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HIGHWAY 17 ACCESS MANAGEMENT PLAN OUTREACH EVENTS

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY –Caltrans and its partners are soliciting community input for the Highway 17 Access Management Plan (Hwy. 17 AMP) through upcoming outreach events and a newly launched project website.

The Hwy. 17 AMP is a long-range plan that will provide access management strategies and recommendations to improve access, mobility, and safety needs in the Hwy. 17 corridor. These recommendations are intended to help reduce conflict points and preserve the functional integrity of the highway as a safe and efficient interregional corridor. The plan will promote environmental and economic sustainability by coordinating land use and transportation planning.

Events are scheduled this week including two public workshops and a booth at the Downtown Farmers Market. Please join us at these events to learn more about the plan and provide input:

- Public Workshop 1:
 - Tuesday, November 17, 6-7:30 pm
 - Happy Valley Elementary School
 - 3125 Branciforte Dr, Santa Cruz, CA 95065
- Downtown Farmers Market Booth
 - Wednesday, November 18, 1:30-4 pm
 - Cedar St & Lincoln St, Downtown Santa Cruz
- Public Workshop 2:
 - Wednesday, November 18, 5:30-7 pm
 - Loma Prieta School, Student Forum
 - 23800 Summit Rd, Los Gatos, CA 95033

In addition to these events, Caltrans and its partners have launched the Hwy. 17 AMP website: <http://www.ca-hwy17amp.org/>

The Hwy. 17 AMP website is the best resource for keeping up with the development of the plan. The website contains information on the project background, study area characteristics and latest news and events. It provides different options for people to get involved, an online interactive mapping exercise. Throughout the course of the project, Caltrans and its partners will expand the website by adding materials, announcements and other activities to create a strong online resource for the project.

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We encourage you to take a look around the website to learn [about the plan](#) and how to [get involved](#). Sign-up to receive [email updates](#) about new information, outreach events and interactive activities on the website.

If you have any questions or comments about the Hwy. 17 AMP, please contact Brandy Rider at Brandy.Rider@dot.ca.gov.

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