

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) PROJECT,
PER RESOLUTION G-03-19
WAIVER 05-03**

ISSUE

On April 8, 2004, the California Transportation Commission (Commission) allocated construction funds totaling \$3,600,000 for the one SHOPP project shown on the attached list. The deadline to award the construction contract for this project is April 30, 2005. The Department of Transportation (Department) is requesting a time extension of six months (to October 31, 2005) to allow enough time to re-advertise and award the project. The attachment also shows the detail of the project and the delays that have resulted in the extension request.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommends the Commission approve the time extension for six months for the period of contract award for the project 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. Time Extension / Waiver - Contract Award

Project Number	District	County	Route	PPNO/EA	PROJECT LOCATION DESCRIPTION	Fund Source	Programmed Amount (x \$1,000)	REASON FOR DELAY	Department's Request	
									Months	until end of (month-yr)
1	1	DN	101	0001J / 293131	In Del Norte County north of Crescent City at Smith River Overflow Bridge and at Gilbert Creek Bridge - Widen structures and upgrade railings	SHOPP	\$ 3,600	In April 2004, funds were allocated for SHOPP project (PPNO 0001J) in Del Norte County north of Crescent City at Smith River Overflow Bridge and at Gilbert Creek Bridge. The project will widen the roadway and bridges, and also upgrade the railings. The project was advertised on May 10, 2004, with bids opened on June 9, 2004. Two bids were received with the low bid being 60 percent above the Engineer's Estimate. The bids were rejected and the project scope was reduced to stay within the allocated amount. The project is scheduled to be re-advertised on March 14, 2005, with bids opening date scheduled for April 12, 2005. The Department is requesting a time extension for award of contract of six months to allow enough time to re-advertise and to award the project.	6	October-05