

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: June 26-27, 2025

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR STATE HIGHWAY OPERATION AND PROTECTION PROGRAM PROJECTS, ON THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM, PER SHOPP GUIDELINES WAIVER 25-96**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of contract award for three State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) projects, for the time periods as identified in the attachment?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the Commission extend the period of contract award for three SHOPP projects, for the time periods as identified in the attachment.

BACKGROUND:

In December 2024 and January 2025, the Commission allocated \$180,942,000 in Construction (CON) Capital for three SHOPP projects. In accordance with the SHOPP Guidelines (Guidelines), the deadline to award contracts for projects allocated in December 2024 and January 2025 is June 30, 2025 and July 31, 2025, respectively. The Department is requesting time extensions for the period of contract award. The attachment shows the details of each project and the delays that have resulted in these time extension requests.

Current Guidelines stipulate that the agency implementing a project request a time extension if the project will not be awarded within one Commission meeting after expiration. Expiration of CON funds occurs six months after a project receives its CON allocation. The Commission may approve waivers to the timely use of funds deadline, one-time only, for up to 20 months.

Attachment

**Time Extension/Waiver – Contract Award for
State Highway Operation and Protection Program**

Project Number: 1
County: Alameda
District: 4
PPNO: 2027J
EA: 2Q740
Route: 880
Allocation Amount: \$70,100,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation Date: 12/06/2024
Allocation Resolution: FP-24-42
Number of Months Requested: 4 Months
Extended Deadline: 10/31/2025
Department Recommendation: Support

SHOPP Mobility project

The Department requests a 4-month time extension for the period of contract award for the Construction (CON) phase of the SHOPP Mobility project. The Department experienced delays in awarding the project.

The project is on Routes 80,101, 880, and 980 at various locations in Alameda, San Francisco, and San Mateo counties. The project proposes to install and upgrade Transportation Management System (TMS) elements including Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) cameras, Vehicle Detection Systems, Changeable Message Signs, ramp meters, and fiber optic cable.

The Department received the CON phase allocation in December 2024 and planned to award the project by June 30, 2025. The advertisement and subsequent award were delayed due to coordination efforts with overlapping projects, and redesign of proposed signage systems.

This project involves installing a fiber optic system and upgrading the TMS across multiple counties. After receiving the construction allocation, one of the overlapping projects was found to include bridge joint repairs that would sever the fiber optic system being installed under this proposed project. Other conflicts were identified with the proposed sign structure on the Bay Bridge. The sign structure design had to be modified to avoid bridge cabling. Since the project was designed using an Architectural and Engineering consultant and they are the Engineer of Record, this required additional coordination for the revisions to be made. This resulted in a six week delay since the contract with the consultant had expired and required reissuance. The Department addressed these issues and advertised the project on April 28, 2025. Since the project requires specialized contractors, an extended advertisement period was used and bid opening was scheduled for mid-June. However, the project received over 45 bidder inquiries, with the majority regarding the fiber optic line installation. As a result, the Department will be issuing addenda to provide installation clarity. To provide bidders

time to adjust their bids, the bid opening is now scheduled for July 31, 2025. Therefore, additional time to award the project is being requested.

Therefore, the Department is requesting a 4-month time extension to award a contract from June 30, 2025 to October 31, 2025.

Project Number: 2
County: Alameda
District: 4
PPNO: 0064A
EA: 15500
Route: 80
Allocation Amount: \$110,667,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation Date: 12/06/2024
Allocation Resolution: FP-24-42
Number of Months Requested: 5 Months
Extended Deadline: 11/30/2025
Department Recommendation: Support

SHOPP Mobility project

The Department requests a 5-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase of the SHOPP Mobility project. The Department experienced delays in awarding the project.

The project is located on Interstate 80 (I-80), I-580, and I-980 in Alameda, Contra Costa, and Solano Counties, at various locations, also on local streets from I-980 to the District 4 Transportation Management Center. The project proposes to install 26 miles of fiber optic cable, three CCTVs, one Variable Message Sign, four VDS, and upgrade TMS equipment.

The Department received the CON phase allocation in December 2024 and planned to award by June 30, 2025. However, a portion of the project, situated between the San Francisco Bay Bridge toll plaza and Ashby Avenue, required revisions to avoid conflicts with an overlapping Middle Mile Broadband (MMBN) project. As part of the scope, this project proposes to install fiber optic cable throughout the project limits. Since the MMBN project will be in the same location, the MMBN contractor will install the conduit and pull boxes in a single trench for better efficiency and less risk of construction conflicts. The change required modification to the Plans, Specifications, and Estimate (PS&E) package and delayed submittal for advertisement to April 18, 2025. The project advertised in mid-May, bid opening is scheduled for June 18, 2025, and award is expected by August 2025. In the event that there are delays to the bid opening due to bidder inquiries or bid protests leading to delay of contract award, additional time is being requested to award by November 30, 2025.

Therefore, the Department is requesting a 5-month time extension to award a contract from June 30, 2025 to November 30, 2025.

Project Number: 3
County: San Diego
District: 11
PPNO: 1478
EA: 42651
Route: 5
Allocation Amount: \$175,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation Date: 01/31/2025
Allocation Resolution: FP-24-54
Number of Months Requested: 4 Months
Extended Deadline: 11/30/2025
Department Recommendation: Support

SHOPP Sustainability and Miscellaneous project

The Department requests a 4-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase of the SHOPP Sustainability and Miscellaneous project. The Department experienced delays in awarding the project.

The project is located on I-5, In the city of San Diego, at 0.2 mile south of Carmel Valley Road. The project proposes to perform biological plant establishment for a parent project (EA 11-42650).

The Department received the CON phase allocation in January 2025 to proceed through the award process. Since this project's programmed and allocated amount is below the \$461,000 threshold, the advertisement and award is processed through the Department's Procurement and Contracts Division. The advertisement of this project is taking longer than anticipated due to an increase in volume of projects moving through the end of the fiscal year. The project is currently being processed and additional time is needed to advertise and award the project.

Therefore, the Department is requesting a 4-month time extension to award a contract from July 31, 2025 to November 30, 2025.