

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT COMPLETION FOR STIP PROJECTS, PER STIP GUIDELINES - RESOLUTION G-07-11 WAIVER-07-35**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve Waiver-07-35, extending the period of contract completion by 20 months, to August 31, 2009, for one State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) project. The project is to reconstruct the Route 880/262 interchange and to construct a new interchange at Route 880 and Warren Avenue in Alameda and Santa Clara Counties (PPNO 016F, EA 2332U1).

ISSUE:

This project was awarded in December 17, 2004. The project allotment is \$65 million, including State, local and federal funds. In accordance with current STIP Guidelines, the deadline to complete contracts for projects awarded in December 17, 2004, is December 17, 2007. The Department will not be able to meet the deadline for this project and is requesting time extension for the period of contract completion.

A project of this magnitude requires extensive construction staging while maintaining an acceptable level of traffic flow. In addition, numerous utility relocations were required for this project that added a significant amount of time to the construction period. Currently, this project is at 70 percent completion.

The extended construction completion time frame was known at the time of project allocation. The current construction contract calls for 56 months to complete construction. Notice of time needed beyond standard was an oversight at the time of allocation. Approval of this recommendation corrects the previous oversight and allows the construction contracts to be completed as planned.

BACKGROUND:

Current STIP Guidelines (Resolution G-07-11) require construction contracts to be completed no later than 36 months from the time of award. The Commission may grant a deadline extension upon the request of the implementing agency.