

MEASURE I

Working for the City of Needles



San Bernardino County's half-cent transportation sales tax

Measure I Revenue, The First 16 Years

■ 1990-91:	\$214,935
■ 1991-92:	\$223,076
■ 1992-93:	\$217,378
■ 1993-94:	\$197,923
■ 1994-95:	\$224,767
■ 1995-96:	\$246,986
■ 1996-97:	\$184,602
■ 1997-98:	\$212,196
■ 1998-99:	\$213,884
■ 1999-00:	\$184,604
■ 2000-01:	\$225,848
■ 2001-02:	\$213,282
■ 2002-03:	\$215,413
■ 2003-04:	\$213,857
■ 2004-05:	\$271,501
■ 2005-06:	\$284,823
Total:	\$3,545,075

Figures include interest income and gains/losses on securities.

“Funding for roads and streets in our community is costly. Without Measure I, our major road and street projects would not come to fruition.”

-- Rebecca Valentine, Councilmember
Member, SANBAG Board of Directors

Adopted by San Bernardino County voters in 1989, Measure I is a major source of revenue for transportation improvements in the City of Needles. This 20-year half-cent sales tax has provided nearly \$4 million for Needles during the first 16 years. Local officials make decisions about the allocation of these funds. In Needles, 65 percent of the funds are designated for regional highways and major streets, 30 percent goes toward local streets and roads and five percent is used to offset Needles Dial-a-Ride expenses for elderly and disabled passengers. Measure I clearly is working for the City of Needles!

Measure I and Needles: Progress in Transportation

Of the Measure I funds received each year by Needles, **65 percent** is used for improvements to city streets that function as major arteries in the region. Some of these regional arterial projects have included:

- Reconstruction and paving of Hill area, 1997-98 (\$530,343)
- Rehabilitation of Broadway Street, 1992-93, (\$259,313)
- Reconstruction of K Street at Needles Highway, 1999-2005 (\$239,256)
- Rehabilitation of Needles Highway, 1991-1995, 2005-06 (\$221,818)
- Pavement reconstruction on San Clemente Street, 2003-04 (\$189,759)
- Improvements to River Road, 1994-2001 (\$162,531)

Measure I funds used to design improvements on Needles Highway provided for the partnership between the City of Needles, Fort Mojave Indian Tribe, San Bernardino and Clark counties and the State of Nevada, which will allow the upcoming rehabilitation and realignment of this highway.

The partnership resulted in a \$7 million investment from Nevada for improvements to this California highway.

Needles spends **30 percent** of its Measure I funds for improvements to local city streets and roads. Selected local projects are:

- Paving and reconstruction of N, O, Q, R and Race Streets, 2004-05 (\$424,021)
- Reconstruction of Hill Area Project, 1998 (\$250,789)
- Rehabilitation of J Street, 2001 (\$194,965)
- Street striping, maintenance and crack sealant, citywide, 1999-2000, 2003-04 (\$40,527)
- Improvements to Coronado Street, 1993 (\$35,694)
- Purchase of patch truck equipment and lease payment, 1994-95 (\$32,058)

The remaining **five percent** of Measure I funds are designated for public transit. Needles supports the Needles Dial-a-Ride with funding for operations. A contribution to the Needles Area Transit allows elderly and disabled passengers to ride at lower rates. During the past 16 years, contributions have totaled \$160,986.

