

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR SHOPP
PROJECTS, PER RESOLUTION G-06-08
WAIVER-09-34**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of contract award for six months, to March 31, 2010, for the pavement preservation project located in Sun Valley and Sylmar on Route 5 in Los Angeles County. (PPNO 3728, EA 252701)

ISSUE:

On March 11, 2009, the Commission allocated \$46,160,000 for one State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) project funded from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act). In accordance with Resolution G-06-08, the deadline to award contracts for projects allocated on March 11, 2009, is September 30, 2009. The Department will not be able to meet the deadline and is requesting a time extension for the period of contract award.

This pavement preservation project is in the same area of Interstate 5 as two existing high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane projects that are in the final stages of design. In order to reduce construction time and disruption to the public, it was decided to split the project into three segments and then merge two of the segments with the existing HOV projects for construction. The first segment of the pavement preservation project was advertised as a stand-alone contract on August 17, 2009, and is scheduled to be awarded in November 2009. The other two segments are being combined and repackaged with the HOV lane projects and expected to be awarded in January 2010.

This six month extension will allow sufficient time for the Department split and combine the projects and prepare the contracts for all segments for advertisement and award.

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.