

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: June 25-26, 2003

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Action Item

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Ref: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD, PER RESOLUTION G-01-21, FOR LOCAL STIP TRANSIT PROJECT, WAIVER-03-12**

ISSUE:

The California Transportation Commission (Commission) allocated construction funds totaling \$165,000 on May 9, 2002 under Resolution MFP-01-18 for the project shown in the attachment. The implementing agency has been unable to award the contract and does not anticipate awarding the contract by the respective deadline. The attachment shows the details of the project and the delay that has resulted in the extension request. The project sponsor requests an extension, and the planning agency concurs.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation does not recommend approval of this time extension request.

BACKGROUND:

Resolution G-01-21, STIP Guidelines, adopted by the Commission on July 12, 2001, stipulates that funds allocated for the construction phase of local grant projects are available for contract award for a period of 12 months from the date of the allocation. The guidelines further stipulate that the Commission may approve waivers to the contract award deadline one time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.

Attachment

June 2003 Meeting Waiver/Time Extension Requests		
Regional Agency	Extension Amount	Number of Months Requested
Local Agency	STIP Fund Type	Extended Deadline
	Component	CT Recommendation
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA)	\$165,000	4 Months
County of Los Angeles	SHA	10/31/03
Transportation Information Project PPNO 07-3207 <u>Extension for Contract Award</u>	Construction	Deny – The project will acquire trip planning software and hardware that will be obsolete by the Fall/Winter 2003.
Reason for Project Delay:		
Los Angeles County has been unable to execute a Letter of Agreement with LACMTA because LACMTA staff has not responded to requests for clarification on several agreement language issues raised by County counsel. The time extension will allow the County to resolve the agreement issues, secure Board approval and award contract for the Transportation Information Project.		