

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS  
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Action Item

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Subject: **TRADE CORRIDORS IMPROVEMENT FUND-PROJECT BASELINE AMENDMENT  
RESOLUTION TCIF- P-1011-30**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) amend the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF) Project Baseline Agreement for Project 22, South Wilmington Grade Separation project (PPNO TC22). The Southern California Consensus Group concurs with this amendment and the requested changes.

## **ISSUE:**

The Port of Los Angeles proposes to amend the TCIF Project Baseline Agreement for Project 22, South Wilmington Grade Separation, to update the project delivery schedule, cost and funding plan.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The South Wilmington Grade Separation Project was programmed with \$17,000,000 of TCIF funds, under the TCIF Amended Program of Projects, adopted by the Commission in December 2009. A project Baseline Agreement executed by the Department, the Commission, and the Port of Los Angeles was approved on August 28, 2008 under Resolution TCIF-P-0809-01B.

This project will construct a new, grade separated roadway consisting of two lanes in each direction connecting Harry Bridges Boulevard in the north to Pier A Street and Fries Avenue in the south. It will separate vehicle/truck traffic from an active rail line and provide direct access to port terminals, a community center, the Port's maintenance facility and yards, the National Polytechnic College of Oceaneering, and other businesses thereby relieving excessive delays caused by multiple existing at-grade railroad crossings that connect to the Alameda Corridor. The completed project will improve safety by removing potential conflict between rail and vehicles/trucks, alleviate vehicular and truck traffic delays, and reduce air and noise pollution at the local area.

The project schedule delays have been encountered due to additional utility relocation work, required studies of alternatives developed during the Value Engineering Study, and coordination with various other adjacent projects. The table below lists project milestones with the current approved and proposed delivery schedules:

Project Milestone	Current Approved	Proposed	Change
Begin Environmental Phase	06/01/05	06/01/05	No Change
End Environmental Phase	04/05/06	02/13/06	Complete
Begin Design Phase	07/01/07	07/01/07	No Change
End Design Phase	07/01/10	10/30/11	3 months
Begin Right of Way Phase	N/A	07/01/07	
End Right of Way Phase	N/A	10/30/11	
Begin Construction Phase	01/01/11	04/01/12	1 year, 3 months
End Construction Phase	01/31/13	05/31/14	1 year, 4 months
Begin Closeout Phase	02/01/13	06/01/14	1 year, 4 months
End Closeout Phase	08/30/13	05/31/15	1 year, 9 months

The project design costs have increased due to delays and additional design required for utility relocations. Construction cost increase is a reflection of more accurate estimates of project costs and availability of funding sources from when the baseline agreement was originally adopted in 2008. Additional project costs to be funded by the Port of Los Angeles.

<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>										
FUND SOURCE	TOTAL	Totals by Fiscal Year					Totals by Project Phase			
		Prior	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W	CONST
<b>POLA Harbor Revenue Funds</b>										
Current Approved	2,784	2,784	0	0	0	0		2,784		0
Change	33,385	1,644	1,235	4,306	13,100	13,100		2,879		30,506
Proposed	<b>36,169</b>	<b>4,428</b>	<b>1,235</b>	<b>4,306</b>	<b>13,100</b>	<b>13,100</b>		<b>5,663</b>		<b>30,506</b>
<b>MTA CFP – Prop C</b>										
Current Approved	19,288		2,553	8,243	8,492	0				19,288
Change	0		(2,553)	(5,690)	(249)	8,492				0
Proposed	19,288		<b>0</b>	<b>2,553</b>	<b>8,243</b>	<b>8,492</b>				19,288
<b>TCIF</b>										
Current Approved	17,000		3,000	7,000	7,000					17,000
Change	0		(3,000)	10,000	(7,000)					0
Proposed	17,000		<b>0</b>	<b>17,000</b>	<b>0</b>					17,000
<b>Infrastructure Cargo Fee</b>										
Current Approved	33,988	1,500	8,337	16,375	7,276	500		1,500		32,488
Change	(33,988)	(1,500)	(8,337)	(16,375)	(7,276)	(500)		(1,500)		(32,488)
Proposed	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>STPL – STP Local</b>										
Current Approved	0			0						0
Change	5,927			5,927						5,927
Proposed	<b>5,927</b>			<b>5,927</b>						<b>5,927</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>										
Current Approved	73,060	4,284	13,890	31,618	22,768	500		4,284		68,776
Change	5,324	144	(12,655)	(1,832)	(1,425)	21,092		1,379		3,945
Proposed	<b>78,384</b>	<b>4,428</b>	<b>1,235</b>	<b>29,786</b>	<b>21,343</b>	<b>21,592</b>		<b>5,663</b>		<b>72,721</b>

**RESOLUTION TCIF-P-1011-30**

Be it Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission does hereby amend the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund baseline agreement for TCIF Project 22, South Wilmington Grade Separation project (PPNO TC22), in accordance with the changes described and illustrated above.

Attachment



# Metro

April 25, 2011

Ms. Bimla G. Rhinehart  
Executive Director  
California Transportation Commission  
1120 "N" Street, Mail Stop: 52  
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Dear Ms. Rhinehart:

The Southern California Consensus Group has discussed and approved the changes requested by our partner agency. It is our understanding that the Port of Los Angeles is requesting approval of an amendment of their Baseline Agreements for TCIF project #19; I-110/Gibson Street Interchange & SB SR 47-NB I-110 Connector Ramp, project #20; I-110/C Street Interchange, and, project #22; South Wilmington Grade Separation. The amendment requested impacts the project schedule and total cost. This request will in no way increase the TCIF project funding programmed to each of the projects.

Please see the attached letter from POLA detailing the requested changes. Please direct any questions or comments regarding this issue to me at (213) 922-3061. We appreciate the ongoing support and guidance provided by you and your staff.

Sincerely,

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