

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: September 24-25, 2008

Reference No.: 2.2c.(2)
Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING,
03-ED-50, PM 0.16/R9.11
RESOLUTION E-08-12**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-08-12.

ISSUE:

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

- Route 50 in El Dorado County – Roadway widening along Route 50 between the El Dorado Hills Boulevard Undercrossing to South Shingle Road/Ponderosa Road Overcrossing (PPNO 3283A).

This project in El Dorado County will construct bus-carpool lanes in the eastbound and westbound lanes. Phase 1, from the El Dorado County line to just west of Bass Lake Road (PM 0.0 to PM 2.9), is programmed with corridor mobility improvement account funds, congestion mitigation air quality funds, regional surface transportation program funds and local traffic impact mitigation (TIM) funds. The total estimated cost of Phase 1, capital and support, is \$44,568,000. The second phase, from west of Bass Lake Road to South Shingle Road/Ponderosa Road Overcrossing is estimated to cost \$55,000,000. Phase 2 is funded entirely from local TIM funds. Construction for both phases is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2008-09.

A copy of the Negative Declaration has been provided to California Transportation Commission staff. An Initial Study was prepared to determine the level of impacts to the habitat of the Valley Elderberry Longhorn beetle (VELB), a federally listed threatened species, and wetlands. Results of the study concluded that the impacts were less than significant.

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

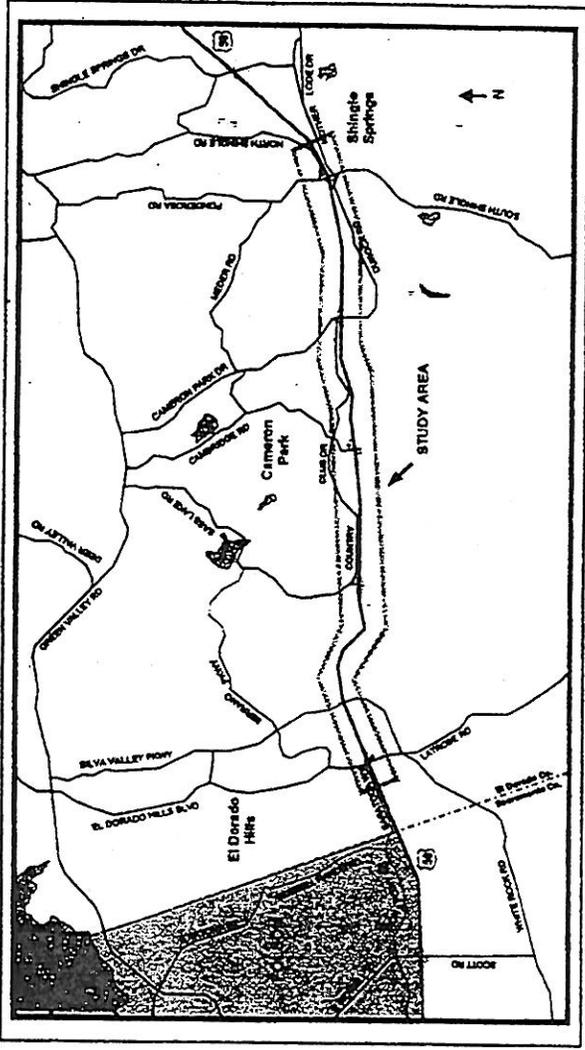
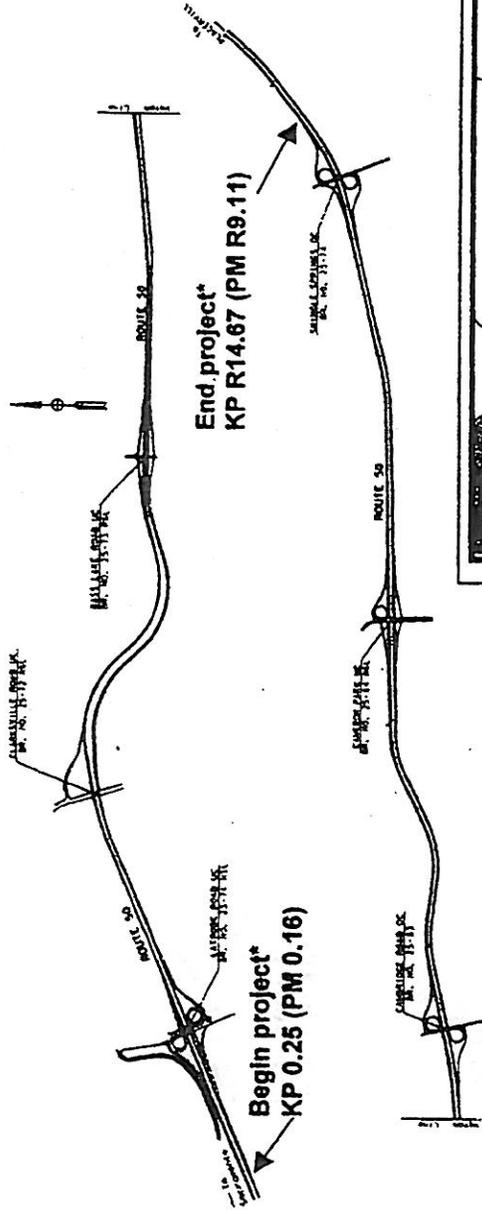
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Consideration of Funding

03-ED-50, PM 0.16/R9.11

Resolution E-08-12

- 1.1** **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
- Route 50 in El Dorado County – Roadway widening along Route 50 between the El Dorado Hills Boulevard Undercrossing to South Shingle Road/Ponderosa Road Overcrossing (PPNO 3283A).
- 1.2** **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the 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 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 consideration of funding.



* Arrows are approximate.

Figure 1
Project Location