

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 CONTRACT AWARD FOR LOCALLY-
ADMINISTERED STIP RAIL PROJECTS, PER STIP GUIDELINES
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RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve a six month extension for the period of contract award to March 26, 2016, for the Butte Regional Transit (B-Line) Operations and Maintenance Facility project (PPNO 1015) in Butte County.

ISSUE:

On March 25, 2015, the Commission approved Resolution MFP-14-07 allocating \$2,000,000 to the Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG) for the Butte Regional Transit (B-Line) Operations and Maintenance Facility. BCAG's initial plan was to award a third-party construction contract immediately following completion of Design which was anticipated to be completed by June 2015, three months after allocation of funding. However, unforeseen circumstances have delayed completion of Design due to some structural issues that required more analysis than previously anticipated, thus delaying award of a third party contract.

BCAG intends to accelerate Design and bring the project back on track, meeting their originally projected schedule. Design is 90 percent complete with a final construction bid plan set for late November 2015. Following award of contract by March 2016, construction will begin in April/May 2016.

BACKGROUND:

In June 2006, the Commission adopted Resolution G-06-08, which requires the agency implementing a project to request a time extension if the project will not be awarded within six months of the allocation. Current State Transportation Improve Program guidelines stipulate that the Commission may approve a waiver to the contract award deadline one time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Government Code Section 14529.8.