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Hi SB 125,

Could these be added for Public Comment: SB 125 Transit Program #11.

So, as a County, we are only receiving 13% of our Property Tax (from ~1.02% collected), for fixing roads, water & sewer, paying for mass transit, affordable housing, & implementing other needs (of course, other services & public staff payroll). So for every dollar collected in property tax, we only keep 13cents of every dollar collected, and we should be at least 25cents for every dollar collected.

Other Counties are getting a lot more than us. We supplement our revenue by searching for grant funding from state & federal agencies.

Proposition 13 was established when Santa Cruz had a much lower population (now ~262,000). Yes, San Francisco gets 70%...

Our goal should be to reach 25% for every dollar collected and given to our County from our paid

Property Taxes, for counties to afford the funding changes mentioned at these meetings.

2008 Numbers:

Prop 13 Set Rates

 Our county gets one of the lowest shares of property taxes, despite having one of the highest shares of population in the unincorporated county.

County	% of Value in Unincorporated Area	% of Property Taxes to County
San Francisco	0%	70%
San Luis Obispo	50%	25%
Santa Barbara	46%	20%
Napa	47%	20%
Marin	28%	19%
Monterey	48%	16%
Santa Cruz	58%	13%



Thank you for your time and consideration Mike Pisano – Santa Cruz County