



Ryan Moore
Director, Public Works
City of Sacramento
915 I Street, Room 2000
Attn: Megan Johnson

January 23, 2023

Re: Support for Sacramento River Parkway Project Grant Application

Dear Mr. Moore:

The SacMoves coalition enthusiastically supports the City of Sacramento’s grant application to the Sacramento Area Council of Governments for the Sacramento River Parkway project. This project advances the goal for a seamless, and diversified transportation network, while also responding to the need to improve our region’s air quality.

SacMoves represents a broad-based coalition of business, labor, and community groups that are united behind a common vision of a Sacramento that has a state-of-the-art and diversified transportation network. As envisioned, this network would offer a wide range of accessible, affordable, and efficient mobility options, which would improve air quality, support safer neighborhoods and healthy lifestyles, and provide a backbone for a more equitable economy. Our goal is to ensure that the City of Sacramento, as well as other jurisdictions and organizations throughout the region, adopt projects and policies that support this vision.

The Sacramento River Parkway project, which will create a bicycle and pedestrian trail atop a portion of the Sacramento River levee, will facilitate the City’s longstanding vision of an interconnected trail system adjacent to the City’s defining rivers. It will support equitable access to the river and open spaces for residents of the Pocket-Greenhaven and South Sacramento neighborhoods, and at the same time will support regional use and tourism.

The project is also consistent with the recommendations of the Mayors' Commission on Climate Change and SACOG's Blueprint for addressing the transportation sector, which is the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in Sacramento. The Mayors' Commission emphasized the importance of improving our walking and biking infrastructure to promote active transportation, reduce vehicle use and traffic congestion, improve air quality, and enhance health and safety. We urge support of the grant application.

Sincerely,

Debra Banks, Chair, SacMoves

Members of the SacMoves Coalition:

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