

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: October 27-28, 2004

Reference No.: 2.1b.(3)  
Information Item

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Ref: **STIP AMENDMENT 04S-005**

The Siskiyou County Local Transportation Commission (Siskiyou LTC) and the Department of Transportation (Department) have requested that this proposed State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) amendment be noticed at the October 2004 California Transportation Commission (Commission) meeting, and be considered for approval in December 2004. This notice is an informational item allowing the Commission to review the proposal, comment and/or ask questions prior to taking formal action in December 2004 or later.

Siskiyou LTC proposes to unprogram \$9,729,000 of Regional Improvement Program (RIP) funds and the Department proposes to unprogram \$10,530,000 of Interregional Improvement Program (IIP) funds from FY 2007-08 for the Construction and Construction Support phases of the Dorris Expressway project (PPNO 0244A). Siskiyou LTC further proposes to unprogram \$20,000 of RIP funds from FY 2005-06 for the Construction phase of the Rockfellow Drive, North Mount Shasta, Ida Street Reconstruction project (PPNO 2289) and to program \$9,160,000 of RIP funds to 15 existing projects and \$420,000 for one new project, Lake Street Interchange Modification (PPNO 2259). The remaining \$169,000 of RIP funds shall be returned to Siskiyou County's unprogrammed shares and \$10,530,000 of IIP funds shall be returned to Interregional unprogrammed shares. This is a revenue neutral programming action.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The City of Dorris (City) and the Siskiyou LTC currently oppose the continuation of the Dorris Expressway project. The Department recommends that the Dorris Expressway project be abandoned but that Siskiyou County RIP shares remain unprogrammed, allowing the Department time to complete a project study report for another state highway project in the county.

**BACKGROUND:**

Heavy truck traffic, approximately 1,100 trucks/day on average or 28% of the total traffic volume, on Route 97 causes traffic delays in and around Dorris. The realignment bypasses three sharp 15-MPH curves, eliminates at-grade railroad crossings, reduces congestion, and improves safety. The project also supports goods movement by providing continuity for large and extra long trucks. The potential for hazardous spills, load shifts, and overturned trucks would be reduced. There have been eight truck related accidents and three overturned trucks reported in the last 10 years along this segment of highway.

The Dorris Expressway project is consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the Siskiyou LTC's submittal of the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) to the Commission and approval by the Commission from 1998 forward. The project is included in the Siskiyou County RTP for improving mobility and meeting regionally adopted performance measures of improved safety and reduced congestion in the town of Dorris.

A Project Study Report (PSR) was prepared by the Department in 1991 at the request of the City. The project was first programmed as a STIP project in 1998, and the environmental document was approved in 2002. In 2003, the Dorris City Council passed a resolution of non-support for the project because of their concerns over the economic impacts of the roadway relinquishment and of the highway bypassing the downtown area. City officials expressed concern that the project will result in closure of local businesses that depend upon highway traffic and the resulting loss of tax revenue will result in un-incorporation. The City is now unable to afford day or seasonal maintenance and cannot even clear snow or repair existing streets. The City cannot bear additional financial burden of accepting the relinquished roadway.

The Department responded to the City's concerns by offering to either place the route in a state of good repair or provide equivalent monetary compensation estimated to be about \$1.2 million (\$900,000 to the City of Dorris and \$300,000 to Siskiyou County). Further, the Department proposed to provide a \$250,000 planning grant to be used for community revitalization and/or annexation of property around the proposed interchange. Additional financial and staff assistance was offered to prepare a "main street" conceptual plan for the town to both improve community cohesion, safety and atmosphere and improve attractiveness for residents and tourism. The Department also offered to include gateway signage and enhancements for economic impact and tourism. It is understood that the City would receive some economic benefit, roughly \$1.2M, during the construction period from contractors and their employees buying materials and services from the area.

The end result of the Department's efforts to address the City's concerns was that the City emphatically opposes the project regardless of the mitigation offered. The Department is unable to proceed without a freeway agreement and is left with no other option but to abandon the project. Expenditures to date on the project are \$524,000 for Environmental; \$288,000 for Design; \$95,000 for Right of Way Support; and \$3,000 for Right of Way capital. The expenditures are split 50/50 between IIP and RIP funds.

