

Memorandum

To: Chair and Commissioners

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From: JOHN F. BARNA, JR.

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Action Item

Ref: Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF) – Project Baseline Agreement

ISSUE: Should the Commission accept the TCIF Project Baseline Agreement for the Columbia Avenue Grade Separation Project in accordance with the Commission's TCIF Guidelines and Resolution TCIF-P-0708-01, "Adoption of Program of Projects for the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF)," dated April 10, 2008 and establish this agreement as the baseline for project delivery monitoring?

RECOMMENDATION: Commission staff has reviewed the proposed Project Baseline Agreement and recommends that the Commission accept the TCIF Project Baseline Agreement for the Columbia Avenue Grade Separation Project in accordance with the Commission's TCIF Guidelines and Resolution TCIF-P-0708-01, "Adoption of Program of Projects for the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF)," dated April 10, 2008 and establish this agreement as the baseline for project delivery monitoring.

BACKGROUND: The Commission, at its April 10, 2008 meeting, adopted the TCIF program, which included the Columbia Avenue Grade Separation Project, and directed nominating agencies to provide executed Project Baseline Agreements that set forth the proposed project scope, measurable expected performance benefits, delivery schedule, and project budget and funding plan. The Commission also directed that the Project Baseline Agreements be signed by the Director of the Department of Transportation, the regional agency and nominating agency executive directors, and the CTC Executive Director.

In accordance with Resolution TCIF-P-0708-01, the City of Riverside, the nominating agency for the Columbia Avenue Grade Separation Project, has provided an executed Project Baseline Agreement to the Commission. The City of Riverside is ready to begin the construction phase of this project and is seeking acceptance of the Project Baseline Agreement and under Agenda Item 2.5g(5), approval of the related allocation request. The Project Baseline Agreement has been signed by the Director of the Department of Transportation, the regional agency and nominating agency executive directors, and the CTC Executive Director.