

## COMMITTEE TRANSMITTAL

## April 14, 2025

To: Members of the Board of Directors

Andrea West, Clerk of the Board From:

Subject: Amendments to the Master Plan of Arterial Highways

Regional Transportation Planning Committee Meeting of April 7, 2025

Present: Directors Federico, Foley, Klopfenstein, and Stephens **Directors Carroll and Harper** Absent:

## **Committee Vote**

This item was passed by the Members present.

## Committee Recommendation(s)

- Approve amending the Master Plan of Arterial Highways to fully remove Α. the Garfield-Gisler Santa Ana River crossing.
- Β. Direct staff to close out the Memorandum of Understanding C-6-0834 among the cities of Costa Mesa, Fountain Valley, and Huntington Beach, and the Orange County Transportation Authority regarding agency responsibilities for implementing the consensus recommendation for the Garfield Gisler Bridge Crossing over the Santa Ana River.
- C. Approve amending the Master Plan of Arterial Highways to accommodate the following requests:
  - 1. City of Anaheim: Remove Weir Canyon Road between Blue Sky Road and State Route 241 (not constructed).
  - 2. City of Costa Mesa: Reclassify Merrimac Way from a primary (four-lane, divided) arterial to a divided collector (two-lane, divided) arterial between Harbor Boulevard and Fairview Road.
  - 3. City of Irvine: Reclassify Yale Avenue from a secondary (four-lane, undivided) arterial to a collector (two-lane undivided) arterial between Michelson Drive and University Drive.
  - 4. City of Stanton: Reclassify Orangewood Avenue from a secondary (four-lane, undivided) arterial to a divided collector (two-lane divided) arterial between Santa Rosalia Street and the eastern city boundary.



The Master Plan of Arterial Highways will be amended to reflect each approved request contingent upon receipt of documentation confirming that all affected general plans are consistent with the proposed amendment and are compliant with the California Environmental Quality Act. Amendment requests will expire if the Orange County Transportation Authority does not receive such documentation within three years of granting approval.

Should the proposed Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendment be modified for any reason after receiving approval, the modified Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendment must be returned to the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors for reconsideration and action.

- D. Direct the Executive Director of Planning, or her designee, to file a Notice of Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act in support of the Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendment.
- E. Receive and file a status report of ongoing Master Plan of Arterial Highways coordination activities.