

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Information Item

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Subject: **STIP AMENDMENT 12S-025**

SUMMARY:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) will request that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the requested State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) amendment at the next scheduled Commission meeting following the notice period.

ISSUE:

The Department and Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) propose to amend the 2012 STIP to delay Regional Improvement Program (RIP) funds for construction from Fiscal Year (FY) 2013-14 to FY 2014-15 and reduce the scope of the Route 246 Passing Lanes project (PPNO 6400) in Santa Barbara County.

BACKGROUND:

The Route 246 Passing Lanes project is programmed with \$20,000,000 of SBCAG local Measure A funds for construction in FY 2013-14. The current project scope would construct passing lanes in each direction from Cebada Canyon Road to Hapgood Road (west), including a four-foot median soft barrier, intersection improvements at Tularosa Road, Hapgood Road (west), and Santa Rita Road, profile improvements at Tularosa Road, and six wildlife crossings.

The Department recently completed a construction estimate which indicates that the current project scope cannot be constructed for \$20,000,000. The cost increase is attributed to an increase in the roadway structural section, which required more aggregate base and hot mix asphalt than anticipated. The Department and SBCAG propose to delete the intersection improvements at Santa Rita Road to stay within budget. The revised project limits are from Cebada Canyon Road to Hapgood Road.

The Right of Way cost estimate has increased by \$750,000, from \$500,000 to \$1,250,000, to allow the Department to purchase mitigation parcels or mitigation credits for the California Tiger Salamander, which was listed as a threatened species in California in 2010. The Right of Way cost increase will be funded by SBCAG's local Measure A.

Additionally, the project has been delayed 11 months due to negotiations with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife regarding mitigation of impacts to the California Tiger Salamander. Therefore, the Department and SBCAG propose to delay RIP construction support and SBCAG local Measure A construction funding from FY 2013-14 to FY 2014-15.

The proposed revisions are shown in the following table:

REVISE:

Route 246 Passing Lanes Project (PPNO 6400)

| County | District | PPNO | EA | Element | Const. Year | PM Back | PM Ahead | Route/Corridor | | | | | |
|--|---------------|--|----------|----------|---------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|------|----------|----------|
| Santa Barbara | 5 | 6400 | 0C640 | CO | 2013-14 | R12.8 12.3 | R17.6 R16.7 | 246 | | | | | |
| Implementing Agency: (by component) | | PA&ED | Caltrans | | | | PS&E | Caltrans | | | | | |
| | | R/W | Caltrans | | | | CON | Caltrans | | | | | |
| RTPA/CTC: | | Santa Barbara County Assoc. of Governments | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Project Title: | | Route 246 Passing Lanes | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Location | | Near Lompoc, from Cebada Canyon Road to 0.4 miles east of Santa Rita Road Hapgood Road. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Description: | | Passing lanes and operational improvements. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FUND | TOTAL | Project Totals by Fiscal Year | | | | | | Project Totals by Component | | | | | |
| | | Prior | 12/13 | 13/14 | 14/15 | 15/16 | 16/17 | R/W | CON | PA&ED | PS&E | R/W Supp | CON Supp |
| RIP | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Existing | 10,499 | 7,389 | | 3,110 | 0 | | 500 | | 3,994 | 2,400 | 495 | 3,110 | |
| Change | 0 | 0 | | (3,110) | 3,110 | | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Proposed | 10,499 | 7,389 | | 0 | 3,110 | | 500 | | 3,994 | 2,400 | 495 | 3,110 | |
| Local Funds | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Existing | 20,000 | 0 | | 20,000 | 0 | | 0 | 20,000 | | | | | |
| Change | 750 | 750 | | (20,000) | 20,000 | | 750 | 0 | | | | | |
| Proposed | 20,750 | 750 | | 0 | 20,000 | | 750 | 20,000 | | | | | |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Existing | 30,499 | 7,389 | | 23,110 | 0 | | 500 | 20,000 | 3,994 | 2,400 | 495 | 3,110 | |
| Change | 750 | 750 | | (23,110) | 23,110 | | 750 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Proposed | 31,249 | 8,139 | | 0 | 23,110 | | 1,250 | 20,000 | 3,994 | 2,400 | 495 | 3,110 | |