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Mendocino County Board of Supervisors
501 Low Gap Road, Room 1090
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RE: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION TO ACCEPT THE CYCLE 2 LOCAL TRANSPORTATION CLIMATE ADAPTION PROGRAM GRANT FOR \$39,930,000, WITH A LOCAL MATCH OF 10%, TO FUND RIGHT OF WAY AND CONSTRUCTION FOR THE REDEMAYER ROAD EXTENSION, EXECUTE THE GRANT AGREEMENT, AND SIGN ANY OTHER NECESSARY RELATED DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF MENDOCINO COUNTY (UKIAH AREA)

Honorable Board Members:

The Redemeyer Road Extension Project consists of construction of a roadway to extend Redemeyer Road, County Road (CR) 215A, to the west over the Russian River to intersect with North State Street, CR 104, including the construction of a new bridge across the Russian River and an at-grade crossing over the existing Northwestern Pacific Railroad tracks.

The Local Transportation Climate Adaption Program (LTCAP) grant provides funding for the development and implementation of projects that are intended to adapt to the changing climate, increase climate resiliency, and protect at-risk transportation infrastructure as well as vulnerable and under-resourced communities. The Redemeyer Road Extension Project provides an additional thorough connection to improve public safety service and emergency response time.

As part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA, otherwise known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law) in 2021, the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Federal Aid Program was created. PROTECT's purpose is to help make surface transportation more resilient to natural hazards, including climate change, sea level rise, flooding, extreme weather events, and other natural disasters through support of planning activities, resilience improvements, community resilience and evacuation routes, and at-risk costal infrastructure.

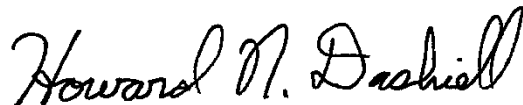
The PROTECT Program invites state Departments of Transportation to create a Resilience Improvement Plan, an optional component that can reduce the state and local cost-share of certain identified PROTECT projects from 20% to 10%. The State Climate Resilience Improvement Plan for Transportation (SCRIPT) is California's version of this optional component. The SCRIPT summarizes the breadth of existing climate adaptation policies, tools, guidance, and activities that have positioned Caltrans and its partners to take a systemic approach to making immediate and long-range investments to improve the resilience of the multimodal transportation system to climate change impacts. The time horizon of the SCRIPT is from the onset of IJA through the aligned effective date of the California Transportation Plan 2050 (2021-2050). The SCRIPT has the potential to save the state, and eligible regional and local partners, a significant amount in PROTECT matching funds

The Redemeyer Road Extension Project includes eligible activities under the LTCAP grant as a part of Resilience Improvements, which improve the resilience of infrastructure from the impacts of changing conditions, such as wildfires, as well as Community Resilience and Evacuation Route activities that strengthen and protect evacuation routes that are essential to providing evacuations. Cycle 2 of the LTCAP grant has recommended awarding the Mendocino County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) \$39,930,000 for completion of right of way and construction. The grant requires a 20% non-federal match; however, SCRIPT will reduce that non-federal match to 10%. This local match would comprise of approximately \$135,000 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27, and \$3,858,000 over 3 years, FY's 2027-28, 2028-29, and 2029-30. MCDOT is requesting the Board authorize the Director of Transportation to accept the grant, execute the grant agreement, and sign any other necessary related documents on behalf of Mendocino County; and provide direction to the Director for the match funding. Every attempt will be made to seek match funds, however, the DOT may be requesting up to \$3,993,000 in the subject future fiscal years (FY) 2026 to 2029/2030 in local match funds for this important regional project.

A draft Resolution for adoption authorizing acceptance of the grant is enclosed.

I will, of course, respond to any questions that the Board may have.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Howard N. Dashiell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

HOWARD N. DASHIELL
Director of Transportation

Enclosure
cc File CR 215A