

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: April 13-14, 2005

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Information Item

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Ref: **STIP AMENDMENT 04S-036**

The Modoc County Transportation Commission (Modoc CTC) has requested that this proposed State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) amendment be noticed at the April 2005 California Transportation Commission (Commission) meeting and be considered for approval in May 2005. This Notice is an informational item allowing the Commission to review the proposal, comment and/or ask questions prior to taking formal action in May 2005 or later.

The City of Alturas and Modoc CTC propose to make the following changes to their Regional Improvement Program (RIP) Transportation Enhancement (TE) Reserve (PPNO 3210): advance and reprogram \$723,000 in the TE Reserve (PPNO 3210) from FY 2008-09 to FY 2005-06; revise the project description from TE Reserve to Alturas Scenic Beautification; and program an additional \$277,000 from Modoc County's unprogrammed share to FY 2005-06 for the new Alturas Scenic Beautification project. This action will fully fund the Alturas Scenic Beautification project for a total of \$1,000,000, with \$965,000 for Construction (CON), \$25,000 for Design (PS&E), and \$10,000 for CON Support, all in FY 2005-06.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends approval of this item at the May 2005 Commission meeting.

BACKGROUND

In the 2004 STIP programming cycle, Modoc CTC's Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) included \$723,000 of RIP funds programmed in a TE Reserve. The Commission, under Resolution G-04-07, approved the RTIP on August 5, 2004.

This amendment proposes to advance and reprogram \$723,000 of Modoc County's RIP TE Reserve funds from FY 2008-09 to FY 2005-06 and supplement that amount with an additional \$277,000 in RIP TE funds, for a total of \$1,000,000 to fully fund the new Alturas Scenic Beautification project under (PPNO 3210) formerly Modoc County's TE Reserve.

The TE project provides street and pedestrian sidewalk lighting along both sides of Main Street in the City of Alturas. The lighting will extend from the south end of town, near Glen Street, north for approximately one mile to the intersection of Route 395 and Route 299. The lights will be placed on the existing sidewalk just outside the clear recovery zone and spaced to meet the illumination specifications set forth by the City of Alturas. The purpose of this project is to enhance and improve the historic significance of the Downtown District.

The Department has a State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) project (PPNO 0059G) in the same location as the TE project, which will be ready for allocation in May. The SHOPP work includes the rehabilitation of the existing pavement in downtown Alturas, replacement of portions of curb, gutter and sidewalk, and relocation of existing lights outside the clear recovery zone. Additionally, The SHOPP project includes drainage improvements at several intersections, extending cattle crossings, and roadway excavations to improve site distance.

The Department, in partnership with Modoc County, is proposing to combine this SHOPP project with the Alturas Scenic Beautification TE project (PPNO 3210). By combining these projects, cost savings have been estimated at \$240,000 on Environmental, Right-of-Way Support, as well as PS&E and will benefit both the City of Alturas and the Department. The savings is due to the fact that the scope of the TE project is entirely within the limits of the SHOPP project. Furthermore, the SHOPP project has to be advertised as soon as possible to take advantage of the environmental construction window. If the TE project is not voted, the SHOPP project would need to be delayed. Both projects impact downtown local businesses but will be minimized if construction is performed simultaneously. Commitments have been made with local businesses, governing bodies and citizens that construction would begin in 2005. If the SHOPP project and the TE project are not combined, additional resources would be needed and inefficiencies created. Moreover, it would cause significant disruption to the City's historic downtown district.

