

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: May 14-15, 2026

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.2c.(2), Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING
RESOLUTION E-26-30A**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve attached resolution E-26-30A?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the Commission, as a responsible agency, approve attached resolution E-26-30A.

BACKGROUND:

11-SD-75, PM R20.1/R22.3

11-SD-5, PM R13.8/R14.3

Resolution E-26-30A

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and Addendum have been completed:

- San Diego – Coronado Bay Bridge Suicide Deterrent Project: State Route (SR) 75 and Interstate 5 (I-5) in San Diego County. Suicide deterrent installation and transportation management system upgrades on SR 75 from post miles (PM) R20.1 to R22.3 and I-5 from PM R13.8 to R14.3 in San Diego County. (PPNO 1352)

The project is located on SR 75 at PM R20.1 to R22.3, in San Diego County. The project proposes to install a physical suicide deterrent on the Bridge. The project also proposes

installing minor improvements to the traffic management system (TMS) elements at the Glorietta Toll Plaza, the Bridge, and the I-5/SR-75 Interchange. The project is currently programmed in the 2024 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP). The total programmed amount, which includes Construction (Support and Capital) and Right of Way (Support and Capital) is \$124,200,000. Construction will begin in Fiscal Year 2026-27. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope as programmed by the Commission in the 2024 SHOPP.

Copies of the MND and Addendum have been provided to Commission staff. The Commission considered the MND and approved the project for future consideration of funding on December 8, 2022, under Resolution E-22-101. Since the approval of the MND, there have been changes to the project and an Addendum was prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Specifically, the Addendum addresses design refinements, including changes to the vertical net design and post connections, addition of 4 sliding pocket frames at each large expansion joint in both directions of the bridge, addition of deterrent end panels, changes to the TMS closed circuit television camera system to provide full visibility and increased analytical coverage (increase from 10 to 20 cameras), installation of larger baseplates to support the weight of the dual-camera system, changes to signage including removal of 9 signs, relocation of 4 signs, and repositioning of 11 signs, relocation of air and water hookups for maintenance purposes, and a change from full enclosures to direct access maintenance and inspection walkways under the bridge in the substructure bays, resulting in a reduction in visual changes to the substructure compared to the previous design. Resources in the project area that may be impacted by the project include biological resources, specifically, nesting birds. Potential impacts associated with the project can all be mitigated to below significance. Mitigation includes avoiding nesting season to minimize disruptions to nesting behavior, conducting pre-construction surveys, establishing exclusion zones around active nests, and monitoring by a qualified biologist. In accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15162, no Subsequent MND is required for the project because new information and changes in circumstances, project description, impacts, and mitigation are not substantial and do not involve new significant impacts or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified impacts. The project changes do not meet the criteria outlined under CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 to prepare a Subsequent MND. As a result, the Department completed an Addendum to the MND pursuant to CEQA.

The Department has approved this project for construction. This approval and the Addendum will satisfy the environmental requirements for this stage of the planning process.

Attachments

Attachment 1

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

11-SD-75, PM R20.1/R22.3

11-SD-5, PM R13.8/R14.3

Resolution E-26-30A

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Addendum pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
 - San Diego – Coronado Bay Bridge Suicide Deterrent Project: SR 75 and I-5 in San Diego County. Suicide deterrent installation and transportation management system upgrades on SR 75 from PM R20.1 to R22.3 and I-5 from PM R13.8 to R14.3 in San Diego County. (PPNO 1352)
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Addendum have been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Addendum; and
- 1.4 **WHEREAS**, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment;
- 2.1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.

Attachment 2

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

To: Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: California Transportation Commission
Attn: Cherry Zamora
1120 N Street, MS 52
Sacramento, CA 95814
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Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 of the Public Resources Code.

Project Title: San Diego – Coronado Bay Bridge Suicide Deterrent Project

2020060290	San Boyce	(619) 930-6258
State Clearinghouse Number	Lead Agency Contact Person	Area Code/Telephone

Project Location (include county): State Route (SR) 75 from Post Mile (PM) R20.1 to R22.3 and Interstate 5 (I-5) from PM R13.8 to R14.3 in San Diego County.

Project Description: Suicide deterrent installation and transportation management system upgrades on SR 75 from PM R20.1 to R22.3 and I-5 from PM R13.8 to R14.3 in San Diego County.

This is to advise that the California Transportation Commission has approved the above described project on Lead Agency/ Responsible Agency)

May 14-15, 2026, and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project (will/ will not) have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Mitigated Negative Declaration and Addendum were prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures (were/ were not) made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. Mitigation reporting or monitoring plan (was / was not) adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations (was / was not) adopted for this project.
6. Findings (were/ were not) made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The above identified document with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at: Caltrans District 11, 4050 Taylor Street, San Diego, CA 92110.

TANISHA TAYLOR		Executive Director
<i>Signature (Public Agency)</i>	<i>Date</i>	California Transportation Commission
		<i>Title</i>

Date received for filing at LCI:

Attachment 3

11 – SD – 75 – PM R20.1/R22.3
11 – SD – 5 – PM R13.8/R14.3



Location Map

San Diego – Coronado Bay Bridge Suicide Deterrent Project