



STAFF REPORT
Board Meeting of October 23, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: 4-I

PREPARED BY: Jeff Findley, Principal Regional Planner

SUBJECT:

SR 99 Coalition Comment Letter for the Update to the Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure

Enclosure: Yes

Action: Information and Discussion Only

SUMMARY:

The Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC), Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG), and the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG), provided comments on the Draft Actions Update for the Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI).

Highlights of the letter include the following:

- Oppose Draft Action to Set Multimodal Spending Goals for the Overall CAPTI Portfolio of Investments.
- Support Draft Action to Improve VMT Analysis and Mitigation Guidance for Rural Projects to Better Account for the Low VMT Impact of Many Rural Projects.
- Oppose Draft Action to Update the Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) Guidelines to State that Projects that Mitigate their Passenger VMT Impacts are More Competitive for Funding.
- Oppose Draft Action to Update the Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) Guidelines to Require that all Applications Demonstrate that they are VMT Neutral in Order to Compete in the Program, While Continuing Existing Practice in Guidelines to Prioritize Projects that Reduce VMT.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact to the approved 2024-25 Overall Work Program and Budget.