

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: June 30-July 1, 2010

Reference No.: 2.2c.(1)
Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING**
01-HUM-101, PM 1.1/2.2
RESOLUTION E-10-42

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-10-42.

ISSUE:

The attached resolution proposes to approve for consideration of funding the following project for which a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) has been completed:

- Route 101 in Humboldt County. Construct roadway improvements including realigning a portion of Route 101 near the town of Garberville. (PPNO 2251)

This project in Humboldt County will construct roadway improvements including realigning a portion of Route 101 near the town of Garberville. The project is fully funded in the 2010 State Highway Operation and Protection Program. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2010-11. Total estimated project cost is \$10,053,000 for capital and support.

A copy of the FEIR has been provided to Commission staff. Construction activities will remove mature redwood and Douglas fir trees. In addition, construction activities will occur in the structural root zone of old growth redwoods abutting the existing roadway. The project will also impact the visual setting of the area. Due to public controversy, an Environmental Impact Report was prepared for the project.

Attachments

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

01-Hum-101, PM 1.1/2.2

Resolution E-10-42

- 1.1** **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Environmental Impact Report pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:

 - Route 101 in Humboldt County. Construct roadway improvements including realigning a portion of Route 101 near the town of Garberville. (PPNO 2251)
- 1.2** **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the Environmental Impact Report 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 Environmental Impact Report; and
- 1.4** **WHEREAS**, the Environmental Impact Report did not identify significant effects after mitigation; and
- 2.1** **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby support approval of the above referenced project to allow for consideration of funding.

Figure 2 Project Vicinity Map

