

STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting of July 22, 2020

AGENDA ITEM: 10-B

PREPARED BY: Troy McNeil, Deputy Director/Fiscal Supervisor

SUBJECT:

State Route 99 – Ave 7-12 Widening Project, Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) Local Match

Enclosure: No

Action: Approve Measure T Flexible Funds for TCEP Local Match

SUMMARY:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), in partnership with the Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC), will be submitting the Madera South Widening Project (Project) for consideration in the Senate Bill 1 (SB-1) Trade Corridors Enhancement Program (TCEP) 2020. Caltrans and MCTC are requesting \$5,500,000 in SB-1 TCEP 2020 funding for right-of-way capital and support, with \$2,200,000 being requested from the State share and \$3,300,000 from the regional share.

The project is on State Route 99 (SR 99) in Madera County from south of Ave 7 to north of Ave 12. Enhancement of this section of SR 99, which runs through southern Madera County, is needed to improve truck freight mobility and travel time reliability, preserve acceptable facility operation, improve safety, and reduce congestion. The segment is already beginning to break down and operate at unacceptable levels. The Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) for trucks is up to 21% within this corridor as compared with the State average of 9% for truck AADT. The proposed 6-lane freeway would improve the flow and travel-time reliability along this segment of SR 99 for current volumes of traffic and provide enough capacity to manage the projected increases to both freight and passenger vehicle volumes.

The regional share of the program requires a local match of 30%. MCTA staff is recommending that Measure T Flexible funds be approved in the amount of \$1,000,000 to be programmed and made available to this Project if the TCEP grant is awarded.

The Flexible funds needed for the match is planned to come from savings from the Ave 12 Interchange project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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