

## MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS  
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: May 12-13, 2021

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT ALLOCATION FOR A  
STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (STIP) RAIL PROJECT  
(PPNO 2195)  
WAIVER 21-33**

### **ISSUE:**

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of project allocation for Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E) phase of the Central Coast Layover Facility Expansion Project (PPNO 2195), located in San Luis Obispo County, for 18 months, to December 31, 2022?

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation recommends that the Commission extend the period of project allocation for PS&E phase of the Central Coast Layover Facility Expansion project (PPNO 2195), located in San Luis Obispo County, for 18 months, to December 31, 2022.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The PS&E phase was originally programmed for \$1,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2018-19. In June 2019, the Commission approved a time extension for the period of allocation of the PS&E phase to January 2021. However, during the programming of the 2020 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), the PS&E phase was reprogrammed to 2020-21. This reprogramming extended the allocation deadline to June 30, 2021. The Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency is requesting a time extension for the period of project allocation for PS&E phase from the 2020 STIP programmed year of 2020-21. The attachment shows the details of the project and the delays that have resulted in this time extension request.

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Current Guidelines stipulate that funds that are programmed are available for allocation only until the end of the fiscal year identified in the STIP. The Commission may extend the deadlines for allocation of funds no more than one time, and only if it finds that an unforeseen and extraordinary circumstance beyond the control of the responsible agency has occurred that justifies the extension. The extension will not exceed the period of delay directly attributed to the extraordinary circumstance and will in no event be for more than 20 months.

Attachment

**Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation Deadline  
State Transportation Improvement Program – Intercity Improvement Program**

Project Number: 1  
Applicant: Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency  
County: San Luis Obispo County  
District: 5  
PPNO: 2195  
Extended Amount: \$1,000,000  
Phase: Plans, Specifications, and Estimates  
Number of Months Requested: 18 Months  
Extended Deadline: December 31, 2022  
Department Recommendation: Support

**Central Coast Layover Facility Expansion Project**

The lead agency responsible for this project is the Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency (LOSSAN). The current deadline for allocation for the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E) phase is June 30, 2021. Currently, LOSSAN is working on the Project Approval and Environmental Documentation (PA&ED) which has not yet been able to complete the environmental document in order to proceed to PS&E phase.

The delay to the PS&E allocation is a direct result of the delay of PA&ED. Work began on PA&ED in mid-2019 and was progressing as scheduled until the COVID-19 pandemic began and stay-at-home orders in California took effect. Due to the pandemic, some of the deliverables, including the public scoping meetings were delayed several months. A concurrent time extension request for PA&ED is also on this month's Commission agenda. Because of the delay in completing the PA&ED phase, LOSSAN is requesting an allocation extension for the PS&E phase of 18-months to December 31, 2022, to allow time to award and execute a third-party agreement.

Therefore, LOSSAN respectfully requests an 18-month time extension for project allocation of the PS&E phase to December 31, 2022.

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