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November 20, 2020

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(via email)

Ms. Hilary Norton
California Transportation Commission
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Re: Napa Valley Transportation Authority – CTC Recommendation for Soscol Junction for the Solutions for Congested Corridor Program

Dear Chair Norton,

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the CTC Staff project proposals for funding in the Solutions for Congested Corridor Program. The draft program includes \$25 million for the Soscol Junction project which would close the funding gap and bring this vitally important project to fruition.

The project would make significant improvements to the intersection of SR 29 and SR 221 – the gateway to our beautiful valley and a major evacuation point during emergencies such as during the recent LNU/LSU Complex and Glass Fires.

I've attached numerous support letters that were submitted as part of the grant application. I think you can see that our federal and state elected officials and Napa industries all enthusiastically embrace this project.

I serve as the Chair of the Napa Valley Transportation Authority and the Vice Chair of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission. I understand that project selection is difficult and there are many factors to weigh. This project will create a lot of jobs in Napa Valley and help buttress Napa's wine and hospitality industries which is desperately needed during these troubling times.

Thank you for the work you do. Please let me know if you have any additional questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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Alfredo Pedroza
Supervisor, Napa County District 4

Cc: Mitch Weiss/CTC

MIKE THOMPSON

5TH DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA

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June 15, 2020

Mr. Mitch Weiss, Chair
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street, MS-52
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Dear Director Weiss,

I am writing to strongly urge the California Transportation to approve the Napa Valley Transportation Authority's (NVTA) Solution for Congested Corridors (SCC) Program's \$25 million grant application for the Soscol Junction interchange project.

The Soscol Junction project is the highest transportation priority for NVTA and the local community. The project is consistent with California's Transportation Plan 2040 and the Regional Transportation Plan, Plan Bay Area 2040. It also is included in the SR 29 Comprehensive Multi-Modal Corridor Plan, which was adopted by the NVTA board in May 2020.

State Route 29 is the main north-south transportation artery serving all six jurisdictions in Napa County, and connecting the Valley to the adjacent counties of Solano, Sonoma, and Lake. The continued population growth of the southern part of the Valley, coupled with 4 million visitors per year has caused excessive congestion and delays on the SR 29 corridor in the southern part of the county. Existing conditions result in 1.365 million hours of delay at this intersection per year. Soscol Junction is a vital facility that supports the local agriculture economy, which topped \$1 billion dollars in 2018, and the Valley's robust tourism industry.

The Soscol Junction project will include operational and multimodal improvements at the intersection of SR 29/SR 221/Soscol Ferry Road, which is currently a signalized intersection. The project will eliminate the traffic signal and elevate SR 29 to be a free-flowing north-south facility with double roundabouts slightly below grade.

The project will feature additional safety improvements for all transportation modes, especially bicyclist and pedestrians by providing a dedicated class I multimodal path around the intersection. The project also will serve transit by improving a main thoroughfare for Vine Transit regional routes that connect to Vallejo Ferry, El Cerrito Del Norte BART and Amtrak/Capitol Corridor in Suisun.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike Thompson".

MIKE THOMPSON
Member of Congress

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Mr. Mitch Weiss
California Transportation Commission
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June 23, 2020

Dear Director Weiss,

As Senator of District 3, I vigorously support the Napa Valley Transportation Authority's (NVTA) Solution for Congested Corridors (SCC) Program grant application for the Soscol Junction interchange project.

NVTA is applying for \$25 million in SCC funds for the Soscol Junction project. This is the highest transportation priority for NVTA and the local community. The project is consistent with California's Transportation Plan 2040 and the Regional Transportation Plan, Plan Bay Area 2040. It is also included in the SR 29 Comprehensive Multi-Modal Corridor Plan adopted by the NVTA board in May 2020.

State Route 29 is the main transportation artery in the Valley, which runs north-south serving as a lifeline connecting all six jurisdictions in Napa County, with the adjacent counties of Solano, Sonoma, and Lake Counties. The continued population growth of the southern part of the Valley, coupled with 4 million visitors per year has caused excessive congestion and delays on the SR 29 corridor in the southern part of the county. Existing conditions result in 1.365 million hours of delay at this intersection per year. Soscol Junction supports the local 1 billion dollar (2018) agriculture economy, and the Valley's robust tourism industry.

