

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS  
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Action Item

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Subject: **STIP AMENDMENT 12S-050**

**ACTION UPDATE:** This amendment has been revised to: 1) Update the Border Infrastructure Program apportionments; and 2) Update the plan for funding the construction phase. A STIP Amendment to reflect the updated plan is on this month's agenda for Notice.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the requested State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment 12S-050. This item was noticed at the Commission's January 29, 2014 meeting.

## **ISSUE:**

The Department proposes to program \$800,000 of Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Border Infrastructure Program (BIP) funds for the Route 905/125 Northbound Connectors project (PPNO 1101) in San Diego County.

SAFETEA-LU, enacted in August 2005, authorizes funding through the BIP program to improve transportation at international Borders, ports of entry, and in trade corridors. This program replaced the TEA-21 Coordinated Border Infrastructure discretionary program which ended after 2005. The BIP provides California a total apportionment of \$187,770,024 **\$188 million**, with an obligation limitation of approximately \$170,689,251. **To date, \$155.2 million has been obligated to border region projects, with approximately \$32.8 million remaining in programming capacity.**

These BIP funds are eligible in a border region, defined as any portion of border State within 100 miles of an international land border with Canada or Mexico, for the following types of improvements to facilitate/expedite cross border motor vehicle and cargo movements:

- Improvements to existing transportation and supporting infrastructure.
- Construction of highways and related safety and safety enforcement facilities related to international trade.

- Operational improvements, including those related to electronic data interchange and use of telecommunications.
- Modifications to regulatory procedures.
- International coordination of transportation planning, programming, and border operations with Canada and Mexico.

**BACKGROUND:**

Phase 1 of State Route (SR) 905 opened to traffic in July 2012 and has improved safe movement of motor vehicles at and across the border between California and Mexico. This project will construct the northbound connectors from SR 905 and future SR 11 to SR 125 near the Otay Mesa Port of Entry. This project is a portion of Phase 3 of SR 905 that will continue to improve the efficient transportation of goods and services in the Otay Mesa border region. It will also provide an essential connection between the Otay Mesa region and the regional freeway system. Completion of this project will improve the current conditions that impede the flow of cross-border commerce and hamper job creation.

The entire SR 905 corridor including Phase 3 was environmentally cleared in July 2004. A re-validation was completed in October 2013.

The proposed project is currently in the design phase using Local Transnet funds (\$2 million) provided by San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG). The BIP funds will fully fund the right of way phase.

The Department is currently coordinating with SANDAG to develop a plan to finance the construction phase. The total estimated cost for construction is ~~\$19.8 million, \$16.5 million for capital and \$3.3 million for construction support.~~ **\$22,657,000 (\$18,684,000 for capital and \$3,973,000 for construction support).** Potential funding sources include savings from multiple on-going existing programs such as remaining Proposition 1B Bond - TCIF funds as well as ~~local funding from the SR 125 toll road and additional Transnet funds.~~ **additional BIP funding.**

**ADD: Route 905/125 Northbound Connectors project (PPNO 1101)**

County	District	PPNO	EA	Element	Const. Year	PM Back	PM Ahead	Route/Corridor					
San Diego	11	1101	28881	CO		9.6	11.4	905					
<b>Implementing Agency: (by component)</b>		<b>PA&amp;ED</b>	Caltrans			<b>PS&amp;E</b>	Caltrans						
		<b>R/W</b>	Caltrans			<b>CON</b>	Caltrans						
<b>RTPA/CTC:</b>		San Diego Association of Governments											
<b>Project Title:</b>		SR 905/SR 125 Northbound Connectors											
<b>Location</b>		In San Diego County and near San Diego at Route 11/125/905 separation.											
<b>Description:</b>		Construct SR 905/SR 125 Northbound Connectors											
<b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
<b>Federal Disc.</b>													
Existing	0			0			0					0	
Change	800			800			700					100	
Proposed	800			800			700					100	
<b>Local Funds</b>													
Existing	0			0							0		
Change	2,000			2,000							2,000		
Proposed	2,000			2,000							2,000		
<b>Total</b>													
Existing	0			0			0				0	0	
Change	2,800			2,800			700				2,000	100	

**RESOLUTION:**

Be it Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission does hereby amend ~~the State Transportation Improvement Program~~ to amend the 2012 STIP to program \$800,000 of Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Border Infrastructure Program (BIP) funds for the Route 905/125 Northbound Connectors project (PPNO 1101) in San Diego County.