



MEASURE T

Madera County Transportation Authority

Measure T Fact Sheet **September 2023**

- Measure T was approved by voters in November 2006. It established the Madera County Transportation Authority and authorized a ½ cent retail transaction and use tax for 20 years (between April 1, 2007, thru March 31, 2027) specifically to fund transportation projects and programs in the County. It followed Madera County's previous Measure A Program which was approved in 1990 and expired in September 2005.
- Measure T has generated \$156 million to date and allowed the region to leverage an additional \$319 million in state and federal matching funds. It is expected to generate a total of \$217 million by its sunset date.
- Measure T failed to be renewed by voters in November 2022, earning 52.41 percent of the vote, falling short of the 2/3 majority required.
- The MCTA Board of Directors has authorized an education outreach program to provide factual information about Measure T and its impact on local streets and roads, transit services, and major infrastructure through 2023. This will include information related to the consequences to the region if the Measure is not renewed.
- A second attempt at a Measure T renewal is being considered for the November 2024 ballot. This effort reflects direction given by residents/voters and will include several important differences from the 2022 effort:

- This renewal will specify a firm sunset date eliminating the idea of a “forever tax.”
 - The expenditure plan itself will be developed by a citizen-based body made of residents from all parts of the county representing diverse communities and needs.
 - The expenditure plan considered in 2022 has been shelved to give this committee an opportunity to take a fresh look at proposed investments in the region.
 - Language will be developed for the Measure to strengthen the Citizens Oversight Committee, requiring at a minimum bi-annual reports from agencies receiving Measure T funds, clarifying how funds were used and documenting all payments made as part of those efforts.
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- The citizen-based committee will start meeting in October 2023 with a goal of developing a new expenditure plan for MCTA Board consideration in April of 2024. A technical advisory committee made up of staff members from local agencies will be meeting concurrently to provide information and support to the citizens committee.

 - MCTA is in the process of scheduling presentations and meetings throughout the County to inform the public about this process and are open to all opportunities available.

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