

Memorandum

TAB 66

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: April 25-26, 2012

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Action Item
REPLACEMENT ITEM

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Chief Financial Officer

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Subject: **TRADE CORRIDORS IMPROVEMENT FUND PROJECT BASELINE AMENDMENT
RESOLUTION TCIF-P-1112-31, AMENDING RESOLUTIONS TCIF-P-1011-25 AND
TCIF-P-0809-04B**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) amend the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF) Project Baseline Agreement for Project 35, State College Boulevard Grade Separation (PPNO TC35). The Southern California Consensus Group concurs with this amendment and the requested changes.

ISSUE:

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) proposes to amend the TCIF Project Baseline Agreement for Project 35, State College Boulevard Grade Separation (State College) to update cost, funding plan, and delivery schedule.

BACKGROUND:

The State College project is part of the Orange County Bridges Program, which will build underpasses and overpasses at local rail crossings to improve safety and reduce delays. This project will construct a grade separation on State College Boulevard at Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway tracks from Santa Fe Avenue at the northerly terminus to approximately 700 feet south of Valencia Drive at the southerly terminus. The project will provide significant benefits to vehicle and truck traffic traveling on State College Boulevard by reducing delays and traffic congestion associated with the existing at-grade crossing.

This project was adopted in the TCIF Program by the Commission on April 10, 2008. A Project Baseline Agreement was executed between the OCTA, the Department, and the Commission, and approved by the Commission on October 29, 2008, under Resolution TCIF-P-0809-04B. A Project Baseline Agreement Amendment was approved May 11, 2011 under Resolution TCIF-P-1011-25, to update the project delivery schedule, cost, and funding plan.

OCTA is requesting to update the project delivery schedule by changing the end of the environmental component from February 1, 2011 to April 14, 2011, due to a delay in obtaining signatures on the final environmental document. This delay also affected the start of the right of way component. There is no cost increase related to these delays.

The table below lists the current approved and proposed project milestones.

Project Milestone	Current Approved	Proposed	Change
Begin Environmental Phase	Apr 1, 2005	-	No Change
End Environmental Phase	Feb 1, 2011	Apr 14, 2011	Completed 2 mo, 14 days
Begin Design Phase	Apr 1, 2005	-	No Change
End Design Phase	Mar 1, 2013	-	No Change
Begin Right of Way Phase	Mar 1, 2011	Jul 25, 2011	4 mo, 25 days
End Right of Way Phase	Mar 1, 2013	-	No Change
Begin Construction Phase	Apr 13, 2013	-	No Change
End Construction Phase	Jan 1, 2016	-	No Change
Begin Closeout Phase	Jan 1, 2016	-	No Change
End Closeout Phase	Jan 1, 2019	-	No Change

OCTA is requesting to reprogram \$12,757,000 in TCIF funding from TCIF Project 39, Raymond Avenue, with the funds to be reprogrammed to three existing OCTA TCIF projects. A concurrent program amendment to delete Raymond Avenue from the TCIF Program and reprogram the funds, including baseline agreement amendments are all scheduled for this month's Commission meeting.

OCTA is proposing to use \$3,376,000 of the \$12,757,000 TCIF funds from Raymond Avenue for the State College project, thereby increasing the TCIF programmed amount from \$30,731,000 to \$34,107,000. Additionally, the City of Fullerton is reducing its contribution to the project by \$5,693,000 due to both a lack of developer funds and the State of California's recent decision to eliminate redevelopment agency funding. Therefore, OCTA has increased its Measure 2 contribution to offset the majority of the loss of City funds. The total project cost has increased by \$996,000 related to project management costs including coordination with BNSF Railway on a temporary continuous construction track (shoofly), and Right of Way coordination and process issues. Overall project costs are reflective of current design and cost data.

OCTA proposes to update the project's cost and funding plan as follows:

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)										
FUND SOURCE	TOTAL	Totals by Fiscal Year					Totals by Project Phase			
		Prior	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W	CONST
State Funds (TCIF)										
Current Approved	30,731				30,731					30,731
Change	3,376				3,376					3,376
Proposed	34,107				34,107					34,107
CMAQ										
Current Approved	19,037		1,494		17,543			1,494		17,543
Change	-1,741		-461		-1,280			-461		-1,280
Proposed	17,296		1,033		16,263			1,033		16,263
Measure M2										
Current Approved	450		0		450		450	0		
Change	5,054		5,504		-450		1,525	3,529		
Proposed	5,504		5,504		0		1,975	3,529		
City – Fullerton / OCTA										
Current Approved	10,630	2,568	4,906		3,156		305	2,263	4,906	3,156
Change	-5,693	-643	-1,894		-3,156		0	-643	-1,894	-3,156
Proposed	4,937	1,925	3,012		0		305	1,620	3,012	0
Federal DEMO										
Current Approved	12,800		12,800		0				12,800	0
Change	0		-1,282		1,282				-1,282	1,282
Proposed	12,800		11,518		1,282				11,518	1,282
TOTAL										
Current Approved	73,648	2,568	19,200		51,880		305	2,713	19,200	51,430
Change	996	-643	1,867		-228		0	882	-108	222
Proposed	74,644	1,925	21,067		51,652		305	3,595	19,092	51,652

RESOLUTION TCIF-P-1112-31

Be it Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission does hereby amend the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund Baseline Agreement for Project 35, State College Boulevard Grade Separation Project (PPNO TC35), in accordance with the changes described and illustrated above.

Attachment



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February 15, 2012

Ms. Bimla G. Rhinehart
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Dear Ms. Rhinehart:

The Southern California Consensus Group has discussed and approved the changes requested by our partner agency, the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA). It is our understanding that OCTA is requesting approval to amend six TCIF grade separation projects:

- Raymond Avenue
- State College Boulevard
- Placentia Avenue
- Orangethorpe Avenue
- Tustin Avenue/Rose Drive
- Lakeview Avenue

Please see the attached letter from OCTA detailing the requested changes. Please direct any questions or comments regarding this issue to me at (213) 922-3061. We appreciate the ongoing support and guidance provided by you and your staff.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Executive Director

cc: Southern California Consensus Group
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