State of California
Business, Transportation and Housing Agency
Department of Transportation

PROJECT BUSINESS MATTERS
Time Extension – Contract Award
Action Item

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WAIVER APPROVAL – CTC RESOLUTION G-99-27
CTC STIP GUIDELINES
SECTION 59 – TIMELY USE OF FUNDS

TRANSIT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
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CTC ACTION TAKEN

Requests for Contract Award Extension for the projects listed on Attachment I are approved to the date specified for each project. Request for Contract Award Extension for the project on Attachment II is approved to September 30, 2000.

ISSUE

Resolution G-99-27, *STIP Guidelines*, adopted by the California Transportation Commission (Commission) on September 29, 1999, stipulates that funds allocated for construction must be encumbered by the award of a contract within twelve (12) months of the date of the allocation of funds.

The projects listed on the attached chart totaling $4,818,000 received an allocation for construction during the 1998-99 fiscal year. The project sponsors are requesting an extension per Resolution G-99-27. The responsible regional transportation planning agency concurs.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommends the Commission approve the time extensions listed on Attachment I. The Department does not recommend the Commission approve the time extension listed on Attachment II.

Attachment I reflects those allocated projects for which the Department supports the agency's request. Attachment II reflects those allocated projects for which the Department does not support.

SUMMARY

The Commission has allocated $4,818,000 for projects listed on Attachments I and II. Attachments I and II describe the delays that have resulted in the extension requests.

Attachments

JUNE 2000
REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD
TRANSIT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (TCI) PROGRAM PROJECTS
CTC STIP GUIDELINES, SECTION 59 – TIMELY USE OF FUNDS

Recipient Project Description	Res. No./ Date	Amount Allocated	Prog. Yr.	Recipient's Stated Reason for Delay	CTC Approved Extension Request	Department Recommendation
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Agency (LACMTA)						
City of Commerce Metrolink Station Platform	MFP-98-31 6/8/99	$1,834,000	96/97	The delay is due to the impact of the Telegraph Road bridge construction on the project schedule. Construction of the Telegraph Road Bridge is scheduled for completion by April 2001. The City anticipates to begin construction of the Commerce Intercity/Commuter Rail Station Second Platform Project by Spring 2001 and be completed in late 2001.	12 months 6/8/00 to 6/30/01	Support. Time requested will allow the City to complete the bid documents, advertise, and award the construction contract including some contingencies for this project.
	Subtotal	***$1,834,000***				
Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT)						
Brighton/Watt Double Track	MFP-98-31 6/8/99	$2,700,000	98/99	This project has been developed concurrently with the larger Folsom Corridor Light Rail Project. SacRT recently received the Record of Decision for the Folsom Project, however due to the delay in receipt of the Record of Decision, SacRT was unable to start critical environmental mitigation efforts that must be completed prior to construction. US Fish and Wildlife and Army Corps of Engineers will only allow SacRT to work during certain periods of time through Fall 2000. Consequently, these delays will not allow SacRT to advertise and award the construction contract for the double track project.	20 months 6/8/00 to 2/28/02	Support. Time requested will allow SacRT to complete mitigation efforts and prepare the project for construction.
	Subtotal	***$2,700,000***				
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (SCVTA)						
Palo Alto Transit Center Expansion	MFP-97-45 1/14/98	$134,000	97/98	The City of Palo Alto has required that a major design study be conducted prior to approving the project. After months of delay, Palo Alto recently initiated the design study. The study is expected to provide design alternatives by Fall 2000. SCVTA and Palo Alto will select an alternative and award a design contract in late 2000. Completion of design is expected in Fall 2001. Award of the construction contract is expected in late 2001.	20 months 6/30/00 to 2/28/02	Support. Time requested will allow the agency to award construction contract. Delays beyond the control of the recipient.
	Subtotal	***$134,000***				
SUPPORT	*TOTAL*	***$4,668,000***				

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Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT)						
65th Street Station Improvements	MFP-98-21 3/30/99	$150,000	98/99	SacRT has been working with City of Sacramento on the proposed abandonment of Q Street in front of the light rail station to eliminate auto/pedestrian conflicts near the LRT platform. Abandonment of the street is critical for the completion of the project. Sacramento City Council action cannot be scheduled until July or August 2000. This delay has caused SacRT to hold execution of the construction contract.	6 months 3/30/00 to 9/30/00	Do not Support. Per CTC timely use of funds guidelines, funds allocated for construction must be encumbered by the award of a contract within twelve (12) months of the date of the allocation. The encumbrance period has lapsed beyond the 12-month period.
	Subtotal	***$150,000***				
DO NOT SUPPORT	*TOTAL*	***$150,000***				

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