



STAFF REPORT
Board Meeting of October 23, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: Item 4-O
PREPARED BY: Patricia Taylor, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Nationally Significant Multimodal Freight and Highway Projects (INFRA) Grant Award

Enclosure: No

Action: Information and Discussion Only

SUMMARY:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will receive over \$203 million for two highway infrastructure projects in Redwood City and Tulare, California. The federal investments will fund critical infrastructure upgrades for the State Route (SR) 84-U.S. 101 interchange and support roadway improvements for SR 99 and the Paige Avenue multimodal interchange. The grants come from the Department of Transportation's [Nationally Significant Multimodal Freight & Highway Projects \(INFRA\) grant program](#), which received a substantial funding increase through the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law*.

\$98 million will improve [Tulare's SR 99 Corridor and Paige Avenue multimodal interchange](#). Along SR 99, the project will convert approximately 5.4 miles of four-lane freeway into a six-lane freeway, with one lane constructed in each direction. The project will also reconstruct four ramps into a consolidated multimodal interchange with sequential roundabouts at the ramp termini and adjacent local street intersections. In addition, the funding will support the construction of 10-foot-wide shared-use paths along both sides of Paige Avenue to create an east-west multimodal corridor.

The Finish the 99 Coalition has long lobbied for funding to complete the State Route 99 and improve public safety, invest in our economy, and enhance the overall quality of life in California.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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