This project will provide significant operational and multimodal improvements at the intersection of SR 29/SR 221/Soscol Ferry Road, and will also eliminate the existing traffic signal with the elevation of SR 29 as a free flowing north-south facility, utilizing double roundabouts slightly below grade. Additionally, safety for all modes, especially bicyclist and pedestrians, will be enhanced by providing a dedicated class I multimodal path around the intersection. We will also see improved traffic flow for the Vine Transit regional routes that connect to Vallejo Ferry, El Cerrito Del Norte BART and Amtrak/Capitol Corridor in Suisun.

I urge the Commission's careful consideration of this beneficial Project and recommend approval of its funding in the SCC competitive grant program. Please contact my office with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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Bill Dodd
California State Senator, District 3

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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

June 15, 2020

Mr. Mitch Weiss
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street, MS-52
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Dear Director Weiss,

I strongly support the Napa Valley Transportation Authority's (NVTA) Solution for Congested Corridors (SCC) Program grant application for the Soscol Junction interchange project.

NVTA is applying for \$25 million in SCC funds for the Soscol Junction project. This is the highest transportation priority for NVTA and the local community. The project is consistent with California's Transportation Plan 2040 and the Regional Transportation Plan, Plan Bay Area 2040. It is also included in the SR 29 Comprehensive Multi-Modal Corridor Plan adopted by the NVTA board in May 2020.

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The Soscol Junction project will make operational and multimodal improvements at the intersection of SR 29/SR 221/Soscol Ferry Road, which is currently a signalized intersection. The Project will eliminate the traffic signal and elevate SR 29 to be a free flowing north-south facility with double roundabouts slightly below grade. The project will provide additional safety for all modes, but especially bicyclist and pedestrians by providing a dedicated class I multimodal path around the intersection. The project will also serve transit by improving a main thoroughfare for Vine Transit regional routes that connect to Vallejo Ferry, El Cerrito Del Norte BART and Amtrak/Capitol Corridor in Suisun.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and please call me at 707-224-0440 with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cecilia Aguiar-Curry".

Cecilia Aguiar-Curry
Assemblymember, 4th District





May 28, 2020

Mr. Mitch Weiss
California Transportation Commission
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Re: SUPPORT – Napa Valley Transportation Authority – Solution for Congested Corridors Application

Dear Director Weiss,

The Napa County Bicycle Coalition represents over 1,800 members and supporters throughout Napa County in advocating to make riding a bicycle in our communities safe, convenient, and accessible for riders of all ages and abilities. Since 2008, we have worked with elected officials, business leaders, public agencies, and members of the public to align our transportation infrastructure with the needs of cyclists and other active transportation users.

I am writing today to express our support of the Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTA) application for the Solution for Congested Corridors (SCC) Program for the Soscol Junction Interchange project.

NVTA is requesting \$25 million from the SCC competitive grant program for the project. This is the highest transportation priority for NVTA, and has the potential to significantly improve bicycle and pedestrian access and safety along an essential transportation intersection in Napa County.

All project components have been identified in the Countywide Transportation Plan and the recently adopted SR 29 Comprehensive Multi-Modal Corridor Plan. The project is consistent with California's Transportation Plan 2040 and the Regional Transportation Plan, Plan Bay Area 2040.

The main transportation artery in the Napa Valley is SR 29, which runs north-south and serves as the primary roadway connecting all six jurisdictions in Napa County, as well as connecting Napa County to the neighboring Solano, Sonoma, and Lake counties. The continued population growth of the southern part of the Valley, coupled with over 4 million visitors per year has caused excessive congestion, delays, and dangerous conditions for bicyclists and pedestrians on the SR 29 corridor. Currently, existing conditions result in 1.365 million hours of delay at this intersection per year. Soscol Junction is a crucial facility supporting the local agriculture economy, which topped \$1 billion dollars in 2018, and the Valley's robust tourism.

