

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: May 14-15, 2026

From: TANISHA TAYLOR, Executive Director

Reference Number: 4.8, Action

Prepared By: Naveen Habib  
Associate Deputy Director

Published Date: May 1, 2026

Subject: Approval of One Multi-Funded 2024 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program and Local Partnership Competitive Program Baseline Agreement for the Watsonville-Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor Program, Resolution SCCP-P-2526-06B, Resolution LPP-P-2526-14B

## Recommendation:

Staff recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve one 2024 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program and 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.

The Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission's Watsonville-Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor Program includes four components.

PPNO	COUNTY	IMPLEMENTING AGENCY	PROJECT TITLE <i>(With embedded link to agreement)</i>
0073D 3307 3276 CP128D	Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission	Watsonville-Santa Cruz Multimodal Corridor Program

## Issue:

The implementing agency requests the Commission approve the Baseline Agreement for this project, which was programmed as part of the 2024 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program and Local Partnership Competitive Program.

This Baseline Agreement was submitted in accordance with the Commission's SB 1 Accountability and Transparency Guidelines. Approval of this Baseline Agreement will establish the basis for project delivery and monitoring.

Commission staff reviewed this Baseline Agreement and determined that the expected benefits, project scope, delivery schedule, project cost, 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 California Department of Transportation's Director and District Director, the Commission's Executive Director, the project applicant, and the implementing agency.