

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: October 9, 2019

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.2c.(1), Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECTS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING
RESOLUTIONS: E-19-81, E-19-82, E-19-83, E-19-84, E-19-85, E-19-86, and E-19-
93**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolutions E-19-81, E-19-82, E-19-83, E-19-84, E-19-85, E-19-86, and E-19-93?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the Commission, as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolutions E-19-81, E-19-82, E-19-83, E-19-84, E-19-85, E-19-86, and E-19-93.

BACKGROUND: **02-Sis-3, PM 38.0/38.6**

Resolution E-19-81

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

- State Route 3 (SR 3) in Siskiyou County. Replace an existing bridge on SR 3 near the town of Fort Jones in Siskiyou County. (PPNO 3546)

This project is located on SR 3 near the town of Fort Jones in Siskiyou County. This project proposes to replace the Lower Moffett Creek Bridge (No. 02-0042). The purpose of the project is to maintain mobility and connectivity on SR 3 near the town of Fort Jones in Siskiyou County without load restrictions. Work activities would include demolition of the existing bridge, construction of a new bridge on the current alignment, installation of new guardrails and bridge

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railing, reconstruction of approach pavement and shoulders to conform to the new bridge, and the improvement of road connections within the project limits. This project is fully funded and is programmed in the 2018 State Highway Operation Protection Program (SHOPP) for an estimated \$7.8 million which includes Construction (capital and support) and Right-of-Way (capital and support). Construction is estimated to begin Fiscal Year 2020-21. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2018 SHOPP.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in less than significant impacts to the environment after mitigation. The following resource area may be impacted by the project: biological resources. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, pre-construction species surveys will be conducted, Environmentally Sensitive Areas will be fenced, all areas temporarily disturbed during construction will be restored back to pre-project conditions, biological monitoring will be done on site during the relocation of fish as part of the dewatering process, and disturbed riparian habitat will be restored per the California Department of Fish and Wildlife conditions. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 1

04-Ala-80, PM 6.38/6.95

Resolution E-19-82

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

- Interstate 80 (I-80) in Alameda County. Construct interchange and roadway improvements on I-80 at Gilman Street in the cities of Berkeley and Albany. (PPNO 2323)

This project is located from Fourth Street on the east to west of West Frontage Road at the I-80/Gilman Street interchange in the cities of Berkeley and Albany in Alameda County. This project proposes to improve operations for vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians. The proposed project addresses the need to simplify and improve navigation, mobility and traffic operations as well as reduce congestion, vehicle queues and conflicts, improve local and regional bicycle connections, pedestrian facilities, and improve overall safety at the project location. The project is fully funded and anticipates funding from local Measure BB, the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), Federal demonstration funds and SB 1 funds. The project is currently programmed in the 2018 STIP program for an estimated total of \$42.5 million which includes Construction (capital and support) and Right-of-Way (capital and support). Construction is estimated to begin in 2021. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the California Transportation Commission (Commission) in the 2018 STIP.

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A copy of the ND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in less than significant impacts to the environment. As a result, an ND was completed for this project.

Attachment 2

06-Tul-99, PM 26.3/27.6

Resolution E-19-83

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

- State Route 99 (SR 99) in Tulare County. Construct a new interchange on SR 99 near the city of Tulare in Tulare County. (PPNO 6940)

This project is located on SR 99 near the city of Tulare in Tulare County. The project proposes to construct a new interchange at Commercial Avenue. The proposed project would improve operational performance and relieve traffic congestion on local roads. The addition of bicycle and pedestrian features incorporate complete streets elements. The project is not fully funded. The project is programmed for \$4 million for PS&E, with a total of \$5.5 million for Right-of-Way (capital and support). Assuming funding is available, construction is estimated to begin in 2023. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2018 STIP.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in less than significant impacts to the environment after mitigation. The following resource area may be impacted by the project: visual resources. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, replacement planting and irrigation for removed landscaping in the project area. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 3

07-Ven-33, PM 7.58

Resolution E-19-84

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

- State Route 33 (SR 33) in Ventura County. Construct maintenance and safety improvements on an existing bridge on SR 33 near the city of Ojai. (PPNO 4496)

