

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: March 19-20, 2026

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.8v.(4), 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 26-49, 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) Hollydale Area Access Improvements Project (PPNO 5893C), in Los Angeles County, for the time period as identified in the attachment?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation recommends that the Commission amend the period of allocation for the locally-administered ATP Hollydale Area Access Improvements Project (PPNO 5893C), in Los Angeles County, for the time period as identified in the attachment.

BACKGROUND:

In June 2024, the Commission approved a 20-month project allocation time extension for the Construction phase of the ATP Hollydale Area Access Improvements Project (PPNO 5893C). The local agency will not be able to request allocation for funds by the February 28, 2026 deadline. The attachment shows the details of the project and the explanation for the delay. The respective agency is requesting an amendment to the extension, and the regional planning agency concurs.

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. 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 to 24 months.

Attachment

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

Project Number: 1
Applicant: City of South Gate
County: Los Angeles
District: 07
PPNO: 5893C
Allocation Amount: \$313,000
Phase: Construction
1st Waiver: Waiver 24-108
Approved: June 2024
Number of Months Requested: ~~20 Months~~ **32 Months**
Extended Deadline: ~~02/28/2026~~ **02/28/2027**
Department Recommendation: Support

Hollydale Area Access Improvements Project

The City of South Gate (City) requests an additional 12 months, from 20 months to 32 months, for the period of project allocation for the Construction (CON) phase of the Hollydale Area Access Improvements Project. The City has experienced ongoing delays with environmental approval.

The project proposes to construct Class III bike routes, Class II bike lanes, high-visibility crosswalks and connectivity to existing and future transit facilities.

In June 2024, the Commission approved a 20-month project allocation time extension for the CON phase for the project. Following the 2025 Southern California fires, engineering, design, and management staff from the City, Los Angeles Metro (Metro), and partner agencies such as the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR), and Los Angeles County Public Works were reassigned to emergency response operations for several months for post-fire recovery. As a direct result, internal planning and coordination was deferred and the City's project team were not available to advance the environmental and design phases. In addition, Metro was required to recertify state and federal environmental documents for the separate Metro federal Southeast Gateway Line Project, that shares project limits and ties into this ATP project. The same group at Metro that coordinated with the City for interagency reviews and approval of documents were not available during this time period. These efforts delayed project development, field work, and key interagency reviews. Additionally, the WSAB LRT Stations First-Last Mile Bikeway Safety and Access Project (PPNO 6190) and Hollydale Area Access Improvement Project (PPNO 5893C) overlap in the Hollydale neighborhood, which the City planned to advance the improvements as a single project under one contract. This requires additional time for reconciling designs with Metro's Southeast Gateway Line Project and coordinating shared limits on Century Boulevard with the City of Paramount due to the diversion of resources.

Currently, the California Public Utilities Commission and UPRR safety actions, Los Angeles County Flood Control permitting near the river corridor, and utility conflict resolutions are taking longer than typical. The City and Metro are working closely together to relocate/modify Metro light rail stations within the City. When combined with the fire-related staffing and schedule disruptions described above, the overall effect has contributed to significant project delays. To avoid further project delay and retain project development and future redesign, the City is sequencing environmental revalidation, third-party approvals, and bid readiness to match Metro's milestones and scheduling. As a result of the delays caused by the Southern California Fires, the City needs additional time to finalize approvals, close the funding gap, and align schedules with Metro and the City of Paramount to deliver the multi-agency integrated project as intended.

Therefore, the City is requesting an additional 12 months for the period of project allocation for the CON phase from February 28, 2026 to February 28, 2027.