State of California
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Business, Transportation and Housing Agency

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Ref: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR STATE HIGHWAY OPERATION AND PROTECTION PROGRAM (SHOPP) PROJECTS, PER RESOLUTION G-03-19**
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ISSUE

On June 26, 2003, the California Transportation Commission (Commission) allocated construction funds totaling $16,137,000 for the two SHOPP projects shown on the attached list. The deadline to award the construction contract for these projects is June 30, 2004. The attachment also shows the details of each project and the delays that have resulted in the extension requests.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the Commission approve the time extension for the period of contract award for the projects listed on the attachment.

BACKGROUND

Resolution G-03-19, State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Guidelines, adopted by the California Transportation Commission (Commission) on December 11, 2003, stipulates that funds allocated for Caltrans construction 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

2.8b.(3) Time Extension / Waiver - Contract Award

Project Number	District	County	Route	PPNO/ EA	PROJECT LOCATION DESCRIPTION	Programmed Fund Source	Programmed Amount (x $1,000)	REASON FOR DELAY	Department's Request Months	Department's Request until end of (month-yr)
1	4	Ala	880	0018K / 272501	In Fremont - north of county line to south of Fremont Blvd. - rehabilitate roadway	SHOPP	$ 3,537	In order to minimize the traffic impact and to facilitate construction administration, this SHOPP project (PPNO 0018K) was combined with a STIP project (PPNO 0016F) to be constructed within the project limits. The total construction cost of the two projects is $59,000,000 including contributions from other sources. Advertisement of the combined project was delayed due to revisions to the STIP programming to address the AB 3090 arrangement of the STIP project. The combined project was advertised on March 15, 2003 and was scheduled for bid opening on May 11, 2004. This award date was postponed due to contractor bidder inquiries, which resulted in addenda, and requests by bidders to delay the bid opening to allow more time for reviewing the plans. The project is currently scheduled for bids opening on June 9, 2004. The Department is requesting a time extension of six months to award the contract. Furthermore, if the bids exceed the project's allocation, the extension will allow the Department enough time to secure funding and to readvertise the project. There is a concurrent time extension request for the STIP project under Reference Item 2.8b.(2).	6	December-04
2	8	SBd	15	0069J / 0A4221	Near Devore - Sierra Avenue to Cajon Creek Bridge - rehabilitate roadway	SHOPP	$ 12,600	In June 2003, funds were allocated for SHOPP project (PPNO 0069J) in San Bernardino County to rehabilitate pavement on Route 15. The project was advertised on October 6, 2003, with bids opened on November 13, 2003. Three bids were received with the lowest bid 82% over the Engineer's Estimate. The bids were rejected and the project scope was reduced to stay within the allocated amount. The project was re-advertised on April 19, 2004, with bids opened on May 27, 2004. Three bids were received with the lowest bid being 28% over the Engineer's Estimate. The Department is requesting a time extension for award of contract of six months to allow enough time to re-advertise the project, or to request additional funding.	6	December-04