This project is located at the San Antonio Creek Bridge (No. 52-0065) on SR 33, south of the city of Ojai in Ventura County. The project proposes to implement a bridge scour mitigation

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and rail replacement project. The proposed project addresses the potential bridge scour and bridge railing problem on this bridge and proposes to extend the life and serviceability of the bridge. The proposed project is fully funded. The project is currently programmed in the 2018 SHOPP for an estimated total of \$10.0 million which includes Construction (capital and support) and Right-of-Way (capital and support). Construction is estimated to begin in 2020. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2018 SHOPP.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in less than significant impacts to the environment after mitigation. The following resource area may be impacted by the project: biological resources. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, all work directly adjacent to ESAs shall be limited to the dry season to avoid impacts to special status species and their habitat, habitat contours shall be returned to their original configuration at the end of project activities, an approved biologist will monitor all work within riparian areas, and all riparian habitat that is impacted either temporarily or permanently will be replanted at a 2:1 ratio. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 4

08-Riv-74, PM 0.0/5.8

Resolution E-19-85

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

- State Route 74 (SR 74) in Riverside County. Construct roadway improvements on a portion of SR 74 near Lake Elsinore in Riverside County. (PPNO 0050P)

This project is located on State Route 74 near Lake Elsinore, in Riverside County. This project proposes to widen the roadway to standard lane widths and shoulders, and construct ground-in rumble strips. Widening the shoulders would require constructing retaining walls with concrete barriers, cutting the rock slopes, and installing fill slopes. This project is fully funded and currently programmed in the 2018 SHOPP for construction capital and construction support. Construction is projected to begin in 2018. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2018 SHOPP.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in less than significant impacts to the environment after mitigation. The following resource areas may be impacted by the project: aesthetics, biological resources, and cultural resources. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, removed oak trees will be replaced at a 3:1

ratio, Environmentally Sensitive Areas will be fenced, all areas temporarily disturbed during construction will be restored back to pre-project conditions, artificial light will be shielded away from adjacent habitat, pre-construction surveys will be conducted by a qualified biologist, and archeological monitors shall be present on-site during construction activities in designated Archeological Monitoring Areas. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 5

10-SJ-99/120, PM Various

Resolution E-19-86

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

- State Route 99 (SR 99) and State Route 120 (SR 120) in San Joaquin County. Construct roadway and interchange improvements on SR 99 at SR 120 near the city of Manteca in San Joaquin County. (PPNO 3162)

This project is located near the eastern/southeastern border of the City of Manteca on SR 99/ SR 120 in San Joaquin County. This project proposes to construct improvements to the SR 99/SR 120 interchange. The project is divided into three phases. The purpose is to reduce traffic congestion and improve operations of SR 99 with the SR 120 and Austin Road interchanges. Phase 1A of this project is currently programmed in the 2018 STIP with \$13.6 million in Regional Improvement Program funds and \$3.4 million in Senate Bill 1 Local Partnership Program funds for Construction (capital and support) and Right-of-Way (capital and support). Phase 1A is currently not fully funded, but it is a candidate for the 2020 SHOPP. The total cost estimate for this project is \$115.3 million which includes all three phases. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2020-21. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2018 STIP.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in less than significant impacts to the environment after mitigation. The following resource areas may be impacted by the project: noise. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, noise barriers will be constructed to attenuate operational noise at sensitive receptors. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 6

06-Tul-245, PM 1.26/4.19

Resolution E-19-93

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

- State Route 245 (SR 245) in Tulare County. Replace existing bridge on SR 245 near the town of Woodlake in Tulare County. (PPNO 6787)

This project is located on SR 245 near Woodlake in Tulare County. The project proposes to replace the nonstandard bridges with standard width bridges and install standard approach railing as needed at both Yokohl Creek bridge (No. 46-0011) at post mile 1.39, and at Kaweah River bridge (No. 46-0073) at post mile 4.19. This project is fully funded and is currently programmed in the 2018 State Highway Operation Protection Program (SHOPP) for an estimated \$17.3 million which includes Plans, Specifications and Estimates, Construction (capital and support) and Right of Way (capital and support). Construction is estimated to begin in 2021. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the California Transportation Commission (Commission) in the 2018 SHOPP.

A copy of the ND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in less than significant impacts to the environment. As a result, an ND was completed for this project.

