

# 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 CONTRACT AWARD FOR LOCAL BRIDGE SEISMIC RETROFIT ACCOUNT, PER LBSRA GUIDELINES WAIVER-11-58**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the request by the County of Santa Barbara (County) to extend the period of contract award for the San Marcos Road over Maria Ygnacia Creek project for six months from September 30, 2011 to March 31, 2012.

## **ISSUE:**

The Department sub-allocated \$92,099 on March 28, 2011, to the County for construction of the San Marcos Road over Maria Ygnacia Creek project. The County will be unable to award the contract by the award deadline of September 30, 2011. Therefore, the County is requesting a six-month time extension to March 31, 2012.

The County opened bids for the San Marcos Road over Maria Ygnacia Creek project on August 18, 2011. On September 1, 2011, a bid protest was received from the second lowest bidder alleging that the good faith effort performed by the lowest bidder was inadequate. The County will require additional time to resolve the bid protest and awarding the contract. The County anticipates resolving the protest and award the contract by March 31, 2012.

## **BACKGROUND:**

In May 2008, the Commission adopted the LBSRA Guidelines (Resolution LBS1B-G-0708-001), which require the agency implementing a project to request a time extension if the project will not be awarded within six months of the sub-allocation date. The LBSRA Guidelines stipulate that the Commission may approve a waiver to the timely use of funds deadline one time only for up to 20 months.