BEFORE THE FRESNO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS RESOLUTION NO. 2023-11

IN THE MATTER OF: 2023 FTIP AMENDMENT #2, 2023 RTP AMENDMENT #1, 2023 CONFORMITY ANALYSIS

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2023 FTIP AMENDMENT #2, 2022 RTP AMENDMENT #1 AND CONFORMITY ANALYSIS

WHEREAS, the Fresno Council of Governments is a Regional Transportation Planning Agency and a Metropolitan Planning Organization, pursuant to State and Federal designation; and

WHEREAS, federal planning regulations require Metropolitan Planning Organizations to prepare and adopt a long range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for their region; and

WHEREAS, a 2022 Regional Transportation Plan Amendment No. 1 (2022 RTP Amendment 1) has been prepared in full compliance with federal guidance; and

WHEREAS, a 2022 Regional Transportation Plan Amendment 1 has been prepared in accordance with state guidelines adopted by the California Transportation Commission; and

WHEREAS, federal planning regulations require that Metropolitan Planning Organizations prepare and adopt a short range Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) for their region; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 2 (2023 FTIP Amendment 2) has been prepared to comply with Federal and State requirements for local projects and through a cooperative process between the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans), principal elected officials of general purpose local governments and their staffs, and public owner operators of mass transportation services acting through Fresno Council of Governments' forum and general public involvement; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 FTIP Amendment 2 program listing is consistent with: 1) the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan Amendment 1; 2) the 2022 State Transportation Improvement Program; and 3) the corresponding 2023 Conformity Analysis; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 FTIP Amendment 2 contains the MPO's certification of the transportation planning process assuring that all federal requirements have been fulfilled; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 FTIP Amendment 2 and 2022 RTP Amendment 1 meet all applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450; and

WHEREAS, Fresno Council of Governments has integrated into its metropolitan transportation planning process, directly or by reference, the goals, objectives, performance measures, and targets described in other State transportation plans and transportation processes, as well as any plans developed under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 by providers of public transportation, required as part of a performance-based program; and

WHEREAS, projects submitted in the 2023 FTIP Amendment 2 and 2022 RTP Amendment 1 must be financially constrained and the financial plan affirms that funding is available; and

WHEREAS, the MPO must demonstrate conformity per 40 CFR Part 93 for the RTP and FTIP; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 Conformity Analysis supports a finding that the 2023 FTIP Amendment No 2 and 2022 RTP

Amendment No. 1 meet the air quality conformity requirements for ozone and particulate matter; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 FTIP Amendment 2 and 2022 RTP Amendment 1 do not interfere with the timely implementation of the Transportation Control Measures; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 FTIP Amendment 2 and 2022 RTP Amendment 1 conform to the applicable SIPs; and

WHEREAS, the documents have been widely circulated and reviewed by Fresno Council of Governments' advisory committees representing the technical and management staffs of the member agencies; representatives of other governmental agencies, including State and Federal; representatives of special interest groups; representatives of the private business sector; and residents of Fresno consistent with public participation process adopted by Fresno Council of Governments; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted on May 2, 2023 to hear and consider comments on the 2023 FTIP Amendment 2, 2022 RTP Amendment 1, and corresponding Conformity Analysis;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Fresno Council of Governments adopts the 2023 FTIP Amendment 2, 2022 RTP Amendment 1, and the 2023 Conformity Analysis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Fresno Council of Governments finds that 2023 FTIP Amendment 2 and 2022 RTP Amendment 1 are in conformity with the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments and applicable State Implementation Plans for air quality.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by Fresno Council of Governments this 25th day of May, 2023.

Signed:
hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Fresno Council of Governments duly adopted at a regular meeting thereofold on the 25th day of May, 2023.
ATTEST:
Chairman
Signed:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:
NOES:
AYES: