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Glenn County Transportation Commission
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Re: Caltrans FY 2026-2027 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant

On behalf of **the City of Orland** I am pleased to express our strong support for the Glenn-Colusa Subsidence Assessment led by the Glenn County Transportation Commission. This project represents an essential step toward safeguarding the region's transportation infrastructure and ensuring the long-term reliability of the roadways and corridors that connect our communities.

The Glenn-Colusa Subsidence Assessment will re-survey established Sacramento Valley subsidence network benchmarks in Glenn and Colusa Counties and analyze these field measurements alongside reprocessed InSAR data. This updated and comprehensive analysis will identify areas of significant land subsidence, including high rates, magnitudes, and differential movement that could threaten the integrity of highways, bridges, and other transportation assets.

Subsidence has direct implications for the safety, performance, and maintenance of transportation facilities. By improving the available data and identifying locations and the extent of land subsidence, this project will enable more effective prioritization of transportation investments, guide infrastructure design and maintenance strategies, and support data driven decision making at both the local and regional levels. Additionally, this would allow the Transportation Commission to engage with local Groundwater Sustainability Agencies ensuring critical infrastructure is properly accounted for in Groundwater Sustainability Plans and provide valuable data to analyze land subsidence in relation to groundwater management activities.

We commend the Glenn County Transportation Commission for its initiative in re-surveying the subsidence benchmarks. The results and recommendations developed through this effort will help protect the region's transportation network, reduce long-term maintenance costs, and enhance the safety and reliability of travel throughout the Sacramento Valley.

The City of Orland fully supports the Glenn-Colusa Subsidence Assessment project, since it exemplifies responsible transportation planning grounded in sound science and regional collaboration.

Thank you for your continued commitment to strengthening and preserving our transportation systems for the benefit of all Glenn and Colusa County residents.

Matt Romano

**Mayor
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