

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: March 14-15, 2007

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT ALLOCATION PER RESOLUTION G-03-19, STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GUIDELINES WAIVER-07-04**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) defer approval of Waiver-07-04, extending the period of project allocation for the projects listed on the attached document for the time periods shown, because the request for Project #1 – Lake Siskiyou Trail Phase I is not consistent with current STIP guidelines, and Project #2 – Lake Siskiyou Trail Phase II can not proceed until Phase I PS&E is completed.

ISSUE:

The Commission programmed funds totaling \$655,000 in Fiscal Year 2006-07 for two projects, as shown on the attachment. The attachment shows the details of the projects and the explanations for the delays. The funds will not be allocated by the June 30, 2007, deadline. The project sponsor is requesting extensions, and the planning agency concurs.

BACKGROUND:

Resolution G-03-19, State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) 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
 Local Streets and Roads Projects

Project #	Applicant County PPNO Project Description Reason for Project Delay	Extension Amount <i>Construction Only</i>	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
1	Siskiyou County Siskiyou PPNO: 02-2405 Lake Siskiyou Trail Phase I	\$555,000	20 months 02/28/2009 Department recommends the CTC defer action at this time. The County of Siskiyou (County) is requesting a 20-month extension to the allocation period for the construction funds for the Lake Siskiyou Trail Phase I project, to allow time to secure additional funding needed for this TE project. This project was originally programmed into the 2004 STIP at a total funding level of \$770,000, based on the estimated costs at that time. The project was later reprogrammed into the 2006 STIP due to a cost increase. A recent preliminary estimate shows the current total cost level to be approximately \$1.3 million. The County is requesting a 20-month extension to the allocation period to seek additional funding for this project before requesting a construction allocation. The construction phase is programmed at a funding level of \$645,000. In concurrent Agenda Item 2.5c(5), the County is requesting to transfer \$90,000 from construction to Planning Specifications and Estimates (PS&E), to enable completion of the design and the engineer's estimate. The County is requesting an allocation time extension for the remaining \$555,000 in programmed construction funds. The County anticipates additional funds from a grant to be awardable during the summer of 2007.
2	Siskiyou County Siskiyou PPNO: 02-2405B Lake Siskiyou Trail Phase II	\$100,000	20 months 02/28/2009 Department recommends the CTC defer action at this time. The County of Siskiyou is requesting a 20-month extension to the allocation period for the construction funds for the Lake Siskiyou Trail Phase II project. This TE project follows Lake Siskiyou Trail Phase I, above, and cannot proceed until the PS&E is completed in the Phase I project. Further, the County may need to seek additional funding sources, depending on the cost estimate being developed in Phase I.