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March 18, 2024

Chair Carl Guardino
Attn: Tanisha Taylor
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street, Mail Station 52
Sacramento, CA 95814

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Sincerely,

Devon Mathis
California Assembly, 33rd District



TULARE COUNTY FARM BUREAU

Mission: to promote and enhance the viability of Tulare County agriculture.

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Tulare County Farm Bureau represents over 1,100 farmers and ranchers in our membership. We are a non-governmental advocacy organization that seeks to support our local agricultural economy and promote a business friendly environment for our agricultural businesses to operate.

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For these reasons, the Farm Bureau supports the approval of the Tulare Six-Lane and Paige Ave Interchange project for future consideration of funding.

Sincerely,

Tricia Stever Blattler
Executive Director

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For these reasons, the Tulare Real Estate Team supports the approval of the Tulare Six-Lane and Paige Ave Interchange project for future consideration of funding.

Sincerely,

Jacob Fraga
Owner



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For these reasons, I support the approval of the Tulare Six-Lane and Paige Ave Interchange project for future consideration of funding.

Sincerely,

Name *Raquel Jimenez*

Title Business Development Manager and Business owner of Finest Mare'

From: [Mark Hoffman](#)
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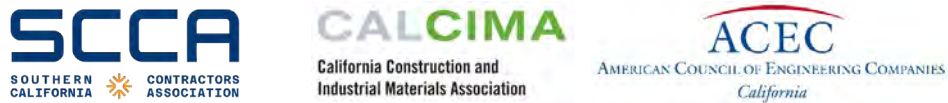
Sincerely,



Mark Hoffman
Manager

Regards,

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Mr. Carl Guardino
Chair, California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Statewide Transportation Construction Industry Support for South Fresno State Route 99 Corridor Improvement Project; North/Cedar and American Avenue Interchanges

Dear Chair Guardino,

Transportation California and our undersigned member organizations, representing the transportation industry and workforce that designs, builds, repairs, and maintains California's statewide multimodal transportation system, write in strong support of the South Fresno SR 99 Corridor Improvement Project and North/Cedar and American Avenue Interchanges. Located near a cluster of industrial warehouses and distribution centers in an economically disadvantaged district, the South Fresno SR 99 Corridor Project aims to continue delivering on a regional promise to improve transportation infrastructure and bring new opportunities to all of Fresno County.

The project is intended to replace two aged overcrossings, realign and widen ramps, eliminate isolated ramps, install signalized intersections, provide sidewalk and bicycle facilities, install a sound barrier to mitigate traffic noise, provide electric-vehicle (EV) charging stations, and replace/rehabilitate existing pavement. Furthermore, the project has the potential to: reduce lifecycle costs, improve safety, improve access to jobs, reduce congestion, improve goods movement and supply chains, improve pedestrian and bicycle access and safety, and facilitate California High-Speed Rail (HSR) construction and operations.

The critical role that SR 99 plays in moving people and goods in California cannot be overstated. SR 99 is the only transportation route that provides the continuous connectivity necessary for moving residents and commerce up and down the San Joaquin Valley (SJV). That connectivity also includes California's mega-regions: Southern California and the Bay Area; and by its links to Interstates 5, 15 and 80, SR 99 also connects the SJV to the rest of the nation.

Further, for the ten-year period from July 1, 2010, to June 30, 2020, there were 943 collisions on SR 99 and the interchange ramps within the project limits. There were five fatalities and 280 injury accidents. This project and the improvements to the interchange will help mitigate the significant number of collisions, serious injuries and fatalities.

For these important reasons, we support the South Fresno SR 99 Corridor Improvement Project and North/Cedar and American Avenue Interchanges. If you have questions about our position, please contact Mark Watts, Transportation California's Legislative Advocate (mark@whstrat.com or (916) 813-1107).

Sincerely,

Mark Watts
Transportation California

Emily Cohen
United Contractors

Matthew Cremins
International Union of Operating Engineers

Peter Tateishi
Associated General Contractors, California Chapter

James Thuerwacher
California State Council of Laborers

Robert Dugan
California Construction and Industrial Materials
Association

Ron Rowlett
Nor Cal Carpenters

Brad Diede
American Council of Engineering Companies,
California

Jon Switalski
Rebuild SoCal Partnership

Russell Snyder
California Asphalt Pavement Association

Michael Quigley
California Alliance for Jobs

Matthew Conarro
Western Regional Association for Pavement
Preservation

Charlie Nobles
Southern California Contractors Association

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Mark Tollefson, Undersecretary, California State Transportation Agency
James Hacker, Cabinet Secretary, Governor's Office
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For these reasons, Roche Oil Inc. supports the approval of the Tulare Six-Lane and Paige Ave Interchange project for future consideration of funding.

Sincerely,


Courtney Roche
President, CEO


Susan Duyst
CFO

DENNIS A. MEDEROS

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I am a retired attorney who operates my own farming and investment interests in the greater Tulare area, and I am currently a Council Member in the City of Tulare. In addition, I sit as a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee for the San Joaquin Air Pollution Control Board and a board member for the Mid Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency.

As a lifelong citizen living in the Tulare area, I am providing this letter to express support for the approval of the Tulare Six-Lane and Paige Ave Interchange project for future consideration of funding. I support the proposed investments in projects on State Route 99 (SR 99) which will help close the existing gaps and create a seamless corridor to three lanes each way throughout. In doing so, this and other projects will address significant safety issues that currently exist. This project will also increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the movement of goods throughout the state, including vital agricultural products, reduce negative air quality and other environmental impacts, and increase multimodal travel including supporting intercity rail, transit, bicycle and pedestrian mobility.

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Our community has waited for decades to have this project completed. I'm in total support of its funding and completion. For these reasons, I urge your approval of the Tulare Six-Lane and Paige Ave Interchange project for future consideration of funding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dennis A. Mederos". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent loop at the end of the last name.

Dennis A. Mederos

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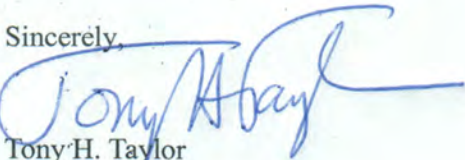
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Sincerely,



Tony H. Taylor
Owner / CEO
RES COM Pest Control



TVT TRANSPORTATION INC.

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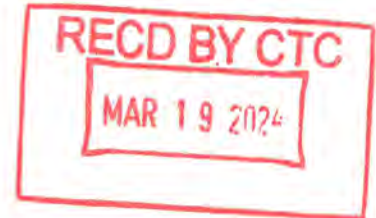

Johnathan Gong
CFO



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Sincerely,

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Terry Johnson
Director of Transportation



March 19, 2024

Brian Poochigian
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Brian Poochigian
Mayor
City of Visalia