

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Subject: Hearing on the 2020 State Transportation Improvement Program Guidelines

Summary:

The State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Guidelines describe the policy, standards, criteria and procedures for the development, adoption and management of the STIP. In accordance with Government Code Section 14530.1, the STIP Guidelines are developed in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), regional transportation planning agencies, county transportation commissions and local agencies. The STIP Guidelines may be amended after conducting at least one public hearing.

The draft 2020 STIP Guidelines were presented at the June 27, 2019 California Transportation Commission (Commission) meeting. Commission staff held a workshop on the draft STIP Guidelines on July 22, 2019.

The purpose of the public hearing is to take final comments on the draft 2020 STIP Guidelines prior to the Commission's adoption under Book Item 4.4.

Background:

Government Code Section 14530.1 requires the Commission to adopt STIP Guidelines to serve as the complete and full statement of the policy, standards and criteria that the Commission intends to use in selecting projects to be included in the State Transportation Improvement Program.

The statutes further authorize the Commission to amend the adopted STIP Guidelines after conducting at least one public hearing. The STIP Guidelines were most recently amended on August 16, 2017. The statutes call for the Commission to make a reasonable effort to adopt guideline amendments prior to the adoption of the fund estimate. In no event may the Commission change its guidelines during the period between 30 days after the fund estimate adoption and the STIP adoption.