

**CITY OF TEMECULA  
AGENDA REPORT**

**TO:** City Manager/City Council

**FROM:** Ron Moreno, Director of Public Works/City Engineer

**DATE:** August 12, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Approve Design Cooperative Agreement with the State of California, Department of Transportation for I-15/French Valley Parkway Improvements – Phase II Highway Planting, PW16-01

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**RECOMMENDATION:** That the City Council adopt a resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
TEMECULA APPROVING A DESIGN COOPERATIVE  
AGREEMENT, NO. 08-1809, BETWEEN THE STATE OF  
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND  
THE CITY OF TEMECULA FOR THE DESIGN OF I-15  
FRENCH VALLEY PARKWAY IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE II  
HIGHWAY PLANTING

**BACKGROUND:** The I-15/French Valley Parkway Improvements – Phase II project (Project) included the construction of a two-lane northbound collector/distributor system along Interstate 15 (I-15) from the Winchester Road/I-15 interchange northerly on-ramps to just north of the I-15/Interstate 215 (I-215) junction with connectors to I-15 and I-215. The original project included highway planting. However, according to Caltrans policy, highway planting with an estimated cost of \$300,000 or more, in conjunction with or resulting from a roadway construction project, must be accomplished by separate contract and must include three years of plant establishment.

Currently, the City's Consultant, T.Y. Lin International is working on all the necessary design requirements to prepare and develop plans, specifications, and estimate (PS&E) for the I-15/French Valley Parkway Improvements – Phase II Highway Planting, PW16-01.

The Design-Cooperative Agreement, between the City and the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), defines the terms and conditions under which the project will be

designed and financed during this phase. The scope of work included in this agreement are PS&E, right-of-way and environmental revalidation. The agreement will be adopted “As to Form” by City Council before Caltrans Office of Delivery Improvement Agreements reviews the agreement for Caltrans approval. During this time, the agreement may have minor, non-substantive changes.

In summary, the City will provide all reports, studies and contract documents. The City will also fund 100% of all design and staffing costs, excluding the State’s staffing costs. Caltrans will review, monitor, and approve all project reports, studies, plans, encroachment permits, and activities.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution
2. Cooperative Agreement No. 08-1809