Attachment 7

Attachment 1

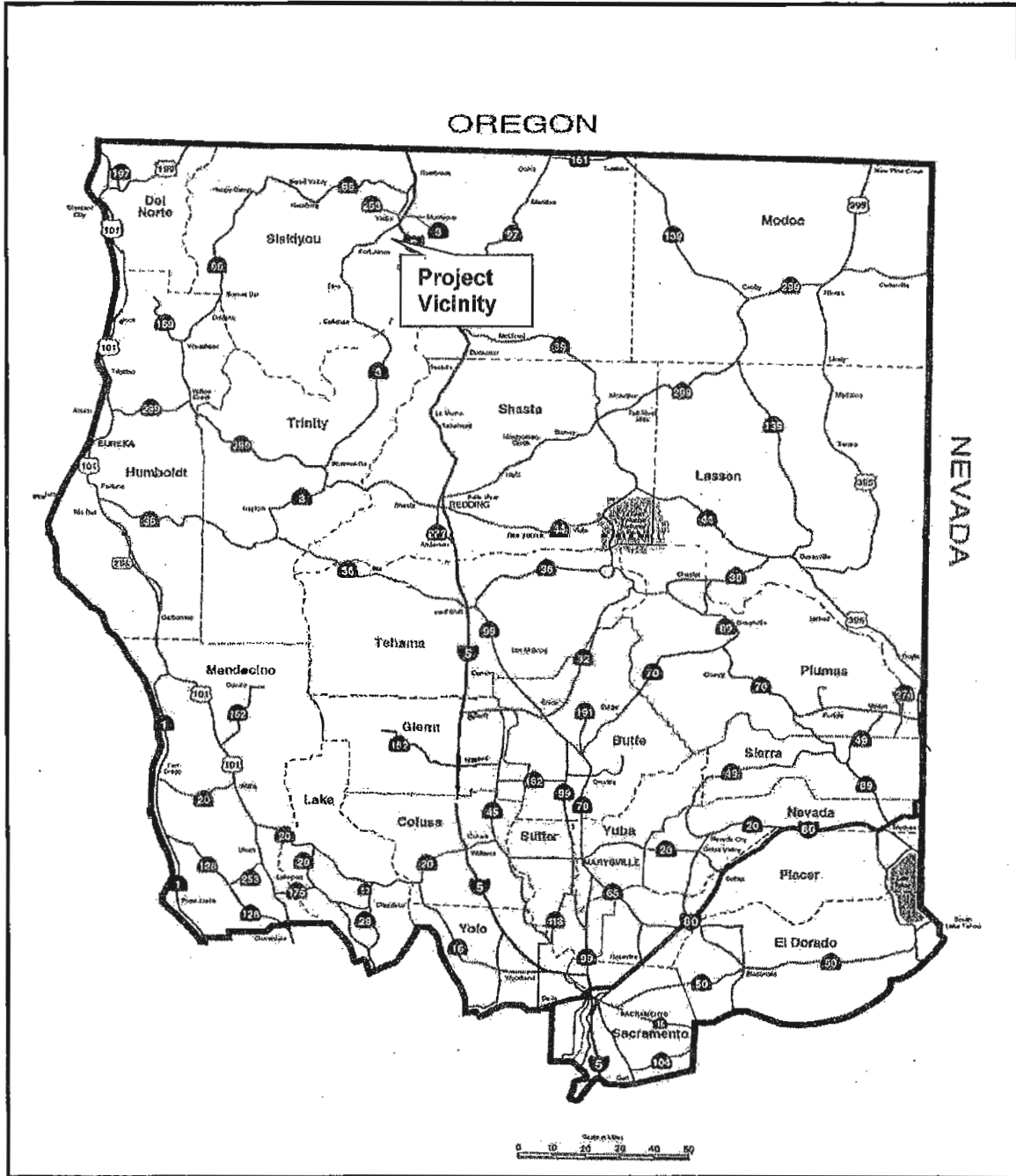
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Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

02-Sis-3, PM 38.0/38.6

Resolution E-19-81

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
 - State Route 3 (SR 3) in Siskiyou County. Replace an existing bridge on SR 3 near the town of Fort Jones in Siskiyou County. (PPNO 3546)
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration.
- 1.4 **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 support approval of the above referenced project to allow for consideration of funding.



