

## MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS  
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: October 16-17, 2025

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.5p.(4), Action Item

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Subject: **ALLOCATION AMENDMENT FOR A LOCALLY-ADMINISTERED LOCAL TRANSPORTATION CLIMATE ADAPTATION PROGRAM PROJECT, OFF THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM**  
**RESOLUTION LTCAP-A-2526-01, AMENDING RESOLUTION LTCAP-A-2425-05**

### **ISSUE:**

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve an allocation amendment for the locally-administered Local Transportation Climate Adaptation Program (LTCAP) OCTA Coastal Rail Infrastructure Corridor Resiliency Phase 1 project (PPNO 1323), off the State Highway System, in Orange County, to rescind the full amount of \$3,824,000 from the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase, due to incompatible National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) document requirements from different federal funding sources?

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation recommends that the Commission approve an allocation amendment for the locally-administered LTCAP OCTA Coastal Rail Infrastructure Corridor Resiliency Phase 1 project (PPNO 1323), off the State Highway System, in Orange County, to rescind the full amount of \$3,824,000 from the PA&ED phase, due to incompatible NEPA document requirements from different federal funding sources.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The locally-administered LTCAP OCTA Coastal Rail Infrastructure Corridor Resiliency Phase 1 project (PPNO 1323), was programmed for \$12,000,000 for the PA&ED phase at the December 2023 Commission meeting. After programming, the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) determined that four locations within the original project scope needed to be

studied and addressed earlier than the remaining locations due to an emergent risk of failure. In August 2024, the Commission approved \$3,824,000 for the segmented PA&ED phase.

After allocation, OCTA was awarded separate funding for the Construction phase from the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). FRA construction funds conflict with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) LTCAP funding in PA&ED. The FRA has very stringent environmental requirements and will not accept NEPA documentation from another agency, including FHWA.

OCTA is requesting to rescind their segmented PA&ED phase funds and recombine these funds back to the original project profile in order to realign their funding approach.

**FINANCIAL RESOLUTION:**

Resolved, that the locally-administered LTCAP OCTA Coastal Rail Infrastructure Corridor Resiliency Phase 1 project (PPNO 1323), is hereby amended to rescind the full amount of \$3,824,000 from the PA&ED phase, due to incompatible NEPA document requirements from different federal funding sources, in accordance with the attached revised vote box.

Attachment

2.5 Highway Financial Matters

Project #	Project Title	PPNO	Budget Year	Amount by
Allocation Amount	Location	Program/Year	Item #	Fund Type
Recipient	Project Description	Phase	Fund Type	Fund Type
RTPA/CTC		Prgm'd Amount	Program Code	
District-County		Project ID		

**2.5p.(4) Allocation Amendment - Locally-administered Local Transportation Climate Adaptation Program Project off the State Highway System** **Resolution LTCAP-A-2526-01**  
Amending Resolution LTCAP-A-2425-05

1	<b>OCTA Coastal Rail Infrastructure Corridor Resiliency Phase 1.</b>	12-1323	2024-25	
<del>\$3,824,000</del>	Environmental clearance and permitting for four at-risk hotspot locations along the coastal section of the LOSSAN Corridor.	LTCAP/25-26	102-0890 FTF	<del>\$3,824,000</del>
<b>\$0</b>		PA&ED	20.30.725.300	<b>\$0</b>
		\$3,824,000		
Orange County	<u>Outcome/Outputs</u>	1225000001		
Transportation	Rehabilitated track			
Authority				
<u>OCTA</u>	Contribution from other sources: \$956,000.			
12-Orange				
	<b><u>Amend Resolution LTCAP-A-2425-05 to rescind the full amount of \$3,824,000 from the PA&amp;ED phase due to incompatible National Environmental Policy Act document requirements from different federal funding sources.</u></b>			