The Soscol Junction Project will include operational and multimodal improvements at the intersection of SR 29/SR 221/Soscol Ferry Road, which is currently a signalized intersection. The

project will eliminate the traffic signal and elevate SR 29 to be a free-flowing north-south connection with double roundabouts slightly below grade, facilitating turning movements on and off the highways and accommodating bicyclists and pedestrians.

The Soscol Junction intersection project will provide additional safety for all modes along the corridor but especially bicyclist and pedestrians by providing a dedicated Class I multipurpose path around the intersection, creating a safer route to navigate this intersection. The project will also serve transit by improving a major intersection that serves the Vine Transit regional routes that connect to Vallejo Ferry, El Cerrito Del Norte BART, and Amtrak/Capitol Corridor in Suisun. With the approval of the SCC grant, this intersection could be transformed to provide benefits including mode separation and other improvements that ensure that all users can arrive at their destination safely.

For the reasons stated above, the Napa County Bicycle Coalition is pleased to support this project and recommends it be funded under the SCC competitive grant program.

Please contact Carlotta Sainato at (707) 258-6317 or csainato@napabike.org should you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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Carlotta Sainato
Program Coordinator
Napa County Bicycle Coalition



napa valley vintners

June 23, 2020

Mr. Mitch Weiss
California Transportation Commission
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SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR NVTA SCC PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION

Dear Director Weiss:

Representing 550 Napa Valley wineries, the Napa Valley Vintners (NVV) is the non-profit trade association for the Napa wine industry, the driving force of our local economy. Reducing traffic congestion for our workers, visitors and community members is a top priority for the NVV and that is why we support the Napa Valley Transportation Authority's (NVTA) Solution for Congested Corridors (SCC) Program grant application for the Soscol Junction interchange project. NVTA is applying for \$25 million in SCC funds for the Soscol Junction project. This is the highest transportation priority for NVTA and the local community.

State Route 29 is the main transportation artery in the Valley, which runs north-south serving as a lifeline connecting all six jurisdictions in Napa County, and the Valley to the adjacent counties of Solano, Sonoma, and Lake. The continued population growth of the southern part of the Valley, coupled with nearly 4 million visitors per year has caused excessive congestion and delays on the SR 29 corridor in the southern part of the county.

The Soscol Junction project will make operational and multimodal improvements at the intersection of SR 29/SR 221/Soscol Ferry Road, which is currently a signalized intersection. The Project will eliminate the traffic signal and elevate SR 29 to be a free-flowing north-south facility with double roundabouts slightly below grade. The project will provide additional safety for all modes, but especially bicyclist and pedestrians by providing a dedicated class I multimodal path around the intersection, which we find appealing.

The NVV supports this project and recommends that the California Transportation Commission consider it for funding in the SCC competitive grant.

Please contact me should you have any questions or require additional information about our association.

Sincerely,

Rex Stults
Vice President of Industry Relations



June 1, 2020

Mr. Mitch Weiss
California Transportation Commission
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Dear Director Weiss,

Please accept this letter as Visit Napa Valley's enthusiastic support of the Napa Valley Transportation Authority's (NVTA) Solution for Congested Corridors (SCC) Program grant application for the Soscol Junction interchange project.

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I strongly support this project and recommend that the California Transportation Commission consider it for funding in the SCC competitive grant.

Please contact me should you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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June 17, 2020
Mr. Mitch Weiss
California Transportation Commission
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Dear Director Weiss,

**NAPA VALLEY VINE TRAIL COALITION
BOARD MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS**

LAND INTEREST GROUPS

- Napa Valley Vintners (co-founder)
- Napa Valley Grapegrowers (co-founder)
- Land Trust of Napa County (co-founder)
- Napa County Farm Bureau
- Winegrowers of Napa County

PUBLIC AGENCIES

- Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTA)
- City of Vallejo/Solano County NVTA/TAC Public Works Planners
- Active Transportation Advisory Committees of Napa County (ATAC)
- Napa County Regional Park & Open Space District
- California Department of Fish & Wildlife
- Napa County Law Enforcement
- Napa County Sheriff's Department
- City of Napa Police Department
- California Highway Patrol
- Napa Valley College
- Caltrans District 4