Attachment 2

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding 04-Ala-80, PM 6.38/6.95 Resolution E-19-82

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
 - Interstate 80 (I-80) in Alameda County. Construct interchange and roadway improvements on I-80 at Gilman Street in Alameda County. (PPNO 2323)
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that a Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Negative Declaration.
- 1.4 **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 support approval of the above referenced project to allow for consideration of funding.

Attachment 2



Attachment 3

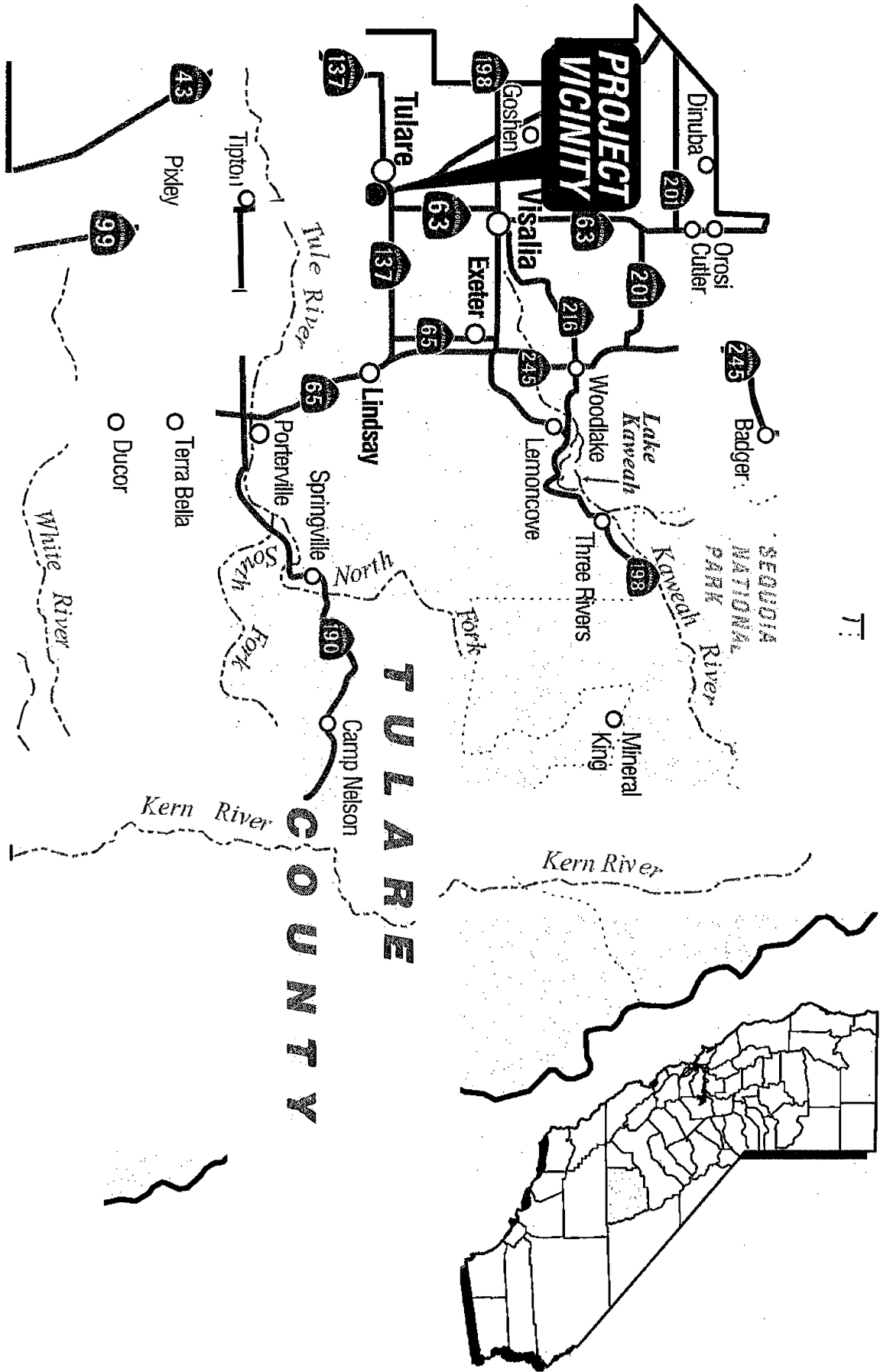
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

