

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **MULTI-PROGRAM PROJECT AMENDMENT**
RESOLUTION TCIF-P-0910-07
STIP AMENDMENT 08S-064

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) amend the Brawley Bypass (Stage 3) project (PPNO 0021G) programmed in the Trade Corridor Improvement Fund (TCIF) program and the 2008 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This amendment was noticed at the Commission's January 13, 2010 meeting.

ISSUE:

The Department and Imperial Valley Association of Governments propose to amend the TCIF program baseline agreement to program \$1,909,000 of Federal Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Border Infrastructure Program (BIP) funds to the right of way phase on the Brawley Bypass (Stage 3) project (PPNO 0021G) in Imperial County.

BACKGROUND:

The SAFETEA-LU, enacted in August 2005, authorizes funding through the BIP to improve transportation at international borders and ports of entry, and within trade corridors. This program replaced the TEA-21 Coordinated Border Infrastructure discretionary program that ended after 2005. Since enactment of SAFETEA-LU, California received a total apportionment of \$106 million. To date, over \$90 million has been obligated to eligible border region projects.

This amendment proposes to program \$1,909,000 in BIP obligation authority to the right of way phase for the Brawley Bypass project (PPNO 0021G) in order to fund right of way activities related to additional impacts to agricultural land within the project vicinity.

The additional right of way activities will result in the following minor delays to the End Right of Way and Begin Construction Phase milestones:

Project Milestone	Baseline	Proposed
Begin Environmental (PA&ED) Phase	Mar 93(A)	No Change
Circulate Draft Environmental Document	Nov 96(A)	No Change
Draft Project Report	Feb 03(A)	No Change
End Environmental (PA&ED) Phase	Feb 03(A)	No Change
Begin Design Phase	Feb 03(A)	No Change
End Design Phase (RTL)	Apr 10	No Change
Begin Right of Way	Feb 03(A)	No Change
End Right of Way	Feb 10	Apr 10
Begin Construction Phase	Aug 10	Sep 10
End Construction Phase	Feb 12	No Change
Begin Close-out Phase	May 12	No Change
End Close-out Phase	Jan 13	No Change

(A) = Actual

Pursuant to Section 164.1 of the California Streets and Highways Code, BIP funds shall be programmed, allocated, and expended in the same manner as other federal funds made available for capital improvement projects in the STIP. These BIP funds are eligible in a border region, defined as any portion of a border state within 100 miles of an international land border with Canada or Mexico, for the following types of improvements to facilitate/expedite cross-border motor vehicle and cargo movements:

- Improvements to existing transportation and supporting infrastructure.
- Construction of highways and related safety and safety enforcement facilities related to international trade.
- Operation improvements, including those related to electronic data interchange and use of telecommunications.
- Modifications to regulatory procedures.
- International coordination of transportation planning, programming, and border operation with Canada and Mexico.

The Brawley Bypass project will help to facilitate international and interregional movement of goods by completing the corridor which provides continuity between the international border with Mexico and Riverside County. The project will also benefit the City of Brawley by moving interregional traffic, especially heavy trucks, off the main street resulting in improved traffic flow and reduced likelihood of accidents.

RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved, that the California Transportation Commission does hereby amend the Trade Corridor Improvement Fund baseline agreement and the 2008 State Transportation Improvement Program for the Brawley Bypass (Stage 3) project (PPNO 0021G) in Imperial County as described above and illustrated in the following table.

Brawley Bypass (Stage 3) project (PPNO 0021G):

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	08/09	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
GF IIP													
Existing	7,706	7,706								1,206	6,500		
Change	0	0								0	0		
Proposed	7,706	7,706								1,206	6,500		
RIP													
Existing	6,660	6,660						5,460				1,200	
Change	0	0						0				0	
Proposed	6,660	6,660						5,460				1,200	
State Bond													
Existing	49,549				49,549				42,349				7,200
Change	0				0				0				0
Proposed	49,549				49,549				42,349				7,200
Federal Disc.													
Existing	10,000	10,000						10,000					
Change	1,909	0		1,909				1,909					
Proposed	11,909	10,000		1,909				11,909					
Demo													
Existing	2,649				2,649				2,649				
Change	0				0				0				
Proposed	2,649				2,649				2,649				
Total													
Existing	76,564	24,366		0	52,198			15,460	44,998	1,206	6,500	1,200	7,200
Change	1,909	0		1,909	0			1,909	0	0	0	0	0
Proposed	78,473	24,366		1,909	52,198			17,369	44,998	1,206	6,500	1,200	7,200