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STOCKTON - The San Joaquin Regional Transit District is slated to receive more funding toward building a Regional Transportation Center in Stockton.

The federal Department of Transportation State of Good Repair Program will contribute \$8 million to the project. The money brings the total for the \$67.6 million project to \$40 million.

The new funds make it possible to begin building a bus wash, fuel island and maintenance facility, according to RTD. The center is being built in phases.

News of the \$8 million funding first came from the office of Rep. Jerry McNerney, D-Stockton. The project has also been supported by Rep. Dennis Cardoza, D-Atwater, and Sens. Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer.

McNerney has supported and had previously secured money for the project, and he had written a letter supporting the latest award, according to his office. The project will help create an estimated 143 jobs, as well as 1,217 construction jobs to build the facility, McNerney said.

"Investing in our infrastructure is a key part of job creation and getting our economy back on track," McNerney said. "This is welcome news for the people of San Joaquin County, where we are working hard to put people back to work in good-paying jobs. I will continue fighting to bring back resources that help shore up our local economy."

