

State of California  
 Business, Transportation and Housing Agency  
 Department of Transportation

PROGRAM AMENDMENTS  
 STIP Amendment 00S-055  
 Notice Item  
 CTC Meeting: October 3-4, 2001

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**PROPOSED**

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**STIP AMENDMENT 00S-055 NOTICE**

**SUMMARY**

This amendment adds \$500,000 from San Luis Obispo County's Unprogrammed Share Balance in FY 2001-02 for the design component of an existing truck climbing lane project on Route 41 in San Luis Obispo and Kern Counties.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Department and the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments are requesting this amendment.

**RESOLUTION**

Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission (CTC) revise the 2000 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) at the end of the 30-day notice period as follows:

**Revises:**

Project Information								
County:	CT District:	PPNO:	EA:	Element:	Const Year:	PM Back	PM Ahead	Route/Corridor
San Luis Obispo/Kern	05	0452	452600	CTCO	2002-03	49.7/00	50.4/1.3	41
Project Title:	Truck Climbing Lane on Route 41							
Sponsor:	Caltrans							
Implementing Agency:	Caltrans							
RTPA/CTC:	San Luis Obispo Council of Governments							
Location:	Near Cholame, east of the 41/46 Junction, from 1.1 km west to 2.1 km east of San Luis Obispo County line.							
Description:	Construct westbound truck climbing lane							

STIP Programming - RIP							(Dollars in Thousands)	
Component	PRIOR	2000/2001	2001/2002	2002/2003	2003/2004		Total	
PA&ED			\$91				\$91	
PS&E			\$500				\$500	
R/W SUP								
CON SUP								
R/W								
CON								
TOTAL			\$591				\$591	

<b>STIP Programming - IIP</b>		<b>(Dollars in Thousands)</b>					
Component	PRIOR	2000/2001	2001/2002	2002/2003	2003/2004		Total
PA&ED			\$364				\$364
PS&E							
R/W SUP							
CON SUP							
R/W							
CON							
<b>TOTAL</b>			\$364				\$364

<b>Future Need (not yet committed)</b>		<b>(Dollars in Thousands)</b>					
Component	PRIOR	2000/2001	2001/2002	2002/2003	2003/2004		Total
PA&ED							
PS&E							
R/W SUP							
CON SUP				\$500			\$500
R/W							
CON				\$4,287			\$4,287
<b>TOTAL</b>				\$4,787			\$4,787

<b>Total</b>		<b>(Dollars in Thousands)</b>					
Component	PRIOR	2000/2001	2001/2002	2002/2003	2003/2004		Total
PA&ED			\$455				\$455
PS&E			\$500				\$500
R/W SUP							
CON SUP				\$500			\$500
R/W							
CON				\$4,287			\$4,287
<b>TOTAL</b>			\$955	\$4,787			\$5,742

**BACKGROUND**

This amendment adds \$500,000 from San Luis Obispo County’s Unprogrammed Share Balance in FY 2001-02 for the design component of an existing truck climbing lane project on Route 41 in San Luis Obispo and Kern Counties.

A climbing lane project was previously programmed for environmental only to address the problem of trucks and recreational vehicles slowing down to climb the steep grade on the existing two-lane road. The design phase for this STIP project (EA 05-452600) is now being accelerated and will be combined for construction with two adjacent SHOPP projects. The two adjacent projects (PPNO 3321, EA 06-382900; and PPNO 4205A, EA 06-321500) are currently programmed in the 2000 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) for construction in FY 2002-03.

Route 41 in this area crosses the northwest corner of Kern County between the counties of San Luis Obispo and Kings. One of the SHOPP projects (PPNO 3321) will rehabilitate 5 miles of existing roadway and widen the shoulders within Kern County from the San Luis Obispo County line to the Kings County line. The other adjoining SHOPP project will raise the grade on a new alignment in Kings County (PPNO 4205A) for 4.2 miles from the Kern County line. The STIP climbing lane project is in San Luis Obispo and extends 1.3 miles into Kern County. The three projects are being combined for construction in order to balance the earthwork between the projects and to minimize disruption to the traveling public.

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The construction embankment material needed for raising the grade on the Kings county SHOPP project will be excavated from within the project limits of the other SHOPP rehabilitation and shoulder widening project and from the area of the future STIP climbing lane project. The environmental impacts from the excavation and other grading work are being addressed by a Negative Declaration (ND) prepared for the two SHOPP projects scheduled for approval in January 2002. The paving work for the STIP climbing lane project will be addressed by a separate environmental document with a Categorical Exemption (CE). It is anticipated that the CE will be processed after the approval of the ND document for the two SHOPP projects.

