

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: March 15-16, 2006

Reference No.: 2.1c.(1)
Action Item

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Ref: **TRAFFIC CONGESTION RELIEF PROGRAM (TCRP) PROJECT APPLICATION
AMENDMENT APPROVAL
RESOLUTION TAA-06-08, AMENDING RESOLUTION TA-01-11**

The San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments requests approval of the following Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP) project application amendment for two TCRP projects:

Project #54.2 – Alameda Corridor East; build grade separations on Burlington Northern-Santa Fe and Union Pacific Railroad line, downtown Los Angeles to Los Angeles County line – Valley View Avenue in the cities of Santa Fe Springs and La Mirada.

- Transfer \$15,300,000 in TCRP funding to TCRP Project #54.3 – Passons Boulevard.
- Update project schedule and funding plan.

Project #54.3 – Alameda Corridor East; build grade separations on Burlington Northern-Santa Fe and Union Pacific Railroad line, downtown Los Angeles to Los Angeles County line – Passons Boulevard in the city of Pico Rivera.

- Receive transfer of \$15,300,000 in TCRP funding from TCRP Project #54.2 – Valley View Avenue:
 - \$11,800,000 to Right-of-Way (R/W)
 - \$3,500,000 to Construction
- Redistribute \$500,000 in TCRP funds from Environmental (PA&ED) to R/W.
- Redistribute \$3,900,000 in TCRP funds from Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E) to R/W.
- Update project schedule and funding plan.

RECOMMENDATION

The California Department of Transportation recommends approval.

BACKGROUND

With the completion of the Alameda Corridor Project, train traffic on the Burlington Northern/Santa Fe (BNSF) rail line will increase by 80 percent in the year 2020. Part of the effort to mitigate the effect of the increased train traffic throughout the corridor from East Los Angeles to Orange County is the construction of two grade separations, Valley View Avenue and Passons Boulevard. The grade separations are to reduce vehicle congestion and delays on the local arterials, improve air quality, and eliminate vehicle/railroad conflicts.

Project #54.2:

Originally, this project was to construct a grade separation at Valley View Avenue on the BNSF Railway in the cities of Santa Fe Springs and La Mirada. However, the scope of work for this project has been incorporated into TCRP Project #35.2 – Pacific Surfliner Triple Track. Therefore, the \$15,300,000 of TCRP funds initially programmed for Project #54.2 – Valley View Avenue are now available for transfer to Project #54.3 – Passons Boulevard.

Project #54.3:

The project is to construct a grade separation at Passons Boulevard along the BNSF rail line in the city of Pico Rivera. The project will depress Passons Boulevard under the BNSF Railroad tracks and close the Serapis Avenue to through traffic. As both PA&ED and PS&E have been included under TCRP Project #35.2 – Pacific Surfliner Triple Track, the TCRP funds are now available to be used for right-of-way acquisition and construction.

The estimates for R/W and Construction have been updated based on the final design. Right-of-way acquisition includes a 90-unit apartment building, six residential homes, and various easements for construction. The construction estimate has been revised based on escalating costs of construction materials.

The project schedule has been extended due to the previous temporary suspension of allocating new TCRP funds.

A concurrent allocation for R/W is requested under Reference No. 2.6e.(2).

RESOLUTION

Resolved, with all conditions stipulated still in effect, the California Transportation Commission hereby revises TCRP Projects #54.2 and #54.3 as follows:

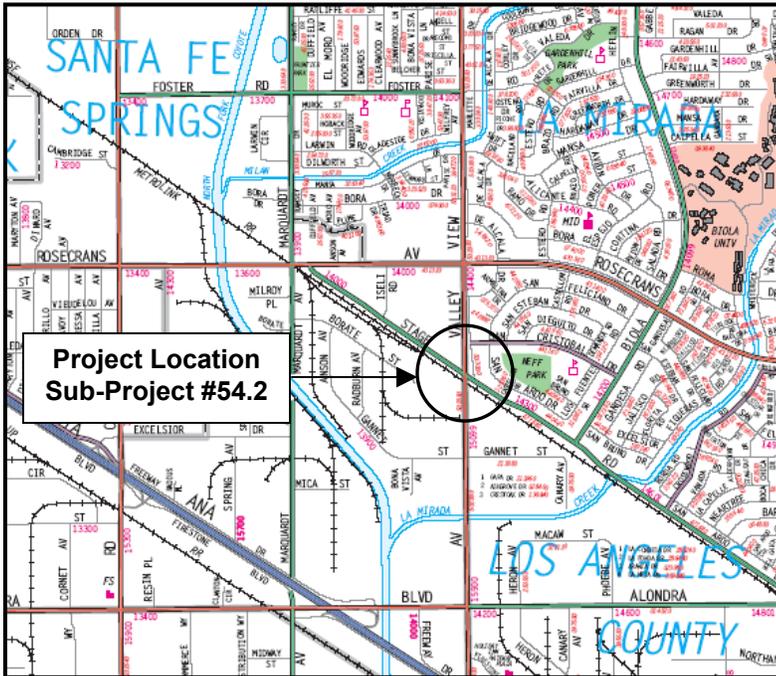
Revises:

