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Department of Transportation

PROGRAM AMENDMENTS
Traffic Congestion Relief Applications
Action Item

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TRAFFIC CONGESTION RELIEF (TCR) PROGRAM
APPLICATION APPROVALS

RESOLUTION TA-01-16

At the November 7-8, 2001, California Transportation Commission (Commission) meeting, the Commission will be asked to consider the following Traffic Congestion Relief Program application totaling \$450,000. The Department of Transportation recommends this project, or phase of a project, be approved. A fact sheet for the project is attached.

- Project #74.4 - \$450,000, Phase 4 for Pacific Surfliner; double track intercity rail line within San Diego County, add maintenance yard in San Diego County. Upgrade tracks, turnouts and signals at the Fallbrook Junction.
Applicant Agency: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)
Implementing Agency: Caltrans

San Diego Pacific Surfliner; double track intercity rail line within San Diego County, add maintenance yard in San Diego County.

(\$ x 1,000)

<i>Estimated Project Cost:</i>	\$1,900	<i>TCRP Funds covered by the application:</i>	\$450
<i>Total TCRP Funds Available:</i>	\$47,000	<i>Phase(s) covered in application:</i>	4
<i>Lead Agency:</i>	Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	<i>Implementing Agency:</i>	Caltrans

TCRP Funds Allocation requested concurrently with application: \$450 for Phase(s): 4

Advance requested: \$0

Project Summary

The overall Pacific Surfliner double track project consists of several segments to provide improved reliability and on-time performance of the Pacific Surfliner intercity rail line in San Diego County. The Pacific Surfliner Corridor currently provides 11 round trips between San Diego and Los Angeles. Each segment is covered under separate project applications. The segments consist of:

- 1) Oceanside Double Track Project (\$6,000,000 TCRP)
- 2) PEIR/EIS and miscellaneous improvements to the LOSSAN Corridor [\$19,000,000 total TCRP (\$2,498,000 for PEIR/EIS, \$450,000 for TCRP #74.4 - Fallbrook Improvements; \$16,052,000 for other miscellaneous improvements), \$156,374,450 TBD, Total cost = \$175,374,000]
- 3) Maintenance yard and improvements (\$22,000,000 TCRP reserved for this segment, \$8,000,000 STIP, \$1,000,000 Amtrak, Total Cost = \$31,000,000)
- 4) Track and signal improvements at the Fallbrook Junction (\$450,000 TCRP originating from TCRP #74.2, \$1,300,000 STIP, \$150,000 Amtrak, Total Cost = \$1,900,000)

The miscellaneous improvements under TCRP #74.2 will be defined by individual applications as fully funded projects meeting all conditions are identified. Each improvement project must have independent utility and be environmentally cleared independent of the PEIR/EIS. This application, TCRP #74.4, is the first improvement project funded from the original \$16,502,000 set aside under TCRIP #74.2, and covers work to upgrade the track, turnout and signals at the Fallbrook Junction to increase train speed from 15 miles per hour to 40 miles per hour and improve on-time service. Upgrading the tracks and signals will permit passenger trains to pass at a higher speed on this section of track.

TCRP funding under this application will allow for the installation of signals to improve the efficiency of the siding constructed at this location using STIP and Amtrak funding. The STIP funding for this project was allocated in January 2000, under Resolution MFP-99-17.

Cost and Schedule (\$ x 1,000)

<i>Phase</i>	<i>Scope</i>	<i>Start</i>	<i>End</i>	<i>Cost</i>
1	Environmental Clearance - Categorical Exemption			\$0
2	Design			\$151
4	Construction			\$1,749
<i>Total:</i>				\$1,900

Funding Plan (\$ x 1,000)

<i>Source</i>	<i>Type</i>		<i>Phase 1</i>	<i>Phase 2</i>	<i>Phase 3</i>	<i>Phase 4</i>	<i>Total</i>
TCRP	State	Committed				\$450	\$450
		Proposed					
STIP - IIP	State	Committed		\$151		\$1,149	\$1,300
		Proposed					
Amtrak	Federal	Committed				\$150	\$150
		Proposed					
		<i>Totals :</i>		\$151		\$1,749	\$1,900
		<i>Total :</i>		\$151		\$1,749	\$1,900

Discussion/Issues

Recommend approval. This element of TCRP project #74.2 is fully funded. This project is Categorical Exempt under CEQA.

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
Approval of Traffic Congestion Relief Program
Project Applications

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- 1.1 WHEREAS the Traffic Congestion Relief Act of 2000 (herein after referred to as “statute”), which was established by Chapters 91 (AB 2928) and 656 (SB 1662) of the Statutes of 2000, establishes the Traffic Congestion Relief Program, providing \$5.39 billion for projects throughout the State of California to reduce traffic congestion, provide for safe and efficient movement of goods, and provide system connectivity; and
- 1.2 WHEREAS in accordance with Government Code Section 14556.11 the California Transportation Commission (Commission) has adopted guidelines, in consultation with the Department of Transportation (Department) and regional agencies, to implement the Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP); and
- 1.3 WHEREAS the statute and guidelines require applicants to specify full and complete project applications, including scope, cost and schedule, financial plans and funding sources; and
- 1.4 WHEREAS the Commission, with assistance from the Department, is required by statute to review and approve applications for TCRP projects that meet the requirements in statute and guidelines; and
- 1.5 WHEREAS the Commission, with assistance from the Department, has reviewed submitted TCRP project applications, and subsequent clarifications and revisions, and determined they comply with the statute and guidelines.
- 2.1 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Commission does hereby approve the following TCRP project application for \$450,000 as submitted, with subsequent clarifications and revisions:
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and;
- 2.2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this TCRP project application approval by the Commission reserves the State funding for these projects as specified by the statute, and allows the applicant agencies to incur costs in accordance with the approved project application, statute and guidelines.