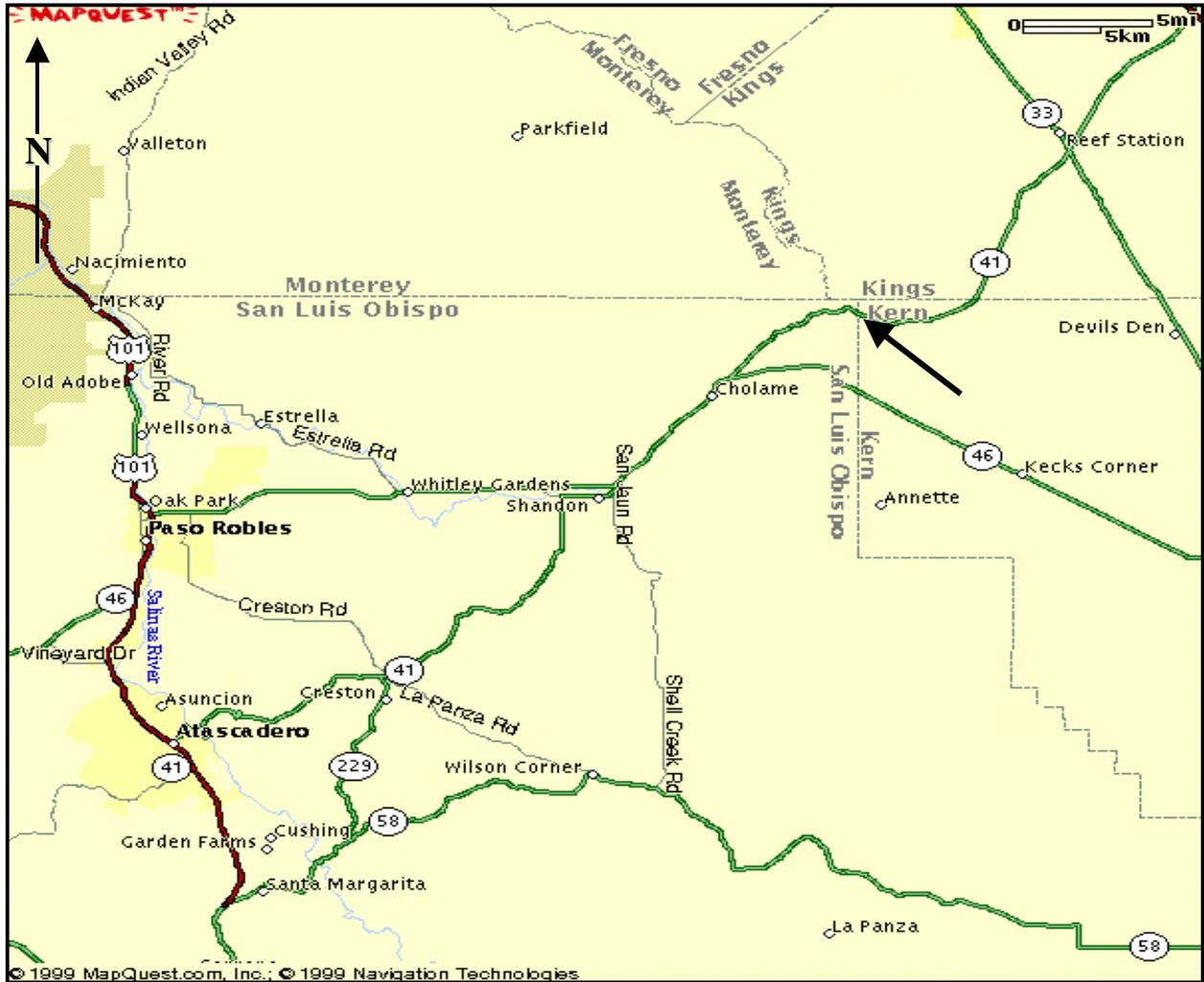
The design for the SHOPP projects is well under way which includes the construction grading for the truck climbing lane. Since the preliminary design for the paving portion of the STIP climbing lane project has to be essentially worked out in order to properly design the grading work, a portion of the design work for the STIP project has already been accomplished by the SHOPP projects. The SHOPP projects are scheduled for construction in Fiscal Year 2002-03.

Instead of processing the STIP project after completing the construction of the two SHOPP projects, this amendment will provide the funding needed to complete the design for the STIP project which will allow all three projects to be constructed as a complete unit. Although the STIP construction component is not currently programmed, it is anticipated that future funding for this component (currently estimated at \$4,787,000) will be programmed during adoption of the 2002 STIP.

ATTACHMENT

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Location Map



05-San Luis Obispo/Kern- 41  
PPNO. 0452

Location: East of the 41/46 Junction, from 1.1 km west to 2.1 km east of the San Luis Obispo County Line

Description: Construct westbound truck climbing lane

