

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE STATE ADMINISTERED MULTI-FUNDED PROJECT, ON THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM, PER STIP & TCEP GUIDELINES WAIVER 19-61**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve a six-month award time extension for the Livingston Northbound Widening State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and Trade Corridors Enhancement Account (TCEP) project (PPNO 10-0161A) on State Route 99, in Merced County for \$43,080,000?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the Commission approve a six-month time extension to award for this project for \$43,080,000.

BACKGROUND:

The project was advertised on July 1, 2019 and the bid opening was September 11, 2019 with a target award date of October 9, 2019. In March 2019, the Commission approved an allocation of \$43,080,000. However, at the time of approval, there was a budget revision noted in the vote box. While a budget revision does not take a significant amount of time to process, the timing of that approval with the condition of a budget revision triggered a requirement to update the construction contract to the latest special provisions prior to advertisement. Thus, the Department had to delay advertisement until these updates were completed. In addition, if there are any unexpected issues during the award process, the Department may need to re-advertise. Therefore, the Department is requesting a six-month time extension.

Current STIP & TCEP Guidelines stipulate that the agency implementing a project request a time extension if the project will not be awarded within six months of the allocation. The Commission may approve waivers to the timely use of funds deadline one-time only for up to 20 months.

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