ECONOMIC INTEREST GROUPS

- Visit Napa Valley
- Napa Valley Chambers of Commerce
- Calistoga Vitality Group
- Cycling Businesses of Napa Valley
- North Bay Realtors/Napa Group

ENVIRONMENTAL INTEREST GROUPS

- Sierra Club Napa Group
- Sustainable Napa County
- Friends of the Napa River

CULTURAL & COMMUNITY INTEREST GROUPS

- Napa County Bicycle Coalition
- Health, Wellness & Medical Coalition
- Youth Development/Safety Education
- Runners of Napa Valley
- Rotary Clubs of Napa Valley
- Arts Council Napa Valley

Please accept this letter as the Napa Valley Vine Trail Coalition's enthusiastic support of the Napa Valley Transportation Authority's (NVTA) Solution to Congested Corridors (SCC) grant application for the Soscol Junction interchange project.

NVTA is applying for \$25 million from the SCC competitive grant program for the project. This is the highest transportation priority for NVTA and the local community. The project is identified in the Countywide Transportation Plan and the recently adopted SR 29 Comprehensive Multi-Modal Corridor Plan. The project is consistent with California's Transportation Plan 2040 and the Regional Transportation Plan, Plan Bay Area 2040.

The main transportation artery in the Valley is State Route (SR) 29, which runs north-south serving as a lifeline connecting all six jurisdictions in Napa County, and the Valley to the adjacent counties of Solano, Sonoma, and Lake counties. The continued population growth of the southern part of the Valley, coupled with 4 million visitors per year has caused excessive congestion and delays on the SR 29 corridor in the southern part of the county, and Soscol Junction would greatly improve highway operations and safety in south county. The project entails making operational and multimodal improvements at the intersection of SR 29/SR 221/Soscol Ferry Road, which is currently a signalized intersection. The Project will eliminate the traffic signal and elevate SR 29 to be a free flowing north-south facility with double roundabouts slightly below grade, facilitating turning movements on and off the highways.

The Soscol Junction project will provide additional safety for all modes but especially bicyclist and pedestrians by providing a dedicated class I multimodal path around the intersection. The project will also assist transit by improving a major intersection that serves the Vine Transit regional routes that connect to Vallejo Ferry, El Cerrito Del Norte BART and Amtrak/Capitol Corridor in Suisun.

The Board of the Napa Valley Vine Trail Coalition strongly supports the Soscol Junction Project and recommend that the California Transportation Commission consider it for funding in the SCC competitive grant program.

Please contact me if you should you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Philip Sales
Executive Director



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Diane Dillon
Chair

June 16, 2020

Mr. Mitch Weiss
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Dear Director Weiss,

Please accept this letter as Napa County's enthusiastic support of the Napa Valley Transportation Authority's (NVTA) Solution for Congested Corridors (SCC) Program grant application for the Soscol Junction interchange project.

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Brad Wagenknecht
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Ryan Gregory
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Diane Dillon
District 3

Alfredo Pedroza
District 4

Belia Ramos
District 5

Mr. Mitch Weiss
June 16, 2020
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We strongly support this project and recommend that the California Transportation Commission consider it for funding in the SCC competitive grant.

Please contact Danielle Schmitz ([707-259-5968](tel:707-259-5968) or dschmitz@nvta.ca.gov) should you have any questions or require additional information about this project.

Sincerely,

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Alfredo Pedroza
Vice Chair, Napa County Board of Supervisors

cc: Congressman Mike Thompson
Kate Miller, Executive Director, NVTA

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June 1, 2020

Mr. Mitch Weiss
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Dear Director Weiss,

Please accept this letter as City of Calistoga's enthusiastic support of the Napa Valley Transportation Authority's (NVTA) Solution for Congested Corridors (SCC) Program grant application for the Soscol Junction interchange project.

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I strongly support this project and recommend that the California Transportation Commission consider it for funding in the SCC competitive grant.

Please contact my staff member Hamid Heidary at 707-942-2828 or hheidary@ci.calistoga.ca.us should you have any questions or require additional information

Sincerely,

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Derek Rayner
Public Works Director/City Engineer



June 1, 2020

Mr. Mitch Weiss
California Transportation Commission
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Director Weiss,

Please accept this letter as the City of American Canyon's enthusiastic support of the Napa Valley Transportation Authority's (NVTA) Solution for Congested Corridors (SCC) Program grant application for the Soscol Junction interchange project.

