

Item 11E. Attachment – Letter of Commitment

California Air Resources Board  
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February 6, 2026

Subject: Letter of Commitment for “Pathways that Move Us”

Dear California Air Resources Board,

The Ventura County Transportation Commission (VCTC) is pleased to support the proposal by Climate First: Replacing Oil & Gas (CFROG) and One Step a la Vez for a CARB Capacity Building and Planning Grant to strengthen equitable transportation planning through robust community engagement and capacity building in the Santa Clara River Valley / State Route (SR) 126 corridor. The proposed project title is “Pathways that Move Us: Building Economic Mobility and Climate Resiliency through the Santa Clara River Valley’s Transportation Networks.”

VCTC serves as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency for Ventura County, responsible for planning, programming, and providing transportation services, programs, and projects. VCTC has several on-going planning efforts within the SR-126 corridor / Santa Clara River Valley that would benefit from the proposed project, including but not limited to:

- Community Traffic Calming and Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety Program
- Short Range Transit Plan
- Unmet Transit Needs
- Santa Paula Branch Line Trail Master Plan Update

In addition, VCTC applied for a Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant in Fiscal Year 2025/2026 to prepare an SR-126 Multimodal Corridor Study and Action Plan. Grant award decisions are expected by June 2026. The proposed CFROG/One Step a la Vez project would enhance and support ongoing transportation planning and supplement community engagement efforts by VCTC, Caltrans, the County and Cities within the Santa Clara River Valley.

As the Local Government partner, VCTC will play an advisory and technical partner role. VCTC staff will work with CFROG and One Step A La Vez to ensure project efforts are informed by and assist in further development of relevant transportation studies, plans, and resources. The project partners will coordinate to ensure activities and outcomes are additive, not duplicative, to transportation planning related to the SR-126 corridor. If appropriate and feasible, VCTC may participate in the workforce exploration program for local Santa Clara River Valley youth that aims to provide hands-on exposure to transportation, infrastructure, and public works career pathways.

VCTC is committed to supporting the proposed project in this way should the proposal be awarded funding.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Martin R. Erickson  
Executive Director