

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Ref: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT COMPLETION, PER RESOLUTION G-03-19, STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GUIDELINES WAIVER-05-14**

ISSUE

The California Transportation Commission (Commission) programmed funds in Fiscal Year 2002-2003 totaling \$946,000 for the two projects as shown on the attachment. The projects will not be completed by the project completion deadlines specified in the STIP Guidelines. The attachment shows the details of the projects and the explanation of the delays. The project sponsors request extensions.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Transportation's recommendations are shown on the attachment.

BACKGROUND

Resolution G-03-19, State Transportation Improvement Program Guidelines, adopted by the Commission on December 11, 2003, stipulates that the Commission may approve a waiver to the timely use of funds deadline one time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.

Attachment

Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation Deadline
 Intercity Rail Projects

Project #	Applicant County	Extension Amount By Component (\$ in thousands) E&P (Environmental & Permits) PS&E (Plans, Specifications and Estimates) R/W (Right of Way) CON (Construction) TOTAL	Number of Months Requested
			Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
Reason for Project Delay:			
1	Southern California Regional Rail Authority Los Angeles	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$ 700 \$ 700	4 months 12/31/2005 Support – meets STIP guidelines
<p>PPNO: 75-2033 Safety improvements to railroad crossings Moorpark to Simi Valley</p> <p>On August 22, 2002, the Commission approved Resolution MFP-02-09, allocating \$700,000 in STIP funds for the Safety Improvements to Crossings from Moorpark to Simi Valley project.</p> <p>This funded an agreement that covered design and construction. Delays were experienced during negotiations with railroads regarding the priority of the work, which took approximately two months longer than expected. Later, when the bids were received, they were above the Engineer's Estimates and the bid process had to be repeated. SCRRA estimates that the work can now be completed by December 31, 2005.</p> <p>The design work is 100 percent complete. The signal work, necessary before work on the crossings can begin, is also complete. The overall project is approximately 53 percent complete.</p> <p>The contract amount is \$700,000. Approximately 45 percent of the funds have been expended. As of March 24, 2005, a balance of \$400,000 remains</p>			
2	North County Transit District San Diego	\$185 \$ 61 \$0 \$0 \$246	6 months 12/31/2005 Support – meets STIP guidelines
<p>PPNO: 75-7300 Del Mar Bluffs Stabilization Project 2</p> <p>On July 18, 2002, the Commission approved Resolution MFP-02-03, allocating \$246,000 in STIP funds for the Del Mar Bluffs Stabilization Project 2. The allocation funded an agreement that covered preliminary engineering and environmental components of the Del Mar Bluffs Stabilization Project.</p> <p>A "Type Selection Report" for Project 2 reviewed each of the stabilization alternatives identified in the Geotechnical Evaluation from the perspective of cost, constructability and environmental constraints to select the most viable stabilization alternative.</p> <p>The stabilization project is in an environmentally sensitive coastal zone area. The time required to address the nature and number of concerns expressed by the various agencies took six months longer than anticipated by the North County Transit District (NCTD) and include the preparation of a supplemental "Type Selection Report."</p> <p>It is anticipated that 60 percent design will be completed by September 2005. Final design is scheduled to be completed by December 2005.</p> <p>The contract amount is \$246,000. Approximately 55 percent of the funds have been expended. As of March 21, 2005, a balance of \$ 124,000 remains.</p>			