

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Action Item

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Subject: **HIGHWAY RAILROAD CROSSING SAFETY ACCOUNT (HRCSA) PROJECT BASELINE
AMENDMENT
RESOLUTION GS1B-P-1112-02**

The California Department of Transportation recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve baseline agreement amendments for San Clemente Beach Trail Crossings Safety Enhancement Project, Kato Road Grade Separation and North Spring Street Grade Separation Highway-Railroad Crossing Safety Account (HRCSA) projects.

ISSUE:

San Clemente Beach Trail Crossings Safety Enhancement Project:

At its meeting in June 2010, the Commission programmed the San Clemente Beach Trail Crossings Safety Enhancement Project in the HRCSA 2010 Program. The nominating agency, Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), has requested an amendment to the baseline agreement to change the construction start date from November 2011 to February 2012. OCTA is requesting to delay the project because an additional sound study was required for the audible warning system element of the project. The additional study will delay the project right-of-way and construction phases by approximately four months.

Kato Road Grade Separation:

The City of Fremont received an allocation for the Kato Road Grade Separation project at the August 2011 Commission meeting. An amendment to the baseline agreement is needed to update the schedule because the Construction and Maintenance agreement with the railroad took longer than expected. The contract award was delayed to September 2011.

North Spring Street Grade Separation:

At its meeting in November 2010, the Commission programmed the North Spring Street Grade Separation project in the HRCSA 2010 Program. The nominating agency, City of Los Angeles (City), has requested an amendment to the baseline agreement to change the schedule to accommodate the approval of the Construction and Maintenance (C&M) Agreement with the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA).

The SCRRA requires that all design construction sequence and shoring details be designed in advance for review and approval. This task is being shifted from the construction phase to the design phase. The City anticipates a minimum of nine months to enter the C&M agreement. The City anticipates the Bid and Award phase of the project will take longer than usual due to the magnitude of the project. The design phase was scheduled for completion on December 31, 2011, and now will be completed by April 28, 2012.

The requested time extension would move the Ready to List milestone to coincide with the Right of Way Certification milestone date of April 28, 2012. The contract was scheduled to be awarded by June 30, 2012. The requested time extension would move the Contract Award milestone to December 31, 2012.

RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved, that the California Transportation Commission does hereby amend the Proposition 1B Highway-Railroad Crossing Safety Account Program baseline agreements for the San Clemente Beach Trail Crossings Safety Enhancement Project, Kato Road Grade Separation Project and North Spring Street Grade Separation Project in accordance with the changes described above and illustrated below.

BASELINE (numbers in thousands)					
Cnty	Nominator	Project Title	Const Start	Total Proj Cost	HRCSA Aproved
ORA	OCTA	San Clemente Beach Trail Crossings Safety Enhancements	Nov 11	4,500	2,250
ORA	OCTA	San Clemente Beach Trail Crossings Safety Enhancements	Feb 12	4,500	2,250
ALA	City of Fremont	Kato Road GS	May 11	52,265	40,000
ALA	City of Fremont	Kato Road GS	Sept 11	52,265	10,000
LA	City of Los Angeles	North Spring Street	July 12	48,766	5,001
LA	City of Los Angeles	North Spring Street	Dec 12	48,766	5,001