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To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Action Item

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Subject: **STIP AMENDMENT 14S-33**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the requested State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment 14S-33. This item was noticed at the Commission's October 2015 meeting.

ISSUE:

The San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) proposes to program $250,000 of Federal Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Border Infrastructure Program (BIP) funds for a planning study entitled "California – Baja California Binational Region: A Fresh Look at Impacts of Border Delays" (PPNO 1179) in San Diego County.

BACKGROUND:

SAFETEA-LU, enacted in August 2005, authorizes funding through the BIP to improve transportation at international borders and ports of entry, and within trade corridors. Since the enactment of SAFETEA-LU, California has received a total apportionment of $188 million in BIP funding. To date, approximately $181.1 million has been committed to eligible border region projects, leaving a balance of approximately $6.9 million for future obligation.

It is proposed to program $250,000 of the remaining balance to the "California – Baja California Binational Region: A Fresh Look at Impacts of Border Delays" planning study. This planning study will assess economic impacts of border delays at the six existing land ports of entry (POEs) between San Diego and Imperial Counties with Baja California, Mexico. Extensive data collections and modeling work has been conducted on these areas by SANDAG and other agencies, and this project will build upon that work. The study will examine the state of the practice and methodologies to automate data collection of border wait times and delays at the land POEs and develop recommendations.

Pursuant to Section 164.1 of the California Streets and Highways Code, BIP funds shall be programmed, allocated, and expended in the same manner as other federal funds made available for capital improvement projects in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). These BIP funds are eligible in a border region, defined as any portion of a border state within 100 miles of an international land border with Canada or Mexico, for the following types of improvements to facilitate/expedite cross-border motor vehicle and cargo movements:

- Improvements to existing transportation and supporting infrastructure.
- Construction of highways and related safety and safety enforcement facilities related to international trade.
- Operation improvements, including those related to electronic data interchange and use of telecommunications.
- Modifications to regulatory procedures.
- International coordination of transportation planning, programming, and border operation with Canada and Mexico.

The proposed funding plan for the new study is as follows:

ADD: California – Baja California Binational Region: A Fresh Look at Impacts of Border Delays Study (PPNO 1179):

County	District	PPNO	EA	Element	Const. Year	PM Back	PM Ahead	Route/Corridor
San Diego	11	1179		LA	2015			

Implementing Agency: (by component)	**PA&ED**	SANDAG		**PS&E**	
	R/W			**CON**	

RTPA/CTC:	San Diego Association of Governments
Project Title:	California-Baja California Binational Region: A Fresh Look at Impacts of Border Delays
Location	Planning study to assess economic impacts of border delays at the six existing land ports of entry (POEs) between San Diego and Imperial Counties with Baja California, Mexico.
Description:	The study will examine the state of the practice and methodologies to automate data collection of border wait times and delays at the land POEs and develop recommendations.

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	14/15	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
Federal (Coordinated Border Infrastructure Program)													
Existing	0			0						0			
Change	250			250						250			
Proposed	**250**			**250**						**250**			
Local Funds (Transportation Development Act)													
Existing	0			0						0			
Change	33			33						33			
Proposed	**33**			**33**						**33**			
Total													
Existing	0			0						0			
Change	283			283						283			
Proposed	**283**			**283**						**283**			

RESOLUTION:

Be it Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission does hereby program $250,000 of Federal Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Border Infrastructure Program (BIP) funds for a planning study entitled "California – Baja California Binational Region: A Fresh Look at Impacts of Border Delays" (PPNO 1179) in San Diego County.