**RESOLUTION:**

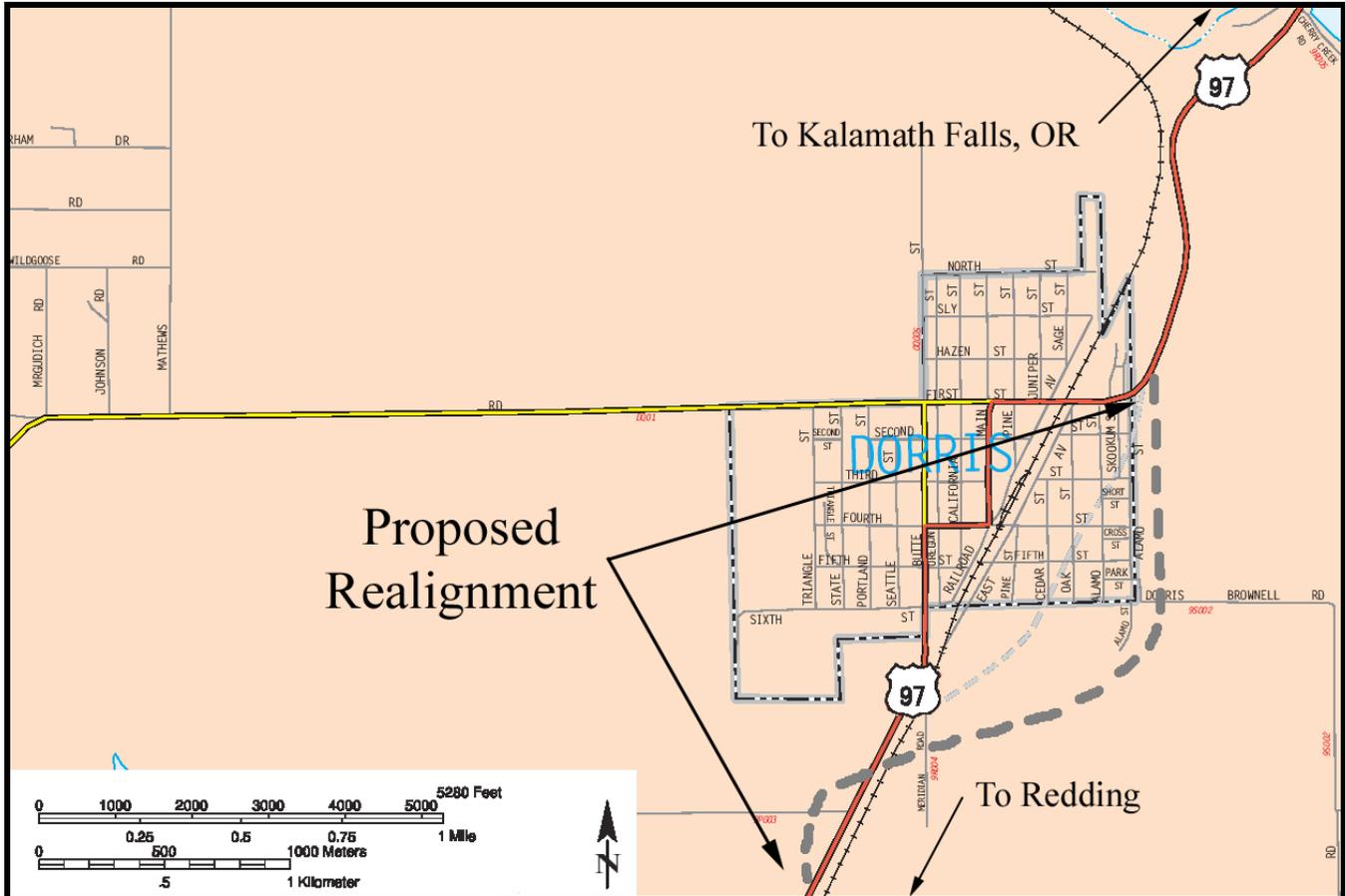
Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission revise the 2004 State Transportation Improvement Program at the end of the 30-day notice period as follows:

**Deletes:**

County	District	PPNO	EA	Element	Const. Year	PM Back	PM Ahead	Route/Corridor					
Siskiyou	2	0244A	28790K	CO	2007-08	49.3	51.9	97					
<b>Implementing Agency: (by component)</b>		<b>PA&amp;ED</b>	Caltrans				<b>PS&amp;E</b>	Caltrans					
		<b>R/W</b>	Caltrans				<b>CON</b>	Caltrans					
<b>RTPA/CTC:</b>	Siskiyou County Transportation Commission												
<b>Project Title:</b>	Dorris Expressway												
<b>Location</b>	Near Dorris – south of Richardson Road to 0.5 miles south of of Indian Tom Lake Road												
<b>Description:</b>	Construct 2 lane expressway												
<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W-Supp	CON-Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	11,435	1,706				9,729		626	8,982	182	626	272	747
Change	0	0				0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Proposed	11,435	1,706				9,729		626	8,982	182	626	272	747
<b>HP</b>													
Existing	12,235	1,705				10,530		626	9,782	181	625	273	748
Change	0	0				0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Proposed	12,235	1,705				10,530		626	9,782	181	625	273	748
<b>Total</b>													
Existing	23,670	3,411				20,259		1,252	18,764	363	1,251	545	1,495
Change	0	0				0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Proposed	23,670	3,411				20,259		1,252	18,764	363	1,251	545	1,495

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Location Map



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PPNO 0244A

Location: Near Dorris, from south of Richardson Road to 0.5 miles south of Indian Tom Lake Road on new alignment.

Description: Construct two-lane expressway.



