

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: October 14-15, 2009

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Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING**
04-SM-101, PM 0.0/3.6; 04-SCL-101, PM 52.2/52.6
RESOLUTION E-09-77

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-09-77.

ISSUE:

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Negative Declaration (ND) has been completed:

- Route 101 in San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties. Construct an auxiliary lane in each direction and roadway improvements on Route 101 from the Embarcadero Road Interchange in the city of Palo Alto to Marsh Road Interchange in the city of Menlo Park. (PPNO 0658B)

This project in San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties will construct auxiliary lanes in each direction on Route 101 from the Embarcadero Road Interchange in the city of Palo Alto (Santa Clara County) to the Marsh Road Interchange in the city of Menlo Park (San Mateo County). The project is programmed in the Corridor Mobility Improvement Account and the 2008 State Transportation Improvement Program and includes local funds. Total estimated project cost is \$111,389,000, capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2010-11. The scope as described for the preferred alternative is consistent with the project scope set forth in the approved baseline agreement.

A copy of the ND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will involve construction activities resulting in visual effects that will be addressed by aesthetic treatments. As a result, an ND 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 04-SM-101, PM 0.0/3.6; 04-SCI-101, PM 52.2/52.6 Resolution E-09-77

- 1.1** **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
- Route 101 in San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties. Construct an auxiliary lane in each direction and roadway improvements on Route 101 from the Embarcadero Road Interchange in the city of Palo Alto to Marsh Road Interchange in the city of Menlo Park. (PPNO 0658B)
- 1.2** **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the 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 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.

PROJECT LOCATION MAP

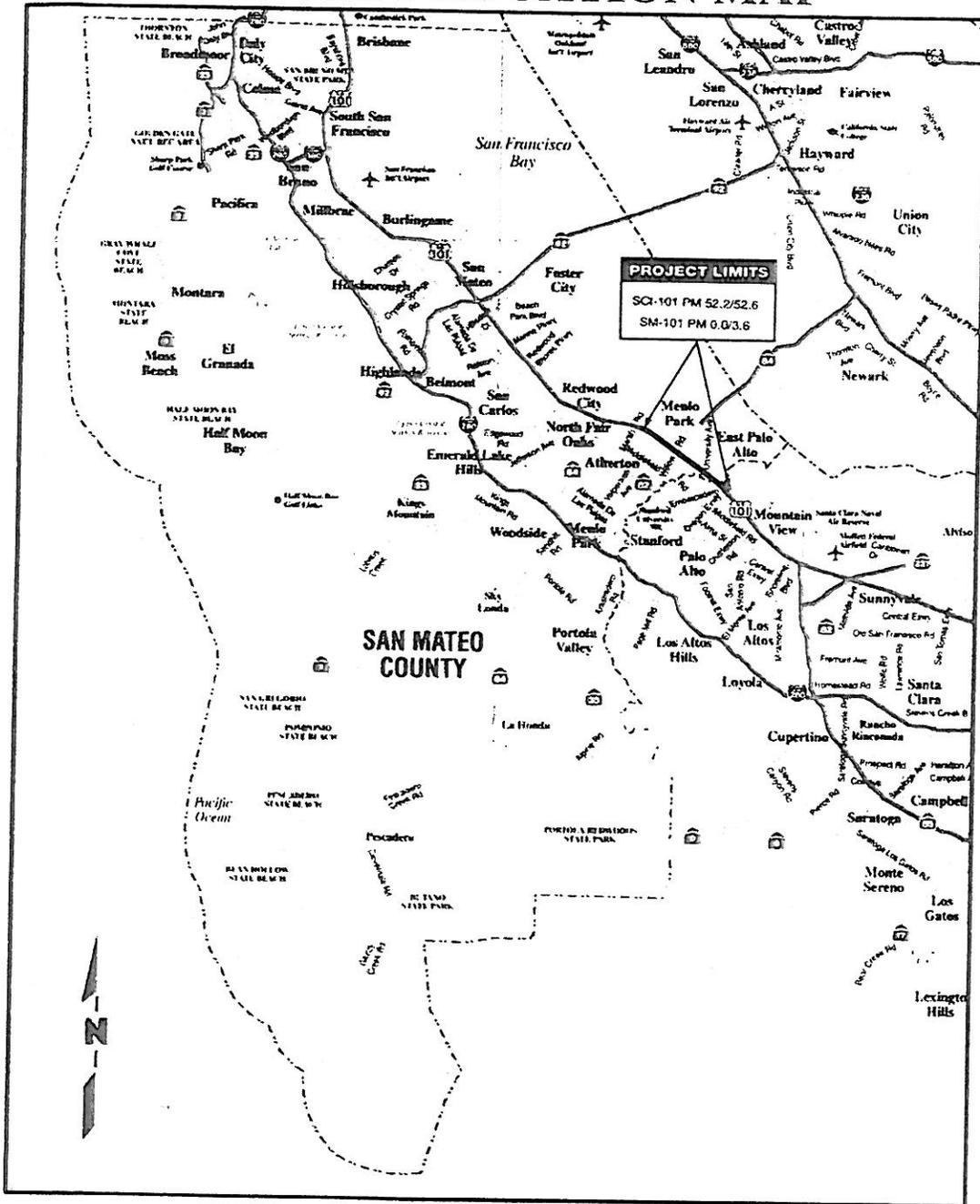


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