

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: May 14, 2009

Reference No.: 2.2c.(5)
Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING
08-RIV-91, PM 13.6/14.5
RESOLUTION E-09-30**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-09-30.

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 91 in Riverside County – Replace and widen the Van Buren Boulevard interchange from four to six lanes, and construct ramp and roadway improvements in the city of Riverside. (PPNO 0084)

The project will widen the existing Van Buren Boulevard interchange from four to six lanes, and construct ramp and roadway improvements in the city of Riverside. The project is programmed in the 2008 State Transportation Improvement Program, and includes local and federal funds. Total estimated project cost is \$44,882,000, capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2008-09.

The project will involve construction activities visual and community impacts that will be mitigated to less than significant levels by incorporating aesthetic treatments, revegetate areas where feasible and traffic control plans. As a result, an MND was completed for this project. A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff.

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

08-Riv-91, PM 13.6/14.5

Resolution E-09-30

- 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 91 in Riverside County – Replace and widen the Van Buren Boulevard interchange from four to six lanes, and construct ramp and roadway improvements in the city of Riverside. (PPNO 0084)
- 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.

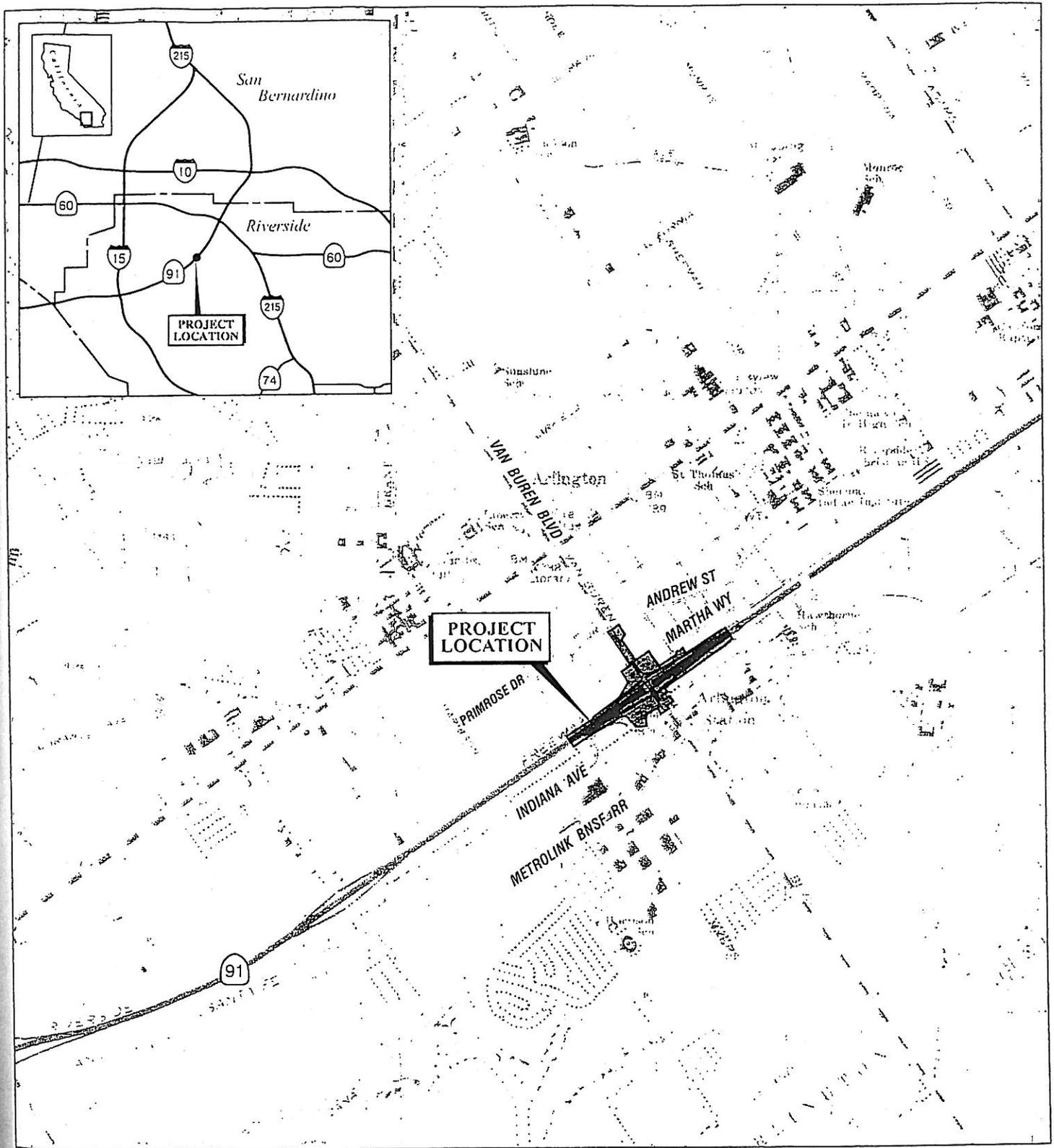
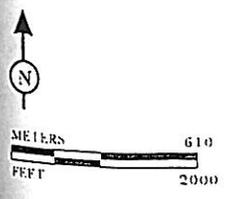


FIGURE I.1



SOURCE: USGS 7.5' QUAD - RIVERSIDE WEST, CALIF
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State Route 91/Van Buren Blvd Interchange
 Project Location
 08-RIV-091 K.P. 21.9/23.3 (P.M. 13.614.5)
 EA# 08-108-203200