

RESOLUTION NO. MPO 2024-05

BY THE LAREDO AND WEBB COUNTY AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY COMMITTEE

SUPPORTING THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMMING OF CATEGORY 2 FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16 MILLION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW INTERCHANGE AT VALLECILLO ROAD AND IH-35 AS PART OF THE 2025 UNIFIED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (UTP).

WHEREAS, the Laredo and Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (LWCAMPO) is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Laredo Urbanized Area; and,

WHEREAS, LWCAMPO is the entity for cooperative decision making regarding regional transportation issues in Laredo and Webb County; and,

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and Webb County-City of Laredo Regional Mobility Authority (RMA) are valuable partners in planning for and implementing the region's mobility needs; and

WHEREAS, the construction of a new interchange at Vallecillo Road and IH-35 with project limits from 0.50 miles north of Vallecillo Road to 0.50 miles south of Vallecillo Road is being proposed as part of the 2025 Unified Transportation Program (UTP).

WHEREAS, the new interchange at Vallecillo Road will enhance connectivity and improve mobility along IH-35.

WHEREAS, TxDOT Laredo District proposes to allocate \$16 million in Category 2 funding to the Vallecillo Road and IH-35 interchange project as part of the 2025 Unified Transportation Program (UTP).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Laredo and Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (LWCAMPO), hereby agrees to support the Texas Department of Transportation Programming of Category 2 funds in the amount of \$16 million for the construction of a new interchange at Vallecillo Road and IH-35 as part of the 2025 Unified Transportation Program (UTP).

We certify that the above resolution was passed and adopted on this 17th day of April 2024, at a public meeting of the Policy Committee of the Laredo and Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (LWCAMPO).

Honorable Tano E. Tijerina

Webb County Judge and Chairperson of the

LWCAMPO Policy Committee

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