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December 3, 2013

Mr. Andre Boutros
Executive Director
California Transportation Commission
1120 "N" Street, Mail Stop: 52
Sacramento, CA 94273-0001

Dear Mr. Boutros:

The Southern California Consensus Group has discussed and approved the changes requested by our partner agency. It is our understanding that the Alameda Corridor-East Construction Authority (ACE) is requesting to seek additional funding of \$15,000,000 in Trade Corridor Improvement Funds (TCIF) for the Fairway Drive Grade Separation Project. The additional TCIF funds will be coming from the Southern California Trade Corridor's deprogrammed projects and bid savings.

Please see the attached letter 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,


Shahrzad Amiri
Deputy Executive Officer

cc: Southern California Consensus Group
Stephen Maller

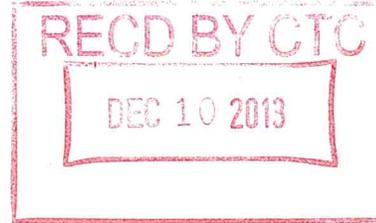


Alameda Corridor-East Construction Authority

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December 5, 2013

Mr. Andre Boutros
Executive Director
California Transportation Commission
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Re: **Request for programming of Trade Corridor Improvement Funds for Fairway Drive Grade Separation Project**

Dear Andre:

The Alameda Corridor-East Construction Authority (ACE) respectfully requests the approval of the California Transportation Commission (CTC) at the January 29, 2014 meeting for the programming of an additional \$15,000,000 in Prop 1B Trade Corridor Improvement Funds (TCIF) for the Fairway Drive grade separation project (project).

The project design plans were at the 85 percent milestone when ACE submitted an application in June 2013 seeking the programming of \$56,000,000 in TCIF for the Fairway Drive grade separation project (and subsequently approved by the CTC at the August 2013 meeting). ACE recently received the 100 percent plans from the design engineering consultant. The final plans have resulted in a refining of project quantities and costs resulting in an additional \$15,000,000 in construction costs, for a revised estimated total of \$71,000,000 for project construction.

The additional TCIF amount requested will come from the Southern California Trade Corridor's deprogrammed projects and bid savings and this programming request is supported by the Southern California consensus group. This request is consistent with CTC policy of permitting the programming of additional TCIF to projects already programmed but not yet allocated and of allocating corridor savings to new TCIF projects.

Our nomination continues to meet all four of the TCIF screening criteria:

1. It is in the GMAP, Cal-MITSAC Plan, Multi-County Goods Movement Action Plan, and RTP and meets the 1:1 match requirement.
2. It improves air quality by reducing emissions and diesel particulates.
3. It improves economic vitality locally and regionally. Construction is projected to generate 2,560 full-time equivalent jobs and the project is part of a system-wide improvement critical to sustaining a 170% increase in TEUs through the San Pedro ports by 2030 which in turn will support a projected 44% increase in the region's trade-related jobs.
4. Construction contract will be awarded prior to the December 2014 deadline.

We appreciate your leadership and support for the ACE projects. Questions regarding this matter may be directed to ACE Community and Government Relations Director Paul Hubler.

Sincerely,

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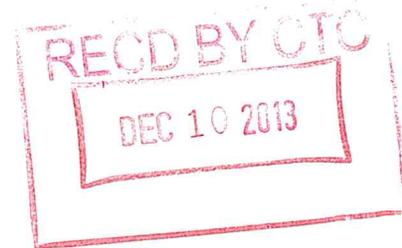
Mark Christoffels
Chief Executive Officer

Enclosures: Revised Project Programming Request form
 Letter of support from Southern California Consensus Group



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December 3, 2013



Mr. Andre Boutros
Executive Director
California Transportation Commission
1120 "N" Street, Mail Stop: 52
Sacramento, CA 94273-0001

Dear Mr. Boutros: *Andre*

The Southern California Consensus Group has discussed and is in agreement with the request from our partner agency, the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA). It is our understanding that OCTA is de-allocating \$11.890 million in Trade Corridor Improvement Fund (TCIF) from Lakeview Avenue Grade Separation Project. They are proposing to reprogram the \$11.890 million to a new project – Raymond Avenue Grade Separation.

Please see the attached letter 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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December 13, 2013

Mr. Andre Boutros
Executive Director
California Transportation Commission
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1120 N Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Proposition 1B Trade Corridors Improvement Fund Project Nomination

Dear Mr. Boutros:

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) respectfully nominates the Raymond Avenue grade separation project for California Transportation Commission consideration of \$11.89 million in Proposition 1B Trade Corridor Improvement Funds (TCIF) at the January 29-30, 2014 meeting. The City of Fullerton will implement the project which will provide significant benefits to vehicle and truck traffic as well as air quality. It has also been endorsed for your consideration by the Southern California Consensus Group.

This project is one of seven projects known locally as the OC Bridges, which also includes construction of undercrossings at State College Boulevard, Placentia Avenue, and Kraemer Boulevard, and overcrossings at Orangethorpe Avenue, Tustin Avenue/Rose Drive along the BNSF Railway.

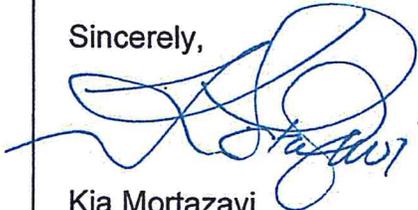
Simultaneously, OCTA has submitted a request to de-allocate \$11.89 million in TCIF construction funds from the Lakeview Avenue grade separation project. The City of Fullerton is also submitting an allocation request for the TCIF for the Raymond Avenue grade separation for consideration at the same meeting.

The required consensus letter from the Southern California Consensus Group, the project programming request form, and application information for the Raymond Avenue grade separation are attached.

Mr. Andre Boutros
December 13, 2013
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Thank you for your consideration of OCTA's request. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Adriann Cardoso, Capital Programming Manager, at (714) 560-5915.

Sincerely,



Kia Mortazavi
Executive Director, Planning

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Attachments

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