

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: December 10-11, 2008

Reference No.: 2.8b.(3)
Action Item

From: CINDY McKIM
Chief Financial Officer

Prepared by: Rachel Falsetti
Division Chief
Transportation Programming

Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR ONE LOCALLY ADMINISTERED STIP PROJECT ON THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM, PER RESOLUTION G-06-08 WAIVER-08-38**

RECOMMENDATION:

On behalf of the Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG), the Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of contract award for six months, to June 30, 2009, for a Route 99 project in Gridley to construct a continuous left turn lane, traffic signals and sidewalks (PPNO 2411, EA 3A2701).

ISSUE:

On June 26, 2008, the Commission allocated \$4,418,000 for one State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) project on Route 99. In accordance with Resolution G-06-08, the deadline to award contracts for projects allocated on June 26, 2008, is December 31, 2008. BCAG will not be able to meet the deadline and is requesting a time extension for the period of contract award.

This project has been delayed due to right of way acquisition issues. It was anticipated that all properties will be acquired by October 1, 2008. However, negotiations with two property owners are still continuing. It is now necessary to proceed with condemnation for two parcels. An order of possession for both parcels is expected to be obtained by April 1, 2009. The six-month time extension will allow sufficient time to advertise and award the project once a full Right of Way acquisition has been obtained. The proposed schedule is as follows: Advertise date April 1, 2009; Bid opening date May 1, 2009; Award date June 15, 2009.

BACKGROUND:

In June 2006, the Commission adopted Resolution G-06-08, making the six-month period to award a permanent requirement under the STIP Guidelines.