function and recreation and we urge the SMCTA to support this effort.

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s/ Claire Toutant, Chair