

APTOS VILLAGE IMPROVEMENTS PHASE 1 CONSTRUCTION

The Aptos Village Plan was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on February 23, 2010, and the Aptos Village Improvements Phase 1 construction is consistent with that plan. Phase 2 is currently in the design phase and is expected to be completed Fall 2017 with construction to follow (but is dependent upon available funding). Funding for Phase 1 consists of Regional Surface Transportation Program and Surface Transportation Block Grant funds, developer fees, Transportation Development Act funds, and Highway Safety and Lighting (CSA 9) funds.

Preliminary Schedule – begin February/March 2017 and complete July/August 2017

Public Notifications – Changeable message signs will be placed at entrances to Aptos Village; the County Department of Public Works website will have a dedicated page to the project which will be periodically updated and maintained; press releases will be issued as needed; and, a contact person will be identified with appropriate contact info and availability.

Scope of Work for Phase 1 is as follows:

Soquel Drive/Trout Gulch Road Intersection will be signalized and a new left turn lane will be installed for westbound Soquel Drive to access the parking lot of Bay Federal Credit Union/Starbucks Coffee. The traffic signal will have five safety lights (streetlights). There will be one crosswalk across Soquel Drive as part of the traffic signal and it will be on the east side of Trout Gulch Road, and there will be one crosswalk across Trout Gulch Road on the south side of Aptos Street. These crosswalks will be controlled by the traffic signal.

Soquel Drive from Trout Gulch Road east will be improved on the north side with a new sidewalk and an ADA compliant bus turnout. This will require a retaining wall since there is an embankment between Soquel Drive and the railroad tracks. The Department of Public Works is coordinating with Santa Cruz Metro to procure and install a bus shelter. The south side of Soquel Drive will be improved from the driveway access to the BFCU/Starbucks parking lot west to the walkway fronting the old beauty supply store with ADA compliant sidewalk.

Trout Gulch Road from Soquel Drive to Valencia Street will be improved with new sidewalk on the east side and the west side will have segments of new sidewalk and improved ADA access including handrails. The road will be resurfaced with asphalt concrete and striped for bike lanes.

Trout Gulch Road Railroad Crossing will be removed and replaced with concrete panels for the road and pedestrian crossing, and new standard crossing arms, flashing lights, and other warning systems will be installed. A new drainage system under the railroad crossing will be constructed and will carry storm water to a new drainage system in Aptos Street. The new drainage system will cross under the railroad tracks and connect with the existing storm drain system in Soquel Drive. A total of 200 feet of railroad track, ballast, and ties will be removed and replaced.

Approved construction plans will be available for viewing on the website.