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APPROVAL OF 2000 STATE HIGHWAY OPERATON AND PROTECTION PROGRAM (SHOPP)

RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the proposed 2000 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP).

BACKGROUND

Government Code Section 14526.5 requires the Commission to approve and submit the SHOPP to the Legislature and the Governor each even-numbered year. Following Commission approval of the SHOPP, the Department will work closely with regional transportation planning agencies to incorporate the new projects in the SHOPP into their regional Federal Transportation Improvement Programs to establish Federal funding eligibility.

The proposed 2000 SHOPP was prepared in accordance with Government Code 14526.5, Streets and Highways Code Section 164.6, and the strategies outlined in the Department's Policy for Management of the SHOPP. The 2000 SHOPP is a four-year program (from Fiscal Years 2000-01 through 2003-04) that includes projects for traffic safety, roadway rehabilitation, roadside rehabilitation or operations related to the State Highway System.

The proposed 2000 SHOPP was submitted and discussed during the March Commission meeting. Funding recommended in the proposed SHOPP was consistent with the funding approved in the 2000 State Transportation Improvement Program Fund Estimate. The selection of new projects was based on the draft 2000 Ten-Year State Highway System Rehabilitation Plan. The Commission's comments on the proposed 2000 SHOPP included a concern over the delayed funding for roadway rehabilitation projects and potential delay in meeting the approved goal of reducing the deteriorated pavement to 5,500 lane miles by fiscal year 2007/2008. The Commission requested:

- a workshop on the SHOPP at the May Commission meeting;
- consideration of funding the roadway rehabilitation element at the approved level in the 1998 Ten-Year State Highway System Rehabilitation Plan; and,
- consideration of additional SHOPP funding from the proposed amended 2000 State Transportation Improvement Program Fund Estimate expected to be presented at the May Commission meeting.

The Department is prepared to respond to each of the Commission's requests. A SHOPP Workshop has been placed on the agenda for the May Commission meeting. A re-analysis of funding for the roadway rehabilitation element has been completed and will be discussed at the Workshop, along with the identified needs for the safety, roadside and operations elements.

The proposed 2000 SHOPP submitted for approval at the March Commission meeting, has been updated to reflect March allocations and amendments through April 25, 2000. The State Highway System is aging and traffic demands are increasing. Immediate rehabilitation and reconstruction needs are statewide. The Department requests the Commission's approval of the updated proposed 2000 SHOPP. If the Commission approves additional funding for the SHOPP, an amendment identifying the additional programmed projects will be submitted for discussion at the June meeting.