

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 PROJECT ALLOCATION FOR STATE-ADMINISTERED ON-SYSTEM STIP PROJECTS, PER STIP GUIDELINES WAIVER-13-31**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) requests that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of project allocation for two State-administered on-system projects for the time periods specified on the attached document.

ISSUE:

The attached document identifies two projects totaling \$17,466,000 programmed in the 2012 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) in Fiscal Year 2012-13. The Department will not be ready to request an allocation of funds by the June 30, 2013 deadline. The attachment shows the details of the projects and the explanation for the delays. The regional planning agencies concur with the requested time extensions.

BACKGROUND:

Current STIP Guidelines stipulate that funds programmed are available for allocation only until the end of the fiscal year identified in the STIP. The Commission may approve a waiver to the timely use of funds deadline for allocation one time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.

Attachment

Dist-Co-Rte Implementing Agency PPNO Project Description	Program/Year Extension Amount By Component (\$ in thousands) PA&ED (Project Approval & Environmental Document) PS&E (Plans, Specifications and Estimates) R/W (Right of Way) CON ENG (Construction Engineering) CON (Construction) TOTAL	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation	
1	01-DN-199 Department of Transportation PPNO: 03-1047 Realignment & Widening at Patrick Creek \$14,566	RIP / 12-13 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$1,566 \$13,000 \$14,566	2 months 8/31/2013 2 months
<p>This project is on Route 199 near Gasquet and will widen the shoulder and replace the bridge at Patrick Creek. The Department will not be ready to request an allocation of the \$14,566,000 in Regional Improvement Program funds by the June 30, 2013 deadline. Due to ongoing litigation challenging the Richardsons Grove project environmental document, a portion of the Draft Environmental Impact Report was revised and re-circulated for public comment. This project has a similar purpose and need and several entities are threatening to sue to stop the project. The delay to re-circulate the environmental document has delayed delivery of the project. As such, the Department requests a construction allocation time extension of two months.</p> <p>The Del Norte Local Transportation Commission concurs with this request.</p>			
2	04-SON-101 Department of Transportation PPNO: 04-0789E Construct various improvements on College Avenue. \$2,900	RIP / 12-13 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$450 \$2,450 \$2,900	6 months 12/31/2013 6 months
<p>When the decision to switch back to English units was made by the Department, the PS&E work using metric units was well underway. Therefore, this project was granted a metric exception. In order to complete the necessary revisions from the metric specifications to current applicable English equivalent standards, the department requests a construction allocation time extension of six months.</p> <p>Sonoma County Transportation Authority concurs with this request.</p>			