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**PPNO 2215 - Greenhorn Road Rehab**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	600	149		451				54	451	42	53		
Change	187	0		187				0	187	0	0		
Proposed	<b>787</b>	149		<b>638</b>				54	<b>638</b>	42	53		

**PPNO 2259 - Lake Street Interchange Modification Project**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	0						0		0				
Change	420						420		420				
Proposed	<b>420</b>						<b>420</b>		<b>420</b>				

**PPNO 2282 - Main Street Rehab**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	350	30		320					320	6	24		
Change	20	0		20					20	0	0		
Proposed	<b>370</b>	30		<b>340</b>					<b>340</b>	6	24		

**PPNO 2286 - Woodland Street Rehab**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	150			150					137		13		
Change	5			5					5		0		
Proposed	<b>155</b>			<b>155</b>					<b>142</b>		13		

**PPNO 2287 - Calock, Newton, Don and Allison Rehab**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	350			350					315		35		
Change	12			12					12		0		
Proposed	<b>362</b>			<b>362</b>					<b>327</b>		35		

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**PPNO 2288 - Prather Street Rehabilitation**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	350			350					326		24		
Change	25			25					24		1		
Proposed	375			375					350		25		

**PPNO 2289 - Rockfellow Dr., N. Mt. Shasta, Ida St. Reconstruction**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	412			412					402		10		
Change	(20)			(20)					(20)		0		
Proposed	392			392					382		10		

**PPNO 2291 - Siskiyou Way and Alamo Ave Rehab**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	1,750			250	1,500				1,500	125	125		
Change	60			0	60				60	0	0		
Proposed	1,810			250	1,560				1,560	125	125		

**PPNO 2293 - Oregon Street Rehab**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	255				30	225			225		30		
Change	9				0	9			9		0		
Proposed	264				30	234			234		30		

**PPNO 2295 - Bruce Street Rehab**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	225				25	200			200		25		
Change	8				0	8			8		0		
Proposed	233				25	208			208		25		

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**PPNO 2299 - Siskiyou Avenue Project**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	150				100	50	0		0	100	50		
Change	1,850				0	0	1,850		1,850	0	0		
Proposed	<b>2,000</b>				100	50	<b>1,850</b>		<b>1,850</b>	100	50		

**PPNO 2301 - Cottonwood Creek Bridge Project**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	150	17	133					3	120	17	10		
Change	40	0	40					0	40	0	0		
Proposed	<b>190</b>	17	<b>173</b>					3	<b>160</b>	17	10		

**PPNO 2302 - Ash Creek Bridge Project**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	60	40		20	0	0		0	0	40	20		
Change	397	0		40	4	353		4	353	0	40		
Proposed	<b>457</b>	40		<b>60</b>	4	<b>353</b>		4	<b>353</b>	40	<b>60</b>		

**PPNO 2303 - Tennant Road Project**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	100					100	0		0	75	25		
Change	1,446					0	1,446		1,446	0	0		
Proposed	<b>1,546</b>					100	<b>1,446</b>		<b>1,446</b>	75	25		

**PPNO 2304 - Shackleford Creek Bridge Project**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	108	5	103					1	102	1	4		
Change	61	0	61					3	58	0	0		
Proposed	<b>169</b>	5	<b>164</b>					4	<b>160</b>	1	4		

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**PPNO 2305 - Old Highway 99 Project**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
<b>FUND</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Project Totals by Fiscal Year</b>						<b>Project Totals by Component</b>					
		<b>Prior</b>	<b>04/05</b>	<b>05/06</b>	<b>06/07</b>	<b>07/08</b>	<b>08/09</b>	<b>R/W</b>	<b>CON</b>	<b>PA&amp;ED</b>	<b>PS&amp;E</b>	<b>R/W Supp</b>	<b>CON Supp</b>
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	75			75	0	0			0	75	0		
Change	5,025			0	50	4,975			4,975	0	50		
Proposed	5,100			75	50	4,975			4,975	75	50		

**PPNO 3126 - Ager Road Left Turn Lane**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
<b>FUND</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Project Totals by Fiscal Year</b>						<b>Project Totals by Component</b>					
		<b>Prior</b>	<b>04/05</b>	<b>05/06</b>	<b>06/07</b>	<b>07/08</b>	<b>08/09</b>	<b>R/W</b>	<b>CON</b>	<b>PA&amp;ED</b>	<b>PS&amp;E</b>	<b>R/W Supp</b>	<b>CON Supp</b>
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	200				200				200				
Change	15				15				15				
Proposed	215				215				215				

**PPNO 2405 - Lake Siskiyou Trail Project (TE)**

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
<b>FUND</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Project Totals by Fiscal Year</b>						<b>Project Totals by Component</b>					
		<b>Prior</b>	<b>04/05</b>	<b>05/06</b>	<b>06/07</b>	<b>07/08</b>	<b>08/09</b>	<b>R/W</b>	<b>CON</b>	<b>PA&amp;ED</b>	<b>PS&amp;E</b>	<b>R/W Supp</b>	<b>CON Supp</b>
<b>RIP</b>													
Existing	770		770	0	0				0	770	0		
Change	0		(705)	60	645				645	(705)	60		
Proposed	770		65	60	645				645	65	60		