

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT ALLOCATION FOR
LOCALLY – ADMINISTERED STIP PROJECTS, PER STIP GUIDELINES
WAIVER-11-31**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of project allocation for the time periods identified for each project on the attached document.

ISSUE:

The Commission has programmed \$55,827,000 in the State Transportation Improvement Program for the three local rail/transit projects identified on the attachment. The responsible agencies will not be able to request funding by the deadline. The attachment describes the details of the projects and the explanations for the delays. The respective agencies request extensions and the planning agencies concur.

BACKGROUND:

Current State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Guidelines stipulate that funds programmed for all components are available for allocation only until the end of the fiscal year identified in the STIP. The Commission may, however, approve waivers to the timely use of funds deadline one time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Government Code Section 14529.8.

Attachment

**Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation
Rail/Transit Projects**

Project #	Applicant County PPNO Project Description Reason for Project Delay	Extension Amount Phase	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
1	Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Los Angeles County PPNO: 07-4025 78 Light Rail Vehicles	\$849,000 CONST	20 months 02/28/13 Support
	<p>The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) is requesting a 20-month extension to the period of allocation for the 78 Light Rail Vehicles project (PPNO 4025). The allocation request for funds has been delayed due to a breakdown in contract negotiations with the rail vehicle manufacturer. MTA declined to accept changes in the contract made by the manufacturer and is now seeking new bids on a new rail car procurement contract. In addition, MTA's Board sought to take this opportunity to provide a new direction for a new Request for Proposal (RFP) to include certain provisions designed to create employment opportunities in Los Angeles County and promote improved air quality in the vehicle manufacturing process. These events and changes have added additional time to the bid process which will not allow MTA to request an allocation by the deadline.</p>		
2	City of Roseville Sacramento County PPNO: 03-3147 Louis Orlando Transfer Point Improvements	\$2,000,000 R/W and CONST	20 months 02/28/13 Support
	<p>The City of Roseville (City) is requesting a 20-month extension for the period of allocation of the Louis Orlando Transfer Point Improvements project (PPNO 3147). The City needs additional time to complete the environmental and design phase of the project before it can proceed with the right-of-way and construction phase. In addition, recent changes in management and the decrease in resources and transit funding due to economic conditions, has delayed the overall progress on the project. However, now that the City has an established City manager and the economy has showed signs of improvement, the City is ready to move forward with the project in coordination with its partners.</p>		
3	Riverside County Transportation Commission Riverside County PPNO: 08-1114 Perris Valley Line Extension	\$52,978,000 CONST	20 months 02/28/13 Support
	<p>The Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) is requesting a 20-month extension for the period of allocation of the Perris Valley Line Extension project (PPNO 1114). RCTC has acquired advanced right-of-way acquisition authority and has purchased two of the larger parcels required for the project. However, additional time is needed to complete the approval of the final environmental documents before the agency can request funding and begin the construction phase. While steps have been taken to resolve the delay, there are also factors associated with possible litigation and condemnation in the future that RCTC cannot determine with any certainty. Therefore, RCTC is requesting the maximum time allowed to account for these uncertainties.</p>		