

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: June 26-27, 2025

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.8v.(12), Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO AMEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR A
TRANSIT AND INTERCITY RAIL CAPITAL PROGRAM COMPONENT
WAIVER 25-146, AMENDING WAIVER 24-191**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) amend the period of contract award for the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) (2020:17) Expansion of WETA Ferry Service (Shoreside Charging Infrastructure Treasure Island Electrification) component (PPNO CP075A), in San Francisco County, for the time period as identified in the attachment?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation recommends that the Commission extend the period of contract award for the TIRCP (2020:17) Expansion of WETA Ferry Service (Shoreside Charging Infrastructure Treasure Island Electrification) component (PPNO CP075A), in San Francisco County, for the time period as identified in the attachment.

BACKGROUND:

In May 2024, the Commission allocated \$14,581,000 for the Construction (CON) phase of the (2020:17) Expansion of WETA Ferry Service (Shoreside Charging Infrastructure) (2022:17) San Francisco Zero Emissions High-Frequency Ferry Network (Shoreside Charging Infrastructure) component (PPNO CP075A). In December 2024, the Commission approved a 7-month time extension for the period of contract award. There is a concurrent allocation amendment to revise the component name to (2020:17) Expansion of WETA Ferry Service (Shoreside Charging Infrastructure Treasure Island Electrification) and deallocate \$12,381,000 from the CON phase due to the component being split into three separate components on this month's Commission agenda.

The responsible agency has been unable to complete the component per the Timely Use of Funds policy. This is a request to amend the previously approved contract award time extension, per the TIRCP Allocation Policy. The attachment describes the details of the project and the explanation for the delays.

Attachment

**Amendment Time Extension/Waiver – Contract Award
Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program**

Project Number: 1
Applicant: San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority
County: San Francisco
District: 4
PPNO: CP075A
Allocation Amount: \$14,581,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation Date: 05/17/2024
Allocation Resolution: TIRCP-2324-58
1st Waiver: Waiver 24-191
Approved: December 2024
Number of Months Requested: ~~7 Months~~ **20 Months**
Extended Deadline: ~~06/30/2025~~ **07/31/2026**
Department Recommendation: Support

**(2020:17) Expansion of WETA Ferry Service (Shoreside Charging Infrastructure
Treasure Island Electrification)**

The San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA) requests an additional 13 months, from 7 months to 20 months, for the period of contract award for the Construction (CON) phase of the (2020:17) Expansion of WETA Ferry Service (Shoreside Charging Infrastructure Treasure Island Electrification) component. WETA has experienced unexpected delays in awarding the contract.

The awarded scope of work for the component includes the modification of standard floats to house a bank of batteries that will allow vessels to charge while they are docked. This is the first project of this kind at this scale in the nation.

In December 2024, WETA experienced a delay in awarding the contract due to the complexity of applying United States building restrictions to this type of marine project, as the project was modeled after and will be built with many European components, and there is extremely limited precedence for this. WETA is now requesting additional time due to the bids received being approximately double the original engineering estimates. WETA needs more time to engage in negotiations and value engineering efforts to bring the costs down, minimize the need for additional funding, and ensure the successful delivery of the system as originally planned. WETA anticipates awarding a contract by July 31, 2026.

Therefore, WETA is requesting an additional 13 months to allow sufficient time to award the contract for the CON phase from June 30, 2025 to July 31, 2026.