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I strongly support this project and recommend that the California Transportation Commission consider it for funding in the SCC competitive grant.



Please contact staff member Rick Kaufman, Public Works Director at rkaufman@cityofamericacanyon.org or 707.647.4366 should you have any questions or require additional information

Sincerely,

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Jason B. Holley
City Manager





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June 9, 2020

Mr. Mitch Weiss
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Dear Director Weiss,

Please accept this letter as the City of St. Helena enthusiastic support of the Napa Valley Transportation Authority's (NVTA) Solution for Congested Corridors (SCC) Program grant application for the Soscol Junction interchange project.

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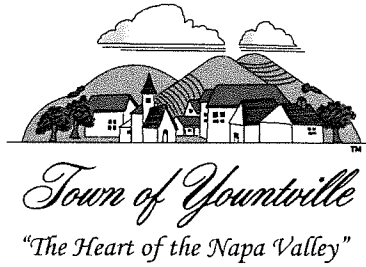
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Please contact my staff member Mark T. Prestwich, City Manager, at mprestwich@cityofsthelena.org should you have any questions or require additional information

Sincerely,

Geoff Ellsworth
Mayor, City of St. Helena



June 5, 2020

Mr. Mitch Weiss
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street, MS-52
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Director Weiss,

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Mr. Mitch Weiss
June 5, 2020
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Please contact Town Manager Steven Rogers at srogers@yville.com or 707-944-8851 should you have any questions or require additional information

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by:



John F. Dunbar,
Mayor

Copies: Town Council
 Steven R. Rogers, Town Manager



June 1, 2020

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California Transportation Commission
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I strongly support this project and recommend that the California Transportation Commission consider it for funding in the SCC competitive grant.

Please contact my assistant Lura Compoginis at lura@napachamber.com should you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,



Travis Stanley
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November 24, 2020

Chair Hilary Norton
California Transportation Commission
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Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for CTC Recommendation for Watsonville-Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor Program
Local Partnership Program and Solutions to Congested Corridors Program – Items 24 & 25

Dear Chair Norton and Commissioners:

On behalf of the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC), commuters, bicyclists, pedestrians, emergency services, and businesses, I am writing to express our appreciative support for your staff's recommendations to provide \$107.2 million in SCCP (\$92.8M) and LPP (\$14.4M) funds for the **Watsonville-Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor Program**.

The Watsonville-Santa Cruz Corridor is chronically choked by congestion, with buses, commuters, goods, and tourists inching along Highway 1 and Soquel Drive/Avenue, and bicyclists and pedestrians facing challenging freeway interchanges and busy streets to get to key destinations. Through a strong partnership between the CTC, RTC, Caltrans, Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (METRO), County Public Works, and Santa Cruz County taxpayers, the Watsonville-Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor Program Cycle 2 SCCP & LPP project will support CTC, State, and Regional goals in many ways.

- Reduces vehicle miles traveled and greenhouse gas emissions by increasing the number of trips taken by transit, bike, and foot;
- Improves transit travel times and reliability with a new 5.75-mile Highway 1 hybrid bus-on-shoulder/auxiliary lane facility ;
- Fills gaps in the bicycle and pedestrian network, reconnecting neighborhoods via new bike and pedestrian overcrossings over Highway 1 and improving mobility along the heavily traveled Soquel Avenue/Drive with over 5 miles of new buffered or protected bicycle lanes;
- Improves safety for vehicles merging on and off the highway and bicyclists and pedestrians on cramped roadways;
- Improves traffic flow and freeway operations;
- Reduces cut-through traffic on the local street network; and
- Honors the will of voters who overwhelmingly approved the Measure D Expenditure Plan in 2016, which identified auxiliary lanes, bicycle/pedestrian bridges on Highway 1, and improved transit service after years of extensive public input.

Thank you for considering the Watsonville-Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor Program for SCCP and LPP funding. This project will transform regional travel, bringing much-needed traffic relief and providing multiple innovative transportation options for workers, families, and visitors of our county.

