January 27, 2009

Board of Supervisors 3501 Civic Center Drive San Rafael, CA 94903

**SUBJECT:** Nonmotorized Transportation Pilot Program Fund Allocation

Dear Board Members:

**RECOMMENDATION:** 1) Approve the allocation of funding for the projects as described herein.

**SUMMARY:** The Nonmotorized Transportation Pilot Program (NTPP) is a component of the federal transportation bill SAFETEA-LU and allocates \$25 million to Marin County for the purpose of constructing infrastructure and conducting educational programming to ascertain whether bicycling and walking can result in a greater share of overall trips and thus reduce single-occupant vehicle usage.

In implementing the NTPP, your Board adopted a funding program on April 17, 2007 allocating \$20 million in NTPP funds to a variety of infrastructure and outreach programs targeted to increase the mode share of bicycling and walking for everyday transportation.

For Project 800, Bicycle Parking, staff has worked with Caltrans and the Federal Highway Administration to look for ways to simplify the federal funds authorization processes. We were unsuccessful in finding a method to make delivery of small projects cost effective while using federal funds. On September 9, 2008, your Board allocated \$75,000 of the \$533,000 your Board set aside for Bicycle Parking for a demonstration project at County Parks.

Golden Gate Transit has expressed interest in bicycle parking at the Larkspur Ferry Terminal and the Bettini Transit Center in San Rafael, and requests allocations of \$140,000 and \$23,000 for projects, respectively. Staff recommends this allocation. This leaves an unallocated balance of \$295,000 in Bicycle Parking funds. A recommendation on use of those funds will be provided at a future meeting.

## FISCAL IMPACT: None.

REVIEWED BY:	[	]	Auditor Controller	[X]	N/A
	[	]	County Counsel	[X]	N/A
	[	]	Human Resources	[X]	N/A

Very truly yours,

Craig Tackabery Assistant Director