



**STAFF REPORT**  
Board Meeting of February 17, 2021

**AGENDA ITEM:** 4-H  
**PREPARED BY:** Patricia Taylor, Executive Director

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**SUBJECT:**

Baseline Agreement - State Route 99 Madera South (Avenue 7 to Avenue 12)

**Enclosure:** Yes

**Action:** Authorize Executive Director to execute a Trade Corridor Enhancement Project Baseline Agreement for the Right of Way Phase of the Avenue 7 to Avenue 12 Project

**SUMMARY:**

On November 16, 2020, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) unanimously approved the staff recommendations for the Senate Bill (SB) 1 Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP). The Commission requires Baseline Agreements for all TCEP projects. The Madera County Transportation Commission will need to execute a Baseline Agreement.

Baseline agreements establish the agreed-upon expected benefits, project scope, schedule, and cost of a project for which the CTC has approved funding. These agreements provide a foundation for project monitoring and reporting. The baseline agreements also identify the agency responsible for reporting on the progress made towards the implementation of the project.

TCEP provides approximately \$300 million annually for infrastructure improvements on federally designated Trade Corridors of National and Regional Significance on the Primary Freight Network, and along other corridors that have a high volume of freight movement. State Route 99 is part of the Primary Freight Network. The Baseline Agreement is for the Right of Way Phase for the State Route 99 Madera South (Avenue 7 to Avenue 12) project.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

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