

## MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS  
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: June 24-25, 2020

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.5c.(8), Action Item

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Subject: **RIGHT OF WAY CAPITAL ALLOCATION FOR STIP PROJECTS**  
**RESOLUTION FP-19-93**

### **ISSUE:**

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve an allocation of \$18,100,000 for the Right of Way capital phase for a State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) project (PPNO 0057D) on State Route (SR) 156, in Monterey County, programmed in Fiscal Year 2019-20?

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the Commission approve an allocation of \$18,100,000 for the Right of Way capital phase for a STIP project (PPNO 0057D), on SR 156, in Monterey County, programmed in 2019-20.

### **BACKGROUND:**

Per Resolution G-19-01, projects with Right of Way capital programming of \$10 million or more, and that are programmed with Right of Way capital for 2019-20 or later, must receive Commission approval for project level allocation.

This project is located near the community of Castroville in the County of Monterey. The project proposes to construct a new interchange at Castroville Boulevard and SR 156. The project scope requires the acquisition of 15 parcels and extensive offsite environmental mitigation and utilities.

The signalized intersection at Castroville Boulevard and SR 156 is the only signal along the route west of US 101. Because of that, drivers may be unprepared for traffic that has completely stopped due to a red signal. The accident rate at the Castroville Boulevard intersection on SR 156 is over twice the rate of what would be expected of a similar intersection in California. Additionally, the frequent stoppage of traffic due to the signal causes

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congestion. Traffic has been known to back-up in both directions for miles during the Summer and for weekend events on the peninsula.

Once complete, the Castroville Boulevard Interchange will provide the following benefits:

• Improved Safety	• Improved Traffic Operations
• Improved access for local traffic	• Reduced Congestion
• Improved Regional and Interregional Traffic Flow	

The Castroville Boulevard Interchange is Segment 1 of three segments that make up the Route 156 West Corridor Project. The Corridor begins at State Route 183 in Castroville and ends at US 101 in Prunedale.

**FINANCIAL RESOLUTION:**

Resolved that \$18,100,000 be allocated from the Budget Act of 2018, Budget Act Items 2660-301-0042 and 2660-301-0890 for Right of Way capital for the STIP project described above.

2.5 Highway Financial Matters

Project #	Allocation Amount	Recipient	Project Title	PPNO	Budget Year	Amount by
RTPA/CTC	County	Dist-Co-Rte	Location	Program/Year	Item #	Fund Type
Postmile	Project Description	Project Support Expenditures	EA	Phase	Program Code	Fund Type

2.5c.(8) STIP Right of Way Project

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1	\$18,100,000	Department of Transportation TAMC Monterey 05-Mon-156 R1.6/1.4	<b>Castroville Boulevard Interchange.</b> In Monterey County at Castroville Boulevard from Post Mile R1.6 to 1.4. Build a new interchange at Castroville Boulevard and Highway 156	05-0057D RIP/19-20 R/W \$18,100,000 0518000120 9 31601	2018-19 301-0042 SHA 301-0890 FTF 20.20.075.600	\$2,077,000 <u>\$16,023,000</u> \$18,100,000						
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