

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission**  
**Regional Network Management Committee**

**March 8, 2024**

**Agenda Item 3d**

**Cooperative Agreement for the Napa Valley Forward: State Route 29 (SR-29) Intersection  
Improvement at Rutherford Road and Oakville Cross Road – Caltrans and Napa Valley  
Transportation Authority (\$1,150,000)**

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**Subject:**

Request to refer to the Commission for approval a cooperative agreement with California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTA) in an amount not to exceed \$1,150,000 to provide project oversight and support during the final design, right-of-way, and construction phases of State Route 29 (SR-29) Intersection Improvement at Rutherford Road and Oakville Cross Road.

**Background:**

The SR-29 corridor traverses through the communities of Rutherford, Oakville, and Yountville in Napa County. It serves as a key route that provides north-south connectivity within Napa Valley. The SR-29 corridor experiences heavy traffic congestion during the peak periods. To improve traffic operations along the corridor, the Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTA) and MTC propose to deliver intersection improvements on SR-29 at Rutherford Road and Oakville Cross Road. The Project will be constructed within State right-of-way in which a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans is necessary.

On February 28, 2022, MTC entered into a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans to prepare required project planning documents, including the Project Initiation Document, Project Approval and Environmental Document phases of the work, referred to as the PID/PA&ED Cooperative Agreement. Under the PID/PA&ED Cooperative Agreement, MTC is responsible for preparing a Project Study Report – Project Report (PSR-PR) and an environmental document for the Project. The PSR-PR and the environmental document are in the final stage of completion.

MTC and NVTA, as Project Co-Sponsors, wish to establish a three-party Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans to continue the remaining phases of work including final design, right-of-way and construction. The execution of the three-party Cooperative Agreement for the

subsequent phases of work is conditioned on the completion of obligations and responsibilities assigned to MTC under the PID/PA&ED Cooperative Agreement, including the adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the project as part of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process, as described in MTC Resolution No. 4634 (see March 8, 2024 MTC Regional Network Management Agenda Item 3c).

Staff seeks Commission approval to enter into a three-party Cooperative Agreement with NVT A and Caltrans for the final design, right-of-way, and construction phases of the project in an amount not to exceed \$1,150,000. Caltrans will provide project oversight and support. Approval of this Cooperative Agreement is contingent upon Commission approval of MTC Resolution No. 4634, requested at the March 8, 2024 MTC Regional Network Management Committee Agenda Item 3c.

**Issues:**

None identified.

**Recommendations:**

Staff recommends the Regional Network Management Committee refer to the Commission to authorize the Executive Director or designee to negotiate and enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans and NVT A to reimburse Caltrans in the amount not to exceed \$1,150,000 to provide support during the final design, right-of-way, and construction phases of the Project to the Commission, subject to MTC approval of Resolution No. 4634 adopting the MND for the Project.

**Attachments:**

- Attachment A: Request for Committee Approval – Summary of Proposed Cooperative Amendment

  
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## Request for Commission Approval

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### Summary of Cooperative Agreement

Work Item No.: 2663

Agency: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Sacramento, CA  
Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTa), Napa, CA

Work Project Title: Cooperative Agreement for the Napa Valley Forward: State Route 29 (SR-29) Intersection Improvement at Rutherford Road and Oakville Cross Road for design, ROW, and construction.

Purpose of Project: To improve traffic operations on SR-29 at the intersections of Rutherford Road and Oakville Cross Road in Napa County

Brief Scope of Work: Caltrans will provide project oversight and support during the final design, right-of-way, and construction phases.

Project Cost Not to Exceed: \$1,150,000

Funding Source: STP (OBAG 2)

Fiscal Impact: Funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 MTC Budget

Motion by Committee: That the Committee refer to the Commission authorization for the Executive Director or designee to negotiate and enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans and NVTa to provide support during the final design, right-of-way, and construction phases of the Project, as described above and in the Regional Network Management Committee Summary Sheet dated March 8, 2024 and that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to set aside \$1,150,000 for such Cooperative Agreement, subject to MTC approval of Resolution No. 4634 adopting the MND for the Project.

Regional Network  
Management Committee:

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David Rabbitt, Chair

Approved: March 8, 2024