

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: October 15-16, 2026

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

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

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Division of Local Assistance

Subject: **POST-FACT REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT DEVELOPMENT
EXPENDITURE FOR LOCALLY-ADMINISTERED ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION
PROGRAM PROJECT, OFF THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM
WAIVER 26-210**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve a Post-Fact time extension request to extend the period of project development expenditure for two phases of the locally-administered Active Transportation Program (ATP) La Vina Community Mobility and Safety Enhancements Project (PPNO 8017), in Madera County, for the time periods as identified in the attachment?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the Commission approve a Post-Fact time extension request to extend the period of project development expenditure for two phases of the locally-administered ATP La Vina Community Mobility and Safety Enhancements Project (PPNO 8017), in Madera County, for the time periods as identified in the attachment.

BACKGROUND:

In October of 2023, the Commission allocated \$395,000 for two phases of the locally-administered ATP La Vina Community Mobility and Safety Enhancements Project (PPNO 8017). In accordance with ATP Guidelines (Guidelines), the deadline for expenditures for this project is June 30, 2026. The responsible agency has been unable to complete the project component per the Timely Use of Funds policy. The attachment describes the details of the project and the explanation for the delay. The respective agency requests a Post-Fact time extension, and the planning agency concurs.

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Current Guidelines, adopted by the Commission, stipulate that the funds programmed for all components of local grant projects are available for expenditure only until the end of the second fiscal year following the year of allocation. The Commission may approve a waiver to the TUF deadline, one-time only, for up to 12 months.

Attachment

**Post-Fact Time Extension/Waiver – Project Development Expenditure
Active Transportation Program**

Project: 1
Applicant: Madera County
County: Madera
PPNO: 8017
District: 06
Allocation Amount: \$300,000
Remaining Balance: \$49,902
Phase: Plans, Specifications, and Estimate
Allocation Date: 10/19/2023
Allocation Resolution: FATP-2324-09
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 06/30/2027
Department Recommendation: Support

La Vina Community Mobility and Safety Enhancements Project

Madera County (County) requests a 12-month Post-Fact time extension for the period of project development expenditure for the Plans, Specifications, and Estimate (PS&E) phase of the La Vina Community Mobility and Safety Enhancements Project. The City has experienced delays during the contracting process.

The project proposes to construct Class II bicycle lanes, install new sidewalk, curb and gutter, Americans with Disabilities Act ramps, lighted crosswalks, signals, crossing lights, and streetlights.

The project has experienced multiple delays due to coordination with Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) utility relocations. In January 2024, the County contacted PG&E about relocating several underground facilities, and in March 2024 submitted a map of the area to PG&E. In July 2024 PG&E conducted field investigations to scope the area for a preliminary estimate. After multiple requests from the County, PG&E informed the County in March 2025 that design would not begin until 2030. As a result, the County began redesigning the project around the existing utilities. The County is currently at 60 percent design plan phase. The design plans have gone through revisions to modify the drainage system to reduce costs, make profile adjustments to the sidewalk to balance Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance, and address drainage concerns from a neighboring property. The Engineer's Estimate (EE) has been submitted to the Department and comments were received in September 2026. The County is anticipating 90 percent plan submittal by November 2026. Due to project delays associated with the design phase, right of way acquisitions are not expected to be completed until March 2027. There is one acquisition to add a transit stop and to maintain the sidewalk required to ADA width. In addition, there is driveway work that requires permission to enter and construction agreements. The County does not anticipate any issues as this will benefit the property owners. All other anticipated work is within the County right of way.

The agency submitted the time extension request for project development expenditure for the PS&E and Right of Way (RW) phases in March 2026 for the May 2026 Commission meeting to the District 6 local office, along with a project allocation time extension request for the Construction (CON) phase. However, the PS&E and RW phase requests were inadvertently not sent to the Department's Division of Local Assistance to be added to the May 2026 Commission meeting agenda. The District 6 local office is experiencing a staffing shortage. In addition, at that time there were coverage issues due to some staff who were out of the office. The Department was timely in responding to the project allocation time extension request for the CON phase. In turn the District and County were timely in their responses in providing additional information. However, due to the delays affecting all the phases, the County and District thought the additional information needed was for all the requested time extension phases, and not just the CON phase.

The Department has met with the District 6 local office to discuss the lapse in processes and how to resolve them. The District has committed to training staff on deadlines and reviewing the reports the Department has developed. In addition, the Department is working on creating dashboards for outside agencies to ensure their records coincide with what has been received by the Department. The Department is also going to develop additional training for all Districts and agencies for project delivery.

The Commission approved a 20-month time extension for the CON phase at the May 2026 Commission meeting. This time extension will bring the project in line with the CON phase allocation time extension and allow the County to complete the PS&E and RW phases. There is a concurrent Post-Fact project development expenditure time extension request for the RW phase under this same item.

Therefore, the County is requesting a 12-month Post-Fact time extension for the period of contract award for the PS&E phase from June 30, 2026 to June 30, 2027.

Project: 2
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