

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Ref: **ALLOCATIONS FOR TRAFFIC CONGESTION RELIEF (TCR) PROGRAM PROJECTS  
RESOLUTION TFP-04-**

## **ISSUE:**

Attached is a Vote List for two Traffic Congestion Relief (TCR) project allocation requests totaling \$41,900,000 in new TCR funding for the projects identified.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Due to uncertainties in the current cash forecast, the California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) defer approval of this Resolution at this time and add these projects to the list of allocations submitted by applicant agencies that are pending further action by the Commission.

## **BACKGROUND:**

On May 13, 2004, the Administration released its budget proposals for FY 2004-05. The proposals include the transfer of \$163,000,000 from the General Fund to the TCR Fund for those TCR projects with existing allocations.

The Department recommends that requests for allocations of new or additional TCR funding be deferred until future funding for TCR Program can be assessed and a review of TCR projects is completed.

Attachment

## Mass Transportation Financial Matters

Project # Allocation Amount Implementing Agency District-County	BREF # and Project Description Description of Amendment	Item # Program Code	Total Allocation Amount
<b>2.6e.(1) Traffic Congestion Relief Program Projects</b>		<b>Resolution TFP-04-</b>	
1 \$23,900,000 Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) 7 – Los Angeles	<p><b>Project #37.1 – Los Angeles Mid-City Transit Improvements; build bus rapid transit system or light rail transit in Mid-City/Westside/Exposition Corridors in Los Angeles County.</b></p> <p>The project provides a 12.7-mile limited stop express bus service along Wilshire Boulevard that will connect the Wilshire/Western Metro Red Line station to 2nd Street and Colorado Blvd. in Santa Monica to provide high capacity transit service to the Westside of Los Angeles County, improving the existing Metro Rapid Bus service</p> <p>This allocation will provide funding for Phase 2 – Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&amp;E) and Phase 3 – Right of Way (R/W). This allocation also seeks to redistribute \$1,500,000 from Phase 1 – Environmental and Permits (ENV) to Phase 4 – Construction (CON).</p> <p><b><u>The Department cannot recommend approval because of uncertainties in the current cash forecast.</u></b></p>	Chapter 91 of the Statutes of 2000  601 -3007 30.10.710.010	\$23,900,000
2 \$18,000,000 LACMTA 7 – Los Angeles	<p><b>Project #38.2 – Los Angeles-San Fernando Valley Transit Extension; (B) Build a North-South corridor bus transit project that interfaces with the foregoing East-West Burbank-Chandler corridor project and with the Ventura Boulevard Rapid Bus project.</b></p> <p>The project provides new bus rapid transit services in the San Fernando Valley to relieve surface congestion and improve mobility for transit dependent residents.</p> <p>This allocation will provide funding for Phase 1 – ENV, Phase 2 – PS&amp;E, and Phase 4 – CON.</p> <p><b><u>The Department cannot recommend approval because of uncertainties in the current cash forecast.</u></b></p>	Chapter 91 of the Statutes of 2000  601 -3007 30.10.710.010	\$18,000,000