

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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From: TANISHA TAYLOR, Executive Director

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Subject: Approval of the Multi-Funded 2024 Trade Corridor Enhancement Program and 2024 Local Partnership Competitive Program Baseline Agreement for the State Route 156 Castroville Boulevard Interchange Project, Resolution TCEP-P-2526-05B and LPP-P-2526-05B

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the following multi-funded 2024 Trade Corridor Enhancement Program and 2024 Local Partnership Competitive Program Baseline Agreement submitted in accordance with the Commission's Senate Bill (SB) 1 Accountability and Transparency Guidelines and establish this agreement as the basis for project delivery and monitoring:

PPNO	COUNTY	IMPLEMENTING AGENCY	PROJECT TITLE (with embedded link to agreement)
0057D	Monterey	California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 5	State Route 156 Castroville Boulevard Interchange Project

Issue:

Caltrans District 5 requests the Commission approve the Baseline Agreement for the above-listed project, which is programmed in the 2024 Trade Corridor Enhancement Program and the 2024 Local Partnership Competitive Program. Approval of this Baseline Agreement will establish the basis for project delivery and monitoring.

Commission staff has reviewed this Baseline Agreement and determined that the expected benefits, project scope, delivery schedule, costs, and funding plan are consistent with the project approved by the Commission.

Background:

The Commission adopted the SB 1 Accountability and Transparency Guidelines on May 15, 2025. The Guidelines direct agencies to provide executed Baseline Agreements that set forth the agreed-upon expected benefits, delivery schedule, project cost, and funding plan. The Baseline Agreement provides a benchmark for comparison to the current status of a project for subsequent reporting purposes. The Baseline Agreement must be signed by the Caltrans Director and District Director, the Commission's Executive Director, the project applicant, and the implementing agency.