

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: March 25, 2020

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT ALLOCATION FOR SENATE BILL 1 LOCAL PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS, PER LPP GUIDELINES WAIVER 20-09**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of project allocation for two projects, programmed in the Senate Bill 1 (SB1) Local Partnership Program (LPP), in Fiscal Year 2019-20?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation recommends the Commission extend the period of project allocation for two projects, programmed in the SB1 LPP, in Fiscal Year 2019-20.

BACKGROUND:

These agencies will not be able to request an allocation for funds by the June 30, 2020 deadline. The attachment shows the details of the projects and the explanations for the delays. The project sponsors are requesting extensions, and the regional planning agencies concur.

Current LPP Guidelines, 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 LPP. The Commission may approve a waiver to this “timely use of funds” deadline, one-time only, for up to 12 months.

Attachments

“Provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California’s economy and livability”

**Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation Deadline
Local Partnership Program**

Project Number: 1
Applicant: City of Elk Grove
County: Sacramento
District: 3
PPNO: 1789
Extended Amount: \$3,000,000
Phase: Construction
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 06/30/2021
Department Recommendation: Support

Capital Southeast Connector - Segment A2 project

The City of Elk Grove (City) requests a 12-month time extension to allocate funding for the construction (CON) phase of the Capital Southeast Connector - Segment A2 project. The City encountered delays during the Right-of-Way (RW) phase of the project.

The project proposes to reconstruct and enhance multiple intersections within the city limits. The project requires the acquisition of seven parcels and the relocation of several overhead utility poles and underground utilities belonging to SMUD, Consolidated Communications, and Verizon; RW and utility coordination has been underway since July 2019. Due to the complexity and priority of existing farming operations, the pre-appraisal and appraisal process for the RW acquisition has been extended to ensure existing agricultural operation can continue. In addition, there are five parcels with the potential for Eminent Domain proceedings. The City is in the process of clearing right of way issues including the replacement/relocation of irrigation pumps, property line variances and title gaps, and on-going discussions with property owners. As a result of the complexity of the acquisitions and impacts to farming operations, negotiations are expected to take additional time to secure the necessary right of way for construction and relocation of utilities. City staff is preparing for a public hearing for a Resolution of Necessity and proceed with an eminent domain action if negotiations continue to be delayed. The City is anticipating a right of way certification by January 2021 and to advertise the project immediately following. Construction is expected to begin by early Summer of 2021.

Therefore, the City is requesting a 12-month time extension to allocate CON by June 30, 2021.

Project Number: 2
Applicant: City of Highland
County: San Bernardino
District: 8
PPNO: 1248
Extended Amount: \$1,700,000
Phase: Construction
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 06/30/2021
Department Recommendation: Support

3rd Street/5th Street Corridor Improvements project

The City of Highland (City) requests a 12-month time extension to allocate funding for the construction (CON) phase of the 3rd Street/5th Street Corridor Improvements project. The City encountered delays during the Right-of-Way (RW) phase of the project.

The project proposes to reconstruct and rehabilitate the corridors along 3rd and 5th Streets in the City. A retaining wall is needed in order to provide the northbound turn-lane at the Palm Avenue/3rd Street intersection that is proposed in the project. This requires additional geotechnical, design, and RW efforts. Additional design efforts are also required for a median on 5th Street between Palm Avenue and Church Street to provide access control that allows safe and efficient vehicle movement. It is anticipated that design of the retaining wall and median will be completed by June 2020. In addition, the acquisition of Temporary Construction Easements (TCE) for construction of the retaining wall and other improvements will take more time than originally anticipated. The acquisition of TCEs will be completed by August 2020. The RW certification is expected to be approved by December 2020.

Therefore, the City is requesting a 12-month time extension to allocate CON by June 30, 2021.