



TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

MEETING DATE: APRIL 20, 2026

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**SUBJECT: ADOPT RESOLUTION ACCEPTING LIST OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL
YEAR 2026-27 FUNDED BY SENATE BILL (SB) 1 - THE ROAD REPAIR
AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017**

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council adopt **Resolution No. 25-26-xx**, approving the project list for the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2027 (also known as SB 1), and authorizing submittal of reports and list to the California Transportation Commission.

BACKGROUND

On April 28, 2017, the Governor signed Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), known as the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. SB 1 provides the first significant, stable, and ongoing increase in State transportation funding in more than two decades. The funding provides for basic road maintenance, rehabilitation, and critical safety needs on both the State highway and local streets and road systems under the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA). The Legislature tasked the California Transportation Commission (CTC) with oversight of funding and/or programs created with the approval of SB 1. The CTC adopted guidelines at the June 2017 meeting requiring agencies to submit a list of eligible projects, by May of each year, for the following fiscal year.

Additionally, the law requires the Council of each city to approve a resolution identifying the approved list of projects. This is a restricted funding source and can only be expended on roadway maintenance and rehabilitation, multi-modal infrastructure and safety improvements.

For FY 2026-2027, staff anticipates the City to receive an estimated \$74,187 in RMRA funding from SB1.

Staff identified the following as priority projects for FY 2026-2027:

1. Old Sutter Hill Road which connects Ridge Road to the City's core (Main Street), and also connects to neighborhoods and commercial activity. Due to its location, it has a steep grade and drainage issues; and
2. Gopher Flat Road which is a main thoroughfare connecting Sutter Creek residents and County residents to the heart of the City. It is in need of improvements including but not limited to drainage repairs, sidewalks, shoulder repairs, and realignments; and
3. Fiefield Alley / Keyes Street / Hayden Alley which serve as connectors from Main Street to Spanish Street and connect neighborhoods to the heart of the City and commercial activity. It is in need of improvements including but not limited to drainage repairs and shoulder repairs.

Staff identified that the following limits of rehabilitation to be completed in the three above-mentioned project areas are:

1. Roadway rehabilitation on Old Sutter Hill Road from the intersection of Ridge Road to Old Highway 49.
2. Main Street and roadway improvements on Gopher Flat, from Main Street to Golden Hills Drive.
3. Roadway improvements on Fiefield Alley / Keyes Street / Hayden Alley from Main Street to Spanish Street.

In addition to the three above-mentioned project areas, previously-proposed projects (if applicable) from prior Fiscal Years will be carried over to Fiscal Year 2026-2027. The schedule for all projects will be from July 2026 to June 2027. Once completed, all projects are anticipated to have life expectancies of approximately 50 to 80 years provided that required maintenance is completed regularly, emergency repairs are done expeditiously, and current road use and conditions remain unchanged as assessed by staff in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

CEQA CONSIDERATIONS

The City has determined that the action to adopt the RMRA funding list of projects is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq. ("CEQA"), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4) where the creation of government funding mechanisms which does not involve a commitment to any specific project which may result in significant impacts is not a "project" within the scope of CEQA and pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) where it can be seen with certainty that the action has no potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The City may make additional determinations at the time funds are proposed to be expended.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial actions required with this report. The report is identifying the project for funding from FY 2026-27 RMRA allocations. Funding will be budgeted and appropriated during the upcoming budget cycle. This report only approves the project list, for staff to receive the estimated RMRA amount for this cycle, and authorizes staff to submit **Resolution No. 25-26-xx** to the California Transportation Commission.

ATTACHMENT

Draft **Resolution No. 25-26-xx**