



STAFF REPORT
Board Meeting of July 22, 2020

AGENDA ITEM: 10-A

PREPARED BY: Troy McNeil, Deputy Director/Fiscal Supervisor

SUBJECT:

Oakhurst Midtown Connector Project – Construction Allocation

Enclosure: Yes

Action: Approve Construction allocation of \$11,445,000 for the Oakhurst Midtown Connector project, Resolution 20-01

SUMMARY:

The Madera County Public Works Department (County) has completed the Right of Way (ROW) and Plans, Specifications and Estimate (PS&E) phases, including all permitting, for the Regional Measure T Oakhurst Midtown Connector project. The project is now Ready to List (RTL) for advertising of construction bids.

The Oakhurst Midtown Connector project will include construction of a new, two-lane road (Midtown Connector) connecting SR 41 on the northwest with Indian Springs Road on the southeast. The new road will include a bridge over Nelder Creek, approximately 365 feet in length. The roadway will include 12-foot wide travel lanes, five-foot wide shoulders, a five-foot wide sidewalk, and separate five-foot wide bike lane on either side of the road. The Project will also include intersection improvements at State Route 41 (SR 41) and Midtown Connector, including installation of a traffic signal, and widening of SR 41 from two to four travel lanes for a distance of approximately 1,742 feet. The project will include improvements at the intersection of Road 427 (School Road) and Indian Springs Road, including installation of a three-way signal and two, left turn lanes on Road 427. The project underwent an environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and a Notice of Determination was filed on November 4, 2019 with the County of Madera Recorder's office.

One of the main priorities of Measure T is to leverage other federal and state funds for the construction of transportation projects. The California Transportation Commission (CTC) approved an allocation request for this project for \$5,000,000 in SB-1 Local Partnership Program (LPP) funds at their June 24, 2020 meeting.

The County is now requesting approval of the allocation of \$11,445,000 of Regional Measure T- Tier 1 and Flexible funds for the Construction of the Oakhurst Midtown Connector project.

The County is preparing to advertise for construction bids by the end of July (this month), provided the allocation of the remaining Construction funds (Measure T) is approved.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact to the 2020-21 Annual Work Program. Funds have been budgeted and are available for this project.