

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: August 17-18, 2005

Reference No.: 2.1c.(6)
Action Item

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Ref: **TRAFFIC CONGESTION RELIEF (TCR) PROGRAM PROJECT APPLICATION
AMENDMENT
RESOLUTION TAA-05-17, AMENDING RESOLUTION TA-01-13**

The California Department of Transportation (Department) requests approval of the following Traffic Congestion Relief (TCR) project application amendment, no net change in TCR funding.

Project #79 – North County Light Rail; build new 20-mile light rail line from Oceanside to Escondido in San Diego County (Sprinter). Amend application to:

- Update project schedule and funding plan.

RECOMMENDATION

The California Department of Transportation recommends approval.

BACKGROUND

The project is to build a new light rail line (Sprinter) by reconstructing 22 miles of existing railroad right-of-way, currently owned by the North San Diego County Transit Development Board, between the Oceanside Transit Center and the Escondido Transit Center. Fifteen new stations will be constructed with parking, intermodal access, and passenger amenities. The project will serve the cities of Oceanside, Vista, San Marcos and Escondido, as well as the unincorporated areas of North San Diego County. The project includes a 1.7-mile section of new right-of-way to serve the California State University, San Marcos campus. The TCR funds are to be used to support the purchase, delivery and inspection of the rail vehicles, and the construction of the track and rail stations.

The project has been delayed due to:

- Negotiations with Burlington Northern Santa Fe regarding freight operations during construction,
- California Public Utilities Commission approval of diesel propelled vehicles,
- Incorporation of another project – Inland Rail Trail – into this project, and
- TCRP funding delays.

Costs of the project have escalated due to the above factors. Also, construction material costs have risen significantly. Although the total project cost has increased, the project is now fully funded.

A concurrent allocation is requested under Reference No. 2.6e.(1).

RESOLUTION

Resolved, with all conditions stipulated still in effect, the California Transportation Commission hereby revises TCR Project #79 as follows:

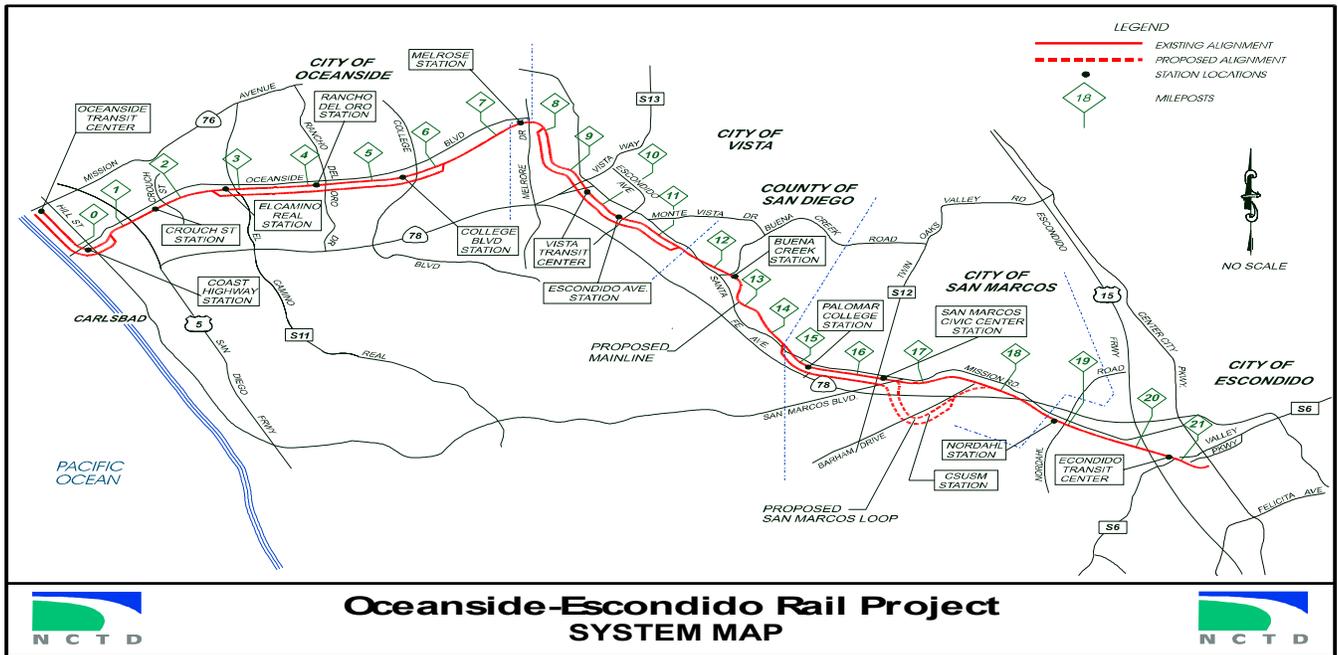
Revises:

County	District	BREF	TCRP										
San Diego	11	79	\$ 80,000										
Completion (FY)		Phase 1	99/00			Phase 3	02/03 05/06						
		Phase 2	02/03 04/05			Phase 4	05/06 07/08						
Lead Agency:	San Diego North County Transit District (NCTD)												
Implementing:	NCTD												
Description:	North County Light Rail; build new 20-mile light rail line from Oceanside to Escondido in San Diego County (Sprinter).												
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	Beyond	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
TCRP - Committed													
Existing	80,000		80,000						80,000				
Change	0												
Proposed	80,000		80,000						80,000				
STIP-RIP													
Existing	6,600	6,600							3,000		3,600		
Change	0												
Proposed	6,600	6,600							3,000		3,600		
Federal Section 5309													
Existing	152,100	15,530	136,570					7,600	136,570		7,930		
Change	0	(3,359)	3,359					(4,710)	3,359		1,351		
Proposed	152,100	12,171	139,929					2,890	139,929		9,281		
Local Transnet													
Existing	90,320	33,400	56,920					33,400	56,920				
Change	(24)	768	(792)					(4,725)	(792)		5,493		
Proposed	90,296	34,168	56,128					28,675	56,128		5,493		
Local Bond Proceeds													
Existing	0												
Change	34,000		34,000						34,000				
Proposed	34,000		34,000						34,000				
Local Bridge - HBRR													
Existing	0												
Change	61		61						61				
Proposed	61		61						61				
State Prop. 108													
Existing	17,600	17,600						17,600					
Change	15	15						15					
Proposed	17,615	17,615						17,615					
Local Regional CMAQ													
Existing	0												
Change	4,900		4,900						4,900				
Proposed	4,900		4,900						4,900				
Total													
Existing	346,620	73,130	273,490					58,600	276,490		11,530		
Change	38,952	(2,576)	41,528					(9,420)	41,528		6,844		
Proposed	385,572	70,554	315,018					49,180	318,018		18,374		

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Location Map

TCRP #79



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