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Dear Chair Eager & Members of the California Transportation Commission:

The Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) strongly supports the California Transportation Commission (CTC) staff recommendation to program \$132.4 million in Senate Bill 1 Cycle 3 funding to the Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor. The Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor is the number one regional priority for the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments and joint partnership with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

The Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor is a transformative interregional project that will provide needed congestion relief to the more than 100,000 Californians who travel the corridor between Santa Barbara and Ventura County. The Corridor is Caltrans District 5's most congested corridor and one of the most congested freeway segments in California. Additionally, it is the only corridor on the Central Coast that connects the Bay Area to Southern California. This is especially significant when Interstate 5 is closed due to inclement weather or disasters and U.S. 101 on the Central Coast becomes the only North-South connector for all of California.

SBCAG and Caltrans have developed a multimodal suite of transportation improvements to address growing congestion in the U.S. 101 corridor with innovative solutions developed through a community consensus process and ratified by County voters with 79% support for Measure A, Santa Barbara County's regional transportation sales tax measure.

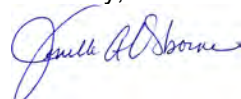
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Finally, we are very appreciative of the opportunities that SB1 provides in funding transformative transportation projects in our region. We especially value the work that CTC staff invested to allocate SB1 funds in a timely and productive manner.

We strongly support the CTC staff recommendations and urge the Commission to approve funding for the Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor at their June 28, 2023 meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact SBCAG Executive Director, Marjorie Kirn, at (805) 961-8900 or by email at mkirn@sbcag.org.

Sincerely,



 Jenelle Osborne, Chair
 Santa Barbara County Association of Governments
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cc: Mr. Toks Omishakin, Secretary, California State Transportation Agency
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June 21, 2023

Lee Ann Eager, Chair,
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street MS 22
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for CTC Staff Recommendation for Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor

Dear Chair Eager & Members of the California Transportation Commission:

The Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians strongly supports the California Transportation Commission (CTC) staff recommendation to program \$132.4 million in Senate Bill 1 Cycle 3 funding to the Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor. The Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor is the number one regional priority for the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments and joint partnership with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

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Sincerely,



Kenneth Kahn
Tribal Chairman

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Ideas + Action for a Thriving Central Coast

June 21, 2023

Lee Ann Eager, Chair,
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street MS 22
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: Support for CTC Staff Recommendation for Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor

Dear Chair Eager & Members of the California Transportation Commission:

I am writing to offer REACH's strong support for the California Transportation Commission (CTC) staff recommendation to program \$132.4 million in Senate Bill 1 Cycle 3 funding to the Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor. The Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor is the number one regional priority for the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments and joint partnership with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and critical to supporting the Central Coast economy.

REACH is a nonprofit, economic impact organization with a mission to increase economic prosperity on the Central Coast of California through big thinking, bold action and regional collaboration. The north star of our work is collaboration with business, education, government and nonprofit partners to create good paying jobs and provide current and future generations the opportunity to thrive.

Enhancing connectivity across the Central Coast and with other parts of the state is vital to support the regional workforce and employers that often rely exclusively on the U.S. 101 for daily commerce and commutes, and for businesses that locate on the Central Coast seeking convenient access to both Southern California and the Bay Area. The Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor is a transformative interregional project that will provide needed congestion relief to the more than 100,000 Californians who travel the corridor between Santa Barbara and Ventura County – one of the most congested freeway segments in California, and the only north-south connector for all of California when Interstate 5 is closed due to inclement weather or disasters. Caltrans and SBCAG have already invested over \$810 million to deliver prior phases of the project, and this project has been developed through a community consensus process and ratified with 79% support for Santa Barbara County's regional transportation sales tax measure.

Thank you for your consideration of this important project for our regional economy. We strongly support the CTC staff recommendations and urge the Commission to approve funding at their June 28, 2023 meeting.

Sincerely,

Melissa James
President/CEO
REACH
melissa@reachcentralcoast.org

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June 23, 2023

Lee Ann Eager, Chair,
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street MS 22
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for CTC Staff Recommendation for Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor

Dear Chair Eager & Members of the California Transportation Commission:

United Way of Santa Barbara County strongly supports the California Transportation Commission (CTC) staff recommendation to program \$132.4 million in Senate Bill 1 Cycle 3 funding to the Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor. The Santa Barbara U.S. 101 Multimodal Corridor is the number one regional priority for the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments and joint partnership with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steve Ortiz".

Steve Ortiz
President & CEO

cc: Mr. Toks Omishakin, Secretary, California State Transportation Agency
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June 21, 2023

Ms. Tanisha Taylor
Interim Executive Director
California Transportation Commission
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Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: 2022 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program - SMART Regional Measure 3 Funds

Dear Ms. Taylor:

On behalf of SMART and our North Bay communities, thank you for your consideration of programming 2022 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) funds towards the completion of our extension to Windsor.

As indicated in the application requesting 2022 SCCP funds, Regional Measure 3 (RM3) legislative language identifies the SMART Extension from Sonoma County Airport to Windsor and Healdsburg as a capital project to receive \$40 million in RM3 bridge toll funds.

If SMART's Windsor Extension is programmed in the 2022 SCCP, SMART guarantees RM3 funds will be committed to completing the extension of SMART to Healdsburg. The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the entity responsible for distribution of RM3 funds and earlier this year SMART notified MTC staff that SMART will request allocation of RM3 funds for completion of SMART to Healdsburg. These RM3 funds were identified for SMART to Healdsburg in our 2024 Annual Budget and SMART has identified sufficient operating revenues for service to Healdsburg.

Please let us know if you have additional questions and accept our sincere gratitude for consideration of 2022 SCCP fund investment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eddy Cumins".

Eddy Cumins
General Manager