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Tony Tavares, Director
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Subject: Caltrans Draft 2024 Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP) Comments

Director Tavares:

We are providing this letter to express support for the inclusion of the SR 99 Ave 7-12 and SR 99 Ave 17-21 projects in Madera County and the SR 99 Delano to Pixley project in Tulare County in the 2024 Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP). State Route 99 is the transportation backbone of Madera County and the San Joaquin Valley and is a critical north-south goods movement artery for the State. It is because of the need for freight mobility and safety for Madera and Tulare Counties, the San Joaquin Valley and the State as a whole that continued investment in projects like these are critical. Additionally, MCTC supports the Madera High Speed Rail Station Project managed by the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (SJJPA).

MCTC offers the following comments on the Draft 2024 ITIP.

- Page 26, North Madera Widening (SR 99 Avenue 17-21) – The text indicates that this segment will be the last phase needed to complete 325.8 miles of managed lanes on SR 99 within Caltrans District 6.There is an additional 6.8-mile segment on SR 99 from SR 152 that runs through the City of Chowchilla to the Madera/Merced County line that will also need to be completed as a part of the 325.8 miles of managed lanes.

Thank you for your continued partnership with MCTC to deliver vital projects in Madera County and the San Joaquin Valley.

If you have any questions regarding, please contact me at (559) 675-0721 or patricia@maderactc.org.

Sincerely,

Patricia Taylor, Executive Director
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