

**BEFORE THE
FRESNO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION No. 2025-01**

IN THE MATTER OF)	RESOLUTION TO APPROVE
)	AMENDMENT NO. 8 TO THE
AMENDMENT NO. 8)	MEASURE "C" EXTENSION
)	EXPENDITURE PLAN TO REPLACE
TO THE MEASURE C)	STATE ROUTE 180 WEST
EXTENSION)	INTERSTATE 5 EXTENSION WITH
EXPENDITURE PLAN)	FOUR SEPARATE REGIONAL
		PROJECTS INTO THE RURAL TIER 1
		LIST

WHEREAS, the November 7, 2006 Measure C Ballot Measure that was approved by voters created urban and rural capital projects funds for major regional street and highway infrastructure projects.

WHEREAS, the Rural Tier I list included a project to connect Interstate 5 to State Route 180; and

WHEREAS, several alignments were evaluated in a planning study conducted by Fresno COG and a 23-mile corridor was designated between Mendota and Interstate 5; and

WHEREAS, a 2006 project cost estimate of \$305 million has been carried in the Expenditure Plan since 2009, however anticipated revenues have never been enough to cover this estimated project cost; and

WHEREAS, the project has been programed in the last year of the current measure resulting in a deficit that has averaged between \$200 - \$220 million; and

WHEREAS, a more recent Project Study Report completed by Caltrans in 2023 indicates the project could cost over \$320 million; and

WHEREAS, the current measure is set to expire in 2027 and while efforts are underway to extend it into the future there can be no guarantees, therefore the project is clearly undeliverable within the current Measure without a significant contribution from some other funding source(s); and

WHEREAS, it is therefore appropriate to consider substituting a portion of the Rural residual balance for deliverable projects within the west Fresno County region; and

WHEREAS, as other priority Rural Tier 1 projects are completed, additional priority projects may be considered; and

WHEREAS, the enabling legislation allows Fresno COG to amend the Expenditure Plan to include new projects with an affirmative vote by both the Fresno COG and Fresno County Transportation Authority boards, however it stipulates priority should be given to the intent of the projects promised to the voters in 2007, therefore the projects should be on or related to projects on the Tier I and Tier II list approved by the voters in 2007 and facilitate regional connectivity to Interstate 5; and

WHEREAS, the following four projects meet this criterion: Passing Lane on State Route 33 between Mendota and Firebaugh, Passing Lane on State Route 180 between Kerman and Mendota, Passing Lane on State Route 198 between Kings County Line and Interstate 5 and widen State Route 145 North of Whitesbridge connecting to State Route 180; and

WHEREAS, these projects have been successfully vetted by the Mayors on the Westside; and

WHEREAS, on October 24, 2024, the Fresno COG Policy Board approved Resolution 2024-36 proposing Amendment No 8, subject to final approval of the Fresno County Transportation Authority Board.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Fresno County Transportation Authority adopts Amendment No. 8 to the Measure C Extension Expenditure Plan, Regional Transportation Program, replacing State Route 180 West Interstate 5 Extension with the following: a Passing Lane on State Route 33 between Mendota and Firebaugh, a Passing Lane on State Route 180 between Kerman and Mendota, a Passing Lane on State Route 198 between Kings County Line and Interstate 5, and Widen State Route 145 North of Whitesbridge connecting to State Route 180 to the Rural Tier 1 list of eligible projects.


THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Fresno County Transportation Authority this 19th day of February, 2025.

AYES: (7) Mendes, Ashbeck, Beltran, Bredefeld, Harris, Karbassi, Sihota

NOES: 0


ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: (2) Dyer, Martinez

Signed 
Ernest Buddy Mendes, Chairman

ATTEST:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Fresno County Transportation Authority adopted at a duly noticed public hearing thereof on the 19th day of February, 2025.

Signed 
Terry Ogle, Executive Director