06-Tul-99, PM 26.3/27.6

Resolution E-19-83

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
 - State Route 99 (SR 99) in Tulare County. Construct a new interchange on SR 99 near the city of Tulare in Tulare County. (PPNO 6940)
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration.
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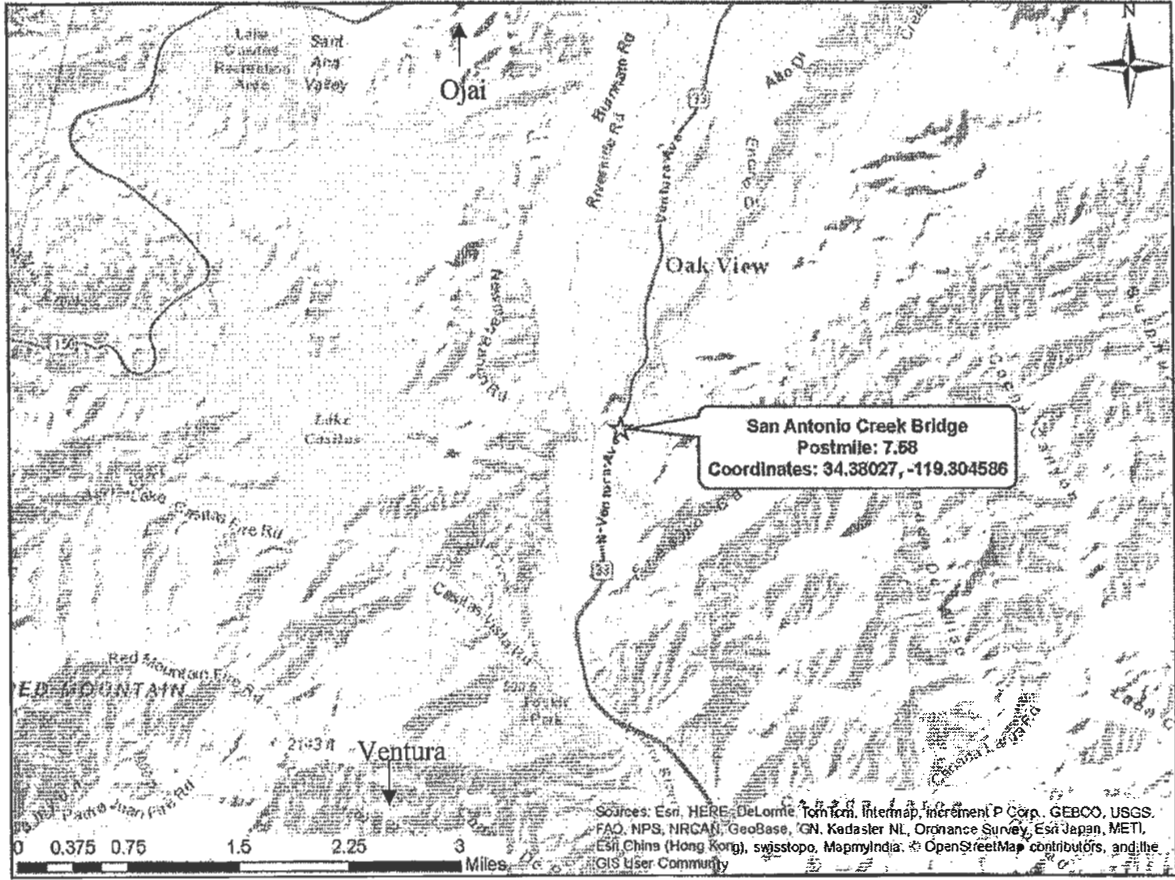
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CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding 07-Ven-33, PM 7.58 Resolution E-19-84

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
 - State Route 33 (SR 33) in Ventura County. Construct maintenance and safety improvements on an existing bridge on SR 33 near the city of Ojai. (PPNO 4496)
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration.
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Attachment 4



