

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF RIGHT OF WAY EXPENDITURE FOR PROPOSITION 1B LOCAL BRIDGE SEISMIC RETROFIT ACCOUNT PROJECTS, PER LBSRA GUIDELINES WAIVER 15-24**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of Right of Way expenditure for the Proposition 1B Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Account (LBSRA) projects on the attached document.

ISSUE:

The Department sub-allocated \$77,595 for the seismic retrofit of two locally-administered Proposition 1B LBSRA projects, which are identified on the attachment. The responsible agencies have been unable to award the contracts within six months of sub-allocation. The attachment describes the details of the projects and the explanations for the delays. The respective agencies are requesting extensions, and the planning agencies concur.

BACKGROUND:

In May 2008, the Commission adopted the LBSRA Guidelines (Resolution LBS1B-G-0708-001), which requires the implementing agency to request a time extension if the project will not be awarded within six months of the sub-allocation date. The LBSRA Guidelines stipulate that the Commission may approve a waiver to the timely use of funds deadline one-time only for up to 20 months.

Attachment

**Time Extension/Waiver – Project Right of Way Expenditure Deadline
Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Account**

Project #	Applicant County Project Description Reason for Project Delay	Extension Amount <i>Construction Only</i>	Sub-Allocation Date Federal ID Number Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
1	Monterey County Monterey Nacimiento Lake Drive Bridge No: 44C0009	\$14,510	01/22/2013 5944(040) 12 Months 06/30/2016 Support
<p>Monterey County (County) is requesting a 12-month extension to the period of Right of Way (R/W) expenditure for the Nacimiento Lake Drive Bridge project. The County experienced delays to the R/W phase due to complex utility relocations.</p> <p>The initial utility plan was based on removing the old bridge and placing the utilities in a new permanent easement. After looking at preliminary appraisals, the County determined it would be more cost effective to place the utilities into the new bridge after it has been constructed. This will allow the County to avoid purchasing the land for a permanent easement. This change has delayed the completion of the appraisals for the project. R/W negotiations will proceed immediately after approval of the appraisals in April 2015. In order to allow additional time for R/W negotiations and appraisal completion, the County is requesting a 12-month extension to June 30, 2016.</p>			
2	San Francisco County Transportation Authority San Francisco County West Bound I-80 on ramp West of Yerba Buena Island Bridge No: 01CA0002	\$63,085	04/11/2013 6272(026) 18 months 12/31/2016 Support
<p>San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA) is requesting an 18-month extension to the period of Right of Way (R/W) expenditure for the West Bound Interstate 80 (I-80) on ramp West of Yerba Buena Island project. The SFCTA has not expended the (R/W) funds due to the extensive coordination with project sponsors and stakeholders.</p> <p>Extensive coordination has been ongoing between SFCTA, the Bay Conservation and Development Commission and the Regional Quality Control Board during the final Design phase. Additionally, the United States Coast Guard is located on the island and requires access throughout the island at all times. This bridge project is one of many bridge projects belonging to the Yerba Buena Island (YBI) West-Side Bridges Retrofit.</p> <p>SFCTA received environmental clearance on December 18, 2012 and Authorization to Proceed with R/W utility relocation on April 11, 2013. However, SFCTA decided to explore an alternative solution to construction due to geographical and permit constraints. SFCTA proposed and received approval for the Value Analysis Alternative in December 2014. The required utility relocation is scheduled for late 2016. In order to allow additional time for utility relocation and the R/W coordination, the SFCTA is requesting an 18-month extension to December 31, 2016.</p>			