

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING,  
06-Mad-41, PM 4.5/5.2  
RESOLUTION E-07-17**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-07-17.

## **ISSUE:**

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

- Route 41 in Madera County 6 Parcel improvements near Coarsegold.

This project in Merced County will make improvements to a 198 acre parcel to be used for current and future mitigation near Coarsegold. The project is fully funded in the District 6 Minor Program. The total estimated project cost, support and capital, is \$795,000. It is estimated to begin construction in Fiscal Year (FY) 2008-09.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will involve construction activities in an area that is habitat to several federally listed special status species including the California tiger salamander, the vernal pool fairy shrimp, succulent owl's clover, and San Joaquin Valley Orcutt grass. As a result, a MND was completed for this project.

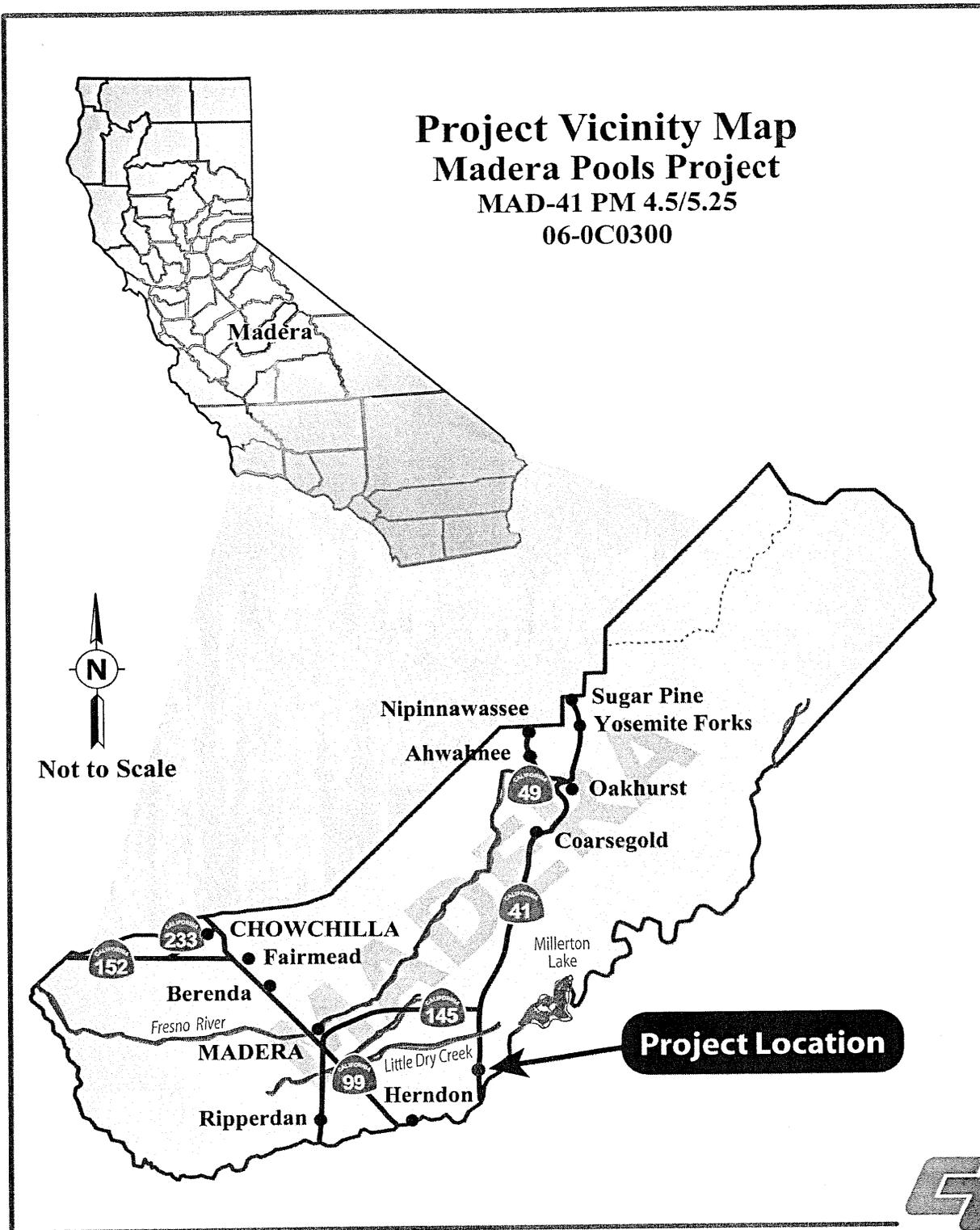
The Department has approved this project for construction. This approval and the filing of the Notice of Determination with the Office of Planning and Research will satisfy the environmental requirements for this stage of the project planning process.

Attachments

## **CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

### **Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding 06-Mad-41, PM 4.5/5.2 Resolution E-07-17**

- 1.1** **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
- Route 41 in Madera County ó Parcel improvements near Coarsegold.
- 1.2** **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3** **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.4** **WHEREAS**, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2.1** **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.



Project Vicinity Map – Figure 2