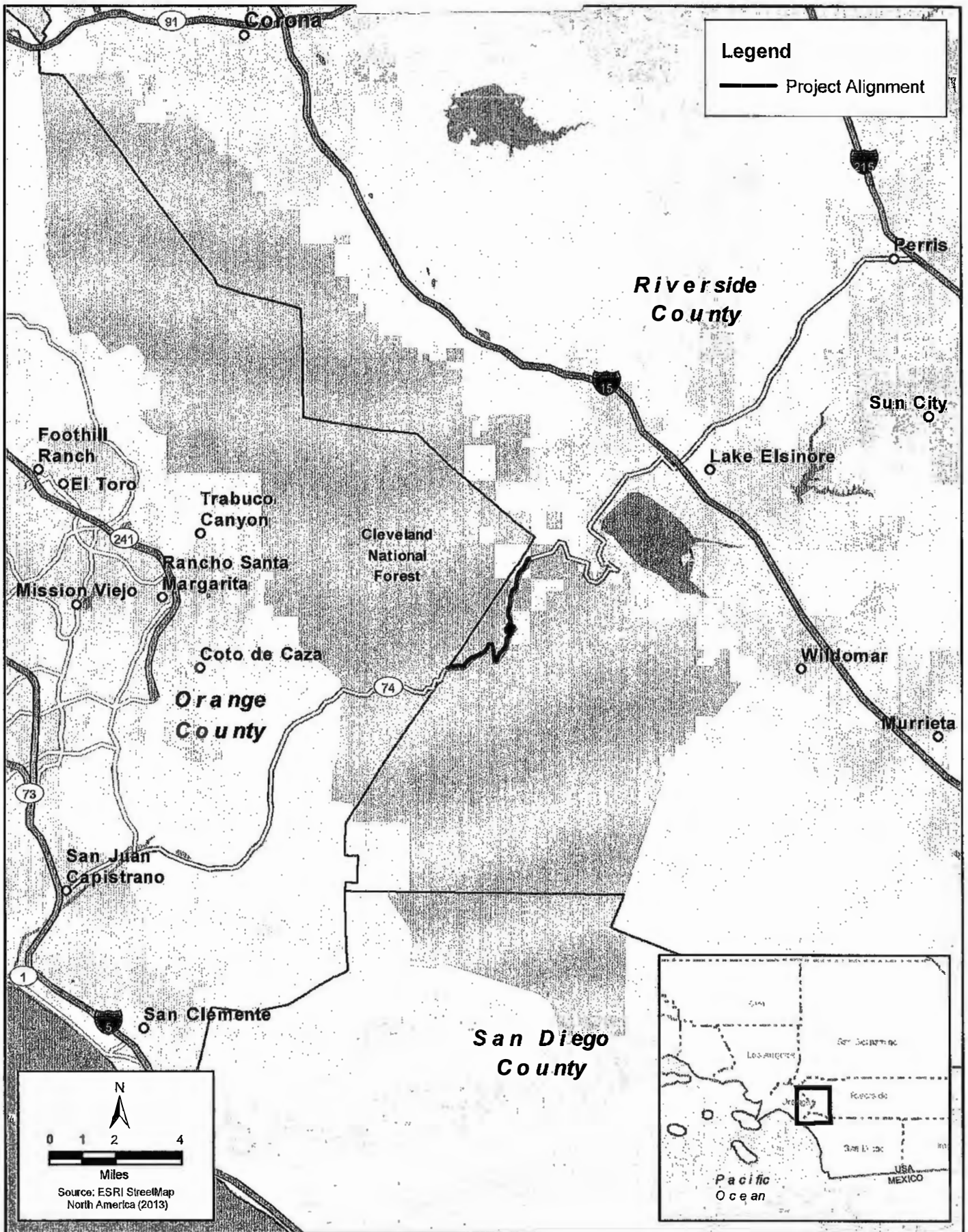
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CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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- 1.4 **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 support approval of the above referenced project to allow for consideration of funding.

