CTC Meeting: March 25, 2020

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

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

Prepared By: Philip J. Stolarski, Chief Division of Environmental Analysis

Subject: <u>APPROVAL OF PROJECTS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING</u> <u>RESOLUTIONS E-20-13, E-20-14, E-20-15, E-20-16, E-20-17 and E-20-18</u>

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolutions E-20-13, E-20-14, E-20-15, E-20-16, E-20-17 and E-20-18?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the Commission, as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolutions E-20-13, E-20-14, E-20-15, E-20-16, E-20-17 and E-20-18.

BACKGROUND: 01-DN-199, PM 1.11/2.56

Resolution E-20-13

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

• United States Route 199 (US 199) in Del Norte County. Rehabilitate or replace four deteriorating culverts and improve fish passage in Del Norte County. (PPNO 1130)

This project is located on US 199 in Del Norte County and proposes to rehabilitate or replace four deteriorating culverts and improve fish passage through the Clarks Creek culvert. The improvements at Clarks Creek culvert are proposed to modify the outlet conditions for improved fish passage. The project is fully funded and currently programmed in the 2018 State Highway Operation Protection Program (SHOPP) for \$4,832,000 which includes Construction (capital and support) and Right of Way (capital and support). Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2020-2021. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by Commission in the 2018 SHOPP.

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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 1

<u>03-But-70, PM 0.0/3.80</u> <u>03-Yub-70, PM 25.5/25.8</u>

Resolution E-20-14

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 70 (SR 70) in Butte and Yuba Counties. Widen highway, construct a bridge, and build other safety improvements in Butte and Yuba Counties. (PPNO 9801B and 2296)

This project is located within Butte and Yuba Counties on SR 70 and proposes to widen SR 70 from a two-lane highway to five-lane facility with a paved center two-way-turn lane median for approximately 4.0 miles north of the existing Honcut Creek bridges. At Honcut Creek, a new two-lane bridge structure will be constructed parallel to the existing structures to span the levee prism and provide additional lanes of southbound traffic. The project is fully funded and currently programmed in the 2018 SHOPP and 2018 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for a total of \$65,868,000 which includes Construction (capital and support) and Right of Way (capital and support). Construction is estimated to begin in 2021-2022. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2018 STIP and 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: biological resources and Green House Gas (GHG) emissions. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, preconstruction surveys for threatened, endangered and special status species, and establishing multi-modal infrastructure and an electric vehicle charging station to reduce GHG tailpipe emissions. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

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<u>04-Nap-29, PM R5.6/R6.7</u> 04-Nap-221, PM 0.0/0.4

Resolution E-20-15

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 29 (SR 29) and State Route 221 (SR 221) in Napa County. Reconfigure an existing intersection in Napa County. (PPNO 0376)

This project is located on SR 29 and SR 221 in Napa County and proposes to reconfigure the existing intersection (Soscol Junction) of SR 29 and SR 221/Soscol Ferry Road in Napa County from a signalized intersection to a full-diamond interchange, with two roundabout intersections on either side of SR 29. This proposed project is to improve traffic operations to alleviate congestion between Napa Valley and towards Interstate I-80 and SR 37. This project is not fully funded; it is currently programmed in the 2018 STIP for \$12,819,000 in regional shares for various components. Construction is estimated to begin in 2022. 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: biological, paleontological, and cultural. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, compensatory mitigation for biological resources, development of a paleontological mitigation plan for paleontological resources, and construction monitoring and data recovery for cultural resources. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 3

04-Sol-12, PM 20.57/26.41

Resolution E-20-16

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 12 (SR 12) in Solano County. Repair roadway pavement, upgrade existing non-standard shoulders, and construct other improvements in Solano County. (PPNO 0480P)

This project is located on SR 12 in Solano County and proposes to rehabilitate SR 12 in three segments from PM 20.57 to 26.41 to repair roadway pavement cracking and upgrade existing non-standard shoulders, non-standard travel lanes, non-standard vertical sight distances, non-standard cross slopes, and drainage systems. The project also proposes to address existing flooding problems and upgrades to the Americans Disabilities Act (ADA) facilities and undertake complete streets elements in downtown of the City of Rio Vista, CA. This project is

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fully funded and currently programmed in the 2018 SHOPP for a total of \$102,193,000 which includes Construction (capital and support) and Right of Way (capital and support). 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 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, compensatory mitigation for habitat loss and onsite restoration for temporary impacts to wetlands. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 4

05-SLO-101, PM 61.7/62.1

Resolution E-20-17

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

• United States Route 101 (US 101) in San Luis Obispo County. Construct an undercrossing and frontage road in San Luis Obispo County. (PPNO 2766)

This project is located near Wellsona, at the intersection on US 101 and Wellsona Road in San Luis Obispo County. This project will reduce the number and severity of collisions at the intersection of US 101 and Wellsona Road. This project will construct an undercrossing south of Wellsona Road at postmile 61.88 and add new frontage roads to connect the undercrossing to Wellsona Road. This project is fully funded and currently programmed in the 2018 SHOPP for a total of \$23,881,000 which includes Construction (capital and support) and Right of Way (capital and support). Construction is estimated to begin in 2021-2022. 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 and biological resources. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, aesthetic treatments for bridge railing and preconstruction surveys, worker environmental awareness training, and installation of exclusionary fencing for biological resources. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 5

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05-SB-101, PM 4.0/4.8

Resolution E-20-18

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

 United States Route 101 (US 101) in Santa Barbara County. Construct a Class I bike path adjacent to the southbound lanes of US 101 in Santa Barbara County. (PPNO 2896)

This project is located adjacent to US 101 in the City of Carpinteria in Santa Barbara County. This project proposes to construct a Class I Bike Path adjacent to the southbound lanes of US 101 between Estero Street, near Carpinteria Avenue off-ramp in the City of Carpinteria, and Sand Point Road in the County of Santa Barbara. The bike path would be constructed almost entirely within the Department's right of way, with a small portion in City's right of way. This project is fully funded with Senate Bill 1 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP), Local Partnership Program (LPP) and various local funds for a total of \$7.1 million. Construction is estimated to begin in the spring of 2022. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission.

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, water quality, and utilities. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, minimizing vegetation removal to preserve aesthetics, pre-construction surveys and monitoring for biological resources, establishing work areas outside drainage areas for water quality, and relocating, avoiding, or protecting utilities during construction. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 6

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding 01-DN-199, PM 1.11/2.56 Resolution E-20-13

- **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:
 - United States Route 199 (US 199) in Del Norte County. Rehabilitate or replace four deteriorating culverts and improve fish passage in Del Norte County. (PPNO 1130)
- **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 1

1.3. Project Maps



Figure 1. Project Vicinity

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- **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.



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- **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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- 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 4

Vicinity Map



On Route 12 in Solano County near Rio Vista from Currie Road Intersection to Azevedo Road Intersection and from Summerset Road Intersection to County line

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FIGURE 1. PROJECT VICINITY Santa Claus Lane Class I Bike Path Project