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CALTRANS AWARDS GRANT FOR VINEYARD DRIVE BIKE LANE PROJECT

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Caltrans has awarded a \$569,700 grant to the County of San Luis Obispo for the construction of bike lanes on Vineyard Drive between Bethel Road and Bennett Way in Templeton.

The new bike lanes will provide more bicycle connectivity between residences, schools, and downtown Templeton. Since 2002 the project has been the highest-ranked candidate for funding by the San Luis Obispo County Bicycle Advisory Committee.

“Caltrans is committed to supporting for bicycle improvements on the Central Coast” said Aileen Loe, Deputy District Director of Transportation Planning and Local Assistance.

The grant is from the State Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA), an annual program that provides funds for city and county projects that improve safety and convenience for bicycle commuting. Funding from the BTA is highly competitive and is part of a total of \$7.2 million awarded statewide.

A network of well connected roadways for all transportation modes can reduce traffic conflicts and make streets more appealing to residents and visitors, which can improve economic activity and enhance the quality of life.

Caltrans reminds bicyclists and motorists to “Share the Road.”

