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Subject: FY 2022 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant - County of Madera
Comprehensive Safety Action Plan Development Project

To whom it may concern,

On behalf of the Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC), it is my pleasure to provide a letter in support of the County of Madera Comprehensive Safety Action Plan Development Project which is being planned by the Madera County Department of Public Works for the U.S. Department of Transportation's FY 2022 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Discretionary Grant program.

MCTC fully supports the county's plan to develop a new comprehensive safety action plan that offers holistic, defined, strategies for the prevention of fatalities and serious injuries on Madera County roadways. The County is currently in the process of finalizing a Systemic Safety Analysis Report Program (SSARP) that analyzes the county's collision history while also identifying the crash trends on the roadway network as specifically related to identification of project areas for state and federal Highway Safety Improvement (HSIP) grant projects. A Comprehensive Safety Action Plan, while similar in its goal to prevent fatalities and serious injuries, goes further than a SSARP in that it offers holistic and defined, goals, strategies, and timelines for achieving an ambitious percentage reduction, and eventual elimination, of roadway fatalities and serious injuries within a locality or region.

A key regional objective identified in the 2022 Madera County Regional Transportation Plan is to foster a secure, safe, and reliable transportation system. The county is encouraged to prioritize projects, programs and policies that address safety concerns. This safety action plan presents a great opportunity to proactively integrate safety into the transportation decision making process.

MCTC hopes that by supporting Madera County's efforts to develop a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan under the SS4A grant, that the county will be able to identify specific projects and strategies to form the basis of future SS4A Implementation Grant projects, or projects funded by other sources, that will improve safety for all roadway users and leading to the eventual elimination of roadway fatalities and injuries within the county. We look forward to the benefits this plan development project will bring.

Sincerely,

Patricia Taylor
Executive Director
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