

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: August 10-11, 2011

Reference No.: 2.2c.(1)
Action Item

From: NORMA ORTEGA
Chief Financial Officer

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECTS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolutions E-11-54, E-11-55, and E-11-56.

ISSUE:

The attached resolutions propose the approval of future consideration of funding for the following projects, for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

04-SOL-12, PM 20.6/21.3, PM 22.6/23.7 **RESOLUTION E-11-54**

- Route 12 in Solano County. Roadway improvements to include shoulder widening and the addition of left turn pockets on a portion of Route 12 near the town of Rio Vista. (PPNO 8085A)

This project in Solano County will widen shoulders on Route 12 from Azevedo Road to Liberty Island Road, and construct left turn pockets at Currie, McCloskey and Azevedo Roads. The project is programmed in the 2010 State Highway Operation and Protection Program. Total estimated project cost is \$16,821,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2013-14. 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. Due to potential impacts to biological resources, an Initial Study was completed for the project. Based upon environmental studies and proposed environmental commitments, including minimization and avoidance measures and incorporation of Best Management Practices (BMP), the project will not have a significant effect on the environment. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 1

03-YUB-20, PM 0.5/2.0, 03-YUB-70, PM 14.1/15.2
RESOLUTION E-11-55

- Routes 20 and 70 in Yuba County. Rehabilitate with new pavement, curb ramps, and sidewalks to meet current standards on portions of Route 20 and Route 70 in the city of Marysville. (PPNO 9578)

This project in Yuba County will rehabilitate Route 20 and Route 70 in the city of Marysville. The project is programmed in the 2010 State Highway Operation and Protection Program. Total estimated project cost is \$43,350,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2011-12. 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. The project will mitigate potential impacts to cultural resources to a less than significant level. Potential impacts to archeological resources in the project area will be mitigated by provisions of an existing Programmatic Agreement between Caltrans and the State Historic Preservation Officer. This agreement requires the implementation of an Archeological Resource Management Plan and Endangered Species Act Action Plan if necessary. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 2

12-ORA-91, PM 7.9/9.5
RESOLUTION E-11-56

- Route 91 in Orange County. Roadway improvements including lane extensions and reconstruction of existing ramps on a portion of Route 91 in the city of Anaheim. (PPNO 4587A)

The project will extend a westbound lane from the Northbound State Route 55/Westbound State Route 91 connector through the Tustin Avenue Interchange and reconstruct the westbound auxiliary lane from east of the Northbound State Route 55/Westbound State Route 91 connector to the Tustin Avenue off-ramp. The project is programmed in the 2010 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and will be programmed in the Proposition 1B State and Local Partnership Program (SLPP). The Orange County Transportation Authority has requested a STIP amendment and SLPP amendment at the August meeting to modify the project cost and include SLPP funds. The total estimated project cost after these amendments are approved will be \$41,930,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2014-15. The scope as described for the preferred alternative will be consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2010 State Transportation Improvement Program and the State and Local Partnership Program.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will mitigate potential impacts to wetlands and other waters to a less than significant level. Potential impacts to existing riverine habitat in the project area will be mitigated by in-lieu fee transfers to organizations that restore similar riverine habitat. Temporary riverine impact areas will be restored to pre-construction conditions. A Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan and Best Management Practices will also be implemented. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 3

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Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

04-SOL-12, PM 20.6/21.3, 22.6/23.7

Resolution E-11-54

- 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 12 in Solano County. Roadway improvements to include shoulder widening and the addition of left turn pockets on a portion of Route 12 near the town of Rio Vista. (PPNO 8085A)
- 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.

