



# Town of Yountville

6550 Yount Street  
Yountville, CA 94599

## Staff Report

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**DATE:** January 7, 2025

**TO:** Mayor and Town Council

**FROM:** John Ferons, Public Works Director

**PREPARED BY:** Rosalba Ramirez, Deputy Public Works Director

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt Resolution Number 25-4333 of support for the Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTa) RAISE Grant Application for the SR 29 Napa Valley Forward Oakville Intersection Improvement Project.

### **DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND**

NVTa is working with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) on the Napa Forward program that will make significant improvements at the intersection of SR 29 and Oakville Cross Road in the unincorporated areas of Napa County. The planned improvement includes construction of a compact roundabout, a proven countermeasure designed to improve highway operations, safety, and connectivity for all transportation modes. This improvement aims to relieve congestion, enhance multi-modal safety, and reduce serious and fatal injuries along the corridor.

The Project will also support travel for adjacent Equity Priority Communities in south St. Helena and the unincorporated area around the Town of Yountville. These communities have concentrated populations of low-income, elderly, and disabled, and minority populations. SR 29 represents the only contiguous north-south route connecting Napa County to the adjacent counties of Lake and Solano. Therefore, it is a critical evacuation route during wildfires and other emergencies.

The highway improvements will also provide significant economic benefits. By reducing commute times, increasing access to jobs, and generating both direct and indirect employment opportunities, the project will bolster the local economy. The project will also improve connections to the planned Napa Valley Vine Trail, a Class I multiuse facility that will run parallel to the west side of SR 29 between St. Helena and Yountville, creating safer accessible routes for cyclists and pedestrians traveling between those communities.

NVTa is asking the Town of Yountville for a local resolution of support. This resolution is only for support of NVTa's project for use in the RAISE Grant application.

Staff requests that the Town Council approve the resolution in support of the NVTa's RAISE Grant Application for the SR 29 Napa Valley Forward Oakville Intersection Improvement Project.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

Exempt per California Environmental Act (CEQA) Guideline, Section 15061(b)(3)

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

Is it Currently Budgeted? N/A

Where is it Budgeted? N/A

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Is there a Staff Resource Impact? No

### **STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL**

Is item Identified in Strategic Plan? Indirectly

If yes, Identify Strategic Goal and Objective. **Visionary Leadership:** The Town's leadership maintains an open-minded, forward-thinking decision-making process. We value engagement and participation from all members of the community as we work together to create policies and plan for the future.

Briefly Explain Relationship to Strategic Plan Goal and Objective. By providing a resolution of support the Town is working towards visionary solutions to provide a safer transportation system for the Town of Yountville residents.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Resolution No. 25-4333
2. Napa Valley Forward Fact Sheet
3. NVTa Letter of Support