

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR TCRP PROJECTS,
PER RESOLUTION G-06-08
WAIVER-08-02**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve Waiver-08-02, extending the period of contract award for four months, to May 31, 2008, for Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP) Project #116 – Route 80 Light Rail Corridor; double-track Route 80 light rail line for express service in Sacramento County.

ISSUE:

The Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT) opened bids for the construction of the Metro Heavy Repair Facility on November 15, 2007. Eleven bids were received and nine were within the budget. However, there are potential issues with several of the bids, and SacRT anticipates that a protest may be filed if a couple of the bidders are determined to be non-responsible. Or, if they are determined to be responsible, the other bidders may protest. SacRT needs additional time to resolve the issue before the contract can be awarded.

The time set forth in the bid documents for resolution of a protest is six months from the date of receipt of bids, which was November 15, 2007. Therefore, it is possible that any protest will not be resolved until mid-May.

BACKGROUND:

On July 26, 2007, the Commission approved Resolution TFP-07-02, allocating \$7,837,000 for construction of the Metro Heavy Repair Facility in Sacramento County. In accordance with Resolution G-06-08, the deadline to award contracts for projects allocated in July 2007 is January 31, 2008. SacRT may not be able to meet the deadline for this project and is requesting a four-month extension, extending the deadline to May 31, 2008.