MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: May 17-18, 2023

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.1b.(6), Information Item

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Subject: <u>STIP AMENDMENT 22S-19 (NOTICE)</u> <u>PPNO 2603 – SISKIYOU COUNTY</u>

SUMMARY:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) will request that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the requested State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) amendment at the next scheduled Commission meeting following the notice period.

The Siskiyou County Local Transportation Commission proposes to amend the 2022 STIP to delay construction from Fiscal Year 2023-24 to 2025-26 for the Jackson Ranch Road Rehab – 5 mile project (PPNO 2603), in Siskiyou County, per STIP Guidelines.

BACKGROUND:

The Jackson Ranch Road Rehab – 5 mile project will resurface the full length of Jackson Ranch Road. The work would consist of pulverizing the existing asphalt, shape and recompact, overlay and striping.

This request to delay construction is being made due to several factors including, lingering impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic (Pandemic) and severe fire seasons. Preliminary engineering work on Jackson Ranch Road has been pushed back due to the Lava and Tennant Fires during the Summer of 2021, and the Mill Fire that occurred in late summer 2022. These fires forced the closure of both directions of United States Highway 97, as well as mandatory evacuation orders for Lake Shasta and the surrounding areas.

"Provide a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment." Jackson Ranch Road was in the heart of the evacuation zone and was used by both fire personnel and evacuees.

This delayed the completion of preliminary fieldwork on this project by County's engineering and survey staff. Staffing shortages, retirements and the Pandemic have caused the County to face delays and hardship. In 2021, the Public Works Director, Deputy Director of Public Works and the County Surveyor all retired. Thus leaving the County understaffed and without a registered licensed engineer. After posting job announcements with no success, it was decided to hire an engineering consultant. The engineering consultant was hired and was making progress on projects when he passed away, further delaying the project. Siskiyou County Local Transportation Commission has since hired an engineer and has been working to advance these road reconstruction projects.

Lastly, the County is currently working on a large project - Big Springs Road - Phase 1, (PPNO 2553), that will begin construction in the Summer of 2023. This project will necessitate more time spent by their engineering staff on project management.

The proposed funding plan for the project is shown in the following table:

County		District		PPNO		EA	Element	t Cor Ye		PM Back	PM Ah	ead I	Route/Corridor		
Siskiyou County		02		2603			LA	2023	3-24						
Impleme	cy:	PA&	PA&ED		Siskiyou County				S&E Siskiyou County						
(by comp	R/W			Siskiyou County				CC	DN	Siskiyou County					
RTPA/C	TC:	Siskiyou County Transportation Commission													
Project 7	Title:	Jackson Ranch Road Rehab - 5 miles													
Location	In Siskiyou County near Weed on Jackson Ranch Road for the entire 5-mile length. Rehabilitate roadway.														
Descripti	Rehat	Rehabilitate roadway.													
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)															
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year							Project Totals by Component						
													R/W	CON	
		Prior	r 22	2/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27+	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	Supp	Supp	
RIP															
Existing	2,011	2	5	75	1,911	0	0	0	0	1,911	25	75	0	0	
Change	0		0	0	(1,911)	0	1,911	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Proposed	2,011	2:	5	75	0	0	1,911	0	0	1,911	25	75	0	0	
Total															
Existing	2,011	2	5	75	1,911	0	0	0	0	1,911	25	75	0	0	
Change	0		0	0	(1,911)	0	1,911	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Proposed	2,011	2:	5	75	0	0	1,911	0	0	1,911	25	75	0	0	

REVISED: Jackson Ranch Road Rehab project (PPNO 2603)

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