RESOLUTION

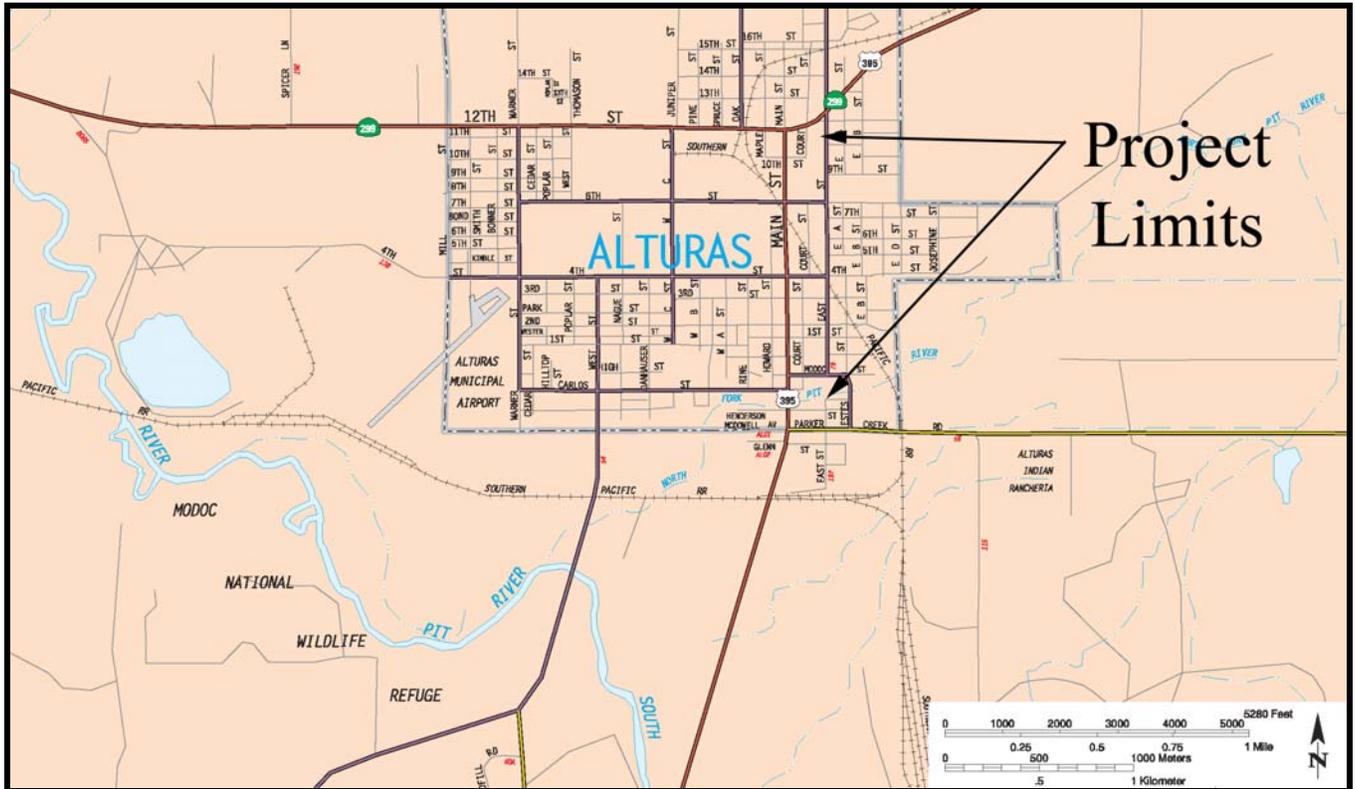
Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission revise the 2004 State Transportation Improvement Program at the end of the 30-day notice period as follows:

Revises:

County	District	PPNO	EA	Element	Const. Year	PM Back	PM Ahead	Route/Corridor					
Modoc	2	3210	--	LA	2008-09	11.0	23.8	395/299					
Implementing Agency: (by component)		PA&ED				PS&E							
		R/W				CON							
RTPA/CTC:	Modoc County Local Transportation Commission												
Project Title:	TE Reserve Alturas Scenic Beautification												
Location	TE Reserve In the City of Alturas, along both sides of Main Street												
Description:	TE Reserve Provide decorative street and pedestrian sidewalk lighting												
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)													
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
RIP													
Existing	723			0			723		723		0		0
Change	277			1,000			(723)		242		25		10
Proposed	1,000			1,000			0		965		25		10
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Location Map



PPNO 3210

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