Attachment 5



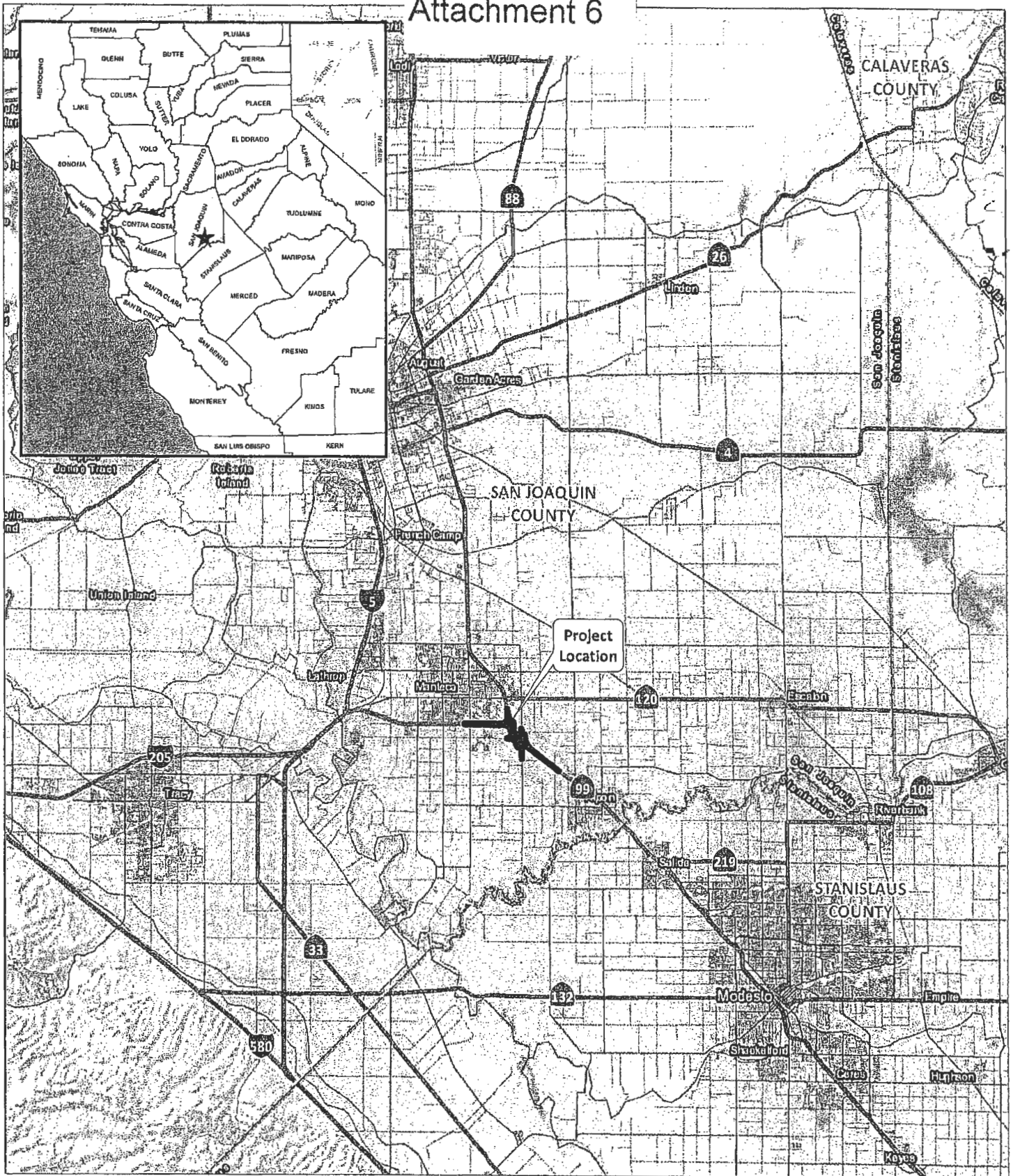
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CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding 10-SJ-99/120, PM Various Resolution E-19-86

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
- State Route 99 (SR 99) and State Route 120 (SR 120) in San Joaquin County. Construct roadway and interchange improvements on SR 99 at SR 120 near the city of Manteca in San Joaquin County. (PPNO 3162)
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration.
- 1.4 **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 support approval of the above referenced project to allow for consideration of funding.

Attachment 6



LEGEND
● Project Location



Attachment 7

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Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

06-Tul-245, PM 1.26/4.19

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- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that a Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Negative Declaration.
- 1.4 **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 support approval of the above referenced project to allow for consideration of funding.