Sincerely,

Bruce McPherson
RTC Board Chair and County Supervisor

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0520

May 5, 2020

Mr. Mitch Weiss
Executive Director
California Transportation Commission
1120 N. Street, MS-52
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for the Watsonville-Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor Program, Cycle 2 Projects 2020 Solutions for Congested Corridor Program and 2020 Local Partnership Program Applications

Dear Mr. Weiss:

This letter is to express my support for the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission's (RTC), Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District's (METRO), and the County of Santa Cruz's application for the California Transportation Commission's 2020 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) and the 2020 Local Partnership Program (LPP). The Santa Cruz County proposed projects for include the following improvements on Highway 1 and Soquel Avenue/Drive.

- Highway 1 Improvements between Soquel Drive and State Park Drive including the construction of auxiliary lanes, shoulders for a bus-on-shoulders/auxiliary lanes operation, bicycle and pedestrian overcrossings of Highway 1 at Chanticleer Avenue and Mar Vista Drive and replacement of Capitola Avenue overcrossing with improved bicycle and pedestrian facilities.
- Soquel Avenue/Drive improvements between La Fonda Drive and State Park Drive - including adaptive traffic signal control/transit signal priority, bicycle and pedestrian improvements at the intersections, and bike lanes for approximately 90% of the length of this road.

Highway 1 serves as an important local, and regional route, and is one of Caltrans District 5 most highly congested and traveled corridors. Highway 1 traffic is often diverted onto Soquel Avenue/Drive due to congestion. METRO services along Highway 1 are also subject to delays resulting in low transit travel speeds and poor service reliability. Without improvements, traffic conditions in these important thoroughfares are expected to deteriorate.

RTC has worked on identifying Highway 1 improvements and funding for over two decades. In 2016, the RTC obtained voter approval for Measure D for transportation improvements in the county. Measure D and other discretionary funds have been used to ready the projects for construction. A SCCP/LPP award with matching funds from Measure D and other sources will fully fund the construction of these projects.

Therefore, I am writing in support for funding for improvements on Highway 1 and Soquel Ave/Drive and request full due consideration. If you have any further questions, please contact my office at (831) 429-1976.

Sincerely,



JIMMYPANETTA
Member of Congress

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May 1, 2020

Mitch Weiss, Executive Director
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street, MS-52
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Dear Mr. Weiss:

This letter is to express my support for the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission's (RTC's), Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District's (METRO's), and the County of Santa Cruz's application for \$100 million of Solutions for Congested Corridors Program funding and Local Partnership Program funding for projects on State Route (SR) 1 and Soquel Avenue/Drive in Santa Cruz County.

As you are aware, SR 1 is an important local, regional, and interregional route and a highly congested travel corridor. Traffic from SR 1 is frequently diverted onto Soquel Avenue/Drive, creating delays for METRO bus service, and without improvements to this corridor, traffic conditions will deteriorate further. The funds requested will be used in conjunction with RTC's half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements to construct auxiliary lanes and shoulders for bus-on-shoulder operations between Soquel Drive and State Park Drive on SR 1; construct bicycle and pedestrian overcrossings at Chanticleer and Mar Vista Drive; and replace the Capitola Avenue overcrossing. The Soquel Avenue/Drive project will install adaptive traffic signal control and transit signal priority, bicycle and pedestrian improvements, and buffered or protected bike lanes between La Fonda Drive and State Park Drive.

The proposed projects will improve transit travel times, as well as improve traffic operations and safety on SR 1, and I ask that you give all due consideration to the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission's, Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District's, and the County of Santa Cruz's request for Solutions for Congested Corridors Program and Local Partnership Program funds.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William W. Monning".

WILLIAM W. MONNING
Senator, 17th District

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April 27, 2020

Mr. Mitch Weiss
Executive Director
California Transportation Commission
1120 N. Street, MS-52
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Support for the Watsonville-Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor Program, Cycle 2 Projects
2020 Solutions for Congested Corridor Program and 2020 Local Partnership Program
Applications**

Dear Mr. Weiss:

I am writing on behalf of the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments to express our support for the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission's (RTC), Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District's (METRO), and the County of Santa Cruz's application for the California Transportation Commission's 2020 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) and the 2020 Local Partnership Program (LPP). The proposed projects would reduce GHG emissions, lower VMT, reduce congestion, and improve transit performance for key inter-regional routes and arterials in Santa Cruz County and the region.

