

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: October 15-16, 2026

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.8b.(2), Action Item

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Division of Local Assistance

Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR
LOCALLY-ADMINISTERED STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM PROJECTS, OFF THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM, PER STIP
GUIDELINES
WAIVER 26-194**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of contract award for four locally-administered State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) projects, for the time periods as identified in the attachment?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the Commission extend the period of contract award for four locally-administered STIP projects, for the time periods as identified in the attachment.

BACKGROUND:

In May 2026, the Commission allocated \$3,362,000 to the Construction phase of four locally-administered STIP projects identified in the attachment. The responsible agency has been unable to award the contracts within six months of allocation, per STIP Guidelines (Guidelines). The attachment describes the details of the projects and the explanations for the delays. The respective agency requests an extension, and the planning agency concurs.

Current Guidelines adopted by the Commission, stipulate that the agencies implementing a project may request a time extension if the project will not be awarded within six months of allocation. The Commission may approve a waiver to the Timely Use of Funds deadline, one time only, for up to 20 months.

Attachment

**Time Extension/Waiver – Contract Award
State Transportation Improvement Program**

Project Number: 1
Applicant: Mariposa County
County: Mariposa
District: 10
PPNO: 3548
Allocation Amount: \$785,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation Date: 05/15/2026
Allocation Resolution: FP-25-95
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 11/30/2027
Department Recommendation: Support

Indian Peak Road Rehabilitation project

Mariposa County (County) requests a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the Construction (CON) phase of the Indian Peak Road Rehabilitation project. The County has experienced unforeseen delays during the award process.

The project proposes to improve road quality and safety by conducting dig-outs and applying chip seal.

The County submitted the allocation requests in March 2026; however, the County did not receive the allocation letters until early June 2026. After receiving and reviewing the allocation letters, the County identified discrepancies between the project descriptions in the LP2000 Allocation Notification Letters and the corresponding vote box. Because the County did not receive the allocation letters until after the May 14, 2026 allocation, the County did not identify the discrepancies during the allocation process.

Recognizing the significance of these discrepancies for project clarity, the County notified the Department of the inconsistencies on June 17, 2026, and requested clarification. A subsequent Departmental review determined that the project descriptions in the 2026 Final Adopted State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS), vote box, and LP2000 Allocation Notification Letter were inconsistent. Between June 17 and July 22, 2026, County staff worked to reconcile and correct the project scope information and submitted the time extension request package to the Department. The remaining corrections depend on resolving discrepancies in the project scope documentation and completing the Department's review, which is essential for project progress. The County is continuing to work with the Department to resolve the remaining issues.

The County lost several weeks from the project schedule while reconciling and correcting scope information. As a result, the County does not anticipate meeting the November 30, 2026

contract award deadline. To address this, the County is requesting a 12-month extension through November 30, 2027. This extension is necessary because the project involves similar materials and construction activities to the three other projects. Extending the deadlines would enable the County to coordinate all four projects and, if feasible, bid them together. Combining the projects into a single bid package could yield cost savings through economies of scale and reduce duplication of mobilization and other construction-related expenses. The additional time would also allow for the resolution of remaining scope discrepancies and completion of project development requirements before advertising the projects for construction.

Since identifying the discrepancies, County staff have collaborated diligently with the Department and other involved state agencies to reconcile the project descriptions and ensure that all programming, allocation, and project delivery documents accurately reflect the approved project scope. Resolution of these issues requires coordination among multiple divisions and state agencies, each of which maintains separate project records and approval processes. The County has acted promptly upon discovery of the inconsistencies and continues to actively coordinate with the responsible agencies to resolve the remaining issues. Additional time is essential to ensure thorough reconciliation of records, which will help maintain confidence in the project's integrity and progress. This extension will provide adequate time to address the discrepancies, finalize necessary programming and documentation updates, and deliver the project in full accordance with the approved STIP programming and allocation requirements.

Therefore, the County is requesting a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase from November 30, 2026 to November 30, 2027.

Project Number: 2
Applicant: Mariposa County
County: Mariposa
District: 10
PPNO: 3549
Allocation Amount: \$1,500,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation Date: 05/15/2026
Allocation Resolution: FP-25-94
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 11/30/2027
Department Recommendation: Support

Old Toll Road Rehabilitation project

Mariposa County (County) requests a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase of the Old Toll Road Rehabilitation project. The County has experienced unforeseen delays during the award process.

The project proposes to apply Type II slurry seal to approximately 2.01 miles of roadway, with center double yellow lines and fog/edge lines on both sides of the roadway.

The County submitted the allocation requests in March 2026; however, the County did not receive the allocation letters until early June 2026. After receiving and reviewing the allocation letters, the County identified discrepancies between the project descriptions in the LP2000 Allocation Notification Letters and the corresponding vote box. Because the County did not receive the allocation letters until after the May 14, 2026 allocation, the County did not identify the discrepancies during the allocation process.

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Project Number: 3
Applicant: Mariposa County
County: Mariposa
District: 10
PPNO: 3550
Allocation Amount: \$247,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation Date: 05/15/2026
Allocation Resolution: FP-25-95
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 11/30/2027
Department Recommendation: Support

Joe Howard Street, Sidewalk Improvements project

Mariposa County (County) requests a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase of the Joe Howard Street, Sidewalk Improvements project. The County has experienced unforeseen delays during the award process.

The project proposes to apply a chip seal surface treatment to approximately 0.37 miles of roadway with a double-yellow centerline.

The County submitted the allocation requests in March 2026; however, the County did not receive the allocation letters until early June 2026. After receiving and reviewing the allocation letters, the County identified discrepancies between the project descriptions in the LP2000 Allocation Notification Letters and the corresponding vote box. Because the County did not receive the allocation letters until after the May 14, 2026 allocation, the County did not identify the discrepancies during the allocation process.

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Project Number: 4
Applicant: Mariposa County
County: Mariposa
District: 10
PPNO: 3551
Allocation Amount: \$830,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation Date: 05/15/2026
Allocation Resolution: FP-25-94
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 11/30/2027
Department Recommendation: Support

E Whitlock Road Rehabilitation project

Mariposa County (County) requests a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase of the E Whitlock Road Rehabilitation project. The County has experienced unforeseen delays during the award process.

The project proposes to improve road quality and safety by conducting dig-outs and applying chip seal.

The County submitted the allocation requests in March 2026; however, the County did not receive the allocation letters until early June 2026. After receiving and reviewing the allocation letters, the County identified discrepancies between the project descriptions in the LP2000 Allocation Notification Letters and the corresponding vote box. Because the County did not receive the allocation letters until after the May 14, 2026 allocation, the County did not identify the discrepancies during the allocation process.

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