

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: January 14, 2009

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR LOCALLY-ADMINISTERED STIP PROJECTS, PER STIP GUIDELINES WAIVER-09-02**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of contract award for the time periods identified for each project on the attached document.

## **ISSUE:**

The Commission allocated \$6,077,000 for the construction of six State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) projects identified on the attachment. The responsible agencies have been unable to award the contracts and do not anticipate awarding the contracts by the deadlines. The attachment describes the details of the projects and the explanations of the delays. The respective agencies request extensions, and the planning agencies concur.

## **BACKGROUND:**

In June 2006, the Commission adopted Resolution G-06-08, which requires the agency implementing a project to request a time extension if the project will not be awarded within six months of the allocation. STIP Guidelines stipulate that the Commission may approve a waiver to the contract award deadline one time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.

Attachment

**Time Extension/Waiver – Project Contract Award Deadline  
Local Streets and Roads Projects**

<b>Project #</b>	<b>Applicant County PPNO Project Description Reason for Project Delay</b>	<b>Extension Amount  Construction Only</b>	<b>Allocation Date Resolution Number Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation</b>
1	County of Siskiyou Siskiyou County PPNO: 02-2405 Wagon Creek Arm Bridge TE	\$745,000	07/24/2008 FP-08-04 6 Months 07/31/2009 Support
<p>The County of Siskiyou (County) is requesting a six-month extension to the period of contract award for the construction of the Wagon Creek Arm Bridge TE project. Environmental documents, right of way certification, and contract plans have been completed. The County advertised the project in November 2008 and opened bids on December 18, 2008, but the bids came in too high and the County did not award a contract. The County will analyze the bids and determine whether additional funding is needed. The County's current options for additional funds are the McConnell Foundation, a grant from California Department of Parks and Recreation, and/or the Federal Stimulus Package. If additional funding is needed and the County cannot secure the needed funds, the County will redesign the project. The County needs an additional six months to analyze the bids, determine whether to redesign the project, and secure additional funds if needed. The County requests a six-month time extension to July 31, 2009.</p>			
2	City of Willows Glenn County PPNO: 03-3121A Gateway Monument TE	\$97,000	06/26/2008 FP-07-81 3 Months 03/31/2009 Support
<p>The City of Willows (City) is requesting a three-month extension to the period of contract award for the construction of the Gateway Monument TE project. The City experienced delays obtaining federal authorization necessary to advertise the project.</p> <p>The City submitted a Request for Authorization to Proceed (E-76) to the Department at the end of July 2008. The normal processing time for submitting the E-76 for approval was delayed due to recent changes and turnover of Department staff. The City received federal authorization to proceed at the end of October 2008.</p> <p>The City was further delayed due to limited time on the City Council agenda as a result of the November elections. The City Manager directed the Public Works Department to place this issue on the City Council's agenda for December 9, 2008, for approval prior to advertising the project. The final bid package was approved by the City Council, and the project is now ready to be advertised.</p> <p>The City plans to advertise the project upon approval of this time extension, open bids by the end of January 2009, and award the contract by February 2009, which allows an additional month in case bids are contested. The City requests a three-month time extension to March 31, 2009.</p>			
3	County of Sierra Sierra County PPNO: 03-3183 Beckwith Road Rehabilitation	\$1,063,000	09/25/2008 FP-08-12 6 Months 09/30/2009 Recommend 3 Months to 06/30/2009
<p>The County of Sierra (County) is requesting a six-month extension to the period of contract award for the construction of the Beckwith Road Rehabilitation project. Environmental documents, right of way certification, and contract plans have been completed. However, the County anticipates poor winter weather conditions that could delay construction until May 2009. The County had hoped to be able to complete the project before the winter season. The County plans to advertise the project by February 2009, open bids by March 2009, and award by April 2009. The County requests five additional months to allow for the possibility of protests during the bidding process. The County requests a six-month time extension to September 30, 2009.</p>			

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4	County of Sierra Sierra County PPNO: 03-3184 Westside Road Rehabilitation	\$2,695,000	09/25/2008 FP-08-12 6 Months 09/30/2009 Recommend 3 Months to 06/30/2009
<p>The County of Sierra (County) is requesting a six-month extension to the period of contract award for the construction of the Westside Road Rehabilitation project. Environmental documents, right of way certification, and contract plans have been completed. However, the County anticipates poor winter weather conditions that could delay construction until May 2009. The County had hoped to be able to complete the project before the winter season. The County plans to advertise the project by February 2009, open bids by March 2009, and award by April 2009. The County requests five additional months to allow for the possibility of protests during the bidding process. The County requests a six-month time extension to September 30, 2009.</p>			
5	City of Davis Yolo County PPNO: 03-3138 East 8 <sup>th</sup> Street Enhancement TE	\$650,000	05/29/2008 FP-07-73 3 Months 02/28/2009 Support
<p>The City of Davis (City) is requesting a three-month extension to the period of contract award for the construction of the East 8<sup>th</sup> Street TE project. Originally, the City was in line to award the contract prior to November 30, 2008. All environmental documents, right of way certification and contract plans were completed. However, the City was unable to place this issue on the City Council's November 2008 agenda for approval prior to advertising the project. The final bid package was approved by the City Council on December 16, 2008, and the project is ready for advertisement.</p> <p>Upon approval of this time extension, the City plans to advertise the project, open bids by the end of January 2009, and award the contract by February 2009. The City requests a three-month time extension to February 28, 2009.</p>			
6	City of Long Beach Los Angeles County PPNO: 07-3407 East-West Bikeway Connections TE	\$827,000	06/26/2008 FP-07-81 2 Months 02/28/2009 Support
<p>The City of Long Beach (City) is requesting a two-month extension to the period of contract award for the construction of the East-West Bikeway Connections TE project. The City experienced delays obtaining federal authorization necessary to advertise the project. The City submitted the Request for Authorization to Proceed (E-76) package to the Department on September 11, 2008. At that time, the City was notified that the 2007/08 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) form would expire and some changes would need to be made to the specifications. The City updated the DBE form for 2008/09 and made necessary revisions to the specifications. The City submitted the revised E-76 package in November 2008 and received E-76 approval in December 2008.</p> <p>Upon approval of this time extension, the City plans to advertise the project, open bids by January 2009, and award the contract by February 2009. The City requests a two-month time extension to February 28, 2009.</p>			