The goals of this projects are consistent with AMBAG's 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS). This project would improve operations and reduce congestion on Highway 1 which serves as a critical local, regional, and interregional route, and is one of Caltrans District 5's most highly congested and traveled corridors. It would also improve highway operations and congestion on key intersecting arterials. Additionally, the project would integrate improvements which increase reliability and encourage increased use of regional transit modes.

AMBAG is pleased to offer our support of this project, which implements highway and transit improvements that will benefit Santa Cruz County and the region.

Sincerely,

Maura F. Twomey
Executive Director

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April 23, 2020

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Mr. Mitch Weiss
Executive Director
California Transportation Commission
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Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for the Watsonville-Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor Program, Cycle 2
Projects 2020 Solutions for Congested Corridor Program and 2020 Local Partnership
Program Applications

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April 23, 2020

The proposed projects include an innovative and cost-effective bus-on-shoulder/auxiliary lane facility that will improve transit travel times, increase the reliability of transit services, and reduce transit operating costs. Additional benefits of the projects include improved traffic operations and safety on Highway 1, reduced traffic diverted onto local streets, serviceable shoulders for emergency vehicles, reduced travel distances and improved safety for active transportation modes.

RTC has been working on identifying Highway 1 improvements and funding for over two decades. In 2016, the RTC obtained voter approval for Measure D - a half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements in the county. Measure D and other discretionary funds have been used to ready the projects for construction. A SCCP/LPP award with matching funds from Measure D and other sources will fully fund the construction of these projects.

These proposed projects will provide essential improvements to engender a sustainable, safe, multimodal, and more equitable transportation network fit to address Santa Cruz County's present and future needs. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



A. H. CHING, Captain
Commander
Santa Cruz Area



November 24, 2020

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Hilary Norton, Chair
California Transportation Commission
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RE: Senate Bill 1 Competitive Programs Staff Recommendations – Letter of Support

Dear Chair Norton:

On November 16, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) staff released its recommendations for the proposed programming of three Senate Bill 1 (SB1) competitive programs: the Solutions for Congested Corridors (SCC) Program, Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP), and Local Partnership Competitive Program (LPP-C). The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) offers its strong support for the project lists proposed by CTC staff. MTC thanks the CTC staff for their hard work, and believes their recommendations represent a geographically equitable list of projects that balances state goals of greenhouse gas emissions reduction, traveler and goods movement connectivity, and promotion of alternative modes to single-occupant vehicles.

MTC and our Bay Area partners took a comprehensive approach to select the region's nominations for the SCC and TCEP programs. The approach included adoption of prioritization principles that promote early project delivery and advance state and regional goals. MTC used these principles to select and rank, where appropriate, project nominations to forward to the CTC. All nominated projects are consistent with and further the goals of *Plan Bay Area 2040*, the Bay Area's current Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy.

The eleven Bay Area projects recommended for SB1 funding will leverage multiple times more federal, regional, and local funds and create much-needed transportation jobs during the current pandemic. The recommended Bay Area projects are:

- Train Control Modernization Project, part of the Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) District's Transbay Core Capacity Program, will increase the number of trains able to cross the busiest corridor in the region (Transbay between San Francisco and Oakland). The \$60 million in SCC funds will complete the funding plan for the over \$1 billion project. Construction can begin in 2021.
- US-101 Marin-Sonoma Narrows Segment B7 will close the final freeway and high-occupancy vehicle lane gap on US-101 between Novato in Marin County and Petaluma in Sonoma County. The \$40 million in SCC funds will leverage over \$90 million in other funding to resolve the bottleneck linking Northern California coastal communities with the Bay Area. Construction can begin in 2021.
- Soscol Junction Interchange Improvements in Napa County will construct a double roundabout at the junction of SR-29 and SR-221. The improvements will solve the

bottleneck for residents, workers, and tourists to Napa's famous wine region, and will also deliver important safety and active transportation benefits to this rural area. The \$25 million in SCC funds will complete the funding plan for the \$64 million project. Construction can begin in 2021.

