COMMITTEE TRANSMITTAL

October 12, 2026

To: Members of the Board of Directors

From: Andrea West, Clerk of the Board

Subject: Approval of Cooperative Agreement No. C260556 for Plans, Specifications, and Estimates for the State Route 74 Ortega Highway Gap Closure and Multimodal Improvement Project from Calle Entradero to Reata Road, Funding Actions and Project Update

Regional Transportation Planning Committee Meeting of October 5, 2026

Present: Directors Foley, Go, Harper, Klopfenstein, and Tavoularis
Absent: Directors Kleiman and Tettemer

Committee Vote

This item was passed by the Members present.

Committee Recommendation(s)

A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Cooperative Agreement No. C260556 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the California Department of Transportation in the amount of $1.5 million for the plans, specifications, and estimates phase of the State Route 74 Ortega Highway Gap Closure and Multimodal Improvement Project.

B. Authorize the use of an additional $3.581 million in State Transportation Improvement Program funds for the right-of-way capital phase for the State Route 74 Ortega Highway Gap Closure and Multimodal Improvement Project.

C. Authorize the use of an additional $1.1 million in State Transportation Improvement Program funds for the construction support phase for the State Route 74 Ortega Highway Gap Closure and Multimodal Improvement Project.

D. Authorize staff to make all necessary amendments to the State Transportation Improvement Program and the Federal Transportation Improvement Program and authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute or amend any necessary agreements to facilitate the recommendations above.