BEFORE THE
FRESNO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-37

In the Matter of:
Calvans Joint Powers Agency

RESOLUTION ADOPTING
Withdrawal from Caltrans

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WHEREAS, the Calvans Joint Powers Authority was formed in July 2011 between the Fresno Council of Governments, Kings County Association of Governments Madera County Transportation Commission, Tulare County Association of Governments, Sacrament Area Council of Governments, Santa Barara County Association of Governments, and Ventura County Transportation Commission, and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Council of Governments joined the Calvans Joint Powers Agency on 07/04/2011, and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Council Governments and Fresno County Rural Transit Agency provided initial capital funding for vans used in Calvas operations, and

WHEREAS, Calvans has unsucessful in developing alternative sources of capital funding to replace their vehicle fleet and

WHEREAS, in order to continue operations, Caltrans must resort to creative leasing agreements that has led to periodic rounds of financial stress, and

WHEREAS, Kings Couny Association of Governments withdrew from the Calvans JPA in July of 2023 creating significant lost economies of scale in the area of leasing yard facilities and employee benefits, and

WHEREAS, Calvans administrates their operating budget in rough balance, however, the annualized unfunded depreciation has resulted in a significant deficit in fund balance, and

WHEREAS, Caltrans audited net position decrease from $4,306,244 in 2020 to $43,920 in 2024 with $161,432 deficit in unrestricted fund balance, and

WHEREAS, Calvans 06/30/24 audited financial statements included a going concern finding and identified $3.7 million in unearned revenues on the balance sheet with no cash to support it, and

WHEREAS, because of the accumulated deficit, Calvams has had to resort to using restricted cash to subsidize cash flow through the winter months when operations slow down,and

WHEREAS, Calvans has no apparent alternative to restoring the restricted cash, and

WHEREAS, Section V. of the Calvans JPA members may withdraw with 180 day notice, and

WHEREAS, On April 2, 2026 the Fresno COG Executive Director notified Calvans in writing of the Fresno COG's intent to withdraw from the JPA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fresno COG. Adopts resolution 2026-37 formally withdrawing from the Calvans Joint Powers Authority, effective October 29, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this withdrawal does not prevent Fresno COG from participating in and contributing reimbursement to Calvans Farm Worker Van Pools operating in Fresno County.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Fresno Council of Governments this 19th day of November, 2026.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Signed: _____
Victor Martinez, Chair

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Fresno Council of Governments duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 19th day of November, 2026.

Signed:_____
Paul Herman, Interim Executive Director