

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: June 28-29, 2023

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.1a.(15), Action Item

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Subject: **STIP AMENDMENT 22S-26 (ACTION)**
PPNO 2376 – SONOMA COUNTY
PPNO 1234 – VARIOUS

ACTION UPDATE: *Update to programmed year of funding from Fiscal Year 2023-24 to 2024-25.*

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the requested State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment 22S-26?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) requests that the Commission approve the requested STIP Amendment 22S-26. This item was noticed at the Commission's May 2023 meeting.

The Department proposes to amend the 2022 STIP to program \$6,097,000 in Interregional Improvement Program (IIP) funds to a new STIP project – Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit (SMART) Pathway/Great Redwood Trail -Santa Rosa (Guerneville Road to Airport Boulevard) project (PPNO 2376) along SMART Milepost 55.2 to 59.9, in Sonoma County, in Fiscal Year 2024-25. This new programmed STIP project will be funded with \$6,097,000 in IIP funds from the Complete Street Reserve (PPNO 1234).

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BACKGROUND:

This project is located in Santa Rosa, in Sonoma County, between Guerneville Road (SMART Milepost 55.2) from the south, and Airport Boulevard from the north (SMART Milepost 59.9). The project will construct 4.7 miles of 8- to 10-foot wide, Class I non-motorized pathway in and along the railroad right of way, directly connecting the surrounding neighborhood to bicycle facilities and the SMART Santa Rosa North and Sonoma County Airport stations with regional rail services to the north and south.

The immediate area around the Santa Rosa North station includes family educational destinations of the Charles M. Schulz Museum and Sonoma County Children's Museum, as well as connections to the Santa Rosa Junior College and bus services at Coddington Mall. The immediate area around the Sonoma County Airport station includes over 7,000 jobs, as well as public health and other services. The project is within a regional Priority Development Area and Regional Equity Priority Community.

The project improves multi-modal transportation options and advances the State of California's Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI) goals. The project will provide safe non-motorized, lower emission travel options in its immediate vicinity, including improved connections to regional commercial and cultural centers and to the Active Transportation Program-funded non-motorized overcrossing of United States Highway 101, connecting to the Santa Rosa Junior College campus in northeast Santa Rosa.

The project is within a regional Metropolitan Transportation Commission/Santa Rosa Priority Development Area and a Regional Equity Priority Community. According to Bay Area Vision Zero data, within a rectangle covering the length of the project and approximately 0.5 mile on either side, there were 6 fatal and 55 serious injury accidents, with 37.7 percent of fatal or serious injury accidents involving bicycles or pedestrians, over the past 10 years. The crash costs associated with all bicycle and pedestrian injuries and fatalities during that time is approximately \$64,800,000. Because the northern portion of the project is in unincorporated Sonoma County, only 65 percent of the project area surface streets, covered by the Bay Area Vision Zero, analysis have sidewalks.

This project is one piece of the SMART Pathway gap closure in northwest Santa Rosa that, once completed, will connect to either constructed or future planned construction SMART Pathway segments that are fully funded, resulting in 18 miles of continuous SMART Pathway between the Town of Windsor and the southern city limit of Rohnert Park. The project will provide safe, non-motorized first and last mile of connectivity to the North Bay's regional commuter rail system via the SMART Santa Rosa North rail station at Guerneville Road. The average passenger trip length on the SMART rail system is 23 miles and approximately 15 percent of SMART riders bring their bicycles onboard the trains.

The project benefits include increased non-motorized network connectivity, including connections to regional rail services to major regional and interregional destinations,

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reductions in vehicle miles travelled, and increased rail safety by creating a safe path of travel to discourage illegal and unsafe trespass on the freight and passenger railroad right of way.

This project will be ready for construction in 2024-25, therefore a total of \$6,097,000 in IIP funds from the Complete Streets Reserve (PPNO 1234) are proposed to be utilized for this programming, thereby reducing the overall balance of the Complete Streets Reserve (PPNO 1234), to \$0; the pre-construction phases were programmed with other funds.

The proposed funding plan for each project is as follows:

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NEW: SMART Pathway/Great Redwood Trail - Santa Rosa (Guerneville Road to Airport Boulevard) (PPNO 2376)

County	District	PPNO	EA	Element	Const. Year	PM Back	PM Ahead	Route/Corridor					
Sonoma County	04	2376		LA	2024-25			Loc					
Implementing Agency: (by component)	PA&ED	Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit District				PS&E	Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit District						
	R/W	Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit District				CON	Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit District						
RTPA/CTC:	Metropolitan Transportation Commission												
Project Title:	SMART Pathway/Great Redwood Trail - Santa Rosa (Guerneville Road to Airport Boulevard)												
Location:	The project is located in Santa Rosa, Sonoma County, California, between Guerneville Road (approximately SMART Milepost 55.2) in the south and Airport Boulevard in the north (approximately SMART Milepost 59.9).												
Description:	The project will construct 4.7 miles of 8 to 10 foot wide, Class I non-motorized pathway in and along the railroad right of way, directly connecting the surrounding neighborhood to bicycle facilities and the SMART Santa Rosa North and Sonoma County Airport stations with regional rail services north and south.												
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27+	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
IIP													
Existing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Change	6,097	0	0	0	6,097	0	0	0	6,097	0	0	0	0
Proposed	6,097	0	0	0	6,097	0	0	0	6,097	0	0	0	0
CMAQ													
Existing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Change	2,000	0	0	0	2,000	0	0	0	2,000	0	0	0	0
Proposed	2,000	0	0	0	2,000	0	0	0	2,000	0	0	0	0
Local Funds													
Existing	3,371	0	3,371	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,371	0	0
Change	4,953	0	0	0	4,953	0	0	0	4,953	0	0	0	0
Proposed	8,324	0	3,371	0	4,953	0	0	0	4,953	0	3,371	0	0
Total													
Existing	3,371	0	3,371	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,371	0	0
Change	13,050	0	0	0	13,050	0	0	0	13,050	0	0	0	0
Proposed	16,421	0	3,371	0	13,050	0	0	0	13,050	0	3,371	0	0

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REVISE: Complete Streets Reserve (PPNO 1234)

County	District	PPNO	EA	Element	Const. Year	PM Back	PM Ahead	Route/Corridor					
Various Counties	Var	1234		CO	2025-26								
Implementing Agency: (by component)	PA&ED	Caltrans				PS&E	Caltrans						
	R/W	Caltrans				CON	Caltrans						
RTPA/CTC:													
Project Title:		Complete Streets Reserve											
Location:		N/A											
Description:		Complete Street Reserve											
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27+	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
IIP													
Existing	6,097	0	0	0	0	3,000	3,097	0	6,097	0	0	0	0
Change	(6,097)	0	0	0	0	(3,000)	(3,097)	0	(6,097)	0	0	0	0
Proposed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total													
Existing	6,097	0	0	0	0	3,000	3,097	0	6,097	0	0	0	0
Change	(6,097)	0	0	0	0	(3,000)	(3,097)	0	(6,097)	0	0	0	0
Proposed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

FINANCIAL RESOLUTION:

Be it Resolved, that the Commission does hereby amend the 2022 STIP to program \$6,097,000 in Interregional Improvement Program (IIP) funds from the Complete Street Reserve (PPNO 1234), to a new STIP project – Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit Pathway/Great Redwood Trail -Santa Rosa (Guerneville Road to Airport Boulevard) project (PPNO 2376) along SMART Milepost 55.2 to 59.9, in Sonoma County, in 2024-25.

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