

January 2026 Recommended RM3 Allocations – Project Summaries

RM3 Project 17 - Dumbarton Corridor Improvements Project

RM3 provides \$130 million in toll funds for the Dumbarton Corridor Improvements Project. This RM3 programmatic category funds planning, environmental review, design, and construction of capital improvements within Dumbarton Bridge and rail corridor in the Counties of Alameda and San Mateo to relieve congestion, increase person throughput, and offer reliable travel times. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to, the projects recommended in the Dumbarton Corridor Transportation Study and improvements to facilitate rail and transit connectivity among the Altamont Corridor Express, Capitol Corridor, and Bay Area Rapid Transit District, including a rail connection at Shinn Station. The project sponsors are the Bay Area Toll Authority, Alameda County Transportation Commission, the San Mateo County Transit District, and the San Mateo County Transportation Authority. In June 2024, MTC approved initial programming of this category through MTC Resolution No. 4411, Revised. Two allocations under this category are proposed this month, both to the Thornton Avenue Multimodal Complete Streets Project in Newark, which received \$15 million in programming under the competitive category of Res. 4411:

RM3 #17.6 City of Newark –Thornton Avenue Multimodal Complete Streets Project (\$15 million)

The Thornton Avenue Multimodal Complete Streets Project improves multimodal access on Thornton Avenue between State Route 84 and Interstate 880 in Newark, a critical connection in the Dumbarton Corridor. This project will include bicycle and pedestrian accessibility improvements on Thornton Avenue between I-880 and Ash St., incorporating design principles based on the All Ages and Abilities guidance as required under MTC's Complete Streets Policy, and safety improvements for rail crossings.

This project involves multiple phases. A total of \$15 million in RM3 allocations support the City of Newark's approach to advance ready-to-go components (see Figure 1 below).

RM3 Allocation 1 for \$13.8 million for construction work to be completed in early 2028:

- Old Town Streetscape and Complete Streets Improvements (Olive St. to Ash St.): The project will reduce the number of travel lanes on Thornton Avenue from three to two, widen sidewalks and add new bicycle facilities where only an unmarked bicycle route currently exists. Additional safety and connectivity improvements include new high visibility crosswalks, curb extensions, bus stop amenities, and landscaping.
- Thornton Avenue Alternate Route Corridor Pavement Rehabilitation Phase 1 (I-880 to Olive St.): Pavement overlay that will include improved multimodal access with pedestrian facility improvements and separated bicycle lanes where vehicle parking is prohibited.
- Thornton Avenue Alternate Route Corridor Pavement Rehabilitation Phase 2 (Ash St. to Spruce St.): pavement overlay, effectively closing a gap between the proposed Old Town Streetscape and Complete Streets project and existing improvements that start at Spruce Street and Willow Street. Project will enhance multimodal access with buffered bike lanes and pedestrian facility improvements.



Figure 1. Old Town Streetscape and Complete Streets Project, Olive Street to Ash Street

RM3 Allocation 2 for \$1.2 million includes the following construction work to be completed in early 2028:

- Thornton Avenue Area Quiet Zones and Pedestrian Improvements: Federal Railroad Administration Quiet Zone improvements at various at-grade crossings along with pedestrian improvements.

The full extent of the segments of the Thornton Avenue Multimodal Complete Streets Project is illustrated in Figure 2 below. **RM3 Allocations 1 and 2 are shown in red and purple**; the segment of the project already completed (Hickory St. to Spruce St.) is shown in green; and the last segment of the project to be completed in the future, the Thornton Ave two-way Cycle Track (Gateway Blvd. to Hickory St.), is shown in orange for your reference.

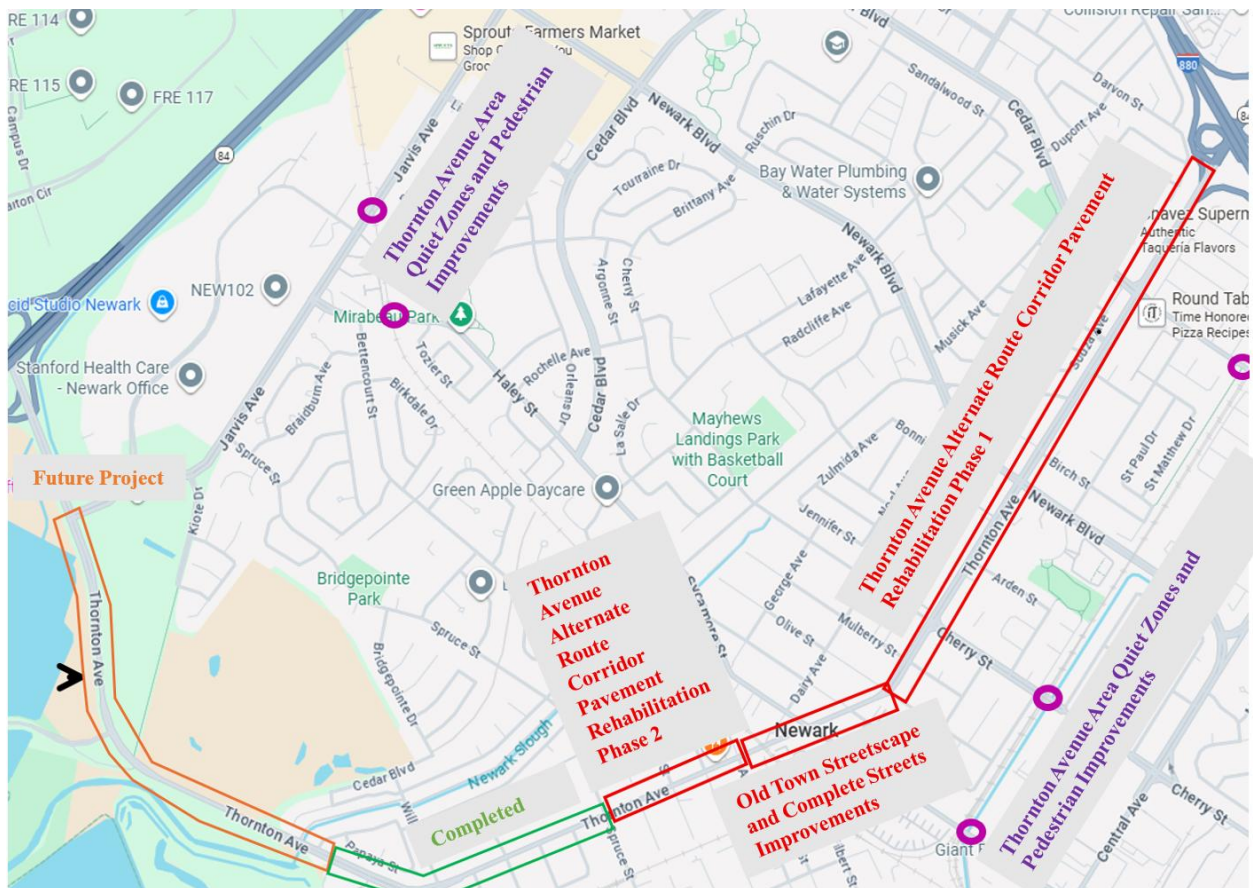


Figure 2. Thornton Avenue Multimodal Complete Streets Project Segments