

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: January 14, 2009

Reference No.: 2.2c.(3)
Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING
12-ORA-57, PM 16.2/21.1
RESOLUTION E-09-03**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-09-03.

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 57 in Orange County – Construct roadway improvements that include the construction of an additional northbound lane from Orangethorpe Avenue to Lambert Road passing through the cities of Placentia, Fullerton and Brea. (PPNO 3788)

This project will construct roadway improvements to a 5.0 mile long section of Route 57 in Orange County. The improvements will include the construction of an additional northbound lane. The project is programmed with corridor mobility improvement account (CMIA) funds and Orange County Measure “M” funds. The total estimated project cost is \$140,000,000. It is estimated to begin construction in Fiscal Year 2009-10. The scope as described for the preferred alternative is consistent with the project scope set forth in the approved CMIA project baseline agreement.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will involve construction activities along an existing facility resulting in potential impacts to water quality and noise. Construction activities will also occur in areas of existing wetlands. As a result, an 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

12-Ora-57, PM 16.2/21.1

Resolution E-09-03

- 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 57 in Orange County – Construct roadway improvements which include the construction of an additional northbound lane from Orangethorpe Avenue to Lambert Road passing through the cities of Placentia, Fullerton and Brea. (PPNO 3788)
- 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.

