

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 A STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (STIP) PROJECT WAIVER-11-19**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of project allocation for the Route 15 Ranchero Road Interchange project (PPNO 0172I) in San Bernardino County for 15 months.

ISSUE:

Currently \$1,479,000 in Regional Improvement Program (RIP) funds are programmed to this project for construction in Fiscal Year 2010-11. Furthermore, \$6,000,000 in RIP funds are programmed for Construction Support for the Department. The Department will not be ready to request an allocation of funds by the June 30, 2011 deadline.

The City of Hesperia is the implementing agency for the Environmental (PA&ED), Design (PS&E) and Right of Way (R/W) phases. The Department will be the implementing agency for the construction phase. The PA&ED was delayed by 20 months as additional growth impact and noise abatement issues were identified in the later stages of PA&ED phase. The delay in completing PA&ED on time has resulted in corresponding delays to PS&E and R/W. Furthermore, there is a very high probability that a resolution of necessity (RON) will be needed for two of the parcels that need to be acquired. Below is the schedule of various activities that need to be completed before the project is ready for an allocation.

Task	Target Completion Date
Right of Way Appraisals and State Review of Appraisals	Aug 2011
Initial Offer, R/W Condemnation – File Notice of Intent	Oct 2011
Resolution of Necessity, Council Approval, File Suit	Jan 2012
File Summons, Complaint and Order of Possessions	Mar 2012
Trial Setting/Case Management	June 2012
Judgment/Appeals/Payments	Aug 2012
Final Order of Condemnation, State R/W Approval	Sep 2012
Right of Certification	Sep 2012

The San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) concurs with this request.

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.