County	District	BREF	TCRP										
Los Angeles	7	54.2	\$ 15,300										
Completion (FY)	Phase 1	02/03 N/A						Phase 3	01/02 N/A				
	Phase 2	01/02 N/A						Phase 4	02/03 N/A				
Lead Agency:	San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments												
Implementing:	City of Santa Fe Springs												
Description:	Alameda Corridor East; build grade separations on Burlington Northern-santa Fe and Union Pacific Railroad lines, downtown Los Angeles to Los Angeles County line in Los Angeles County - Valley View Avenue.												
(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	15,300		15,300					500	12,300	100	2,400		
Change	(15,300)		(15,300)					(500)	(12,300)	(100)	(2,400)		
Proposed	0		0					0	0	0	0		
STIP-RIP													
Existing	14,489				14,489				14,489				
Change	(14,489)				(14,489)				(14,489)				
Proposed	0				0				0				
Total													
Existing	29,789		15,300		14,489			500	26,789	100	2,400		
Change	(29,789)		(15,300)		(14,489)			(500)	(26,789)	(100)	(2,400)		
Proposed	0		0		0			0	0	0	0		

County	District	BREF	TCRP										
Los Angeles	7	54.3	\$ 4,400										
Completion (FY)	Phase 1	02/03 N/A				Phase 3	06/07						
	Phase 2	03/04 N/A				Phase 4	09/10						
Lead Agency:	San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments												
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(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)													
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		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	4,400		4,400							500	3,900		
Change	15,300		11,800	3,500				16,200	3,500	(500)	(3,900)		
Proposed	19,700		16,200	3,500				16,200	3,500	0	0		
PUC													
Existing	0												
Change	10,000			10,000					10,000				
Proposed	10,000			10,000					10,000				
SAFETEA LU													
Existing	0												
Change	2,960			2,960					2,960				
Proposed	2,960			2,960					2,960				
Future													
Existing	0												
Change	10,740			10,740					10,740				
Proposed	10,740			10,740					10,740				
Total													
Existing	4,400		4,400	0				0	0	500	3,900		
Change	39,000		11,800	27,200				16,200	27,200	(500)	(3,900)		
Proposed	43,400		16,200	27,200				16,200	27,200	0	0		

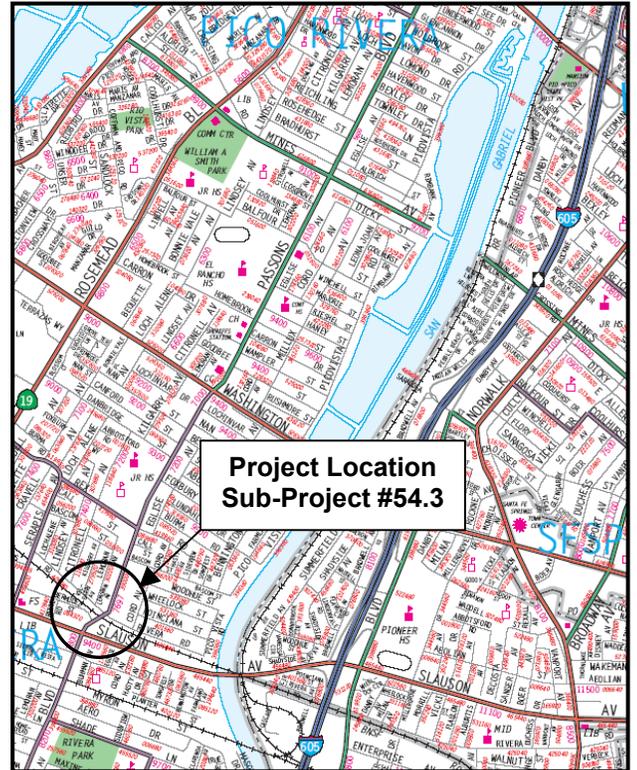
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Location Map



TCRP #54.2

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TCRP #54.3

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