

FAQs

What is the City doing with the money from other sales tax measures on roads?

- None of the previous measures to increase the sales tax to fund road improvements has passed .

Why hasn't the City spent any of the state or federal money it receives on residential roads?

- The City cannot legally spend funds from state or federal sources on residential roads. That money must come from local sources.

Will this money go to fund Police, or Code Enforcement, or big raises?

- Because this is a Special Tax, it can only be used for road maintenance and improvements.

Aren't Assessment Districts a better way to fund road improvements?

- Assessment Districts require an up front cost for engineering in order to determine the scope of the project and the cost of the assessment. The City cannot afford to front that cost.

Other Information

Per a TRIP* study, bad roads cost vehicle owners an additional \$800 per year based on:

- Higher fuel costs
- Higher maintenance costs
- More frequent tire replacement
- Shorter vehicle life

Due to the poor condition of the roads, Police Department, Fire Department, Public Transit, and School buses all have shorter life spans and higher maintenance costs than normal.

Emergency response times are longer due to bad condition of roads.

The City receives multiple claims against the City each year due to bad condition of roads.

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City Streets

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Street Facts

- The City of Clearlake has 112 miles of roads—approximately 62 miles of which are paved.
- The City has received approximately \$14M in state and federal funding for major roads (arterials and collectors) over the last ten years. There is no outside funding available for residential roads.
- The City recently received an excellent audit report from the State Controller's Office regarding the use of state road funds.

Pavement Condition Index (PCI)

- The average Pavement Condition Index (PCI) for City of Clearlake's entire road network is 37 out of 100 (Poor). Road failure is a PCI of 25 or less. Unpaved roads are not included in the PCI.
- Average PCI for City's arterials (Olympic, Old Hwy 53, Lakeshore) is 87 (good); for collectors (Dam Rd, Burns Valley Rd, 40th Ave) PCI = 44 (poor); and for residential roads PCI = 19 (very poor).
- If no maintenance occurs, the average remaining service time until the overall road network reaches the point of failure is 8 years and the PCI will drop from 37 to 21 (very poor) by 2024.
- If maintenance funding continues at the current level, the PCI will drop from 37 to 32 (poor) by 2024.

Measure V

- Generates approximately \$1.6M per year
- Expenditures limited to road maintenance and improvements
- Annual expenditure plan
- Citizens' Oversight Committee
- Annual grading contract for dirt roads
- 20 year sunset clause
- Will increase overall PCI from 37 (poor) to at least 60 (fair) within ten years

