

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: October 15-16, 2026

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.8b.(4), Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR
TRANSIT AND INTERCITY RAIL CAPITAL PROGRAM COMPONENTS, PER
TIRCP ALLOCATION POLICY
WAIVER 26-200**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of contract award for two Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) (2024:27) UCLA/Westwood Zero Emission Transit Service Expansion: Deploying Wireless Charging at Scale components, in Los Angeles County, for the time periods as identified in the attachment?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation recommends that the Commission extend the period of contract award for two TIRCP (2024:27) UCLA/Westwood Zero Emission Transit Service Expansion: Deploying Wireless Charging at Scale components, in Los Angeles County, for the time periods as identified in the attachment.

BACKGROUND:

In October 2025, the Commission allocated \$11,285,000 for two TIRCP (2024:27) UCLA/Westwood Zero Emission Transit Service Expansion: Deploying Wireless Charging at Scale components identified in the attachment. The responsible agency has been unable to award the third-party contracts per the Timely Use of Funds (TUF) policy.

The current TIRCP Allocation Policy stipulates that the agency implementing a project component request a time extension if the project component will not be awarded within the specified timeline. Under the TUF policy, an extension can be requested for up to 20 months for each delivery milestone, where permissible by statute. The attachment describes the details of the project components and the explanations for the delays.

Attachment

**Time Extension/Waiver – Contract Award
Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program**

Project Number: 1
Applicant: University of California, Los Angeles
District: 7
PPNO: CP169
Allocation Amount: \$9,785,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation Date: 10/17/2025
Allocation Resolution: TIRCP-2526-25
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 10/31/2027
Department Recommendation: Support

**(2024:27) UCLA/Westwood Zero Emission Transit Service Expansion: Deploying
Wireless Charging at Scale (Zero-Emission Transit Bus Procurement)**

The University of California, Los Angeles (Agency) requests a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the Construction (CON) phase of the (2024:27) UCLA/Westwood Zero Emission Transit Service Expansion: Deploying Wireless Charging at Scale (Zero-Emission Transit Bus Procurement) component. At the time of allocation, the project received an additional six months for contract award, changing the Timely Use of Funds (TUF) deadline to October 31, 2026. The Agency has experienced delays in awarding a third-party contract.

The component proposes to purchase seven 40-foot zero-emission battery electric buses equipped with wireless charging receivers to service the Westwood neighborhood in Los Angeles County.

In October 2025, the Commission allocated \$9,785,000 for the CON phase of the component. A third-party contract has yet to be awarded due to contract negotiations with the bus manufacturer regarding the installation of wireless charging receivers onto the electric buses. The agency is requesting that a third party install the wireless chargers under the contract with the bus manufacturer, but the bus manufacturer does not want to be held liable for bus delivery failure if the wireless receivers don't work. They are currently negotiating the issue before signing the contract. The Agency is confident they can execute a vehicle purchase order with the additional time given, with bus delivery expected by the end of 2030.

Therefore, the Agency is requesting a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase from October 31, 2026 to October 31, 2027.

Project Number: 2
Applicant: University of California, Los Angeles
District: 7
PPNO: CP169A
Allocation Amount: \$1,500,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation Date: 10/17/2025
Allocation Resolution: TIRCP-2526-25
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 10/31/2027
Department Recommendation: Support

(2024:27) UCLA/Westwood Zero Emission Transit Service Expansion: Deploying Wireless Charging at Scale (Zero-Emission Over the Road Coach Transit Bus Procurement)

The University of California, Los Angeles (Agency) requests a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase of the (2024:27) UCLA/Westwood Zero Emission Transit Service Expansion: Deploying Wireless Charging at Scale (Zero-Emission Over the Road Coach Transit Bus Procurement) component. At the time of allocation, the project received an additional six months for contract award, changing the TUF deadline to October 31, 2026. The Agency has experienced delays in awarding a third-party contract.

The component proposes to purchase one new 45-foot zero emission coach bus to service the Westwood neighborhood in Los Angeles County.

In October 2025, the Commission allocated \$1,500,000 for the CON phase of the component. A third-party contract has yet to be awarded due to the limited number of battery-electric coach bus manufacturers in operation. The Agency is working diligently to procure a suitable electric coach bus, with the contending manufacturer, Volvo/Prevost, set to release their coach bus commercially by the end of October 2026, which will then be available for a purchase order. The Agency is confident they can execute a vehicle purchase order with the additional time given, with bus delivery expected by the end of 2030.

Therefore, the Agency is requesting a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase from October 31, 2026 to October 31, 2027.