

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: September 24-25, 2008

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Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING,
07-LA-405, PM 39.4/40.5; 07-LA-101, PM 17.0/19.4
RESOLUTION E-08-11**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-08-11.

ISSUE:

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

- Route 405 in Los Angeles County – Replace the existing connector at Route 405 and northbound Route 101 (PPNO 2787).

This project will replace the existing connector by constructing a new connector/bridge over the Sepulveda Dam. The project is not fully funded. The project is programmed in the 2008 State Transportation Improvement Program with regional improvement program shares for \$7,010,000 for environmental. The total estimated project cost is \$165 million. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2013-14, depending on the availability of funds.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will involve construction activities resulting in permanent wetlands loss and visual impacts that will be mitigated to less than significant levels. As a result, a MND was completed for this project.

The Department has approved this project for construction. This approval and the filing of the Notice of Determination with the Office of Planning and Research will satisfy the environmental requirements for this stage of the project planning process.

Attachments

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding 07-LA-405, PM 39.4/40.5; 07-LA-101, PM 17.0/19.4 Resolution E-08-11

- 1.1** **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
- Route 405 in Los Angeles County – Replace the existing connector at Route 405 and northbound Route 101 (PPNO 2787).
- 1.2** **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3** **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.4** **WHEREAS**, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2.1** **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.

Figure 1. Regional Project Location

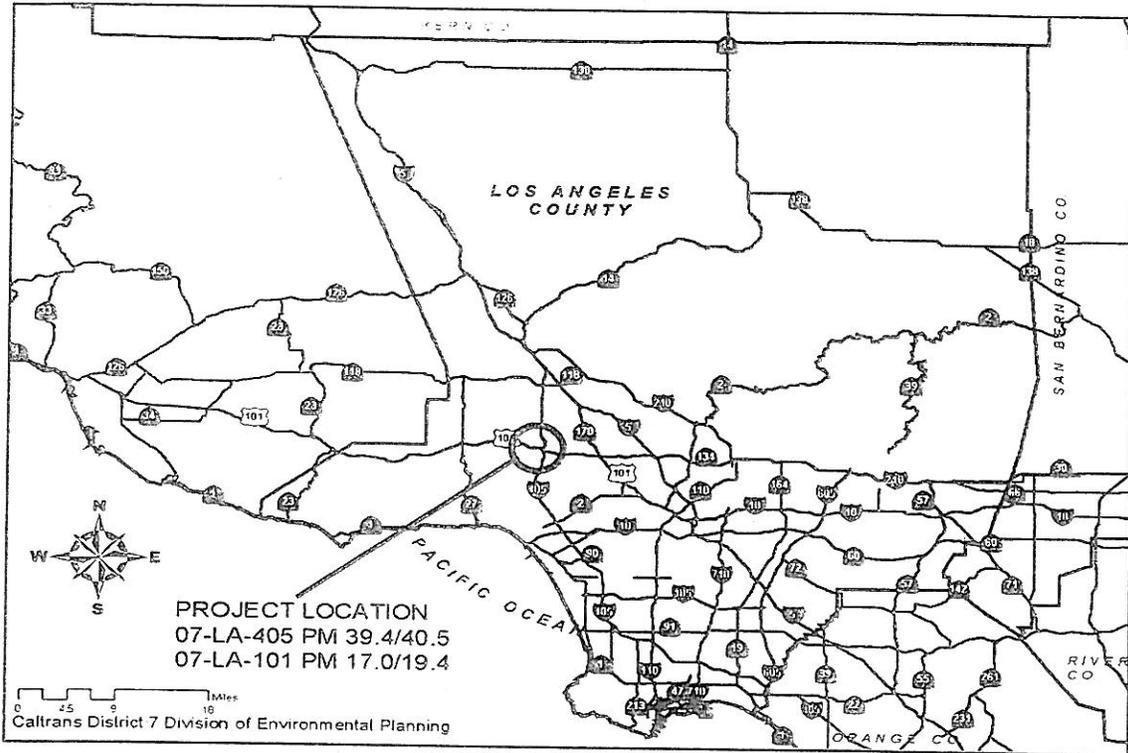


Figure 2. Proposed Project Study Area

