

# 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

## Fact Sheet<sup>1</sup>

### **Executive Summary**

*An executive summary of the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) highlighting the region's top priorities (ref. Section 1 from the 2024 RTIP Template). Summary may include but is not limited to: a list of projects with changes and estimated completion dates and a map.*

The Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) is the agency responsible for developing the STIP for Imperial County working cooperatively with Caltrans. For the 2024 RTIP, ICTC proposes to program an additional \$777,000 for planning, programming and monitoring (PPM). The remaining \$23,257,000 in STIP funds will be carried over to the future for the Forrester Road Improvement Project. Forrester Road is Imperial County's number one priority for STIP funds and an important off-system interregional route in need of capacity and operational improvements. ICTC and Caltrans are jointly working on a Project Study Report to allow the nomination of the environmental phase for the 2026 STIP.

### **Benefits**

*A summary of the most significant benefits the proposed RTIP will provide to the region(s), including the safety, environment, equity, and economic benefits to the community (ref. Section 12, 14, 15, and 16 from the 2024 RTIP Template).*

Forrester Road is one of Imperial County's most heavily travelled off-system routes and a vital north-south arterial running parallel to SR-111 that provides a key linkage to Riverside County (via SR-78/86), San Diego County (via I-8), and Mexico (via I-8, SR-7 and SR-98). Future project multimodal and operational improvements are expected to: Improve safety by reducing accidents; Provide economic benefits by improving travel time through the corridor; and Reduce greenhouse gas emissions by improving the flow of traffic and providing active transportation infrastructure.

### **Goals and Objectives**

*A description of how the RTIP is advancing the goals and objectives of the Regional Transportation Plan and, where applicable, the Sustainable Communities Strategy (ref. Section 12 from the 2024 RTIP Template) as well as other regional plans, such as Regional Bicycle Plans and the Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plans.*

The future Forrester Road project furthers the goals of the Regional Transportation Plan / Sustainable Communities Strategy by reducing: Person hours of delay; Truck delays; Greenhouse gas emissions, and Accidents. The Forrester Road project also supports the goals and objectives of the Imperial County Long Range Transportation Plan.

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*A description of how the RTIP aligns with the State's goals regarding plans such as the Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI), Caltrans Race and Equity Action Plan (REAP), California Freight Mobility Plan (CFMP), etc.*

The future Forrester Road project aligns with the CAPTI because it will include multimodal elements to increase active modes of transportation. The project also aligns with the CFMP because it is expected to reduce accidents and improve truck trip operations.