

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: March 23-24, 2011

Reference No.: 2.2c.(7)
Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING**
08-SBD-15, PM 177.3/181.1
RESOLUTION E-11-22

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-11-22.

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 15 in San Bernardino County. Construct a new Joint Port of Entry (JPOE) on Route 15 near the town of Nipton. (PPNO 0179B)

This project in San Bernardino County will construct a Joint Point of Entry inspection facility in Interstate 15 near the California/Nevada border. The project is programmed in the 2010 State Highway Operation and Protection Program and includes California Department Food and Agriculture Revenue Bonds. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2011-12. Total estimated project cost is \$80,475,000 for capital and support. The scope as described for the preferred alternative is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2010 State Highway Operation and Protection Program.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. Based upon environmental studies, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachments

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

08-SBd-15, PM 177.3/181.1

Resolution E-11-22

- 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 15 in San Bernardino County. Construct a new Joint Port of Entry on Route 15 near the city of Nipton. (PPNO 0179B)
- 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.



Project Location Map

San Bernardino County, California

Interstate 15 - Joint Port of Entry
Postmile 177.3 - 181.1
EA 36850

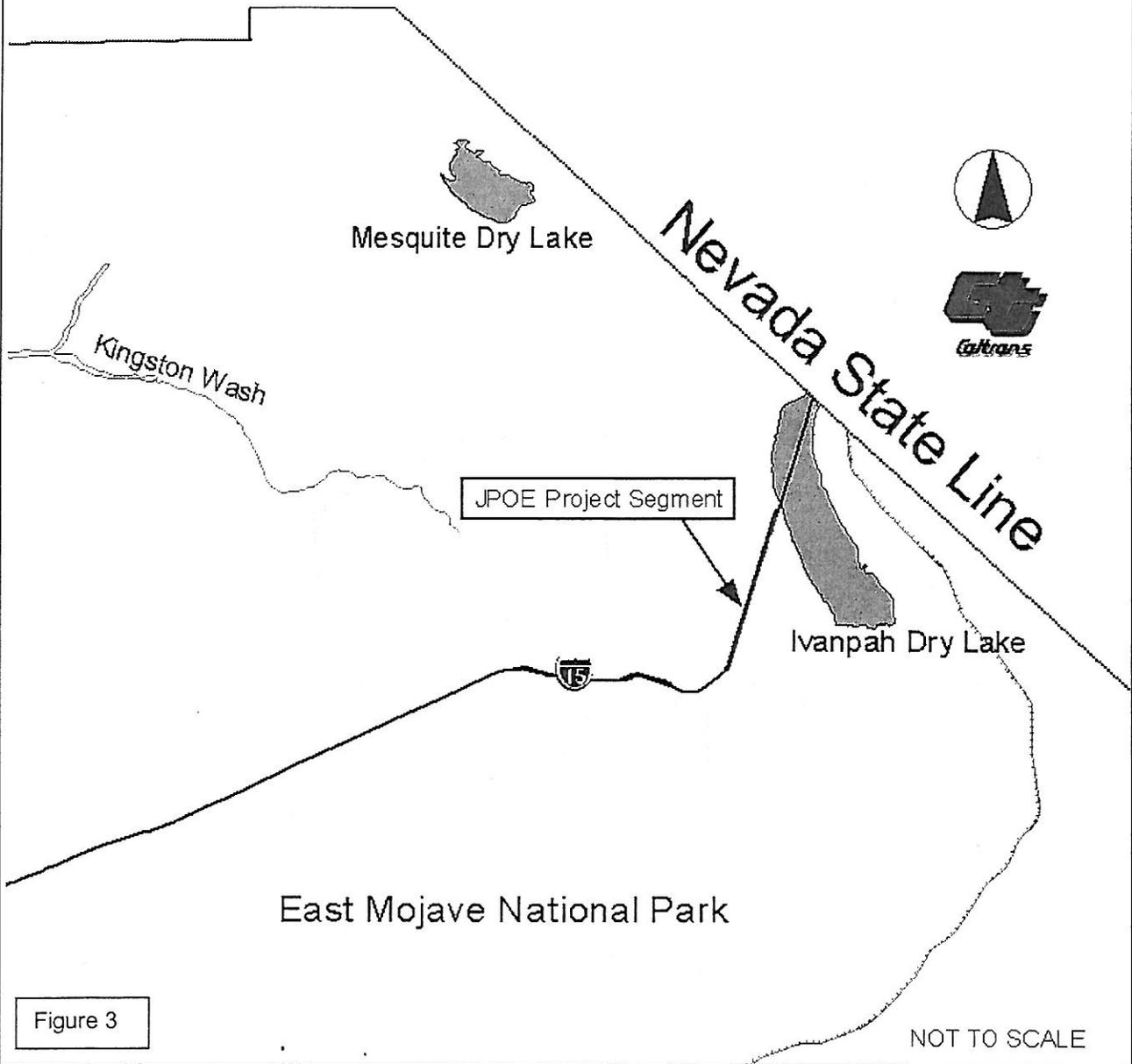


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