

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Action Item

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Subject: **TRADE CORRIDORS IMPROVEMENT FUND PROJECT BASELINE AMENDMENT
RESOLUTION TCIF-P-1314-06, AMENDING RESOLUTION TCIF- P-1213-78**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) amend the Proposition 1B Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF) project Baseline Agreement for Project 64, Lenwood Road Grade Separation Project (PPNO 1135) in San Bernardino County (County).

ISSUE:

The San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) proposes to amend the TCIF Project Baseline Agreement for Project 64, Lenwood Road Grade Separation Project (Project), to update the Implementing Agency from the city of Barstow (City) to SANBAG for all Project components.

SANBAG, the City, and the County are all funding partners on the Project. The City recognized that they did not have the resources or expertise that SANBAG would have in managing a grade separation project and were concerned about their ability to meet the TCIF milestones. Therefore, the City and the County requested that SANBAG take the lead agency role on the Project.

BACKGROUND:

The Project was adopted into the Proposition 1B TCIF Program by the Commission on April 10, 2008, under Resolution TCIF-P-0708-01. A Baseline Agreement executed by the Department, the Commission, the City, and SANBAG was approved on October 29, 2008, under Resolution TCIF-P-0809-04B. A Baseline Amendment was approved on October 24, 2012, under Resolution TCIF-P-1213-12, to revise the delivery schedule, cost, and funding plan. A subsequent Baseline Amendment was approved on May 7, 2013, under Resolution TCIF-P-1213-57, to update the delivery schedule, cost, and funding plan. An additional Baseline Amendment was approved on June 11, 2013, under Resolution TCIF-P-1213-78, to update the cost and funding plan.

The Project will construct a four-lane grade separation at the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway at Lenwood Road in the City. The Project will eliminate impacts from the existing at-grade crossing including emergency vehicle response delays, greenhouse gases generated by traffic delayed by trains, and adverse neighborhood impacts including delays, noise pollution, and safety impacts. The Project will improve the reliability of the BNSF system by eliminating the potential for vehicle or pedestrian versus train accidents.

RESOLUTION TCIF-P-1314-06

Be it Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission does hereby amend the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund Baseline Agreement for Project 64, Lenwood Road Grade Separation Project (PPNO 1135), in accordance with the changes described and illustrated above.