



**STAFF REPORT**  
Board Meeting of January 20, 2021

**AGENDA ITEM:** 4-E  
**PREPARED BY:** Dylan Stone, Principal Planner

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**SUBJECT:**

Support for Funding Proposal – San Joaquin River Conservancy Circle V Public Access Plan

**Enclosure:** Yes

**Action:** Approve Letter of Support

**SUMMARY:**

U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) Central California is applying for funding to start planning, public outreach, and design for a proposed Native American and Environmental Resource Center at the Circle V property located at Avenue 11 in Madera, CA. USGBC Central California proposes to develop a public access plan that will serve as a guide for future implementation projects on the 20.76 acres owned by the San Joaquin River Conservancy at Circle V. The project partners are looking to engage stakeholders and the general community in a discussion on the public usage of the building and site, including public access to the San Joaquin River, meeting spaces, offices, and landscaping elements. The goal is to adaptively reuse the existing structures and develop highly efficient office and meeting spaces with low operational cost.

MCTC staff has reviewed the request and find the project aligns with the goals and principles outlined in the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategies. A letter of support for funding has been attached to this item.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

No fiscal impact to the approved 2020-21 Overall Work Program and Budget.