Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

From: STEVEN D. KECK
Chief Financial Officer

Subject: REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT ALLOCATION FOR LOCALLY ADMINISTERED STIP PROJECTS, PER STIP GUIDELINES
WAIVER 19-16

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of project allocation for four projects listed on the attached document, totaling $12,160,000, programmed in the State Transportation Improvements Program (STIP) for Fiscal Year 2018-19?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the Commission extend the period of allocation for four projects listed on the attached document, totaling $12,160,000, programmed in the STIP for Fiscal Year 2018-19.

BACKGROUND:

The responsible agencies will not be able to request an allocation by June 30, 2019, deadline. The attachment describes the details of the projects and the explanation for the delays. The project sponsors are requesting extensions, and the regional planning agencies concur.

Current STIP Guidelines, Resolution G-13-07, adopted by the Commission, stipulate that funds that are programmed for all components of local grant projects, or for Department construction costs, are available for allocation only until the end of the fiscal year identified in the STIP. The Commission may approve a waiver to this “timely use of funds” deadline, one time only, for up to 20 months, in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.

Attachment

"Provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability"
Project Number: 1
Applicant: Southeast Connector Joint Power Authority
County: Sacramento
District: 3
PPNO: 1784
Extended Amount: $3,800,000
Phase: Construction
Number of Months Requested: 15 Months
Extended Deadline: 9/30/2020
Department Recommendation: Support

Capital Southeast Connector - Segment B2 project

The Southeast Connector Joint Power Authority (JPA) requests a 15-month time extension to allocate funding for the construction (CON) phase of the Capital Southeast Connector - Segment B2 project. The Agency experienced unexpected delays during the Right-of-Way (RW) phase of the project.

The project proposes to widen Grant Line Road, from Waterman Road to Bradshaw Road and Mosher Road to Bradshaw Road, and realign and signalize the intersections at Bradshaw Road and Mosher Road. The RW acquisition process has been delayed due to longer than anticipated negotiations with property owners. As part of the negotiations, the property owners have requested access improvements. The JPA anticipates acquiring the property and completing RW certification by June 2020. The project has CEQA and NEPA clearance for the portion of the project between Mosher Road and Bradshaw Road. The remainder of the project will be environmentally cleared through a NEPA Revalidation and has already been submitted to the Department. Revalidation is expected in July 2019. This project has multiple funding sources including the Local Partnership Program.

Therefore, the JPA requests a 15-month time extension to complete the RW certification and allocate CON by September 30, 2020.
The Capital Southeast Connector Joint Powers Authority (JPA) requests a 12-month time extension to allocate funding for the construction (CON) phase of the Capital Southeast connector - Segment D3 project. The City experienced unexpected delays during the environmental phase of the project.

The project proposes to signalize and widen the intersection at E. Bidwell Street and White Rock Road. The JPA began the environmental work with local funding. During the review of the cultural documentation by the Department in August 2018, additional cultural reports and an Extended Phase I (XPI) archaeological test was requested due to a potential buried historic resource shown in aerial imagery. However, during pedestrian surveys, no evidence of the property was observed. The Department approved the XPI proposal and authorized the testing methodology which utilized ground penetrating radar to survey the area. Although no evidence of the potential railroad station was identified, artifacts associated with human activity and livestock corrals were discovered. The JPA is scheduled to perform the Phase II Excavation and after review by the Department, a Phase III Data Recovery may be required to determine if any elements are eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The Phase III Data Recovery efforts would delay NEPA until December 2019. The JPA would then begin obtaining RW acquisition and complete RW certification. As a direct result, the JPA anticipates requesting CON allocation by June 30, 2020. This project has multiple funding sources including the Local Partnership Program.

Therefore, the JPA requests a 12-month time extension to allocate CON by June 30, 2020.
Project Number: 3
Applicant: City of Redding
County: Shasta
District: 2
PPNO: 2560
Extended Amount: $400,000
Phase: Construction
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 6/30/2020
Department Recommendation: Support

Sacramento River Trail to Downtown Non-Motorized Improvements project

The City of Redding (City) requests a 12-month time extension to allocate funding for the construction (CON) phase of the Sacramento River Trail to Downtown Non-Motorized Improvements project. The City experienced unexpected delays during the RW acquisition.

The project proposes to link the Sacramento River Trail from the Lake Redding Bridge to the city of Redding's downtown area. The project will provide non-motorized transportation facilities and improvements that include curb and gutter, sidewalk, minor pavement widening, and re-stripping of travel lanes. The City requested and was granted a nine-month allocation time extension in June 2018 for the Plans, Specifications & Estimate and RW phases of this project due to environmental clearance issues. The City recently received their RW allocation and is beginning work on this phase as well as completing design. The City anticipates completing design and obtaining RW certification by March 2020. However, due to the uncertainty RW acquisition process have, the City is requesting an additional 3 months to allow for any unforeseen issue that may arise. This project is funded in multiple programs and has a concurrent ATP CON time extension.

Therefore, the City requests a 12-month time extension to allocate CON by June 30, 2020.
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REPLACEMENT

Project Number: 4
Applicant: Sacramento County
County: Sacramento
District: 3
PPNO: 1799
Extended Amount: $460,000
Phase: Right-of-Way
Number of Months Requested: 9 Months
Extended Deadline: 3/31/2020
Department Recommendation: Support

Power Inn Road Improvement Project

The Sacramento County (County) requests a 9-month time extension to allocate funding for the RW phase of the Power Inn Road Improvement Project. The County experienced unexpected delays during the environmental phase of the project.

The project proposes to widen a portion of Power Inn Road from three to four lanes, complete sidewalk enhancements, including ADA ramps, bike lane improvements between Florin Road and 52nd Avenue, and install landscaped medians. In consultation with the Department, the need for technical studies beyond what was originally anticipated by the County resulted in delays obtaining NEPA clearance. All the technical studies have been completed with the exception of the Noise Study Report. This report has been drafted and is currently being reviewed by the Department for a reasonableness determination on the proposed sound walls. The County anticipates obtaining NEPA clearance by January 2020 and requesting RW allocation by March 2020.

Therefore, the County requests a nine-month time extension to allocate RW by March 31, 2020.