

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

Date: May 22, 2009

From: BIMLA G. RHINEHART
Executive Director

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Action

Ref: Mitigated Negative Declaration – Road Improvement Project A
(Resolution E-09-41)

ISSUE: Should the Commission, as a Responsible Agency, accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Road Improvement Project A (project) and approve the project to be considered for funding?

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Commission accept the MND and approve the project to allow for consideration of funding.

BACKGROUND: The project is located in the City of Bishop (City) on North Third Street from East Pine Street to East Elm Street and Short Street from South Second Street to South Third Street. The project will rehabilitate pavement, improve drainage, construct continuous curbs, gutters, and sidewalks, improve intersections, and provide other roadway improvements.

The City of Bishop was the lead agency for compliance with CEQA. The City approved the MND on January 14, 2008 and found no potential impacts to the environment that could result in a mandatory finding of significance.

Mitigation measures were identified to reduce to a less than significant level, impacts due to the removal of approximately twenty trees, noise during construction, and the elimination of illegal perpendicular parking. Mitigation measures include providing three trees for every tree removed, limiting construction operations to 7AM and 7PM, and converting Short Street to one way with angled parking on one side of the street.

The project is estimated to cost \$900,000 and is fully programmed in the STIP. Construction is estimated to begin in fiscal year 2009/10.

Attachments

- Resolution No. 09-41
- Project Location

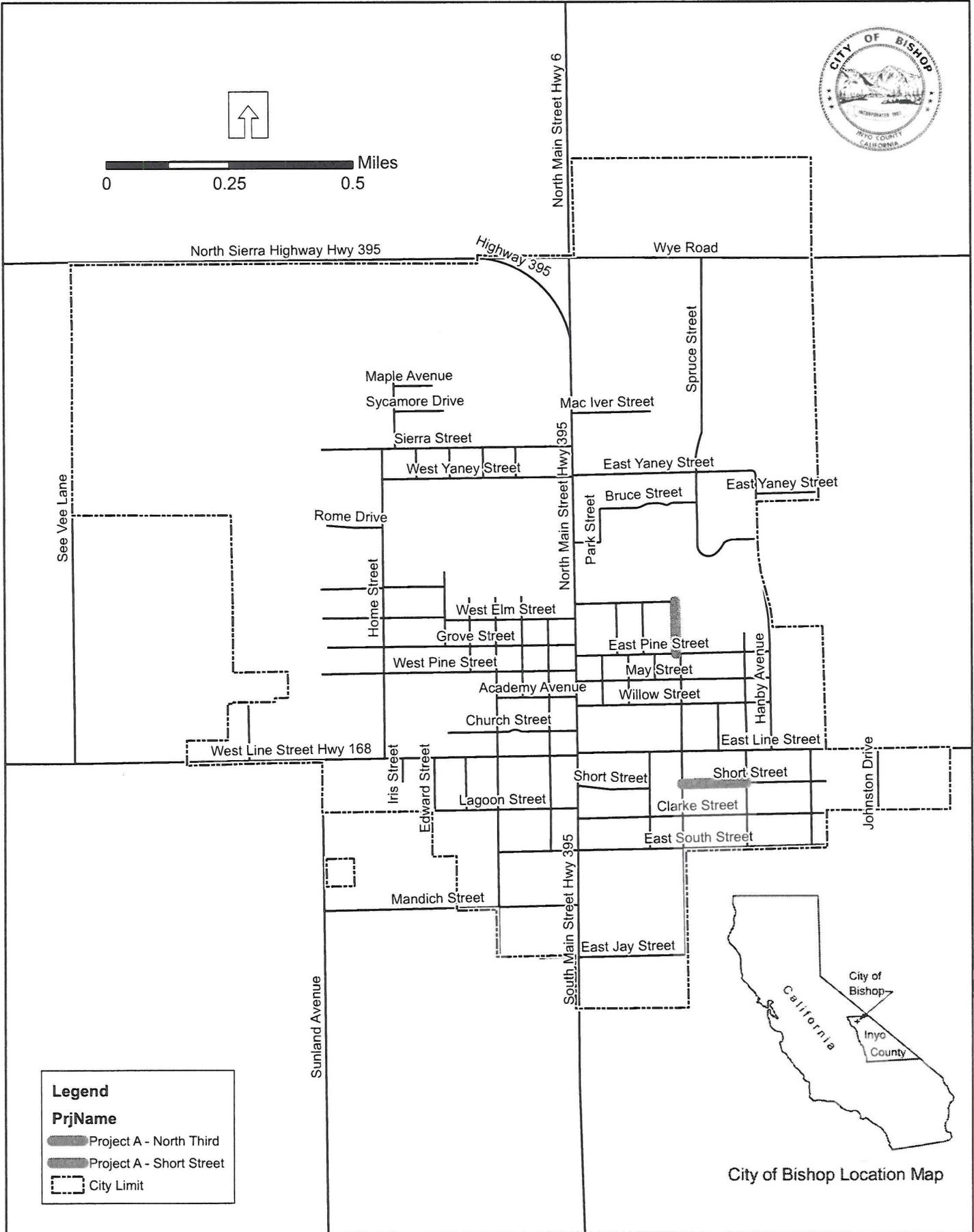
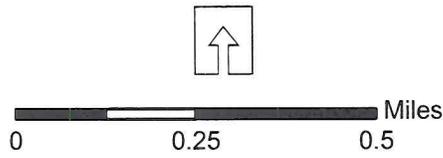
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Consideration of Funding

09-INYO

Resolution E-09-41

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the City of Bishop has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
 - Road Improvements Project A
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the City of Bishop 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 project would rehabilitate pavement, improve drainage, construct continuous curbs, gutters, and sidewalks, improve intersections and provide other roadway improvements; and
- 1.4 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a Responsible Agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.5 **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 consideration of funding.



Legend

PrjName

- Project A - North Third
- Project A - Short Street
- City Limit



Road Improvement Project A

City of Bishop