

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: April 13-14, 2005

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Information Item

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Ref: **STIP AMENDMENT 04S-045**

The Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG) has requested that this proposed State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) amendment be noticed at the April 2005 California Transportation Commission (Commission) meeting and be considered for approval in May 2005. This Notice is an informational item allowing the Commission to review the proposal, comment and/or ask questions prior to taking formal action in May 2005 or later.

MCAG requests the Commission approve this amendment for AB 3090 Reimbursement. MCAG proposes to use local developer and regional Transportation Impact Fees to replace \$3,269,000 in Regional Improvement Program (RIP) funds in FY 2004-05 for Environmental (PA&ED) on the Castle Highway project (PPNO 5264), with later reimbursement (PPNO 5264B) in FY 2008-09. The local developer contribution will be in the form of a loan and must be paid pack at a later date.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the Commission consider this AB 3090 request, pending Merced's agreement that both the date and schedule of reimbursement are subject to the availability of funds.

BACKGROUND

This request follows AB 3090 Guidelines which allows a Local Agency to use its own funds (non-state or non-federal) to complete a project component early to be later reimbursed with STIP funds currently programmed on the project. An AB 3090 reimbursement agreement will be drafted and submitted to Commission staff for review prior to the May 2005 Commission meeting.

The Castle Highway project (PPNO 5264) includes a four-lane expressway on Route 59 between Route 140 and the intersection of Route 59 and Bellevue Road in Merced County. The project is programmed with \$3,269,000 of RIP PA&ED in FY 2004-05. MCAG submitted a request for funds to the Department for the December 2004 Commission meeting; however, the Castle Highway project did not meet the allocation criteria established and adopted at the January 2005 Commission meeting. The Castle Highway project remains a high priority for the region and MCAG would like to begin the PA&ED phase. MCAG is in the process of identifying and securing Right of Way and undertaking wetland studies that need to be conducted. In order to proceed, MCAG is proposing to advance the \$3,269,000 of FY 2004-05 PA&ED on the Castle Highway project using local developer and Regional Transportation Impact Fees with later AB 3090 Reimbursement (PPNO 5264B) in FY 2008-09. MCAG has assured the Department that the STIP funds are not being used as collateral for the local developer contribution.

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission revise the 2004 State Transportation Improvement Program at the end of the 30-day notice period as follows:

Revises:

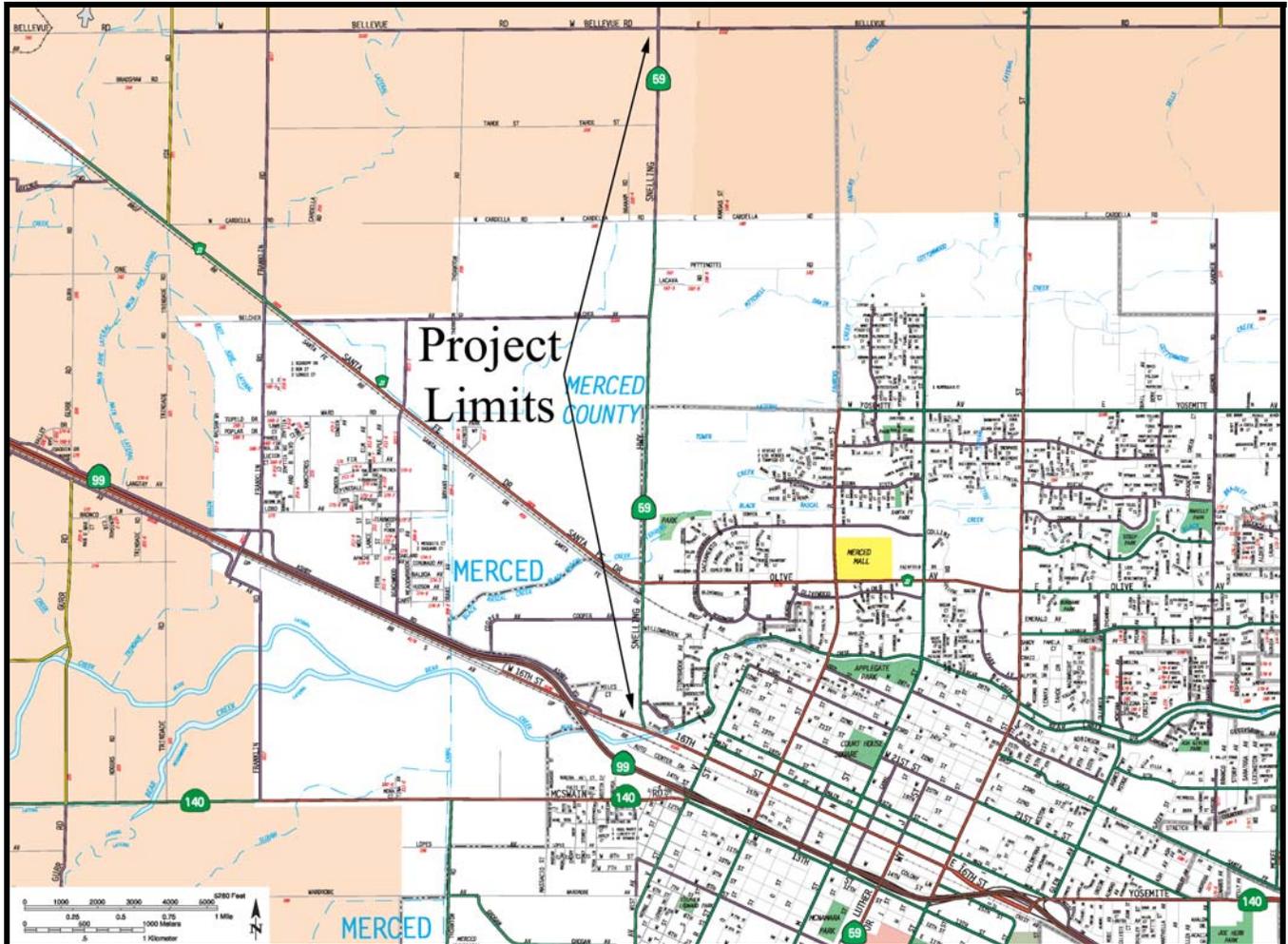
County	District	PPNO	EA	Element	Const. Year	PM Back	PM Ahead	Route/Corridor				
Merced	10	5264	0G440	CO	2014-15	R14.8	R19.0	59				
Implementing Agency: (by component)		PA&ED	MCAG				PS&E					
		R/W					CON					
RTPA/CTC:		Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG)										
Project Title:		Castle Highway										
Location		Near Merced on Route 59 from Route 140 to the intersection of Route 59 and Bellevue Road										
Description:		Construct 4-lane expressway										
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)												
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component				
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09+	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp
RIP												
Existing	3,643	374	3,269						3,643			
Change	(3,269)	0	(3,269)						(3,269)			
Proposed	374	374	0						374			
Future Need												
Existing	270,905		0			270,905	15,900	241,000		6,256	2,096	5,653
Change	0		0			0	0	0		0	0	0
Proposed	270,905					270,905	15,900	241,000		6,256	2,096	5,653
Local Funds												
Existing	0		0						0			
Change	3,269		3,269						3,269			
Proposed	3,269		3,269						3,269			
Total												
Existing	274,548	374	3,269			270,905	15,900	241,000	3,643	6,256	2,096	5,653
Change	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Proposed	274,548	374	3,269			270,905	15,900	241,000	3,643	6,256	2,096	5,653

And Adds:

County	District	PPNO	EA	Element	Const. Year	PM Back	PM Ahead	Route/Corridor					
Merced	10	5264B	--	LA	2008-09	--	--	--					
Implementing Agency: (by component)	PA&ED	MCAG				PS&E							
	R/W					CON							
RTPA/CTC:	Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG)												
Project Title:	AB 3090 Reimbursement												
Location	AB 3090 Reimbursement												
Description:	AB 3090 Reimbursement												
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
Loc Funds													
Existing	0						0		0				
Change	3,269						3,269		3,269				
Proposed	3,269						3,269		3,269				
Total													
Existing	0						0		0				
Change	3,269						3,269		3,269				
Proposed	3,269						3,269		3,269				

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Location Map



10 - Merced

PPNO 5264

Location: Near Merced on Route 99 from Route 140 to Bellevue Road.

Description: Construct 4-lane expressway.

