

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: January 29-30, 2026

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.8v.(5), Action Item

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Subject **REQUEST TO AMEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT ALLOCATION FOR A
LOCALLY-ADMINISTERED ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM PROJECT,
OFF THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM, PER THE INTERIM TIMELY USE OF
FUNDS POLICY - 2024 AND 2025 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FIRES
WAIVER 26-19, AMENDING WAIVER 24-108**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) amend the period of project allocation for the locally-administered Active Transportation Program (ATP) OC Loop Coyote Creek Bikeway (Segment O) project (PPNO 1305), for the time period as identified in the attachment?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the Commission amend the period of project allocation for the locally-administered ATP OC Loop Coyote Creek Bikeway (Segment O) project (PPNO 1305), for the time period as identified in the attachment.

BACKGROUND:

Current ATP Guidelines adopted by the Commission stipulate that funds programmed for all components of local grant projects are available for allocation only until the end of the fiscal year programmed. Additionally, according to the ATP Guidelines, the Commission may approve a waiver to the Timely Use of Funds deadline, one-time only, for up to 20 months. However, in June 2025, the Commission approved the adoption of the Interim Timely Use of Funds (ITUF) Policy for the 2024 and 2025 Southern California Fires under Resolution G-25-51. A one-time waiver under the adopted ITUF Policy will be considered for projects programmed in the ATP, allowing the total time extension period to be increased up to 24 months.

Attachment

**Amendment Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation
Active Transportation Program**

Project Number: 1
Applicant: Orange County
County: Orange
District: 7
PPNO: 1305
Allocation Amount: \$4,644,000
Phase: Construction
1st Waiver: Waiver 24-108
Approved: June 2024
Number of Months Requested: ~~20 Months~~ **24 Months**
Extended Deadline: ~~02/28/2026~~ **06/30/2026**
Department Recommendation: Support

OC Loop Coyote Creek Bikeway (Segment O)

The Orange County (County) requests an additional 4 months, from 20 months to 24 months, for the period of project allocation for the Construction (CON) phase of the OC Loop Coyote Creek Bikeway (Segment O) project. The County has experienced delays due to the wildfires affecting Southern California.

The project proposes to construct a Class I trail along the Coyote Creek Flood Channel to close a gap along the multi-modal regional route.

Active Transportation Program (ATP) funding authorization was approved for the project design of the Segment O project, along with a contiguous ATP project for the OC Loop Segment P and Q (PPNO 1309). For project delivery and efficiency, all three segments will be advertised together. The project's National Environmental Policy Act revalidation was approved by the Department in September 2024. However, Segments P and Q have Southern California Edison (SCE) transmission, distribution, and telecommunication relocations. In addition, both projects have pending Section 408 application approvals from the United States Army Corps of Engineers. SCE's internal staff resources were diverted to the fires in Southern California for approximately six months which impacted their ability to develop relocation designs. The County anticipates the outstanding issues for Segments P and Q (PPNO 1309), to be resolved by the CON phase allocation deadline. The County needs the additional time to align both projects' delivery schedules and combine them in one award package.

Therefore, the County is requesting an additional four months to allow sufficient time to allocate the CON phase from February 28, 2026 to June 30, 2026.