



**CITY OF SALINAS
COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

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DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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**TITLE: CALRECYCLE RUBBERIZED ASPHALT GRANT
ACCEPTANCE**

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

A motion to approve a Resolution authorizing:

1. The acceptance of CalRecycle funds in the amount of \$216,120;
2. The establishment of a new CIP project: “Bike Path Improvements”;
3. The adoption of the following 2025-26 Appropriation and Funding Sources in the Capital Improvement Program:
 - a. Increase the estimated revenue from State Government appropriation by \$216,120; and
 - b. Establish the expenditure appropriation by \$216,120 for a Bike Path Improvements CIP.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On December 11, 2025, the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) awarded the City of Salinas a Rubberized Pavement Grant in the amount of \$216,120. The grant funds will be allocated to provide financial assistance for the upcoming Bike Path Improvements Project. City staff recommends acceptance of the CalRecycle grant funds in the amount of \$216,120, establishment of a new CIP, increase the estimated revenue by \$216,120, and increase funding for CIP.

BACKGROUND:

On December 13, 2022, City Council approved Resolution No. 22544 authorizing the submission of applications to the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) grants/payment programs and authorized the City Manager or designee as the signature authority to execute all documents necessary to implement and secure funding.

CalRecycle administers various grants and payment programs in an effort to reduce, recycle, and reuse solid waste generated in the state. On September 9, 2025, City staff applied to CalRecycle's Rubberized Asphalt Grant Program. The program goal is to decrease the adverse environmental impacts created by unlawful disposal and stockpiling of waste rubber tires by reimbursing local agencies to incorporate rubberized asphalt concrete in paving projects.

Rubberized asphalt concrete is a proven road paving material that is created by blending ground rubber from tires with asphalt binder and other conventional aggregate materials. Rubberized asphalt concrete is a durable/flexible material that is low maintenance and resilient.

On December 11, 2025, CalRecycle approved funding for the City in the amount of \$216,120. The grant funds will be allocated to provide financial assistance for the upcoming Bike Path Improvements Project which will include bike paths throughout the City as well as parks that have asphalt walkways. A map of the locations is provided in Attachment A.

City staff recommends approving a resolution to accept the CalRecycle funds in the amount of \$216,120; Adoption of a new CIP, Increase the estimated revenue from State Government appropriation by \$216,120; and Increase funding, by the grant amount, for the CIP.

CEQA CONSIDERATION:

Not a Project. The City of Salinas has determined that the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378). In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 includes the general rule that CEQA applies only to activities which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Because the proposed action and this matter have no potential to cause any effect on the environment, or because it falls within a category of activities excluded as projects pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378, this matter is not a project. Because the matter does not cause a direct or foreseeable indirect physical change on or in the environment, this matter is not a project. Any subsequent discretionary projects resulting from this action will be assessed for CEQA applicability.

CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 APPLIES:

No, Government Code §84308/Levine Act does not apply to this item.

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

This item relates to the Council's Goal of *Infrastructure* by investing in the condition of bike paths and parks.

DEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION:

Public Works staff and the City Manager have worked together to receive this grant as the City Manager or designee is authorized to execute documents for this grant.

FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

The proposed funding from the CalRecycle Rubberized Asphalt Grant is \$216,120 and will be utilized to fund improvements as described in this report. No matching funds are required to receive these grant funds and there is no anticipated impact to the City’s General Fund budget.

Fund	General Ledger Number (Operating/CIP)	General Ledger Account Name	Remaining Budget Appropriation	Amount Requested
5201	New	Bike Path Improvements	\$0	\$216,120
5201	55.5322	Intergovernmental Other State Grant & Reimb	\$0	\$216,120

ATTACHMENTS:

- Resolution
- Grant Agreement Cover Sheet
- Attachment A