

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: December 14-15, 2005

Reference No.: 2.5d.
Action Item

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Ref: **FINANCIAL ALLOCATION FOR PROJECTS THAT EXCEED 20 PERCENT OF THE PROGRAMMED AMOUNT RESOLUTION FP-05-**

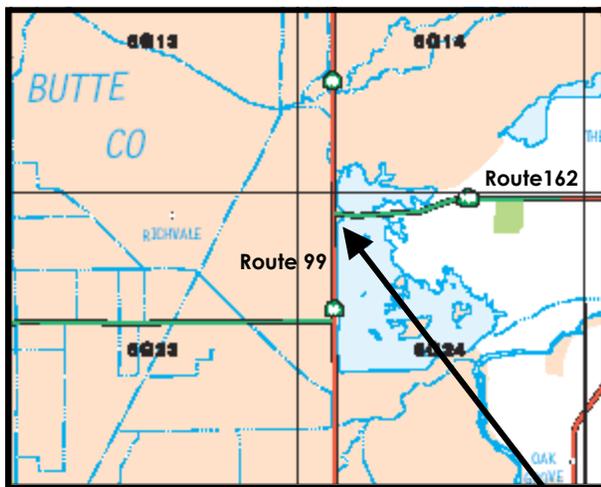
ISSUE:

The major construction project proposed for funding and described on the following pages is included in the 2004 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The project has a construction cost that exceeds the programmed amount (\$263,000) by more than 20 percent.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) has reviewed the project and concludes that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) should approve funding for such projects only if monies were available after awarding higher priority projects. Therefore, the Department recommends the Commission defer the allocation request at this time.

Project #	EA	Allocation Amount	PPNO	Allocation Amount	
Recipient	Program/Year	State	PA&ED	Federal	
RTPA/CTC	CON ENG	Federal	PS&E		
County	CONST	Total Amount	Budget Year		
Dist-Co-Rte	Project Description		Item #		
Postmile	Project Support Expenditures		Program		
			Codes		
2.5d Allocations for Projects with Cost Increases Greater than 120 Percent					
Resolution FP-05-					
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\$319,000	Route 99, approximately 17.4 Miles south of Chico at Route 162 east. Install traffic signals.		2005-06	\$319,000	
Department of Transportation			301-0042	--	
BGAC			301-0890		
Butte			20.20.075.600		
03-But-99	This project is not recommended for allocation at this time.			\$319,000	
R13.0/R13.2					



Project location

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project is located in Butte County about 17.4 miles south of Chico, at Route 162 East. The project includes the installation of a traffic signal to improve operations by reducing the delay of side road traffic. To accommodate the operation of the traffic signal, the intersection will be modified. This modification includes removing the concrete island, widening the shoulders on Route 99 south of the intersection to 2.4 meters, removing asphalt concrete pavement and moving the northbound right turn lane closer to the through-lane. Elimination of the free right turn for both directions will reduce the potential for collisions between traffic movements. Roadwork will also involve grinding the existing asphalt pavement and replacing it with new open grade asphalt concrete at the intersection and portion of Routes 99, 162, and Richvale Road approaches to the intersection.

FUNDING STATUS

The project is currently programmed in the 2004 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for \$263,000 in RIP funds. This request for \$319,000 will result in an increase of 21% above the programmed amount. There is also \$394,000 in State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) Minor A funds programmed on the project. An allocation for Minor A funds will be made upon approval of this allocation.

REASON FOR INCREASE

Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG) has requested that an Emergency Vehicle Preemption Device (EVPD) be added to the contract at a cost of \$15,000. The remaining \$41,000 increase is due to adjustments to the bid items since the estimate was last updated in August 2004; 67% of the cost increase can be attributed to one item, "Signal and Lighting", which is a lump sum item.

FUNDING OPTIONS

- OPTION A:** Approve this request as represented above for \$319,000 to allow this project to be advertised.
- OPTION B:** Deny this request and direct the Department to downscale the project to remain within the allocated amount.
- OPTION C:** Defer the request until additional funds are available.

RECOMMENDED OPTION

The Department recommends Option C.