- I-80 Express Lanes in Solano County will construct 18 miles of high-occupancy/toll lanes through the heart of Solano County, providing travelers with an alternative to traffic on this vital artery connecting the Bay Area to Sacramento. The express lanes will also promote express buses in the corridor and encourage carpooling as an alternative to single-occupant vehicles. The \$123 million in TCEP funds will complete the funding plan for the \$275 million project. Construction can begin in 2021.
- US-101/SR-25 Interchange Improvements in Santa Clara County will upgrade the existing outdated two-lane connector between US-101 and SR-25 to a new four-lane connector with shoulders and bike lanes. The improvement will improve traffic flow and decrease mainline backups on US-101. The \$55 million in TCEP funds will complete the funding plan for the \$101 million project. Construction can begin in 2022.
- TCEP funds will complete the final design phase for two projects: I-80 Westbound Cordelia Truck Scales in Solano County (\$24 million TCEP) and I-680/SR-4 Interchange Improvements in Contra Costa County (\$18 million TCEP). The funds will prepare these projects to be shelf-ready for construction and are matched with 30% in other funding.
- LPP-C funds will complete four Bay Area projects: I-680 Southbound Express Lanes in Alameda County (\$25 million LPP-C); Mission/Geneva Safety Improvements in San Francisco (\$9 million LPP-C); US-101/De La Cruz/Trimble Interchange Improvements in Santa Clara County (\$25 million LPP-C); and Windsor River Rd/Windsor Rd Intersection Improvements and Pathway in Sonoma County (\$3 million LPP-C).

While not all nominated projects were recommended for funding due to requests far exceeding limited available resources, the staff recommendations strike a good balance among transportation needs, environmental sensitivities, and geographic considerations. MTC appreciates your staff's collaboration and dedication in developing program guidelines through an open and inclusive process, and evaluating all nominations fairly based on criteria established in the guidelines.

MTC looks forward to working with project sponsors, the Commission, and Caltrans to deliver these critical transportation improvement projects across the San Francisco Bay Area region. Please contact Theresa Romell, Director of Funding Policy and Programs, at 415-778-6772 or via email at trumell@bayareametro.gov if you need further information.

Sincerely,



Therese W. McMillan
Executive Director

cc: David Kim, Secretary, California State Transportation Agency
Mitchell Weiss, Executive Director, California Transportation Commission
Toks Omishakin, Director, California Department of Transportation



November 20, 2020

Ms. Hilary Norton
Chairperson
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street, MS-52
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Chairperson Norton,

On behalf of the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, I would like to express our appreciation and support for the California Transportation Commission's staff recommendation (CTC) of Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) funding for the projects we submitted in the Local Partnership Program (LPP) Solutions for Congested Corridors (SCC), and Trade Corridors Enhancement Program (TCEP).

CTC's recommendation of our US 101/De La Cruz/Trimble Interchange Improvements in the LPP, will provide significant coordination and delivery of active transportation infrastructure, enhanced safety elements and support local economic activity. CTC's recommendation of our US 101/SR 25 Interchange Improvements under the TCEP will provide significant freight infrastructure, enhanced safety elements and active transportation infrastructure as well as contribute to economic development activity and goods movement in the Bay Area and Central Coast.

Although our two other submittals - Caltrain grade separation project in the City of Mountain View (LPP) and the Santa Clara County US 101 Express Lanes project (SCC) were not recommended at this time, we will continue to advance both projects through final design. Should SB 1 funding become available sooner, we ask for your highest consideration of these two deserving projects. As a transportation authority, we know firsthand how difficult it is to select a limited number of projects from a large pool of project nominations, so we appreciate your consideration.

Thanks again for selecting our projects in this round and, we strongly urge the Commission to approve CTC staff's recommendations in all three SB 1 program areas at your December 2020 meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nuria I. Fernandez', is written over a light blue circular stamp.

Nuria I. Fernandez
General Manager/Chief Executive Officer

cc: Mitch Weiss, CTC, Executive Director
Therese McMillan, MTC, Executive Director