

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR STATE ADMINISTERED PROJECTS ON THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM, PER RESOLUTION G-06-08 WAIVER-09-37**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve time extensions for the periods indicated for two State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) projects, one State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) project, and one multi-program State Local Partnership Program (SLPP/STIP) proposition 1B project, as described on the attachment.

ISSUE:

On May 14, 2009, the Commission allocated \$6,600,000 for one SHOPP project and \$72,590,000 for one SLPP/STIP project. On June 11, 2009, the Commission allocated \$500,000 for one SHOPP project and \$1,132,000 for one STIP project. In accordance with Resolution G-06-08, the deadline to award contracts for projects allocated in May 2009 is November 30, 2009, and for projects allocated in June 2009 is December 31, 2009. The Department will not be able to meet the deadline for these projects and is requesting time extensions for the period of contract award. The attachment shows the details of these projects and the delays that have resulted in the extension request.

BACKGROUND:

In June 2006, the Commission adopted Resolution G-06-08, making the six-month period to award a permanent requirement under the STIP Guidelines.

Attachment

**2.8b. Time Extension / Waiver - Contract Award
 Waiver 09-37**

Project Number	PPNO	Project Dist-EA	County-Route	Description	Fund Source	Allocated Amount (x \$1,000)	Allocation Date	Reason For Delay	Department's Request	
									Months	until end of (month-yr)
1	3343	02-4C94U1	Sha-44	In Shasta County near Mineral Road in Viola, re-align roadway.	SHOPP	\$ 6,600	05/14/09	Delay to award due to right of way issues. The Department is in the process of acquiring an easement from the US Forest Service, Lassen National Forest. The US Forest Service required an extensive re-work of the environmental document, that resulted in delay in obtaining the right of way certificate. The issue has been resolved and the project is now scheduled for advertisement. Advertise date 11/23/09. Bid opening date 1/5/10.	6	May-10
2	0158K	07-121901	LA-5	On Route from Route 170 to Route 118, Construct one High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction.	SLPP/STIP	\$ 72,590	05/14/09	This project is in the same area of Interstate 5 as a pavement preservation project, which was voted in March 2009. In order to reduce construction time and disruption to the public, it was decided to merge this project with one segment of the pavement preservation project. This four-month time extension will allow the Department sufficient time to combine the projects and list them for advertisement.	4	Mar-10
3	0383J	04-3S7211	Sol-680	Near Benicia at Parrish Road. Replace failed culvert and place rock slope protection.	SHOPP	\$ 500	06/11/09	This project was re-designed to avoid trenching across Route 680 thus eliminating the need to completely close the highway. The proposed new design will cost less than the original design, and the project can be completed with a shorter period of time. Also, due to permit restrictions, no construction activities affecting drainage will be allowed until June 15, 2010. This six-month time extension will allow the Department sufficient time to complete the new design and advertise the project.	6	Jun-10
4	2592	12-0G7301	Ora-5	Remove trees, install planting and irrigation.	STIP	\$ 1,132	06/11/09	Originally, this project was voted in June 2009 using ITIP-TE funds. In August 2009, a STIP amendment was approved to change the funding to Recovery Act-TE. The project was therefore rescheduled for advertisement, which is currently set for 12/7/09. A three-month time extension is needed in order to open bids, analyze bid results, and award the contract.	3	Mar-10