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Honorable Tanisha Taylor  
Executive Director  
California Transportation Commission  
1120 N Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Letter of Support for Multi-Modal Placemaking for Lee Vining Main Street**

Dear Director Taylor:

On the behalf of the **[AGENCY/GROUP NAME]**, I would like to express our strong support for Multi-Modal Placemaking for Lee Vining Main Street (Project) and the application to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 8 Call-For-Projects. The application is the product of interagency collaboration and nearly ten years of planning and public engagement. This funding is critical for the completion of a California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) complete streets vision of US Highway 395 (US 395) through Lee Vining Main Street.

Though Lee Vining is a small, rural town with a population of 217 (2020 Census), major destinations for recreation and tourism draw over 1.7 million visitors annually through the region (2018).<sup>1</sup> As the basecamp for several nearby destinations, including Yosemite National Park, motorists contribute to high traffic volumes that create barriers for active travel. Within the project limits, the segment is also a part of a major interregional route that allows for the shipment of goods and services between California and Nevada. As the Main Street of our town, US 395 must be functional for both our local residents and visitors, including traffic capacity for millions of visitors while having a sense of place and identity within a comfortable multi-modal design.

This proposal addresses safety concerns related to interregional traffic and restores community connectivity in a rural town divided by highway infrastructure. The proposal will create a safer, accessible, and inclusive active transportation network through the installation of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons, pedestrian-scale lighting, transit shelters, a multi-use path, and multi-modal placemaking elements, contributing to the comfort, security, mobility, and overall well-being of residents.

**[AGENCY/GROUP NAME]** is committed to supporting this project by:

- ***[LIST ANY ACTIONS YOU COMMIT TO HELPING THE PROJECT ALONG, SUCH AS: PARTICIPATING IN STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS, LEADING EDUCATION/OUTREACH TO ADVANCE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION, ETC.]***

Modal Placemaking for Lee Vining Main Street strongly aligns with the program's purpose and goals by improving safety for non-motorized users, restoring community connectivity, and ensuring that

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<sup>1</sup> Profile of Mono Visitors and Economic Impacts of Tourism, 2018.  
[https://monocounty.ca.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/economic\\_development/page/31221/mono\\_co\\_2018\\_visitor\\_econ\\_imp\\_study\\_report.pdf](https://monocounty.ca.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/economic_development/page/31221/mono_co_2018_visitor_econ_imp_study_report.pdf). Accessed May 8, 2026.

disadvantaged residents fully share the benefits of the infrastructure, serving as a model for other rural communities divided by highway infrastructure.

**[AGENCY/GROUP NAME]** respectfully requests a favorable consideration of this application to complete the active transportation system in Lee Vining and achieve safety countermeasures that make the Caltrans design whole. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

**[SIGNATURE]**

**[NAME]**

**[TITLE]**

**[ORGANIZATION]**