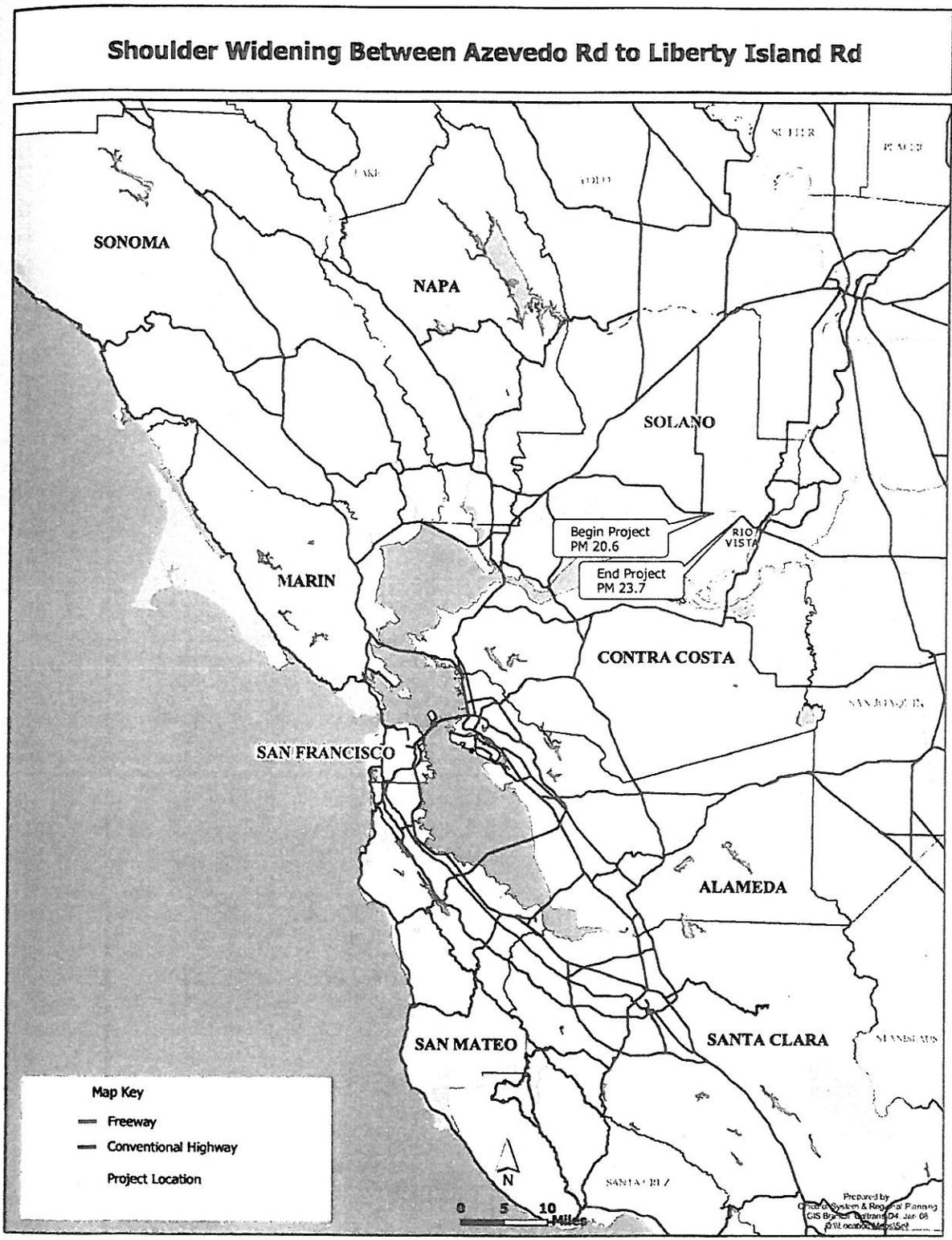


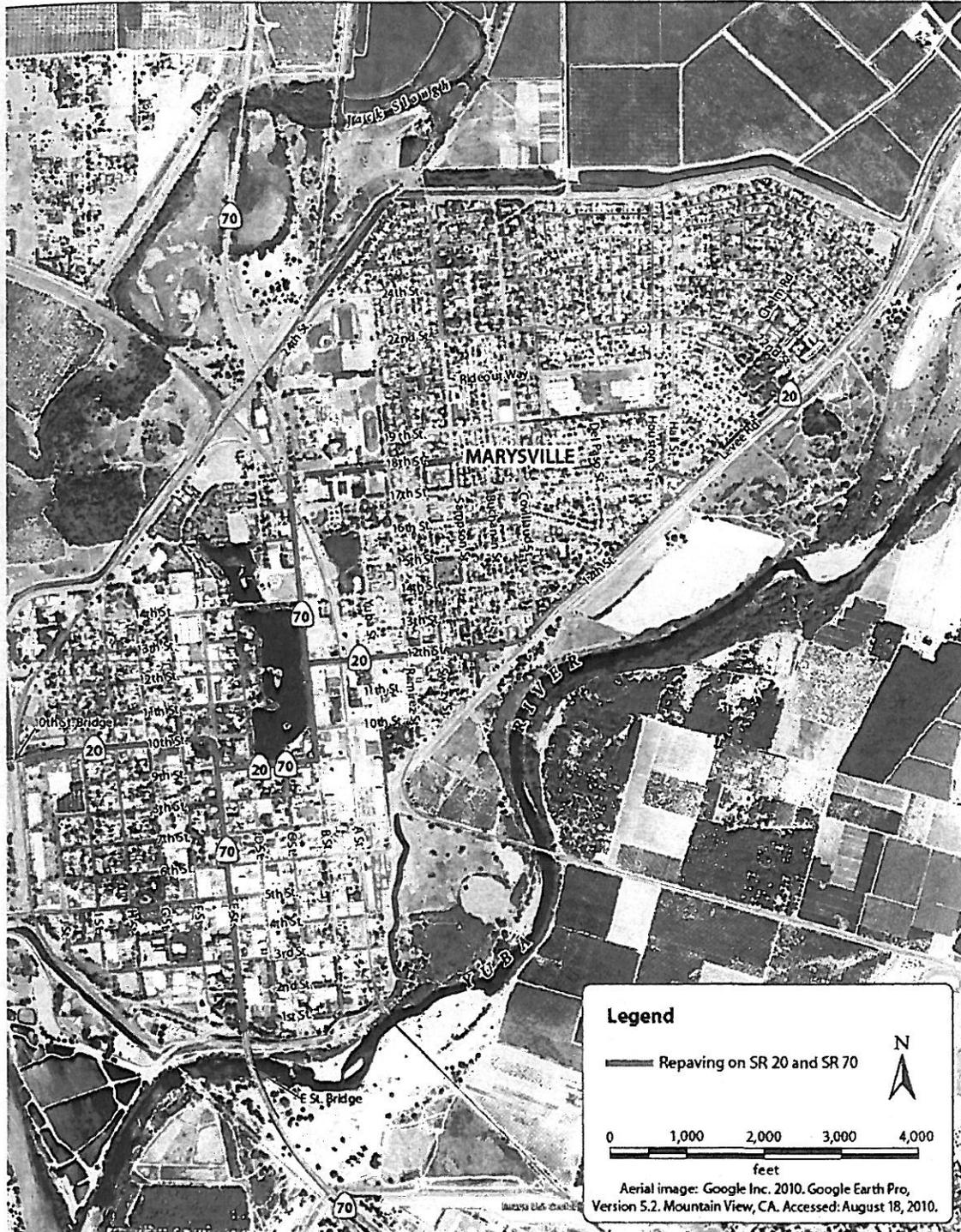
Figure 1. Project Vicinity

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Figure 1-1 – Project Location



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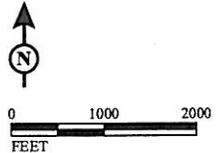
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LEGEND

■ Project Area

FIGURE 1-1



SOURCE: USGS 7.5' QUAD - ORANGE (81)
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*Westbound State Route 91 Lane Extension
 and Auxiliary Lane Reconstruction*
 Project Location Map
 12-ORA-91 PM 7.9/9.5
 Project ID No. 120000078 (EA# 0C5600)