

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT ALLOCATION
PER STIP GUIDELINES
WAIVER-09-19**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of project allocation for four locally-administered on-system projects for the time periods specified on the attached document.

ISSUE:

The attached document identifies four projects totaling \$17,872,000 programmed in the 2008 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) in Fiscal Year 2008-09. The implementing agencies will not be ready to request an allocation of funds by the June 30, 2009 deadline. The attachment shows the details of the projects and the explanation for the delays. The project sponsors have requested an extension, and the regional planning agencies concur.

BACKGROUND:

Current STIP Guidelines stipulate that funds programmed are available for allocation only until the end of the fiscal year identified in the STIP. The Commission may approve a waiver to the timely use of funds deadline for allocation one time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.

Attachment

Time Extension/Waiver – Project Allocation Deadline
 Locally-Administered STIP Projects on the State Highway System

	Dist-Co-Rte Implementing Agency PPNO Project Description	Program/Year Extension Amount By Component (\$ in thousands) PA&ED (Project Approval & Environmental Document) PS&E (Plans, Specifications and Estimates) R/W (Right of Way) CON (Construction) TOTAL	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
1	05-SLO-101 City of Arroyo Grande PPNO: 05-4856B	RIP / 08-09 \$0 \$545 \$0 \$0 \$545	12 months 06/30/2010
<p>The City of Arroyo Grande (City) is requesting a 12-month extension to the period of allocation for the Route 101 Brisco Road Interchange Improvements/Auxiliary Lane project. The complexity of the Brisco Road/Route 101 Interchange, and its impact on the surrounding transportation system, has caused significant delays during the environmental phase. Numerous alternatives have been studied without resulting in a solution that is acceptable to all parties. As a result, a 2-month test closure of the Brisco Road northbound ramps will be conducted in summer/fall 2009 to determine the operational impacts to the adjacent Route 101 ramps and the city street network. The resulting data will help select a preferred alternative and allow the City to complete the environmental phase. It is expected to take 5 months to finalize the environmental phase after the results of the test closure are known. The city will request an allocation for design once environmental is complete.</p>			
2	05-SCr-1 Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission PPNO: 05-6500	RIP / 08-09 \$0 \$326 \$0 \$0 \$326	6 months 12/31/2009
<p>The Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC) is requesting a 6-month extension to the period of allocation for the Highway 1 Soquel to Morrissey Auxiliary Lanes project. The time allowed for responding to public comments on the draft environmental document has proven insufficient due to the volume of comments received and design refinements intended to minimize project impacts. Responses to public comments and the design refinements have required changes to the technical environmental studies and additional field work. The administrative draft final environmental document was submitted to the Department for review on May 1, 2009. The request for a 6-month extension is a worst case scenario to accommodate all reviews, including Federal Highway Administration review for federal environmental requirements. The SCCRTC will request an allocation for design once environmental is complete.</p>			
3	08-Riv-91 City of Riverside PPNO: 08-0084	RIP / 08-09 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$16,101 \$16,101	20 months 02/28/11
<p>The City of Riverside is requesting a 20-month extension to the period of allocation for the Route 91/Van Buren Boulevard Interchange project. The City is currently negotiating with a property owner for several parcels. At this time it is uncertain how long it will take to obtain necessary right of entry before the project can be certified and advertised. Because of the uncertainty associated with these negotiations, the maximum allowable extension is being requested.</p>			
4	03-Sac-50 City of Folsom PPNO: 03-3L41	RIP / 08-09 \$0 \$900 \$0 \$0 \$900	20 months 02/28/11
<p>The City of Folsom is requesting a 20-month extension to the period of allocation for the Route 50 Empire Ranch Road Interchange project. The City is currently working with developers on this and a related major project to come up with a viable work plan for both projects. At this time it is anticipated to have a revised schedule for both projects by December. Due to the uncertainty of the final project schedules, a 20 month extension is being requested.</p>			