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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION ALLOCATES FUNDING FOR NEXT PHASE OF HIGHWAY 46 EAST WIDENING

SAN LUIS OBISPO – The California Transportation Commission (CTC) has approved \$55 million dollars for the construction of the next phase of widening Hwy. 46 East from just east of McMillan Canyon Road to Lucy Brown Road in Shandon.

“The allocation of these funds will allow for this widening on Hwy. 46 East to continue which will improve safety for everyone”, said Caltrans District 5 Director Tim Gubbins.

The funding for this project was approved in the 2012 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). “My compliments to Caltrans District 5 staff for moving this project towards construction in this constrained funding environment and I am pleased the CTC remains committed to improving safety in this corridor”, said San Luis Obispo Council of Governments Executive Director Ron DeCarli. This project is expected to begin construction by summer of 2016.

The \$38 million widening of Hwy. 46 East from Almond Drive to McMillan Canyon Road now under construction is expected to be completed in December. The widening of Hwy. 46 East from Geneseo Road to east of Almond Drive was completed in 2014. The widening of Hwy. 46 East from Airport Road to Geneseo Road was completed in 2010.

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Caltrans reminds motorists to move over and slow down when driving through highway construction zones.

For traffic updates on other state highways in San Luis Obispo County, motorists can call Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs at 805-549-3318 or can visit the District 5 website at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/maint/road/upslo.htm>

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