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Alameda CTC Receives State Approval for Over \$16.0 Million for Innovative Freight Technology and a Student Safety Program

ALAMEDA COUNTY, Calif. – The Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) received approval on May 16, 2019 from the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to receive \$12.45 million in Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) funding for an innovative freight technology project and \$3.7 million to expand a countywide Safe Routes to Schools Program.

The innovative demonstration project for Freight Intelligent Transportation System (FITS) at the Port of Oakland was awarded \$12.45 million for construction of what is to be the state's most integrated set of advanced ITS technology to improve efficiency and reliability of truck traffic at the Port. FITS is a comprehensive transportation technology and congestion management project that involves the use of intelligent transportation systems, advanced technology, and innovation to improve operations of arterial roadways in the Port environment, and to provide truck-specific regional traveler information dissemination to and from the Port. FITS improvements include the implementation of transportation technologies such as changeable message signs, on-site cameras, fiber and Wi-Fi communications, a joint traffic management center/emergency operations center, traffic signal enhancements, vehicle and queue detection, train detection system, weigh-in-motion technology, a GoPort Freight ITS phone application, and a basic smart parking system.

This project is one of three landside improvement projects intended to improve truck and rail access to the Port of Oakland and build upon the significant state, local, and private-sector investments that have been made over the past decade as part of the redevelopment of the Oakland Army Base to modernize and expand rail facilities, warehousing, and transloading facilities to support the on-going productivity and efficiency of the Port of Oakland as the third busiest port in California and one of the top ten container ports in the nation.

Alameda CTC was also approved for a \$3.7 million grant as part of the Senate Bill 1 Active Transportation Program, which will serve to launch the new Alameda County School Travel Opportunities Program, integrating two of Alameda CTC's active transportation programs—<u>Safe Routes to Schools</u> and the <u>Student Transit Pass Pilot Program</u>—providing a comprehensive active transportation program to Alameda County students with a specific focus on under-resourced schools. Alameda CTC intends to match this grant for a total program cost of \$4.2 million.

"Alameda CTC is honored to have been selected for this countywide program that will expand safer walking and biking throughout Alameda County," says Alameda CTC Chair Richard Valle, Alameda County District 2 Supervisor.

With these SB 1 investments, Alameda CTC will continue to strengthen the state's economic competitiveness, reduce congestion, improve reliability, increase productivity, reduce adverse environmental and community impact, and keep our community safe as our children walk and bike throughout Alameda County.

About the Alameda County Transportation Commission

Alameda CTC coordinates countywide transportation planning and delivers essential, voter-supported transportation improvements in every city throughout Alameda County. Funding sources for Alameda CTC's expenditure plans include Measure B, approved by 81.5 percent of county voters in 2000, and Measure BB, approved by more than 70 percent of voters in 2014. please visit www.AlamedaCTC.org to learn more, and follow Alameda CTC on Facebook and Twitter.