

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: April 15-16, 2009

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

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING  
08-RIV-10, PM 32.7/33.6  
RESOLUTION E-09-23**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-09-23.

## **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 10 in Riverside County – Reconstruct the Indian Avenue/I-10 interchange, widen the overcrossing and construct roadway improvements in the city of Palm Springs. (PPNO 0007G)

This project in Riverside County will reconstruct the Indian Avenue/I-10 interchange and construct roadway improvements, including a sidewalk on the west side, a bike lane in each direction, realignment of the eastbound and westbound direct on- and off-ramps, and widening of 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Garnet Avenue. The project is programmed in the 2008 State Transportation Improvement Program, and includes local and federal funds. Total estimated cost is \$35,098,000, capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2009-10.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will involve construction activities resulting in biological impacts that will be mitigated to less than significant levels through preserving existing trees where feasible and revegetating the surrounding areas. 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**

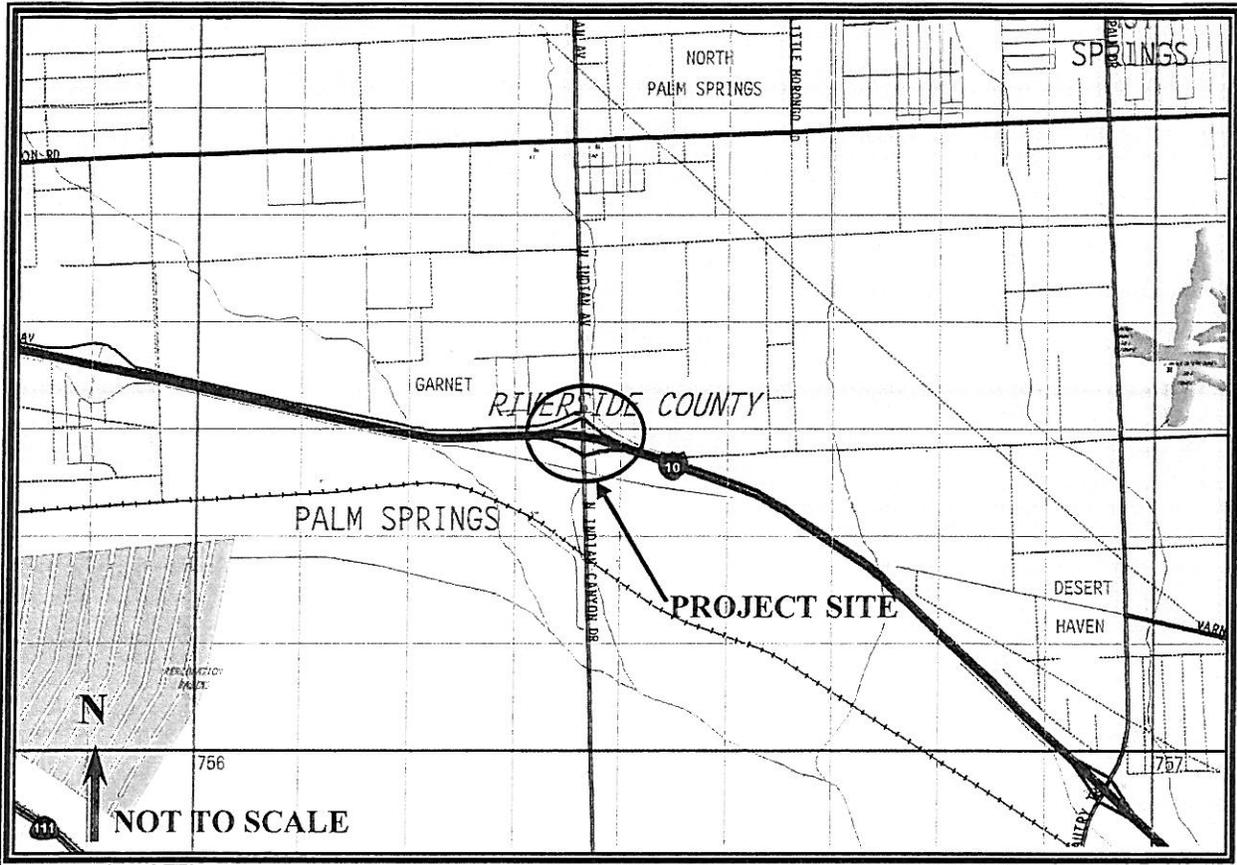
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**Resolution E-09-23**

- 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 10 in Riverside County – Reconstruct the Indian Avenue/I-10 interchange, widen the overcrossing and construct roadway improvements in the city of Palm Springs. (PPNO 0007G)
- 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.

# INDIAN CANYON DRIVE VICINITY MAP



**IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY IN THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS  
ON INTERSTATE 10 FROM 0.86 KILOMETERS WEST TO 0.70 KILOMETERS EAST  
OF INDIAN CANYON DRIVE OVERCROSSING (KP 52.5 TO KP 54.2)**

(PM 32.7 to PM 33.6)