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## **GREEN VALLEY ROAD MULTI-USE TRAIL PROJECT OFFICIALLY OPEN**

August 28, 2025 – Santa Cruz, CA — The County of Santa Cruz Department of Community Development & Infrastructure (CDI) is proud to announce the successful opening of the Green Valley Road Multi-Use Trail Project.

The project transforms the transportation landscape along Green Valley Road from Holohan Drive to Mesa Verde Drive in Watsonville, delivering on the County's commitment to safer, more accessible multimodal transportation options for residents and visitors.

Key improvements include:

- A brand-new impervious, two-way multi-use trail spanning the entire corridor.
- Five upgraded Santa Cruz METRO bus stops complete with new shelters.
- Enhanced road crossings for improved pedestrian safety.
- New landscaping throughout the project area.
- 5 public art installations that celebrate the local community by artist Bruce Harman.
- Green bike lane enhancements were incorporated along the corridor. These improvements, funded previously through Measure D, complement the new trail by creating a safer, more connected network for people biking.
- Upgraded roadside drainage to support long-term safety and maintenance.

"This project represents our ongoing commitment to creating infrastructure that serves all members of our community," said Matt Machado, CDI Director. "The new multi-use trail not only improves safety but now offers residents a way to walk and bike down the road."

This \$8.6 million project was funded through the Clean California Grant, 2016 Measure D, and general fund demonstrating the County's strategic use of available resources to improve local infrastructure.

For more information about this project and other County transportation initiatives, visit: <https://www.sccroads.org/>

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