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**Santa Paula Continues Investing in Critical Infrastructure with  
Federal Funding and Additional Measure T Funds**

Santa Paula, CA – The City of Santa Paula is kicking the new year off with additional funding allocations toward important street improvement projects. On December 29, Congress awarded \$2 million to the City to advance the Harvard Boulevard Improvement Project. In addition, the [Measure T Oversight Committee](#) voted to allocate an additional \$792,000 to boost street maintenance projects in 2023.

“Over the past several years, the City has made significant investments in improving Santa Paula’s critical infrastructure. This additional funding from the federal government allows us to continue setting the foundation for a very bright future,” said Mayor Andy Sobel. “On behalf of all of us here in Santa Paula, I would like to thank Congresswoman Brownley for supporting Santa Paula and for recognizing our efforts to improve the quality of life for our residents.”

This \$2 million allocation will be implemented in concert with funding from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) to advance water quality infrastructure projects. The Harvard Boulevard Improvement Project was selected for the program because it will enhance the quality of the City’s roads and modernize its water and sewer infrastructure. Congresswoman Julia Brownley visited Santa Paula this morning to personally present the City with the awarded funding.

“I am so pleased to have delivered this critical funding for the people of Santa Paula,” said Congresswoman Julia Brownley. “These resources and the replacement of this pipeline are a key component to the Harvard Boulevard Improvement Project, which will ensure the reliability of Santa Paula’s water and sewer services. Community investments in water and wastewater infrastructure will also create good-paying jobs, open opportunities for working families and small businesses, and support our economic growth – a true win-win-win for Santa Paula and Ventura County as a whole.”

The project began in September 2022 and is expected to be completed in 2024. The additional \$2 million will allow the City to reallocate funding toward other water and sewer capital projects that were originally postponed to support the Harvard Boulevard Improvement Project. These water and sewer projects will now align with the 5-Year Capital Improvement Project schedule.

As the project moves into the next stage of construction, residents will soon see crews replacing more than three miles of water and sewer mainline underneath 1.7 miles of Harvard Boulevard. Once the underground work is complete, the City will begin replacing the road’s surface. For more information on the Harvard Boulevard Improvement Project and to subscribe for updates, visit [HarvardBlvdProject.com](http://HarvardBlvdProject.com).

In addition to the Harvard Boulevard Improvement Project, the Santa Paula Public Works Department has been working diligently to improve the rest of the City’s road network. In November 2022, the Public Works Department completed several maintenance projects along



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seven major segments of road throughout the City in accordance with the direction provided by the Santa Paula City Council:

- Tenth Street between Ojai Road and Virginia Terrace
- Eleventh Street between Santa Paula Street and Saticoy Street
- Twelfth Street between Santa Paula Street and Orchard Street
- Thirteenth Street between Santa Paula Street and Orchard Street
- Ojai Street between Santa Paula Street and Ojai Road
- Orchard Street between Ojai Road and Thirteenth Street
- Saticoy Street between Twelfth Street and Thirteenth Street

The additional funding from the Measure T Oversight Committee will support future street maintenance projects and help achieve the goals outlined by the City Council in 2020. The Public Works Department will continue their scheduled maintenance in 2023 according to the [City's 5-Year Pavement Management Plan](#), which aims to rehabilitate road segments in poor condition and maintain their longevity.

To learn more about the City's maintenance efforts, visit the [Public Works Department's Citywide Streets Project webpage](#).

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