TIGER V Grant Application

City of Arcata Rail-with-Trail
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June 3, 2013

Project Name

Humboldt Bay Trail: Arcata Rail with Trail Connectivity

Project Type

Public /Multi-modal Transportation, Economic Development and Justice, Fostering/Active Livable Communities and Environmental Sustainability

Location

City of Arcata/ Humboldt Bay, Humboldt County, California
Congressional District 2, an Economically Disadvantaged Rural Community

Project Costs

Arcata Rail with Trail Connectivity		Funding Source / Amount
Total Project Costs	Planning / Design: $766,000	State Coastal Conservancy and Local Match: $766,000
	Construction : $4,300,000	Caltrans: $1,000,000 Local Match / City of Arcata: $500,000 **TIGER V Funds: Remaining Project Costs: $2,800,000**

Result: Fully Funded Project!

Project Readiness

Over a decade of Community Advocacy moving this project forward!

- **Completed :** Identified as the Top Priority Non-Motorized Transportation Project in the Humboldt Bay Region – 2008
- **Completed**: Community Selects Preferred Route Alignment – 2011
- **Completed:** Final Engineer Designs Completed, 2012
- **Completed:** Ca. State Coastal Conservancy funds design Environmental Review, 2010-2013
- **Completed:** Funding for Phase I: Federal Transportation Enhancement and local STIP, 2012
- **Completed:** CEQA Mitigated Negative Declaration, Adopted May 2013
- **January 2014**: Final Permitting and Construction Bids
- **July 2014 – December 2015**: Projection Construction
- **January 2016**: **1st Commuter on the Trail**

Long Term Transportation Planning

- **#1 Priority:** Humboldt Regional Bicycle Master Plan 2012
- **#1 Priority:** NCRA Humboldt Bay Rail Corridor Committee Report 2012
- **#1 Priority:** Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Plan 2011
- **#1 Priority:** HP3-Human People Power Pathways Plan 2010
- **#1 Priority:** Arcata Parks and Recreation Master Plan 2009
- **#1 Priority:** Humboldt County Regional Transportation Plan 2008

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Long Term Benefits, Innovation, and Partnership

