MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS CTC Meeting: June 24-25, 2020

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.8d.(6), Action Item

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Subject: REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

EXPENDITURE FOR A SENATE BILL 1 LOCAL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

(FORMULAIC) PROJECT, PER LPP GUIDELINES

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<u>ISSUE:</u>

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of project development expenditure for 12-months, from June 30, 2020, to June 30, 2021, for the Senate Bill 1 Local Partnership Program – Formulaic (SB1 LPP) LOSSAN SD Signal Respacing/Optimization project (PPNO LP005), in San Diego County?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation recommends the Commission extend the period of project development expenditure 12-months, from June 30, 2020 to June 30, 2021, for the SB1 LPP (Formulaic) LOSSAN SD Signal Respacing/Optimization project (PPNO LP005), in San Diego County.

BACKGROUND:

The Commission allocated \$1,000,000 for the SB1 LPP (Formulaic) LOSSAN SD Signal Respacing/Optimization project (PPNO LP005) for the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E) phase at the June 2018 Commission meeting, under Resolution LPP-A-1718-10. The implementing agency, North County Transit District (NCTD), has been unable to complete the phase within the expenditure period due to unforeseen and unavoidable delays in coordination with resource agencies and other stakeholders. Additional coordination between NCTD and the California Public Utilities Commission, for required railroad crossing design alterations, also caused delays. These delays were worsened because some PS&E components are contingent upon completion of other PS&E components. All components rely on various stakeholders'

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buy-in prior to advancing to the next design component, increasing the overall PS&E completion schedule. As a result, and where possible, NCTD has implemented parallel design component schedules to ensure the most efficient use of time. The updated PS&E schedule accounts for past and foreseeable coordination related time constraints, and ensures the project remains on schedule. Therefore, NCTD respectfully requests a 12-month extension for the period of project development expenditure for the PS&E phase to June 30, 2021.

Current LPP Guidelines, adopted by the Commission, stipulate that funds allocated for project development must be expended by the end of the second fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the funds were allocated. The Commission may approve a waiver to the "timely use of funds" deadline, one-time only, for up to 12 months.