

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: May 12-13, 2021

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.8d.(5), Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT DEVELOPMENT
EXPENDITURES FOR LOCALLY ADMINISTERED STIP PROJECTS, PER STIP
GUIDELINES
WAIVER 21-46**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of project development expenditure for the Greenwood, Railroad, & Hatchery Road (Blue Lake Truck Route) project (PPNO 2510), in Humboldt County, programmed in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), for the time period shown in the attachment?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation recommends the Commission extend the period of project development expenditure for the Greenwood, Railroad, & Hatchery Road (Blue Lake Truck Route) project (PPNO 2510), in Humboldt County, programmed in the STIP, for the time period shown in the attachment.

BACKGROUND:

The Commission allocated \$120,000 for the Greenwood, Railroad, & Hatchery Road STIP project identified on the attachment. The responsible agency has been unable to complete the project as programmed. The attachment describes the details of the project and the explanation for the delay. The agency requested an extension, and the planning agency concurs.

Current STIP Guidelines, Resolution G-13-07, stipulate that funds allocated for local project development or right of way costs 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 20 months, in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.

Attachment

“Provide a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment.”

**Time Extension/Waiver – Contract Expenditure Deadline
Local Streets and Roads Project**

Project Number: 1
Applicant: City of Blue Lake
County: Humboldt
District: 1
PPNO: 2510
Allocated Amount: \$120,000
Remaining Balance: \$47,045
Phase: Project Approval and Environmental Documents
Allocation Date: 05/15/2019
Allocation Resolution Number: FP 18-66
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 06/30/2022
Department Recommendation: Support

Greenwood, Railroad, & Hatchery Road (Blue Lake Truck Route)

The City of Blue Lake (City) requests a 12-month project development expenditure extension for the Project Approval and Environmental Documents (PA&ED) phase of the Greenwood, Railroad, & Hatchery Road (Blue Lake Truck Route) project. The City experienced unforeseen delays during the environmental phase.

This project proposes to improve the existing truck route into a multi-modal transportation corridor in the City. This project will address failing roadway surfaces, excessive vehicle speeds, and unsafe pedestrian crossings on Blue Lake's truck route. The project scope includes sidewalks, bike lanes, curb ramps, crosswalks, traffic calming features, road dugouts, paving, and striping. During the PA&ED phase, the City was made aware of a damaged sidewalk within the project footprint. The City engineers and the Public Works Department determined that the damage was due to a failing storm drain pipe that will need to be replaced. The inclusion of the storm drain pipe replacement to the scope of work will require a revision of the preliminary environmental study, the preparation of permit applications to regulatory agencies, and additional special studies such as a the Natural Environmental Study. The City is requesting the additional time to work through these unanticipated challenges.

Therefore, the City requests a 12-month time extension for the environmental studies and permits expenditure to June 30, 2022.