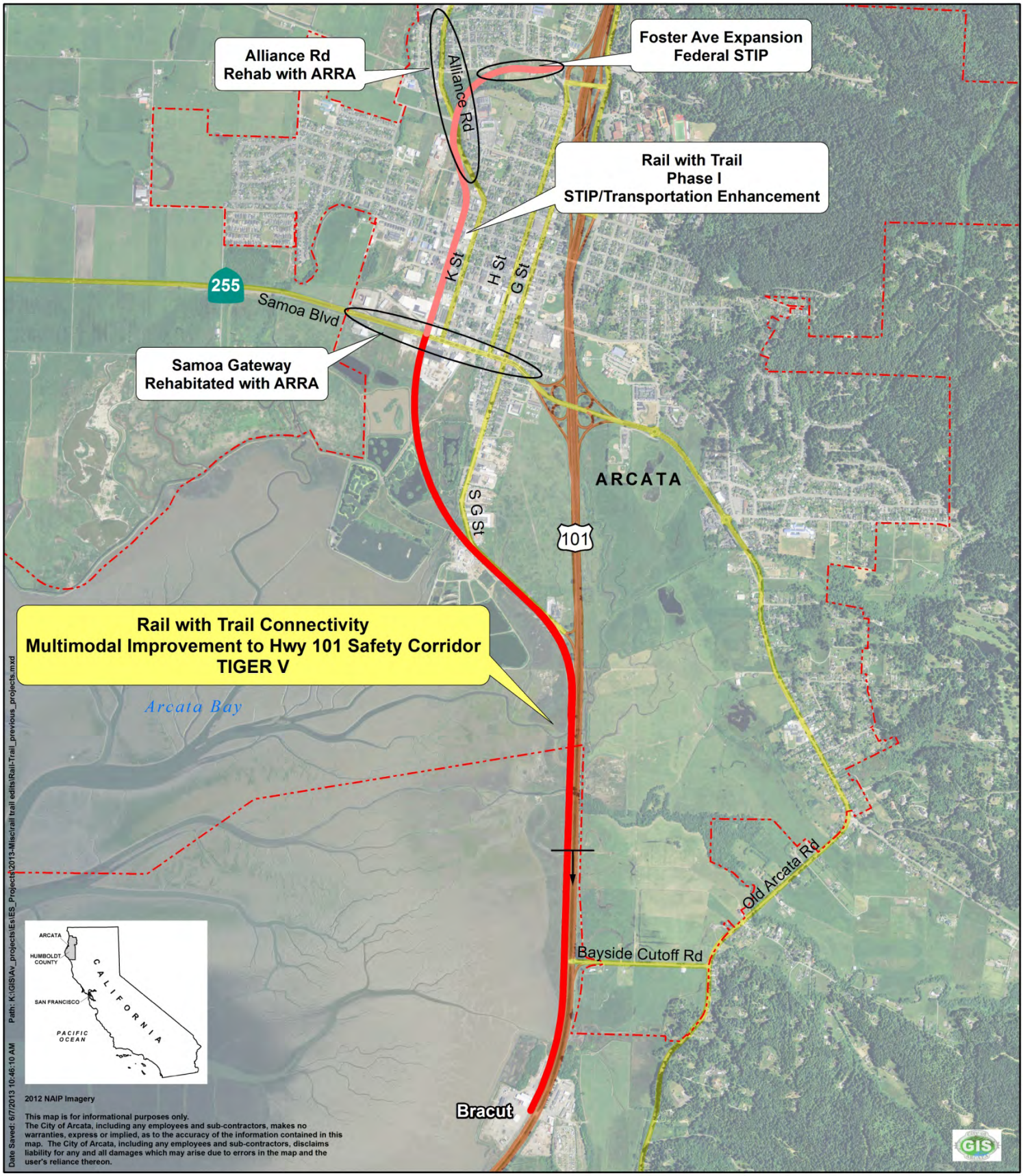
- **Supports Multimodal Improvements to the Hwy 101 Safety Corridor**
  - Compliments vehicular improvements to the Highway 101 Safety Corridor Project
- **State of Good Repair**
  - Improves transportation system efficiency
  - Preserves historic community rail bed for future use
- **Economic Competitiveness**
  - Improves coastal traffic flows
  - Connecting residents with jobs and goods
  - Increase regional tourism access
- **Livability**
  - Transportation choice for economically disadvantages families
  - Improves community health
  - Connects communities
- **Safety**
  - Reduce transportation-related crashes, injuries, and fatalities
- **Sustainability**
  - Aligned to capture commuter routes
  - Reduce vehicle miles travelled, gasoline use, and greenhouse gas emissions
- **Project Readiness**
  - Build ready!
- **Innovation**
  - Unique approach to community wide transportation relief
  - Multi-modal increase and preservation
- **Partnership**
  - Exceptional Private - Public Partnership
  - Driven by the demand from citizens, non-profits, civic groups, and the private sector

Project Partnership

- California Department of Transportation
- Humboldt County Association of Governments (H.C.A.O.G)
- California State Coastal Conservancy
- Humboldt County
- North Coast Railroad Authority
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- Redwood Coast Action Agency
- California Department of Fish and Game
- Humboldt Bay Harbor District
- Local Birding Groups / Audubon
- Timber Heritage Association
- Local Waterfowl Hunters
- Timber Heritage Association
- North Coast Environmental Center
- Pacific Gas and Electric
- Friends of the Arcata Marsh
- Green Wheels (non-profit organization)
- Humboldt Baykeepers
- Bay t[rail] Advocates
- Humboldt Bay Bicycle Commuter's Association
- Humboldt State University
- Trails Trust of Humboldt Bay
- Arcata Chamber of Commerce
- Eureka Chamber of Commerce
- Humboldt County Convention & Visitors Bureau

Support

- **Jared Huffman. US Congressman, 2nd Dist.**
- **Mike Thompson, US Congressman, 1st Dist.**
- **Wesley Chesbro, Ca. State Assembly, 2nd Dist.**
- **Noreen Evans, Ca. State Senator, 2nd Dist.**
- **Barbara Boxer, US Senator**
- **Patricia Berg, California State Assembly 2002-2008**



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