

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: December 11-12, 2002

Reference No.: 2.2c.(2)  
Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING, TO CONSTRUCT OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS NEAR THE CITY OF CARPINTERIA, RESOLUTION NUMBER E-02-57.**

## **ISSUE:**

The attached resolution proposes to approve for consideration of funding the following project for which a Negative Declaration has been completed:

- Route 101 in Ventura County – Construct operational improvements near the City of Carpinteria.

The project is funded in the 2002 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) with Interregional Improvement Program (IIP) funds. The total estimated cost of the project is \$40,000,000, with \$3,300,000 funded with IIP funds. Construction is scheduled to begin in fiscal year 2005/2006 with funding to come from a future STIP cycle.

The Negative Declaration and supporting Initial Study have been transmitted to California Transportation Commission staff.

The Department of Transportation has approved the project for construction. This approval and the resulting filing of the Notice of Determination with the Office of Planning and Research will satisfy the environmental requirements for this stage of the project planning process.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department recommends that the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-02-57.

Attachment

**CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding  
07-Ven-101, KP R64/R69 (PM R39.8/R43.1)**

**Resolution E-02-57**

- 1.1 WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Negative Declaration in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act, the CEQA Guidelines, and the California Transportation Commission Environmental Regulations for the following project:
- Route 101 in Ventura County – Construct operational improvements near the City of Carpinteria.
- 1.2 WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Negative Declaration; and
- 1.3 WHEREAS**, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2.1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby approve the above referenced project.

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to improve access to La Conchita and Mussel Shoals on Highway 101 in Ventura County

07 - VEN - 101 KP 64/67 (PM 39.7/41.6)

**INITIAL STUDY / ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

State of California  
Department of Transportation  
And  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
Federal Highway Administration

Pursuant to: 42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C)

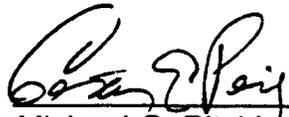


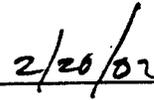


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California Department of Transportation

Date





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Michael G. Ritchie  
Division Administrator  
Federal Highway Administration

Date

## MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (CEQA)

Pursuant to: Division 13, Public Resources Code

### Description

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to construct a Pedestrian Undercrossing (PUC), upgrade the ramps at Mussel Shoals and La Conchita, and close the three median openings at Mussel Shoals, La Conchita and Tank Farm.

### Determination

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has prepared an Initial Study. On the basis of this study it is determined that the proposed action will not have a significant effect upon the environment for the following reasons:

- 1) There will be no significant effect on topography, exposure to seismic activity, or erosion as a result of this project.
- 2) Air quality, noise, energy, solid waste, or use of natural resources will not be effected by this project.
- 3) Floodplains, wetlands, and water quality will not be adversely impacted by this project.
- 4) Fish and wildlife such as endangered species, habitat or vegetation will not be impacted by this project.
- 5) No effect on agricultural lands, land use and growth will originate from this project.
- 6) No adverse effect on business and industry, economic stability, or employment will result from this project.
- 7) Neighborhoods, schools, public or recreational facilities, or heritage and scenic resources will not be impacted by this project.
- 8) Aesthetics, open space or parkland will not be significantly affected.



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June 21, 2002

Date

Initial Study/Environmental Assessment  
Mitigated Negative Declaration/Finding of No Significant Impact  
La Conchita/Mussel Shoals Access Improvement Project

**Project Location Map**

